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PASTOR'S PAGE



What's not to love about the month of June? It's the month of graduations, weddings (most popular month!), Flag Day, Father's Day and the beginning of summer (solstice 21st) and June 7, National Chocolate Ice Cream Day.

We will be celebrating our community and town with Warren Days on 6/24 and 6/25. Come and join us for food, fun and community goodwill. We also have delegates from our church going to the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches in Wichita, Kansas at the end of June.

The warmer days, pleasant weather and the prolonged daylight (longest day is in June!) gives us all the opportunity to do more, see more, and plan more activities. It's as if along with the roses and other flowers opening, the world is opening up before us - inviting us, challenging us, beckoning us. In the same way, the Holy Spirit of God also invites us, challenges us and beckons us to come close, to lean in, gain understanding and wisdom, and to feel the flow of power and love within us.

In the church we celebrate Pentecost on June 5, the beginning of the CHURCH, when the Holy Spirit of God was poured onto all people - the same Spirit that is poured out on us all TODAY and every day.

Like the balmy breezes, Jesus says, "The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So, it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." We can't see the wind but we know where it is, we feel it, we see where it's been - the Holy Spirit (Divine Breath/Wind) is all around us - we feel it - we see where it goes, and know where it's been.

On the Day of Pentecost, the flames appeared and the Holy Wind blew with a loud noise, and "whooshed" all around - fire and wind - a powerful combination. What might that power ignite in us, if we allow it to whirl around us and change us? What might we need in our lives? The soft, gentle caress of a warm zephyr? Maybe a cool, refreshing sea breeze to energize us? Some might need a strong nor'easter to blow out the cobwebs and encourage us to hold on! God's breath is Spirit. It is our "In-spiration," that is, we BREATHE IT IN - it is our very life breath. Let the summer breeze remind us daily of the Spirit within us.



Pastor Bette



Advice from a Raindrop

You think you're too small
to make a difference? Tell me
about it. You think you're
helpless, at the mercy of forces
beyond your control? Been there.



Think you're doomed to disappear,
Just one small voice among millions?
That's no weakness, trust me. That's
your wild card, your trick, your implement.



They won't see you coming
until you're there, in their faces, shining,
festive, expendable, eternal. Sure you're
small, just one small part of a storm that
changes everything. That's how you win
my friend, again and again and again.

Kim Stafford ~



This **Prayer List** is provided to encourage you to keep these special people in your prayers during the week. **If you know an individual you would like added to this list, please talk with the person and get their permission** (*in some instances we know that this may not be possible*).

GOD'S PRAYERS

Betty & Clayton Collins
Eric Overlock
Jane Waltz
Kathy by Beverly Pacheco
Sherry Ladd
Rev. Wayne Sawyer
Lanphier's son Nathan
Conner Greeman by Patty Ott
Lorraine Strout by Linda Kaler
Bill Cutting
Gay Bogard by Janice Overlock
Diana Dare
Jeremy, JoJo and Ellie

Stuart Mank
Susan Flaherty by Gayle
Vella Smith
Jackie Gushee by Tina
Connie Heath
Khyllie Cochran
Carol Hall-Perry by Carole Starr
Dr. Jay Allen by Sterling
Sherry Chadbourne by Gayle
Wayne Quinn by Robin
Dominic by Carolyn R.
George Wiley
Gammon Family



June 3	Eric Overlock
June 6	Bill Cutting
June 8	Sharon Landry
June 13	Kathleen Borzelli
June 14	Aleta Mank
June 15	Sandy Gammon
June 17	Patty Ott
June 18	Joe Cifaldo
June 19	Sophie Cohen



June 2	Marvin & Donna Lewis
June 5	Bob & Karen Carpenter
June 12	Richard & Irene Maxcy
June 15	David & Betty Baker
June 22	Ken & Linda Lent
June 24	Mark & Diana Dare

If you do not see your Birthday or Anniversary listed, please contact the office.

CHILDREN'S DAY in MAY



On May 22nd ten children were in attendance for the Sunday Children's lesson. They were taught the Lord's Prayer and decorated a cute picture frame. They also played a BINGO game with the words from the prayer. A lesson well learned and a good time for all.

Matthew 6:9-13 NIV

9 "This, then, is how you should pray:

*"Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be your name,
10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*

11 Give us today our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

REMINDER: There are scholarships available to those who wish to attend Camp Winni. Visit the newly decorated [CCCME website](#) for more information.

Sunday June 12th is Children's Sunday and Graduate Recognition Day.
Grab your littles and bring them to Church, Miss Becky and Miss Niva have lots planned.



MOTHER'S DAY...

**David Landry handed out
pretty carnations courtesy of the
Diaconate.**



MEMORIAL DAY..

**The Scouts honored all veterans at the
Monument on Memorial Day.
Rev. Bette offered a prayer.**



Scouts and their leaders on Memorial Day.

Our Church History

Dissatisfaction, however, still prevailed and in 1790, three men, one from Thomaston, one from Waldoboro, and one from Union were chosen to fix upon a site. On June 23rd the Town voted that the new meeting house be erected on the land of William Boggs across the road to the west of the house. They sold the old meeting house for three pound, 6 shillings and chose committees to obtain funds by the sale of the ministerial and school lots. However, some legality prevented the carrying out this plan and nothing was done. In 1792 it was again voted to have preaching part of the time and to raise a tax of 100 pounds for building a meeting house. Later, a further sum of 22 pounds, 18 shillings was raised by selling the timber on the ministerial and school lots. Committees were again chosen to receive the materials and superintend the raising of the house which was now ordered to be located at the corner near Alex Bird's house. (Approximately where the Soldiers Monument now stands.) On January 14, 1793, it was voted that the meeting house be raised on Tuesday, October 8, and that a committee be appointed to settle the controversy arising between the "conservatives" who insisted on having the old-fashioned box pews, and the "modernists" who wanted the new style "slip pews."

The house itself was 49' x 40' with high gable end on the north and south and the pulpit on the eastern side with the entrance on the west. From this entrance, stairs led to a capacious gallery on three sides of the house.

Between the entrance and the pulpit were 2 rows of seven slip seats each on each side of the broad aisle; 5 slips and 2 free seats on each side of the pulpit and square pews on the other three walls. Nothing above, except the front gallery, was finished. The finished part being where the choir sat. The pews sold for \$25. for the highest to \$9 for the lowest. The right of choice set up to the highest bidders brought in the sum of \$333.50. The 100 pounds raised by the Town paid for the frame and proceeds from the sale of pews took care of all the other expenses. In April a contract was made with Alexander and William Lermond to find the necessary materials and finish the house outside and in, with the exception of the gallery pews, for \$1163.33. A committee was again asked to procure preaching for part of the time.

...To Be Continued

Each Month we will be sharing snippets of our history with you.
Please contact Pat Weaver if you have ANYTHING you could add to this project.



Link to
[AIO's
newsletter](#),
see the
wonderful
happenings!

Message from Joe Ryan, Executive Director of AIO

We are grateful to our entire community, who helped us get through another challenging Maine winter. With your help, we have provided food to more than 4,500 people during the first quarter of 2022! That is twice as many families than just one year ago.

We have elevated the quality and freshness of the food available in our market. We have expanded our selections and created an authentic shopping experience overflowing with kindness and joy. We have provided over 24 tons of food through our Weekend Meals Program and distributed nearly 10,000 diapers! And, during this winter of record-high fuel prices, we provided heating assistance to more than 300 households.

This is all made possible by a fantastic team of volunteers who make it look easy. It is not easy. Sometimes the work is hard, and sometimes it is heartbreaking. Those are times when the true nature of our community is revealed. We take care of each other. We laugh together, and sometimes we cry together. But, together, we make AIO the extraordinary place that it is. I am fortunate and honored to work alongside each and every volunteer.



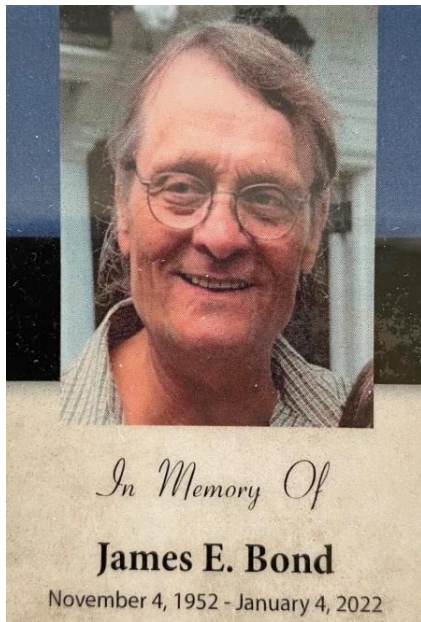
OUR MEMORIAL GARDEN WALK

If you have not already had the opportunity to sit in this special place, you need to do so. It's magical. The beauty that lies here is very soothing and relaxing. Thank you Irene Maxcy for cultivating the gifts of God for all to enjoy, thank you for your expertise, eye for beauty, and unwavering devotion to beautifying our gardens.

GOD'S GARDEN

*With the kiss of the sun for pardon,
and the song of the birds for mirth,
one is nearest to God's Heart in a Garden
than anywhere else on earth.*

(Unknown)



Celebrating Jim!

On May 21st a Celebration of Life was held for Rev. Bette's husband, James E. Bond. Although under sad circumstances, we all had the privilege of meeting their families.



Rev. Bette – her Mom, Sandy and brother Brian



Photo Credits: Hope Creighton



Gregory Cifaldo, Emily Knutson, Kylie Cochran



EMILY KNUTSON...

Granddaughter of Sherry Ladd.

Emily recently passed the CNA State exam and will be working as a CNA at Windward Gardens in Camden. She will be attending the University of Maine in Orono and majoring in Nursing. Emily is also in the Honors College at UMaine.

This past school year Emily was on the tech crew for the school musical, Frozen Jr., and senior class of 2022 vice-president at Oceanside High School. She is part of the National Honors Society and the National Technical Honors Society. Emily will be going to the National Skills USA Championship in June, because her Health Knowledge Bowl team of four, won gold at the States Championship.



GREGORY CIFALDO...

Parents: Suzanne Barrows Cifaldo and Jay Cifaldo

Grandparents: Joseph and Marcia Cifaldo.

Greg was part of our Sunday school for about nine years. He really enjoyed his Church family. He has a special fondness for two of his past Sunday School teachers; Tammy Hagin and Patty Overlock (and of course Rev. Andy).

Greg participated in the choir and played in the Children's choir. He also completed the SCCW confirmation class.

Greg will be attending the University of Maine in Orono majoring in Business. He tried out and was accepted to the UMO Cheer Squad.



Zack Hall

On Sunday June 12th Children's Sunday and Graduate Recognition Day - we will also be recognizing Zack Hall and Khyllie Cochran, who were both a part of our Sunday School.

For those who would like to support these graduates, a donation basket will be on the Deacons table during the June 12th service.



Khyllie Cochran

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

BINGO LUNCHEON

Free Sloppy-Jo Lunch and
10 games of bingo with prizes

Hosted by the Caring & Sharing Sisters

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

JUNE 12, 2022

FOLLOWING
CHURCH SERVICE

Lunch will be served
then the games will
begin.....



Fun and
Fellowship

RSVP sign-up sheet on bulletin board.
Bring a friend, children welcome!

NOTE: For those who are not fans of Sloppy Jo you are more than welcome to bring your own lunch.

Linda Lent has retired her duty of providing suggestions on the weekly needs of the Food Pantry. Thank you Linda for all your time and hard work.

Moving forward, the Food Pantry barrel will be accepting any items you are able to furnish.

Suggestions will no longer be posted in the newsletter. They are appreciative of any donation. **Thank you.**

FOOD PANTRY



LIBRARY NEWS

Hello all, Happy June. As spring gets under way, we start to do more and more but it is vital that we make sure that we don't get too busy or else we might miss opportunities to enjoy an experience that comes once in a blue moon or even once in a lifetime. Stay curious, be adventurous, and may the road rise to meet you.

From James the Wild Rover in the Library

BOTTLE DRIVE

Hello and thanks to everyone who brought in bottles for the month of May. Our project for June is the church parking lot still. If you need to have your bottles picked up then please call us at 236-4585. Again, thanks to everyone who brings in their bottles. Sincerely Ken and Linda Lent, the Bottle Box committee.

Sincerely ~ Ken and Linda Lent ~ The Bottle Box Committee.

FELLOWSHIP

As a reminder...Sunday Fellowship hour is hosted by the Ladies Circle on the SECOND SUNDAY of each month and hosted by the Caring and Sharing Sisters on the LAST SUNDAY of each month. All other Sundays are open to the congregation to bring treats to share. If you do so you are responsible for the set up and clean up after service.

For the month of June, Caring & Sharing Sisters will be hosting a bingo luncheon on the 12th and the Ladies Circle will host fellowship on Father's Day June 19th.

A special thank you to Hope Creighton who continues to prepare the coffee each Sunday.

DURING FELLOWSHIP IF YOU SHOULD SEE SOMEONE SITTING ALONE...OFFER THEM A BIT OF CONVERSATION!

JUNE MEETINGS

- **Missions**
Wed., June 1, 12:noon
- **Diaconate**
Wed., June 1, 6:30pm
- **Ladies Circle**
Mon., June 6, 10:00am
- **Caring & Sharing Sisters**
Mon., June 6, 6:30 pm
- **Trustee Meeting**
Thurs., June 9, 6:30pm
- **Church Council Mtg.**
Thurs., June 16, 6:30 pm

JUNE DATES TO REMEMBER

June 5 – Pentecost Sunday
 June 12 – Children’s Sunday
 & Graduate Recognition
 June 12 - Caring & Sharing
 Sisters - Bingo Luncheon
 following service
 June 19 – Father’s Day
 June 24-25 – Warren Days

MEMBERSHIP

Thinking of becoming a
 member of our church?
 Already a member but would
 like to have a “refresher”
 course on what it means to be
 part of the Congregational
 Church, and to be a
 Congregationalist?
 Contact Rev. Bette

MID-WEEK Morsel

Not getting it? Want it?
 For a copy each week
 email Rev. Bette at
 revbette.sccw@tds.net

From the office...

- Current office hours are Wednesday and Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
- Newsletters are mailed and emailed once a month on or near the first of the month.
- Information to be put in the newsletter is due ON or BEFORE the 28th of each month.
- If you need a newsletter mailed to you, please contact the office. Each month there will be printed copies available as well.

MUSIC MINISTRY

If anyone is interested in joining either the Hand Bell Choir and/or the Chancel Choir please contact Beverly Pacheco. She is planning ahead for her fall schedule and would like to include YOU!



<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
05/01/22	53	\$2978.00
05/08/22	52	1494.00
05/15/22	42	1005.05
05/22/22	60	1197.00
05/29/22	48	1265.79

FLOWER NEWS

Reminder: If anyone would be interested in bringing in their own planter or bouquet to Church to be placed in the Chancel in memory of, or in honor of a loved one, please contact the office before Thursdays to be printed in the Sunday bulletin. Whoever brings flowers in will be responsible for removing them after service. Thank you.

WARREN DAYS JUNE 24 AND JUNE 25

BEGINNING FRIDAY AT 4:30 PM THERE WILL BE A CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT WITH PRIZES.

FESTIVITIES KICK OFF WITH LIVE MUSIC FRIDAY AT 5:30 BY THE 'BLAME HOUNDS' and on SATURDAY MUSIC BY ROBBIE LITTLEHALE and "WALK THE LINE".

OUR VERY OWN DIACONATE WILL BE STAFFING THE DEACON HOT DOG HUT ON FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY. STOP BY FOR A DELICIOUS HOT DOG.

FRIDAY NIGHT AT DUSK THERE WILL BE FIREWORKS BY GEORGE!

SATURDAY MORNING THERE WILL BE A PANCAKE BREAKFAST FOLLOWED BY A PARADE AT 10:30.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF SATURDAY WILL BE OUR VERY OWN REV. BETTE BOND BRAVELY AND GRACIOUSLY OFFERING HERSELF TO THE DUNK TANK WHICH WILL BE STAFFED BY THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND PROCEEDS BENEFIT THEIR PROJECT GRADUATION. SO COME AND ENJOY THIS TWO-DAY EVENT FULL OF FUN ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES. AND DON'T FORGET THE FAMOUS CHICKEN BBQ DINNER ALSO BY GEORGE. JUST A SAMPLING OF ACTIVITIES BELOW...



CONTEST RULES

- Drop off Pies at the park entrance hut between 10 & 11am
- Judging promptly at 12:00
- Pies must be accompanied by the recipe printed on a 4x6 index card (No name please).
- Pies must be made with KAF and no other fruit ingredient except Strawberries and Rhubarb.
- Pies must be submitted in a clear glass pie plate.
- No embellishments.
- Winning Pies become the property of Warren Day.
- Three judges will examine preparation, texture, flavor, and overall appearance of both the crust and pie filling.

One entry per person

- First Place: \$75 Gift certificate to the Bakers Catalog
- Second Place: \$50 Gift certificate to the Bakers Catalog
- Third Place: \$25 Gift certificate to the Bakers Catalog

www.KINGARTHURBAKING.com



Irene Maxcy will be heading up this event and judging the pies. Do you have an award-winning Strawberry Rhubarb pie recipe?
All bakers welcome.






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June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:45am Bell Choir 12:noon Missions 6:30pm Deacon Mtg.	2 9-11am CCE	3 National Donut Day	4 Hug your Cat Day  9-11am CCE
5 10:00 am Service Pentecost Sunday	6 D-Day 10:am Ladies Circ 6:30pm Caring & Sharing	7 9-11am Coffee Hour 5:30 Choir Practice	8 10:45am Bell Choir	9 9-11am CCE 6:30pm Trustees	10	11
12 10a Service <i>Graduate Recognition Day</i> Caring/Sharing <i>BINGO luncheon</i> after service	13	14 Flag Day  9-11am Coffee Hour	15	16 9-11am CCE 6:30pm Church Council meeting	17	18
19 10:00 am Service 	20	21 First Day of Summer 9-11am Coffee Hour 5:30 Choir Practice	22	23 9-11am CCE	24 Warren Day Food/Fireworks	25 Warren Day Parade, etc.
26 10:00 am Service	27	28 9-11am Coffee Hour	29 6:00pm TAIZE worship	30 9-11am CCE	1 JULY	2 9-11am CCE
LITURGIST			DEACONS		TRUSTEES	
					GREETERS	
06/05 Niva Poland	06/05 January & Diana – CP: Gayle & Clint	06/05 Sandra Overlock		06/05 Margaret /Janet	Margaret /Janet	
06/12 Wes Ames	06/12 Robin & David	06/12 Marcia Cifaldo		06/12 Linda & Walter Kaler	Linda & Walter Kaler	
06/19 January Peavey	06/19 Debbie & Karen	06/19 Jeff Creighton		05/19 Emily Beattie/Peggy Libby	Emily Beattie/Peggy Libby	
06/26 Melody Sainio	06/26 Cindy & Gayle	06/26 Irene Maxcy		05/26 Hope & Jeff Creighton	Hope & Jeff Creighton	

FOOD PANTRY: No suggested needs. They are appreciative of any donations. NOTE: Above duties are subject to change.