

Church Services

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, Dublin Hill, Machias. Service of Holy Communion, Sun., 9:30 a.m. for the months of Jan., Feb. and March., google.com/site/staidansmachias/. Info 259-3328.

Beals Wesleyan Church. Elm St., Beals. Order of service: 10 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. morning worship; 6 p.m. Evangelistic hour. Wed. 6 p.m. Prayer time. Pastor George Woodward. 497-2262 or 497-5474.

Bucks Harbor Baptist Church, 33 Ridge Rd., Bucks Harbor, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Worship & Bible Study; Wed. 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting. FMI Donny Wood 255-6708.

Machias Christian Fellowship, an outreach of Calvary Chapel, 120 Kennebec Rd., Machias, Sun. morning services @ 8:30 and 10:30. Sun. evening service @ 6p.m. and mid-wk Bible Study, Thurs. @ 6:30 p.m. Children's ministry - all services. Pastor Aaron Dudley, 255-8287.

Centre Street Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, Machias. Nursery available & church school for K - Middle School. Cherub Choir, Bell Choir, Chancel Choir. Handicapped Accessible. Worship Service 10:30 a.m.; Info 255-6665.

Cherryfield First Baptist Church, 39 Main Street, Sunday School, 9:15, Worship service, 10:30, Wednesday prayer meeting 6:30 p.m., Pastor Max Merrill, 598-8730.

Cherryfield First Congregational Church, River Road. Rev. Larry Zimmerman, 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration, Mobile 843-5656.

Christian Science Society of Calais holds Sun. services at the St. Croix Masonic Lodge, Calais Ave., all are invited. Info 454-2352 or 255-8635.

Christian Temple Church, 41 Main St. Lubec. Worship & Sunday School Sun. 11 a.m. Adult Bible study, Sun. 9:45, Bible study & prayer, Thurs. 7 p.m. Rev. Daniel Fristchle. 733-2887.

Cobscook Friends Meeting (Quakers) - Rt. 189, Whiting, Sun. Meeting for Worship 10 a.m. All welcome.

Columbia Falls United Methodist Church at 16 Church Hill Circle, Sun. Services at 10:30 a.m. Sun. School at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Janice Rhenow. 483-2787.

Community of Christ, Sun., 11 a.m. Services at Beals Island Church 50 Bayview Dr., Pastor Terry Feeny 497-2186. Jonesport Church, Main St., Pastor Sharon Church 497-2117; Machias Church, 54 North St., Pastor Loverne Strassburg 259-2027; So. Addison Church, 316 Mooseneck Rd, Pastor Harold Tyler 483-2374.

Cutler United Methodist Church, Rt. 191 South, Cutler, worship service Sun. 10:45 a.m. except 1st Sun. of month @ 6 p.m. Pastor Patti Sears. All welcome. Child care provided. Info 259-2097., or Pastor Patti 214-9026, *****

Dennysville-Edmunds Congregational Church, Rev. Ronald Windhorst, Pastor, Dr. Colin Windhorst, Assistant Pastor 726-3905; Sunday School 10 to 11:10, Worship - 11 a.m. *****

Downeast Baptist Church - Pastor Peter Laitres. 395 Dublin St., P.O. Box 316, Machias, Me 04654. 207-255-5822/ www.downeastbaptistchurch.com. Sunday school, 9:45, Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday prayer - 6:30 p.m. *****

Downeast Spiritualist Church - Sundays, 1 - 2:30 except last Sun. of month. At Congregational Church, Middle St. Eastport w/ Pastor Sandy Scott., Spirit messages - end of service. FMI 853-2308 *****

Faith United Methodist Church, 444

Rt. 1, Columbia: Sun. Worship 10:45 a.m., Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Rev. R. Daniel Blevins, 483-4094. All welcome. *****

First Baptist Church of East Machias (next to the fire station) Experiencing Christ Together in Bible study, prayer & ministry. Please join us Sun. @ 4 p.m. Info Bob Simpson, 259-3473. *****

First Congregational Church of East Machias. Ed Randall at 9:30 a.m. Everyone welcome. 255-3728. *****

Holmes Bay Baptist Church - Cutler Rd, Machiasport. Sunday School & Service 9 a.m. Pastor Greg Schors *****

Holy Name Catholic Church - see St. Peter the Fisherman's Parish *****

Holy Trinity Chapel - a traditional, conservative, Anglo-Catholic fellowship in the Celtic and Benedictine traditions. Rev. Fr. Alan L. Andraeas, Rector. Holy Eucharist, Sun. 10:00 a.m. Meeting at 38 Cemetery Rd., Dennysville. 726-5129. saintbrendans@pwless.net *****

Jacksonville United Methodist Church service 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. Rev. Patti Sears. FMI 214-9026, 255-6282, or www.jacksonvilleumchurch.com - Rt. 191, E. Machias, Sunday School and Nursery provided. *****

Jonesboro Union Church - Sunday service - 10 a.m., Hymn sing- 9:30. Guest Pastors. *****

Lifespring Chapel Church of God, Rt. 1, East Machias. Sun. School 9:15 a.m.; Service - 10:30 a.m., & 6 p.m.; Wed. Prayer 6 p.m. All are welcome. Pastor Doug 733-2923. *****

Lighthouse Bible Church, 173 Ridge Road, Addison. Worship Services (Winter Hours) 11 a.m. 483-2210. *****

Machias Branch - Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Sacrament Service Sun. 10 a.m., 100 Court St., Machias, 255-0707. Branch President - Peter Marshall. All welcome. *****

Machias Valley Baptist Church. Broadway, Machias. Sun. School 9 a.m., Service 10:30 a.m. Pastor Henderson 255-4476. *****

Machiasport Congregational Church Rt.92. Music 10:20 a.m., Sun. Worship 10:30 a.m. All welcome. Pastor Francois Akoa 255-0772 (parsonage). *****

Marshfield Congregational Church Church Ln., Marshfield, Pastor John Sprague. Sun. Worship 8 a.m. Info 255-3660. All are welcome. *****

Milbridge/Wyman United Methodist Churches. Wyman Rd., Milbridge Services 9 a.m. alternating between locations; Sunday School when services are in Wyman. Pastor Steven W. Smith. *****

New Dawn Fellowship, Rt. 1, Columbia, Wed. prayer and Bible study, 10 a.m., coffee hour 9:30, Sunday service-10 a.m., coffee & fellowship 9:30, FMI-Pastor Chip - 207-483-1201, pastorchip57@yahoo.com *****

Pentecostal Lighthouse Kennebec Rd. Machias. Sun. School & Worship 10 a.m. & Wed. 6 p.m.; Sat. Prayer 6 p.m. & Sun. Prayer 6 p.m. Pastor Deniz Channell, 255-3577. *****

River of God Sun. 10 a.m. worship: group sharing 11 a.m. in The Barn at 12 Fremont St., Machias. Bible study & intercessory prayer Thurs. 6:30 p.m. in The Eagles Nest in church Parsonage. Info Pastor Ralph Ackley 255-6369 or email: manystreamsonriver@yahoo.com. *****

Sacred Heart Church, 19 Church St., Lubec. Mass Sat. 4:30 p.m., Weekday Liturgy Mon., Wed. & Fri. 8 a.m. Youth, Teen & Adult Religious

Education Classes. FMI Fr. Gene Gaffey, pastor 733-2214 or 255-3731. All welcome! *****

St. Andrew Lutheran Church (ELCA) -Holy Communion, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Weald Bethel Chapel, Rt. 1 Cherryfield. Holy communion is celebrated every week. All welcome. FMI call Pr. Priscilla Hukki. 667-7641 or go to www.lutheran-sonline.com/standrewmaine . *****

St. Peter the Fisherman's Parish, 8 Free Street, Machias, 255-3731

Saturday : St. Timothy's, Welshpool, Campobello, 4 p.m. Atlantic time, Sacred Heart, Lubec, 4:30 p.m. **Sunday** : Holy Name, Machias, 8:30 a.m., St. Michaels, Cherryfield, 10:30 a.m., **Weekdays**: Monday, Holy Name, Machias, 9 a.m., Tues. Sacred Heart, Lubec, 4:30 p.m., Friday, St. Michaels, Cherryfield, 9 a.m. *****

Three Angels Seventh-Day Adventist Community Church Rt. 1, Whiting. Sat. Services 10 a.m. All welcome. Info Pastor Darrell Muehlhauser, 454-0075. www.threeangelsdda.com. *****

St. Michaels in Cherryfield. Sun. Mass 11 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation before Mass. *****

Unionville Church of God, Steuben, Sun. services 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m. Pastor Charles Kelley, 546-2668. Bible study & youth group Wed. 6:30 p.m. *****

United Pentecostal Church, Hwy 187, Indian River Rd., Jonesport. Sun. services 10 a.m. & 6 p.m., & Tues. 6:30 p.m. *****

Wesley Community Church A Friendly Bible Believing Church, - Sun. School 9:15 a.m.; Sun. Service 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Prayer & Bible Study. Ladies Bible Studies at Parsonage, Tues. 10 a.m.. Info 255-0140 or wcc@pwless.net. *****

West Lubec United Methodist Church Rt. 189, West Lubec. Sun. Morning Worship Service 11 a.m.; Communion Services, 2nd Sunday of month. Sun. School all ages, September- June 9:45 a.m.; Choir rehearsals Tues. 6:30 p.m. Pastor Bernie Hammond 733-2426; 483-4052. *****

Whitneyville Congregational Church, Main St., Whitneyville, Sun. Service 9 a.m., Pastor Betty Duzen 259-2088 or 255-8640. *****



Eastern Agency on Aging's Meals for ME program deliver noontime meals through Meals on Wheels to those who qualify and serves at Community Cafes where all are welcome. Cost is \$5 under age 60. Suggested donation for seniors age 60 or older is \$3. Additional donations are appreciated. For a reservation or more information, call (800) 432-7812 Or 207-733-4555.

Meals for ME
April 27 - May 3
Wednesday, April 27 - Chicken pot pie, broccoli cuts, white roll, sugar cookie

Thursday, April 28 - Meat lasagna, winter vegetable mix, wheat roll, pumpkin whoopie pie
Friday, April 29 - Barbeque pork loin, mashed sweet potato, corn & peppers, wheat roll, strawberry cake

Monday, May 2 - Popcorn chicken, baked potato wedges, broccoli & cheese, white roll, molasses cookie
Tuesday, May 3 - Meatloaf, tomato gravy, red skinned mashed potato, carrots, wheat roll, chocolate frosted yellow cake.

Maine Sued for St. Croix Closure to Alewives

St. Croix River Alewife Population Has Plummeted by Over 90 Percent

Fishermen and river herring advocates are challenging a 2008 Maine Law that unconstitutionally blocks alewives and river herring from 98 percent of their native habitat in the St. Croix River Basin. Two Maine fisheries officials responsible for placing physical barriers called "stop logs" that prevent fish from migrating past the Grand Falls Dam on the St. Croix River are named in the suit filed today in U.S. District Court.

The 2008 Alewife Law directs Defendants Norman H. Olsen, Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources, and Chandler E. Woodcock, Commissioner of the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, to eradicate alewives and blueback herring from their historic spawning and nursery habitat in the St. Croix River basin.

"What the Maine legislature did in response to a few shrill voices is absolutely unconscionable as well as in total violation of the Clean Water Act," said Ed Friedman, Chairman of Friends of Merrymeeting Bay, one of the plaintiffs. "Neither other fish species dependant on river herring nor the endangered Gulf of Maine groundfishing industry can afford the continued collapse of St. Croix alewives. We need healthy rivers to maintain a healthy Gulf and alewives make that connection."

Attorney Roger Fleming with the public interest law firm Earthjustice and Attorney David Nicholas are representing Friends of Merrymeeting Bay, Douglas H. Watts, Captain Edward "Ted" Ames, and Kathleen McGee.

"Alewives and river herring are vital cogs in the wheel of the Atlantic Ocean ecosystem," said Ted Ames, recently awarded a MacArthur Fellowship for his groundbreaking research on near-shore fisheries ecology. "My research shows that these fish played a critical role as forage for near shore populations of cod and other commercially valuable groundfish population. We must find ways to restore and protect them."

"This law is like ordering that cardinals, bluebirds and chickadees be eradicated from Maine," said Doug Watts, a wildlife photographer who has captured images of alewives for

years. This case specifically challenges a 2008 Maine law ordering Maine fish and wildlife officials to prevent alewives from migrating past the Grand Falls Dam. Prior to implementation of a similar law in 1995, the St. Croix River contained perhaps the largest population of alewives in North America and now only a small remnant remains. The law was put in place at the request of sport fishermen who catch non-native species of bass in that area with the mistaken belief that alewives were negatively affecting their Maine's upstream sport fisheries.

"Good law is based on sound fact," said Fleming. "Law also needs to be consistent with the U.S. Constitution. Maine missed on both counts here."

"A vibrant Maine economy requires a healthy environment which, in turn, necessitates biodiversity in our rivers," said Kathleen McGee. "The St. Croix must be opened to alewives to assure strong economic and environmental vitality."

Under the U.S. Constitution, the 2008 Alewife Law is preempted by the federal Clean Water Act which establishes strict requirements for maintaining and changing water quality in our nation's waters. Maine's actions have caused the St. Croix River alewife populations to plummet from recent high of 2.6 million fish 1987 to only a few thousand fish today.

Alewives are ecologically, economically, historically, and culturally important to the St. Croix River basin and the entire Gulf of Maine ecosystem. The St. Croix River once produced the largest population of alewives in New England. Today, however, only a small fraction of that former population is found in a short section of the St. Croix River. Alewives play a keystone role in the river and coastal ocean ecosystem, serving as food for many other species of fish, marine mammals, and birds. They are fished for by commercial and recreational fishermen, and are valuable to fishermen and related coastal economies as bait for lobster and recreational fishermen, and as forage for commercially valuable species like cod, halibut, and tuna.

The Ark is looking for Donated Items
The Ark is now accepting donated items for their upcoming yard sale which will be held sometime in May.

We will accept clean, gently used clothing (no undergarments, bedding, or towels please), knickknacks, games, books, puzzles and toys. We will accept almost anything as long as it isn't broken or missing parts. We can not accept computers, monitors, T.V.'s, or other large appliances. We will accept items during business hours at the shelter. Sorry, we can't pick up.

If you have any questions please contact Pam at 546-3484, Tuesday through Saturday 10-4 p.m.