

**Bath United Methodist Church**  
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**340 Oak Grove Ave. Bath, ME 04530**  
**Worship With Us Sundays at 10:15am**

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**You are to live clean, innocent lives as children of God in a dark world full of crooked and perverse people. Let your lives shine brightly before them. - Philipians 2:15**

**May 19, 2019**

# Welcome to Bath United Methodist Church

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\* Please stand as you are comfortable

UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) – hardback hymnal FWS (Faith We Sing) – black soft cover hymnal

## *We Gather as God's People*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Gwyneth

LIGHTING ALTAR CANDLES

*The Light of the World*

Iris Fields

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

From Isaiah 60:1-3, Psalm 27:1

Harold Perkins

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

**People: The LORD is my light and my salvation!**

Leader: Darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

**People: The LORD is my light and my salvation!**

Leader: Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

**People: The LORD is my light and my salvation!**

\* HYMN

*Here I Am to Worship*

## *We Hear and Respond to God's Word*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Gwyneth

MISSION WITNESS

*Bread for the World*

David Smith

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:13-20

Harold Perkins

OFFERING

*Go Light Your World*

Rian Lewis

We offer our prayers, presence, gifts, service & witness. Please place Prayer and Connect Cards in the baskets and financial gifts in the plates. If you are our guest you may give but your presence with us is your greatest gift.

\* DOXOLOGY

*Give Thanks*

**FWS 2036**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS & CONCERNS Prayer cards will be read. After each prayer we will agree together, "Lord, hear our prayer."

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

**UMH 895**

\* HYMN

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

**UMH 206**

\* SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2:12-18

Pastor Gwyneth

MESSAGE

*Shining Brightly*

"Jesus our Joy" Sermon Series

Pastor Gwyneth

## We Go Forth in Witness and Service

\* HYMN

*Shine, Jesus Shine!*

**FWS 2173**

\* BENEDICTION

Pastor Gwyneth

**Church Staff Include:** Music Minister, **Iris Fields**; Custodian, **Jamie Rice**; Church Secretary, **Julie Ramsey**; and the **Rev Gwyneth Arrison** is our pastor. Others serving in worship today include:

**Usher** – Yvonne Lamberty

**Worship Slides** – Nat Hicks

**Greeter** – Shirley Lewis

**Reader** – Harold Perkins

**Craft Table** – Diana Garnett

**Videographer** – Ralph Lewis

**Special Music** – Rian Lewis

**Refreshments** – Doris Gethicker & Yvonne Lamberty

**If you are visiting with us**, we welcome you, and hope you find your time of worship here meaningful. Nursery and restrooms are down the hallway, and the greeters will be happy to answer any questions. Please get a visitor packet and pocket Bible as our gift to you! Also, **Coffee is Available**; feel free to get a cup anytime.

**Children in Worship:** Children may take an activity clipboard and sit with their family during worship, or at the craft table when it is set up. Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers.

**Weekly Communion Service** is held Sundays a few minutes before 9am (except 1st Sundays when we celebrate Communion during worship). This is a brief but meaningful time to receive the Sacrament each week. All are welcome to attend.

**Prayer Cards** are found on the table in the back of the sanctuary, and in the red pads on each row. Please place your prayer card in the baskets during the offering collection.

**Pocket Prayer Cloths** are available on the welcome table to take to a friend in need of encouragement. And **Our Daily Bread devotionals** are available on the table in the entryway, in both small and large print versions.

**Connect Cards** are on the podium in the entryway and in the red pads on each row. Please fill out to revise contact info or communicate other needs to the church office, and place in the baskets during the offering collection. First time guests who return a completed connect card will receive in the mail a gift certificate to any upcoming church supper.

**Name Tags:** Please be sure to wear your name tags each week in worship. These are very helpful to newcomers and guests who may not know everyone's name. Thank you.

**View Worship** on TV channel 3 on Saturdays 7:25am or channel 14 Wednesdays 4pm as well as [Facebook.Live](#) and our [YouTube Channel](#).

**Keep Updated** on our [FacebookPage](#) and our [Church Webpage](#). Also you can access the Calendars for [ChurchEvents](#) and [ChurchGuests](#)

**Clynk Return Bottles:** Grab a Clynk bag from the church, fill it up with your return bottles, and return to any Hannaford and the \$\$\$ goes to the mission and ministries of our church!

## Today's Scripture Readings

### Matthew 5:13-20 (NRSV)

<sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. <sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup> No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup> "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup> For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup> Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup> For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

### Philippians 2:12-18 (NLT)

<sup>12</sup> Dearest friends, you were always so careful to follow my instructions when I was with you. And now that I am away you must be even more careful to put into action God's saving work in your lives, obeying God with deep reverence and fear. <sup>13</sup> For God is working in you, giving you the desire to obey him and the power to do what pleases him. <sup>14</sup> In everything you do, stay away from complaining and arguing, <sup>15</sup> so that no one can speak a word of blame against you. You are to live clean, innocent lives as children of God in a dark world full of crooked and perverse people. Let your lives shine brightly before them. <sup>16</sup> Hold firmly to the word of life; then, on the day of Christ's return, I will be proud that I did not run the race in vain and that my work was not useless. <sup>17</sup> But I will rejoice even if I lose my life, pouring it out like a drink offering to God, just like your faithful service is an offering to God. And I want all of you to share that joy. <sup>18</sup> Yes, you should rejoice, and I will share your joy.

## Notes and Prayers

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**Jesus Our Joy** - We begin a **new sermon series** in May based on the Letter to the Philippians. Please join us as we hear encouraging words from this letter to the church in Philippi.

- 5/5 An Encouraging Example (Philippians 1:1-11)
- 5/12 Joy through Sorrow (Philippians 1:12-19)
- 5/19 Shining Brightly (Philippians 2:12-18)
- 5/26 Servants like Christ (Philippians 2:1-11)
- 6/2 Rejoice in the Lord (Philippians 3:7-11)
- 6/23 Pressing Toward the Goal (Phil 3:12-4:1)
- 6/30 Stress Free Living (Philippians 4:2-9)
- 7/7 Guide for Giving (Philippians 4:10-23)

## This Week's Events at a Glance:

May 19 9:00am - Sunday School All Ages  
May 19 10:00am - Communion in the Kitchen  
May 19 10:15am - Worship  
May 19 11:45am - Confirmation Class  
May 19 11:45am - Finance Committee Mtg.  
May 21 8:00am - Building Committee Mtg.  
May 21 10:00am - Bible Study  
May 21 5:00pm - Christian Education Team  
May 21 6:30pm - Bible Study  
May 22 9:30am - Prayer Gathering  
May 26 9:00am - Sunday School All Ages  
May 26 10:00am - Communion in the Kitchen  
May 26 10:15am - Worship  
May 26 11:45am - Confirmation Class

## Bath UMC News & Events

**Thank you everyone** for hosting a great community supper last night! Thank you for all the donations, set up assistance, chefs, organizers, cashiers, servers, greeters, and clean up crew.

**Finance Committee** will meet after worship today, **May 19**.

**Kids Communion Class** will be held on Saturday, **June 1 at 10am**. This will be an interactive class to teach kids the meaning of Holy Communion and how to serve. Kids will bake their own Communion bread as well. Parents are invited to stay or drop off. If you know of a child (3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade) who would be interested, please contact Pastor Gwyneth.

**Summer Worship Time Begins June 2** - Worship time will move to **9:15am** after Memorial Day Weekend. During the summer, we will celebrate Holy Communion as part of worship rather than prior to worship.

**Children's Sunday is June 2** - We will be recognizing children, teachers and graduates. Children will be singing in worship too. If you have a graduate in your family to recognize, please fill out a Connect Card or email the church office with:

- Graduate's Name
- Relationship to you
- School
- Future plans if known

The **Backpack Program** packs at the church here on Tuesday, **Jun 11 at 12:30pm**. FMI or to join in this mission, please contact Brenda Ouellette.

**UMCOR Service Sunday June 16** - We are going to do service together during worship that Sunday for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)! We will leave the tables set up from the supper. Tables will be laid out with items to sort and assemble into kits. These kits are distributed by UMCOR during emergency recovery efforts for events like hurricanes. Those of us who are trained as HUB volunteers will verify each kit, and we will sing, pray and witness while we serve!

**UMCOR Kit Donations By June 16** - Our church is the Mission Central HUB for Maine, and UMCOR is in shortage of hygiene kits (formally known as health kits). Lists are available on the table in the hallway. ALL items must be NEW. Financial donations are also appreciated so we can fill in any gaps.

**Lay Servant Ministry Basic Course June 22 & June 29 from 9am - 3pm at Brunswick UMC**. In the Basic Course, topics such as servant and spiritual leadership, caring ministries, basic communication skills, sharing your faith, and leading meetings will enhance your knowledge and skill as a leader. FMI or to register contact Pastor Gwyneth.

**Denominational Information** - There is a lot going on and it is important for churches to be in prayer and to be informed. To keep updated on news in the United Methodist Church, check the conference website regularly at [www.neumc.org](http://www.neumc.org)

**Local Pantry Donations** - Please join us in donating items to the Little Flock Non-Food Pantry and Morse High School Food Pantry. Detailed SHOPPING LISTS are available in the hallway. Items may be brought in during office hours Tuesday and Thursday 8am - Noon. FMI Diane Nicol.

Also, please leave your loose change in the **Make a Change Bottle** for donations to these pantries.

**Appreciations!** If you see one of our kids do something worthy of appreciation, please write their name on a slip of paper and place in the plastic bear!

**Register for Summer Camp Mechuwana** - Forms are on the table in the hallway. Camps for family together, kids preschool to high school, and adult special needs. Mechuwana is on a beautiful lake in Winthrop, Maine. FMI [www.Mechuwana.org](http://www.Mechuwana.org)

**Meeting Minutes** - All administrative committee and team minutes are posted upstairs in the "Upper Room." Please check it regularly to stay informed.

**Christian Music Radio - PositiveFM at 89.3 FM** with a variety of Christian music interspersed with short, uplifting messages and **AIR1** is broadcast at **93.9 FM** with the latest Christian music.

**Special Offerings** - Mission Shares to our New England Conference on **1<sup>st</sup> Sundays** and Ecumenical Benevolence Ministry on **3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays**. Thank you for your generosity!

### Schedule of Sunday Servants

**Ushers & Greeters** (FMI Barbara Johansen)

	<b>Usher</b>	<b>Greeter</b>
5/5	Audrey Cheetham	Cathy Leonard
5/12	Gay Wing	Letty Race
5/19	Yvonne Lamberty	Shirley Lewis
5/26	Audrey Cheetham	Clara Merkord

**Readers** (FMI Diane Nicol)

5/5	Kathleen Lacasse
5/12	Clara Merkord
5/19	Harold Perkins
5/26	Cathy Leonard

**Slide Operators** (FMI Pastor Gwyneth)

5/5	Rian Lewis
5/12	Carl Turner
5/19	Nat Hicks
5/26	Bob Wayman

**Refreshments** (FMI Brenda Ouellette)

5/5	Dot Wing & Cathy Leonard
5/12	Richard Valentine & Irving Ouellette
5/19	Dorris Gethicker & Yvonne Lamberty
5/26	Fred & Jennifer Conners

**Kids Craft Table** (FMI Jennifer Conners)

5/5	Aerial Draper
5/12	Fred Conners
5/19	Diana Garnett
5/26	Diana Garnett

### Small Groups and Bible Studies

**Sinners Support Group** All women welcome, currently studying the book Practicing Peace, by W. Glyn Evans, every other Monday at 2:00pm at the home of Mary Truesdell.

**Men's Small Group** - Mondays alternating times 6:45am at the Galley and 6:30pm at the home of Bill Truesdell.

**Sisters of Strength** Tuesdays (Every Other) at 9am in the church library, for study, fellowship and some mission in community. FMI Barbara Word.

**Morning Bible Study** Tuesdays 10am at the church hosted by Pastor Gwyneth. The group studies the upcoming sermon Scripture together

**WOW! (Women of Worship)** Tuesdays (Every Other) at 2pm and now studying the book of Acts. FMI Shirley Lewis.

**Evening Group Bible Study** Tuesdays 6:30pm at the church. Currently studying Romans. FMI Shirley Lewis.

**Prayer Gathering** Wednesdays at 9:30am. Please submit prayers during the week to the church office by phone or email, or through the facebook group BathPrayerPartners.

**Christian Connections** meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays, noon, lunch and meeting, at the church. FMI Deanna Wayman or Cathy Leonard.

**Ecumenical Women's Bible Study** meets Thursdays 9am and is open to women of all denominations. FMI see Lovye Oesterlin.

**Children's Sunday School** meets at 9am upstairs and is open to all children and youth K-12. FMI Cathy Leonard or Deanna Wayman.

**Adult Sunday School** meets at 9am in the church library. FMI Jennifer Conners.