



**Green Street
United Methodist Church**

13 Green St.
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Sunday Worship
8 & 9:30am

Office Hours
Tuesday- Thursday
8am-2pm

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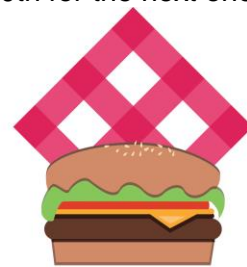
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July Mill Park Worship & BBQ



What a wonderful worship service at Mill Park on July 16th!! We had about 50 people attend to praise and worship God. Ardyce played guitar for us. Sue and Ardyce led the singing. Kristin shared the message. Following worship, we had a BBQ and potluck. A few people played games and blew bubbles. It was a great time of fellowship and opportunity to be seen out in our community. Join us on August 20th for the next one!



**Worship &
Pot Luck at the Park**

**Sunday, August 20
10:30am at Mill Park!**

Come join us for an outdoor worship service followed by a Pot Luck Lunch!

Everyone is Welcome!



August 2017

Summer Reading: *Dakota* by Kathleen Norris

I've always loved my August vacation with family. I come from a family of avid readers and for us, summer vacation means back-to-back days of uninterrupted reading, hours of losing ourselves great novels. I'm guessing that others enjoy the same thing, so I thought for a mid-summer Grapevine article I'd offer a book review.

Kathleen Norris' book *Dakota* includes the subtitle: *A Spiritual Geography*. Raised in Hawaii, Norris lived in New York City for many years before moving with her husband to South Dakota to care for her family's homestead. *Dakota* traces her physical journey from the east coast to the Dakotas, as well as her spiritual journey from an agnostic, indifferent to organized religion, to a Presbyterian lay preacher and Benedictine oblate. Kathleen Norris grew into her faith in the Dakotas. Her spirituality remains tied to the land on which she lives and the community in which she resides.

Dakota combines historical background and social and cultural commentary with information about the geography, agriculture and economy of the Dakotas. Her descriptions of rural communities, small but vibrant churches and schools, and harsh winters, feel similar to Maine. Although South Dakota is more than 1400 miles away, Norris' book connects the two places.

Dakota raises the question: How does where we live – both the land and the community – shape our faith and our spirituality? Norris describes how the Dakotas have shaped her faith. How does living in Maine shape our faith? How does our spirituality develop in relationship with our community and our land? And when places and ways of life change, how does that impact our faith?

Norris doesn't always writes her spiritual geography in narrative style. She intersperses chapters on history, agriculture and education with stories, journal entries and spiritual memories. Her stories are compelling and often contain points of connection with our own faith.

If you're looking for something to read this summer – an informative book with quick-paced storytelling – to deepen your spirituality, check out *Dakota*. And to make it easier: the Green Street Church Library has a copy!

In Christ,

Pastor Kristin

August Birthdays

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

Thank You for Serving in August

August 6

Greeter: Sandy and Larry Labreck
Acolytes: Terri Williamson
Nursery: Sara Barnum
Coffee Hour: Nancy Miner
Liturgist: Kathleen Dunford
Music: Sue Pattershall

August 13

Greeter: Nancy and Kathy Merrick
Acolytes: Sandy and Randy Grady
Nursery: Tina Noble
Coffee Hour: Mary Lewis and Patty Rogers
Liturgist: Kristen Tripp
Music: Christine Letcher

August 20 - MILL PARK AT 10:30AM

Greeters: John and Tricia Webb
Liturgist: Johnnie Beane
Music: Christine Letcher

August 27

Greeter: Randy and Sandy Grady
Acolytes: Sue Pattershall and Alexis
Nursery: Lilla Atwater
Coffee Hour: Lynn Kennard and Sally Joy
Liturgist: Lilla Atwater
Music: Christine Letcher
Preaching: Chris Thornton

Jesse Lee Cluster

Sunday Evening Prayer Service

Jesse Lee Meeting House, East Readfield at 7pm

August 6: Laura Church

August 13: Readfield UMC

August 20: Wayne UMC (Paul Bright and Christina Rao)

August 27: Cox Memorial Church (Nancy Biscoff)

An Opportunity for Giving

As we know, there are many people in our city that are hungry and in need. I know I am often reluctant to give these people money. You know the ones, those standing at the rotary or out by Barnes and Noble or walking the streets or going to the Bread of Life soup kitchen and the list goes on. But the other day, I thought maybe I could feel comfortable giving them a \$5.00 Hannaford Card. I have asked the Hannaford team to order some cards to have on hand for anyone who would like a \$5 card or two to give to someone in need. Perhaps, at our next Mill Park Service? Perhaps in our welcome bags? Perhaps you can think of many other ways to share Green Street's love in the community.

Sue Pattershall

Bishop's Day on the District

Bishop Devadhar will be at Auburn UMC on Sunday, August 27 from 3pm to 6pm to speak with laity and clergy and hear your ideas and concerns and share in a pot luck dinner.

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

Remember Your



Pledge this Summer



This summer, put your best foot forward by brightening up a pair of flip-flops.

What you need:

- Flip-flops in your size
- Metallic permanent markers
- Foam stickers
- Craft gemstones
- Plastic flowers
- Ribbon
- Hot glue gun (and adult help)

What you do:

Use these ideas to decorate clean, dry flip-flops:

- Draw with markers on the soles.
- Decorate the sides and soles with stickers.
- Glue gemstones along the strap.
- Glue plastic flowers on the strap between your toes.
- Wrap ribbon around the strap and glue in place.



BE HAPPY IN THE LORD

Happiness and joy are frequent themes in the Old Testament book of Psalms.

Directions: Solve the crossword using the clues below. Then fill in the blanks to complete the Bible verse.

ACROSS

3. A word for happy (rhymes with had)

4. What you do when you're very happy

5. A song written by David

7. Full of joy

DOWN

1. People who obey God

2. Our Creator

6. The month after April

“But may the 1. _____ be 3. _____ and
4. _____ before 2. _____; 6. _____ they
be happy and 7. _____.” 5. _____ 68:3, NIV

Answers: (across) 3. glad, 4. rejoice, 5. psalm, 7. joyful; (down) 1. righteous, 2. God, 6. may
and joyful.” Psalm 68:3, NIV
“But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy

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Back to School Collection

Once again we will be gathering back packs and school supplies for the children at the homeless shelter in Augusta. Items can be brought to church on Sunday and left at the altar. Any extra supplies will be given to Augusta schools.



August 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Summer Worship begins 6/18 Worship at 8am and 9:30am Summer Office Hours Tuesday – Thursday 8am – 2pm							
		1	2	3	4	5 9:00 AM Worship Committee Meeting	
				6:00 PM Simplified Board Meeting			
Chris Thornton Preaching 5:00 PM Fresh Expressions Ministry	6	7 9:00 AM Garden Give-A-Way	8	9	10	11	12
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**Green Street United Methodist Church
Fifield -Tribou Fundraiser Campaign**

May 14, 2017 – September 10, 2017

Help replenish the Fifield/Tribou Fund for the financial future of our church!

\$ _____ per/wk. or \$ _____ per/mo. or \$ _____ other.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Place in offering plate or send to the church office. Please specify that your gift is for the Fifield/Tribou Fund

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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 _____