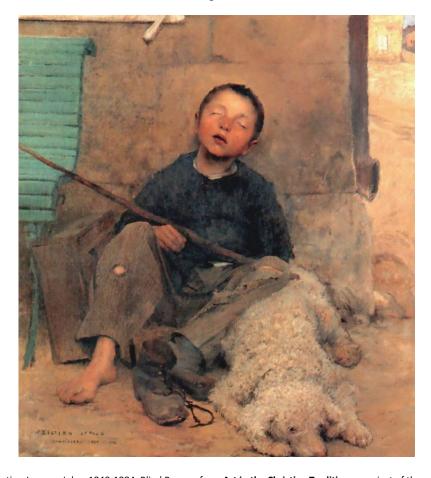
CHURCH ON THE CAPE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 31, 2025
Rev. Greg Smith



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Church on the Cape United Methodist Church Rev. Greg Smith August 31, 2025

*Those who are able, please stand to worship

Large print bulletins are available, ask an usher if you would like one.

WE GATHER

HYMN SING Susie Goodwin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Thank you Wendy Zarella and Jane Lovejoy for hosting Coffee Hour

PRELUDE

"Sanctuary Prayer"

Fric Lewis

PASSING OF THE PEACE (adapted from Psalm 81:1, 10-16)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing aloud to God who is our strength!

People: Shout for joy to the God of our ancestors!

Leader: The Lord is our God.

People: God leads us and cares for us.

Leader: But often we do not listen to God's guidance.

People: We follow our own ways and take our own counsel.

Leader: God yearns for us to listen.

People: God wants to show us the way.

Leader: God hopes to feed us the finest food,

People: To give us wholesome nourishment,

Leader: To lead us on the road to faithfulness,

People: And to satisfy our deepest desires.

Leader: Sing aloud to God who is our strength!

People: Shout for joy to the God of our ancestors!

*HYMN "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

UMH # 185

UNISON PRAYER

God of extravagant love, you welcome each of us with generous hospitality. Your desire is to feed us, strengthen us, nurture us and guide us. We come to this time of worship to receive your gifts of love.

We confess that too often we have not listened or followed and sometimes we have even turned away and refused to receive your gifts. Forgive our foolishness and restore us by your grace.

Then, inspire us to embrace humble hospitality in our own living. Show us how to welcome not only those we know and like, but strangers in our midst who just might be the angels you are sending to us. Give us generous hearts to care for those who need it most and to never grow weary in doing what is good. We pray that your patience with us might never wear thin and that your generosity will sustain us in all times and places, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

STORY TIME

MESSAGE

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 14:1-1

"Humility & Hospitality"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH # 889

OFFERTORY MUSIC

"Antiphon" Henry Kihlken

*DOXOLOGY UMH#95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine" UMH # 166

WE GO FORTH

BLESSING

POSTLUDE "A Trumpet Decoration"

Gilbert M. Martin

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Alice Bruton	Bob & Sally Ewton	Marybeth Munroe
Judy Cadieux	Bethany Hessel	Luverne Preble
Julie Chase	Lesa Kraft Angelos	Nancy Russo
Fran Celnar	Brett LaCour	Lettie Samuel
Mary Heather Cookson	Nicholas LaCour	Eric Schoener
Micke Cooper	Ray LaCour	Lois Small
Risha Deary	Harold Leininger Chuck Wildes	
Beth Dudley	Charity Perry Liutai	

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Please keep Carol Oster & the family of Rob Olson in your prayers as they grieve the loss of Rob.



August

31 Mary Parker

September

6	Shirley Bradbury & Lu Preble
10	Nancy Chamberlin & Carol Nason
12	Adrien Baracco & Steve Liautaud
13	Kathy Johnson
20	Amy Hall
21	Derek Brock
26	Jane Loveiov

To add a name to the birthday list, please call the office at 207-967-5787.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

September 1		Labor Day- Office Closed		
September 3	3:00 p.m.	Senior Moments Begins		
EVENTS EVERY WEEK AT COTC				
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Hymn Sing		
	10:00 a.m.	Worship		
	11:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Knitters		
	11:30 a.m.	Picnic Lunch (Bring Your Food)		
	2-4 p.m.	Cargo Shop Open		
Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	Senior Moments		
Thursday	2-4 p.m.	Cargo Shop Open		
	5:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal		
Saturday	10 a.m12 p.m.	Cargo Shop Open		
	LOO	KING AHEAD		
September 7	11:30 a.m.	Cookie Davis Mural Program		
	1:30p.m.	Communion at Huntington Common		
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday School Picnic		
September 9	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting		
September 10	8:30 a.m.	Evangelism Outreach		
	1:00 p.m.	Missions Outreach		
	2:15 p.m.	Senior Moments (Mark Hayes)		
	3:00 p.m.	All Senior Moments Rehearsal		
	7:00 p.m.	Trustees Committee Meeting		
eptember 11	9:30 a.m.	Ministry of Caring		
	4:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting		

First Day of Sunday School

Church Council Meeting

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

SPRC

September 14

September 15

PARISH NEWS

LABOR DAY

Please note the office is closed on Monday, September 1, in honor of Labor Day.

SENIOR MOMENTS IS BACK

Rehearsals begin September 3, at 3:00 p.m. in Bartlett Hall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

On Sunday, September 7th, at 4:00 p.m.

There will be a picnic at Church on the Cape for Sunday School

Teachers and Families of Sunday School Students.

Sunday School begins September 14.

FROM THE EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

On September 7, the Evangelism Committee will host a special program of sharing and information about the "Cookie Davis Mural" that we have enjoyed hosting on our building. The sharing time will begin at 11:30 a.m. after a shortened fellowship time. The program will feature story telling about the artwork on the mural as well as stories about Cookie's life and art. This event is open to church members and the public.

MEMORIAL SERVICE UPDATE

At this time, there will be no services for Rob Olson.

LECTIONARY FOR NEXT WEEK SEPTEMBER 7

- •Jer 18:1-11
- •Ps 139:1-6, 13-18 (UMH 854)
- •Philem 1:17-27
- •Luke 14:25-33

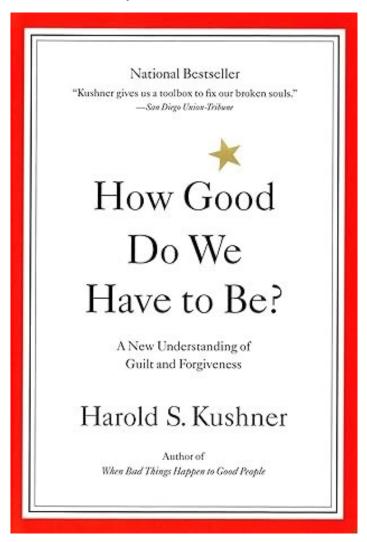
NEW BIBLE STUDY BEGINS SEPTEMBER 30TH

All are welcome to join the Tuesday Bible Study Group. 12:30 p.m. On Tuesdays Starting September 30th.

The next book is

How Good Do We Have to Be?

By Harold Kushner



Please email Judy Tripp and let her know you plan to attend. <u>ibtripp@maine.rr.com</u>



Everyone is welcome at Church on the Cape, UMC, without exception. What matters most to us and what unites us as a vibrant, compassionate 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.



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