

Our Vision—A beacon of God’s love radiating faith, hope and joy... Everywhere!

**The flowers are given this morning in celebration of Jim's 65th Birthday
on March 20th! We also celebrate all the ways
that Jim continues to bless all with his kind heart!**



Easter Flowers

Please get your Easter Flower order in soon so that we can order them before they run out. If you would like to provide flowers to beautify our Sanctuary in Memory of a loved one, please fill out the form by March 27th and include you check made out to AUMC and with “Easter Flowers” in the memo. You will be able to take your flowers home to enjoy after the 10:45 service on Easter.

Today March 19th – UMCOR Sunday

Today March 19th will be UMCOR Sunday. Come and hear how our Mission Share have supported various needs in the world. We will be taking a special offering.

Our Lenten Journey Continues

Our Wednesday evening in-person soup suppers and worship continues this Wednesday, March 22. The supper will be held at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by the ~ 30 minute service in the sanctuary at 7:00 pm. Thank you to those of you who have told Betsey you will provide soup for our suppers! The worship theme this year is “Forgiveness.” Thanks to Jim Ortolf for leading worship last Wednesday! We are looking forward to Marcia Dana leading this Wednesday. Charles McCrea will lead the final Wednesday service on March 29. The service will be live-streamed and recorded.

Celebration of Life for Sandra Dillman (Sherri Panneton’s Mom)

On Saturday, March 25th, there will be a celebration of the life for Sherri Panneton’s Mom, Sandra Dillman. There will be a Calling Hour at 10am in the Sanctuary with a celebration of life at 11:00 am. The service will be followed by a time of refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. Betsey Driscoll will be organizing the food. Please let her know what you can bring or if you can help with serving.

Single Ladies Dining Out

Singles Ladies Dining Out will have lunch on **April 1st at 1 pm** at The Establishment, 75 Princeton Street N. Chelmsford, MA. **Please note this is a changed date.**

If you are a single lady and would enjoy a lunch out and lots of fun conversation, we would love to have you join us. Please RSVP by Thursday March 30th to Betsy Campbell 978-256-9400 or by email to aldersgatechelmsford@verizon.net.

Shalom Aldersgate

We will have a Passover Seder this year as part of Maundy Thursday services on APRIL 6th at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and experience the Aldersgate take on a Jewish seder experience with ceremony and food.

We will put out a sign-up sheet shortly for numbers planning to attend and cooking help. I will provide recipes for simple, traditional dishes.

The ceremony will last about 30 minutes and dinner will be about an hour, allowing us to go to the Maundy Thursday service afterwards.

If you have questions you can email me at mdkane22@gmail.com or call 978-590-0556. See you there for this great annual tradition.

Mike Kane

Troop 81 Hosting Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast April 2nd



Troop 81 BSA invites you to a pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, April 2nd from 8am-11am. We will be serving pancakes, butter/syrup, fruit, coffee, tea, and juice for a suggested donation of \$10 per person, \$8 for senior citizens/kids under 5.

For many years the troop hosted a breakfast at the senior center as a key fundraiser, and due to COVID we have been unable to have this event for the last several years. We are so happy to bring the tradition back and have it at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church so that we can join in fellowship with the congregation that has provided so much support for us. Fundraising events like this help fund our scouting activities and our scouting equipment like our trailer, camping kitchens, Klondike derby sleds just to name a few.

Rummage Sale May 5th and 6th

Our annual Rummage Sale will be on May 5th and 6th. Please start saving your rummage items and add this to your calendar. We will also need your help setting up and working the sale. Watch for more information coming soon

SAVE THE DATE!
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!
FOR CHILDREN AGES 4 - 12
AUGUST 14th – 18th from 9 - noon

Our theme for VBS this summer is "Under Construction". We will learn about Habitat for Humanity and the way God helps us to Share, Care, Learn, Worship, and Celebrate!

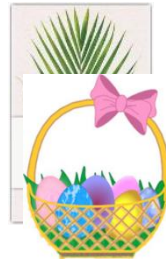
WATCH FOR UPCOMING INFORMATION!

Our Adult Lenten Study Continues!

Explore the Psalms and their link to the New Testament and the life of Jesus in this wonderful guide. Over six weeks, discover with us: Jesus in Our Hard Places, Jesus as Our Shepherd, our Hope, Our Strength and Our Savior. You can order the book *Finding Jesus in the Psalms* by Barb Roose online.

Join us this morning, at 9:45 in the Concord Room and on Zoom led by Adult Education members.

Or join the Thursday morning 10:00 am group in the Concord Room and on Zoom led by Pastor Bob Jon. All are welcome!



Early Bird Bible Study

Early bird will continue on Tuesday 21 March and continue the discussion of Forgiveness. The topic this week will be Forgiveness: Family Feud (Part2). The story of Jacob and Esau can be found in Genesis 25-33. We will explore the struggles between these brothers that began in their mother's womb and extended into adulthood. It is a story replete with trickery, deceit, favoritism and finally reconciliation and forgiveness. Plan to join the discussion as we learn more of what is required to forgive and be reconciled.

Early Bird meets at ten o'clock via Zoom. See the worship email for the link.

Church Office hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10am-12pm. Betsy will be in the office on those days and available by phone at other times.

CHOCOLATE SALE

Sunday, April 2nd

After both services

The youth will be selling homemade chocolate in the hall area after both worship services. This is a fundraiser for their mission trip to Youth 2023 in Daytona Beach, FL.



Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 8th

10:00 am – 11:30 am

Join us for fun crafts, an Easter Egg Hunt and a special movie – bring your friends!

EASTER BREAKFAST
APRIL 9TH

7:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Easter Services: 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
No Church School



Breakfast menu: Egg Benedict, French Toast, Hash Browns, Fruit selection, Bacon/sausage, Baked Goods, Yogurt Parfait, Cold cereal

Vegan/Gluten Free Breakfast Menu: Breakfast Casserole, Sausage and Fruited Coffee Cake