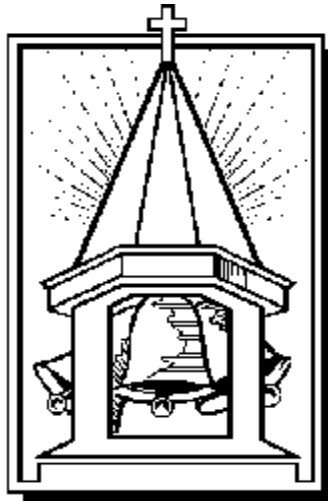


THE GRAPPEVINE



Beginning Sunday, June 19

Worship at 8am and 9:30am

Church Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday
8am to 2pm

13 Green St.
Augusta, ME 04330

Sunday Worship
8 & 10:30am

Sunday School
9am

Office Hours
Monday - Friday
8am-2pm

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Minister:

Rev. Kristin White

Adult Mission Team Luncheon

Sunday, June 5th following 10:30 worship the Adult Mission Team will be hosting a free will offering Luncheon in fellowship hall with casseroles, salads and desserts! Come and support them in their mission work for the Salem Economic Ministry on September 11-16. They would love to have more people join their team as it is a very rewarding experience! Contact Sandy Grady. Come and support their mission on Sunday, June 5th.

Graduation Sunday is June 12

Congratulations to Talya Avery! Talya is graduating from Erskine Academy with high honors! She will be attending the University of Maine this fall as a sophomore (she completed her college freshman courses while in high school). Talya loves horses and is working on becoming a Veterinarian. Talya, her mom, Beth and her grandmother, Carol Chavarie will be playing the bells together on Graduation Sunday. Don't miss it!

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District Superintendent **Beverly Stenmark's Farewell**

Sunday, June 5 at 2pm.

Auburn United Methodist Church
439 Park Ave, Auburn.



Pastor's Page



The Gifts of Gardening

As children, my brother and I were expected to help care for our family's garden. Although I despised early mornings spent weeding, I loved the afternoons when we were sent to pick new vegetables. I loved to discover ripe tomatoes, long green beans, and fully formed squash on their vines. Digging up carrots, potatoes and radishes gave a thrill of anticipation at what would be unearthed.

Gardening provides a sense of both accomplishment and discovery. There's pride that comes from having planted and nurtured something, and watching it bear fruit. Months of work spent watering and weeding lead to fulfilled expectations. Discovering ripe vegetables is a bit like finding treasure. Yet at the same time, gardening remains partly out of our control: the sprouting of seeds and growing of fruit are the plants' own response to the earth, the sun, the weather; and partly it's the pure mystery of life.

In our spiritual lives, we also seek growth and discovery. Our relationship with God takes time and effort; our spiritual practices require attention, nurture and even pruning from time to time. A garden left alone is soon overrun with weeds, and a spiritual life not regularly cared for can become overwhelmed by difficulty and struggle. Yet few things are more rewarding than the spiritual growth that comes with time.

Discovery is another crucial element in our faith. A garden is much more exciting when we find ripe produce nestled among the foliage. Likewise, we most enjoy our faith when it leads to new discoveries and insight. But like any garden, spiritual discovery comes from preparation and hard work. By devoting time and effort to our faith – taking time to read Scripture, to pray, to worship – new discoveries about God and our faith are revealed.

However, the realization that parts of our spiritual journey may be out of our hands can be difficult. Sometimes we practice our faith to the best of our ability, yet growth seems slow; other times it seems that God, like a mid-summer zucchini plant, gives us almost too much to manage at one time. Like gardening, our spiritual lives require patience, a sense of humor and openness to God's unique creativity. A spiritual life requires time and effort devoted to relationship with God. We nurture the soil of our souls through spiritual practices, preparing the way for God's spirit to work, so that in their own times and in unique ways discoveries of faith may be revealed.

May God's fruitful presence bless your life this summer!

In Christ,

Pastor Kristin

June Birthdays

3 – Sandy Grady 9 – Tricia Webb
6 – Ray Chavarie 24 – Billy Noble
6 – John Webb 30 – Lilla Atwater
7 – Connie Packard 30 – Mary Saunders
9 – Ellen Gilley

United Methodist Women News

On Wednesday June 8, we will be going to the Botanical Gardens in Boothbay Harbor. Please invite your lady friends to join us! We are meeting at Green Street at 11am and will carpool to Boothbay. Lunch will be at Karen's Hide-A-Way. Bring cash for your meal. The menu includes seafood as well as burgers and hot dogs. The Gardens will take a credit card. Rain date is June 15. Admission to the Gardens is \$12. Come join the fun!

The Missions Committee will host an International Dinner in Honor of the Zimmerman Family

The Missions Committee will be honoring our Missionaries this month. As many already know we have been supporting the Zimmerman family who have been assigned to mission work in Nepal. They are presently leaving that post. Dr. Mark Zimmerman was director of the Nick Simons Institute. His wife, Deirdre also served as missionary for GBGM. They have two sons. They made a visit to Green Street several years ago and shared a meal with us and we are happy to announce they are coming back to Green Street on Sunday, June 12th. There will be an International Dinner to honor them. More information to come.

Augusta Food Bank News

Here is a list of items that the Augusta Food Bank is in need of: Canned Fruit, Cereal, Canned Tomato Sauce, and Apple Juice. Also, if you have any cook books laying around that you no longer use the food bank would love to have them! Donations can be left in the shopping cart in the entrance to the Sanctuary.



GREETERS SCHEDULE

June 5: Nancy and Kathy Merrick
June 12: Tricia Webb
June 19: Joan and Nathaniel Berry
June 26: Patty Rogers and Leroy Richard

Summer Music and Other Talents

Do you have a song, dance, poetry reading, talent you could share during special time to enhance our worship? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the office. Be one of the first to sign up and you can choose the date that works best for you. Thank you.

Church Supplies

You can help save on the budget by picking up an extra item here and there when you shop and donating it to the church. Below is a list of items that are always needed. Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Tall Kitchen Bags, Coffee Cups (no Styrofoam please), Coffee Creamer, **Juice Boxes and Goldfish Crackers for the nursery.** Donations can be left in Fellowship Hall.




June 5: Randy and Sandy Grady
June 12: Joan Berry
June 19: Elsie and Bessie
June 26: Tina Noble

If you would like to host a future coffee hour please contact Sandy Barringer.

Liturgists for June

June 5: Jon Gallagher
June 12: Eileen Hibbert
June 19: Lee Ware
June 26: Tina Booth
If you would like to serve as liturgist please contact Nany Miner.

In my
FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS




Make this keepsake to express love for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.

What you need:

- White construction paper (11" x 13" sheet)
- Pencil
- Black permanent marker
- Crayons or paint

What you do:

1. In the center of the paper, trace your foot in pencil. Darken the outline with marker.
2. Color or paint the footprint. Let it dry.
3. Trace your father's foot (same one) on top of your footprint (with yours in the middle of his).
4. Color or paint his footprint. Let it dry.
5. Sign your names and the date at the bottom.





PUZZLE

FOLLOW OUR FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

In the book of Proverbs, a father urges his son to listen to his wisdom, which he received from his heavenly Father.

Directions: Starting at 1, follow the footsteps and write the words in order on the blanks below.



" _____
 _____ :
 _____ : _____ "

Answer: "Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it."
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- June 5: Caitlyn McGouldrick
- June 12: Sandy Barringer
- June 19: Elizabeth Newman
- June 26: Sarah Barnum

If you would like to volunteer in the nursery please contact Tricia Webb.

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What's Happening at Green Street United Methodist Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Worship Schedule 8:00 and 10:30 AM Sunday School at 9am Ends June 5 Church Office Hours Mon.- Fri, 8am – 2pm						
			1	2	3	4 Noon: Prayer Shawl Meeting at Kennebec Plaza
5 Christian Education Sunday 2:00 PM Bev Stenmark Farewell in Auburn	6 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	7 9:00 AM DCOM 6:30 PM SPPRC Meeting	8 UMW Outing to the Botanical Gardens 5:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 6:40 PM Choir Practice	9	10	11
12 Graduation Sunday 9:00 AM Prayer Bead Workshop Zimmerman Visit	13 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	14 Flag Day 6:30 PM Church Council	15	16 Annual Conference	17 June 16 – June 18	18 5:00 PM Angel Food Supper
19 Father's Day Summer Worship 8am and 9:30am 10:30 AM Missions Committee Meeting	20 First Day of Summer! 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	21 6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting	22	23	24	25
26 9:00 AM Prayer Bead Workshop	27 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous	28 5:30 PM Lay Leadership Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Trustee's Meeting	29	30		

Father's Day of Fuel

Honor your father and help the church meet its fuel budget at the same time. We will be publishing a special Father's Day of Fuel insert on June 19th. A Day of Fuel sponsorship is only \$25.00. Fill out the form and drop it in the offering plate, or send to the office with your check. **DEADLINE is June 12.** This is a great way to honor your father (or someone who is like a father to you) as you help the church.

In Honor or Memory of: _____

Given by: _____

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 _____