# The Weathervane

#### RAYMOND VILLAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH, United Church of Christ Newsletter

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#### From the Pastor...

#### "Heaven and Nature Sing"

"Joy to the World; the Lord is come..." Congregations have been singing that carol now for 300 years! It is composer Isaac Watts personal interpretation of Psalm 98.

"Make a joyful noise to the Beloved all the earth; break forth into grateful song and sing praises!

Yes, sing songs of praise extolling Love's way; lift up your hearts with gratitude and joy!"

- Psalm 98 (translation, Nan C. Merrill)

Rather than "joy" being yet another word for "happiness," we will discover that the depths of joy can be found in the strangest places – doing the work of justice, and in the presence of compassion. Of course, these are part of Jesus coming into this world with his message outlining God's dream for humanity, a dream we still so desperately need.

We will be exploring that theme throughout Advent through our many seasonal worship traditions. Here's an outline of what to expect:

#### ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT OUR CHURCH

"Heaven and Nature Sing"
Celebrating the Three Hundredth Anniversary of
"Joy to the World"

Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>

Prepare Him Room: Hopeful Joy
10:00 A.M. – Worship and Communion.
Special music featuring Gary Wittner on guitar.

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December& January at RVCC		
December 1, 2019-	10:00 a.m. – Worship	
December 5, 2019-	6:00 p.m. – Council meeting	
December 7, 2019-	7:00 p.m RAA Casco Bay Tummlers concert	
December 8, 2019-	10:00 a.m. – Worship – Hanging of the Greens	
	11:15 a.m. – Advent Brunch	
December 10, 2019-	2:00 p.m. – Knitting group	
December 11, 2019-	10:00 a.m. – Writers Group	
December 12, 2019-	4:00 p.m. – Free blood pressure screening	
	5:00 p.m. – Free Community Meal	
December 15, 2019-	10:00 a.m. – Worship	
December 18, 2019-	7:00 p.m. – Candlelight Vespers Service	
December 22, 2019-	10:00 a.m. – Christmas Sunday Worship	
December 24, 2019-	5:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Service – "Amahl and the Night Visitor"	
December 29, 2019-	10:00 a.m Worship	
January 5, 2020-	10:00 a.m. – Worship	
January 8, 2020-	10:00 a.m. – Writer's Group	
January 12, 2020-	10:00 a.m. – Worship	
January 19, 2020-	10:00 a.m. – Worship	
	11:15 a.m. – Annual Meeting	
January 26, 2020-	10:00 a.m. – Worship	
January 27 – 31, 2020-	Window Dressers build in	

Please join us for the Fellowship Café Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. December is a free month for the Café. Please feel free to bring some goodies to share. It is hosted in January by the Trustees.

Vestry.

- Scouts, BSA Troops 800 & 851 meet on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

-A.A. meeting is every Friday at 7:00 p.m. -Qigong is Saturday December 7 & 14 at 8:00 a.m.

From the Pastor, continued . . .

# Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> Repeat the Sounding Joy: Loving Joy

10:00 A.M. – Traditional Hanging of the Greens with the Lighting of the Christmas tree. Special music featuring our Senior Choir.

11:15 A.M. – All-Church Advent Potluck Brunch

#### Sunday, December 15th

#### Make the Blessings Known: Unabashed Joy

10:00 A.M. – Worship with a special Raymond Food Pantry Offering and a new Christmas story. Special music featuring Noah Hall on trumpet.

#### Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> Candlelight Vespers Service "Madonna and Child"

7:00 P.M. –Join us for a quiet and contemplative service featuring our Senior Choir singing songs to Mary and Lullabies to the baby Jesus - and reminding us of the real meaning of the Advent season. Come, take a breath, and find healing and wholeness.

# Sunday, December 22<sup>rd</sup> Make the Nations Prove: Peaceful Joy

10:00 A.M. – Lessons and Carols led by our Senior Choir. There will be lots of poinsettias and Christmas cheer!

# Christmas Eve, December 24<sup>th</sup> *The Lord is Come: Incarnate Joy*

5:00 P.M. – Amahl and the Night Visitors featured as our Family candlelight worship service

### Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup> Wonders of His Love: Compassionate Joy

10:00 A.M. – Worship celebrating the joy of Christmas and the start of a new year.

(And wear your comfy clothes – or even bathrobe and slippers! You deserve a break!)

#### Happy Birthday!

We wish the following people a happy December birthday! Perhaps you will want to remember them with a card or special greeting!

December 7	Cassi Gordan
December 10	Lois Waldron
December 15	Jeff Stevenson
December 28	Caryl Gilman

#### **Prayer Concerns**



Our prayers of concern go out to:

#### In our Church Family:

The Family of Pauline Cadotte, Louise Doyle, Polly Dyer, Margo Fournier, Bev Lindell, Joan Morton, Chan, Kay & Gwen Roach, Frank Sullivan, Tom Wiley, Adma Willis

#### In our Extended Family:

Michael Cadotte, John Keimel

#### In our Community:

Janet Cairns, Tommy Keith, Bill N., Dan Tibbetts

#### Our Church's Vision

- -We will maintain a building that is accessible to all so that we can welcome all people.
- -That we will **encourage the arts**.
- -That we will feed the hungry.
- -That we will enhance communication and programming among community groups.
- -That we will support the aging and elderly.
- -We will **worship a God** that is still speaking in our world today.

# Something New: Amahl and the Night Visitors on Christmas Eve at 5:00 p.m.

Join us for the wonderful and magical story of Amahl, a young disabled boy with a penchant for telling tall tales. When the three magi arrive at their door, Amahl and his mother offer them food and shelter and learn about the Christ Child they are seeking. Miracles occur, and, in the end, Amahl leaves with the kings, carrying a very special gift for the Baby Jesus.

Patrick and the choir have been working hard on all the music for this wonderful production meant for children and families.

The service will begin at 5:00 P.M.

#### Moderator Musings



Why Bother? How many times have you said that to yourself? I suspect a few if you are anything like me.

Why bother cleaning the snow off my car? It will melt. Why bother cutting sodium out of my diet? Food won't taste good. Why bother raking the leaves? More will just blow back into the yard anyways.

Why bother to attend church this week? It will just be the same people that were there last week. And they'll be asking for money, AGAIN. Why create a vision for the church going forward? Why should I increase my pledge? Let someone else do it if they feel so inclined.

Why bother? Ask the many families that will receive a Thanksgiving basket this year. Ask the folks up in Cherryfield who will receive a new pair of mittens and a winter hat this year.

Ask the person who shows up at church on Christmas Eve but leaves with less disdain for the holiday season as a result of the service. Ask the minister who happened to meet a distraught person in the parking lot who had thought of taking their own life.

Ask the kid who got a scholarship to college by making straight A's in high school.

As Matthew 7 tells us, "Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." We help ourselves at the same time we help others.

Is it a question of looking beyond our problems to see those in others? Have you ever heard the saying "When you point your finger at someone else, you have three pointing back at you. (You just tried it, didn't you?) It is true. We all need to bother.

Why bother? If we all gave little effort or care we wouldn't survive. Why bother creating medicines and machines or learning new skills. Sometimes that new skill might save a life. Like CPR. I am thankful that someone bothered. That is indeed why we bother!!!

If we take the effort to recreate our churches vision, we can turn the word BOTHER into BETTER by only changing a few letters. Let's start making those changes. Yes, Let's bother. Let's maintain our building as a stalwart of the community. Let's be welcoming and accessible and encourage the arts and feed the hungry. Let's enhance the community and support the aging all while worshipping God. That's why. Someone will need us. That's why. Happy Holidays to all and look out 2020. Let's bother!!!!

Tom Wiley, Moderator

# Summary of November 6, 2019 Coordinating Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 by Tom Wiley. Present were Tom, Rolf, Brenda, Rev. Nancy, and Judy. Caryl Gilman also joined the meeting to take part in discussion of several of the agenda items.

Rolf offered the opening prayer.

Brenda made a motion, seconded by Tom to accept the minutes of the October meeting as printed.

**2020 Pastoral Package:** Caryl shared that the UCC is recommending a cost of living increase of 2.8% for Pastors in 2020. This will apply to salary as well as housing. Judy questioned whether there was still a formula we had to adhere to in setting increase amounts for the pastor's package, as there had been in the past. Caryl said that the formula is no longer in use.

Next Steps for Change: There was a discussion as to where we go from here on the plans that we are suggesting for the future. The presentation which Tom put together for the close of the service on Stewardship Sunday, are the vision of the Coordinating Council for the future of RVCC. The question is where do we go from here, we need to know that people of the congregation agree with this vision, and it was felt that we do not want to wait until annual meeting for further discussion. Tom will make hard copies of his presentation slides and have it available for people. Possibly we could adopt this vision at Annual Meeting.

Important Document Inventory: Thanks were given to Caryl for preparing this document. There are some final changes and updates to be made, then Caryl suggested that a position on the Coordinating Council needs to "own" it. It was agreed that the position of Treasurer should own it.

Invested Funds for Designation: It was agreed that as we go forward, our funds need less restrictions. It was also agreed that in the past, we would often take funds out of general funds to pay for an expense when it could have been taken out of restricted funds.

Treasurer's Report: Brenda reported that in general, it had been a good month, with excess income. More contributions were made to the Fran Mains fund, and more donations were made toward the siding project. The total cost of the siding project is estimated to be \$44,000, original estimate had been \$39,000. The final invoice has not been received yet. A lot of the cost increase was on the steeple. We would like to be able to pay off the loan on this project, if possible. If not we do

have a loan with good interest rate, and we will continue to pay on this monthly. Contributions were \$6203 for the month in the general fund. This was more than budget by \$760, and almost offsets shortfall in September. Year to date, contributions are \$137 higher than budget. Total Income of \$7508 was over budget by \$960 for the month. After adjusting for American Fund valuation increase, total income is \$326 more than budget, year to date. Total expenses were \$7437, under budget by \$2030 for the month. Year to date expenses are under budget by \$1367. Rolf made a motion, seconded by Rev. Nancy, and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to year end review.

**Clerk:** nothing to report

Trustees: Rolf reported that the siding project is still not completed. A few things still need to be finished up, and clean up needs to be done. The boy scouts are expected to do their fall clean up for us in November. Rolf reported that when we get heavy rain, water gets into the furnace room. He is recommending that we have a cap put on the chimney, it is guaranteed to keep out the rain, and will be covered by money that we still have in a water insurance fund. It was agreed to go ahead with this project. He is still working on installing a new door at the parsonage. We have just seen an increase in the amount that the state pays toward rent on the parsonage. The amount that Nate, our tenant, pays, will stay the same, however.

Missions: Caryl reported \$111 was collected for Neighbors in Need offering. Coming up are Thanksgiving food project and collection of articles for Seacoast Mission wish list. Rev. Nancy reported that we have a new local corporate donor for Thanksgiving, a subsidiary of Dialectric.

Christian Education: Rev. Nancy reported a new format for Christmas Eve, the choir will be performing **Amahl and the Night Visitor**. We will not need kids to participate.

Stewardship: Brenda reported that she is trying to send our more Stewardship letters, reaching beyond the small list of people who currently pledge. Received to date, only one week into our campaign, \$29,930 to general fund, \$1,140 to Missions, and \$2,180 for cleaning. We feel we are off to a good start. Nancy reported that Craig will be running the next Community meal on December 12. The Katahdin program will be helping out again doing set up and some of the cooking. Nancy will check with Craig before she leaves town, we are not sure what he is planning to cook.

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Council minutes, continued . . .

**Deacons:** Tom reported that after December 1, only he and Deb Feagans will remain as active deacons. They are actively recruiting. Hanging of the Greens service will be on December 8, with pot luck meal to follow.

Moderator: nothing more to report

Pastor: Rev. Nancy reported that she has recently attended the Cumberland Association UCC fall meeting, and the annual meeting of the Maine Conference UCC. On January 27-31, the Window Dressers program will be taking place in our building again. There will be another office social on November 21. The October Community meal went well. The people of the Katahdin project were great to work with. The Fuller Center continues to work on recruitment and application processes. She has been talking with Lorraine Glowczak from Faith Lutheran Church about ways that our churches might work together. The Little Free Library has finally been set up. Advent Vespers Service will be on 12/18, theme will be Madonna and Child.

Old Business: none

New Business: The Windham Eagle is currently recruiting ads for its calendar. Cost is \$500 for the year. It was suggested that we could do paid ads for special events for a lot less money. There is a Raymond insert to the Windham Eagle, it appears the last Friday of each month. There is a woman at town hall who puts it together, she gets our all-church emails, and Weathervanes. This seems to work well. There was discussion on date for Annual Meeting, it will be January 19, with snow date of January 26. The Warrant, with by law changes needs to go in the next Weathervane. Rev. Nancy will be away November 10-19<sup>th</sup>. Our next meeting will be December 5, at 6:00 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Judith Munson, Clerk

#### Advent Food Pantry Offering on December 15th

We think of our Food Pantry as a place to go for....you got it....food – if you need some extra help. However, the Food Pantry also stocks non-food items – and is especially in need of non-EBT items, i.e. items not covered under the food stamp program.

Our Advent Food Pantry Offering this year will be those non-food items the Pantry needs the most. Please bring your contribution to worship on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Here's a list of what you can contribute:

Laundry Detergent
Dishwasher Detergent
Toilet Bowel Cleaner
All Purpose Cleaner
Dish Soap
Hand Soap
Plastic Wrap
Aluminum Foil
Freezer and Storage Bags
Personal Hygiene items
Band-Aids

#### **Poinsettias for Christmas**

Everyone is encouraged to bring a poinsettia to decorate our altar area for the Christmas season. Pick up a poinsettia donation form, and then bring your poinsettia to church on either December 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> – and plan to leave it through Christmas Eve. A list of donors and those they are honoring/remembering will be included in the bulletin on Christmas Eve.

If you live at a distance and would like to have a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone, please complete the Poinsettia Donation Form below and mail it with a check for \$12.00 payable to RVCC to Rev. Nancy Foran, Raymond Village Community Church, P.O. Box 285, Raymond, ME 04071. A poinsettia will be purchased for you and displayed on the altar. The deadline is December 8<sup>th</sup>.

# UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST POINSETTIA DONATION FORM I am bringing \_\_\_ poinsettia(s) to decorate our church. Please purchase \_\_\_ poinsettia(s) for me. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_. (\$12 per plant) Given by \_\_\_\_\_ In honor/memory/celebration of (Circle one):\_\_\_\_\_\_ In honor/memory/celebration of (Circle one):\_\_\_\_\_\_

RAYMOND VILLAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

#### Heaven and Nature Sing!

That is our theme for Advent this year. We are celebrating the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the carol, "Joy to the World". We will be reflecting on how we find joy in our lives, particularly in the troubled times in which we live.

Everyone is invited to join in a couple of our traditional Advent activities coming up:

**December 8**th – Our first all-church event is our traditional **Hanging of the Greens** service during worship. Come and hear once more the stories and legends behind some of our most cherished Christmas symbols – and help decorate your church sanctuary!

Our choir will be singing!

Also December 8<sup>th</sup> - Following worship, join in the Annual All-Church Advent Potluck Brunch. Bring something yummy to share!

**December 15**<sup>th</sup> – Not only will we be having a wonderful trumpeter in worship to bring us Advent joy in music, but we will also be listening to a **Christmas story** illustrated on the "big screen" as well.

**Also December 15**<sup>th</sup> – We will be having a special offering for our food pantry. Watch for details about what you can bring.

**December 18**<sup>th</sup> – Advent Vespers Service. Our theme this year is "Madonna and Child".

#### **HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!**

#### Community Friendship Meal on December 12th

Join your neighbors and friends for another free Community Friendship Meal on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 6:00 P.M. in the Vestry. It will be a festive time with table decorations created by some of the students in the Windham High School Katahdin Program.

Craig Messinger has volunteered to make his DELICIOUS fish chowder for the occasion! The Katahdin Program students will be cooking an alternative entrée (minestrone soup) along with making salad and dessert.

Also, we will be offering a **free blood pressure clinic** on the same date from 4-5 pm.

As always, the meal is free, but there will be a basket for donations to offset the cost – and keep these meals self-sustaining.

Hope to see you there!

#### Advent Candlelight Vespers Service on December 18<sup>th</sup>

Perhaps you remember last year's Vespers service as we celebrated in a quiet and peaceful way the beloved Christmas carol, "Silent Night." This year's vesper service will be also be a quiet time to remember the real meaning of the season, so often lost in the hustle and bustle. The theme is "Madonna and Child", so you can expect our choir to be singing some lullabies as well as ancient and modern songs about Mary. And, of course, we will all sing Silent Night by candlelight – perhaps the most beautiful lullaby of all.

If you need some quiet time or if you are burdened by loss, regret, or stress, or if the holidays this year are just not all they are cracked up to be, then be good to yourself and be part of the Advent Vespers Service on Wednesday, December 18<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 P.M. The service will be a brief time for you to find healing, wholeness, and maybe even yourself this holiday season.

#### Sunday Music in December

What wonderful holiday music we will have each week during December:

December 1<sup>st</sup> - Patrick Martin on Piano and Gary Wittner on Guitar

December 8<sup>th</sup> - Patrick Martin on Piano and directing our Adult Choir

December 15<sup>th</sup> - Patrick Martin on Piano with Noah Hall on trumpet

December 18<sup>th</sup> - Patrick Martin on piano directing our Adult Choir as they sing a variety of songs on the theme of "Madonna and Child" at our annual Advent Vespers Service

December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Patrick Martin on piano with our Adult Choir singing lots of Christmas music

December 24<sup>th</sup> - Patrick Martin on piano directing our Adult Choir in "Amahl and the Night Visitors"

December 29<sup>th</sup> – Cherie Moore on piano

#### Mission Corner

#### Seacoast Mission Christmas Wish List - items to be collected by Dec 8

Each year at Christmas time, Seacoast Mission distributes holiday gifts to children, families, the elderly, and nursing home residents.

The tradition of Mission Christmas presents began more than 100 years ago when the Mission brought gifts to island residents and lighthouse keepers. Now, generous donors bring new items to the Mission throughout the year to be distributed on the islands and in Hancock and Washington counties at Christmas time.

They also operate the "Elves' Workshop" in the Weald Bethel Community Center, where people can choose the gifts they would like to give to their families.

This is the second year we will collect items and mail them to Cherryfield for distribution. Please bring to the church any of the following by Dec 8

- Body Wash (8oz or smaller)
- Body Lotion (8oz or smaller)
- Lip Balm
- Nail Polish
- Barrettes/Elastics
- Deodorant
- Hand Sanitizer
- Soap

- Mittens all sizes, especially hand knit
- Hats and Scarves
- Drawing and Paint Pads
- Adult Puzzle and Coloring Books
- Colored Pencils, Fine Markers, Fat Crayons
- Water color paints
- Board books for toddlers

Last year, when the items we sent were received, Seacoast sent us a warm letter of appreciation.

#### Raymond Elementary School Reading Challenge

This is the second year, RVCC will support RES "Read to Fee" Challenge by donating \$150 that will go to Heifer Project. "Read to Feed" is a fun and engaging readathon in which students practice Literacy skills while learning about global issues of hunger and poverty. When the students meet their reading goal, they will decide what animals to buy with the money raised from community supporters.

Christmas Fund Offering on Christmas Eve – Funds provide direct financial support to those who serve the church and are facing financial difficulties. Active and retired clergy, lay employees, and their surviving spouses may be eligible for the Supplementation of Small Annuities, Supplementation of Health Premiums, Emergency Grants, and/or Christmas "Thank You" Gift Checks.

**Raymond Holiday Gift Program:** Once again this year, we will donate 10 \$20 Walmart Gift Cards to the Holiday Gift Program in the Raymond Schools ensuring that no child goes without holiday gifts. After all, what kid is not happy to have a gift card, to shop for exactly what they want.

#### Greetings!

Well, it's that time of year again. No, not Thanksgiving and Christmas – Budget and Planning!

We have shared some information with you recently at a service in November. If you missed that service, and or want to review that presentation, you can find it on the bulletin board in vestry. We are looking for your input for our budget for 2020, as well as what you expect to see in the next 3 years. If we continue "as is", we will use up our General Operating Funds by the end of 2022. There are some ideas that have been suggested already and we would like to hear your ideas. Please take a minute to talk to anyone one of us on the council (Tom Wiley, Judy Munson, Nancy Foran, Rolf Olsen or myself). We are having our council meeting to discuss budgets on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> so time is of the essence. Of course, you may also call me (207-838-0123) or e-mail me (bolsen001@maine.rr.com) if you have any questions or are not able to meet me in person.

Please remember to send in your pledge card as soon as you can. This helps our budgeting process a lot.

Thank you!

Brenda Olsen - Treasurer

#### For the Person Who Has Everything....Alternative Christmas Gifts

Did you know that we spend over one TRILLION dollars globally on Christmas? Does that make you think of maybe cutting down on gifts like Christmas sweaters and holiday ties this year? Trying to put some meaning back into the season? Not sure what to get for that teacher, coach, distant cousin, or friend that still sends you a fruitcake year after year? You want to remember them – but in something other than a consumerist, material way.

Be part of the Advent Conspiracy by worshipping fully, spending less, giving more, and loving all. How about making a donation to a charitable organization instead?

#### Here are a few suggestions:

- 1. Heifer International For decades, our congregation has supported this non-profit that sends farm animals worldwide to struggling communities
- 2. Raymond Fuel Assistance This town-sponsored group helps many families not eligible for federal and state subsidies right here in our own community to stay warm over the winter
- 3. RVCC Designated Missions Fund This is money our church sets aside specifically for missions. Much of it helps individuals and families in the Raymond area in need of financial assistance.
  - 4. Raymond Food Pantry Our local food pantry housed at the Baptist Church on Route 302 helps many Raymond families with nutritious food.
- 5. Preble Street Resource Center This non-profit helps many poor and homeless individuals and families in Portland through shelters and soup kitchens
- 6. Americares This organization provides disaster relief and humanitarian medical aid to people in crisis in the USA and around the world.

These are just a few of many worthwhile organizations you could consider supporting in lieu of a more traditional Christmas gift. Google them for addresses and online donations – or talk with Rev. Nancy.

#### **Raymond Arts Alliance Concert**

On Saturday, December 7, the Raymond Arts Alliance will present a concert of Klezmer music (Traditional instrumental music from Eastern Europe, in some cases modernized by adding elements of Jazz and other world music) with The Casco Bay Tummlers. Based in Portland, The Casco Bay Tummlers have been performing Klezmer music since 1988, and have released three recordings of original and traditional music. They were featured performers on the LL Bean Holiday CD, and have performed for the Portland Stage Company as well as toured in Germany, Lithuania, Slovenia and Italy. The concert will occur at the Raymond Village Community Church, 27 Main St. Raymond. The doors will open at 6:30pm and the concert will begin at 7pm. It is free and open to the public with a suggested donation.

#### Northern Light Home Care and Hospice Announces a Six Week Grief Support Group for Greater Portland Area

Have you lost a loved one? When someone we love dies it can feel overwhelming. You may feel alone and that no one understands what you are going through. The truth is that many are walking a similar path. Consider coming to a place where you can talk, grieve, and move forward with people who are also grieving.

Fridays – December 6 through January 17 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Northern Light Home Care and Hospice 50 Foden Road, South Portland

The group is free of charge, but registration is required and participants are encouraged to attend all group sessions. For more information or to register, please call Linda Hopkins at (207) 400-8714 or email hopkinsl@northernlight.org.



Saturday, December 14th at 4pm

Raymond Arts Alliance (RAA) invites you to join us and enjoy this most beloved holiday activity – singing! Cherie Moore will accompany on the piano.

Please visit our Website for a list of songs.

http://www.raymondvillagelibrary.org/raa-events

Join us at....

Raymond Village Community Church
27 Main St, Raymond

<u>This is a free event and open to the public.</u>



Raymond Arts Alliance is a program of the Raymond Village

Library in partnership with the

Raymond Village Community Church





Raymond Village Community Church

27 Main Street, P.O. Box 285, Raymond, ME 04071 (207) 655-7749

#### Reminder!

There will be no Weathervane for January! We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Raymond Village Community Church, UCC

#### **Warrant for Annual Congregational Meeting**

January 19, 2020

Notice is hereby given to the members of the Raymond Village Community Church, UCC in Raymond, Maine that you are duly called to meet at our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 19, 2020. The meeting will begin in the Sanctuary following the Worship Service starting at approximately 11:15 AM. The meeting will be held on January 26, 2020 at the same time and location if inclement weather causes the meeting to be postponed.

The business of the meeting shall be as follows:

<u>Article 1:</u> To hear and act upon the reports of all officers, Coordinators, Task Force, and Committees;

Article 2: To adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2020;

Article 3: To elect a slate of officers to serve for the year;

Article 4: To consider revising BY-LAWS, Article XI – Dissolution, Section 1.

<u>Article 5:</u> To transact any other business that shall lawfully come before this meeting.

Notice of this meeting is hereby given on this the 5<sup>th</sup> (and 12th) day of January, 2020.

Respectfully,

Judith T. Munson, Church Clerk