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Report of the Financial Secretary, Sandra Grover

2023 Congregational Giving Budgeted:	\$ 66,000.00
Congregational Giving	\$ 9,325.00
Building use	\$ 475.00
Earthquake in Turkey & Syria	\$ 550.00
Match from Missions	\$ 550.00



Thank you!

Church attendance

	Adults	Children
2/5	25	5
2/12	32	8
2/19		
2/26	24	2

And many on Zoom and by phone



OGHS—One Great Hour of Sharing UMCOR—United Methodist Committee on Relief

We will be collecting for OGHS and UMCOR on March 19th. Donations can be given all through March. This is the mission arm of each of our denominations. Checks to be made to The Federated Church with OGHS in the memo and will be equally shared with UMCOR. Envelopes are in the pews and in Bailey Hall.



Church Council

Chair	Sue Congdon
Treasurer	Olavi Wirkki
Clerk	Sandra Grover
Ex Officio-	Pastor Kathy Clark
Building and Grounds	Ed Coy
Education	Tammy Lang
Finance	Brian Allen
Worship & Ministry	David Moore
Missions & Outreach	Sandra Grover

Team Members

1. Alyson Grzyb	2. Jeff McConnell
1. Scott Lang	2.
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1. Phyllis Warren	2. Linda McDevitt
1. Gail Rice	2. Ann Smith

March Birthdays

- I – Carolyn Lavalee Brown
26 Jasper Lane
Arlington, VT 05250
- 11 – Michelanne Sylvester
3008 Vt. Route 7A
Arlington, VT 05250
- 18 – Lauriane Cornwell
475 Old Depot Road
Shaftsbury, VT 05262
- 29 – Nathalie Caler
96 Carbondale Circle
Arlington, VT 05250



Anniversaries

- 15—Dianne and Kevin Horton
534 Warm Brook Road
Arlington, VT 05250

Children and Youth

- March 18, Kiera Bushee



**Southwest Association, UCC
Prays for their Churches**

Each week one of the churches in the Southwest Association, UCC, will be prayed for by the other churches in the association.

- March 5:** United Church of Dorset and East Rupert
- March 12:** Federated Church of East Arlington
- March 19:** First Congregational Church of Fair Haven
- March 26:** First Congregational Church of Hubbardton

Lectionary Readings for March

- March 5:** Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 121
Romans 5:1-11; John 3:1-17
- March 12:** Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95
Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42
- March 19:** 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-45
- March 26:** Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

**Arlington Area Food Shelf
2022**

The Arlington Food Shelf
P.O. Box 723
Arlington, VT 05250

Please donate non-perishable food. Place in box in church entry or the box in the garage (small door).

Valentine's Update

Together Girl Scout Junior Troop 61642, The Federated Church of East Arlington, Fisher School, Arlington Memorial High School and the Arlington, Vt Community collected 680 Valentine's Day cards for Equinox Terrace, Crescent Manor, Bennington Veteran's Home, Bennington Health and Rehab, and Bromley Manor Residents. Notably this year there were a big variety of cards, including bookmarks and hand knitted heart coasters. Thank you so much for your participation because you made a difference. See you next year!

March Helping Hands Needed

We need helpers to assist with our services.

- Greeter – 1 per service
- Readers – 1 per month, or share with someone
- Refreshment time – set up, clean up
- Altar – 1 or 2 per week – once a month to set up for Communion, polish cross, candleholders if needed, check candles.



CHILDREN'S Sunday School

Christian Education

Sunday School March 12

Watch the midweek message for added Sunday School days.



March 5 Girl Scout Sunday at The Federated Church

March 12 from noon-1pm

March 26 from noon-1pm

Ways we can help



Candy to fill plastic eggs



Thank You

Thank you!

Thank you to those of you who have provided rides for Steve and to those of you who have offered to give rides. It has been extremely helpful to have that help and I am forever grateful for all of you!

Steve is no longer going to be attending BPI. It is a fantastic facility but Steve and I are feeling more and more confident about him staying home alone so we're going to give that a try for a while.

Alyson



Welcome New Members

We are so blessed and thankful to God for our new members.

Casey Annunziata (Adam to join soon)

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Arlington, VT 05250

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caseyannunziata@gmail.com

Karen and Ed Coy

449 Sunset Lane

Arlington, VT 05250

Karen's cell 661-433-9342

karencoy8@gmail.com

Ed's cell 802-440-2340

edwardcoy60@gmail.com

Dianne Horton

534 Warm Brook Road

Arlington, VT 05250

802-375-2817

Cell 802-681-8525

kdkabhorton@yahoo.com

Adventures In Reading

In honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, March is designated as National Reading Month, a month to motivate Americans of all ages to read every day. Reading is fun and has many benefits, regardless of your age. Reading has benefits.

Reading often makes you kinder

Studies have shown that people who read more fictional books are more likely to be kinder to others than people who don't.

Reading fast helps your eyes

Reading a book fast will help to strengthen your vision.

It reduces stress

A good book can be a great stress reliever if you allow yourself to get lost in the book.

It improves your vocabulary

Reading good books often will help to improve your vocabulary as you would be coming across new words.

Your creativity is increased

Consistent reading will help to increase your imagination, which will stimulate your brain to develop new ideas and make you more creative.

Enjoy reading!
Phyllis



We met to discuss the future of the Prayer Shawl Ministry. It was decided to continue to meet the third Saturday of each month but not as Prayer Shawl but as a group of women to meet for fellowship. Giving away shawls, hats, scarves, etc. will continue.

We thought more women from the community would like to attend but not as Prayer Shawl, but with a new name. Those attending can bring their knitting, crocheting, etc. while enjoying the fellowship.

The next meeting we will come up with a name for this group, discuss the group's direction and see what comes out of this change.

Please invite and encourage others to attend on Saturday, March 18th at 11:30 a.m. in Bailey Hall. Bring your own lunch, coffee and tea will be provided.

How exciting to see where God leads this group.

See you there.

Worship With Us in person and on Zoom

10:00 a.m.

Masks optional **Also:** via Zoom using this link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89119439251>.

Or join by phone at 1-646-876-9923 and you will be asked for the Meeting ID and you should enter 891 1943 9251 followed by the # sign.

Our services are on GNAT Sundays at 9:30a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on channels 1074, 1084 and 1094 or go to the GNAT-TV website to view them anytime after Tuesday of each week.

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Watch for an email from Kathy with the Sunday bulletin and link to join.

Contribution Statements

Please let me know how you would like your 2022 contribution statements delivered to you:

postal mail email picked up at the office

You can contact me anytime to get an update of your giving.

Sandy Grover, Financial Secretary

sandragrover@gmail.com or 802-375-4982

It's Back!

Mac and Cheese Extravaganza

And

Dessert Auction

at the Federated Church of East Arlington

Ice Pond Road, East Arlington, VT

Saturday, March 11th

5:00pm dinner 'til food is gone

6:00pm dessert auction



Free will offering

To benefit the programming of

Arlington Area Childcare Inc. & Federated Church of East Arlington

For more information contact

Arlington Area Childcare at 375-6039

assistantdirector@arlingtonareachildcaer.org

The season of lent



You are invited to join your friends and neighbors to explore the rituals that bind us as we answer the question:

"Why is this night different from all other nights?"

Come together and enjoy this fabulous feast celebrating liberation and freedom!

When: Sunday, March 26

Where: Israel Congregation

Time: 6:00 pm

Sponsored by the Interfaith Council of the Northshire

Bill Taylor Historical Harp Player Concert

Historical harp player Bill Taylor, visiting from Scotland, will give a solo recital on Sunday afternoon March 26th at the Federated Church of East Arlington to benefit the Summer Lunch Program.

He will present a concert of ancient, traditional and modern music from England, Ireland and Scotland using two small instruments – a medieval wire-strung harp made in Brattleboro and an antique psaltery made in Boston. He has chosen medieval sacred melodies in honor of the Virgin Mary and St. Patrick, dance tunes from 17th-century England, Gaelic airs from 18th-century Scotland and Ireland, an ancient pibroch, and modern tunes by Highland composers.

Bill, son of Herb and Pat Taylor in Bennington, is a specialist in the performance of ancient harp music from Ireland, Scotland and Wales. He has for thirty years been living in the Scottish Highlands, where he makes harps, teaches and performs with various groups.

The concert will take place at 2:00pm on Sunday afternoon March 26th. Donations are welcome. For more information, please contact the church office at 802-375-2548 or by email at federatedchurch05250@gmail.com

Bill had an interview with Helen Lyons from Vermont Public Radio via Zoom to promote his concert at the Federated Church of East Arlington on Sunday afternoon, March 26th. The interview will be edited and broadcast on Tuesday morning, March 21st at 8:30 a.m. and Thursday, March 23rd at 5:30 p.m.





March 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 12n-Senior Meals 7p-Antisemitism program-Israel Congregation &	3	4
5 GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY Cookies available 10a-Worship/Communion in person and on Zoom 11a-Fellowship time	6	7 12n-Senior Meals	8 12n-Serenity Singers	9 12n-Senior Meals	10 9a-Book Study	11 5p-Mac & cheese Dinner-Arlington Area Child Care 6p-Dessert auction DAYLIGHT SAVINGS Spring forward
12 10a-Worship in person and on Zoom & Sunday School 11a-Fellowship time 12p-Girl Scouts	13	14 12n-Senior Meals	15 2:30-4p-Serenity Singers	16 12n-Senior Meals	17 9a-Book Study	18 11:30a-Prayer Shawl
19 10a-Worship-in person and on Zoom ONE GREAT HOUR SHARING 11a-Fellowship time	20 First day of spring	21 8:30a-Bill Taylor interview on NPR 12n-Senior Meals	22	23 5:30p-Bill Taylor interview on NPR 12n-Senior Meals 5:30-7p-Dorset church dinner	24	25
26 10a-Worship in person and on Zoom 11a-Fellowship time 12p-Junior Girl Scouts 2p-Bill Taylor Harp Concert 6p-Israel Congregation IFC interfaith seder	27 12n-Adventures In Reading pot-luck lunch	28 12n-Senior Meals				