

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF AUBURN

August 13th 2017 Season Following Pentecost

All members of this parish form the ministry team in witness of Christ

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC: 'Hymn Medley' Judith Kuhn, Accompanist

WELCOME, MISSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Steve Bascom, Pastor

The United Methodist Church of Auburn is an intergenerational Christian Community whose mission is to embody Christ's love through a commitment to serve God by fulfilling the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of our congregation and of our local and global communities.

PRAYER OF GREETING:

PRELUDE: 'I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me' P. Taylor

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Deep, flowing mystery of God, gentle, life-giving grace of God, we immerse ourselves in you.

People: We descend into your watery embrace, baptized in your blessing.

Leader: With Jesus, we know your delight in us, we trust your Spirit in us, and we hear your calling.

People: By your summons, we rise, we follow, and we serve you, in the living, breathing Spirit of Christ.

ALL: Praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name!

(Steve Garnass-Holmes, c2011, Worship & Song Adapted)

***OPENING HYMN:** 'Praise to the Lord, the Almighty' UMH Page 139

If you would like to light a candle for prayer, please feel free to do so during any congregational hymn.

WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: Pastor Steve Bascom

SPECIAL MUSIC: 'Knowing You' Pastor Steve Bascom

SCRIPTURE: Romans 10:5-15 NT Page 149 Janice Meserve

***GLORIA PATRI** UMH Page 71

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen*

***HYMN:** 'I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me' TFWS Page 2151

MESSAGE: 'Storm Courage'
Text: Matthew 14:22-33 NT Page 15

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

OFFERTORY: 'The Glorious Kingdom' R. Wilson

*We invite you to invest in God's mission and ministry as it flows
Through the United Methodist Church of Auburn into human lives!*

***DOXOLOGY:** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;* UMH Page 94

Praise him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the Source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

Here, Lord, we put our love into practice. These gifts we offer came from your love for us. Now, let them express our love for you, as they reach out to others with your love for them. Amen.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*

Give us this day our daily bread,

*And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom,
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN: 'Here I Am, Lord' (v. 1-2) UMH Page 593

*BENEDICTION:

*CONG. RESPONSE: 'Here I Am, Lord' (v3) UMH Page 593

*POSTLUDE: 'Song of Salvation' L. Smith

*CONGREGATION STANDS – if you are physically able

UMH – The United Methodist Hymnal (Red) TFWS – The Faith We Sing (black)

Large Print hymnals and bulletins along with assisted-listening devices are available at the Visitor's Booth, or an usher would be glad to provide you with either or both.

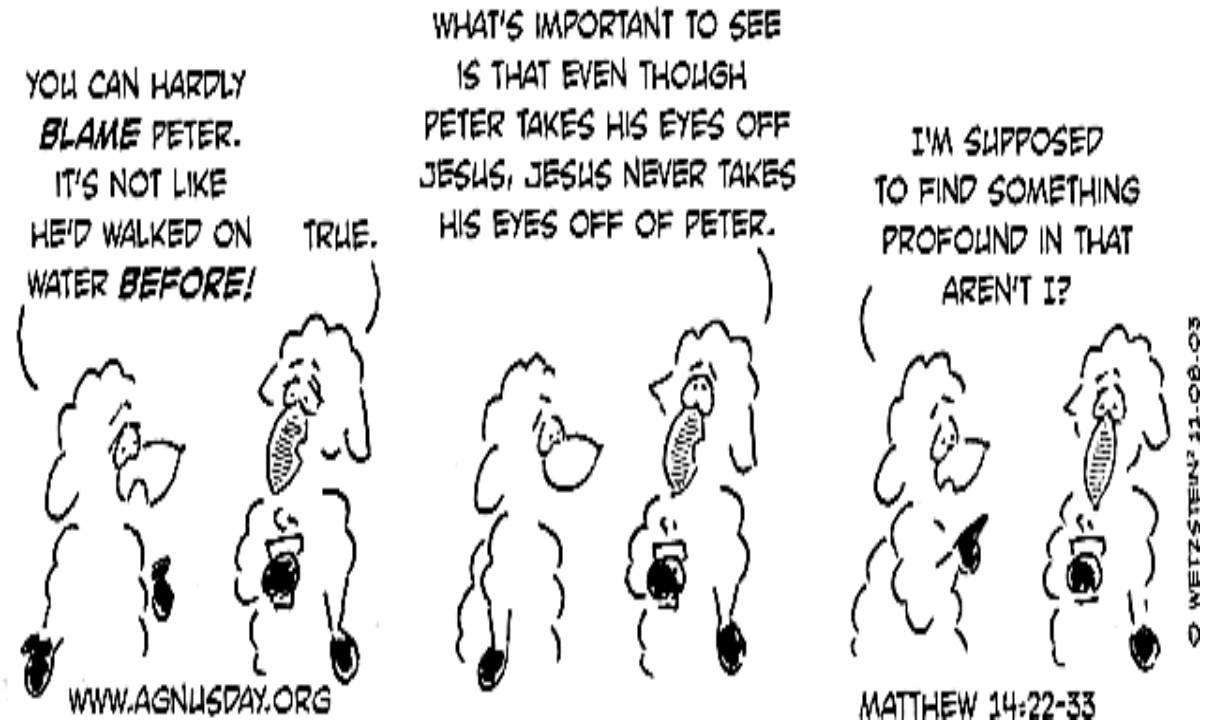
MEDITATION

'Get in the boat and cross the lake while I finish up here.' Those were the instructions Jesus gave his disciples, knowing full well a storm was coming. They did as he instructed, but did not advance very far before they wished they had remained at shore. Wind, waves, and water threatened their boat of balance. It is hard to trust when you are losing control. 'Be encouraged! It's me. Don't be afraid.' Jesus says. But can we trust him to lead us beyond ourselves? The boat may be vulnerable, but at least it's keeping us afloat...just barely. 'Come....' Jesus beckons. Peter responds, first in faith, then in fear, but Jesus is present. Together they return to the boat. The wind settles, and the voyage resumes.

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF AUBURN

439 Park Avenue, Auburn, ME 04210, 207-782-3972

**A Reconciling Congregation*



Rev. Stephen Bascom, Sr., Pastor

Worship Schedule

Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Staff Directory

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Organist: Judith Kuhn

Early Service Music Director: Mitch Thomas

WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to our church! We are so glad you decided to worship with us this day. We are a Reconciling United Methodist Church that is passionate about serving God. We love inspiring worship services and are committed to diversity. We believe that all persons are of sacred worth.

As brothers and sisters in Christ, we covenant to follow his example of unconditional love, compassion and justice in our mission and ministry. Therefore, we welcome and nurture the full participation of people of every age, heritage, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, economic status, faith background, family structure, gender identity, marital status, race, social standing and varying capability.

We strive to fully embody the mission of the United Methodist Church to open hearts, minds and doors to everybody. We invite you to worship with us knowing that you are loved exactly as you are.

This Week's Liturgist: Janice Meserve
Next Week's Liturgist: Dana Coffin

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY, August 13th

8:30 a.m.	Communion Worship	6:30 p.m.	Private Men's Group
9:10 a.m.	Prayer Circle	7:00 p.m.	Empire Grove Vesper
10:00 a.m.	Worship		

MONDAY, August 14th

5:30 p.m.	Solutions Group		
7:00 p.m.	Serenity Group	7:30 p.m.	AA/Alanon

TUESDAY, August 15th

5:15 p.m.	Zumba Fitness Class	6:30 p.m.	Pack 111 Planning Com
6:15 p.m.	Park Avenue Pickers	7:00 p.m.	Troop 111 Committee

WEDNESDAY, August 16th

6:00 p.m.	Private Men's Group		
7:00 p.m.	Serenity Group		

THURSDAY, August 17th

5:30 p.m.	Zumba Fitness	7:00 p.m.	Church Council Mtg
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FRIDAY, August 18th

10:00 a.m.	Schooner Worship Service	5:00 p.m.	River Valley Girl Scout
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SATURDAY, August 19th

No Activities Scheduled

SUNDAY, August 20th

8:30 a.m.	Communion Worship		
9:10 a.m.	Prayer Circle		
10:00 a.m.	Worship		
6:30 p.m.	Private Men's Group	7:00 p.m.	Empire Grove Vespers

BOLD PRINT – Church Activity

OUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS

HIGH STREET FOOD PANTRY: Items needed on a weekly basis are: Peanut Butter, Canned Vegetables, Canned Meats, Soup of any kind, Canned Pasta, Canned Fruit, Dry Cereal, Baking Items, Crackers – all kinds, Toilet Paper. If you have questions, please speak with Leroy Brown or Eric Howes. Thank you for your continued support of this mission.

MISSION STORE: In order to assist in the weekly collections for our three local mission projects: The Center for Wisdom's Women; The Auburn Preschool; and the High Street Food Cupboard. We have set up a mission store for your convenience. See the Mission Store table in the Fellowship Hall to see how you can help!

WISDOM'S WOMEN CENTER: The Faith Journey group is supporting the Center for Wisdom's Women in Lewiston by having a collection box for FULL SIZED hygiene products for the women that they serve. You will find in on the Mission table in the Narthex. A bag is filled by the Center with the necessities that should last a woman a month, so full sized products are really appreciated. The items are delivered to the Center on a regular basis. Please help by providing: shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, tooth brushes, bars of soap or body wash, disposable razors, lotion, Chapstick and feminine hygiene products. Thank you in advance!

HIGH STREET FOOD PANTRY is looking for additional volunteers to welcome and sign in up to 60 clients on Thursday mornings beginning at 7:00 a.m. and ending at noon. We have several volunteers who currently cover this important job working in pairs, but we need a few in addition to fill in as needed. You should be comfortable interacting with clients who come from many different cultures often with little use of English, and be willing to be trained on the use of our laptop program. If this volunteer opportunity interests you, please speak with Leroy Brown at (h) 312-5624 (c) 757-761-0795 or call Eric Howes at 786-3783. Thank you.

EARLY SERVICE: Our half-hour 8:30 a.m. worship service will continue through the summer. If you are headed for the beach or lake on a Sunday, we invite you to join us for the early service!

OUR UPCOMING EVENTS AND NOTICES

EMPIRE GROVE VESPERS SERVICE Sunday August 13th at 7:00 p.m. Please feel free to come join us on Sunday evenings throughout the summer! Tonight's speaker is Rev. Joe Beardsley.

Upcoming Speakers:	Aug. 13th	Pastor John Baker-Streevy
	Aug. 20th	Rev. Cathy Anderson
	Aug. 27th	Rev, Russell Peppe
	Sept. 3rd	To Be Announced