



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

**The Flowers on the altar are given by Janet Marson
Love and Happy Birthday to my lovely daughter Cheryl**

**The Flowers on the altar are given by the Cruickshank family in
celebration of Owen’s 12th birthday on June 21st.**

**The Flowers on the altar are given by Pastor Bob
in celebration of Joshua’s 6th Birthday**

Our Summer Sunday Schedule Starts Today!

Today, June 23, we will move to our summer schedule with one service at 9:30 am and Coffee Hour at 10:30 am. For those of you watching remotely, we will live-stream and record the 9:30 service, so you can watch it as it is happening at 9:30 or later at your convenience by accessing the recording on the church website. We will return to two services on Rally Day, September 8.

General Conference Info, Ice Cream Sundaes Today After Service

Bonnie Marden was one of the New England delegates at General Conference and will share her stories and perspective with us, and answer questions, at 10:30 am today, after our one service at 9:30, in the Fellowship Hall. If you wish to learn more about the major decisions that were made at this historic General Conference prior to Bonnie’s talk, please read some of the many articles found at [General Conference: Recap and resources](#). For those of you who cannot attend Bonnie’s talk, we will try to record the discussion to post on our YouTube channel.

“ONE”

The ONE study is drawing to a close for the summer. June 23 we will have ONE celebration of **ice cream** sundaes in the Fellowship Hall, after Bonnie Marden’s talk at 10:30!

Visit the Aldersgate Booth at the Chelmsford July 4 Country Fair

Come visit the Aldersgate booth during this year’s Chelmsford’s July 4 Country Fair! We will be selling our famous chocolate chip ice cream sandwiches – regular and vegan – along with drinks. Cornhole will be available for the kids, and everyone wins a prize! Hours are Wednesday July 3, 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm and Thursday July 4, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. Come to celebrate the holiday, enjoy some fellowship, and support the church! Proceeds support the youth mission trip to Wanakee later in July.

Thank you, Church Family!

I would like to personally thank you all for the wonderful celebration last Sunday for my upcoming retirement. I loved all the personal touches with worship and the celebration party. Your words touched my heart and I am blessed by you all. I will continue to work through the month of June. Thank you again and wishing you all a blessed week! Cheryl

The Director of Christian Education position is open

Cheryl is retiring after 25 years of ministry as Aldersgate’s Director of Christian Education. The Staff Parish Relations Committee is starting the search process for a new Director. **If you are interested, see Dan Ward or Pastor Bob for details about the process, timeline, and position.**

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Director of Christian Education provides oversight and coordination for all aspects of education provided to children and adults at Aldersgate United Methodist Church (AUMC). The Director, in collaboration with the pastor, sets the direction for the education program for the church and facilitates the implementation of the programs. This role manages the numerous volunteers involved in providing education to the members of the AUMC community. The position reports to the Pastor and the Staff Parish Relations Committee.

See Dan Ward, Pastor Bob, or any member of the Staff Parish Relations Committee for a more detailed description of duties and qualifications.

Summer Youth Mission Trip July 8th - 12th



Our youth mission trip is open to any youth in grades 7-12. We will be traveling to Camp Wanakee in Meredith, NH. We will also go river tubing, play mini-golf and go to Weir’s Beach.

Our theme is: “Light Your Fire!”

Please see Cheryl Ortolf if you are interested in joining us!

Final Meeting - Sunday, June 30th after 9:30 worship in the Concord Room for youth attending and parents

Rev. Sharon Jones Preaching on July 14

Rev. Sharon Jones will join us on July 14 as our guest preacher. Rev. Jones served Aldersgate UMC from 2002 to 2009. Please join us in welcoming her and her husband, Richard, back to Aldersgate and sharing fellowship.

Summertime Stewardship

It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through the year! There has been so much activity and hard work, by so many servants at Aldersgate! As summer approaches please be sure to keep your church family in mind with your prayers and your pledges.

Please feel free to bring your 2024 pledged offerings when you join us on Sunday services this summer at 9:30 a.m. You can also send them by mail or electronic bill pay. Thank you for your faithful stewardship!

For questions about bill pay through your banking institution:
Contact Kelly, our Financial Secretary at kmongiovi@aol.com
or Finance Chair, Wendy Baker at wbaker15@comcast.net

Altar Flowers

Thank you to everyone who has provided flowers for the Altar. It truly does make the Sanctuary more beautiful. We do have **June 30th** that does not have anyone signed up for. If you would like to, please let Betsy know. Also, if you still have vases at home from the flowers, it would be great for you to return them to the office so that they can be returned to the florist and reused.

Reminder to schedule your appointment for the Blood Drive –

July 13th or August 10th from 9am-2pm

Please sign up if you can help this important cause. There continues to be a national shortage! Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and search under July 13th to schedule an appointment. For more information call or email Cate Lehan or Robin Dye or the church office.



Vacation Bible Camp - Save the Date!

Monday, August 12 – Friday August 16

Ages 4 – 12 years old

ReNew Vacation Bible Camp invites children to learn about Jesus, help build our community, and grow as they become stewards of God's creation. Registration forms can be found downstairs in the welcome area or upstairs in the welcome rack. The cost for participating is \$20.00 per child and a family max of \$60.00. Please let Cheryl Ortolf know if you would like to help.

HELP US BLESS OUR SOLDIERS!

Thanks so much for everyone's generosity in providing treats and goodies for Jasper and his team! We've got an updated list of stuff they are particularly interested in, such as:

- Pre-cooked bacon that can be shipped without refrigeration
- Kodiak microwavable waffles or pancakes in a cup
- Dried fruit of all kinds- peach, apple, pineapple, blueberry, etc.
- Electrolyte drink mix
- Iced tea or lemonade mix- make sure it has single serve directions or packets
- Boxes of liquid creamer packs instead of powder
- Tooth flossers



Temperatures are extremely high now. Think extreme summer! Fun items like squirt guns, water balloons, pin wheels, 4th of July decorations, or handwritten notes will make the hot summer months more bearable.