

# MUSIC NOTES

for July 2016

Beverly Caldon, Music Director



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“And the winners are....”

Here is Music-Arts Committee chair Ann Robinson proudly announcing the two winners of the 2016 Daniel Harris Scholarship. Congratulations to Keene High graduates Patience Kayira and Pearl Allen, both sopranos, who each received a \$500 check. Jennifer Adams took the picture.

Thank you to Ann for serving as the MAC chair. Starting in July new co-chairs are Jim Robinson and Marion Eckhard. Carolyn Keller just resigned from Music-Arts to assume an important role on the Stewardship committee. We will miss her, but she is an enthusiastic go-getter person, and her Stewardship skills will benefit the whole church.

**JULY 10 NO CHURCH SERVICE here.** Surry Lake Recreational Area will host an ecumenical service at 1 PM instead.

*Choir Party* Yay! **Choir Party at Carl's Camp Echo** on Sand Pond in Marlow on Saturday, July 16 at 1 PM. BYO meat for the grill and a dish to share. Bring a lawn chair, too, and sunshine. Respond to Carl's invitation and he'll give you directions. Bell ringers, singers, MAC committee, Godspell Production Team, and staff are invited, along with spouses, family, and summer visitors. See you there!

Get Well wishes to Ruthie, Henry, and Marge.

*Art Panels* Photographer Carol Garcia Landry has displayed her pictures of “Reflections” at our second floor gallery. They will remain on exhibit until the fall.

*Coming Events* Our church is hosting a music festival called “Around the Mountain Choral Festival” on Sat., August 6. It is sponsored by the Monadnock Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, Keene State College, NH Chapter of the American Choral Directors’ Association, and our church. There will be workshops and rehearsals in the afternoon, with all participants performing a concert of **Faure’s Requiem** at 7 PM. Dr. E. Wayne Abercrombie from UMass-Amherst will direct, with William Ness from Worcester MA as organist, and Bev Caldon as rehearsal pianist. Mail \$60 checks to Monadnock Chapter AGO, attn.: Ms. Sandra Hunt, 33 Barker St., Keene NH 03431. Students pay \$10.

SUMMER-SING of **Schubert’s “Mass in G”** on Weds., August 24 at Union Congregational Church (UCC) in Peterborough. Singers come at 5 PM to rehearse a little, with concert at 7 PM. Free. Matthew Leese, conducting; Beverly Caldon, organist. We have scores that you can borrow.

### *Change These Dates*

Gathering Sunday is now Sept. 11, instead of Labor Day weekend as previously advertised. The Senior Choir will sing, and our new minister, Rev. Cindy Bagley, will lead worship. First rehearsal of the choir season is Thurs., Sept. 8 at 7 PM.

Also, the Keene Music Festival, usually on Labor Day weekend, will now coincide with the Monadnock Fall Festival on Saturday, October 1, as a wonderful mega-extravaganza.

### *Godspell* in November

Coming November 18 and 19, our Church (Marty Hennum and team) is again producing a multi-generational, community-participating musical!!!

GODSPELL (last produced by us in 2005) is based on the Gospel According to St. Matthew, and featuring a score by Stephen Schwartz, boasts a string of well-loved songs, led by the international hit, *Day By Day*. As the cast performs *Prepare Ye The Way Of The Lord, Learn Your Lessons Well, All For The Best, All Good Gifts, Turn Back, O Man* and *By My Side*, the parables of Jesus Christ come humanly and hearteningly to life. Drawing from various theatrical traditions, such as clowning, pantomime, charades, acrobatics and vaudeville, *Godspell* is a groundbreaking and unique reflection on the life of Jesus, with a message of kindness, tolerance and love.

To join the cast, email your contact info to Jean Nelson at [jpnels@myfairpoint.net](mailto:jpnels@myfairpoint.net). Watch upcoming emails and bulletin announcements for more opportunities to enjoy and support this show. Profits from this production will benefit the Steeple Fund.

The Godspell Production Team includes Marty Hennum, director; Barbara Leatherman, producer; Jean Nelson, music director; Diantha Dorman and Beverly Caldon, pianists; Alice Bernet, publicity (who submitted this article!).