



The Hammond Streeter

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**Happy
Father's
Day**



**JUNE 16, 2019:
JOIN US FOR FATHER'S DAY,
AND "TOOL SUNDAY"!!!**



Lots of good things are going to be happening this coming Sunday, June 16, Father's Day! We'll be paying tribute to our dads, grandfathers, step-fathers, foster dads, as well as all men who have acted in the capacity of fathers. Truly, this is their special day!

Each year Father's Day at Hammond Street Church is also known as "Tool Sunday," as we take a special offering for Church World Service. Our support of CWS equips families worldwide with the tools that they need to build brighter futures—literally. Here's how:

\$5: A hand saw for a family in Georgia

\$11: 15 concrete blocks for a house in Haiti

\$15: Seeds and gardening tools for a family in Indonesia

\$25: Boots and rain jacket for an agricultural promoter in Nicaragua

\$47: A support column for a house in Haiti

\$50: Construction training for two people in Moldova

Please extend some HSCC generosity and join us on Father's Day!

**THIS SUNDAY AT HAMMOND STREET CHURCH
FATHER'S DAY
CWS TOOL SUNDAY
June 16, 2019**

PREACHING: Rev. Dr. Mark Allen Doty

SCRIPTURE: Luke 2:41-50

SERMON: "STILL LEARNING WHAT'S BEST"

*10:00 AM : Sanctuary Worship
11:30 AM : Fellowship Hour*

PLEASE REMEMBER

Winterberry Heights: Rev. Dave Follansbee

Stillwater Healthcare: Elizabeth Bean

Bangor Rehab & Nursing : Dot Simmons

Ross Manor: Liz Keith, Williams Unit

Hammond Streeters at Home:

Barbara Brown, Sandy Farver,

Bob Young, Lloyd George, Nina Hansen

Tim Furrow, Mary Chamberlain

PASTORS PERSPECTIVE

Scenes from “Recognition Sunday”!

Dear Friends,

Recognition Sunday at HSCC was definitely a “red letter day” at HSCC—with many folks wearing Pentecostal red articles of clothing! In addition to the chimers chiming and the children singing, flowers and gifts were passed out to all our teachers and students and graduates! Here is a look (from Rita Worster's camera) at the fun we had....



Jessica Murphy



Elementary School Children



Middle/High School



Ryan & Moriah Mae Receiving 4th grade bibles

The fun continues on June 16th with Father's Day and Tool Sunday. Come one, come all!

Blessings,

Mark Allen Doty, Senior Pastor



CONDOLENCES: Our condolences and prayers go out to Ann and Glen Rea on the passing of Ann's mom—Ruby Webb on June 9, 2019 who was 102 and 9 months.

Our condolences and prayers also go out to Amanda McCullough & family on the passing of her mom.

PRAYERS: Our prayers go out to Val Montgomery who is home recovering from surgery.

SECOND HOUR: "OPIOIDS IN OUR COMMUNITY:"

Joseph Lock, with the City of Bangor Public Health and Community Services presented on opioids: what signs to watch for, what to do in the event of an overdose, etc. It was a very informative presentation. About 15 or so people attended. Joseph left us some basic informational pamphlets—they are on the table outside the Church office.

ADULT STUDY is completed for the summer. However there may be some presentations during the summer. Stay tuned for more information. Madonna will be back with Adult Study in the Fall!

BANGOR PRIDE 2019 Show your PRIDE with Hammond Street at Bangor's Pride Parade on Saturday, June 22. Line up is at 11:30 on Front Street and the parade starts at noon. Wear bright colors and bring a sign or flag if you have one! The festival runs from 1-4 PM, and we'll have an information booth there too. We are looking for someone with a pickup truck to drive in the parade so anyone unable to walk the parade route can ride in the bed. If you can help, contact Meredith Eaton at eatonm207@gmail.com or 949-2636.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: I know the weather says otherwise, but summer is coming fast upon us. Our bodies and minds may go on vacation, but please don't forget to keep your pledge payments up-to-date. We appreciate all you do to keep our church running in fine fettle!

SCRIPTURE READERS NEEDED: We are in need of scripture readers for June 16, 23, and 30th. Please call the office, email or sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you.

THE FOOD CUPBOARD CHALLENGE IS

BACK! Between now and June 30th, any contributions to our Food Cupboard will be matched up to \$2,500. We are at just under \$2,000 so far. So we still need your help.

Food Support is always needed, but money can go so much further when used through the Good Shepherd Food Bank. In addition, we have had times where we needed to make an emergency purchase and have not had the funds to do so.

Give what you can to help support our cupboard and our neighbors that it serves. You can mail in your contribution or place it in the plate (don't forget to put Food Cupboard in the memo field of your check). Thank you - Joni

NO PARKING IN THE CLARK HOUSE

SPACES. Trustees have had complaints about cars parked in the spaces assigned to Clark House residents by people attending church services and other events. Even if they are not occupied, these spaces are not available for church use.

FLOWERS: We are in need of people to sign up for flowers for Sunday Service. Please see Donna Wheaton or sign up on the Flower Calendar in the Narthex. Thank you.

SOME HSCC FOLKS WHO WOULD LOVE CARDS AND LETTERS:

Rev. (Charles) Dave Follansbee—
Winterberry Heights
932 Ohio St. Apt 144
Bangor, Maine 04401

Dot Simmons—Bangor Nursing & Rehab
103 Texas Ave. Rm 24
Bangor, Maine 04401

Tim Furrow—42 Thirteenth Street
Bangor, Maine 04401

REMINDER: If you are the last one leaving church or have been in "after hours", please take an extra minute to be sure that the lights are off and any windows are closed, and the door is securely locked. Thank you!

Rev. Clyde & Elliott (Preschool)



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WISDOM ROAD CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: “OPENING WITHOUT WORDS”

It is the beginning of May and over near the statue of Moses, raising his staff to something none of us can see, hundreds of tulips have broken through the dark earth becoming every color they held inside and quietly they ignore each other in the chorus of oneness, bobbing gently, as children race up to their splashes of yellow and red, expecting the colors to sing, and maybe they do in a song only children can hear, and old men amble through the rows, hands behind their backs, as if in some European church about to crumble, and this old white –haired woman, with sheer wonder on her face, sneaks up on the pink ones, her silent mouth a flower, and, for the moment, we are all opening without words, and her dog, a pink-nosed spaniel, drops its ball and rolls on its back slowly, and my lover jumps out of her shoes, and pulls me by my sun-warmed hand into the middle of a yellow patch, and buries her face in them and then she rises, a color breaking ground herself, pollen on her nose. Quietly, we are saved, again.

Mark Nepo

Please join us for Monday Morning Meditation at 10:00 AM. For appointments for spiritual companioning and soul care, you may contact Madonna J. Arsenault, M. Div., CSD, at 603-475-5994 cell, 207-942-4381 church office, or at Madonna.arsenault@icloud.com.

Graduates



Linda

Graduates



Andre



Daniel