

Bellport United Methodist Church

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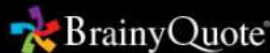
June 29, 2025

“Fear, Doubt, and Faith - A Holy Trinity”



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Paul Tillich



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 Welcoming Area and Gathering Room entrance to the Sanctuary. 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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT CHURCH MEETINGS

Bible Study 101: Off for the Summer. Will resume on Wednesday 9/3 at 10:00AM and 1:00 PM, in the Wesley House.

Men's Bible Study: Mondays and Fridays at 3:00 PM on Zoom.

Men's Breakfast: 2nd Saturdays: 7/12, 9:00 AM at the Church

Bell Choir: Thursdays. Sanctuary. Startup Date TBD

Choir for Worship: Off for the Summer. Will resume on Thursday, 9/4, at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

Church Council Meeting: 7/15, 7:30 PM at the Wesley House, first floor.

Finance Committee: TBD, Wesley House

Trustee Meeting: 7/9, 7:00 PM, Wesley House

Staff Pastor Parish Relationship: TBD

Worship Team & Ushers Meeting: TBD

Outreach: 6/29, 11:00AM, Smith Room.

Harvest Fair Committee Meeting: 7/8, 7:00PM, Wesley House

- 🤗 **First Sunday Monthly Food Collection:** Non - perishable food and personal care products will be collected and delivered to the St Joseph the Worker's food pantry for distribution to those in need. On the first Sunday of the month please put your donations on the altar. Items brought in on other Sundays, can be put in the gray tub in the hall between the Sanctuary and the stairs. Thank you for your generosity towards this worthy cause.
- **Please Sign Up for Coffee Hour** on the Sign-Up Sheet in the Gathering Area. Thank You!
- **The Thrift Shop** is open on Tuesday, Fridays, and Saturdays, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- **Bellport Day** is Saturday, 7/26 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The Church office has booked a table and two chairs for representatives from the Bellport United Methodist Church to meet and greet. We need volunteers to be there to hand out items and share about the Church. Speak with Pastor Matthew if you are interested in signing up.
- **Vacation Bible School (VBS):** Mary Immaculate RC Church is conducting a Vacation Bible School from Monday, August 4th to Friday, August 8th. The VBS is for young people ages 5 years old (Completed Kindergarten) to 11 years old. Copies of the Flyer and Registration form will be on a table in the Gathering Room.

Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 29, 2025

9:30 AM

Reverend Matthew Querns, Pastor

Lynn Hoag, Director of Music

Ellen Horn, Liturgist

Welcome visitors. Please sign our Guest Book!

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

GATHERING THOUGHTS

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ENTERING INTO THE PRESENCE

♪ PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION

WELCOME (page 1) & ANNOUNCEMENTS (page 2)

♪ BRING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

♪ INTROIT

***CONGREGATIONAL CENTERING**

Leader: We all have faith days where everything makes sense to us.

People: We also have days where none of it makes sense.

Leader: For some, doubt creates worry; for some, doubt is seen as weakness.

People: Instead, let us see doubt and faith as partners in faith's journey to God.

♪ Opening Hymn: (TFWS) #2236

Gather Us In

***PASSING THE PEACE- (UMH) #431 *Let There Be Peace on Earth.*”**

“Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God our creator, children all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow: To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.”

OPENING TO THE PRESENCE

Moment for Ministry

Annual Conference 2025

Tom Bracken



Gathering Prayer

Holy God, life and faith are awesome gifts that we humbly thank You for every day. Often, our prayers and songs fly high, and life makes sense - even with its troubles. Then, a life moment or tragedy hits, and suddenly, everything we thought we knew no longer makes sense. Suddenly, faith no longer makes sense. Lord in these times, let us not despair and above all, let us not think we are doing faith wrong. When faith hits a wall, doubt opens a door to discovering a deeper faith. Let us never fear faith's deep journey, for doubt is not weakness, doubt and faith are two sides of the same coin.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF GRACE

Ministry of Music *Hymn of Promise* arr. Tom Fettke

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 anytime, I don't know what to do,
I will cast all my cares upon you."*

GOD SIGHTINGS, JOYS & CONCERNS (page 8)

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN FOR FATHERS: (TFWS) #2088 *Lord I Lift Your Name on High* (sing 2x)

HEARING THE WORD

FIRST READING: Galatians 3:23-29 Before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith...²⁵ now that faith has come we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

SECOND READING: 1 Kings 19:1-15a Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³ Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-Sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. ⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." ⁵ Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶ He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." ⁸ He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. ⁹ At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." ¹¹ He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind, and after the wind an

earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake, ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁴ He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” ¹⁵ Then the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus.

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.

SERMON: *“Fear, Doubt, and Faith- A Holy Trinity”* Rev. Matthew Querns

SERMON CHALLENGE: This week, let us remember - faith changes throughout life’s journey. Never fear if doubt creeps up. It will lead us to a deep faith.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

WORSHIPPING WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***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 HYMN: (UMH) #378**

Amazing Grace

BENEDICTION
CHORAL RESPONSE
POSTLUDE

July 6's Sermon: "Superman Is Nice, But Be Clark Kent" –
Galatians 5:13-15, 22-25, Luke 9:51-56

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR FELLOWSHIP.
THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US.
PLEASE, COME BACK ANYTIME!

CHURCH SERVICE: Sundays at 9:30 AM

CHURCH OFFICE: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

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CHURCH WEBSITE & SUNDAY BULLETIN: www.umcbellport.org

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COFFEE HOUR: Marie Coda

USHERS: Bruce Groh, Bill Morse, and Youth

YOUTH & CHILDREN: Lori Labalsamo and Bill Morse

TECHNOLOGY: Barbara Pannhurst and Bill Lang

CHURCH FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/bellportmethodist.church.5>

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

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

Sympathy Prayers To the VanderZalm family on the passing of Janet VanderZalm. To Melinda “Mindy” Smith and family on the passing of John Smith. To the Scott and Martinez families on the passing of Mary Scott. To Peter Berman and family on the passing of Barbara Berman.

Prayers: Rescue and recovery for victims of natural disasters & wars, Peace of the World, Revival of the Church, Prayers for healing and strength for the following: Kent Adees recovery, Lois Barton (The Bristol, Sayville), Joe Harder (Jr.), the Downs family, Tess Mouquin, Doris Lundegard, Kristin Quatrane, Donna and Carl Catandella, Lillian Muttitt and the family, Dorothy Vogel and the family, Paul Herbst and Roseann Hanafi.

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

Stewardship

All things are possible with God



Devote Time



Share Talent



Give Treasure



A way of life

Lord's Day Attendance: 6/22/2025

ADULTS	CHILD REN	ZOOM	FACEBO OK /YOU TUBE			TOTAL
25	N/A	N/A	N/A			25

Abundant Blessings for Offerings: 6/22/2025

Current/ (Pledge, Tithes)	Loose Plate		
\$446.	\$82.		
Building Fund	Benevolence	Building Use	Total
\$	\$	\$	\$528.

Send Offering Checks By Mail:

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