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From the Pastor

What a glorious summer this has been - and continues to be! This coming Sunday, July 18, I will be officiating at our worship service, but I will also get the chance to welcome Gale Hull to the pulpit. Gale was this year's recipient of the Award for Excellence in Social Justice Actions. She was honored for her outstanding work in organizing "Partners in Development" in Haiti. She has been working in Haiti for the past thirty years, and from what Dick has said - after volunteering there in April- "She is the embodiment of joy". In fact, to me, she sounds like Haiti's own 'Mother Teresa'. Truly, she has walked 'the Walk' and I am thrilled that we will have the opportunity to hear her witness to the power of Christ's love.

On Sunday, July 25, we will be changing the tenor, and I will be preaching on "God and Golf". Yes, you read that correctly. (You can be sure that this sermon will not be prepared 'solo'.) I've discovered some exciting parallels between playing the game and living the Christian life. So even if you're not a golfer, this sermon can speak to you.

On Sunday, August 1, we will observe WWJD Sunday - What Would Jesus Do?, and on that day the winner of our two Schwinn bikes (Thank you, Al Moore!) will be announced. Following the service, which will include the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we will celebrate together by having a glorious picnic - at none other than Goat Island! Thank you, many boat volunteers, - for the transportation and Sheila Matthews-Bull, for the use of your pier.

The following week, we will have a banner Sunday - as we always do when we welcome new members to our family of Christ. Who are they? Come to greet them and find out! The next Sunday, August 15, I will be here to welcome to the pulpit a fully ordained (and exceptionally well-qualified) daughter, Cynthia, of two of our members, Bob and Dottie King. What a gift she will be!

Every Sunday, whether you attend the 8 a.m. or the 10 a.m. will be a 'Not-to-Misser'. The music offerings, in and of themselves will speak the Word - and I'm sure that for that reason alone, some people will be attending both services. (It's true).

So, come join us! Christ's Spirit is so alive in this church. You can't help but leave with more of it than what you brought. This is a thrilling place to receive God's hope and joy! See you in church!

His... Yours, Ruth Merriam (Rev.)

'Something Beautiful for God'

On Sunday, August 8, the rafters at Atlantic Hall will ring as we celebrate the first annual "Dessert Theater". Come at 6 p.m. and be ready for the good times to roll. You will see talent you never knew existed. All for the glory of God! We'll break for intermission by indulging in a luscious homemade Blueberry Cobbler, and then we'll return for more - inspiration and excitement. If you would like to do 'Something Beautiful for God', sign-up to participate. If you KNOW someone who would like to do "Something Beautiful for God" invite them to sign up as well. The entrance fee is \$7.00/adult, \$3.50/children under 12, or \$20.00 for an immediate family (mom, dad, kids) and all of the proceeds will go to "Outreach". What better way to spend a summer Sunday evening!

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Ships Cargo Fair

Alice Bruton, for the Fair Committee

The Ships Cargo Fair was held on Saturday July 10th under the “big top”. We had two huge tents, one on each side of the church which added a very festive look to our Fair, thanks to a couple of very generous people. Barbara and Harry Milanese’s son brought his round tent and set it up for us on Friday night and the other tent was rented through the donation of one of our members. The weather was perfect for the event and everything looked quite colorful. I hope you all had a chance to be there and participate in some way and to see all the tables and their wares.

The hats donated by the Atlanta ladies group were very colorful and displayed so beautifully by Nancy Libby. The floral arrangements also added a great deal of color. The Bake Sale and Pie Tables sold out early (that was a first). The Evening Group had a nautical/seashore theme with an abundance of treasures for sale. The Guild featured their wonderful knives and hand-made scarves and kitchen hand towels and Jane Anderson’s beautiful hand painted pocketbooks as well as a very colorful array of silk scarves and many other craft items. The hand-painted buoys were a sell-out and we could have sold a lot more I think. They were so unique. We will have these again at our fall fair. The Fine Things table was a big attraction as was the Antiques table. The Yard Sale and Book Sale people were busy every minute as was the lunch grill and coffee corner. Hot dogs were disappearing like magic!

The total taken in was \$5,050 as of this writing with \$3,800 of that going directly into the church treasury to help fund the Budget for the year. The balance was earned by the two women’s groups for their treasuries and to help pay their church pledge.

A big thank you to everyone and anyone who worked in any way on this Fair – from donations to crafts to volunteering time at a table to set-up and clean-up. This was truly an all-church fair. If you were unable to attend this Fair I hope you will be able to come to our next one – our Harvest Fair in November.

July 4th Concert

American Composers Reinforce our Love of Nation and Church

Bill Lord

Where were 140 enthusiastic people at 4 p.m. on the 4th of July? Were they at the beach, sailing along the coast, or barbecuing in the back yard? No, the group I’m referring to was in our sanctuary enjoying our 3rd annual Independence Day Concert.

And what a concert it was – Beryl Samia on the organ, Danielle Allie on the clarinet and Carl Bartlett on the trombone. Did I hear someone refer to them as our Three Musketeers of Music?

Beryl, who excels at coaxing every bit of music out of our organ, performed patriotic music of our nation. We sang with pride the National Anthem and Irving Berlin’s God Bless America.

Danielle and Beryl played two duets by Edward MacDowell. Danielle, who is the first clarinetist with the Bangor Symphony Orchestra, is one of our own and her regular performances at our church are moments of peace and reflection.

On the other hand, Carl Bartlett’s trombone encourages us to march vigorously with the music, in spirit or in fact. Carl joined Beryl in performing the songs of our Armed Forces. Carl, who played for the New Hampshire Symphony Orchestra, kept our hearts thumping and our feet marching.

“Onward Christian Soldiers” concluded the program – one more opportunity to sing heartily as the words reminded us of our Christian duty to share the Good News.

A CD of the concert is available for \$10 and all proceeds go to support the Keith McClellan Concert Fund. The fund is used to compensate our guest artists. Our next concert will be during Prelude. See you then.

“Change is a process that happens at the speed of life”

On a Music Note...

Beryl Samia

A word of thanks to all of you who participated in and/or attended the Gilded Age concert and the 4th of July concert. I enjoyed myself immensely and assume most of you did as well, from all the comments that I have heard.

Thanks for the lovely flowers given to me at both concerts. They were lovely and much appreciated.

The Chime Choir will be starting rehearsals in August, and I will be in touch with each person who signed up to be a part of that.

The Senior Choir will be singing at the 10:00 AM service throughout the summer, with the exception of August 29th. I will be away on vacation that day. Debbi and Bill Lord will be doing all the music for both services. That should be a real treat!!!!

The 8:00 AM service will see various soloists throughout the summer: July 18th, Kelsey Quigley; July 25th, Diane Hutchins; August 1st, Wendy Emmons; August 8th, Elaine Triplett; August 15th, Ruth and Dick Merriam; August 22nd, Julie Merriam; August 29th, the Lords; September 5th, Eric Dombrowski.

The past two weeks we have had the pleasure of hearing Jim Rooney/Jim Lennon on July 4th and Adam & Carly Baracco on July 11th. Thanks to you all!!!!!!!

Walk to Emmaus

Karen Dombrowski

From Friday, May 13 through Sunday, May 16, I had the opportunity to attend the Women's Walk to Emmaus at the Notre Dame Spiritual Center in Alfred. I find it very hard to put down in words what I got out of the walk...it was a chance to learn, to meet a group of incredible people, and to better align myself with my spiritual goals. And it was really fun being pampered and fed and fed and fed...both body and soul. Who wouldn't love that! I can honestly say that I felt I was there for a reason, and that I feed on what I got out of it every day. It was time very well spent, and I highly recommend it to any of you. There are two men's walks and two women's walks per year, in the Fall and Spring. If you are interested in learning more about the Walk to Emmaus, please see me, Pastor Ruth or Dick. You can also check out the great web site Dick has constructed and maintains: www.crossroadsemmausofne.org.

New Members

Pat Bender

Bill Hidell

Bill was brought up in the Quaker tradition at Willistown Friends Meeting and attended Quaker schools. He was in business in Charlotte, NC for over 30 years and is now semi-retired. He married Annie in 2002 and moved to Cape Porpoise. They have two sons, a daughter who is getting married in August and 4 grandchildren. Bill has stood at the Church on the Cape pulpit twice – the first was on "snowstorm Sunday".

Annie Hidell

Annie was raised in a Catholic family attending private Catholic schools. She says her 1st grade teacher was a nun and so much like Ruth in her joy and light. Annie attended college in Boston and Rome, Italy. After graduating she went to work as a graphic artist/designer at Cable News Network. In 1983 she returned to New England and she has lived and painted in Maine. She is a very talented artist and painter, among her favorite subjects in Monhegan Island. She has painted and studied the landscape for 18 years.

David Smith

David grew up in Concord, MA and regularly visited Kennebunk Beach. He was Unitarian when growing up and confirmed in the Episcopal Church. David comes to us after a long search for a church connection and a special church home. Part of David's faith journey is attending our adult bible study group.

Church on the Cape is happy to be a part of David's faith journey.

Jane Smith

Jane grew up in a very small town, Hebron, Maine. Her father was very quiet and deeply religious.

Jane graduated from the University of Denver. She married David at St. Anne's and then settled into Kennebunk. She is very, very glad to be a part of Church on the Cape and is also in the adult bible study group. She and David have two sons. Jane is active in Community Harvest.

Bon Appetit

Jan Acker

George and I would like to thank those who have volunteered to help at the Bon Appetit meal program in Biddeford. Since our last report the program has moved to the Fremont Club on 82 Alfred St. near the Post Office in Biddeford. The group is very pleased with this location, since they are now able to have a sign out and they were able to secure a 5-year lease. The current site manager is Jim Napier and the meals continue to be excellent in quality and very well attended. There are between 50 and 70 people coming on a weekday basis. This is truly an exciting program to watch in action. Those who come for their dinner enjoy the food and companionship. Anyone wishing to come on the third Wednesday of the month to help out, please call me at 967-1381.

ANNUAL GOAT ISLAND PICNIC

Come one, come all to the annual Church on the Cape Goat Island Family Picnic, Sunday August 1st. We will gather at 11:15 at Debbie Matthews' pier on Langsford Rd just after church for a short boat ride to Goat Island. So, come to church comfortably dressed for the afternoon. The parking will be very limited at the end of Langsford Road, so walking or car pooling would be a good idea.

Beverages, plates and utensils will be provided. You are asked to bring a dish to share; meat, vegetable, salad or dessert. You may also want to bring a blanket upon which to sit.

A sign up sheet is in the vestry, as we need a count of how many will be attending so as to arrange boat transport.

Plan to join our church family for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. The lighthouse will be open for those who wish to observe the spectacular view of Cape Porpoise harbor and beyond.

Ushers Needed!!

Tom Bender

We need your assistance, and it will take just a bit of your time, and will mean so much to your friends at the Church on the Cape. I have been asked to recruit, train and organize ushers. At the same time, we are trying to expand a bit and cover the rear door with a greeter/usher as well as the two regular ushers to provide a cheerful greeting and assistance with seating at the front door. So, in keeping with our growing needs for the 10:00 service, and the needs of the 8:00 service for the summer we are asking for volunteers to help us continue to be warm and welcoming to all who enter our doors. We will have a training session on Sunday the 18th of July after the 10:00 service. Just grab your coffee and snacks and join us upstairs for a brief orientation session. No need to sign up in advance, but if you do have questions or want to let me know that you intend to help, you may email me at tomcat@missmousey.com or call me at 590-6519. If you are an experienced usher already, there is no need to come to the training ☺. Please help us continue this very important aspect of our Church experience.

In Appreciation...

Ruth and Hal Wright would like to thank everyone involved for sharing the church service with them each Sunday. Bill Lord tapes all the services, and these tapes are in a lending library in the office for anyone interested. Jim Lennon has faithfully brought the Wright's a bulletin and the tape of the day's service each week. Although the Ruth and Hal can't make it to church regularly, they are still well informed as to what is going on, and for that they are very thankful. A big Yay to technology!

Education

Susan Baracco

The Education committee will gather for its next meeting on Wednesday, August 25th at 7:00pm. This session will involve planning activities for the last quarter of 2004. All are welcome to provide suggestions and input.

WWJD – “What Would Jesus Do?” Only a few weeks remain for our youth to participate in this contest. Any time spent on helping or giving outside the home can qualify towards the prize of a new bike! Among the activities already logged in are picking up trash, visiting an eldercare facility and helping to create crafts for the recent Ship’s Cargo Fair. Winners will be announced on August 1st.

Sunday School Emergency! We are short on teacher volunteers for the remaining weekends of the summer and were recently forced to cancel school as a result. To avoid further cancellations, please consider helping out on an upcoming Sunday. Please contact Karen in the office (967-5787) if you would like to volunteer. Thanks!

Upcoming Plays at KHS

There will be 2 theatre productions featuring local talented students again this summer in the Economos Auditorium at Kennebunk High School. Both these productions benefit the Keith McClelland Fund. This fund was established by friends of Keith McClelland to support the pursuit of excellence in the performing arts for students in Kennebunk and Kennebunkport schools by offering scholarships for camps, lesson, workshops or other endeavors related to the performing arts. Last summer this effort donated \$4000 to that fund. We are hoping to do as well this summer.

The first production features local students ages 8-18 in the musical "Les Miserables: School Edition". This musical is a student version of "Les Miserables" one of the most celebrated and longest running Broadway musicals in history. All of the music is there, but storyline and content has been shaved off the original’s 4-hour length to make this production just over 2 hours. The demanding music the reality of the French Revolution all make this production a rewarding experience for actors as well as the audience. The show will be performed in the Economos Auditorium at Kennebunk High School on July 20 through the 25. Come see our own **Laura Hand** as she performs in “the pit”!

The second production is “School House Rock!Live!” featuring the talent of 36 students from grades 4-8. The story follows the woes of a

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beginning teacher and the assistance he gets from his five alter egos. Fans of “School House Rock” the TV show will revel in songs like “Conjunction Junction” and “I’m Just a Bill”. The show will be performed in the Economos Auditorium at Kennebunk High School on July 29, 30 and 31. Come see our own budding actors **Abbey Ackley, Paige Domine, Elizabeth Hand and Helen Holway!**

Tickets for both shows may be reserved in advance by calling 967-0849. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$7 for students and seniors. Showtime for all shows is 7:30 p.m. All these productions are directed by Bruce Lewia and are accompanied by Danielle Spang.

Women's Guild

Barbara Milanese

The fair is over and I must credit the ladies in our group for a job well done. They all worked very hard together. Thank you so much ladies. We were so blessed to do as well as we did. I know I was very pleased.

The Guild has been invited to Elaine Triplett's home for a picnic on July 30th. An after the Fair celebration. If you can't make it please let Elaine (967-3051) or me (967-0898) know We are now working on new ideas for the next fair. Hope we can find some new and exciting ideas.

Our next meeting will be September 14th. Also for those of you who don't know, it was our son from MA. who came up after work on Friday night and set up his round tent. It was his donation to the fair.(He loves his Mom)

Thank you, Thank you...

Carl and Lillian Bartlett would like to express their heartfelt thanks for the support given them and that they continue to receive through Carl’s recent illness. He is the proud new owner of a new stent in the coronary artery in his heart. He is now feeling much better, and continues to gain strength. The emails, cards, calls, balloons...that they have received is a reminder of “what this church does best”, and is such a big help in the healing process-ask anyone who has been touched by the angels of the Ministry of Caring. Thank you all!

New England Conference News

Rev. Ruth Merriam

From June 9 - June 12, Roy Bruton, our Conference delegate and Rev. Ruth Merriam, attended the 2004 New England Conference held in Gordon College in Wenham, Massachusetts. For a brief rundown of the key actions of the conference, go to www.neumc.org, and click on the "2004 Annual Conference" button. Of primary interest, would be the decisions revolving around "Mission Shares Accountability" as well as discussion of the Capital Campaign. A personal highlight for the Church on the Cape was the Commissioning of our own Cluster pastor, Sara Ewing of Old Orchard Beach and Cornerstone United Methodist Church in Saco. She will be a bright and shining star. Gale Hull, the guest preacher at our July 18 service, was named this year's recipient of the Social Justice Action Award.

Book Club Update

Rev. Ruth Merriam

Have you read the "Da Vinci Code" yet? If you haven't, now's the time. On Wed, September 15 at 2:00 p.m. the Book Club will be starting up with a vengeance. It will be held at the home of Kathy Kubiak, on Elm Street in Kennebunkport - right across from the Post Office. The discussion leader will be Debbi Lord - and she's been reading all summer to prepare for this session. Please remember that you do not have to be 'a member' to come to a session. If a book interests you, join us. It's as simple as that. In the October meeting, (October 20) we will be discussing another "best seller". Recommended by Bob McLaughlin, and led by his wife, Elaine, the title of this book is "Father Joe". This is a smart, funny, and inspiring account of Tony Hendra's life as a flawed Christian. By the grace of God, he meets Father Joe, who, instead of passing judgment on him, stokes his curiosity by saying "The only sin you've committed is the sin of selfishness." Father Joe becomes his 'still center, the rock of his soul'. Said one critic "More profound than "Tuesdays with Morrie", this book is a stand out!"

Vacation Bible School

Karen Dombrowski

At this writing, we are three days into Vacation Bible School at South Church, and what a great first three days it has been. Ten of our Church on the Cape kids are in attendance! Our theme this year is Hero Quest. On Monday, the kids learned about Daniel in the Lions Den through a rousing first person by Michael T. of South Church. We then had a mission speaker come in from the New England Organ Donor Bank who spoke of his hero, who is his sister who gave him a kidney 3 years ago. On Tuesday, the biblical hero was Esther, and our Pastor Ruth told her story while 4 other pastors acted it out silently (Ted Poland was the evil Mordecai). It was an act they could all take on the road! The mission speaker on Tuesday was Gregory Rec, a photojournalist who shared his pictures that he took while on the road with the 133rd infantry from Maine in Iraq and Ghazlani. Wednesday, Rev. Ted Poland taught the kids about the four friends in Mark 2:1-2 ("Jesus healing the paralytic") and that we must be determined and fight for what we believe in. Our mission speakers were the Fire Dept. and KEMS. We were going to walk to North Street Fire Station, but it was raining, so they came to us. Many thanks to Sue Stedman and Richard Cluff from KEMS, and Dick Stedman, Bob Kember and Jim Burrows from the fire dept. The kids got a tour of a hose truck and the ambulance, so they won't be scared if they ever need them. Thursday the kids will be learning about the widow in Luke 21:1-4 (Selflessness is the key to greatness)- Rev. Linda Harper will be teaching that story. The mission speaker will be Lt. Kurt Moses from the Kennebunkport Police Station. And on Friday the lesson, taught by Rev. Charlie Whiston, will be the foot washing described in John 13:1-17, and humility will be the word of the day. The mission speaker will be someone from the Marine Mammal Rehab Program at UNE. Each day is rounded out with crafts, reflection and games. Start thinking about how you can be a part of this great program next July!

Congratulations Keith and Ashley

The month of July (July 3) marked the wedding day of two of our newest members, Ashley Padget and Keith Mills. You see Ashley working hard at Allison's Restaurant, while Keith is employed with the Secret Service. Both of them make a wonderful couple and we are grateful to have them as two of ours.

Walkers Unite!

Rev. Ruth Merriam

What a blessing the "Walkers Unite" group has become! We meet at the church, each Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. and head out from there. The hikes are never strenuous, but always gorgeous. Various walkers have led us to their own special places - and it's been a wonderful way to catch up on each other's news, while at the same time taking in the glories of God's majestic creation. In the words of the poet, Robert Frost, "you come too."

We'll Miss You, Debbie...

This past month, we as a church, paid our respects to a church matriarch - Debbie Matthews. Rev. Lamar Robinson said it so well when he mentioned that Debbie was not born in Maine. Her birthplace, in fact, was in Nirberth, Pennsylvania. Yet, despite that fact, no one could dispute that Debbie was a true "Mainer", and she was the very embodiment of the spirit of Cape Porpoise. Hats off, Debbie. We'll remember you often, especially on "the Ferdinand days" when we look over to Portugal, and see your soul. Well done, you good and faithful servant!

Save the Date!

Come to a Singspiration! (A traditional Hymn-Sing). It will be held at Wildwood Chapel-Turbat's Creek-on Thursday, August 5 at 7:30 p.m. For Contemporary Praise Music, go to the same place on Wednesday evenings throughout the summer at 7:30 p.m.

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KHS Receives First Amendment Grant

Karen Dombrowski

**Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment
Of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or
Abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the
right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition
the Government for a redress of grievances.**

-First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

About 5 months ago 8 Kennebunk High School students got together with the purpose of writing a grant so that their school could become one of the 15 schools in the country with the name "First Amendment School" or FAS. They were awarded the grant, and so begins a 3 year process.

The first step was to form a small group to come together with the other participating schools and learn about the First Amendment, and the vision of becoming a FAS. 5 people from each school met at the First Amendment Center in Arlington, VA from July 7-11th. The team from Kennebunk included Nelson Beaudoin, the principal, Tom Dupuis, a history teacher, 2 senior students, Jessa Merrill and Kris Eberle, and Karen Dombrowski, representing the parents. There was an intensive lesson in the First Amendment the first day, followed by 3 days of workshops, lectures, fellowship, fun and lots of food. I felt very honored to be among such a diverse, motivated and hard working group of people. Our group came home with a fairly clear plan that will be worked on and tweaked by a team of 20 more people from the school administration, faculty, students and community.

What follows is part of the vision statement of each FAS, and the challenge we will be working on:

The Challenge

First Amendment Schools are built on the conviction that the five freedoms protected by the First Amendment are a cornerstone of American democracy and essential for citizenship in a diverse society.

For more than 200 years, the First Amendment has been at the heart of history's boldest and most successful experiment in liberty. We readily acknowledge that the United States failed to live up to its founding principles in 1791, and that the nation still has a distance to go in the 21st century. But the history of our nation is the story of the ongoing struggle to extend the promise of freedom more fully and fairly to each and every citizen.

Today the need to sustain and expand our experiment in liberty is made more urgent by the challenge of living with our deepest differences in a diverse and complex society. The need to commit ourselves as a people to the rights and responsibilities that flow from the First Amendment has never been more vital-or more difficult. At a time in our history when we most need to reaffirm what we share as citizens across our differences, the ignorance and contention now surrounding the First Amendment threaten to divide the nation and undermine our freedom.

The key place to address this challenge is in our schools, the institutions most responsible for transmitting civic principles and virtues to each succeeding generation. Schools must not only teach the First Amendment; they must also find ways to model and apply the democratic first principles that they are charged with teaching. The rights and responsibilities of the First Amendment provide a much-needed civic framework for reaffirming and renewing the civic aims of education.

If you would like to learn more about this exciting project, you can talk to Karen and check out the web site www.firstamendmentschools.org.

Created To Create Sunday

Sunday, June 27th was "Created to Create Day" at the Church on the Cape. The day began with the 10 a.m. Sunday Service. Rev. Ruth Merriam preached on "Created to Create" -- a biblical look at God's mandate to us to create as we live our lives.

In the afternoon from 2-5 p.m., the walls of the church were converted into an extensive art gallery featuring the works of local artists. We are fortunate to have many talented artists in our congregation and surrounding communities. 23 artists showed one of their favorite works (George Acker, Jane Anderson Virginia Bradbury, Linda Brock, Ted Damon, Dick Falls, Cindy Hesson, Annie Hidell, Margie Hollingsworth, Will Cunha, Nancy Libby, Earl Lush, Julie Merriam, Marjorie Moore, Lance Persson, Donna Rooney, Nancy Rothers, Beryl Samia, Joan Sutter, Anne Thompson, Ed Thompson, Sherwood Treadwell and Laury Williamson.) What a treat to have so many beautiful pieces displayed for us to appreciate.

From 3-5 p.m. in Atlantic Hall, a watercolor workshop was held by Priscilla Dreyman of Spiral Arts in Portland. This was for people who aren't accomplished artists and the instruction was at no cost since the expenses were privately funded. 20 would be artists tried their hand at painting with the expert guidance of Priscilla, and had a great time.

And then to 'top it off,' there was a Strawberry Shortcake Festival upstairs in Atlantic Hall from 3-5 p.m. Proceeds benefited the outreach efforts of the church. A big thank you to Joe Fairfield for supplying the Strawberries and the Shortcake, and to the Youth for serving. \$300.00 was made for Outreach.

This was a day in which we all felt the hand of God amongst us. Thank you to all the artists and everyone who made this special day happen. Kudos to you all!

American Girl Tea Party

On Saturday, August 14, we are expecting a full house for our second annual American Girl Party featuring "Kit". Kit grew up during the Depression, 1934, and from 12 noon to 2 p.m. we will be hosting a Tea in her honor. Kit, played by Carly Baracco, is a charming young girl, who discovers that 'making do' doesn't mean one has to 'do without'. In the process, she discovers the best ways to live a rich life. Also on hand will be someone to tell what she remembers of the Depression while living here in Maine. Children (age 5 and up) and adults are welcome to join us. The cost is \$10.00 per person (including adults). A light lunch will be served and there will be period crafts and games to play. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please make your reservations by mailing the check to "The Church on the Cape" (PO Box 7663, Cape Porpoise, 04014). The cut-off date is August 10th. This event was a smashing success last year, and we're expecting the same excitement again.