

WEST FAIRLEE CENTER CHURCH
West Fairlee Center, Vermont

June 30, 2004

Dear Friends and Family of the West Fairlee Center Church:

Yes, our little church is still standing, waiting to greet you as you drive up Middlebrook toward Wild Hill and Bradford. Once again we are planning a season of vesper services, beginning on July 11th, 7:30pm, with the Rev. Jean Jersey to lead us. Please come join us for the opening as well as for the rest of the summer services.

This will be our 195th year as a gathered church, and our 149th in this building. We are both glad and thankful that its vitality continues, thanks to your and our caring. Already in 2004 we have had one wedding and two more are being scheduled during the summer.

Looking back through the records, we see that during the mid 1960's there were no services at all except for funerals, in 1967 and 1969 only a single service each, and none in 1968. The steeple crisis in 1970 was the wake-up call which brought into clear focus the church's place in our community. The past generation, which leapt into action, led the church into spiritual renewal. We seem to need these crises periodically!

As we gather for another season, we will be missing a dear friend. Lloyd Kidder, 92, left us last November. His fly swatters will be endearing reminders of past evenings.

We look forward to sharing the coming season of fellowship and worship. Join us **Sunday evenings** at **7:30pm** for the following dates:

July 11	Rev. Jean Jersey
July 18	Rev. Arthur Hover
July 25	Rev. Gail Dimick – Blessing of the Animals
Aug. 1	Rev. Gary Wait *
Aug. 8	Rev. Pam Lucas
Aug. 15	Rev. Michelle Sabin and Organist Pat Norton – Old Fashioned Methodist Hymn Sing
Aug. 22	Rev. Gary Wait (to be followed with a social time at the Community Club House)

* There will be a separate Blessing of the ATV drivers at 5:30pm, on the Center Green.

Please pass along the schedule and invite your friends to attend. We welcome all.

Blessings to all,

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