

Church on the Cape
United Methodist Church
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2026



The Good Shepherd

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Fourth Sunday of Easter
Rev. Greg Smith

**Large print bulletins are available upon request.
Please see an usher if you would like a copy.**

*all stand if able
Susie Goodwin

HYMN SING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The altar flowers are given in honor of Ameilia's First Birthday, from Isabella & Jacob
- Thank you, Sharon Miesel & Marilyn Crocker, for hosting Coffee Hour today.

PRELUDE **"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"**
Gilbert M. Martin

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 23 King James version)

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd;

People: I shall not want.

Leader: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

People: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

Leader: He restoreth my soul,

People: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Leader: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

People: I will fear no evil: for thou art with me.

Leader: Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

People: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

Leader: Thou anointest my head with oil.,

People: My cup runneth over.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

People: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*HYMN **"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"** UMH #136

UNISON PRAYER

O Lord, you are our shepherd, and that brings us great comfort and peace. Like sheep, we are prone to wandering so we need a shepherd to point out the right way to go and to search for us when we go astray. Like sheep we can be stubborn, so we need a shepherd who perseveres patiently to persuade us to follow. Like sheep we can fall prey to predators and those who would take advantage of us, so we need a shepherd who will protect us. We place ourselves in your loving care. Make sure we find the green pastures, the still waters and the safe sheep-fold. Show us the way to go, in faith, and shepherd us along that way until we arrive, safely, to live forever in your house. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Acts 2:42-47

This lesson from Acts tells us about life in the earliest church.

STORY TIME

SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 2:19-25

We are challenged to follow the example of Christ who did not respond to violence with violence, but instead trusted God, giving us the gift of healing and life.

CHOIR ANTHEM **“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”** COTC CHOIR
Henry W. Baker & John Ness Beck

GOSPEL LESSON John 10:1-11

Jesus tells us he is the gate to the sheepfold and the good shepherd.

MESSAGE “Let me get the door for you...”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, hymnal #888

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY #94

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD’S PRAYER # 895

*HYMN **“He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought”** UMH #128

BLESSING

POSTLUDE **“In Heavenly Love Abiding”**
Gilbert M. Martin

Senior Moment's Spring Concert



*Featuring Inspirational Songs of Choir Favorites
from Past & Present Programs*

Wednesday, April 29 @ 4 p.m.

*Church on the Cape
Kennebunkport*



*Admission is Free
Donations Appreciated*

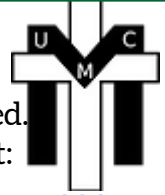


Easter Attendance

In Person Attendance =159

Online Worship = 142

Camp Mechuwana



Registration is open for the Summer 2026!

Camps fill quickly so early registration is encouraged.

Pick up a registration form in the lobby, or online at:

<https://www.churchonthecape.org/campmechuwana2026>

Mechuwana continues its long history of ensuring that no camper is turned away for financial reasons. We will work to ensure that anyone who wants to attend a week of camp can. To request financial assistance, please contact the camp office by phone or email. We also offer a volunteer credit of \$150 for each adult who volunteers as a camp counselor or dean during the 2026 season. That credit can be applied to one camp registration for a child in your family. Volunteers must meet certain criteria to fill this role. Please contact the office for more information about how to receive this credit.

May Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for May's Church on the Cape Newsletter is

Tuesday, April 28. Please send submissions to Charlie Benore at sailchess@gmail.com

Worship Committee Meeting

The next worship committee meeting will be **Thursday, 4/30 at 3:00 pm.** There will not be a meeting in May.

Upper Room Daily Devotional

The May-June edition of the Upper Room is in! Copies are available in the Lobby.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sun., April 26	9:45 am	Hymn Sing
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour

Mon., April 27	1:00 pm	Senior Moments Rehearsal
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Tue., April 28		Newsletter Deadline
	10:00 am	Knitters
	11:30 am	Picnic Lunch
	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open

Wed., April 29	4:00 pm	Senior Moments Concert
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Thu., April 30	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open
	3:00 pm	Worship Committee Meeting
	5:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

Sat., May 2	10a-12p	Cargo Shop Open
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LOOKING AHEAD

Sun., May 3	9:45 am	Hymn Sing
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	2:00 pm	Communion at Huntington Common

Tue., May 5	10:00 am	Knitters
	11:30 am	Picnic Lunch
	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open

Thu., May 7	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open
	5:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

Sat., May 9	10a-12p	Cargo Shop Open
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For more information about upcoming events visit the calendar on our website : <https://www.churchonthecape.org/>

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Ada Byrnes	Sally Ewton	Chloe McLaughlin
Judy Cadieux	Harold Falcone	Marybeth Munroe
Julie Chase	Patty Hutchins	Ann Nelson
Fran Celnar	Bethany Hessel	Luverne Preble
Mary Heather Cookson	Micki Kinney	Steve Russell
Micke Cooper	Lesla Kraft Angelos	Nancy Russo
Risha Deary	Brett LaCour	Lettie Samuel
Beth Dudley	Nicholas LaCour	Lois Small
Henry & Diane Dynia	Janet Lennon	Eric Schoener
Jean Earley	Charity Perry Liutai	Chuck Wildes

Please keep Ruthie Clark in your prayers along with the rest of her family as they deal with the loss of Bob. Thank you.



April

- 27 Robin Bibber & Wendy Hagarty**
- 29 Amelia Simmons**
- 30 Beverly Bangs**

May

- 2 Jim Lennon**
- 3 Brian Nason & John Neff**

If you would like add a birthday to the list, let the office know.
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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 be-loved 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 : www.churchonthecape.org

Church on the Cape Staff

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