

# Church on the Cape

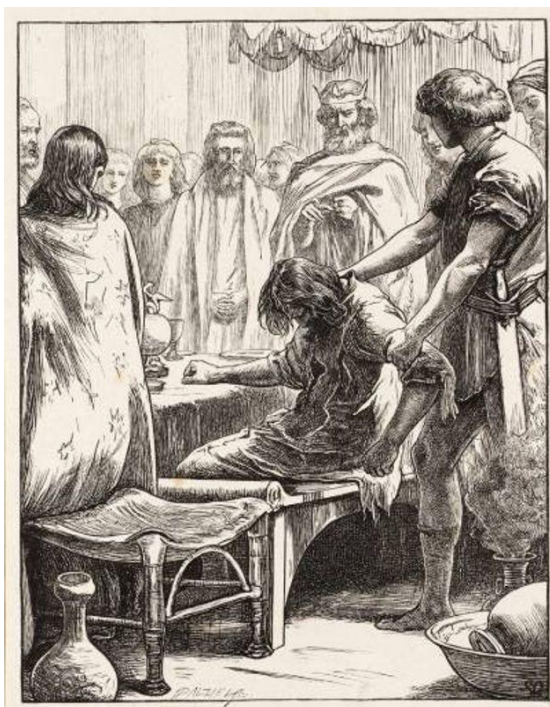
United Methodist Church

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor Appreciation Day

Rev. Greg Smith

October 11, 2026



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Welcome to Church on the Cape  
**Large print bulletins are available upon request.**  
**Please see an usher if you would like a copy.**

***\*all stand if able***

HYMN SING

Susie Goodwin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thank you to the SPRC and all those who brought food for our potluck today.

PRELUDE

**“Prélude”**

C.A.Collin

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 106)**

Leader Praise the Lord!

**People: Give thanks to our God!**

Leader: God is Good!

**People: All the time!**

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**People: God IS good!**

Leader: God's steadfast love endures forever!

**People: God's goodness is beyond measure!**

Leader: Happy are the just.

**People: Happy are those who do righteousness.**

Leader: Count us among your faithful ones,

**People: For we rejoice in being your people.**

Leader: When we falter on your path,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

Leader: Forgive us and save us, for your name's sake,

**People: That we may always praise your name.**

Leader: Blessed be the Lord our God,

**People: From everlasting to everlasting. Amen!**

**\*HYMN “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” UMH #126**

## UNISON PRAYER

**God of majesty, you are revealed in the splendor of your creation.**

**God of power, you are revealed to each generation by your mighty deeds. God of mercy, you are revealed in your closeness as you walk, side by side, with your faithful ones.**

**When we feel like we are wandering through the wilderness, it can be hard for us to feel your presence. In our time of worship, we ask you to open the doors of our hearts that we may feel you near, know that you are present, and be renewed by your mercy and love. Then, open our ears and our minds to hear the message of faith, once again. Strengthen us to go forth into the world as your bold and courageous people, in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

Exodus 32:1-14

*God's people doubt God's presence and make a golden idol.*

## STORY TIME

## SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:1-9

*Paul urges us to stand firm in our faith and to hold fast to all that is good*

## CHORAL ANTHEM “Make His Praise Glorious”

Bill and Robin Wolaver; Don Hart, arr.

The COTC Choir

## GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:1-14

*The parable of the wedding banquet.*

## MESSAGE

*“The Dress-Code”*

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH, UMH #883

## OFFERING

**“Petite Pastorale”**

J. Ermend-Bonnal

\*DOXOLOGY Hymnal #95

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN

**“Together We Serve”**

TFWS#2175

## BLESSING

## POSTLUDE

**“Fantasia”**

G.P. Telemann

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

|                      |                      |                  |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| George Acker         | Sally Ewton          | Chloe McLaughlin |
| Ada Byrnes           | Faith Gilmore        | Marybeth Munroe  |
| Judy Cadieux         | Harold Falcone       | Ann Nelson       |
| Julie Chase          | Patty Hutchins       | Stewart Pratt    |
| Fran Celnar          | Bethany Hessel       | Luverne Preble   |
| Cheryl Collazo       | Micki Kinney         | Steve Russell    |
| Mary Heather Cookson | Lesla Kraft Angelos  | Beryl Samia      |
| Micke Cooper         | Brett LaCour         | Lettie Samuel    |
| Risha Deary          | Nicholas LaCour      | Lois Small       |
| Beth Dudley          | Janet Lennon         | Eric Schoener    |
| Henry & Diane Dynia  | Charity Perry Liutai | Chuck Wildes     |
| Jean Earley          | Lee Maynard          |                  |



|    |                              |
|----|------------------------------|
| 1  | Wendy Emmons                 |
| 3  | Bill Matthews                |
| 6  | Beryl Samia                  |
| 8  | Paula Farnell & Matt Simmons |
| 10 | Debbie Parsons               |
| 12 | <b>Helen Neff</b>            |
| 13 | <b>Jim Oppert</b>            |
| 16 | <b>Bruce Donath</b>          |
| 20 | Bill Goodwin                 |
| 21 | Russ Pregeant                |
| 22 | Benjamin Link                |
| 24 | Ellen Simmons                |
| 26 | Rohi Atwater                 |
| 28 | Ada Brynes                   |
| 30 | Linda Woodard                |

If you would like to add a birthday to our list, please call the office and let us know!

## THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

|                         |          |                               |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Sun. October 11</b>  | 9:45 am  | Hymn Sing                     |
|                         | 10:00 am | Worship                       |
|                         | 11:00    | Pastor Appreciation Potluck   |
| <b>Mon. October 12</b>  | 10:00 am | Chimes Rehearsal              |
| <b>Tues. October 13</b> | 10:00 am | Knitters                      |
|                         | 11:30 am | Picnic Lunch                  |
|                         | 12:30 pm | Small Group Discussion        |
|                         | 2-4 pm   | Cargo Shop Open               |
|                         | 4:00 pm  | Finance Committee             |
| <b>Wed. October 14</b>  | 8:30 am  | Evangelism Outreach Committee |
|                         | 11:00 am | Upper Room Discussion         |
|                         | 1:00 am  | Missions Outreach             |
|                         | 3:00 pm  | Senior Moments                |
|                         | 7:00 pm  | Trustees                      |
| <b>Thu. October 15</b>  | 2-4pm    | Cargo Shop Open               |
|                         | 3:00 pm  | Worship Committee             |
|                         | 5:00 pm  | Choir Rehearsal               |
| <b>Sat. October 17</b>  | 10a-12p  | Cargo Shop Open               |
|                         | 2:00 pm  | McClelland Concert            |

## LOOKING AHEAD

|                         |          |                        |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------------|
| <b>Sun. October 18</b>  | 9:45 am  | Hymn Sing              |
|                         | 10:00 am | Worship                |
|                         | 11:30 am | Coffee Hour            |
| <b>Mon. October 19</b>  | 10:00 am | Chimes Rehearsal       |
|                         | 6:30 pm  | Annual Church Meeting  |
| <b>Tues. October 20</b> | 10:00 am | Knitters               |
|                         | 11:30 am | Picnic Lunch           |
|                         | 12:30 pm | Small Group Discussion |
|                         | 2-4 pm   | Cargo Shop Open        |
| <b>Wed. October 21</b>  | 3:00 pm  | Senior Moments         |
|                         | 4:30 PM  | Bon Appetit            |
| <b>Thu. October 22</b>  | 2-4pm    | Cargo Shop Open        |
|                         | 5:00 pm  | Choir Rehearsal        |
| <b>Fri., October 23</b> | 11:30 am | Ladies Luncheon        |

## **PASTOR APPRECIATION POTLUCK TODAY!**

All are welcome to join in the potluck meal immediately following worship today. You are invited to join, even if you did not bring a dish!

## **GRACE -STREET MINISTRY**

### **Our Socks and Dunkin Card Campaign is Underway!**

As cooler temperatures arrive, we are reminded of our neighbors in Portland who are unhoused and marginalized. This season, we will continue to offer practical support and care through Grace Street Ministries. Pastor Jeff from Grace- Street Ministry will be with us on Sunday, October 18.

## **PLEDGE CARDS MAILED THIS WEEK**

Be on the lookout for your pledge cards! If you've not received a pledge card in the mail, please let the office know.

If you need a pledge card, please ask an usher.

The Finance Committee requests they be returned by November 1. Thank you!

## **BON APPETIT**

### **Volunteers are needed!**

Wednesday, October 21 is Church on Cape's night to volunteer at Bon Appetit. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 19 Crescent Street, Biddeford, ME at 4:30 pm. Please email Kathy Johnson to let her know if you plan to help!

[kjohnjazz@yahoo.com](mailto:kjohnjazz@yahoo.com)

## **LADIES LUNCHEON**

Ladies of Church on the Cape are invited to come together for lunch at Mike's American Diner on Friday, October 23 at 11: 30am.

Please RSVP to Diana Smith at [2nddsmith@gmail.com](mailto:2nddsmith@gmail.com)

802-495-6724

## **PASTOR OUT OF OFFICE OCTOBER 21-23**

Please note Pastor Greg will be out of the office October 21-23 for meetings with the Board of Ordained Ministries.

# **PARISH NEWS**

## **TUESDAY DISCUSSION GROUP**

Our Tuesday, after lunch, group is now discussing the book "The Story of the Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke. If you wish to join us, see Rev.

Smith to get a copy of the story and the study guide.

Our next book will be "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom. If you need help getting a copy of the book, please see Rev. Smith as soon as possible so you can be prepared.

## **ANOTHER FREE CONCERT**

The Don Campbell Trio

Maine Favorites

Sat. Oct 17 at 2pm at Church on the Cape

Brought to you by the McClelland Music Foundation

## **YEARLY CHURCH CONFERENCE MEETING**

Save the Date! Our yearly Church Conference meeting with District Superintendent, Rev. Arlene Tully, will be on

**Monday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m.**

All Church members are encouraged to attend.

## **ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE**

Save the Date

November 22 at 2:00 pm

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

2 Lord St.

Kennebunk, ME 04043

**Worship Attendance**

**September 27**

In Person- **66** Online- **68**



**Love Boldly. Serve Joyfully. Lead Courageously.**

*Everyone is welcome at Church on the Cape, UMC, without exception. What matters most to us and what unites us as a vibrant, com-passionate community of faith, is the assurance that we are all beloved children of God and of sacred worth to our Creator. Come as you are and join us on our faith journeys as we seek to make followers of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Join us from wherever you call home. If you like what you see here, we post our worship, music, children's messages and sermons online - you can find them via our website:*

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| Adrien Bracco   | Lay Leader and Usher    |
| Jean Baracco    | Head Usher              |
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