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*"To bring together our communities in spirituality
and loving service to humankind"*

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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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News for the November edition is due by 5 p.m. Wednesday, October 28, at edgcomb.church@gmail.com

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, please send your Email address to: edgcomb.church@gmail.com

Pastor's Note:

An autumn poem and prayer for you at the equinox...

Welcome to the season of falling leaves
—of release, of letting go, of gravity's hold,
hugging our bodies to this earth.

Welcome to the season of sweaters and scarves
—of hugging tight, of being cozy, of remembering that
though the world is often cold,
warmth is allowed.

Welcome to the season of county fairs
—of spending allowance, of produce and play, of laughter and friendship,
of prizing what it is to be human,
what it is to be animal,
what it is to be alive.

Welcome to the season of bonfires
—of life illuminated, of circling round, of primal celebration,
of shadows dancing,
of telling old stories.

May this season bring with it the freedom of spiritual surrender, the physical comforts that we need, the hearty joys of community, and the impulse to gather in ways that nurture body, soul, and spirit!

Peace and love,
Pastor Aram

Church Calender

October 3—Thrift Store open 9-1.
 October 4 —19th Sunday after Pentecost.
 Worship at 9:30 AM with Pastor
 Aram Mitchell. Neighbors In Need
 Offering and Clean Up Work Day
 October 6—Tuesday Lunch at noon
 Thrift Store open 9-1.
 October 7—Bible Study with Pastor
 Aram Mitchell 5:30 p.m.
 October 9—Take Out Bake Bean Supper
 3-5 p.m. pick up time.
 October 10—Thrift Store open 9-1.
 October 11—20th Sunday after Pentecost.
 Worship at 9:30 AM with guest
 preacher Rev. David Zigler.
 Mission Outreach Meeting 11 a.m.
 October 12—Indigenous Peoples' Day
 October 13—Thrift Store open 9-1
 Café time with Aram 10-1
 October 14—Bible Study with Pastor
 Aram Mitchell 5:30 p.m.
 October 17—Thrift Store open 9-1.
 October 18 —21st Sunday after Pentecost.
 Worship at 9:30 AM with Pastor
 Aram Mitchell
 Wild Widows at 11 .am.
 October 20 —Tuesday Lunch at noon
 Thrift Store open 9-1
 October 21—Bible Study with Pastor
 Aram Mitchell 5:30 p.m.
 October 24—Thrift Store open 9-1
 October 25 —22nd Sunday after Pentecost.
 Worship at 9:30 AM with Pastor
 Aram Mitchell.
 Nature Trail Hike after church TBA
 October 27—Thrift Store open 9-1
 Café Time with Aram 10-noon
 October 28—Busy Hands 1-3 p.m.
 Bible Study with Pastor Aram
 Mitchell 5:30 p.m.
 October 31—Thrift Store open 9-1
 HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Tuesday Lunch

October 6 —Shepherd's Pie, Salad,
 Bread, Maple Bread Pudding.

October 20—Baked Beans, Ham,
 Cole Slaw, Cornbread, Apple Crisp

Little Corner Food Pantry

Open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Tues-
 day and Saturday. Donations ac-
 cepted.



*Take what you need and
 give what you can.*



October Birthdays

Ed Hamilton	1
Dick O'Connor	7
Steven Wijdzinski	8
Eliza Chase	9
Art Garey	10
Larry Krewson	19
Pam Soule	23
Mable Beaulieu	26
Lydia Booher	28

November Birthdays

Arthur Edgecomb	8
Brady Booher	13
Joan Spurgat	17
Natalie Potter	18
Michael Finnegan	26
Jeff Sewall	27
Joe Cough	27

New Member Sunday



Sunday, August 31, Betty Applin became a new member of the Edgecomb Community Church. She gave a very moving speech on how she decided to join our church due to our abundance of warm hospitality and friendship. Welcome Betty too our small church with a big heart!

Church Happenings

1. Community Lunches | 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at noon (October 6 & 20)
2. Pastor's Cafe at ECC | Drop in to connect with the pastor, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays from 10am-1pm.
3. Bible Study | Wednesday evenings 5:30 p.m.
4. Wild Widows meets after church the 3rd Sunday of each month
5. Busy Hands meets the 4th Wednesday of each month 1-3 p.m. (October 28)
6. Thrift Store & Little Corner Food Pantry open Tuesdays & Saturdays 9-1.
7. Clean-up Day Sunday, October 4, after church. We will be tackling the sanctuary windows.
8. Take Out Baked Bean Supper Friday, October 9. Pick up from 3-5 p.m. \$10 per person. Also available Saturday, October 10 during Thrift Store Hours 9-1.
9. Guest Preacher David Zigler will officiate on Sunday, October 11.
10. Mission Outreach Committee Meeting Sunday, October 11 at 11 a.m.
11. Nature Walk will be offered after church on Sunday, October 25. Details TBA.
12. A dinner for the Sober House residents will be offered by the Mission Outreach Committee in the church Fellowship Hall on Monday, October 26. By invitation only.
13. Edgecomb Eddy School Trunk or Treat will be held Friday, October 30, from 5-7 p.m. Mission Outreach will be there from our church.



Sept. 20 Nature Walk at Zak Preserve led by Air Rhodes. Come join us each 4th Sunday of the month after worship service for a time of fun and quiet reflection.

Quote from Silas Waynelete Class of '27

"I'd rather live in regret of failing than regret of not trying"

- MJ DeMarco

Upcoming Events

ECC Samhain Gathering & Celtic New Year

Sunday, November 1st at Noon

At the ECC Labyrinth (weather permitting)

Led by Pastor Aram and Deacon Linda Walls

Spirit in Nature Walks

Last Sunday of every month at 11:30am

Various locations (see Facebook or Pastor Aram's weekly emails for details)

Led by Air Rhodes, Maine Guide and Master Naturalist

Gifts of the Mother: An Advent Journey with the Sacred Feminine, by Sabra Engelbrecht

Advent Book Study | Beginning November 11th

Daily practices and weekly conversation, facilitated by Pastor Aram

Order your copy of the book in advance (limited number of books available for free for those who need, reach out to Pastor Aram to reserve your copy)

Thrift Store Dates to Remember

- ♦ **Holiday Sales—November 17, 21 and 24.**
- ♦ **Last Day of operation in 2026— Tuesday, November 24.**
- ♦ **Thrift Store open during winter Soup-to-Go offerings—1st and 3rd Tuesdays of January, February and March from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Volunteers are needed to help out in the Thrift Store; stop in and let the team know how you can help out—any amount of time is great!

Save the Date

Friday, November 7, at 2 p.m.

All are invited to a tea for the Edgcomb Green

WISCASSET SCARECROW FESTIVAL

Rain or
Shine!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM



**COME JOIN US AT THE
WISCASSET COMMUNITY CENTER
FOR A FUN PACKED FAMILY DAY!**

**BUILD A SCARECROW!
\$5 IF YOU LEAVE IT
\$10 IF YOU TAKE IT HOME.**

CRAFT FAIR, TOUCH-A-TRUCK,
FACE PAINTING, FOOD, PUMPKINS FOR
SALE, COSTUME BOOTH AND MORE!

11:30-1:00 PM - STOP IN TO TASTE AND
JUDGE THE WISCASSET AREA CHAMBER'S
CHILI/CHOWDER & PUMPKIN DESSERT
CONTEST FOR JUST \$5!



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www.wiscassetchamber.com

Nightmare on Federal Street

Saturday, October 31

4-6:30 p.m. in Wiscasset

Come out for a ghoulishly good time! Join the WPRD / WCC for our annual Nightmare on Federal Street!

Parade line up starts at 4:00pm at the Wiscasset Elementary School (First 200 Trick or Treaters can pick up a special prize at the WCC/ WPRD Tent!)

Parade starts at 4:30pm down Federal Street, right onto Washington Street, then right onto Union Street, then right onto Warren Street, then left back onto Federal Street for the Block Party and Trick or Treating.

The Chamber will be there handing out candy and judging costumes – we'll be handing out prizes for kids and groups in the following categories: Funniest, Scariest and Most Original. And a special prize for the best overall dog costume.

Stick around for trick or treating, music, pizza, and more!! Be sure to stop in and see our friends, The Pirates on Federal. Don't miss them or they may make you walk the plank!

We also encourage all families to explore the downtown and the many businesses and residences welcoming Trick or Treaters!



Trunk or Treat

Edgecomb Eddy School

Friday, October 30 5-7 p.m.





Baked Beans Takeout Supper

Friday, October 9

**Edgecomb Community Church
15 Cross Point Road**

**Baked Beans, Hotdog, Cole Slaw
Biscuit and Chocolate Chip Cookies**

\$10 donation

**Email: edgecomb.church@gmail.com to
reserve your meal or call 882-4060
Pick-up 3-5 p.m. Delivery available**

**All proceeds to help fund the
ECC steeple repairs**



Maine Pumpkinfest

October 9-12, 2026

*For details go to
mainepumpkinfest.com*

Neighbors In Need Offering

This year, congregations across the United Church of Christ will come together to collect the Neighbors in Need offering. Our congregation is invited to participate in this all-church offering on Sunday, October 4th .

Neighbors in Need enables ministries of justice and compassion, with two-thirds of the offering supporting the justice and witness ministries of the UCC and one-third supporting the Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM). This offering also seeds Neighbors in Need grants, which fund direct service projects, community organizing, and advocacy campaigns.

About the Council for American Indian Ministry

The Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM) is the voice for American Indian people in the UCC. CAIM provides Christian ministry and witness to American Indians and to the wider church. Justice issues that affect American Indian life are communicated to the whole UCC by CAIM.

Historically, the forebears of the UCC established churches and worked with Lakota, Dakota, Nakota, Mandan, Hidatsa, Arickara, and Hocak in North and South Dakota, Wisconsin and northern Nebraska. Today there are 20 UCC congregations on reservations and one urban, multi-tribal UCC congregation in Minneapolis, Minnesota. CAIM supports these local churches and their pastors. In addition, CAIM strives to be a resource for more than 1,000 individuals from dozens of other tribes and nations who are members of other UCC congregations and to strengthen their participation in the life of the church.

**EQUIPPING
ADVOCACY
AND JUSTICE
MINISTRIES.**



October 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Edgecomb Pl. Board 6:30 pm Ordinance Review Meeting 7:30 p.m.	2	3 Thrift Store open 9-1 Scarecrow Festival at Wiscasset Community Center 11-
4 19th Sunday of Pentecost Worship at 9:30 AM with Pastor Aram Mitchell World Communion Sunday NIN Offer.	5 French Group 10-11:30 a.m.	6 Tuesday Lunch at noon Thrift Store open 9-1 Edgecomb Select Board 6	7 Bible Study 5:30 p.m.	8	9 Take Out Baked Bean Supper 3-5 pick up time	10 Thrift Store open 9-1
11 20th Sunday of Pentecost Worship at 9:30 AM with guest Rev. David Zigler	12 Indigenous Peoples' Day 	13 Café time with Aram 10-noon Thrift Store open 9-1 Edgecomb Select Board 6 pm	14 Bible Study 5:30 p.m.	15 Edgecomb Pl. Board 6:30 pm Ordinance Review Meeting 7:30 p.m.	16	17 Thrift Store open 9-1 Wiscasset Home Tours 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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25 22nd Sunday of Pentecost Worship at 9:30 AM with Pastor Aram Mitchell Nature Hike TBA	26 Sober House Dinner 5 p.m.	27 Café with Aram 10-noon Thrift Store open 9-1 Edgecomb Select Board 6 pm	28 Busy Hands 1-3 p.m. Bible Study 5:30 p.m.	29	30 <i>Trunk or Treat</i> at Edgecomb Eddy School 5-7 p.m.	31  Thrift Store open 9-1 Happy Halloween