

MANCHESTER BULLETIN

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JULY 05, 2026

CALL TO WORSHIP	Barry F
SONG LEADER	Gerry M
122	The Love God
453	Love Lifted Me
389	I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
SCRIPTURE	Karl D
VERSE	Genesis 12:2-3
SERMON	Danny C
269	Thomas' Song
176	Lamb of God
LORD'S SUPPER	Mike G
CLOSING PRAYER	David S
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Gerry M
WORSHIP TECH	Caleb O
COORDINATOR	Gerry M

WEDNESDAY EVENING

JULY 8, 2026

SONG LEADER	Gerry M
PRAYER	Rich T
DEVO	Barry F
WORSHIP TECH	Caleb O

Minister

Danny Campbell:
804-223-2452

Elders

Barry Fogal: 603-326-8004
Gerry Millette: 603-315-1136

Deacons

Benevolence: David Skerry
Education: Doug Paul

Worship Times

Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM
Fellowship Time: 10:30 AM
Bible Classes: 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening: 6:00 PM
Tuesday Morning Ladies' Class:
10:00 AM
Wednesday Evening Devo &
Bible Class: 7:00 PM



FAMILY NEWS & PRAYER REQUESTS

DATES TO SAVE!

(More information in foyer unless otherwise stated)

- **Weekly:** Tuesday ladies class 10am, meets at church building. (Contact Margery with questions.)
- **Weekly:** Tuesdays after Ladies Class: lunch & handwork fellowship; see Tracy M with questions
- **Weekly:** Wednesday night suppers will resume on 9/16.
- **Weekly:** Friday night discussions, led by Kevin. These are held at his home in Allenstown. See the calendar on meetup for more information. (https://www.meetup.com/southern-new-hampshire-christian-faith-group/events/?eventOrigin=home_groups_you_organize)
- **Monthly:** Ladies Dinners at Longhorn: second Monday of the month (next 7/13). Meet there at 5.15p.
- **Monthly:** Men's Prayer Breakfast: third Saturday of the month (next 7/18), starting at 8.30a.
- **Monthly:** Ladies Craft & Potlucks: 9a-2p: None for the summer. **Resuming 9/12 with 11a Luncheon and devo. See Tracy M.**
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- **NEW EVENT: Sun, July 26:** Kids' Day! 11am - 2:30p prox. Lunch provided. All teachers, please see Kimberly C for info.
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- **Sept 5-7:** Gander Brook Singles Retreat. Online registration coming soon.
- **Sept 18-20:** Martha's Vineyard Ladies Retreat, hosted by Niagara Falls Church of Christ
- **Sept 17-19:** Gander Brook Ladies Retreat "Light in the Darkness." Online registration is open. Paper reg. is in foyer.
- **Sept 24-26:** Gander Brook Men's Retreat "Reaching Your Potential as a Leader"; guest speaker: Bob Turner. More details to come this summer.

*****There will be a meeting for the upcoming Kid's Day during Fellowship time in the Ladies' Classroom. All teachers and those interested in helping out with the event are asked to attend.*****

*****10a TUESDAY LADIES CLASS WILL BE MEETING AT THE CHURCH BUILDING FOR THE SUMMER*****

As announced Sunday 5/3:
Kevin D is being considered for a deacon role. Please take a few moments and get to know both Kevin & Janah.

*****Donations are needed for Gander Brook Camperships. Please see Rich Therrien for more information.*****

Please feed the coffee can! (Next to the coffee.) Thank you!

New Prayer Requests

- **Kimberly; Relief from headaches.**

Continuing Prayer Requests

- **Giselle and Cam**
- **Kimberly C's sister, Susan**
- **Justin's niece & the twins**
- **Candy**
- **Caleb**
- **Christine**
- **Alex N**
- **Linda T**
- **Moise & Lydia**
- **Carol E**
- **Cade, Paige, & family**

NOTE NEW DEADLINE: During this transitional time, any items for the Bulletin need to be sent to the church email by 9am Thursdays. Thank you!

Lawn mowers are needed for our grounds and Larissa's home. Sign up sheets are on the auditorium board.

*****Save the date - New Haven Church of Christ Ladies Day, Saturday Oct. 3, 2026 See Bulletin Board for info.*****

Ladies Craft/Potlucks will be resuming 9/12 with a special luncheon at 11a. See Tracy M for info/to help.

Sunday, July 26th: Kids' Day! 11a-2:30p prox. Lunch provided. Teachers, please see Kimberly C for info.

Gander Brook needs kitchen help the week starting 6/27. Contact Linda K, Margery, or visit their website to sign up.

June Budget Vs Contribution

DATE	BUDGET	CONTRIBUTION	DIFFERENCE
6/7	\$3200	\$4815	+ \$1615
6/14	\$3200	\$2679	- \$ 521
6/21	\$3200	\$2774	- \$ 426
6/28	\$3200	TBD	TBD
Total:	\$12,800	TDB	TDB

Cancellations and important public announcements will be posted to the Calendar on our website! Check it for weather cancellations, general events, etc.

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WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

“FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT”

250 years ago yesterday, fifty-six delegates signed the Declaration of Independence, breaking with Britain. While we remember the political and military giants of this era – men like George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and John Adams – history has mostly overlooked a spiritual catalyst that contributed mightily to the Revolution. Long before shots rang out at Lexington and Concord, the spark of liberty was being fanned into flame from the pulpits of colonial America. Foremost among these spiritual leaders were the brave men of the “Black Robe Regiment,” a title given by the British to patriotic clergy who traded their gowns for the cause of national freedom.

“Righteousness exalts a nation” (Proverbs 14:34) served as the foundation of their worldview. These leaders understood that liberty could never survive without a solid, unyielding moral foundation. Influential churchmen like Jonas Clark, John Witherspoon and Peter Muhlenberg did not see any separation between their deep faith and their civic duty. To them, standing against tyranny was a righteous obligation. They preached that a nation could only be elevated and sustained if its citizens lived in submission to the higher laws of God. And if submission to those higher laws resulted in conflicts men's laws? So be it.

Peter Muhlenberg famously illustrated his conviction during a Sunday service. After preaching, he declared, “There is a time to preach and a time to pray, but those times have

passed away. There is a time to fight, and that time has now come!” He then removed his black clerical robe to reveal the uniform of a continental colonel, leading over three hundred men from his own congregation to enlist. For Muhlenberg and his peers, righteousness was not passive piety. It was an active, bold stance for justice and truth, deeply rooted in a shared culture of repentance and devotion.

The legacy of the Black Robe Regiment offers a powerful, sobering reminder for the modern Church. The Founders knew that clever political structures alone could never preserve freedom. John Adams famously noted “Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.” When a nation loses its moral anchor, no amount of political maneuvering can save it.

As we celebrate Independence Day, we must remember the courage of these men who stood firm, trusting in God as they fought for their country. While I am not as certain as they were that warfare is the way to go, I *am* certain that we must be salt and light in our communities, fostering a culture of righteousness through our choices, our families, and our public testimonies, “fighting the good fight of faith” in that way.

Let us honor the spirit of 1776 by committing ourselves to bold, godly living. It is in this way we fulfil not only our patriotic duty, but our Eternal Duty to the Living God, by Whose mighty hand kings and kingdoms rise and fall.

Danny

