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Live services at 9:30 a.m. with coffee hour following the service at 10:30 a.m.

Please join us for our livestreamed services which are available at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday using link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUAqYh6UMZyucMGNL21xqgA/live

To watch any previous service at any other time use link:

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A note from our Pastor

I am so grateful to the leadership team at Edgecomb Community Church for their partnership in discerning and dreaming about the future of our church. This past year has been one of personal growth and professional joy as I've served, in parttime capacity, as your pastor. And I am thrilled that we have decided together to increase my position, beginning in the new year, so that I can lean in even more to my role as Lead Pastor of Edgecomb Community Church—listening, praying, playing, and guiding us forward into this next season of growth for our church community.

Emma, Juniper, and I have already begun hunting for our next home in Midcoast Maine! We welcome your prayers over the next few months as we anticipate and then make this transition. It is going to be so good for us to be nearby and hands-on, day-to-day and week-toweek, with you in the years ahead.

Last year at this time I wrote to you: "May the flutter of every fallen leaf remind us that—as people of faith—our tradition invites us to respond to the changes in our lives with our roots sunk deep in the soil of God. Our faith calls us to cling there, and draw sustenance from the soil, as we ourselves become living, breathing, growing, reaching

expressions of God's love in our world."

That's my aim as a practitioner of faith, and that's my prayer for us as a community of faith in the coming years, that we may deepen and expand as a small church with a big heart, growing together.

All in! Pastor Aram



Church Calender

November 1— Thrift Store open 9-1.

November 2 — 21st Sunday after Pentecost.

Worship service at 9:30 AM

with Pastor Aram Mitchell.

Nature Journaling Workshop 1-3

p.m.

November 4 — Tuesday Lunch at noon. Thrift Store open 9-1.

November 6—Bible Study with Rev. Larry Krewson via zoom

November 8— Thrift Store open 9-1.

November 9 —22nd Sunday after Pentecost. Worship at 9:30 AM with Pastor Aram Mitchell.

November 11—Veterans Day. Thrift Store open 9-1.

November 13—Bible Study with Rev. Larry Krewson via zoom

November 15— Holiday Sale begins at Thrift Store 9-1.

November 16 —23rd Sunday after Pentecost. Worship at 9:30 AM with Pastor Aram Mitchell.

Gardens Aglow trip meet at 3 p.m.

November 18—Tuesday Lunch at noon Holiday Sale at Thrift Store 9-1

November 20—Bible Study with Rev. Larry Krewson via zoom

November 22—Holiday Sale continues at Thrift Store 9-1.

November 23 —24th Sunday after Pentecost. Worship at 9:30 AM with guest Rev. Peter Foss

November 25— Thrift Store open 9-1. Thanksgiving Pie Sale 9-noon.

November 27—Thanksgiving Day

November 29— Holiday Sale continues at Thrift Store open 9-1

November 30—First Sunday of Advent

Little Corner Food Pantry

is open during regular Thrift Store hours: Tuesdays and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Take what you need and leave what you can for others. Monetary donations are always accepted at the Thrift Store for the food pantry.





November Birthdays

Arthur Edgecomb	8
Joan Spurgat	17
Natalie Potter	18
Michael Finnegan	26
Jeff Sewall	27
Joe Cough	27

December Birthdays

Aram Mitchell	9
Marjorie DiVece	9
George Malone	16
Sofia Chase	18
George Greene	22

Nature Journaling Workshop



Sunday, November 2nd | 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Edgecomb Community Church 15 Cross Point Road, Edgecomb

Register to Reserve Your Spot!

Email: edgecomb.church@gmail.com

Subject Line: "Nature Journaling"

Limited to 25 people

Kids ages 10+ encouraged to join with a parent or caring adult!

Childcare for younger kids can be arranged on site, if needed.

Journaling supplies and snacks provided!

Recommended donation: \$10 per household.

Dress in layers for indoor & outdoor activities!



About This Workshop

In this workshop we will explore nature and our power of observation. We will investigate using our senses, practicing awareness and understanding about how to take that information and put it into a nature journal using words and sketches.

This is not about creating pretty pictures—it's about observing and recording your observations with curiosity. We will start indoors for an introduction and then head outside to nature journal with prompts that we'll give to you and work beside you on!

Meet Your Workshop Leader

Lindsay Strout



Lindsay is a Maine high school science educator who is very passionate about nature journaling and the outdoors. She graduated from the University of Prince Edward Island with her bachelor's of science in biology, but teaching sparked her interests—mixing science & education is where it's at!

She's also a Maine Master Naturalist and hopes to share all that nature has to offer with others. She

started nature journaling almost 5 years ago and has seen a huge difference in her pages, how she observes, and records those observations.

"Nature Journaling will give you a new set of lenses to look through as you go about exploring!"

Questions? Contact us at edgecomb.church@gmail.com

Free Thanksgiving Dinner

The Wiscasset Masonic Lodge is putting on a Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, November 23, at the Wiscasset Community Center from 11-2 p.m. They are inviting guests from area towns including Edgecomb. If you might be interested there will be a sign up sheet at the Edgecomb Community Church and at the Wiscasset Community Center later next month. (Note: the Edgecomb Community Church's Tuesday Lunch program will also be serving a turkey dinner on Tuesday, November 18.) If you like turkey, there are several meals out there being offered.

Tuesday Community Lunches

November 4 — Tomato Soup, French Bread Pizza, Salad, Maple Bread Pudding with Whipped Cream

November 18 — Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Gravy, Mashed Potato, Squash, Peas, Rolls, Pumpkin Pie.

New Members Sunday



Four new members were inducted Sunday, October 12, 2025 during worship.

Pastor Aram Mitchell (far left) offiated the service. (L-R) Arthur Edgecomb, Linda Walls, Mable Beaulieu and and Patti Rines were welcomed by deacon Marjorie DiVece (far right) and the congregation.



Thrift Store Holiday Sale

11/15 to 11/29 (five days during Thrift Store Hours)



Thift Store open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays

Thrift Store Closing December 2 after last Tuesday Lunch for winter months
Reopening in April (look for announcement in newsletter)
"Soup to Go" will begin the 1st Tuesday (1/6) in January
and will be offered 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in Jan., Feb. and March from 10-noon





Edgecomb Community Church

Thanksgiving Pie Sale

Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9-noon

15 Cross Point Road, Edgecomb & Ames True Value, Rt. 1, Wiscasset



Priced from \$6 to \$22

Delivery available—To preorder call Marjorie DiVece at 882-6338

EDGECOMB HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS:

EDGECOMB MAINE: THE POSTCARD VIEW



Step back in time as Kevin Johnson presents historical views of Edgecomb and the surrounding area through postcards photographed during the early 1900s. The series of postcards was created by the Eastern Illustrating and Publishing Company to promote tourism. You may recognize homes, businesses, and landmarks that still stand today.

Speaker: Kevin Johnson of Penobscot Marine Museum, Searsport, Maine

Date: Sunday November 9, 3:00 PM Place: Edgecomb Town Hall

Refreshments will be served. Donations gratefully accepted.

Edgecomb Fire Department Auxiliary Annual FISH at the Edgecomb Fire Department SATURDAY November 8th 11am - 2pm Menu · Fried fish or chicken tenders · French fries Coleslaw Drinks available Proceeds Don't miss out on Benefit this annual event! Auxiliary

Busy Hands

Busy Hands will not meet in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Items made by the group will be on sale during the Thrift Store's holiday sale from November 15 to 29.

A gift of \$400 is being sent to Habitat for Humanity in Lincoln County as part of the group's mission.

Schmid Preserve Fall Trail Work Day

The Schmid Preserve Fall Trail Work Day will be Sunday, November 2nd from 9 AM until noon. Please contact Lisa McSwain at schmidpreserve@gmail.com if you plan to

attend.

Coffee Hour Happenings

Fall has been a busy time during coffee hours after worship each Sunday. Decorating wreaths was completed on Sunday, October 5, and pumpkin carving was on tap for Sunday, October 12.













Contract Signed!

Pastor Aram Mitchell is shown here signing a new 3-year contract to continue on as our 3/4 time ministerial leader. This contract will begin on January 1 of 2026. A prior 3-month contract was signed to cover this October to December.

He and his wife Emma and daughter Juniper will be moving to the area soon after finding housing. WELCOME to Aram and family!

Concert for Hunger

Held on Sunday, October 26, this fundraiser concert was a great success. ECC's pianist Joe Cough and fellow musician Tom Luther, as well as Joe's wife Lindsay who contributed with her beautiful voice, all made for a wonderful family concert.



Around 45 people attended and \$800 was raised for Edgecomb Eddy School and Wiscasset's Feed Our Scholars Program.



Mission Chairman Gail Boudin reports On Sept 24th and October 15th, our church hosted Narcan Training classes for the community which were taught by Healthy Lincoln County Harm Reduction coordinator Will Matteson. These informative and interactive presentations included Power Point and printed information. Lively discussion and questions enriched this time together. Each participant was given a box of Narcan to take home. More presentations are planned for the spring.

Little Corner Pantry—As we look ahead to the ongoing needs in our communities, we ask you to please look in your pantry and cupboard. If you are able to donate a can of soup or baked beans or perhaps you see cereal on sale while shopping. Any non-perishable foods would be great. These donations will be greatly appreciated in the coming weeks and winter months. If you have a friend or neighbor who could use some help please spread the word we are here. Any questions please call Gail Boudin 380-7452.

November 2025

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