

FIRST CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL
United Church of Christ
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FIRST CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

Sharing God's extravagant welcome, love and forgiveness for all, we joyfully live by Christ's example, working together for healing and justice in our community and beyond.

TWO WORSHIP SERVICES RESUME ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services.

Beginning on Sunday, September 9, we will return to two Sunday worship services. Services will be held at 8 AM in the chapel and at 10 AM in the sanctuary. The Ministry of Spiritual Nourishment has voted to celebrate Holy Communion at both services on this Sunday. The members of this Ministry wish to thank the congregation for supporting their decision to hold a single Sunday service during the summer months.

After the 10:00 service, anyone who wishes is invited to bring a "brown bag" lunch and head to the Isinglass River Falls Trail off Rochester Neck Road which is off Rte 125 shortly after the Rochester Country Club. You will have an option of 3 trails that lead to a beautiful waterfall. This will be an opportunity for First Church folk to have a day of fun and share a picnic.

OUR FOOD CUPBOARD

In August we have had even more requests than July, soooooo...

Our cupboard is in need of the following items:

canned juices/juice mixes, powdered milk, evaporated milk, soups, canned fruit, canned meats (Spam), tuna, pudding cups, jello, crackers, jams/jellies, peanut butter, small containers of mayo/ketchup/mustard, boxed mac & cheese, spaghetti sauce, canned tomatoes, hash, instant mashed potato, dish liquid, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant (men/women), toilet tissue, soap. (This may sound like the same list as last month, with some changes, but these are the foods/items that are needed on a fairly regular basis.)

A NOTE FROM ELIZA

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them... and teaching them."
Matthew 28:19-20

Jesus' last words in the Gospel according to Matthew is an exhortation: don't keep this Good News to yourselves, but go out into the world and talk about it! Tell everyone. Let this message of love and hope and redemption be available to all. Go and make disciples of all nations.

Most of us read this now and cringe, just a little.

Because this passage has been abused, most certainly. European colonial powers forced Christianity upon thousands of Americans, Africans, and Asians. People were baptized without understanding it, and certainly without choosing it. Christianity became a tool of colonial control, a status symbol of racial and ethnic hierarchy. This is not how we create disciples: willing followers of the Gospel. This is not how we love our neighbor. And so we cringe.

But I think that we also cringe because the thought of going out and talking about our faith is uncomfortable to us. In the last decade or more, American Christianity has taken several blows, from post-9/11 appearance of a patriotic and vengeful God, and ensuing rejection of the core Christian values of forgiveness and mercy; through the Catholic Church's sexual abuse scandals; to the use of "Christian values" as a political litmus test in every election of this century so far. So far in this century, the General Social Survey data shows a 12 point drop in the public's trust of religious institutions, according to Diana Butler Bass' recent book, *Christianity After Religion*. A 12 point drop: to 20%. That's not much trust. That's a lot of tarnish on our reputation. That's a lot of empty pews.

Many people have lost faith in the church because they know what Christianity should be about, and they're judging the institutional church by its own measure: love, compassion, welcome. But by that measure, I think we're doing pretty well. By that measure, we are well on our way towards living the Gospel message with integrity and authenticity. By that measure, we should all be able to hold our heads up high, to proclaim that Jesus didn't exclude people, and neither do we. That we are working to build up the Body of Christ, not to tear it down. That we are committed to loving our neighbors - all of them - as ourselves.

Let us have the courage of our convictions; the courage of confidence in this loving community of disciples. Let us swallow our impulse to cringe, so that we may say to all: "Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

Yours in Christ,
Eliza

The Ministry of Spiritual Nourishment (Deacons)

Fall is arriving, schools are opening, the days are growing shorter, the air is changing.....Likewise we are returning to "fall to spring time". Services in the sanctuary will resume at 10am on Sept. 9th and services in the Chapel will return to 8 o'clock. In keeping with "changing" there will be a few things done a little differently. For starters, Communion will be on the second Sunday of September (the same for both services). Lighting of the candles will once again be part of the service of worship.

It is our sincere wish to offer a reflective, exciting, spiritual, music-filled time of worship for all. Your comments and thoughts are most welcomed, for this is our Church and we (all of us) are part of this Church Family.

The Deacons will be entering into Retreat with Rev. Eliza the beginning of September. As we learn and grow and discover during this retreat, hold us in your prayers that we may come to a fuller understanding of our religious practices, liturgy and faith.

Now for another bit of useless trivia.....if Jell-O is hooked up to an EEG, it registers movements virtually identical to the brain waves of a healthy adult.

Gayle Richards, Chair



Nursery Care

Each Sunday during the 10:00 worship service, nursery care will be available for children birth to age 4. Linda Maynard, Amanda Daley, Evelyn Schafer and Kelley Gibson are sharing the responsibility of caring for the little ones. If you would interested in being part of this ministry, please contact a member of the Ministry of Faith Formation – Jodi Cook, Debbie Weymouth, Marcy Cook, Jennifer Brooks, Terry Sammis, Sharon Reed-

Erickson or Dan Britt.

Sunday School in the fall

Sunday School will resume on September 9 at 10:00 – having the children in worship during the first fifteen minutes of the service and then going downstairs to class. On the first Sunday of the month the children begin downstairs and then head upstairs to share in the Lord's Supper. Anyone who was not able to come to the picnic on August 26 and register for Sunday School can register on the 9th. >

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TUESDAY MORNING STUDIES

All interested persons are invited to come to the Woodes Conference Room at 10:30 on Tuesday mornings for Bible study led by Eliza. The study will focus on the lectionary for the following Sunday.



PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING FIRST CHURCH'S VIDEO TEAM

Every week Metrocast graciously broadcasts our worship service on Channel 12. While Nielsen ratings aren't available, we know that many people—homebound and otherwise—regularly watch us. Through Bob LeMoine's efforts our worship services and Pastor's sermons are now available for internet viewing. If you've sung in the choir, read scripture, or otherwise been a “presenter” during the service, you may have been surprised by the number of folks who recognize you from your television appearance. Linda Maynard can attest that when our service isn't broadcast, or experiences a “technical difficulty,” First Church receives calls from viewers who count on our weekly broadcast. This truly is a valuable part of our ministry to the community.

Filming the service requires one person in the recording booth. That person arrives perhaps 10 minutes before the start of the service, and is finished at the end of the postlude. Editing the service for Channel 12 takes about four hours of active time, and we currently break that task into two 2-hour segments, each segment performed by a different person. We currently have three members who film the service, and four members who edit the service. Bob LeMoine currently does all of the work needed to put the service on the internet each week, which takes about 4 hours per week.

We welcome anyone who is interested in joining us, whether to film, edit, or upload videos to the web. All necessary training will be supplied. Members and friends as young as 12 have filmed the service, and teenagers have edited. It wouldn't take many additional workers so that no member would have to work >

more often than once per month. If you're willing to try, please speak with either Dan or Bob.

Monthly men's fellowship & breakfast 2nd Saturday of each month

This month (September 8th) we will continue our standard discussions of what's wrong with the world, how to fix it and ask the proverbial question, “Why don't they just listen to us?” We meet at the *Pink Cadillac Diner* located on Route 11 just North of Spaulding Turnpike exit 15. Contact bill.sammis@unh.edu.

< < < **MINISTRY OF OUTREACH** > > >

IMAGINING! Neighbors in Need [NIN] is a special mission offering of the UCC that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of the funds support the Council for American Indian Ministries [CAIM]. Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries [JWM] to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts and direct service projects.

During September we will be Imagining a World Without Violence, Discrimination and Oppression, Hunger and Poverty. Your support to this Offering would be appreciated. Envelopes are included with this newsletter and will be available at the back of the Chapel and the Sanctuary.

FROM THE CHIKORE WORKGROUP:

The Carroll-Strafford Association will sponsor Don and Maryjane Westra, missionaries at Mt. Selinda in Zimbabwe. First Church will host a potluck supper at 6 p.m. on Friday, September 14 in the Parson Main Fellowship Hall. The Westras will tell us all about their mission work and show pictures of the past three years. Don is a tooling engineer from LeMars, Iowa and Maryjane a mental health case manager from Fergus Falls, Minnesota. They have been married since 1973. At Mt. Selinda Don is serving in the Micro-Enterprise and Strategic Planning/Management Program and Maryjane is Hospital Administrator, which includes responsibilities at the Daisy Dube Children's Home.

As partners with the UC church in Chikore we urge you to attend this special event to learn more about the life of our sister church.

HERE IS NEWS FROM JOSEPH SIBIYA, HOT OFF THE PRESS! YAY!

Confirmation from Mediterranean Shipping Company is that the shipping container is now in Beira Mozambique starting sailing from Durban on the 25th of August. It is hoped to arrive in Zimbabwe in 10 days time.

Habitat for Humanity

For an update on the progress of the Silver St, Rochester or Farmington homes, please contact bill.sammis@unh.edu.

The ReStore, at the former roller rink in Newington, 29 Fox Run Rd, is open 9-5, Tues - Sat. Tel. 603-750-3200. New volunteers (to work at the ReStore!) are always welcome. Want to contribute something? Call or email -- 750-3200 manager@nhrestore.org .

REPORT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

August 2012

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	
08/01/12	\$ 2,361.06
Pledges	\$ 8,530.00
Other	3,175.56
Transfer from Unison Acct.	-0-
Transfer from Purdy Fund	-0-
Total Income	\$11,705.56
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Total Expenses	\$10,832.14
Income/Deficit	\$ 873.42



IT'S COMING! IT'S COMING!
 THE ROCHESTER FAIR IS almost here
 September 14 - 23
 FIRST CHURCH'S FAIR BOOTH NEEDS YOUR help

Bob and Judie Gustafson have generously donated the use of their booth on the midway to us for the 24th consecutive year! Your involvement with the booth is a great chance to meet and/or get better acquainted with some more people at First Church and get involved in a service opportunity that is important to both the church and the community.

To help keep the cost of running the booth down, there is a list of supplies in the Parson Main Fellowship Hall. If you would be able to sign up to provide any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated. To save you time and trouble, cash donations to purchase supplies (that haven't been > donated) and the consumable items may be made, no matter the size. You may put cash or check (payable to First Church) in an

envelope marked "Fair Booth" and place in the Sunday offering plate or send a check to the church, 63 S Main St, Rochester NH 03867. Please contact the church office, 332-1121, for more information.

The committee also will **NEED VOLUNTEERS** to staff the booth. A sign-up sheet listing the times of the shifts is in the office and in the Parson Main Fellowship Hall on Sundays. The more people who volunteer, the less any one or two people have to do. *Shifts are flexible according to your schedule. If you can only work part of a shift, PLEASE call Kris at 207-636-1955 or 207-459-6201 and she will accommodate you.*

Newsletter Deadline

If you or your committee have material for our newsletter, it is important that it be submitted by the **15th day of the month** for the next month's publication. **Articles should be brief.** The editorial staff reserves the right to edit articles. We will make every effort to include as much of your material as space allows. In order not to pay additional fees, we need to make sure the newsletter does not exceed 5 pieces of paper. Thank you for noting the monthly deadline of the **15th of the month**.



September Birthdays

(Those that we have in the computer.)

Paula Beaudin

David Weymouth

Sylvia Berry

Linda Maynard

Clare Howard

Sebastian Cook

Bryan Karolian

Dolly Moore

Sandy Ayer

Pete Daley

ADDRESS, PHONE OR EMAIL CHANGE?????

Because the church newsletter is 3rd class mail, people often forget to notify the church of a change of address. However, we are charged a "return to sender" fee when we do not have your current address. If you can, please call the church office, 332-1121, or email us at fristucc@myfairpoint.net with any change in address, phone number or email address. Thank you.

SPONSORSHIP OF "RIFKI"

Rifki is our Indonesian 9 year old whom the church school and Ministry of Faith Formation are sponsoring through Child Fund (formerly the Christian Children's Fund).

Each month an individual or family sponsors Rifki for a month (or more) at \$28. **Ronda Lepene is the sponsor for September & October.** If you would be willing and able to be a sponsor, please call the church office, 332-1121.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE NH CONFERENCE

Opportunities for learning and fellowship are available through the Conference, thanks in part to our gifts to OCWM. You can learn of these events by viewing the Conference website, www.nhcucc.org



The **BASKET BRIGADE** Chugs Along.....many thanks for all the donations from so many of you. The hours of sorting have moved on to creations, bows are appearing and tags are being made. We would certainly appreciate some small packets of coffee and hot chocolate, AND we'll gladly accept any and all chocolate for the surefire money-making CHOCOLATE raffle basket. THANKS!!

How about some cookbooks for the CookBook Nook? And we'll need a Friday, November 2 attendant. Anyone interested in setting up Recycled Christmas, and helping Friday and/or Saturday? Would you want to help in the Bakery? If you haven't been before but would like to help in some way, call the church office, 332-1121, during the week or speak with Libby Feuer or Linda Maynard after worship on Sunday about the various tasks. (see sample below)

**What YOU Can Do For The WINTER FAIRE, Nov. 2 & 3
Just 2 months away!!!**

The Faire Needs Help from everyone!

The gift baskets, bowls and trays are a huge part of the Winter Faire and there'll be oodles more to entice every shopper.

- Blueberry Pancake “Breakfast” (8am-1pm)
- Bakery
- Handcrafts
- SERRV cabinet will be well-stocked
- Recycled Christmas
- Cook Book Nook
- Once-Again Jewelry

Shoppers are always on the look-out for homemade jams, jellies, pickles, > > piccalilli, horseradish and salsas.

Knitted, hand-sewn or crocheted items (hats, mittens, scarves, ornaments, etc. etc.); counted cross-stitch; wood crafts are always popular.

Please call the church office, 332-1121 with your offers to help. Thanks!



END OF SUMMER BLOOMS FOR WORSHIP

As your flower gardens begin to end their blooming season, please consider sharing with the congregation what is still in bloom. There will be a variety of vases available for use during the summer for anyone who would like to bring in a choice bloom or two, or an entire bouquet for the worship service.

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SAVE THESE DATES –

UKAMA FAIR

There will be an Ukama Partnership Fair on Saturday, September 15 at the Conference Center in Pembroke.

Missionaries Don and Maryjane Westra will offer the keynote address in the morning. This is a wonderful

opportunity to learn about life at the Mt. Selinda Mission Station from Don and Maryjane, who have served there for three years and are returning soon for another four year term. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the Fair will run from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. The day includes a pot-luck lunch.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

LOCAL FOOD POTLUCK SUPPER – Saturday, September 29 @ 6:00 p.m.

The Peace & Justice Committee invites you to the Parson Main Fellowship Hall again to enjoy local food dishes and learn more about local farms and Community Supported Agriculture.

Please bring a potluck dish either for an appetizer, a main dish, or a desert. Try to use locally grown or prepared foods, such as can be found at a farmer's market, own garden, or a market which sells locally grown and made foods. Each dish should have a description of the ingredients and maybe where you bought it, so > we can learn from one another. Takes some time, but is fun!

Our program will feature Jon and Wendy Berry speaking about their own farm and

Mark and Linsey from the NH Farm Museum's CSA. Roger Burkhart will inform us about new initiatives around food issues. Come join us and bring a friend. Children are welcome. Beverages will be provided.



THE CABARET IS COMING
Saturday, October 27 – 6:30 Dessert; 7:00 Entertainment

Performers, take a bow. You've sparkled and entertained. You've made us laugh as well as reflect, and now it's time to prepare your next act for the sixth annual First Church Cabaret. Past performers and new, members and friends of all ages are invited to join the revue. Variety is a hallmark of the evening, from Broadway to pop, jazz to sacred, vocals or instrumentals, solos or quartets. And don't forget poetry and fiction, drama and comedy, dance and gymnastics routines. So polish that performance and come share your talents.

And remember, every entertainer needs a good audience, so mark your calendar and come early to be sure to get a seat. Desserts and coffee will be served.



SAVE ANOTHER DATE!! **One Day Retreat**

Thank you to all who filled out the survey requested by our **Ministry of Faith Formation** regarding Retreats. We have reviewed your responses, and we have a PLAN!

Most responders indicated an interest in Contemplative Worship exploration, and preferred a fall retreat, so we are planning to give you what you asked for!! Our plan is to have a full day retreat, exploring and experiencing various contemplative approaches, on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10**. Don't forget to put this date in your calendar NOW!

AND YET ANOTHER DATE!

Can you believe it's been 10 years that our church has been Open and Affirming!! In acknowledgement of this, the Peace and Justice Committee will be sponsoring a celebration of this event on **Sunday, October 14**. Save and date and stay tuned for details!

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STAY CONNECTED TO FIRST CHURCH:
 Our website: www.first-ucc.net

Twitter: Follow the First Church Twitter feed:
 @RochesterNHUCC

Facebook: We have both a page for publicity purposes and a group which is closed to the general public and is used for First Church people to communicate urgent prayer needs and information, event reminders, or anything else you would like to share with the group. If you would like to be part of this group, please contact Bob Lemoine

iTunes:
itpc://firstchurchcongregational.podmatic.com/rss2.wml

THANK YOU!!!

BLUEBERRY FEST A HUGE SUCCESS

To all those who worked the day of this event, the people who baked, made something for or donated garden produce to the food table, and those folk of First Church who came and ate and/or bought something... a million thanks. We cleared \$561.50!!!

YARD SALE A SUCCESS

Grateful thanks to Kris Cormier for coordinating the church yard sale on August 25. It was a huge success! Kris rallied a large crew of people at 6:30am to carry out to the front of the church the "treasures" people had donated. Thank you to those people and the ones who came later in the morning to "sell" the "treasures" and those who came at 1:00 to clean up! Thank you to Madeline Goodwin who managed the food table and all those who contributed something to it. The total from the sale of "stuff" and the food table was \$1239.55!!!

HELP US MAKE OUR MISSION DOLLARS GO FURTHER....

The basic support we give through Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM) to the NH Conference reflects our generous and voluntary support of Christ's work in our state, in our nation, and in over 80 countries around the world. This year First Church has pledged \$3,500 to the NH Conference so that together we may provide the vital services and programs our local churches need, including pastoral search assistance to approximately 30 congregations per year, Christian education services, stewardship development, youth and outdoor ministries, and local mission grants. To date, we have sent \$1,077.70 realized from the 3 "Take Home Suppers" in Jan., Feb., March and the > Book Sale in February. The proceeds of the auction will be sent and, hopefully, complete our pledge – with a little extra!

Besides our voluntary OCWM gifts, we are asked to keep covenant with our member churches and the Conference through Fellowship Dues. Historically, all the churches in the Conference have agreed on this procedure as a way for every church to contribute to our common work. Fellowship dues (sometimes called Per Capita Dues) is currently assessed at \$8.00 per active member (over each of the next two years it will increase by \$1.00) This \$8.00 is added to our Association dues, which supports the mission of our Carroll-Strafford Association.

While it is true that the NH Conference requests the lowest amount of Fellowship Dues in our region and among the denominations, the Ministry of Stewardship is requesting your help. At this point in our fiscal year First Church is running a deficit budget. As churches go, we are not alone in this matter. Many churches have a simple way to help reduce (or cover) a deficit. They ask each active member to voluntarily contribute the amount of Fellowship Dues. \$10/person would adequately cover the cost of this initiative. Please find it in your heart and your pocketbook to write a check to the church earmarked on the memo line 'for church deficit'. **The members of the Ministry of Stewardship want to thank those who have sent in or brought in their Fellowship Dues.**

BE SURE TO ATTEND THE AUTUMN AUCTION

Come & bid on dessert-a-month; dinner in a box; gift certificates; groceries; furniture; inflatable EZ bed; hammock chair; camping equipment; rocking horses;

Vera Bradley handbag ... to name only a few

Bidding Starts at 6:30 pm on Saturday, September 8

First Church's auction is almost here! This event will be held in the Parson Main Fellowship Hall at the church. Again this year there will be a Bake/Food Sale during the auction. The bidding begins at 6:30 pm. Hot dogs, sandwiches, cold drinks & coffee will be available from 5:30-6:30. A FREE brownie with vanilla ice cream or frozen yogurt will also be available from 5:30-6:30.

On the food table there will be such treats as pies, breads, cakes, cookies, brownies, etc. priced for sale. No waiting for them to be auctioned off.

The "Silent Auction" part of the evening goes from 5:30-7:30. There will be an area of the Fellowship Hall where donated items will be displayed. There will be a piece of paper with each item on which you record your auction booklet number and the amount you are willing to pay. You may want to keep checking the paper to see if someone writes an amount of money they are willing to pay that's a bit more than you. If you want the item and are willing to pay more, simply write in your new amount under the last bidder. At 7:30, the auctioneer will announce the successful bidder for each item. > > >

Auction booklets will be available on Sunday, September 2. If you will be unable to attend but want to bid on an item or two, there is an absentee bid form in the back of each booklet.

If you filled out a donation form or pledged a donation, you may drop things off during the week between 8am and 2:00pm or on Saturday the 8th from 9am-noon or after 2:00pm. This auction will only be successful with your help. Your time and donations are greatly appreciated

Please come and bring the family, relatives, friends and neighbors! This event is open to the public.



BLUEBERRY PANCAKE BREAKFAST WILL BE OCTOBER 6 Saturday, October 6th will be blueberry pancake morning at First Church from 7:30-10:00am. (You can order plain pancakes if you wish!) Our wait staff will take your order for 1, 2, or 3 blueberry or plain pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, orange juice, coffee/tea/milk. The cost will be \$6.00/person, children 5-10, \$3.00, under age 5, FREE. The proceeds of this breakfast will go to further the ministry of First Church. This is a public breakfast so please spread the word far and wide!

UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL AVAILABLE

The Upper Room, a daily devotional guide, is available at the back of the chapel. It is provided FREE as a ministry of First Church. You may pick one up and use personally, give to a shut-in, carry with you, give to a friend, etc. If you would like one mailed to you, please call the church office, 332-1121. We also have some enlarged print copies.



If you like to sing and you are high school age or older, PLEASE consider becoming part of the Sr Choir during the 10:00 worship service or the Chapel Choir during the 8:00 service. The Chapel Choir rehearses for about 10 minutes following worship on Sunday morning. The Sr Choir rehearsals are Wednesday nights at 7:00 in the chapel beginning September 5. Please speak with our organist/choir director, Dick Lavache, if you would like to sing in either choir. It has been said, "If you have been given a musical gift, it is essential that you use it to Glorify the Giver." Being part of the choir doesn't cost a cent, only some of your time!

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

In an effort to be good stewards of all kinds of resources, the staff and Trustees would like to send the monthly newsletter via email to those who would like to receive it in that manner. If you would, please email us your address at firstucc@myfairpoint.net.

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE. . . A FEW WAYS YOU MIGHT HELP CUT OFFICE EXPENSES

If you are able and would like to help, you could donate a ream of 8½ x 14 white copy paper, stamps, and used ink cartridges. Staples pays \$2 credit for each cartridge up to 20/month. You can leave them on a Sunday or drop them off during the week. Thanks!

Parson Main Messenger

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~~~ An Open and Affirming Congregation ~~~

### Sunday Worship

8:00am – Chapel (Handicapped Accessible)  
10:00am – Sanctuary  
(Handicapped Accessible)  
(Nursery Care Provided)

### Children's Christian Education Program

Sundays at 10:00am

### Television Ministry

6 p.m. Sundays – Channel 12

### Church Officers

Kenn Ortmann – Moderator

### Church Staff

Rev. Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy, Pastor  
Office Hours 9-2, Mon.-Thurs.  
Office tel. 332-1121 ext 2  
email: [rochesterpastor@gmail.com](mailto:rochesterpastor@gmail.com)

Please remember that the pastor is frequently called away, or may have other commitments during the day. It is best to call first if you need to speak with her.

Richard Lavache, Organist/Choir Director  
Ms. Linda Maynard, Administrative Assistant  
[firstucc@myfairpoint.net](mailto:firstucc@myfairpoint.net)

### Church Office Hours

Mon.-Fri.: 8am - 2:00pm

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