

## ***Would you consider affiliation with the West Fairlee Center Church?***

The West Fairlee Center Church, a member of the United Church of Christ - Vermont Conference, has long provided local communities with a place of serenity to meditate, worship and to celebrate important life events. We hold Sunday Evening Vesper Services during the summer, inviting ministers from a wide range of denominations to preside. Our music program, which we are expanding, is directed by well-known Upper Valley musician Samantha Moffatt. We try to stay up to date on community needs and are often able to offer assistance to friends and neighbors who could use a hand.

Recently, we have begun offering an ecumenical service of praise on the Sunday after Thanksgiving, led by members of a variety of different faiths, including Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism and traditional Native American. We have provided a welcoming space for weddings, funerals and baptisms for those of many different faiths and those who simply want to recognize important moments in a sacred way.

The congregation is very small, but the church is open to everyone. There is little in our lives to compare with the deep serenity of this building and its traditions. Many come for a service and spend time wandering through the adjacent old cemetery. **If you would like to join us in any capacity, you are most welcome, and if you would like to discuss the use of the church for your life event, we would be most pleased to hear from you.**

The West Fairlee Center Congregational Association, the Church's governing body, offers two levels of membership, full and associate. (The latter option is for those who may have other faith commitments or beliefs but who wish to be formally associated with the Church and its spirit of thanks and praise.) It also gratefully accepts donations for the work of restoration and repair. We benefit greatly from both levels. Full membership gives us the benefit of your faith commitment and associate membership indicates your fellowship with us and your support of our effort to keep this church present and alive in the valley. If you like, you may specify that donations go either to the work of the church or to the building only or to both. **Just call, write or email to the number and address below and we will respond.**

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