



Cape Neddick Tide

*What's Coming and Going at the Cape Neddick Baptist Church
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PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

Some of you may have seen this before. I found it in the book, 'Holy Humor.' It is called, '*10 Reasons Why a Local Pastor Stopped Attending Sports Events.*'

- 1) Every time I went, they asked me for money.
- 2) The people with whom I had to sit didn't seem very friendly.
- 3) The seats were very hard.
- 4) The coach never came to call on me.
- 5) The referee made a decision with which I could not agree.
- 6) Some games went into overtime and I was late getting home.
- 7) The band played some songs I had never heard before.
- 8) My parents took me to too many games when I was growing up.

9) I was sitting with some hypocrites, I'm sure they came only to see what others were wearing.

10) Since I read a book about sports I feel I know more than the coaches anyhow.

I hope you are smiling....and I hope to see you in worship!! Not only for your sake, but because corporate worship is one way we honor the Lord!!

Speaking of which, I appreciate very much the musical gifts of those who share on Sunday mornings. Most recently, **Nick Lumenello** sang on September 11 the song '**Thrive.**' It spoke of how God wants us to not just survive, but to instead thrive with a joy unspeakable, a faith unsinkable, and a love unstoppable----for anything is possible.' How true. Great job, Nick!!

WE MOURN

We are saddened by the passing of *Roger Paul*, who died on September 21, and by the passing of *Raymond Weare*, who died on

September 25. May God comfort their families.

WELCOME

It was a joy to extend the right hand of fellowship on September 11 to *David Butler, Benjamin Nadeau, and Sarah Nadeau*. What a privilege it is to be a part of Christ's Church.

WORLD MISSION

The annual **World Mission Offering**, which supports the international ministries of the American Baptist Churches, will be taken from October 9 through November 6.



Here are just a few of the countries where we have long-term missionaries serving as global servants: South Sudan, Japan, India, Myanmar, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Costa

Rica, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. PLUS **Cuba** will now be a special focus as a newly-appointed Cuba team works to build relationships for future ministry throughout the island.

Theme this year is *'Celebrating New Life in Christ on Earth as in Heaven'*. Our goal as a church is \$800. Please use the special offering envelopes.

WILLIE BATSON TO SPEAK

Willie Batson, founder and president of Family Builders Ministries, will be speaking during worship on **October 23**. Family Builders, a ministry devoted to helping married couples and families become healthier and stronger, is one of the organizations our church supports through the Sunday morning loose offering.

You are encouraged to come and hear more about the ways God is using this valuable ministry. A door offering will be taken.

ANOTHER WORD FROM PASTOR DON

As I walked around the sanctuary this morning (something I tend to do), I noticed anew the number of items in the sanctuary that have been given in **memory** of former members of our church. These items include the sanctuary floor, the black cabinet at the back of the sanctuary, the blue bench, the sound system, and the church guest book. Plus on the two memorial plaques are

the names of 63 individuals donations have been given in memory of.

Seeing all this reminded me that over the years **hundreds** of people have faithfully served the Lord in and through this church. Though it is never good for a church to live in the past, it is always good to remember that our church exists in part today because of the faithfulness of those who came before us!!

CONFERENCE

The Deeper Life: A Spiritual Formation Gathering featuring **Ann Voskamp** and **Mark Buchanan**, will be held at Grace Chapel in Lexington, MA on Sat., October 29, from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Cost is \$89.00. For more information call 1-877-832-6584.

GOOD READS

Highlighted this month from the church library are books by **Billy Graham**, world renowned evangelist who turns 97 next month. Books by him include *Angels: God's Secret Agents*; *How to Be Born Again*; and *The Journey: How to Live by Faith in an Uncertain World*. One of the books about him is *The Preacher and the Presidents*. Plus there is his full length autobiography: *Just as I Am*. You can pick up these selections at the corner table in the sanctuary.

SOME RANDOM NOTES

*Update on the **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering**. Final total of the offering was \$1480. Again, thanks to all who gave.

*This month's Food Challenge item for the **Food Pantry** is pasta and rice dishes.

*Calling all men to the **Men's Breakfast** on Sat., October 8, at 7:30 AM at Norma's Restaurant.

*The **Quarterly Meeting** will be Wednesday, October 19, at 7:00 PM. Members, your attendance is needed!!

*The annual convention of the **American Baptist Churches of Maine** will be held at the Thomaston Baptist Church October 21 and 22. Further information is on the bulletin board.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

On October 2nd the fall season of **Sunday School** begins. Join us on Sunday mornings from 9:00-10:00AM as we learn and grow together. Let's discover how to **Fully Rely On God (FROG)**☺. There will be classes for children, youth and adults. Come and begin your journey now.



We are excited to be taking part in Samaritan's Purse **Operation**

Christmas Child. On October 30th, November 6th and November 13th, the Sunday School will be wrapping and filling shoeboxes. Our boxes will be completed on Sunday the 13th and ready to begin their journeys. We have collected quite a few shoeboxes already, but we do need appropriate items to put in those boxes. The cost for

shipping is \$7.00 per box. By attaching a barcode label to each individual box, we will be able to track each box and find out the final destination countries. Note: The boxes we sent last year went to Uganda.

Here are a few ways you might choose to participate this year: praying, wrapping, making or purchasing items, filling, writing personal notes to be included in boxes, donating for shipping costs or delivering completed boxes to drop-off location. Please share in this joy and be blessed! *Dianne Hludik*

LOOKING AHEAD

10/4 10:00 Book Club
10/4 5:30 Diaconate
10/5 6:00 Choir Resumes
10/8 7:30 Men's Breakfast
10/11 6:30 BCE
10/12 9:00 ABW
10/12 1:00 Faith Crafting
10/15 Market Fest
10/18 10:00 Book Club
10/18 5:00 Trustees
10/19 7:00 Quarterly Mtg
10/23 11:30 Fellowship Time
10/30 Food Pantry Sunday
11/1 5:30 Diaconate
11/5 Turn Clocks Back

BOOKCLUB

"What pictures, what images and metaphors, does the Bible give us for who God is, and what ways of being with God might those pictures invite?" This is the question author Lauren Winner asks in her book, **Wearing God**. Some images are Beekeeper, Homeless Man, and Tree. Come and join us

as we explore the many ways the Lord portrays Himself in the Bible. You'll have a much more complete picture of our wonderful and glorious God. Our first meeting this fall will be October 4th at 10:00 AM at Pam Trafton's home. *Sue Norton*

MUSIC COMMITTEE

We are thankful to introduce to you **Kim Dame** as our accompanist /choir director. Kim will begin her ministry here at CNBC on October 2nd. Some of you may remember that Kim was here as interim musician during Jud Stone's pastorate. She and her husband Jack live in Kittery. We welcome her with joy!

Our choir will begin practicing on Wednesday, **October 5th, at 6:00 PM**. If your heart is full of joy and love for the Lord, feel free to express this in song! *Gloria Nelson*

ABW

Why not join this wonderful group of women who meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 9:00 at the parsonage from September through June. This month we will meet on **October 12th** with Sue Norton presenting the program. Our focus is to support the Lord's work here and through missionaries in the U.S. and around the world. It is amazing that Jesus has chosen His people to be His hands and feet! As we work on projects together, our friendships continue to grow. *Gloria Nelson*

FAITH CRAFTING

There will be FC on Wednesday **October 12th from 1-3**. Fall is in the air.....Pumpkins & Apple Theme. Come join us as we create and share a fun time! Please RSVP to me 363-7036. *Crystal Butler*

WOMEN'S STUDY

This fall our Life Together Women's Bible Study Group will be studying ten of God's many promises found in Scriptures using Sheila Walsh's book **THE SHELTER of GOD'S PROMISES**. "God is the only promise maker who is always a promise keeper. And God's promises will never fail you!" The 5467 (someone counted!!) promises of God reveal his particular and eternal purposes to which he is unchangeably committed and upon which believers can totally depend. Our study group meets on **Thursdays from 4:30-5:30** at the parsonage. Our time together includes a video presentation, discussion, sharing and praying. It is wonderful to learn from God's word and how it can become part of our lives.



Gloria Nelson



IT'S APPLE CRISP TIME

Before you know it **October 15th** will be here and that means time to create our homemade apple crisps for York Village's Marketfest. Last year's CNBC apple crisp sale was a grand success with one-thousand dollars donated to the York Community Service Association, which includes the York Food Pantry.

Please bring your baked apple crisps to the church vestry Friday, October 14th or Saturday (October 15th) morning before 7:00 a.m. Recipes will be available at the rear of the sanctuary. Don't forget to sign up to make apple crisp and sign up to help serve apple crisp on Saturday October 15th at Marketfest. Free Christian books will be given away making this a good opportunity for the community to meet us and take home a gift from our church.
Thank you.
The Diaconate