








Sunday  
Morning  
Worship:  
  
10:00AM in  
person  
  
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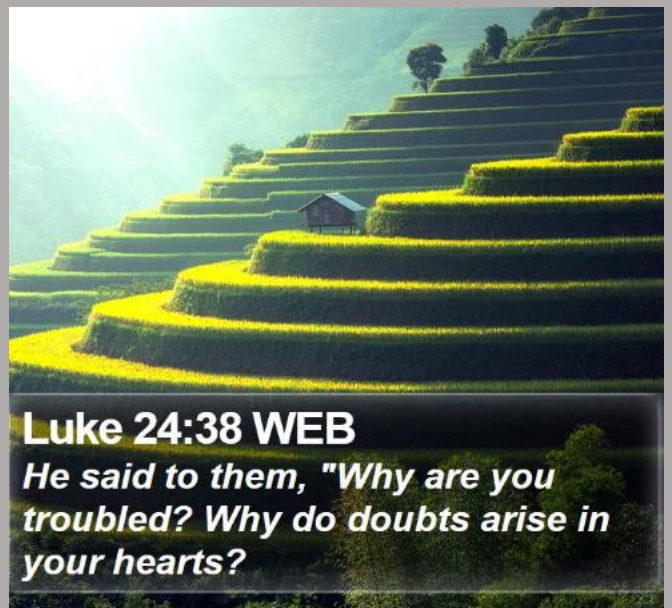
## APRIL 10, 2024 HAPPENINGS



STAY UP-TO-  
DATE WITH THE  
LATEST NEWS

JOIN US FOR  
SUNDAY SERVICE

A MESSAGE FROM  
PASTOR NATHAN



### Luke 24:38 WEB

*He said to them, "Why are you troubled? Why do doubts arise in your hearts?"*

*He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones you see I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. (Luke 24: 38-40)*

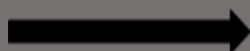
The experience of the presence of the risen Lord led the disciples to see that he, indeed, had been raised from the dead. Where now the Lord's physical hands and feet are no longer present, the ministry of the hands of countless individual "Saints" in simple and sincere ministries continue to bear witness to the Lord's living presence. Although Jesus may not appear in our midst to eat broiled fish (Luke 24:42) his presence is tangible in soup kitchens, warming centers, shelters, around kitchen tables, and around the communion table. We see Jesus "in the breaking of bread."

As in the first century church, so now the most convincing proof of the resurrection is in the daily work and mission of the faithful that Christ still lives and the work of his kingdom continues.



### Children's Time at Church

Join us for an exciting time of learning about God



## CHILDREN'S TIME WITH PASTOR NATHAN

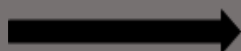
JOIN US FOR A FUN AND INTERACTIVE  
SESSION!



*Welcome*  
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

**CHURCH COUNCIL  
MEETING APRIL 16  
@ 6:00PM**

**Church  
Council  
Meeting**





SOUTH  
PARISH  
NURSERY  
SCHOOL

Enroll Your  
Child  
today



Nursery  
School  
Fundraiser



JOIN THE  
SOUTH PARISH NURSERY  
SCHOOL FAMILY

Enroll Your Child Today!



Enroll Your  
Child  
Today!

Join the South Parish Nursery  
School Family

This is the time of year that we start taking applications for the following September. I have already started to get inquiries about next fall and have started scheduling visits.

Please call us to enroll your child in our

2024-2025 school year or to schedule a private tour at 623-8852 or Beth at 242-1620.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Beth Sirabella, Director

Nursery School Fundraiser



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Sea Spray - The spray of cool ocean water off the rocks while you enjoy the beach. So fresh! Color - white.

Key Lime Pie - An all american sweet treat! Whipped cream, sweetened milk, graham cracker crust and lots of lime. Color - light green.

Lilacs - A very true fragrance - just like having a bouquet of lilacs. Color - purple.

Country Clothesline - Freshly washed sheets hanging on a clothesline blowing in the gentle country breeze. Color - white.

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Cucumber Melon - Fresh, sliced cucumbers with a splash of honeydew melon. Color - pale green.

Nectarine Peach Punch - Freshly picked nectarines and peaches with a sparkling water make this sweet, refreshing punch. Color - peach.

Balsam Fir - This year 'round favorite will remind you of taking a walk in the woods. Color - green.

Sweet Pea - This delicate flowery fragrance with beautiful petals & greenery reminiscent of an English Garden. Color - pink.

White Tea - A unique blend of tea that contains notes of jasmine, patchouli, cedar wood, musk and fresh melon. Color - white.

Sage & Citrus - A soothing combination of citrus like ruby red grapefruit, lemon rinds & fresh sage leaves. Color - green.

9 oz. candle \$14.00



**ELEVENTH  
GRADE** Trekkers  
will be spending  
the night at  
South Parish  
Congregational  
Church

**This Weekend**



Personalized.  
  
Adaptive.  
  
Long-Term.  
Our programmatic  
approach ensures  
that each student  
has access to year-  
long, regular  
individual time  
with a Professional  
Adult Mentor.  
Each mentor is  
trained in a  
strengths-based  
approach, creating  
positive  
environments for  
development and  
critical support in  
times of challenge.



WELCOME, TREKKERS!



**CORE PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

Our goal is to be a part of students' lives from grade to grade and year to year. Trekkers follows students as they "graduate" from one program into the next along a six year journey that starts when they are in 7th grade and continues until they graduate.

Thank you so much again for accommodating our stay this week! Here's some information about our group and the trip we are running.

Trekkers is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to cultivate the inherent strengths of young people through the power of long term mentoring relationships. The students visiting South Parish church are 11<sup>th</sup> grade students who have been part of our program for the past five years. Yours will be the first place we stay on a 10 day journey through New England and Canada, during which we will be exploring colleges and other post high school opportunities. During these 10 days we will go canoeing in Farmington, visit at least 4 colleges, see a theater performance in Montreal, do hot yoga, visit a Buddhist temple, and so so much more. You can learn more about our programs at [trekkers.org/programs](https://trekkers.org/programs)

Thanks again, and have a lovely week,

**TJ Morris** Program Manager



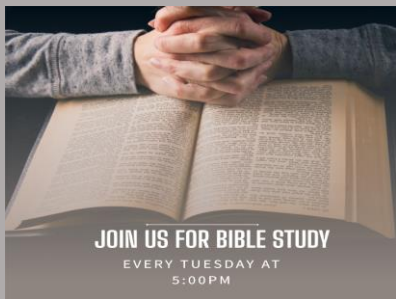
**ELEVENTH GRADE TRIP**

Throughout the school year, students explore the possibilities that lay before them as they begin to plan life after high school. Together as a team and with their Program Manager, students explore intentions, goals, and responsibilities as they move towards becoming an adult citizen. The expedition can include visits to colleges of interest, trade schools, alternative options, and career exploration. Support, practice, and introduction to professionals and skills is included. Students are also invited to participate in optional leadership training.

Join us  
for Bible  
Study



This is  
what the  
CHeF  
(Centralize  
d Helping  
Fund) is all  
about and  
why your  
donation  
was so  
important  
to support  
this great  
program



As you dig deep into the Word, you will undoubtedly fall more in love with Jesus. Join us by Zoom (get the link from Marcel in the office, or from Kathy) or come to Church and sit with Reverend Nathan as he leads our group.

Kathy Petersen, CE Chair

Bridging the Gap Monthly Report MARCH 2024

TOTAL UNDUPLICATED INDIVIDUALS REACHED IN 2024 TO DATE: over 1,873 (ytd in 2023: 1,585)

TOTAL INDIVIDUALS REPORTING “NO PERMANENT RESIDENCE”: 150 (same ytd in 2023: 85)

SERVICE STATISTICS FOR MARCH

- Addie’s Attic:**
- Total Households served: **261** (same month 2023: 211 = a 24% increase)
  - Total unduplicated individuals served: **782** (same month 2023: 652 = a 20% increase)
- Basic Essentials Hygiene Pantry:**
- Total Households served: **266** (same month 2023: 234 = a 14% increase)
  - Unduplicated individuals served: **868** (same month 2023: 817 = a 6% increase)
  - Percentage of individuals who are New Mainers: **32%**
- Warming Center:**
- Total sign-ins for March: **225** (same month 2023: 30 = a 650% increase)
  - Total sign-ins for the SEASON: **707** (total for 2023: 133 = a 430% increase)
  - Total unduplicated individuals for the season: **75**
  - Ridership on the BTG sponsored KVCAP bus = **930 riders since November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

RESOURCE CONNECTION & SUPPORT

Number of individuals served: **46**

CENTRALIZED HELPING FUND (CHeF) ALLOCATIONS

MARCH 2024	YEAR TO DATE 2024
Hotel = \$0	Hotel = \$297.00
Recovery Housing = \$788.00	Recovery Housing = \$1,588.00
Rooming House = \$0	Rooming House = \$0
Rental Assistance = \$2,189.00	Rental Assistance = \$5,317.00
Security Deposit = \$500.00	Security Deposit = \$1,500.00
Housing Other = \$0	Housing Other = \$500.00
Utilities = \$245.06	Utilities = \$2,013.30
Heating Assistance = \$399.90	Heating Assistance = \$1,980.73
License Renewal = \$0	License Renewal = \$0
ID/Birth Certificate = \$0	ID/Birth Certificate = \$20.00
Car Repairs = \$1,191.40	Car Repairs = \$1,191.40
Gas = \$90.00	Gas = \$310.00
Taxi/Concord/Greyhound = \$233.45	Taxi/Concord/Greyhound = \$505.28
Kennebec Explorer = \$0	Kennebec Explorer = \$0
Phone/Phone Service = \$86.88	Phone/Phone Service = \$86.88
Medical = \$0	Medical = \$0
Employment = \$0	Employment = \$0
Food = \$100.00	Food = \$275.00
Laundry = \$0	Laundry = \$0
MARCH TOTAL = \$5,823.69	YTD TOTAL = \$15,584.59





# EMERGENCY OVERNIGHT WARMING CENTER

PROVIDING  
WARMTH  
AND  
SHELTER TO  
THOSE IN  
NEED



## How can you help?

### MONETARY GIVING

Our community has come alongside us on this project and has been extremely generous! but want to be responsible to both our guests and staff. Our goal is to start each season confident in our funding for the full season. Any help you can give goes towards operating costs is appreciated.

Donate

US\$0.00



Thank you for sharing

### VOLUNTEER

If you have a small group that would commit to a week of volunteering at check in and check out, contact Beth at basbella@hotmail.com for more information!

### DONATE SUPPLIES

If you would like to donate items that our shelter could use, you can drop off your donations at the warming center after during shelter hours of 5:00pm or at the Church office Monday thru Thursday between the hours of 9:00am thru 1:00 pm Wednesday from 11 AM, donations cannot be dropped off during shelter hours. Please limit donations to items on our Wish List

### Our Wishlist

Real sugar; bags or packets	<b>Fruit Snacks</b>	Pillows & Liners	Winter Jackets
Coffee Creamer; all types	Ramen Noodles	Lysol/Clorox Wipes	Sweatpants Sweatshirts
Coffee Stir Straws Milk	Canned Ravioli & Spaghetti	Surface/Disinfectant Cleaner	<b>Heavy Thick Gloves</b> Boots
Snacks	Individual Oatmeal Packets	Regular Size Garbage bags.	<b>Socks Always Need</b>
Sugar Substitutes	Plastic Spoons & Forks and Knives	Paper Towels	Coffee Cups (disposable)
Coffee	Toilet Paper		

**We are very grateful for all donations and thank you for helping serve our guests at the shelter.**

Join us for  
Men's  
Breakfast



Bus Report



US  
Department  
of Veteran  
Affairs



Join Us for a Hearty  
Breakfast!  
Every Thurs 6:30 AM



ALL MEN ARE WELCOME



TAKE THE BUS TO & FROM BRIDGING THE GAP!

Bridging the Gap is partnering with the Kennebec Explorer (KVCAP) to offer **FREE** transportation to and from Bridging the Gap



1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> TUESDAYS

9:30 a.m. Kennebec Explorer bus leaves from Bread of Life Soup Kitchen on Water Street in Augusta and goes to Bridging the Gap

11:30 a.m. Kennebec Explorer bus leaves Bridging the Gap and goes to Bread of Life Soup Kitchen on Water Street in Augusta

Addie's Attic Clothing Bank and Basic Essentials Hygiene Pantry are open every Tuesday & Thursday from 10 am – 1:45 pm. Customers can come once per month.

ATTENTION: RECENTLY SEPARATED VETERANS AND TRANSITIONING SERVICE MEMBERS

JOIN US FOR A  
VIRTUAL EVENT

May 7 – 9, 2024  
12PM – 5PM EST



You're invited to get 1-on-1 assistance to get the VA health care and benefits you've earned.

GET HELP WITH:

- ★ Signing up for VA Health Care ★
- ★ Applying for VA Education Benefits ★
- ★ Submitting a VA Disability Claim ★
- ★ Toxic Exposure Concerns ★
- ★ Mental Health Support ★
- ★ VA Burial Options ★

REGISTER TODAY!

Please note this is available only to residents of the listed states and all times are Eastern Standard Time.

[www.VA.gov/veac](http://www.VA.gov/veac)

VETERANS EXPERIENCE ACTION CENTER

RYHOPE FOR OUR WARRIORS

Thank you for your service. We're here for you if you need us.  
Download the VA Welcome Kit: [VA.gov/welcome-kit/](http://VA.gov/welcome-kit/)  
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The one number to reach VA: 1-800-MyVA411

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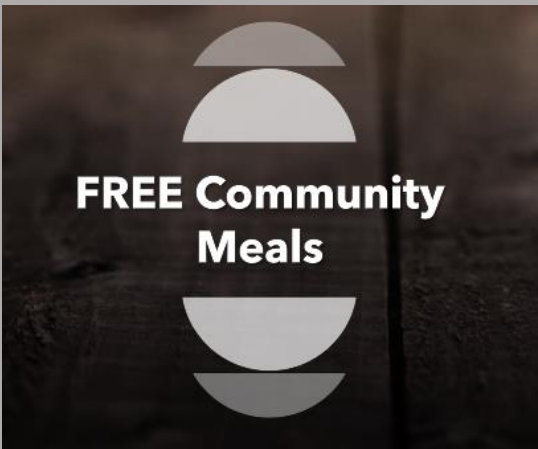


Community  
Dinners



COMMUNITY DINNERS  
FOR THE HUNGRY

JOIN US IN FEEDING  
THE LESS FORTUNATE



COMMUNITY MEALS

- 1st Saturday of the Month 4:30pm  
South Parish Congregational Church UCC  
9 Church St. Augusta  
*Served by UU Community & Emmanuel Lutheran Episcopal Church.*
- 2nd Saturday of the Month 4:30  
South Parish Congregational Church 4:30pm  
9 church St. Augusta,  
*Served by The South Parish Congregational Church UCC*
- 3rd Saturday of the Month 4:30 pm  
South Parish Congregational Church  
9 Church St. Augusta  
Served by Community Group.
- 4th Saturday of the Month 4:30pm  
Penney memorial 393 water St. Augusta,  
Served by Penney Memorial Baptist Church
- 5th Saturday of the month 9 Church St. 4:30pm  
South Parish Congregational Church 9 Church St  
Augusta,  
Served by St. Michael's Parish and Temple Beth-El.



Serving the Community,  
One Meal at a Time

JOIN US IN OUR MISSION  
TO PROVIDE MEALS FOR  
THOSE IN NEED



*The Third Saturday  
Community Suppers is  
looking for volunteers.*

There are a number of opportunities, such as and serving sit down meals, coffee prep and serving to go meals, dishwashing and cleanup. Mingling with the diners is always encouraged.

Dessert donations are always welcome at any of the Community Suppers. Please consider volunteering a few hours on the third Saturday of the month..

April

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 AA Meeting 7-8am AA 12-1pm Bridge Club 1-3pm Line Dancing 6 pm	2 AA 7-8:15am AA 12-1pm Bible Study 5pm Trustees Meet 6pm	3 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm ASO 5-9PM	4 Men's Breakfast 6:30am AA 7-8am AA 12pm-1pm	5 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm	6 Community Supper 4:30-5:30pm
7 Worship Sunday 10 am	8 AA Meeting 7-8am AA 12-1pm Bridge Club 1-3pm Line Dancing 6 pm	9 AA 7-8:15am AA 12-1pm Bible Study 5pm	10 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm ASO 5-9PM	11 Men's Breakfast 6:30am AA 7-8am AA 12pm-1pm	12 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm Trekks Cycle Group	13 Trekks Community Supper 4:30-5:30pm Pet Pantry 9-10am Shakespeare 1-4 MG RM
14 Worship Sunday 10 am	15 AA Meeting 7-8am AA 12-1pm Bridge Club 1-3pm Line Dancing 6 pm	16 AA 7-8:15am AA 12-1pm Bible Study 5pm Council Meet 6pm	17 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm ASO 5-9PM	18 Men's Breakfast 6:30am AA 7-8am AA 12pm-1pm	19 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm	20 Community Supper 4:30-5:30pm
21 Worship Sunday 10 am	22 AA Meeting 7-8am AA 12-1pm Bridge Club 1-3pm Line Dancing 6 pm	23 AA 7-8:15am AA 12-1pm Bible Study 5pm	24 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm ASO 5-9PM	25 Men's Breakfast 6:30am AA 7-8am AA 12pm-1pm	26 AA 7-8am AA 12-1pm	27 Kitchen Casserole Group 9am-12pm
28 Worship Sunday 10 am Shakespeare 1pm	29 AA Meeting 7-8am AA 12-1pm Bridge Club 1-3pm Line Dancing 6 pm	30 AA 7-8:15am AA 12-1pm Bible Study 5pm				

VISIT US DURING  
OFFICE HOURS



Pastor Nathan Richards

Is available on

Tuesday: 11am - 3pm

Wednesday: 9am - 2pm

Church Office Hours

Monday 9am - 2pm

Tuesday 9am - 3pm

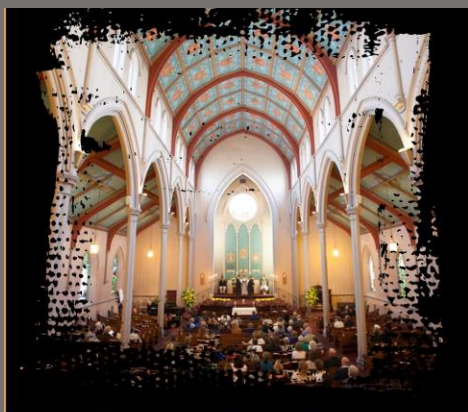
Wednesday 9am - 2pm

Thursday 8:00am 12:00pm

Friday Closed

Saturday Closed

Sunday Service 10:00  
am` `



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**10:00 am**

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