

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, June 30<sup>th</sup>

The Year of Our Lord 2013

and of the Independence of the United States of America the 237<sup>th</sup>

Order of Worship

9:30 a.m.

(Please remember to mute or turn off all electronic devices to preserve the dignity of worship.)

(\* Those who are able may stand. °°° Late arrivals will be seated.)

THE BELL TOLLS – *Welcoming us to worship God*

PRELUDE “Savior, Like A Shepherd, Lead Me” arr.by D. Wood

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

(Please keep our focus on the worship of God by sharing those items not published elsewhere.)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From the side of the roads we travel daily Jesus calls:

People: **“Follow me.”**

Leader: In the midst of our duties and distractions Jesus says again:

People: **“Follow me.”**

Leader: Even when the task seems urgent, or the person important, Jesus persists:

People: **“Follow me.”**

All: ***With focused faithfulness let us worship and strive to follow Christ.***

\*HYMN #398 “Jesus Calls Us” Galilee

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THE COLLECT (*seated, in unison*)

***O God in Christ who calls us to follow: be with us in times of change so we may know and share your love, to the glory of your name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Hymnal p.39 and #881

***Anthony James Davis,  
son of Albert Spencer and Jennifer Lynn Davis***

HYMN #603 (*seated*) “Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire” Winchester Old

(*During the hymn, let the baptismal family be seated and the God and Church awardees come forward.*)

RECOGNITION OF “GOD AND CHURCH” AWARD RECIPIENTS

*Allison Bennett, Olivia D’Andrea, Julianna Patterson,  
Kayleigh Patterson, Mariyah Reid and Amanda Repetsky.*

*Informal remarks by co-teachers Marcia Winter and Pastor Brian Bodt*

*Presentation of the Awards*

*Unison prayer: O God, who is above all nations and yet inspires us to honor you, our church and our nation: grant your favor upon these young women. May their efforts in knowing more ABOUT you and the church lead them to KNOWING YOU. Glorify your name through their commitment to safe water and the project that bears this name. May these efforts bring hope to people in need and inspire us all to find ways to live that Gospel that make a difference in the lives of others. This we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.*

\*HYMN #697 “America” America

\*THE GOSPEL Luke 9:51-62 Bible p.945

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. People: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

THE SERMON “Are We His Type?” Dr. Bodt

PRAYERS OF PETITION AND INTERCESSION

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy, People: **Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal #895

AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GRADUATES

***The list provided in today’s “Grace Notes” is a partial list. We will add to it and celebrate with a recognition on Sunday, August 11.***

\*THE PEACE

L: May the peace of the Lord be always with you. P: ***And also with you.***

REPORT FROM THE 214<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE NEW YORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE

*Kelly O’Hara and Rachel Merva, Lay Members of Conference*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS, including the special offering for

The United Methodist Committee on Relief’s (UMCOR) “*Safe Water Project*”

Organ Offertory “It is Well With My Soul” arr. by J. Pinkston

\*Presentation: “Bless Thou the Gifts” Hymnal #587

\*Prayer of Dedication

HYMN #474 (*seated*) “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” Precious Lord

HYMN #467 (*seated*) “Trust and Obey” Trust and Obey

*You are invited to come forward to receive a healing anointing for yourself or on behalf of another. Please come by the center aisle and return by the side aisles.*

*Stand or kneel (as able) at the Communion rail and speak name and need to the anointer.*

*This practice from the earliest days of the Church expresses God’s love as a*

*mysterious, caring expression of Christ's promise "I will be with you always."*

*Please remain in prayer until all have returned to their seats.*

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hymnal #666

*Shalom to you now, shalom my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.*

*In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom.*

\*THE BELL TOLLS – *Sending us to walk with and witness for Jesus*

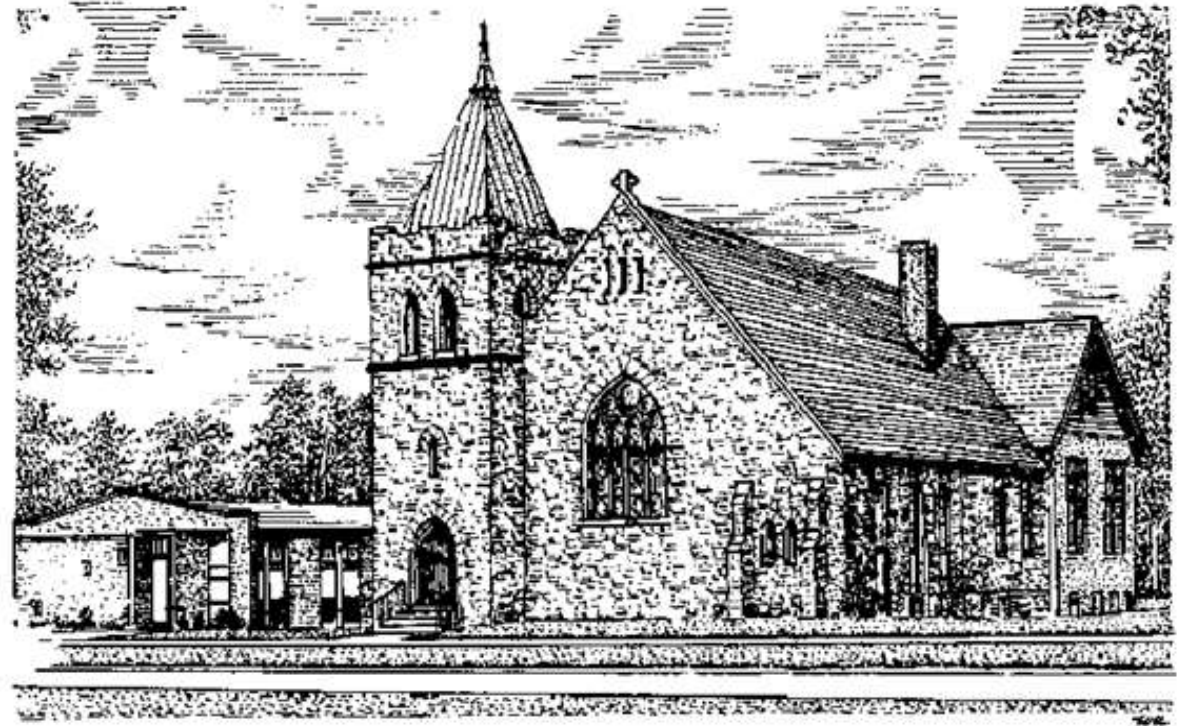
\*POSTLUDE

Fantasia on "America"

arr. by R Koury

*(During the postlude you may leave following the pastor or remain seated).*

**THE WORSHIP IS ENDED: THE SERVICE BEGINS.**



## Mary Taylor Memorial United Methodist Church

First Methodist Church in Milford: 1843

Current building dedicated: 1893

Merged with Myrtle Beach Community Church: 1969

*Whoever you are, wherever you are  
on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.*

**PENTECOST VII**

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

July 7, 2013

~Calendar at Mary Taylor Memorial~

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Mon. – Thurs., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

<i>Sunday, July 7</i>	<i><b>PENTECOST VII</b></i> <i>9:30 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion – Sanctuary</i> <i>10:30 a.m. Summer Punch Bowl</i>
<i>Monday, July 8</i>	<i>7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel</i>
<i>Wednesday, July 10</i>	<i>10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study – The Chapel</i>
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<i>Sunday, July 14</i>	<i><b>PENTECOST VIII</b></i> <i>9:30 a.m. Worship/Darcy Baptism – Sanctuary</i> <i>10:30 a.m. Summer Punch Bowl</i>
<i>Monday, July 15</i>	<i>Summer Office hours begin: Mon-Thurs. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.</i> <i>7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel</i>
<i>Wednesday, July 17</i>	<i>10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study</i>
<i>Thursday, July 18</i>	<i>Membership and Evangelism Meeting</i>

**INFORMATION FROM OUR PARISH NURSES**

Milford Hospital offers free support groups for community members in 2013. For additional information call 203-876-4004. Scheduled monthly groups include:

- Alzheimer's: First Monday, 6:30 p.m.;
- Epilepsy: Second Monday, 7 p.m.;

- Stronger Together (a group for the parents and caregivers of children and young adults with medical complexities): Second Tuesday, 7 p.m.
- Breast Cancer: First Wed., 6 p.m.;
- Lupus: Third Thursday, 6:30 p.m.;
- Multiple Sclerosis: Second Sat., 1:30 pm

Milford Hospital is also offering a cholesterol, blood sugar and blood pressure screening Monday, July 15., 4 to 6:45 p.m., at Milford Hospital. A finger stick blood sample is obtained for the cholesterol reading with results of the total and HDL ratios available within minutes. Fasting is not necessary. Education, counseling and referrals will be available. The fee for the cholesterol screening is \$15. Appointments are required and can be made by calling the Department of Education at 203-876-4004.

*Grace Notes  
June 30, 2013*

*Dear Mary Taylor Memorial family,*

*Romantic and life-partner matches made by websites have gone from a curiosity to a force to be reckoned with in a decade. Approximately ¼ of the couples I now marry have met through a dating or matching website. The matching process involves determining areas of common interest or affinity, traditionally expressed as “Are you their ‘type?’”*

*Some of these websites actually reject potential customers, giving us a visceral appreciation of Jesus’ challenge in today’s Gospel. It begs the question “Are We His Type?”*

*Today’s worship is filled with many examples of conforming our lives to the life of Christ: baptism, advanced study (“God and Church” and school milestones), mission outreach (“Safe Water Project”) and service to the larger Church (the New York Annual Conference). Such actions are, ultimately, rooted in a relationship with Jesus that is both inward-reaching and outward-seeking. In so doing, we’ll be his type.*

*Sincerely in Christ,*

*Pastor Brian*

*P.S. A warm welcome to Nicole Ellerbeck as our new child care provider while Betty Laferriere is on maternity leave. Both will work together when Betty returns in September.*

*Meanwhile, many thanks to the volunteers who will be guiding Nicole and who are caring for our children. Thank you!*

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**Website:** [www.mtm-umc.org](http://www.mtm-umc.org) [www.facebook.com/MTMUMC](http://www.facebook.com/MTMUMC)

**E-mail:** [mtmumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtmumc@sbcglobal.net)

Ministers	All the People of God	Bishop	The Rev. Dr. Martin D. McLee
Lay Leaders	Kelly O’Hara & Leigh Bak	Superintendent	The Rev. Kenneth Kieffer
Prayer Chain	Stacy Meszaros	Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Bodt
Administrative Assistant	Mary Lou Kampert	Pastoral Assistant	The Rev. Harold V.W. Vink
Sexton	Bruce Rumford	Music Director	Dr. Richard L. Riccardi
Child Care Coordinators	Betty Laferriere and Nicole Ellerbeck		

**AT WORSHIP TODAY**

**Head Usher** – Bill Katt

**Greeters** – Betty Collins & Faye Zeiner

**Liturgist** – Leigh Bak

**GREETING YOU AFTER WORSHIP** is Dr. Bodt at the Dodd Hall door and Leigh Bak at the Narthex door.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** today are given in celebration of Bev and Paul Downing’s wedding anniversary on June 27<sup>th</sup>.

**TO ASSIST YOU IN WORSHIP**, see our ushers for:

- Large print Bibles, hymnals and bulletins
- Hearing Assist Devices
- Children’s bulletins for ages 3 – 6 and 7 – 12

**PLEASE OFFER PRAYER CONCERNS** using the "Blue Sheets" in the attendance pads in each pew or obtain one from an usher. Ushers collect them on the opening hymn and our Lay Leaders speak them during the Prayer of Intercession and Petition. Please obtain others’ permission to share their concerns. These prayers are included in our on-line prayer chain and Monday night Healing Service. Please also speak your concerns as invited during the prayer.

**TODAY’S LITURGY** is from Holy Scripture and The United Methodist Hymnal (1989). The Collect and “God and Church” prayers were written by the pastor.

**SERMON COPIES** from June 23rd are in the Narthex or on-line: [www.mtm-umc.org](http://www.mtm-umc.org).

**CHURCH INFORMATION** is available in the racks in back of the church.

**CHILD CARE:** *For children 5 and under* is provided in Wesley Center, building next door to sanctuary – OR – the service may be heard in Dodd Hall, if you wish to use it for restless children during service. *Please note that children over five are expected to remain in the sanctuary; the child care in Wesley Center is not staffed to provide for older children. Our Safe Sanctuary policy requires that children leaving the sanctuary must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.*

### OUR LIFE IN PRAYER, MINISTRY AND MISSION

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS BEGIN TOMORROW** and continue through August 30:  
Mon. – **Thurs.**, 9 a.m. – **1** p.m. If Wesley Center is locked, call Mary Lou at 203.874.1982 or Pastor Brian (203.895.3753).

**FOOD BASKET:** Please place non-perishable food items in the basket located in the back of the church & monetary donations in the Beth-El envelope.

**ANIMAL SHELTER DONATIONS:** Please leave food items in the back of the church. We need a volunteer to take the donations to the shelter as needed. Please call the church office if you would like to volunteer.

**ALTAR FLOWERS ORDERS** are taken at any time for Altar Flowers OR “In Lieu of Flowers” to support missions (UMCOR, UM Army and others – please see info. table in back of church for list). *\*A donation in lieu of altar flowers is honored with a cross and miniature mission scarf placed on the altar.* Please contact Beth O’Brien at 203.877.8668 or [bgobrien11@optonline.net](mailto:bgobrien11@optonline.net) or Beth O’Brien, 7 Breakneck Court, Milford, CT 06460.

**CONTACTING THE PASTORS:** **Pastor Brian** ([brian.bodt@yahoo.com](mailto:brian.bodt@yahoo.com); 203.874-1982, ext. 11 or 203.895.3753) is typically in office 9-noon, Mon.-Thurs. **Pastor Hal Vink** can be reached at 203.878.8977 or [vinkhaljane@yahoo.com](mailto:vinkhaljane@yahoo.com). Please inform us of pastoral care needs and hospitalizations as hospital will not release that information to us.

**WE HOST Alcoholics Anonymous AND Gamblers Anonymous WEEKLY.** Please call the church office for the schedule or see it posted on the bulletin boards.

**VITAL CONGREGATION WEEKLY REPORT FOR JUNE 23:**

Total worship attendance all services: 175 (June 23: 170; Healing and Wholeness June 24: 5); Total Offering: \$4593; Amount given to Charities and Benevolences: \$134; Total Number Persons Engaged in Small Groups: 24; Total number persons received on profession of faith: 0; Total Persons involved in local, national, and international missions: 0. *\*Important! Small Groups – please email the church office ([mtmumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtmumc@sbcglobal.net)) or call (203.874.1982) with your attendance.*

**PLEASE NOTE:** Should there be a medical or other emergency during the worship service, someone designated by the head usher will call #911. Do not call on your cell phone. Multiple calls may delay response. Thank you.



#### **Boys and Girls Village Backpack/Supply Collection**

Mission will be helping children at Boys and Girls Village by donating backpacks and school supplies. **Please consider making a donation of a backpack and school supplies**, from the list below. **All items must be new.**

Backpacks and supplies will be distributed to the students in August....so that is why this notice may seem early but you can get in on the sales!

**Missions will be collecting in June and July.**

**Please look for the collection box in Dodd Hall.**

#### **ELEMENTARY**

Book – Age Appropriate  
Small Packet of Tissues  
Colored Pencils  
Crayons  
Drawing Pad

#### **MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL**

Book – Age Appropriate  
Spiral Notebooks  
Colored Pencils  
Pens  
Drawing Pad

Erasers	Erasers
Glue Sticks	Glue Sticks
Journal	Journal
Markers - Washable	Markers (NON-PERMANENT)
Notebook, Loose-leaf paper	Notebook, Loose-leaf paper
#2 Pencils & Sharpener	#2 Pencils & Sharpener
Ruler	Ruler
Blunt Scissors	Small Stapler & Staples
2 Pocket Folders	2 Pocket Folders
Tape	Tape
	Geometric Stencils & Compass

### ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION TODAY

- **WELCOME VISITORS!** May you experience God's presence with us. Please complete a red visitor's card (in the pew racks) and wear the "Visitor" name tag to help us greet you warmly. Our Ambassadors will look for you!
- **SUMMER PUNCH BOWL** follows worship, in the churchyard (weather permitting) or in Dodd Hall. Enjoy light summer refreshment hosted today by Dennis and Judy Darak. **We currently need a host for next Sunday and for the Sundays beginning July 28:** please sign up on the sheet on the refrigerator in the Dodd Hall kitchen.
- **MINISTRY MATERIALS FROM THE RECENT MEETING OF THE NEW YORK CONFERENCE** are available today during Summer Punch Bowl.
- **NEED A NEW OR REPLACEMENT NAME TAG?** We are currently transferring name tag production to the church office. Please notify us ([mtmumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtmumc@sbcglobal.net) or 203.874.1982, ext. 10) of your need for a new or replacement tag. **PLEASE KEEP NAME TAGS** on for Summer Punch Bowl and return them before leaving.
- **BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH BENEFIT TICKET ORDER DEADLINE** is **today**. The game will be Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:05 p.m. at the Ballpark at Harbor Yard, Bridgeport. Contact Stacy Kweder at [sltoy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sltoy@sbcglobal.net) (preferred) or 203.881.1588 (H) or 860.681.5793 (O) for tickets.
- **DIGITAL PHOTOS FOR OUR PICTORIAL DIRECTORY** are due **today**. Identified leaders received e-mail correspondence on this on May 30<sup>th</sup> but all

submissions are welcome to Cathy Cono at [spikkio@optonline.net](mailto:spikkio@optonline.net).

- **BACKPACK COLLECTION:** We are collecting throughout the summer for the Boys and Girls Village. See the flier in this issue.
- **SEE THE CALENDAR FOR THE WEEKLY MEETING SCHEDULE.**
- A **"FIX IT BOX"** is now located in Dodd Hall. If you see something that needs attention, fill out the form and drop it in the box.
- **VERA HILKER**, a member of Mary Taylor Memorial Church, has moved to Wilton Meadows, Rehabilitation & Health Care Center, 439 Danbury Road (Rt. 7), Wilton, CT. Please feel free to be in touch with her, by invitation of Roy Green.

### THIS WEEK

**BULLETIN NOTICES FOR JULY 7** will be **due by Noon on Tuesday, July 2,** hard copy or to [mtmumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtmumc@sbcglobal.net). The office is closed on July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS BEGIN TOMORROW** and continue through August 30. The church office will be open Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The office will be closed on Fridays.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** is offered by our sister church, Stratford United Methodist, July 7-12<sup>th</sup>. See the enclosed flier for registration and information contacts.

### NEXT SUNDAY

**PENTECOST VII** - We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper using spoken Setting I. The message "The Risks and Joys of EASY Living" is based on II Kings 5:1-14 and Galatians 5:13-6:7 and will be preached by the Rev. Art Yost, retired United Methodist pastor. Art is known by many for his 20 year pastorate in West Haven (1987-2007).

### OTHER MINISTRY INVITATIONS

**PASTOR BRIAN** continues **house-to-house visitation** on request with the goal of building on relationships begun last summer through the cottage meetings. Weekday, evening and Sunday appointments are available. Please contact Mary Lou Kampert at 203.874.1982, ext. 10 if you would like to schedule a visit.

**COOKIE WALK CANS NEEDED!** Yes, it's only June, but we ask you to save the large metal ones in 34-36 oz. or 42-46 oz. sizes for the United Methodist Women. (Sorry, we



cannot use the plastic or cardboard kind.) Please leave them in Dodd Hall.

**COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP** will meet **Sunday, July 21** after worship in the pastor's study. The positions for which we seek disciples are our Sunday School Superintendent, Assistant Head of Fair on the Green, and a Christian Education Committee. If you feel led to serve in any of these capacities please speak with Pastor Brian or any member of the committee: Chris Carvath, Deb Dubien, Susan O'Shea, Laura Perregaux, Brenda Pineau, Edie Reichard, Jim Repetsky and Bob Volgmuth.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

- **Summer church picnic, Sunday, August 4, 5-7 p.m.** at River Crest Farm, home of Maria and Andy Macri. More details to follow!
- **Oyster Festival, Saturday, August 17, all day.** The Men's Club will have their usual presence on the church grounds. More details to follow!

**DISCIPLE 1 BIBLE STUDY:** I am considering offering an entry level class for "Disciple" Bible Study. This 34 week course has been positively experienced by a number of our church members. If there is sufficient interest, the course will start mid-September and meet Tuesdays from 7 – 9:15 p.m. If you are interested, please contact me at [brian.bodt@yahoo.com](mailto:brian.bodt@yahoo.com) or 203.874.1982, ext. 11; or speak with Don Hastings on Sundays.

*Pastor Brian*

**AUGUST "BEACON" DEADLINE** is **Monday, July 15.** Please submit to [mtmumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtmumc@sbcglobal.net) or submit hard copy to the church office.

**2013 GRADUATES**



<u>Student</u>	<u>Graduated from</u>
3 Stephen Bak	University of Connecticut: BS in Education & a BA in History. He will complete his Master's Degree in Education this fall at Neag School of Education at UConn in Storrs, CT.
1 Nicholas Bettencourt	East Shore Middle School
3 Kaila Collins	University of Hartford
2 Kyle Collins	Foran High School
2 Blythe D'Andrea	Lauralton Hall
3 Gwyneth D'Andrea	Villanova University: BS, RN
1 Olivia D'Andrea	Harborside Middle School
3 Ryan Dennis	Jonathan Law High School Graduated cum laude, with distinction for community service. He will attend Worcester Poly Institute in the fall.
1 Tanner Georgelos	Harborside Middle School
3 Emily Hulak	Rutgers University
1 Trygve Lund	East Shore Middle School
1 Callie Merva	Harborside Middle School
1 Sarah O'Brien	West Shore Middle School
1 Elizabeth Repetsky	Bailey Middle School
3 Lindsey Sobolewski	Marist University with a BS in Psych
2 Emma Soviero	Lauralton Hall
1 Kenny Szygiel	West Shore Middle School

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