

Bellport United Methodist Church

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October 5, 2025

“Singing, Even in the Rain”



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: Wednesdays at 10:00AM and 1:00 PM, Wesley House.

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

Men's Breakfast: 2nd Saturdays: 10/11, 9:00 AM at the Church.

Bell Choir: Thursdays. Sanctuary. Startup Date TBD.

Choir for Worship: Thursdays, at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

Church Council Meeting: 10/21, 7:30 PM, Wesley House.

Finance Committee: 10/14, 7:00 PM, Wesley House.

Trustee Meeting: 10/8, 7:00 PM, Wesley House.

Staff Pastor Parish Relationship: TBD.

Worship Team & Ushers Meeting: TBD.

Outreach: 10/5 or 10/12, 11:00AM, Smith Room.

- **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.

Reverend Matthew Querns, Pastor

Lynn Hoag, Director of Music

Margie Ludewig, Liturgist

Welcome visitors. Please sign our Guest Book!

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

GATHERING THOUGHTS

“Suffering has been stronger than all other teachings and has taught me to understand my heart. I have been bent, broken, but hope has made me a better shape.” - Charles Dickens

ENTERING INTO THE PRESENCE

♪ PRELUDE & QUIET MEDITATION

WELCOME (page 1) & ANNOUNCEMENTS (page 2)

♪ BRING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

♪ INTROIT

***CONGREGATIONAL CENTERING**

Leader: We have many faces, languages, cultures, and customs.

People: We are all one holy people.

Leader: We have many hopes, dreams, struggles, and fears.

People: We are all one holy family.

All: Praise God! In our joy and sorrow all of us are one. We are never alone.

♪ Gathering Hymn: (UMH) #512

Stand By Me

***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



Gathering Prayer

Merciful God, suffering just seems to linger. Thank You for loving us and for giving us hope. Yet, at times, what we desire most does not come to pass—the sick go on to victory, jobs are lost, and confusion persists. Still, we know You are not the author of pain. Your love already defeated suffering, and eternal life and joy await. When pain hits, You hurt with us; when joy returns, You celebrate with us. Walk with us as we seek purpose in this world and as we seek Your blessings. As a holy people, let us each be blessings to the world.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF GRACE

Ministry of Music

One World, One Communion

*by Pepper Choplin
Jennie Schwinn, flute*

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 (pages 7 & 8)

PASTORAL PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN: (UMH) #620

One Bread, One Body

HEARING THE WORD

FIRST READING: Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 (NRSV) Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, ‘My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. ² Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing-floor. ³ Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing-floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴ When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.’ ⁵ She said to her, ‘All that you tell me I will do.’ ¹³ So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. ¹⁴ Then the women said to Naomi, ‘Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin;^[a] and may his name be renowned in Israel! ¹⁵ He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.’ ¹⁶ Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. ¹⁷ The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, ‘A son has been born to Naomi.’ They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

SECOND READING: Mark 12:38-44 (NRSV) As he taught, he said, ‘Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰ They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.’ ⁴¹ He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, ‘Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.’

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: *“Singing, Even in the Rain!”* Reverend Matthew Querns

SERMON CHALLENGE: This week, let us remember to comfort those who suffer and to honor and seek you, even in the pain. Let us even sing in the rain!

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

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation and Great Thanksgiving

Prayer after Sharing

Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit to give ourselves to others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

***SENDING SONG: (UMH) #347 (v 1, 2, 1)**

Spirit Song

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

October 12th’s Sermon: “Love My Enemy... Really?” -
Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Matthew 5:38-48

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

Sympathy Prayers

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 Adey, Lois Barton (The Bristol, Sayville), Joe Harder (Jr.), Doris Lundegard, Donna and Carl Catandella, Dorothy Vogel and the family.

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: 9/28/2025

ADULTS	CHILD REN	ZOOM	FACEBO OK LIVE			TOTAL
35	1					36

Abundant Blessings for Offerings: 9/28/2025

Current/ (Pledge, Tithes)	Loose Plate	Harvest Fair	
\$755.	\$30.	\$372.	
Building Fund	Benevolence	Building Use	Total
\$160.	\$.	\$.	\$1,317.

Send Offering Checks By Mail:

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