



# The Hammond Streeter

## Hammond Street Congregational Church, UCC, Bangor, ME

*An Open and Affirming Community January 22, 2025*

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### FROM THE PASTOR'S OFFICE

#### SCRIPTURE

12 And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God ask of you but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul,  
Deuteronomy 10:12

#### WORDS OF HOPE

There are many examples of servanthood. The best model is Jesus. He showed his disciples how to serve one another by washing their feet. On the night before he died, he took a towel and a bowl of water and assumed the role of a servant (John 13:1-17). In that way Jesus showed his disciples love and humility. He cared about how they related to one another. He cared about the example that they would set for others. He called them to serve others just as he came to serve.

We are called to serve with all our heart and soul and without judging, showing discrimination, or expecting payback. God blesses humility, compassion, righteousness, and pure motives. He cares about how we relate to each other. And we all need help in learning how to serve.

No matter where we serve, we can reflect Jesus' character and act as an example to the world. The song "Make Me a Servant" is a beautiful prayer and vision of being called to serve with all our heart and soul for our witness in the world and for God's glory:

Make me a servant, humble and meek.

Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.

And may the prayer of my heart always be . . .

Make me a servant today.

#### PRAYER

Lord, strengthen me to serve you with all my heart and all my soul for your glory and to be a witness in this world. For Jesus' sake, Amen.

## ANNUAL MEETING WRAP-UP

There were 37 members plus friends in attendance for the Annual Meeting. Thank you for all the hard work done by the HSCC leadership and committees during 2024. The hard work was affirmed by unanimous votes on budgets and reports. From the reports, optimism, strength, involvement, excited, opportunities, pitching in, momentum and imagine are words to guide us in 2025.



## FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS

We need volunteers on Tuesdays & Thursdays (8 am to noon) who can lift up to 45 lbs. Please contact Maina Fernald at [bangorfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:bangorfoodpantry@gmail.com) or Carolyn Dorfman at [cdorfman@ymail.com](mailto:cdorfman@ymail.com) if you can help us.

## NEW MEMBERS

Diana Richardson and Monika Pearsall became the newest members of Hammond Street Church congregation on 1/19/25. They were welcomed by all.



## SILVERWARE FOR BEAN LUNCHES

The generosity of Hammond Street Congregational church members and their friends has once again exceeded my hopes. Between what has already been delivered and that which has been committed in conversations with me we are in fine shape for our silverware needs. As always my heart is full with gratitude and appreciation. And as always I'll be communicating any needs that Hammond Streeters can help out with in the future. Ruey

**SAVE THE DATE!** Our 3rd Annual HSCC Live and Silent Auction is not far away! Mark your calendars for **March 15th**, 5pm to enjoy a potluck supper, silent and live auction! Last year we had an incredible assortment of unique items as well as yummy treats and baked goods. Proceeds to benefit HSCC and our Outreach programs. Just in case....snow date is the following weekend, March 22nd.



## ALWAYS NEEDED IN THE FOOD PANTRY

Pasta, Sauce, Cereal, Baked Beans, Soup, Canned Fruit, Non-Refrigerated Milk. Thank You

## COVID GUIDELINES

**Covid levels are rapidly rising.** We can help reduce the risk of getting or spreading Covid by wearing a mask. Getting the latest Covid vaccination will also reduce the risk of serious illness.

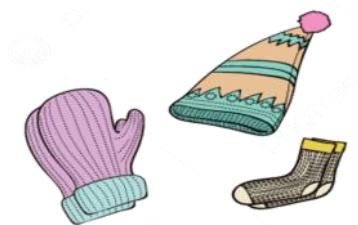
**HSCC has free N-95 masks at the greeter's table in the narthex.** Please help yourself if you would like a mask.



### WINTER OUTERWEAR

Your Outreach Committee is collecting gently used winter outerwear. Any warm outerwear in good condition would be appreciated, especially larger adult sizes. We distribute this winter clothing to guests at our monthly community meal throughout the winter months. If you know of anyone who would benefit from a winter clothing upgrade, send them our way. Thanks for your support of folks in Bangor. Please place your donations in the basket in the Narthex.

**Call Andy Wood with any questions at 745-3428.**



### WINTER WARMTH TREE

It's time once again to support a long-standing tradition here at HSCC. **The Winter Warmth Tree is a program that will run from now until January 31st.** Your Outreach Committee is looking for **Hats, Gloves/ Mittens, and Winter Socks ONLY**. These items will be distributed to folks in our community needing a winter-worthy upgrade. They will be offered to guests at our Free Community Meal and Food Pantry. These accessories will also be provided to area shelters for distribution to their clients. So, if you're out Holiday Shopping and you see some warm winter accessories, please consider purchasing an item for donation to this worthy program. The Winter Warmth Tree or a donation box will be in the narthex through January.

**Thanks – Your Outreach Committee**



### PILLOWS AND THROWS IN THE SANCTUARY

Have you noticed the throws and pillows in the sanctuary? They are there for anyone to use and to create a welcoming atmosphere. Please feel free to take one and put it behind your back or sit on it during the service or wrap yourself up in a comfy throw to keep warm.

## HSCC COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2025

**NO MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

### PLEASE REMEMBER

**Hammond Streeters at Home:**

Sandy Farver, Eda & Hugh Morrison

**Sylvia Ross Home-Bangor**

Ronnie Kittredge

**Brewer Rehab**

74 Parkway S.—Room 109, Brewer, ME 04412

Ansley Throckmorton

**Westgate Manor**

750 Union St.—Room 111, Bangor, ME 04401

Susan Davies

## \*\*DEADLINES FOR PUBLICATIONS\*\*

**HAMMOND STREETER-TUESDAYS at 11 AM**

**SUNDAY BULLETIN-THURSDAYS at 11 AM**

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday 9 to 3. Please knock or call the office at 207-942-4381 for assistance.

### EMAIL ADDRESS:

[admin@hammondstreetchurch.net](mailto:admin@hammondstreetchurch.net)

**\*Please sign up to read scripture and dedicate flowers in the notebooks on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.\***

### SECURITY REMINDER

**Please make sure the backdoor is locked when you leave. Lock it and give it a tug to make sure it is secure and make sure your vehicle is locked.**

### SERVICE STREAMING LIVE OR RECORDED

If you can't make the service, don't despair, find it live or at your convenience on the YouTube channel.

**AVTECH Hammond Street Church**

You can also find the link to YouTube on our Facebook Page.

**[hammondstreetcongregationalchurch@hscucc](mailto:hammondstreetcongregationalchurch@hscucc)**

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**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**In Person Sunday Service**

**Pastor Gary Bagley**

**January 26, 2025 at 10 AM**

**ALL ARE WELCOME !!**

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