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Music touches feelings that words cannot.

GIVE LOVE; BE LOVED

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On April 11, 1996 Larry LaPrise—the man who wrote “The Hokey Pokey” - died peacefully at the age of 83. The most traumatic part for his family was getting him into the coffin. They put his left leg in....and then the trouble started.

The Leg



Will you be my Valentine?”

So read millions of little cards that schoolchildren across America will be exchanging in their classrooms on Tuesday. For these little children, the questions is simply an invitation to be a friend. It’s a way to say “I like you, I want to be friends with you.”

When these little children get to be teenagers, the giving of a valentine card becomes a highly selective process. Teens have now discovered romantic love. Valentine’s Day is fraught with emotional angst; these adolescents ponder how to best express their feelings for the cherished one. Should it be a card, a gift, a red rose, a bouquet of flowers, chocolates, a dinner out or some combination thereof? Whatever choice is made, the message that is sent is that the recipient is loved.

It’s a great feeling to know that you are loved. Fortunately, we need not depend on a Valentine’s

Day card or a box of chocolates to know that we are loved, or even to express our loveto others.

Every day, small little mercies and ordinary expressions of kindness remind us that we are loved and cared for.

It’s easy to forget this because our families can get very busy with their lives, and sometimes when we need a phone call it doesn’t come, and the day we’d really love to have a visit, no visitor appears.

When we have those days

when it seems as though love is running thin, we must be sure to pick up the world’s largest valentine card, the Bible itself. God’s Word is nothing if it is not a declaration of love —of steadfast and abiding care and kindness.

Prayer: Dear God, this week please be with those whom I love and those who love me. But be especially near to those who are not loved. In Jesus’ name. Amen/



WHAT DOES LOVE MEAN?
(4-8 year-olds)

- Love is what makes you smile when you’re tired.
- Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it every day.
- Love is what’s in the

room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.

- If you want to learn to love better, start with a friend you hate.
- Love is when Mommy gives Daddy the best piece of chicken.



DID YOU KNOW THIS ABOUT FEBRUARY?

Feb. 2 Groundhog Day
 Feb. 5 Super Bowl Day
 Feb. 14 Valentine’s Day
 Feb. 17 Random Acts of Kindness Day
 Feb. 20 Love Your Pet Day
 President’s Day
 Feb. 21 Mardi Gras
 Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday

BIRTHDAYS

Feb. 1 Joe McAdams
 Feb. 2 Joyce Matthews
 Feb. 3 Lydia Cropley
 Feb. 4 Bruce Howland
 Feb. 5 Melissa Huang
 Feb. 6 Alena Marshall
 Feb. 8 Jeff Francis
 Feb. 13 Kay Urquhart
 Feb. 14 George Stevens
 Feb. 16 Denis Lovely

Feb. 16 Andrea Holmes
 Feb. 17 Pastor David Beal
 Feb. 19 Ethel Fitzpatrick
 Feb. 26 Flo Russell
 Mary McAdams
 Jeremy McAdams
 Feb. 27 Norma Shattuck

Just think how much more you know now then before you read this column.....



The Church Mouse

(by Maudie)



Families are forever because love never melts.

“Oh, Maxi, I’m so tired I don’t even know what day it is.”

“Look here, Maudie, you’re not as young as you think you are. You need to slow down. What is it they say, ‘take time to smell the roses?’”

I know Maxi is right but I hate to admit it to her. I want to do what I want when I want to do it. Why is it as we get older we forget that we can’t do everything we did 30 years ago?

We should be pleased that God has blessed us with “this many” years. For the most part we have all worked hard and earned our retirement. I thought when 65 rolled around I would be ready to stay home and just be a home-maker....but I can’t seem to put myself into that roll. I still want to go and do as I always have. Gee, I get tired more quickly and I don’t move nearly as fast.

“Maudie, are you listening to me?”

“Yes, I hear you but I was drifting off thinking about how it used to be. I worked all day and half the night

and it never bothered me. Now I fall asleep watching the news.”

“Well, it’s no wonder. Yesterday I saw you moving furniture from one house to the other. And then you complain because your back aches.”

“I know, Maxi, but it had to be done.”

“Had to be done? Who died and made you chief? You know the kids would have done it, if only you would ask.”

“Ask! Ask! I don’t want to ask. I want to do it myself. The kids have their own life and things to do.”

ANGEL POWER

To each God gives a special friend.

An angel oh so fair.

To lovingly assist and guide



Our steps no matter where;

To whisper words of hope and peace

If we but stop to hear.

“Maudie, if you do ask you’re going to end up in the hospital. Take it easy, it will get done, not as quickly as you think it should be, but it will get done.”

Hmmm, think I will just take Maxi’s advice. Someone bring me a cold Pepsi. I’m going to do the crossword puzzle.

“Daffy” nition

HYMN: A song of praise, usually sung in a key three octaves higher than that of the congregation’s range.

And then to know with joyful hearts

God’s love forever near.

Try our Sundays,
 They’re better than
 Ben & Jerry’s.

THIS 'N THAT

So let's see what's happening— - - -

Issie Gibson had a good report from the doctor on the 18th. Keep it up, Issie!!!

Judy Antoniello had a great 2 wk. visit with her family in Rhode Island.

I think, prayerfully, Jeff Doten's house has been sold. It will certainly be a financial load off his shoulders. Now if I can sell the one in Perry everything will be great.

Muriel Doten has a question Who was the "Santa" who put the nice gift in the car for her? She would like to thank you personally. The mystery of it all.....

Jeff Gagner has been "under the weather" this winter. Hope you feel better soon, Jeff.

Sorry to say that Lloyd & Helene Leavitt have both been sick. We miss them at church and the restaurant.

Mike Francis's brother, David, is seriously ill. We are thinking of you both.

Jean Leach has moved into Washington Place. So hard for her to give up her apartment. Be happy, Jean. Just think, you don't have to make lemon

squares there.

Does everyone know that Jim and I are great-grandparents.? Well, in case I didn't say it before, our granddaughter Jamie presented us with a beautiful baby girl on December 29. Harper Emma is just perfect and looks like her mom.

Matt, Rachel and boys flew to Pennsylvania after Christmas to visit her family. While there, Rachel celebrated her birthday with twin Naomi. Happy Belated Birthday wishes to you two.



I love snow!!!

Remember how we all prayed for Samuel and Rachel when things were looking so difficult? Well, have you noticed that healthy baby lately... he's almost as big as Josiah. Aahh, the power of prayer!

Got an email from Pastor Chris the other day. I haven't been sending him the newsletter lately and he missed it. He is now back on the list. The kids are doing well and Jenny is working full-time in the library.

Bud Barnard is up and around again. He has been suffering from a sore foot and leg problems. He's back singing so we know he's feeling better.

Sorry to report that Judy Moffitt is

BROTHERS/SISTERS FOR MISSIONS

This mission group met on January 10th. We decided to have a theme each month. Instead of just eating and having a business meeting we will do a "fun" thing before we go home.

Our next meeting, Feb. 14, will, of course, be "love." Everyone will bring a funny Valentine and will not sign their names. The cards will be signed: "Love

you, "Bless you," etc.

What to join us?
Come on down!

We need new members to make this a worthwhile project. Looking forward to seeing new faces in February.

People are like tea bags. You have to put them in hot water before you know how strong they are.

PROVERBS (KINDA')

- A day without sunshine is like night.
- On the other hand, you have different fingers.
- He who laughs last, thinks slowest.
- Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.
- The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese in the trap.
- A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
- If you think nobody cares, try missing a couple of car payments.
- When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
- Hard work pays off in the future. Laziness pays off now.
- What happens if you get scared to death, twice?
- Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
- Inside every older person is a younger person wondering, "What the heck happened?"
- Why do psychics have to ask you your name?
- Life isn't like a box of chocolates. It's more like a jar of jalapenos. What you do today, might burn your butt tomorrow.



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(this 'n that cont'd)

Pauline McFadden is suffering with a bad hip. Feel better soon.

Beth Doten is planning to move back to Calais. Hopefully, she will be here on the last day of January. She misses the church family and familiar faces.

Welcome to the choir, Marion Price and Sandy Wentworth!!

Congratulations to Dale Purton, the new Fire Chief for the City of Calais.

JOSIAH SAYS:



“My baby brother was crying the other day, so I hit him. Dad and Mom said that wasn't nice. Now I'm in the dog house.”

Profiles

Name: Pamela Price

Occupation: Retired

Favorite Bible verse: Psalm 23 and John 3:16

The person who has encouraged me most with my Christian walk: Wilson Garner.

People would be surprised to know: I moved from Michigan to Maine on my own to be with family.

What I enjoy most at 2nd Baptist:
The people

Name: Sandy Wentworth

Occupation: Tax preparer and golf pro shop attendant

Favorite Bible verse: Phil 2:13

The person who has encouraged me most in my Christian walk: At this church Irene Gallway has been an encouragement to me.

People would be surprised to know: I have done a lot of travelling in Europe. And, I enjoy going to the local basketball games.

What do I enjoy most at 2nd Baptist:
Pastor's message, Ladies Bible Study, and choir.

Name. Marion Price

Occupation: Retired

Favorite Bible verse: John 3:16

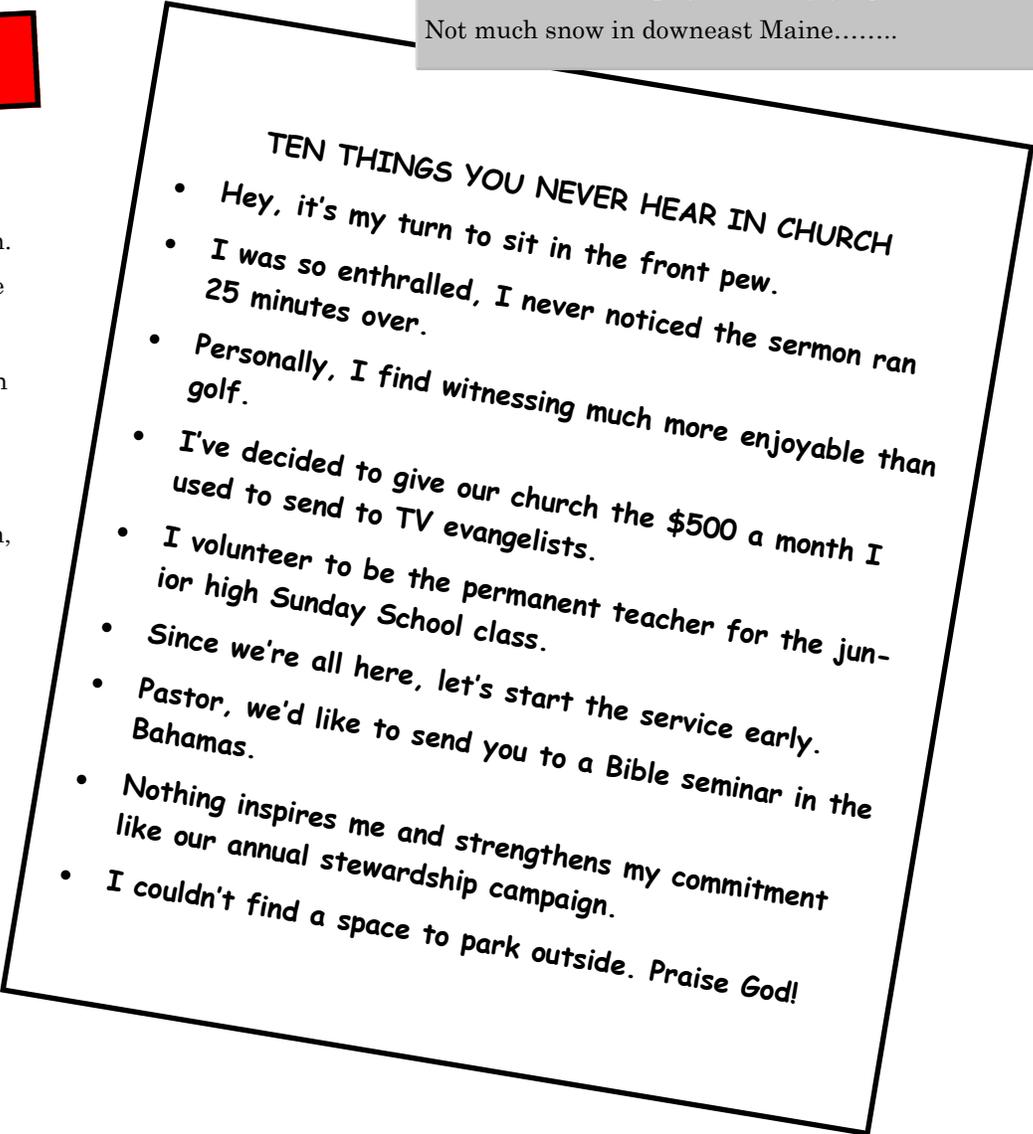
The person who has encouraged me most in my Christian walk: Past pastors

People would be surprised to know that:

People would be surprised to know how old I am because I don't act my age.

What do I enjoy most at 2nd Baptist:
Pastor Matt's preaching, singing, and friendships.

Bruce & Sharon, hope you are enjoying the weather.
Not much snow in downeast Maine.....



- TEN THINGS YOU NEVER HEAR IN CHURCH**
- Hey, it's my turn to sit in the front pew.
 - I was so enthralled, I never noticed the sermon ran 25 minutes over.
 - Personally, I find witnessing much more enjoyable than golf.
 - I've decided to give our church the \$500 a month I used to send to TV evangelists.
 - I volunteer to be the permanent teacher for the junior high Sunday School class.
 - Since we're all here, let's start the service early.
 - Pastor, we'd like to send you to a Bible seminar in the Bahamas.
 - Nothing inspires me and strengthens my commitment like our annual stewardship campaign.
 - I couldn't find a space to park outside. Praise God!

THANK YOU, LADIES, FOR SHARING THIS INFORMATION WITH US.