

The Berkshire Food Project seeks to alleviate hunger, food insecurity, and social isolation by serving healthy, no cost meals and connecting people to other resources, all in a a dignified and respectful manner.

Find us inside the First Congregational Church on Summer Street between Ashland & Church Streets in downtown North Adams, MA.



Our Team

Every weekday a crew of dedicated volunteers and staff come together to ensure our entire community has a delicious midday meal. Some volunteers come for a part of the day, others are here the entire day. Some come once a week, others every day. They join our staff in preparing the meals, doing the dishes, serving lunch and cleaning up afterward. They are all different ages and come from all different places but they all have one thing in common: they care about our community and making sure everyone has enough to eat. Although it is hard work, it's also a lot of fun. There is always room for another set of hands at the table (or sink) - we welcome you to join our volunteer crew!

> Click here for our volunteer application.

Our Empty Bowl event is moving! To our own dining room!



You may know about our Empty Bowl event - it happens every other year (in even numbered years) and is our best known fundraising event. Potters from all across the region - the Berkshires, southern Vermont, the Pioneer Valley and New York - donate beautiful bowls they've created and restaurants from the area donate their signature soups. YOU purchase a ticket, which gives you your choice of a bowl and samples of all the soups you want to try. And all proceeds go to the Berkshire Food Project. Traditionally this event has been held at the First Congregational Church in Williamstown, a congregation with a long history of supporting the Berkshire Food Project. This year we are going to try something new and hold the event right at the Berkshire Food Project, inside the First Congregational Church of North Adams.

More details, including how to purchase tickets, will be coming during March. Follow us on Facebook, check our website or stop in during lunch to get the details.

This is a favorite event of many in the region - if you haven't been to one, be sure to join us this year!

The Downtown North Adams Lunchtime Concert Series

Free Concerts · Free Lunch

Inside the First Congregational Church, 134 Main Street Downtown North Adams, MA Lunch from 11:45 AM - 1:00 PM Concerts 12:30 - 1:30 PM

No Food or Drink Allowed Inside Concert - Eat First!

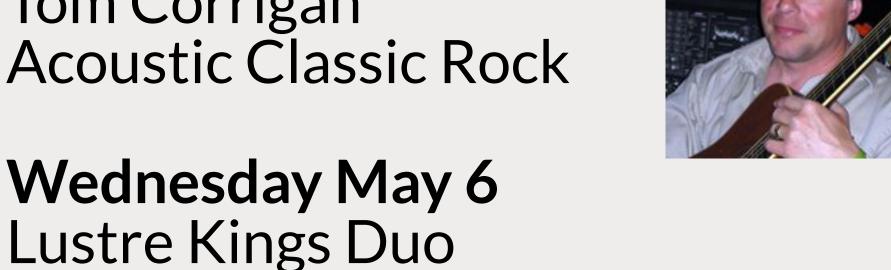


Friday March 13 The Swinging Palms Hawaiian Swing & Tiki Music





Wednesday April 22 Tom Corrigan Acoustic Classic Rock

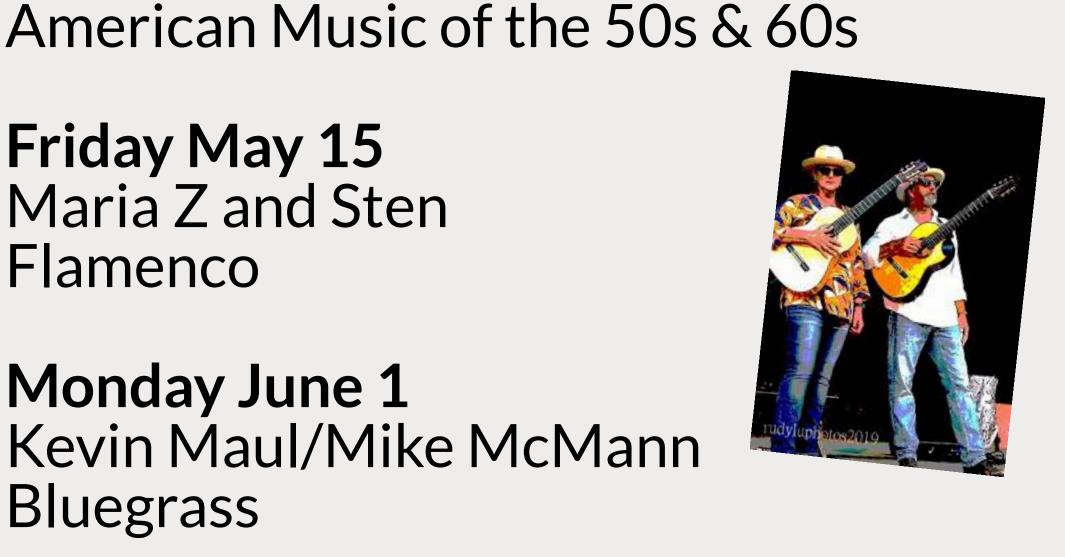




Maria Z and Sten Flamenco

Friday May 15

Monday June 1 Kevin Maul/Mike McMann Bluegrass



FREE No Tickets Registration Required

For More Information: 413-664-7378 info@berkshirefoodproject.org

Presented by:

The Berkshire Food Project and The First Congregational Church of North Adams with support from the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation's Arts Build Community Initiative with funding from the Barr Foundation

We served over 5,000 meals in January!

Are you coming from Williamstown?

Volunteers and Diners Can get a FREE RIDE from Williamstown!

Volunteers logged over 1,000 hours in January!

You can arrange A FREE ROUNDTRIP RIDE any Tuesday or Thursday. Call by Monday of the week during which you want a ride -We serve lunch every weekday 413-458-9831. from noon until 1 PM. Tell the operator you want to arrange a free ride to the Berkshire Food Project. Use the ride service Tuesday AND Thursday if you would like there's no limit! For more information you can also call Kim at 413-664-7378. no questions asked. For a ride call 413-458-9831. Join us any weekday! Rides provided by a grant from the Fund for Williamstown of the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation.

Our doors open at 11:30 AM for snacks and beverages. There is NO criteria and

We did not have a single snow day in

January!

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