



# The Hammond Streeter

Hammond Street Congregational Church, UCC, Bangor, ME

*An Open and Affirming Community December 31, 2025*

Website: [www.hammondstreetchurch.org](http://www.hammondstreetchurch.org)

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**FROM THE PASTOR'S OFFICE**



See you Sunday,  
*Pastor Gary*

## A HUGE THANK YOU

I wish to thank the members of Hammond Street Congregational Church for their generous gift in recognition of my tenth anniversary serving this faith community. I am blessed: first in serving the people of this church as music director/organist and secondly, in playing the magnificent E.G.G. Hook organ! I am so very grateful to all of you. I pray God will allow me the grace to continue to serve. Blessings! - Kathy Jellison

## \*\*COVID AND FLU UPDATE\*\*

Here in the Bangor region, covid and influenza have greatly increased recently. We can reduce illness by wearing a mask and staying up-to-date with the latest vaccines (free for most folks). Free masks are always available at the greeter's table in the church lobby—please help yourself if you'd like a mask. Hand sanitizer is also available.

We wish for all a healthy and happy holiday and winter season.

Ryan Murphy joined with Kathy Jellison to celebrate the season.



Rev. Scovil delivered a lively children's message.



## WINTER WARMTH TREE

The Outreach Committee is hoping to decorate the Winter Warmth Tree with warm socks (**new only please**) and gloves. These items along with hats we already have will provide a warmer winter for our neighbors in need.

## HOMELESS SHELTER MEALVOLUNTEERS

On the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month, Hammond Streeters prepare and serve a hearty meal for guests at the Bangor Area Homeless Shelter. While this program is coordinated by Your Outreach Committee, it takes the support of our entire congregation to sustain this effort throughout the year. We could use some additional involvement from the good folks at Hammond St. contact Andy Wood ([664awood@gmail.com](mailto:664awood@gmail.com) or 745-3428). To get more details about supporting this project with or without digital access, contact Andy.

**Thanks for considering involvement in this HSCC Outreach program – Your Outreach Committee**



## MONTHLY FREE BEAN LUNCHES

On the first Saturday of every month HSCC's Free Bean Lunch provides a free meal and a bag lunch to all who attend. Over the past few months we have been averaging around 65 guests at each meal. We have an email list of those who wish to help by providing needed supplies, casseroles, salads, and help with set-up, serving, and cleanup. If you are interested in being added to that email list please contact me. The sign-up sheet is emailed the weekend before the FB Lunch. My email address is: [ryehle2@gmail.com](mailto:ryehle2@gmail.com) and my phone number is: 207-478-9122. Thank you, Ruey



### **WINTER CLOTHING**

Your Outreach Committee is looking for gently worn winter outerwear. Can you help us out?

During the winter months, HSCC offers gently used winter clothing to guests at our Free Bean Lunch. We offer the clothing from the first week in November through March. Any winter outerwear in good condition and sweaters, sweatshirts and fleece would be appreciated, especially larger adult sizes. Donations can be placed in the basket in the Narthex or brought to the office. Contact Andy Wood (745-3428) with questions. Thanks for helping our neighbors in need in the greater Bangor area – Your Outreach Committee

### **\*\*\*PLEASE REMEMBER\*\*\***

#### **Hammond Streeters at Home**

Eda & Hugh Morrison, Glen & Ann Rea, Sandy Farver

#### **Sylvia Ross Home**

758 Broadway, Apt. 37, Bangor, ME 04401  
Ronnie Kittredge

#### **Brewer Rehab**

74 Parkway S., Brewer, ME 04412  
Ansley Throckmorton-Rm. 109

#### **Westgate Manor**

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

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

**HAMMOND STR. \*TUESDAYS\* at 11 AM**  
**SUNDAY BULLETIN \*WEDS.\* at 10 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.\***

#### **PRAYER CIRCLE**

Do you believe in the power of prayer? Willing to lend your prayer power for others? If so, join the HSCC Circle. The only requirements are that you have an email address and will maintain confidentiality when requested. Interested? Have a prayer request? Contact Fran at [frandg31@gmail.com](mailto:frandg31@gmail.com)

#### **\*\*\*SECURITY REMINDER\*\*\***

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

#### **SERVICE STREAMING LIVE OR RECORDED**

You can find our services live or at your convenience on our YouTube channel.  
[AVTECHHammondStreetChurch@Youtube.com](mailto:AVTECHHammondStreetChurch@Youtube.com)  
or use this QR Code:



### **ALWAYS NEEDED IN THE FOOD PANTRY**

Spaghetti O's, Canned Ravioli, Pasta Sauce, Shelf-Stable Milk, Cereal, Baked Beans, Soup, Mustard, Ketchup, Mayo and Salt-n-Pepper. Thank you, BFP

### **REMEMBER TO CLYNK**

Hammond Street has a CLYNK account for recycling cans and bottles at Hannaford stores. Pick up a bag with our tag on the ushers' tables in the back of the sanctuary or in the office. When the bag is full, put it in the receptacle at a Hannaford location. The proceeds go to the church. It's a very easy way to help. If you have questions, contact Tracy Bigney at 207-356-7223 or [bigney@maine.edu](mailto:bigney@maine.edu).

### **COVID GUIDELINES**

**Covid levels have increased.** 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.**

### **\*\*HSCC COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2026\*\***

Diaconate on 1/6 at 6:30 PM—Parlor

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**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**

**In Person Sunday Service**

**Pastor Gary Bagley**

**January 4, 2026 at 10 AM**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

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