

July 2018

The Bell Ringer

We are committed to helping people grow in their faith in Christ; to care for the needs of those in the Lakes Region and beyond as we make disciples and live the Word of God

Ah, what gorgeous day today! And boy there's a lot of activity around the church in preparation for the fair on Saturday! It's great to see so many people coming and going and the joy of sifting through all the books and treasures. I just want to offer a big thank you to everyone for all your faithful efforts!!



I thought I'd take a moment this month to report to you regarding one topic at our 2018 New England Annual Conference. The theme this year was "Vital Conversations – Culture." And the guiding Scripture verse was Ephesians 4:11-13, which includes:

...until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

We've been talking about the underlying theme of this Scripture passage in worship over the past couple of weeks. We've said that Wesleyan Methodists hold that "maturing in Christ" is the goal of salvation. In this, all people and the earth itself can find lasting joy and peace – divine fullness of life.

A challenge to the peace and unity of The United Methodist Church today revolves around discerning how to faithfully be The Church that exhibits the heart and mind of Christ relative to human sexuality, specifically homosexuality. This subject is at the heart of our denomination's current need for vital conversations (though gender equality, racial equality, appropriate gun and immigration laws, and other topics are also very

important).

The concern of many is that The United Methodist Church is not currently exhibiting the heart of Christ in our denomination's rules regarding sexuality. There will be a special session of General Conference in 2019 to vote on potential changes to these principles and rules.

I won't rehearse all the details of this subject in this newsletter. If you want to read more, you might start at this website: <http://www.umc.org/news-and-media/bishops-propose-plan-for-way-forward>.

I am in prayer and planning for some special small group forums on this subject at MUMC. We need to be in holy conversation that we might grow in our efforts to be the heart of Christ on this in Moultonborough. I hope to start hosting these small group conversations later this summer.

Bishop Devadhar shared a very impassioned episcopal message on Thursday evening. (You can find it here: <http://neumc-email.brtaapp.com/files/fileshare/2018+ac/2018+episcopal+address+6-6-18.pdf>.) He said that the "elephant in the room is not human sexuality or homosexuality." He said that the elephant in the room is how to be in ministry

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together until we finally find unity in Christ. His point was that our real challenge is to remain in ministry around the tough issues until we find unity and peace. It is only by coming together with the heart of Christ that we will come to God's answers and do the will of God.

The Bishop recommended a book: ***The Anatomy of Peace – resolving the heart of conflict***, by The Arbinger Institute. I read this book over the past two weeks. It's one of the best books I've ever read! How to have a heart of peace rather than a warring heart – that's the key to every tough challenge of life!

I highly recommend this book and ask everyone to read it. I'd plan to hold some small group discussions on this book's main points in preparation for our vital conversations regarding human sexuality and the church.

Please go to Amazon and order this book. It's only \$9.15 as an eBook or \$10.08 in paperback. Read it and watch for my call to gather to discuss it.

Christ is alive! There is reason for hope and joy! I walked away from 2018 New England Annual Conference revitalized and with a much more peaceful heart. We certainly have work to do in our way forward as the body of Christ. Yet, I look forward to this continued work, because it's the work of ministry, the work of the people of God, especially the people called Methodist...

Peace be with you and with our world,
Pastor Bob

We are looking forward to the "***Shelter Shower***" on July 15th, following the 10 AM service. Each year Outreach supports The Women's Shelter of Carroll County, through donations of items, gift cards and personal support. The Director, Raetha Stoddard, will do Mission Moments at 8 and 10AM services of July 15th.

Needed items are:

Gift cards- Walmart, Hannaford, Irving (these are given out if our guests need gas, food or clothes)

Paper Towels and Toilet Paper

Diapers (all sizes but we have a great need for sizes 4 and 5) and wipes

Baby lotion, shampoo and body wash,

Baby care and grooming set (Nail clippers, thermometer, Brush/Comb, Medicine Dispenser, Nasal Aspirator)

Women's Nail Clippers

Women's Brush and Combs

Women's Body wash and/or soap

Women's razors and shaving cream

Women's deodorant

Women's and Children's Slippers and Socks

Silverware (spoons, forks, and knives)

Cleaning Supplies; Lysol Wipes and Spray, Dish detergent, Laundry detergent

We will be putting out a collection basket soon. Please join us for gift viewing and party food following services.

Bev and Chuck

May 23, 2018

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Dear Friends in Mission:

Thank you for your gift received on 05/08/18 of \$308.17 to the General Board of Global Ministries through The Advance, the designated mission giving channel of The United Methodist Church. We are pleased to share that 100 percent of your contribution will support the missionary community in honor of Mark Zimmerman Advance #10908Z. Giving through The Advance enables United Methodists to partner with one another in mission and ministry around the world. Thank you for joining with us in God's mission.

United Methodist missionaries serve in more than 60 countries around the world. With your gift and prayers, you have initiated a partnership with missionaries planting churches and developing congregations, providing health care in remote areas, and working in sustainable agriculture and community development. Your gift allows Global Ministries missionaries to be The United Methodist Church's embodiment of Christ in the world. Thank you for partnering with us in God's mission. We are grateful for your support of this life-giving work.

Please let us know if you have questions and/or concerns, as we welcome the opportunity to speak with you. You can reach the Gift Processing Unit at 404-460-7489. Information on Advance projects and missionaries can be online at www.umcmmission.org. We also invite you to sign up on our website to ConnectNMission. This monthly publication will keep you informed about Global Ministries' work.

May God grant you a sense of hope and joy as you continue your support for mission.

Grace and Peace,

Roland Fernandes
General Treasurer
General Board of Global Ministries

Russell Pierce
Executive Director of Communications, Advance &
Fundraising
General Board of Global Ministries



July



Sunday, July 1

8/10am: Worship Service
8pm: AA Mtg

Tuesday, July 3

10am: Bible Study

Wednesday, July 4



Office will be closed

Thursday, July 5

10am: AA Mtg.

Sunday, July 8

8/10am: Worship Service
8pm: AA Mtg.

Tuesday, July 10

10am: Bible Study

Wednesday, July 11

7pm: Bible Study

Thursday, July 12

10am: AA Mtg.

Saturday, July 14

Wedding

Sunday, July 15

8/10am Worship Service
"Shelter Shower" following the 10 AM service.
8pm: AA Mtg.

Tuesday, July 17

10am: Bible Study

Wednesday, July 18

7pm: Bible Study

Thursday, July 19

10am: AA Mtg.

Sunday, July 22

8/10am: Worship Service
8pm: AA Mtg.

Tuesday, July 24

10am: Bible Study

Wednesday, July 25

9am: Printing BellRinger
7pm: Bible Study

Thursday, July 26

10am: AA Mtg.

Sunday, July 29

8/10am: Worship Service
8pm: AA Mtg.

Tuesday, July 31

10am: Bible Study

4th of July parade, Town BBQ & Fireworks

Event Date: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 - 11:00am to 1:00pm
4th of July Parade, Town BBQ & Fireworks: Moultonborough always celebrates our Nation's Birthday in style. The fun kicks off with the Parade beginning at 11:00am at Blake Road, and ending at the Moultonborough Function Hall, (formerly the Lion's Club) with a free BBQ for all. Parade awards are given out at the BBQ. Spectacular fireworks will light up the sky at dusk, over the water at Center Harbor Beach! Moultonborough Recreation Department sponsors the town BBQ, parade, awards & co-sponsors the fire works display with Center Harbor! Join us!





July Schedule



		Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist	Computer	Gift Card	Counters
1	8am	Norm & Connie Coates	Mike & Kate Lancon	Bill Wilderman	John Scudder	Sue Scudder	
	10am	Peg Young	Mel & Jean Heckman Jim & Donna Conway	Sandra Ringelstein	Shane Pouliot	Mary Jo Bailey	Darlene Fritz Sarah Richardson
8	8am	Bette Ruyffelaert	Jan Estes Charlie Harrington	Diane Bartlett	John Scudder	Sue Scudder	
	10am	Stu & Carole Pearce	Todd & Sandra Ringlestein Rich & Betsy Merkle	Becky Brennan	Forrest Abbott	Betsy Merkle	Sandy Ringelstein Rich Merkle
15	8am	Jay & Louise O'Donald	Ed & Sue Brown	Bette Ruyffelaert	John Scudder	Sue Scudder	
	10am	Donn & Gayle Bettinger	Peg Young Jan Heyden	Paul Worth	Sandra Ringelstein	Mary Jo Bailey	Bev Charest Charlie Fritz
22	8am	Bob & Jane Hammond	Mark & Diana Johnson	Diane Johnson	John Scudder	Sue Scudder	
	10am	Open	Paul & Lynn Worth Peg Young Dick Russell	Ed Charest	Shane Pouliot	Pamela Abbott	Mel Heckman Dave Hanson
29	8am	Kay Marini	Jim & Nancy Gagne	Sandi Wakefield	John Scudder	Sue Scudder	
	10am	Paul & Lynn Worth	Sara Richardson Harry Welch	Chuck O'Hara	Charlie Fritz	Nancy Kivlehan	Donn Bettinger Odell Bailey



“A ministry that approaches brokenness in ones life with Christian care and compassion to help find strength and wholeness in life once again.”

Brokenness and loneliness is a condition that none of us care to face in life but the reality is, it happens. Stephen Ministry is a ministry that helps persons work through the complexities of life when they have surfaced with Christian care.

If you or someone you feel might be in need of a Stephen Minister we are available to share and help to bring about wholeness out of brokenness. For further information please see; Rae Marie Davis, Nancy Hanson, Ron Parson or Murray Nickerson. Grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ

News from the Nursery

We are under revitalization, updating policies, training new staff and acquiring new equipment.

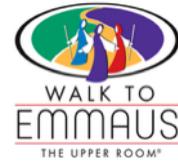
Planned “Grand Reopening” will be Sunday, September 9th, 2018. Nursery care

to be provided for the 10 AM service. Until then parents are welcome to use the Nursery to care for their children as needed.



Jane Hammond 1
Gerry McGillicuddy 1
Naomi Strickland 1
Carol O'Hara 14

Barbara Kohls 26
Phyllis Prouty 27
Charles Fritz 28



July News!

One Reunion group meets:

At Abbots home
(150 Old Center Harbor Rd., Ctr Harbor)
Second Friday of the month,
6:30 pm

The reunion group which previously met on the second Wednesday of the month will be rescheduling a meeting date at the end of the summer. In the mean time, please speak with Pam Abbott about this very active reunion group.

Reunion group gatherings are intended to help us not only keep connected but to be accountable to each other. This time together allows us to share how God has been working in our lives and opportunity to share those Holy Spirit moments. Join us at either location or both if your time permits!

Fall “Walks”

Men’s Walk: Nov. 8th – 11th

Women’s Walk: Nov. 15th – 18th

Location again will be the wonderful Alton Bay Christian Conference Center.

If you are interested in taking a “walk” see Pastor Bob, Murray, Charlie Fritz, Ashley Pouliot, or any of the other 35 Emmaus folks.

“A walk with the Lord you’ll not forget”

Luke 24:13-35

DeColores !

<p style="text-align: center;">Monthly Events:</p> <p>Prayer Shawl: 1st and 4th Thursday @ 12noon. Moultonboro Men's Breakfast: Lions Club 3rd Friday at 7:00am (\$7) Speakers.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Upcoming Events</p> <p>July 15, "Shelter Shower" following the 10 AM service. July 19, Men's Breakfast @ Lion's Club 7am</p> <p>There will be no Church Council meeting in July. Enjoy your summer.</p>
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Please pray for the members of our church family, friends and relatives.

Linda Schneider, Rae Marie Davis, Maria Moser,
Cassidy Brennan, Family of Cheryl Bean, Family of Jack Cooper

(Prayer requests will be listed for 30 days)

Attendance

	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Other	Total
June 3	38	61		99
June 10	36	37		73
June 17	33	49		82
June 24	43	82		125

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Shopping Cards for Missions



On June 2nd we reached one-third of our goal of \$3,000 for the year for Dr. and Mrs.

Zimmerman. As of this writing, we have raised \$357.99 for Missions for the month of June. Avoid the Summer traffic jams – think local. Both Hannaford’s – grocery and pharmacy-(5%) and E. M. Heath’s – grocery, hardware and Jo Jo’s - (10%) shopping cards are in stock available in \$25/ \$50/ \$100. The purchase of a single \$50 card for quick trips for milk, bread, eggs, fruit, etc. will add \$2.50 or \$5.00 profit for missions. Too hot to cook? In stock \$25 Subway (3%) cards offer nutritious meal options or party platters for a crowd. Or find a coupon for dinner or lunch for your favorite restaurant with the purchase of a matching shopping card. Available on a first come –first choice basis. \$10 or \$50 Dunkin’ Donuts (3%) shopping cards can supply your favorite Summer beverage, breakfast for company that drops in unexpectedly, and is great for traveling. Or sign up for a fellowship hour at church and bring donut holes!



South Tamworth UMC
South Tamworth Union Hall location.
8 Union Hall Rd.

No Bean Suppers for
July and August.

Next suppers are September,
October, and November.

Baked Beans (kidney and pea), Hot dogs,
potato salad, coleslaw, jellied salads,
brown bread, rolls, more salads,
beverages etc.

and then there is the reason
we save our forks
for last !!

No less than eight different desserts to choose from...umm, umm, - home baked!

Get there early....hmm, wonder why?