

West Fairlee Center Congregation Church, Middlebrook Road, West Fairlee, VT



The West Fairlee Center Congregation Church was built in 1855 by a small group of parishioners who raised \$2000 to cover the cost. In 1949 when the floor caved in, Church members bent their backs and raised money for a new floor, an electric organ and an altar. In 1973, 15 church members set out to raise \$20,000 for steeple and foundation restoration. In the late 1990s with the realization that the Church was again in a critical state, members started the process again (still less than 15) and raised \$40,000 for extensive restorations which included a matching grant. Painting the interior cost \$11,000.

In the 1999 Annual Church Letter, Doris Honig wrote that the building which they worked to restore is a much-loved shelter, filled with memories and associations of all sorts. The Church has been fortunate to have had friends over the years who have helped to keep this building in good condition for future generations. It is hoped that restoration does not reach a crisis situation in the future. Any building and one that is over 160 years old will always need maintenance to keep this National Historic Site in good condition.

Donating

Enclosed is my contribution of \$ _____
(Please make check payable to West Fairlee Center Church)

My gift will support:

- Church Restoration Fund
- Church Maintenance
- Annual operation costs (insurance, heating, lights, etc.)
- Events (Concerts, etc.)
- Church Services (Blessing of the Animals, Post-Thanksgiving, Traditional)
- Areas of greatest need

This gift is ___ in honor of: or ___ in remembrance of: _____

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