

## In The Region

### StageCoach Women's First Chorus Concert - December 17th

NASHUA – This is the first concert of the StageCoach Productions Women's Choir, and is being led by StageCoach Production's award winning music director, Judy Hayward of Mont Vernon.

Come celebrate the season with the StageCoach Women's Chorus!

This newly formed group, sponsored by the theater organization StageCoach Productions, will be presenting a winter concert Saturday, December 17th, 8:00 p.m.

Music will consist of vocal selections of various countries and many styles.

The concert will be held at the new Judd Gregg Hall at Nashua Community College, 505 Amherst Street, Nashua.

Tickets are \$5.00 and are available at the door or by calling Judy Hayward at 672-9664.

The singers are from the greater Nashua area, and include several Amherst members, including:

- Michelle Emmond of Amherst
- Patty Grady of Amherst
- Ashley Hughes Swanson of Amherst
- Kerri-Lynn Kimner of Amherst
- Sue Rees of Amherst
- Peggy Harris of Amherst
- Judy Hayward of Mont Vernon

### Christmas Eve on the Milford Oval

Lessons & Carols from Olde New England est.1918  
December 24th, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Celebrate Christmas with Traditional Open Air Caroling!

Why not pause for a moment, step aside from the frenzy, and do something traditional this year? Bring your family to the Milford Oval on Christmas Eve to join with your friends and neighbors for a traditional, outdoor Christmas Carol service. Make this Christmas one that your family will always remember as we recall its true meaning amidst the glimmer of lights and the sound of voices on the historic Milford Oval.

The Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols was first held on Christmas Eve 1918 in London, England, celebrating the end of the 'Great War.' It has remained and is virtually unchanged these past 93 years!

Complimentary hot drinks and refreshments will be served for both young and old to help fend off the New England weather.

Sponsored By  
Light of the World Christian Church  
Burns Hill Christian Fellowship  
New Hope Church  
For Details contact: prlwcc@gmail.com

### Holiday Toy Store Needs Your Help

The Holiday Toy Store is in its 24th year of serving families with financial need from Amherst, Brookline, Milford and Mont Vernon.

At the store, families in need will have the opportunity to choose holiday gifts, free of charge, for their children ages newborn to fifteen years old. This is a community effort among non-profit organizations, businesses, churches and individuals.

The store is getting ready for another season, and this year's event will take place December 13th and 14th at the Veterans' of Foreign Wars Hall, Harley-Sanford Post at 14 Perkins Street in Milford.

In the spirit of the season, we are asking for your generosity in supporting this effort by making either a tax-deductible monetary donation or dropping off a new, unwrapped toy at the community locations listed below. We appreciate monetary donations by December 8th, with checks made out to the Holiday Toy Store and mailed to P.O. Box 6, Amherst, NH 03031.

For information regarding eligibility and registration to participate

in receiving gifts, contact Beth at 424-1333.

#### Toy Drop-Off Locations

- Amherst:**  
Amherst Middle School  
Amherst Town Hall  
Amherst Town Library  
Black Forest Café  
Clark School  
Moulton's Market  
Spinal Corrective Center  
Walmart  
Wilkins Elementary
- Brookline:**  
Brookline Library  
Brookline Sunoco  
Cpt. Samuel Douglas Academy  
Richard Maghakian Memorial School
- Milford:**  
Foodee's  
Hampshire Hills  
Heron Pond School  
Jacques Memorial School  
Milford Middle School  
Milford Town Hall  
People's United Banks (2 locations)  
SHARE OFFICE  
Shaw's  
Stop & Shop  
Wadleigh Memorial Library

## Church Services

### First Baptist Church of Amherst

25 1/2 Middle Street  
Pastor: Mike Sacco  
Church Office: 673-4063  
Website: www.amherstfirst-baptist.com

#### Sunday Morning Worship 10 a.m.

For the children  
Nursery: to age 3  
Super Church: ages 4 thru grade 4  
Puppet Ministry: grades 5 through 7

Immediately following worship, there are adult and teen breakout discussion groups from 11:30 to 12 noon.

#### Christmas Eve Service - 5 p.m.

Christmas Sunday Service will be a joint service held at 10am at Christ's Church of Amherst, 58 Merrimack Rd.

### Congregational Church of Amherst

11 Church Street  
Amherst Village Common  
Senior Pastor Richard Leavitt  
Church office: 673-3231  
Web site: www.ccamherst.org

Join us for Sunday Worship at 10 am at the church on the common in Amherst Village. Children 2 years old through seventh grade attend church school following the Children's Time in the service. Nursery care is provided. The church is handicapped accessible via the driveway entrance. All are cordially invited to coffee hour in the Community Room immediately following the service.

### Christ's Church of Amherst

58 Merrimack Road  
Amherst  
673-8292  
www.ccnh.org  
Pastor Darin Shaw

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. with Nursery Care up to age 3 years and Children's program 3 years to grade 5.

### Souhegan Christian Church

5 Route 101A, Unit #2  
Amherst  
672-6759  
Pastor Ray McDaid  
www.sccofnh.org

We welcome you to come and worship with us! And we invite you to join us in

discovering and serving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

#### Sunday worship

10:30 am Worship service - followed by fellowship  
Children's church for 3yrs old - 6th graders  
Nursery care for those under 3 yrs old  
(Holy Communion the 1st Sunday of each month)

#### Other Ministries

Small groups meet through out the week

#### Weekly prayer meeting

APoC, a youth group for grades 7-12, meets every 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. There are several small groups that meet through out the week, call or visit the church's website for more information.

### Messiah Lutheran Church

Rev. Tom Teichmann, Pastor  
303 Route 101  
PO Box 488  
Amherst,  
673-2011 (office)  
673-7707 (meeting and fax)  
messiahnh@comcast.net

### St Luke Anglican Church

3 Limbo Lane, Amherst  
/672-6054  
st-luke.amherst.nh.us

Sunday services are at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist is celebrated by the Rev. Dr. Alexander Henderson Webb using the traditional 1928 Book of Common Prayer.

Bible study is at 11:00 a.m. on Saturdays in the church.

### Amherst Christian Church

Corner of Patricia at 134  
Hollis Rd. Amherst  
Phone: 672-1541

Sunday Discipleship classes 9-10  
Children's class (Grades 1-6) 10-10:30

Worship Service 10:30  
Children's church for preschoolers during service.

Childcare provided for infants.

### Milford United Methodist Church

327 No. River Rd, Milford  
8:30 Spirit Celebration  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Traditional Worship

The 8:30 Spirit Celebration is led by Chris Willard and the Praise Band. It is

an informal worship service featuring contemporary Christian music. The 10:45 service features the Chancel Choir led by Sally Landis, and traditional prayers and readings. Pastor Tom Getchell-Lacey preaches at both services. We have Sunday school for children of all ages, a high school class and an adult class. A variety of ministries are offered including Home Groups, Afternoon Off (senior care), Stephen Ministries (peer counseling), music ministries, bible studies, vacation bible school and much more. Information: Susan Drew (672-4877). Web: www.MilfordUMC.org. Feel free to contact our office at 673-2669 or office@milfordumc.org.

### St Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

3 Craftsman Lane  
Amherst  
St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church welcomes you to join us each Sunday for our worship service. Our Sunday Service begins at 9:30am with our Sunday School at 10:55 and adult Bible study at 11:15. Nursery service is available. Please be our guest as we celebrate the Lord and all he has done for us. Pastor Joel Petermann and Pastor Brian Schuessler 821-9891 www.stpaul-amherst.org

### Church of Our Saviour

10 Amherst St.  
Milford  
Regular weekly church school classes, when pre-K through grade 5 students meet at 9:45 a.m. and youth in the Journey to Adulthood (J2A) and Young Adults in the Church (YAC) classes, ages 14 and up, begin their biweekly meeting schedule at 9:00 a.m.

All church school groups welcome both return and new members. For further information, call the parish office at 673-3309 or log on to the parish web site: www.coosmilford.org.

### Mont Vernon Congregational Church

United Church of Christ  
4 South Main Street  
Mont Vernon  
Interim Pastor: David Jadlocki  
Church Office: 673-3500  
(open Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.)  
Web site: www.montvernonchurch.org  
E-mail: montvernonchurch@montvernonchurch.org

Join us for Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday school is available for chil-

dren aged 6 and older, while child care is provided for children under 6 years. Everyone is invited to coffee hour in the Round Room following worship.

### Holy Trinity Southern Episcopal Church

58 Merrimack Road  
Amherst  
Fr. Griffin: 654-5741  
Website: www.ccnh.org

Holy Trinity, part of the conservative Southern Episcopal Church, meets as a subcongregation of Christ's Church of Amherst, in the Christ's Church building. 7:30 p.m. Saturday: Holy Eucharist, 1928 Prayer Book (sanctuary)  
9:15 a.m. Sunday: Spiritual Formation class (office)

### Saint Patrick Catholic Community of Milford

Website: www.ccnh.org  
Phone: 673-1311  
Website: saintpatrickmilfordnh.org

### First Church Of Christ, Scientist

103 South St., Milford  
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Meeting: 8 p.m.  
Christian Science Reading Room  
87 Union Square, Milford  
Mon. through Fri. 11a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Sat. 9 a.m. to 12 noon  
Wed. 7 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.  
First Sun. of the Month  
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Telephone - 673-5274  
Email - readingroom@csmilfordnh.org  
Website - www.csmilfordnh.org

### The Bridge Community Church

65 West Street  
Milford,  
673-5191  
email: info@bridge-churchnh.com  
web: www.bridgechurchnh.com  
Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. M-F  
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Ronald Bouthillette  
Schedule: Sunday 10:30am - Morning Worship & Adventure Zone (Children)

### First Unitarian Congregational Society Wilton Center

Isaac Frye Highway in Wilton  
Center  
P.O. Box 89, Wilton  
654-9518  
Website: www.uuwilton.org/  
Email: admin@uwilton.org  
Church Services are at 10:30 am on Sunday (except July and August) followed by coffee hour at The Red House. Children join in

the opening portion of the service and then have time for age appropriate Sunday school programs.

### First Congregational Church

United Church of Christ  
10 Union Street,  
P.O. Box 188, Milford  
Church: 673-3713  
Parish House: 673-5101  
E-mail: milforducc@first-cmnh.org

The First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ has announced that their 10:00am Worship time. Sunday evening Bible Study at 6:30pm resumes on September 18th and Sunday morning book study (for adults) is at 9:00am.

### Unitarian Universalist Congregation

20 Elm St., Milford  
Rev. Barbara McKusick Liscord, minister.  
Johanna Seale, Director of Religious Education  
www.uucm.org or call 673-1870.

Sunday, December 11, Rev. Barbara and Johanna lead the worship "Re-enchancing the World"

UUCM hosts a community dinner the third Wednesday of each month from 5:30 - 6:30 PM. It is free and open to everyone in Milford and surrounding towns to share a meal and camaraderie.

### St. John Neumann Catholic

708 Milford Road - Rt 101A  
Merrimack  
880-4689  
www.sjnnh.org  
Fr. Agapit H. Jean, Jr

Weekend Mass: Saturday 5:30pm  
Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am

6:00pm Labor Day through Memorial Day  
Weekday Mass: 12:15pm  
Holy Days: 7:00pm vigil, 12:15pm and 7:00pm  
December 12-14th ADVENT MISSION - Please join us...

12/12 - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - 7-8pm - Evening Prayer Service with Rosary. View and pray before the Icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe blessed by Pope Benedict XVI.

12/13 - The O Antiphons - Prayer, Music, Reflection - 7-8pm - one of the oldest liturgical rituals in the Church.

12/14 - Advent Penance Service - Reconciliation - 7pm - Come embrace the grace, mercy and forgiveness of the Lord.

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