

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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 “Come, Ye Blessed” R. Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: *Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me

People: *Let us go into the house of the Lord.*

*HYMN #67 “We, Thy People, Praise Thee” St. Anthony’s Chorale

PRAYER OF THE DAY (unison) The Book of Worship, 1944, alt.

O loving God, we your humble children invoke your name and ask for your blessing. We adore you, whose name is love, whose nature is compassion, whose presence is joy, whose Word is truth, whose Spirit is goodness, whose holiness is beauty, whose will is peace, whose service is perfect freedom, and in knowledge of whom stands our eternal life. Unto you be all honor and all glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Hymnal p.39 and #881

Jackson Patrick Darcy, son of Patrick and Rebecca

THE PSALTER Psalm 19 Bible p.488

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

*THE GOSPEL Luke 10:25-37 Bible p.946

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

THE SERMON “Why Red Means ‘Stop’ and Green Means ‘Go’” Dr. Bodt

*HYMN #467 “Trust and Obey” Trust and Obey

PRAYERS OF PETITION AND INTERCESSION

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

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal #895

HYMN #468 (seated) “Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See” Hursley

Let these being commissioned come to the Communion rail:

Scott Hotaling, Hayley Lapadula, Michele (“Shelly”) Lapadula, Luke Mazzeo, John (“Jack”) Merva, Marquise Reid, Robert (“Bob”) Volgmuth, Tara Volgmuth

AN ORDER FOR COMMISSIONING OF “UM ARMY” VOLUNTEERS

Pastor: All who take upon themselves the name of Christ are called into ministries of love and service by the example of Christ. As these members of our community 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.

People: *We recognize you as ambassadors of this church in ministry with the people of Scotia, New York. We dedicate you to service in the name of Jesus Christ. Through prayer we are united with you in your work. May God richly bless your labors.*

Pastor: Prayer of blessing

*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: “Life’s Railway to Heaven” Eliza Snow/Charles D. Tillman

*Presentation: “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” Hymnal #94

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #2173 “Shine, Jesus, Shine” rear cover

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE Hymnal #673

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

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

*POSTLUDE Toccata on “Kirken” G. Young

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

THE WORSHIP IS ENDED: THE SERVICE BEGINS.

2173

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Refrain

Shine, Je - sus, shine, — fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry,
 blaze, Spir - it, blaze, — set our hearts on fire;
 flow, riv - er, flow, — flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy,
Fine
 send forth your word, — Lord, and let there be light.

1. Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing
 2. Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence
 3. As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness,

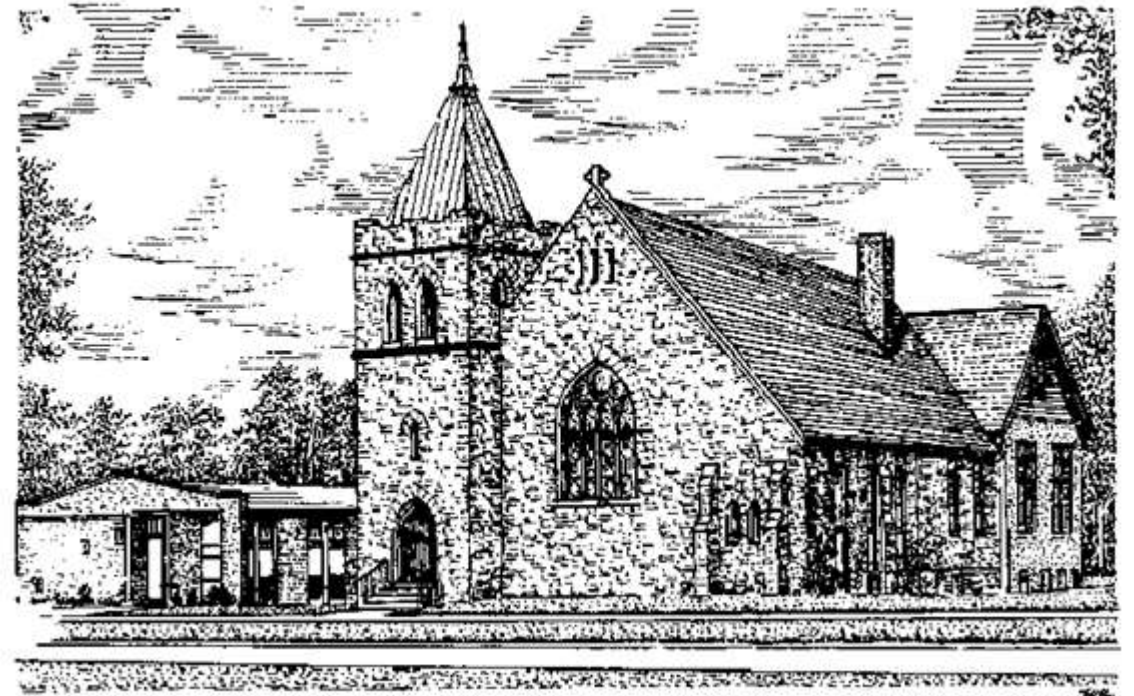
in the midst of the dark - ness shin - ing;
 from the shad - ows in - to your ra - di - ance;
 so our fac - es dis - play your like - ness;

Je - sus, Light of the World, shine up - on us,
 by the blood I may en - ter your bright - ness,
 ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.
 search me, try me, con - sume all my dark - ness.
 mir - rored here may our lives tell your sto - ry.

D.C.

Shine on me, shine on me.
 Shine on me, shine on me.
 Shine on me, shine on me.



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 VIII

July 14, 2013

~Calendar at Mary Taylor Memorial~

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

<i>Sunday, July 14</i>	PENTECOST VIII 9:30 a.m. <i>Worship/Jackson Patrick Darcy Baptism – Sanctuary</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Summer Punch Bowl</i> 10:45 a.m. <i>Worship Committee – Wesley Center</i>
<i>Monday, July 15</i>	7:00 p.m. <i>Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel</i>
<i>Tuesday, July 16</i>	11:00 a.m. <i>Tom Graybill memorial service - Sanctuary</i> 7:00 p.m. <i>Membership and Evangelism Meeting – Gunn Library</i>
<i>Wednesday, July 17</i>	10:30 a.m. <i>Adult Bible Study</i>
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<i>Sunday, July 21</i>	PENTECOST IX 9:15 a.m. <i>Informal Singing - Sanctuary</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Worship/Ryder James Kingsley Baptism – Sanctuary</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Blood Pressure Screenings – Sanctuary</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Summer Punch Bowl</i> 10:45 a.m. <i>Nominating Committee – Pastor’s study</i>
<i>Monday, July 22</i>	7:00 p.m. <i>Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel</i>
<i>Wednesday, July 23</i>	10:30 a.m. <i>Adult Bible Study – The Chapel</i> 2:30 p.m. <i>Community Supper – Golden Hill</i>
<i>Thursday, July 24</i>	2:30 p.m. <i>MTMUMC Community Supper – Dodd Hall</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.;
- Stronger Together (a group for the parents and caregivers of children and young adults with medical complexities): Second Tuesday, 7 p.m.;
- Lupus: Third Thursday, 6:30 p.m.;
- Epilepsy: Second Monday, 7 p.m.;
- Breast Cancer: First Wed., 6 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

July 14, 2013

Dear Mary Taylor Memorial family,

My note today is a “mixed bag” of assorted reflections. Thanks to all for prayers for my son, Adam Schofield-Bodt, who suffered two successive seizures on July 1 and 2 with no prior history of the same. A resident of Manhattan, he was released from St. Luke’s-Roosevelt Hospital on July 6 and receives post-discharge care at Yale-New Haven Hospital. Yesterday was his 25th birthday, so we have had some good laughs about how he celebrates his birthday and my New York City “vacation.” I also know the medical challenges many of you face and thank you for your kind support in the midst of mine.

We are pleased to celebrate Jackson Patrick Darcy’s baptism today and wish God’s blessing on him, his parents Patrick and Rebecca, and all the family. Traveling and working mercies are extended to the UMARMY volunteers being commissioned as they head to Scotia, New York.

Please hold in prayer our friend and my colleague, the Rev. Sara Thompson-Tweedy, who is being charged of being in violation of United Methodist rules because she is a lesbian. A number of you also know Sara, who spoke here a few years ago. Long before this news broke I planned to preach on “law” and its relation to our lives of faith. This certainly provided a new and, sadly, unwelcome twist as we see human law used to perpetuate injustice. Please hold Sara and all gay, lesbian, transgender, bisexual and questioning persons in your prayers as we advocate for an end to discrimination in The United Methodist Church.

Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor Brian

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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 Coordinators	Betty Laferriere and Nicole Ellerbeck		

AT WORSHIP TODAY

Head Usher –Stacey Riccardi

Greeters – Maryanne & Bob Jordan

Liturgist – Don Hastings

GREETING YOU AFTER WORSHIP is Rev. Bodt at the Dodd Hall door with Don Hastings at the Narthex door.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS today are given in loving memory of Thelma on the anniversary of our wedding anniversary on July 12th, given by Jim McLean.

A MISSION CROSS today has been placed for a donation to UMARMY in memory of Viola and Charles Neely, given by Judy Russell.

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, The Book of Worship (1944), The United Methodist Hymnal (1989) and The Faith We Sing (2000).

SERMON COPIES from July 7th are in the Narthex or on-line: 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 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: Dog and 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.

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 or Beth O'Brien, 7 Breakneck Court, Milford, CT 06460.

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 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 JULY 7:

Total worship attendance all services: 120 (July 7: 111; Healing and Wholeness July 8: 9); Total Offering: \$4725; Amount given to Charities and Benevolences: \$102; Total Number Persons Engaged in Small Groups: 28; 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.*

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!

DEADLINE for collecting is AUGUST 4th.

Please look for the collection box in Dodd Hall.

ELEMENTARY

- Book – Age Appropriate
- Small Packet of Tissues
- Colored Pencils
- Crayons
- Drawing Pad
- Erasers
- Glue Sticks
- Journal
- Markers - Washable
- Notebook, Loose-leaf paper
- #2 Pencils & Sharpener
- Ruler
- Blunt Scissors
- 2 Pocket Folders
- Tape

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

- Book – Age Appropriate
- Spiral Notebooks
- Colored Pencils
- Pens
- Drawing Pad
- Erasers
- Glue Sticks
- Journal
- Markers (NON-PERMANENT)
- Notebook, Loose-leaf paper
- #2 Pencils & Sharpener
- Ruler
- Small Stapler & Staples
- 2 Pocket Folders
- 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 the Missions Committee. **Next Sunday’s hosts** are the Bettencourt family. Hosting dates still open are July 28, August 4, August 25 and Sept. 1. Please sign up on the sheet on the refrigerator in the Dodd Hall kitchen.
- **WORSHIP COMMITTEE** meets at 10:45 a.m. in the Wesley Center.
- **NEED A NEW OR REPLACEMENT NAME TAG?** We are currently transferring name tag production to the church office. Please notify us (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.
- **A GREEN “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.
- **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.**

THIS WEEK

AUGUST “BEACON” DEADLINE is **TOMORROW**. Please submit to mtmumc@sbcglobal.net or submit hard copy to the church office.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR TOM GRAYBILL will be held Tuesday, July 16th, 11 a.m. in the sanctuary. Gifts in lieu of flowers may be made to MTMUMC or to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Details at www.gregoryfdoylefunealhome.com, then click on “Obituaries.”

BULLETIN NOTICES FOR JULY 21 will be **due by Noon on Wednesday, July 17th**, hard copy or to mtmumc@sbcglobal.net.

NEXT SUNDAY

PENTECOST IX - The message “A New Look at Mary and Martha” is based on their interaction with Jesus and one another in Luke 10:38-42. We will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism for Ryder James Kingsley, son of Elizabeth and Steven. We will dedicate Christine Volgmuth and Dottie Long as our newest “Ambassadors.”

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.

COMING SOON

OUR NEXT COMMUNITY SUPPER AT GOLDEN HILL CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT is **Wednesday, July 24th, 2:30 – 5 p.m.** We prepare the meal led by Maryanne Meehan Jordan. We need 6-8 people and anyone 13 or in the 7th grade or older may service. Please let Maryanne know if you can help this month: mjbmj@att.net, 203.610.4936 (cell) or 203.268.8850 (home). Golden Hill Church is about a 20 minute drive from MTMUMC.

THE MONTHLY COMMUNITY SUPPER AT MTMUMC is held the next day, **Thursday, July 25th in Dodd Hall.** Help is needed anytime between 2:30 – 7 p.m. for prep, cooking, serving and clean-up. Please let Jim Repetsky, Men’s Club President, know if you will assist by calling 203.874.8688.

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 July, 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.

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 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 or 203.874.1982, ext. 11; or speak with Don Hastings on Sundays. *Pastor Brian*

“GRADUATE LIST” DEADLINE is Monday, August 5th. If you would like to have your graduate recognized on Sunday, August 11th, please email your information to mtmumc@sbcglobal.net or submit a hard copy to the church office.

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
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 highlight Scholarships. Committee Members: Diana Cable, Chris Carveth, Greg D’Andrea, Wil Wright, Joan Zauner.

SAVE THE DATES:

- **Summer Fellowship church picnic & musical “jam session” Sunday, August 4, 5-7 p.m.** at River Crest Farm, (534 Oronoque Rd. in Milford), home of Maria and Andy Macri. Beverages and paper goods will be provided. Attendees will bring their main dish/meat for the grill, a dish to share, and a lawn chair. Bring your voices and musical instruments of all sorts to make a joyful noise with our first ever informal “jam session.” Retreat go-ers, take note, your musical skills will be appreciated!
- **Oyster Festival, Saturday, August 17, all day (10am – 6pm).** “It’s that time again...The 39th Annual Oyster Festival is just around the corner. Join the Men’s Club for fun, fellowship, food and fundraising as we operate our traditional MTMUMC Food Court. Contact David Carr at 203-931-0516 to volunteer (8am – 4pm). Pick your favorite place on the team today.” For more information about the Oyster Festival, visit their website: www.milfordoysterfestival.com.