

# UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF AUBURN

July 28, 2019 Post-Pentecost 10:00 am

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

## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC:** Judy Kuhn

**WELCOME, MISSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Rev. Russ Peppe

*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.*

**PRELUDE:**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Come, we that love the Lord and let our joys be known.

**People: Let our songs abound and every tear be dry.**

Leader: As children of our heavenly king we'll speak our joys abroad.

**People: Sing, we that love the Lord and let our joys be known.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE:** 'Come, We That Love the Lord' UMH Page 732

**GATHERING PRAYER:** (In Unison)

Almighty God, who by your love has made us and through your love has kept us, we humbly now return our heartfelt prayer and praise. Direct us in all our ways, correct us in all our faults, and uphold us in all our trials. When in the course of this life we stumble along the way, catch our hand and set us on our feet again. And when in the midst of life's alarms' we succumb to doubt and our harsher passions, quiet our spirit and draw us nearer to you. Help us to see you more clearly, and follow you more nearly, and love you more dearly, and liberally pour out on us that full measure of joy which this world can neither give nor take away. In Jesus' name. Amen.

## WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT:** Carol Christopoulos

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** 'Lord, Let Me Serve' Women's Ensemble

**SCRIPTURE:** Philippians 4:4-14 NT Page 187 Sue DeRoche

**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 OF PREPARATION:** 'Praise to the Lord, the Almighty' UMH Page 139

**MESSAGE:** 'St. Paul's Secret Way to Happiness' Rev. Russ Peppe

## WE RESPOND IN FAITH

**OFFERTORY:**

*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 God, 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 THANKSGIVING:**

God of grace and mercy, we present these gifts as we present ourselves; freely and gladly. Consecrate each gift and giver to the service of your Kingdom in this world, and this we ask in the name of Jesus, our true and unearned treasure. Amen.

**COMMUNITY AND PASTORAL PRAYER:**

**THE 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**

**\*SENDING HYMN:**

'Stand Up and Bless the Lord'

UMH Page 662

**\*BENEDICTION:**

Rejoice in the Lord always. Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is lovely, think about such things. And may the contentment of God, which is beyond our understanding, be your blessing today and always. The Lord is near. Go in peace. Amen.

**POSTLUDE:**

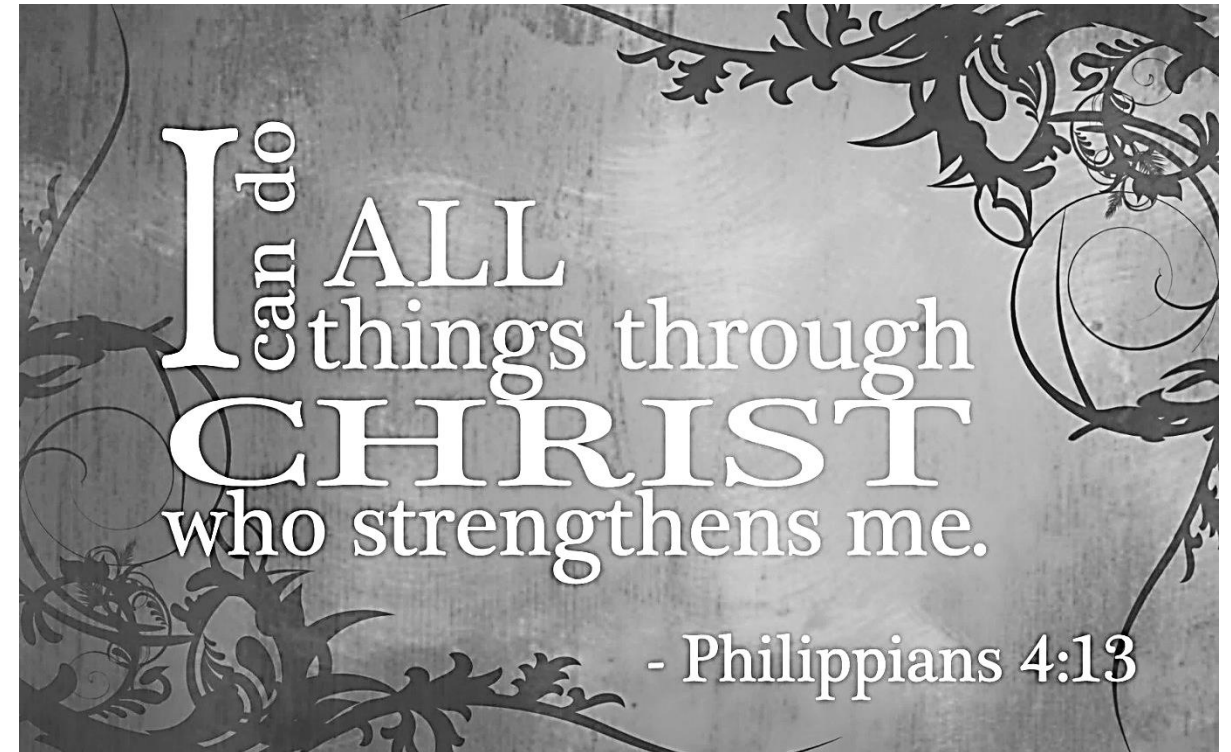
**\*CONGREGATION STANDS – if you physically able**

**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.**

**THE  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
OF AUBURN**

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

***\*A Reconciling Congregation***



**Pastor: Rev. Stephen Bascom, Sr.**

**Worship Schedule**

**Sunday 8:15 a.m.**  
**Sunday 10:00 a.m.**

## STAFF DIRECTORY

**Email:** [office@auburnmethodist.org](mailto:office@auburnmethodist.org)

**Web Site:** [auburnmethodist.org](http://auburnmethodist.org)

**Pastor:** Rev. Stephen Bascom, Sr.

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**Secretary:** Joan Spitzform

**Church Office:** 782-3972

**Organist:** Judith Kuhn

## 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 Ushers:**

**Next Week's Ushers:**

**This Week's Greeters:**

**Next Week's Greeters:**

**This Week's Liturgist:**

**Next Week's Liturgist:**

**Mission Committee**

**Men's Breakfast Group**

**Theriault Family**

**Jeannine Rogers**

**Sue DeRoche**

**Betty Young**

## THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

### **SUNDAY, July 28, 2019 Guest Speaker Rev. Russ Peppe**

8:15 a.m.	Communion Worship	11:30 a.m.	Mission Committee
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service	6:30 p.m.	Private Men's Group

### **MONDAY, July 29, 2019**

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

### **TUESDAY, July 30, 2019**

10:00 a.m.	Multiple Sclerosis Group	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
5:00 p.m.	Solutions Book Study		

### **WEDNESDAY, July 31, 2019**

9:00 a.m.	Music Together		
10:00 a.m.	Study Group	6:30 p.m.	Women's Ensemble
6:30 p.m.	Private Men's Group		

### **THURSDAY, August 1, 2019**

6:00 p.m. Study Group

### **FRIDAY, August 2, 2019**

No Church Activities Scheduled

### **SATURDAY, August 3, 2019**

Troop 111 Bottle Drive

### **SUNDAY, August 4, 2019**

8:15 a.m.	Communion Worship	12:30 p.m.	Eagle Scout Ceremony
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	6:00 p.m.	Private Men's Group
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service		

Please contact Pastor Steve if you are seeking a Support Group for co-dependence, sexual addiction or substance abuse.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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. **Remember, we also collect new or gently used children's books!** If you have questions, please speak with Eric Howes, Leroy Brown, David or Mary MacMahon. Thank you for your continued support of this mission.

**TRINITY JUBILEE CENTER REQUEST:** The Center needs soup kitchen volunteers. Volunteers are needed on Saturdays from 9:00 – 12:30 to help prepare, serve, and clean up lunch. Volunteers are also needed on weekday mornings to transport food donations. Volunteers must be at least 13 years old. Please email [trinitylewiston@gmail.com](mailto:trinitylewiston@gmail.com) if you are interested. Donations of backpacks, steel-toed boots, and small shampoos and soaps are also greatly needed for the Center's homeless patrons. **Please note: The Center does NOT accept general clothing donations and a list of needed items is available at [www.trinityjubileecenter.org](http://www.trinityjubileecenter.org).**

**BIBLE STUDY:** There are currently two evening Bible studies offered on an alternating weekly basis. Both will meet at UMCA from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday meetings: 7/30 & 8/6, 8/20 & 9/3. (Gospel of Luke) Thursday meetings: 8/1, 8/15, 8/29 & 9/12. (Gospel of Mark) All are welcome!

**WEDNESDAY MORNING STUDY:** Join us from 10:00 – 11:15 for a study group. We will meet to discuss *Living Buddha, Living Christ* by Thich Nhat Hanh. Contact Kay Little at [klittle6599@gmail.com](mailto:klittle6599@gmail.com) or 784-1908 to order a book, or purchase it on Amazon. \$10.87 for the paperback and \$12.99 on Kindle. We will meet weekly for the next 10 weeks. All are welcome.

**ALPINE WONDERS 2020:** Join the New England Conference and Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar on a 9 Day European Adventure to see the Oberammergau Passion Play. Departs June 25<sup>th</sup> 2020 and returns July 7<sup>th</sup> 2020. Registration is required. Price starts at \$3,998.00. See Brochure and registration form available on the Fellowship Table.

## **EMPIRE GROVE SUMMER VESPERS SERVICE**

**Please join us at Empire Grove this summer!**

**Vesper Service: 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

**Campmeeting: July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>**

**For more information on Campmeeting, contact:**

**Brother Matthias Tanner at [stanosl@aol.com](mailto:stanosl@aol.com)**

July 28 <sup>th</sup>	Camp-meeting
August 4 <sup>th</sup>	Camp-meeting
August 11 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Don Mayberry, South Paris
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Russell Peppe
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Karen Munson, District Superintendent
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Rev. John Whitley, Milford (NH) UMC

**(Flyers available on the table in the Fellowship Hall)**