

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF AUBURN

June 18, 2017 Father's Day, 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: 'Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring' J. S. Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Come, bless the Lord with me!

People: For the Lord is like a father to his children, compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love.

Leader: God forgives our sins, and heals the sickness inside us.

People: God surrounds us with love and mercy, and fills our lungs with good things!

ALL: Let us worship God with joy!

***OPENING HYMN:** 'This Is My Father's World' UMH Page 144

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

SEEDS OF FAITH: Desiree Cossey

WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: Cherie Downing, Church School Superintendent

SPECIAL MUSIC: Barry Doyle, Soloist

SCRIPTURE: John 15:1-17 NT Page 103

***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:** 'Eternal Father, Strong to Save' TWFS Page 2191

MESSAGE: 'Heirs of Faith'
Text: Galatians 3:23-4:7 NT Page 177

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

OFFERTORY: 'His Eye is On the Sparrow' arr. Grant

*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:**

Father God, your Word is filled with so many examples of sharing – sharing love; sharing gifts; sharing resources; sharing faith. While we know that you expect us to share, we often ask, "How much are we to share?" We are overwhelmed by the proliferation of appeals that we receive. Help us not to be overwhelmed, but to be transformed by the call to share. So we share these gifts, seeking transformation through Jesus Christ. 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:** 'Faith of Our Fathers' (v. 1-2) UMH Page 710

***BENEDICTION:**

***CONG. RESPONSE:** 'Faith of Our Fathers' (v. 3) UMH Page 710

***POSTLUDE:** 'Jubilate Deo' R. Nolte

***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.

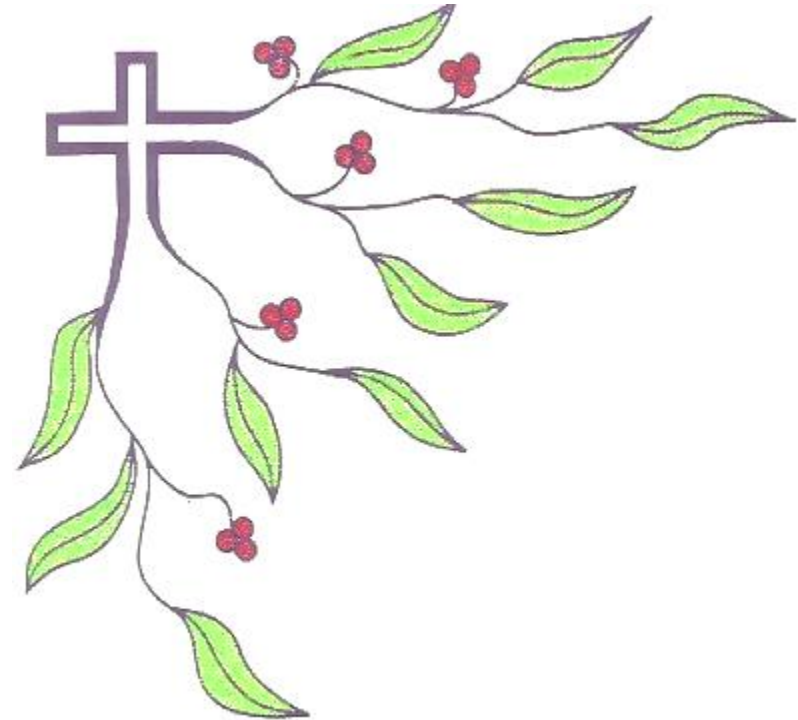
MEDITATION

“A father disciplines the child he loves.” Over the years, I have heard this quoted many times. Honestly though, discipline rarely feels like an expression of love. Sometimes it simply feels like the unpleasant consequence of having annoyed the one ‘in charge.’ But boundaries that shape and define our character are a gift. They may be imposed for a season, but once planted and nourished, they show us the way to love and life.

**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

Choir Director: Kary Coffin

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: Marj Patrick

Next Week's Liturgist:

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY, June 18th – Happy Father's Day

8:30 a.m. Communion Worship

9:10 a.m. Prayer Circle

5:30 p.m. Zumba Fitness Class

10:00 a.m. Worship

6:30 p.m. Private Men's Group

11:30 a.m. Mission Committee

7:00 p.m. Empire Grove Vespers

MONDAY, June 19th

5:30 p.m. Solutions Group

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir

7:00 p.m. Serenity Group

7:30 p.m. AA/Alanon

TUESDAY, June 20th

3:00 p.m. Stubbs Piano Recital

5:30 p.m. Zumba Fitness Class

7:00 pm. Boy Scout Trp111 Committee

WEDNESDAY, June 21st

7:15 a.m. Rotary Breakfast

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

7:00 p.m. Serenity Group

THURSDAY, June 22nd

10:00 a.m. Clover Worship Service

4:00 p.m. Literacy Volunteers Dinner

6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 121

5:30 p.m. Zumba Fitness Class

FRIDAY, June 23rd

No Activities Scheduled

SATURDAY, June 24th

No Activities Scheduled

SUNDAY, June 25th

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

11:30 a.m. Worship Committee

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!

OUR UPCOMING EVENTS AND NOTICES

EMPIRE GROVE VESPERS SERVICE Sunday June 18th at 7:00 p.m. Please feel free to come join us on Sunday evenings throughout the summer!

EARLY SERVICE: The half-hour, 8:30 a.m. 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!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL has been cancelled for this summer due to the construction on Park Avenue. Be ready for a better than ever "Barnyard Round-Up" next year!

THANK YOU! A huge thank you to ALL who helped with Sunday School this year. It takes the whole church to have a successful program for our children. *Thank you to our dedicated teachers who were in the classroom each week. *Those who did Children's Moments. *All who helped with Special Activities....Trunk or Treat, Breakfast with Easter Bunny, Sesame Street Comes to Church, Christmas Pageant, Drive In Movie Night. I couldn't have done it without YOU! Thank you from the bottom of my heart. You are appreciated more than words can say! Cherie

