

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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THE DAY OF PENTECOST JUNE 8, 2014

Order of Worship
10:00 a.m.

(* Those who are able may stand. °°° Late arrivals will be seated.)
*Please remember to mute or turn off cell phones and other
electronic devices.*

THE BELL TOLLS – *Welcoming us to worship God*

PRELUDE “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” arr. by M. Dickerson

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

INTROIT “Hallelujah” Bell Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP Based on Acts 2 and John 14:12

Leader: On the first Day of Pentecost the Spirit was given to the Church.

People: ***On this Day of Pentecost the Spirit is also given to our church!***

Leader: As a Spirit-led and Spirit-filled people we can, as Jesus
promised, do greater things than He.

People: ***O God, as we worship you, help us be powerful witnesses of love
through the Holy Spirit which gives us life and breath.***

All: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

*HYMN #603 “Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire” Winchester Old
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PRAYER OF THE DAY *(seated)* “Day of Pentecost” Hymnal #542

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 2:1-21 Bible p.992

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: ***Thanks be to God.***

ANTHEM “Give Me Oil In My Lamp” Praisemakers

A CELEBRATION OF MILESTONES AND MINISTRIES

COMMISSIONING OF “UM ARMY” VOLUNTEERS

Pastor: All who take the name of Christ are called into ministries of love and service by Christ’s example. As *Laura Perregaux, Erin O’Shea* and *Rachel Borden* prepare to go to their work on behalf of United Methodist Action Reach-out Mission by Youth (UMARMY), we pray God’s blessings on them and those they serve.

BLESSING *(prayed by all)* ***O God, we ask you to bestow your Spirit on these ambassadors of this church in ministry with the people of Springfield, Massachusetts. As we dedicate them to service in the name of Jesus Christ, we ask that this prayer unite us with them in their work and that you may richly bless their labor; in the name of the carpenter’s son from Galilee, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

HYMN #539, verse 1 *(seated)* “O Spirit of the Living God”

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

The list in today’s “Grace Notes” reflects those names given us.

All graduates are invited forward to be recognized.

BLESSING *(prayed by all)* ***O only wise God, in whom are all treasures of wisdom and knowledge: we ask you earnestly to illumine all schools, colleges and universities with the light that comes from you, that those who teach may be taught of you, and those who learn may be led by your Spirit; and that by the increase of knowledge your truth be confirmed and your glory made known, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

HYMN #539, verse 2 *(seated)* “O Spirit of the Living God”

A RECOGNITION OF “DISCIPLE 1” GRADUATES

*Completing Disciple 1 are Solomon Bramble, Shelley Gilbert, Tom Griggs,
Deirdre James, Joanne Nesdale, Beth O’Brien, Rose Tulli and Bob Volgmuth*

BLESSING *(prayed by all)* ***Gracious God, bless these servants whose engagement of the Holy Scriptures has helped them deepen their commitment as “disciples through Bible study.” May the Word made flesh find fertile ground in their lives, bringing a harvest of good deeds and service in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.***

HYMN #539, verse 3 *(seated)* “O Spirit of the Living God”

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Hymnal p. 33-35 and 38

New members and their [sponsors] are **Cory Bausch** [Marcia Winter], **Elizabeth Bausch** [Leigh Bak], **Bob Lawrence** [Jane Vink] and **Penny Seaman** [Deb Dubien].

HYMN #539, verse 4 (*seated*)

“O Spirit of the Living God”

THE SERMON

“Never Bullied”

Dr. Bodt

PRAYERS OF PETITION AND INTERCESSION

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Hymnal #895

*THE PEACE

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

(Greet one another with signs of Christ’s peace.)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

“Old Time Religion Medley”

arr. by M. Hayes

Lydia Smith, drums Ken Wilhelm, bass

*Presentation:

“The Doxology”

Hymnal #95

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #334

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE

”Shalom to You”

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, Christ be your shalom.

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

POSTLUDE

“Ev’ry Time I Feel the Spirit”

Bell Choir

(Please remain seated during the postlude).

THE WORSHIP IS ENDED: THE SERVICE BEGINS.



~Calendar at Mary Taylor Memorial~

Sunday, June 8

PENTECOST SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages – Wesley Center

10:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Graduates Recognized/New Members Received/

Disciple 1 grads

recognized/UMARMY Volunteers recognized

11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour-Dodd Hall

11:30 a.m. MYF Year End Picnic-Bak’s home

4:00 p.m. Good News Gospel Choir-Nichols UMC Trumbull

7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel

8:00 p.m. Staff-Parish Relations Committee – Gunn Library

6:30 p.m. UMW Evening Meeting-Missy Hackett’s home

467 Turkey Hill Rd. Orange

7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting

5:00 p.m. Wedding rehearsal - Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. Frison- Walters wedding - Sanctuary

FATHER’S DAY/CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY

BEACON Information Due Today

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages – Wesley Center

10:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

11:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Screenings - Sanctuary

1:00 p.m. Milford’s 375th Anniversary Parade

1:00 p.m. Milford’s 375th Anniversary Concert – Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel

Monday, June 9

Tuesday, June 10

Thursday, June 12

Friday, June 13

Saturday, June 14

Sunday, June 15

1:00 p.m. Monday, June 16

Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor Brian

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

First Methodist Church in Milford: 1836
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.

Grace Notes
June 8, 2014

Dear Mary Taylor Memorial community,

“God loves everyone. No exceptions.”

This bumper-sticker adorning a
colleague’s office is a constant
reminder that we are a Pentecost
church. The strange-sounding names
that so often trip up scripture readers,
whether lay or clergy, in today’s
reading from Acts are a reminder that
the Church was born in the midst of a
diverse people. Far from remaining a
small sect within Judaism, early
Christianity grew exponentially among
Jews and Gentiles and in every nation
of the world.

The gift of universal love that
embraces diversity is the essence of the
Spirit-led life. God’s gift of the Holy
Spirit infused not only the Church
then, but infuses the Church today.

How are you being led by God’s Holy
Spirit? What dreams do you have for
our community of faith?

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- 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 Coordinator Nicole Ellerbeck

AT WORSHIP TODAY

- Head Usher – Kelly O’Hara Greeters – Anne Loesch and
Ann Sullivan
Liturgists – Lisa Sobolewski Bible Bearer –
Stefano Cono
Acolytes – Jamie Georgelos and Kaylyn Bettencourt

Cross Bearer – Hayley Lapadula

GREETING YOU AFTER WORSHIP is Rev. Bodt at the Narthex door and Lisa Sobolewski in Dodd Hall.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are in honor of all the workers at the Fair On The Green and all those being recognized in ministries today, by Pastor Brian Bodt and Carol Galloway.

A **MISSION CROSS** has been placed and a donation has been made to **UMARMY** for Eileen Doyle's dedication and commitment to the Fair On The Green and for teaching Christine and Edie everything she knows.

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. Prayers are included in our on-line prayer chain and Monday night Healing Service. You are also invited to speak your concerns when we pray.

TODAY'S LITURGY is from Holy Scripture and The United Methodist Hymnal (1989). The Call to Worship and the prayers of blessing were written by the pastor.

SERMON COPIES from last Sunday are in the rear of the church and on the web at 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 an adult or guardian.

OUR LIFE IN PRAYER, MINISTRY AND MISSION

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. If Wesley Center is locked, call Mary Lou at 203.874.1982 or Pastor Brian (203.895.3753). **BULLETIN NOTICES** are due by noon each Wednesday for the following Sunday bulletin.

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: Wet and dry cat food is desperately needed for seniors with pets. Please leave food items in the back of the church or take to the Milford Animal Shelter at Silver Sands State Park.

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.

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. Flowers are \$20, payable to MTMUMC and mailed or given to Beth O’Brien, 7 Breakneck Court, Milford, 06460. Please contact her at 203.877.8668 or bgobrien11@optonline.net to arrange a suitable date.

CONTACTING THE PASTORS: Pastor Brian (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. Please inform them or the office (203.874.1982, mtmumc@sbcglobal.net) of pastoral care needs and hospitalizations.

“FIX IT BOX” is in Dodd Hall. See a need? Drop a completed form in the box.

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 1: Total worship attendance all services: 208 June 1, 203; Healing and Wholeness, June 2: 5) Total Offering June 1: \$6,038.25; Amount given to Charities and Benevolences: \$1,204.00; Total Number Persons Engaged in Small Groups: 70 (Sunday School 37; Office volunteers: 2; Praisemakers 4; Bell Choir: 10; Adult Choir: 17;) 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) or call (203.874.1982) with your attendance.

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!

FELLOWSHIP HOUR follows worship in Dodd Hall. Today’s host is the Education Committee. Next Sunday’s hosts are the Worship Committee.

MYF YEAR END PICNIC will be TODAY Sunday, June 8 after worship at 15 Seaside Court, Milford. Please bring a side dish to share and a signed permission slip. Pick up is 1:30 p.m. Contact person for this event is Leigh Bak.

A GOSPEL MUSIC CONCERT will be held **TODAY Sunday, June 8, 4 p.m.** at Nichols U.M. Church, 35 Shelton Road, Trumbull, featuring Chris Coogan and the Good News Gospel Choir. Pastor Hal Vink will be the inspirational speaker.

ALTAR FLOWERS AND MISSION CROSS ORDERS ARE NEEDED for next week. Flowers are \$20, payable to MTMUMC and mailed or given to Beth O'Brien, 7 Breakneck Court, Milford, 06460. A donation in lieu of altar flowers is honored with a cross and miniature mission scarf placed on the altar. If you would like to place an order please contact Beth at 203.877.8668 or bgobrien11@optonline.net to arrange a suitable date.

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR SUMMER DESIRED: After today's worship, our Bell and Praisemaker's Choirs rest until fall, followed by our Adult Choir after June 22nd. If you are interested in providing special music any Sunday from June 29 – September 7, please contact Rick Riccardi at 203.506.7270.

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP: Parents are welcome to our Adult Discussion Group which meets each Sunday, 9 – 9:45 a.m., in Wesley Center, 2nd floor. The group uses a weekly study guide to direct their meeting. This is a great opportunity to share time and reflections with other parents while your children participate in Sunday School.

SEE THE WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR OUR MEETING SCHEDULE.

THIS WEEK

THE NEXT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN DINNER will be held Tuesday, June 10, 6:30 p.m. at Missy Hackett's home, 467 Turkey Hill Road, Orange (203.799.0487). This event is open to all the women of our church. Please bring a dish to share.

PRAYERS FOR LYDIA SMITH as she travels to the North Carolina Annual Conference in Greenville, June 10-14. Lydia will again share her gifts of drumming and singing. Please keep her in your prayers.

NEXT SUNDAY

FATHER'S DAY/TRINITY/CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY

Worship will be led by the children and teachers of our Sunday School on the theme of "Living Water." No informal hymn-singing next Sunday. A special gift will be presented to the men of the church in honor of Father's Day. After worship blood pressure screenings will follow in the Sanctuary. At 1 p.m. we will join in the City of Milford's 375th Anniversary parade.

MILFORD'S 375TH ANNIVERSARY parade is next Sunday, June 15th, 1 p.m. Please be part of the Mary Taylor Memorial parade contingent. We are also looking for a flatbed truck or trailer to transport the Myrtle Beach Church bell. Want to help? Please contact Michelle Craig (michellemtmumc@gmail.com or 203.877.4332).

JULY "BEACON" DEADLINE is next Sunday, June 15th. Please submit articles to

mtmumc@sbcglobal.net or hard copy
to the church office.

COMING SOON

SUMMER “DROP IN PLAY DATES BEGIN JUNE 22nd. As detailed in the June “Beacon,” (pg. 11) we’re excited to announce the dates for our summer play date series for all children and families. We will make the rounds of our many local playgrounds and parks. Join us on any or all of these dates as we enjoy the slower pace of summer in the great outdoors. In case of inclement weather, play dates will be cancelled via a communication on the Yahoo group. For questions, contact Cathy Cono at 203.645.2362 or spikkio@optonline.net:

Sunday, June 22, 4 p.m. at Sandy Ground playground, 150 Gulf Street

Friday, July 11, 6 p.m. at Fowler Field (behind Milford Library, bring chairs for 7 pm concert)

Tuesday, Aug. 5, 4 p.m. at Silver Sands State Park, Milford (bring beach gear)

Saturday, Aug. 23, 10 a.m. at Bodie’s Place boundless playground, 725 North Street, Milford.

Sunday, Sept. 21, 3 p.m. at Boothe Park Main playground, 5774 Main Street, Stratford.

WORSHIP TIME MOVES TO THE SUMMER SCHEDULE the last Sunday of June, June 29th. Worship will be at 9:30 a.m. and remain at that time through Sunday, August 31st.

ADDITIONAL MINISTRY NOTICES

SUMMER CAMPS FOR KIDS? Scholarship funding is available. Have you made plans for your children for this summer? Are you considering a United Methodist Camp or a church camp? Many of our members have attended these summer camps - such as Quinipet - the United Methodist Camp on Long Island or Silver Lake - the United Church of Christ camp in Sharon CT. Partial scholarship funding is available if you are interested in attending these camps. Please contact one of the members of our camping scholarship committee - Pastor Hal, Betty Collins or Marcia Winter at 203-878-0814.

MTMUMC HAS TWO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS for students enrolled in a full time program of post high school studies: 1. Kelsey-Worley Scholarship Fund for students enrolled in a college/university program and 2. Men’s Club “Jimmy” Scholarship Fund for students enrolled in a trade/vocational program. For information and applications, refer to the church website at www.mtm-umc.org and select the “Scholarships” button. Committee Members are: Diana Cable, Chris Carveth, Greg D’Andrea, Wil Wright, Joan Zauner. Questions? Please contact Wil Wright at wwright7@fordham.edu or 203-877-5021.

HOUSE-TO-HOUSE VISITATION by Pastor Brian resumes mid-June. The purpose of these visits is to continue to get to know our members and friends. Visits may also occur in his office. Weekday, evening and Sunday appointments are available. If

you would like to arrange for one,
please contact Mary Lou Kampert at
203.874.1982, ext. 10.

contact Joan Braun at 203-876-1665
who is coordinating this effort.

INTERESTED IN “DISCIPLE 3?” This 32 week adult study will focus on the prophets of the Old Testament and the Letters of Paul, Tuesdays, 7 – 9:15 p.m. beginning Sept. 9. Anyone who has completed Disciple 1 may be in this class. Disciple 2 is not required. To register please contact the church office (203.874.1982) or Don Hastings (203.877.4554).

ADULT STUDY ON JUST BECAUSE I AM OLD, the Rev. Jim Stinson’s new book, will be held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. (choose morning or evening session) from July 9 – August 6. If interested contact the church office (mtmumc@sbcglobal.net or 203.874.1982, ext. 10) or speak with Pastor Brian. The book, normally \$14, will be \$10. One of our members recently chimes “This should be read by anyone over 25 years old!”

A TRIP TO THE BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH (a minor league baseball team) will be Saturday, Aug. 9, 6:05 p.m. Tickets are \$15, of which \$6 benefits Habitat for Humanity of Coastal Fairfield County. If you are interested, speak with Kelly O’Hara or Marquise Reid, or contact Kelly at 203.283.4676 or yankee89@optonline.net. Deadline: July 7th.

LIGHT LAWN WORK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: if you can assist with light yard work please