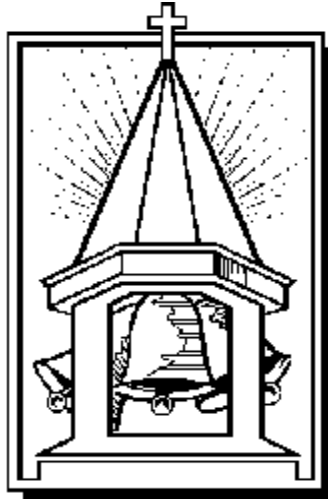


THE GRAPPEVINE



Back to School Supply Collection

You can give children living at Augusta's homeless shelter the resources to succeed as they start school in September. Bring backpacks and/or school supplies (rulers, pens, pencils, markers, erasers, etc.) to church on Sunday. We will stuff the backpacks and make sure they get to children in need of them before school begins in the fall!

Green Street Garden Give-A-Way

Our Annual Garden Give-A-Way is in full swing! We are sharing our abundance with our neighbors. You can share your "over" abundance from your garden with all the people in our neighborhood. The Give-A-Way happens on Monday mornings beginning at 9am. Please consider helping at the Give-A-Way, even if you do not have a garden, it is a great way to get to know the people in the neighborhood and to feel the power of God's love working in his service, and a great time of fellowship. For more information see Lynn Kennard or contact the church office

13 Green St.
Augusta, ME 04330

Sunday Worship

8 & 9:30am

Office Hours

Monday – Tuesday - Thursday
8am-2pm

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Rev. Kristin White

Jesse Lee Summer Evening Worship Services

Jesse Lee Meeting House, East Readfield.
Sundays at 7pm

Worship Services sponsored by the Jesse Lee
Cluster and hosted by Readfield UMC

August 7: Paul Bright Gospel (Wayne CC)

August 14: Gospel and Praise Music (Readfield
UMC)

August 21: Rev. Nancy Bischoff (Cox Memorial
UMC)

August 28: Rev. Myung Eun Park (Readfield
UMC)

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Animal Stories

Imagine a world without animals: a world without colorful birds flitting through the trees, cows silhouetted against green pastures, chirping crickets on a summer afternoon, the comfort of pets on sad days, or the shimmer of fish beneath the water's surface. Animals fill our world with vibrant life, color, shape and movement. Our lives would be less inspired, less beautiful, more lonely, less productive without them.

Animals can lead us to a deeper understanding of our world. The sheer diversity of animals reveals a web of life greater than just ourselves; we live in a world of connected species. The world's varied and beautiful creatures points to an abundant Creator who cares for the smallest to the greatest of us. Animals teach us about life and faith: beloved pets teach us unconditional love, wild birds at a feeder show us the freedom of the present moment, farm animals teach us about partnership and respect.

Almost every culture teaches wisdom through animal stories. Native American animal guides reveal unique characteristics for spiritual growth. In Aesop's fables, talking animals taught lessons in ancient Greece. In African folk stories and European fairytales animals help human beings to understand their world and learn valuable lessons. Stories from around the world emphasize how important animals are to us.

The Bible also features many stories involving animals, which reveal truths about our life, our faith and our relationship with God. The ravens who fed Elijah remind us of God's care, while Balaam's talking donkey teaches a lesson in humility. September 4 will begin a four-part series on animal stories in the Bible, what they teach about our relationship with God and how they help us to grow spiritually.

In Christ,

Pastor Kristin

Church Adventure to Maine Wildlife Park

God lovingly created each animal, then invited human beings to name and care for them (Genesis 2). Because of this, animals are connected to our spiritual lives. Be inspired by God's diverse array of animals, while spending time with our Green Street family.

**Sunday, September 4 – following worship.
Maine Wildlife Park
56 Game Farm Road, Gray ME**

Bring a picnic lunch and spend the afternoon enjoying the animals at the sanctuary.

The cost is \$7.50 per person; however, for groups of 15 or more, the cost is only \$3.50 per person.

Please RSVP by August 21 so we know how many people will be going and what the final cost will be.

August Birthdays

2- Joyce Thurlow	16 – Cathy Lang
3 – Debbie Polzella	16 – Heather Rock
6 – Hannah Ainslie	16 – Anson Miner
9 – Gary Alexander	17 – Nikko Noble
9 – Judy Adams	23 – Aidan Gagne
10 – Chuck Horstman	25 – Beth Chavarie
12 – Cody Pearson	26 – Sarah Barnum
15 – Harland Chavarie	26 – Elliott Robbin
16 – Lynn Kennard	29 – Dan McGuire

United Methodist Women News

We are starting a service project for the Fall District Ingathering. The project is knitting, sewing or crocheting preemie clothing, hats, mittens, and blankets to be donated to area hospitals. Patterns can be found on www.careware.org or you may contact Nancy Miner for patterns for the preemie items.

The Mid Maine District UMW fall meeting is on Saturday, September 24 at Pleasant Street United Methodist Church in Waterville. The program is "Incarceration" presented by District Attorney Maeghan Maloney.

Thank You for Serving in August!

August 7

Greeter: John Webb
Acolytes: Joan and Henry Berry
Nursery: Nharra Marcelino
Coffee Hour: Lilla Atwater and Elizabeth Newman
Liturgist: Nathaniel Berry

August 14

Greeters: Jon and Valerie Gallagher
Acolyte: Jon and Valerie Gallagher
Nursery: Megan Hopkin
Coffee Hour: Nancy Merrick and Pearl DeSautels
Liturgist: Mike Howe

August 21

Greeters: Elsie Ware and Bessie Goudreau
Acolyte: Paul Doyon
Nursery Volunteer: Jessa Mitchell
Coffee Hour: Elsie Ware and Bessie Goudreau
Liturgist: Sally Joy

August 28

Greeters: Nancy and Kathy Merrick
Acolytes: Patty Rogers and Sonny Richards
Nursery Volunteer: Judy Adams
Coffee Hour: Sue Pattershall and Terri Williamson
Liturgist: Marjorie Tribou

Fanny Crosby

Hymn Writer Enactment

"Her Heart Can See," a special program based on the life of one of America's most prolific and beloved hymn writers, Fanny Crosby, will be presented on Sunday, September 18 at 3:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Winthrop. This unique first-person, living history interpretation will be presented by the Rev. Ann Partner Nelson of Wells, Maine and her husband. Rev. Nelson. This event, featuring the singing of several hymns, will be a journey through Crosby's amazing life, many of her hymns are still sung in our churches. There will be a free will offering, refreshments and child-care available.

Don't Forget Your Pledge!

Quarterly statements will go out this month so you can see where you stand with your pledge.

Augusta Food Bank

The Augusta Food Bank is low on peanut butter! If you would like to pick up an extra jar or two the next time you go shopping it will go a long way in helping our community. Donations can be left in the shopping cart at the sanctuary entrance.

Green Street Yard Sale

We're having a Yard Sale! Friday, September 16 and Saturday, September 17 from 9am to 1pm. Accepting donations of clean household items and clothing. (Please no shoes, books or electronics) If you can help out with the sale please see Elsie Ware or Bessie Goudreau.

PETS:

Pet Education & Training Sunday

Sunday, September 11

9 - 10:30 am

Pets comfort, entertain and inspire us. They deserve the best care we can provide. Enhance your pet companionship at Pet Education & Training Sunday.

- Pet safety and natural pet care options
- Obedience training techniques
- Animal adoption and volunteer opportunities

TRUST POSTER

No matter what you face, God is with you. Make this poster as a reminder to always trust God.



What you need:

- Cardstock
- Glue
- Twigs (a 3" piece and a 2" piece)
- Pebbles
- Black paint
- Paintbrush
- Sand or glitter
- Broken crayons (2 or 3)

What you do:

1. On the left side of the cardstock, trace a 3"-high letter T with glue. Place twigs on the glue lines.
2. Trace an R of the same size. Place pebbles on that glue.
3. Use black paint to make a U.
4. Trace an S in glue. Pour sand (or glitter) on top.
5. Make another T with glue. Place the crayons on top.
6. After the poster dries, shake off the excess sand (or glitter) into a trash can.



NEVER FEAR!

The Psalms are full of inspiring prayers to God, who always looks after you.

Directions: Use the clues to fill in each missing letter. Then use those letters to complete Psalm 13:5, NIV.

- What plants grow in D I R _
- The opposite of play W O _ K
- One-of-a-kind N I Q U E
- A hug and a K I _ S
- Sour T A R _
- To speak very loudly Y E _ L
- Immediately N _ W
- Bees live in a H I _ E
- A dandelion is this W _ E D

I _____ in your unfailing _____;
 my heart rejoices in your salvation. Psalm 13:5, NIV

Answers that work: (right, less, tall, yell, now, how, word)
 Trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. Psalm 13:5, NIV



SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

When shopping for back to school supplies please consider picking up a few extra items for homeless children. Green Street will be collecting back packs and back to school supplies during August. Donations can be brought to church on Sunday and placed in front of the altar. The Missions Committee will be filling the backpacks and delivering them to the shelter before the start of school.



August 2016

What's Happening at Green Street United Methodist Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>Worship Schedule</u> 8:00 and 9:30 AM Church Office Hours Monday-Tuesday –Thursday 8am – 2pm						
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Noon Prayer Shawl Meeting at Kennebec Plaza
	6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	6:30 PM SPPRC Meeting				
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Darby on vacation 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	this week 6:30 PM Church Council				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Pastor Kristin 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	on vacation 5:30 PM Lay Leadership Committee Meeting	this week			
28	29	30	31			
	6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous					

Fuel Day/Ministry Day

I wish to donate _____ Fuel Day(s) or Ministry Day(s) (circle one)

Date(s) _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

In Honor or Memory (circle one) of _____

In Honor or Memory (circle one) of _____

Given by _____ Phone # _____

Please enclose \$25 for each day donated. Your gift helps keep our church warm and supports the ministries of our church.

Green Street United Methodist Church
13 Green Street
Augusta, Maine 04330

Help Us Report Church News

Do you know about an upcoming event, program or other item of interest that should be included in the newsletter? If so, please fill out the form below and drop it by the church office or email the information to greenst@myfairpoint.net. The **deadline** for news articles is the **15th of each month**. News received after that date will be published in the following issue, if it is still of interest.

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Name of event or activity _____ Date and Time _____

Group or Committee involved _____

Other Information _____
