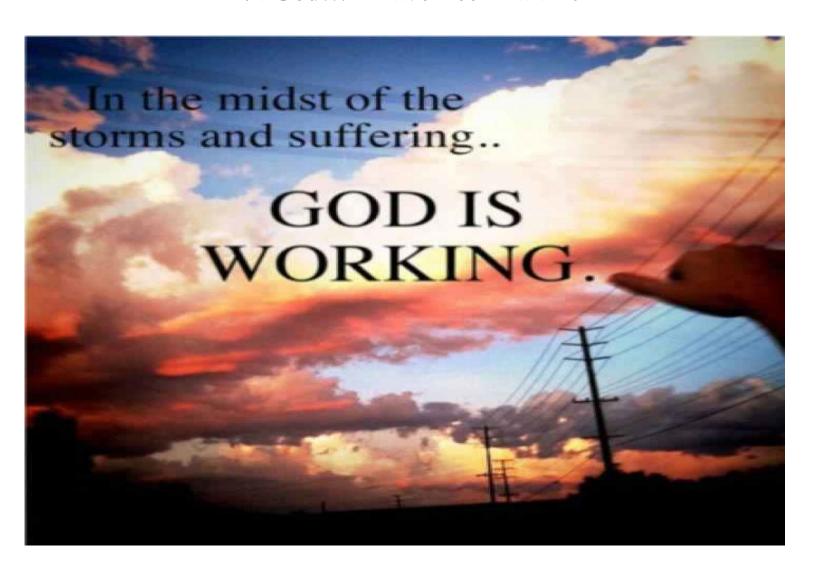
Bellport United Methodist Church

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October 20, 2024 "But God... I Have Been Faithful"



Welcome!

The Bellport UMC family welcomes visitors from all backgrounds. You are invited to join us for our fellowship hour following the service. For childcare, large print hymnals, or directions to our accessible access (elevator), please see any of our ushers. Our current newsletter and church brochure with upcoming events are available in the entry area and Fellowship Hall. We hope you will feel God's presence with us, and we invite you to join us again. We invite members and guests to sign in at the entrance area. Thank you!



IMPORTANT CHURCH MEETINGS

Women's Bible Study: Ellen Horn

Men's Bible Study: Every Monday at 12:15 PM. On Zoom

Men's Breakfast: 2nd Saturdays (11/9, 9:00 AM) at the Church

Bell Choir: Thursdays at 6:15 PM

Choir for Worship: Thursdays at 7 PM, Sundays at 9 AM.

Church Council Meeting: 11/19, 7:30 PM, Zoom.

Finance Committee: September 11/5, 7:00 PM, Wesley House

Trustee Meeting: 11/6, 7:30 PM, Wesley House

Staff Pastor Parish Relationship: TBD

Worship Team & Ushers Meeting: 2nd Sundays at 8:45

Stewardship Committee: Outreach: TBD

- **Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations;** the Drop Box is available.
- Please Sign Up for Coffee Hour in the Sign-up Sheet. Thank You!
- The Thrift Shop is open on Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Harvest Fair Wrap Up meeting: Tuesday 10/22, 7:00 PM. This meeting is not limited to the people on the Harvest Fair Committee. Anyone with an opinion or an idea would be welcome.
- All Saints Day Service: 11/3, 9:30 AM. Pastor is requesting the names of your Saints who passed into victory since last All Saints Day. The names will be read aloud. Also, the Pastor invites you to bring in a picture of your Saints for the altar. Feel free to bring them on the morning of 11/3, if you prefer.

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Rev. Matthew Querns, Pastor

Lynn Hoag, Director of Music

Liturgist, Scott Munson

Welcome visitors, please sign our Guest Book!

(All are invited to stand, if comfortable doing so, where * appears)

GATHERING THOUGHTS

"Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but for God; for God, all things are possible." - Mark 10:27

ENTERING INTO THE PRESENCE

♬ PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION

WELCOME (page 1) & ANNOUNCEMENTS (page 2)

- **□** BRING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST
- INTROIT

*Congregational Centering

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O righteous, and give thanks to God's name.

People: In the midst of this congregation, we will praise You O God.

Leader: I extoll You my God and Creator.

People: We bless Your name, forever. Even when moments seem impossible, You O God will take care of us.

[↑] Opening Hymn: (UMH) #117 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

*PASSING THE PEACE- Conclude by singing (UMH) #666 "Shalom to You"
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.

OPENING TO THE PRESENCE

Gathering Prayer

Eternal God, we come to You as a family who seek to live Your gospel daily. It is a joy to come into Your house to pray, sing, and to wrestle with Your words. However, life hits us with trials that threaten our faith. Like Job, we ask why? Where are You God? In these moments of tribulation when we have nothing left to hold but faith, remind us of Your comfort, remind us of Your endless love, remind us that You will take care of us. Being Christian does not guarantee an easy life, but it does remind us of Your presence, Your power, and Your grace.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER WORDS OF GRACE

Ministry Of Music: Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) arr. Joel Raney

Moments for Children/ The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven hallowed be your name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen

CALL TO PRAYER (TFWS) #2215 "Cares Chorus"

I cast all my cares upon you.
I lay all of my burdens down at your feet.
And any time, I don't know, what to do,
I will cast all my cares upon you.

GOD SIGHTINGS, JOYS & CONCERNS (page 7) PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION: (UMH) #521 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

First Reading: Job 23:1-9, 16-17 (NRSV) Then Job answered: ² 'Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. ³ O that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! ⁴ I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. ⁵ I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. ⁶ Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me. ⁷ There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted for ever by my judge.

⁸ 'If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; ⁹ on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. ¹⁶ God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; ¹⁷ If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!

Second Reading: Mark 10:17-27 (NRSV) As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' 18 Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." ' ²⁰He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. 23 Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

For the Word of God in Scripture, For the Word of God among us, For the Word of God within us, Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE: "But God... I Have Been Faithful" Rev. Matthew Querns

SERMON CHALLENGE: This week, let us remember when the storms of life rage, God does not send them. When we hurt, God hurts with us. Instead, let us know God is the sender of hope. When life feels impossible, God will find a way.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

WORSHIPPING WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (UMH) #94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise God, the source of all our gifts.

Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts.

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

*SENDING SONG: (W&S) #3042 "Shout to the North" (See insert)

Note: Let us all sing three verses; let us not break up the verses by gender.

BENEDICTION CHORAL RESPONSE POSTLUDE

October 27th's Sermon: "Are Ye Able to Endure" – Job 38:1-7, 34-41; Mark 10:35-30

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR FELLOWSHIP.
THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US.

PLEASE COME BACK!

CHURCH SERVICE: Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH OFFICE: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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ZOOM MEETING LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6312860525

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PASTOR: Rev. Matthew Querns, 845-208-1405, matthew.querns@nyac-

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LITURGIST: Scott Munson

MUSIC: Lynn Hoag & Choir, PIANO: Dan Fogel

COFFEE HOUR: Carolyn Holtz

USHERS: Bruce Groh, Bill Morse, and Youth

YOUTH & CHILDREN: Lori Labalsamo and Bill Morse

TECHNOLOGY: Barbara Pannhurst and Bill Lang

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PRESCHOOL: 631-286-2498, www.BellportPreschool.com

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Prayer List (Please email/contact the office or the Pastor)

Sympathy Prayers for Sheryl Moodt and family on the passing of her sister Susan Spencer-Owens, and Mary Scott and family on the passing of her daughter, Josephine Pond.

<u>Prayers:</u> Rescue and recovery for victims of natural disasters & wars, Peace of the World, Revival of the Church, Prayers for healing and strength: Rachel Langert and her father, Mark and Lois Barton (The Bristal, Sayville), Joe Harder (Jr.), Jack Antos & the family, the Downs family, Tess Mouquin, Peter & Barbara Berman (Village Walk at Patchogue), Doris Lundegard, Kristin Quatrale, Donna and Carl Catandella, the Vanderzalm family, Lillian Muttitt and the family, Dorothy Vogel and the family, Prayers for Young Adults including: Andrew, Ethan, Amy and Seann, Shelby, Derek, Diana, Oliver, David and Samuel, and all Church affiliated people.

Prayers for COOP Churches (Cooperative Parish): United Methodist Churches of South Shore, & UM churches/ All the churches worldwide



Lord's Day Attendance: 10/6 and 10/13/2024

ADULT S	CHILD REN	ZOOM	FACE BOOK	GUESTS	TOTAL
30/33	2/2	3/3	79/0		114/38

Abundant Blessings for Offerings: Combined 10/6 and 10/13/2024

Current/ (Pledge, Tithes)	Loose Envelopes	United Methodist Men	
\$2,950.	\$105.	\$25.	\$.
Building Fund & Use	Special Thanks/ Benevolence	Fair/ Auction	Total
\$135.	\$625.	\$200.	\$4,040.

Send Offering Checks By Mail:

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