### **Greece United Methodist Church**



## THE ENLIGHTENER



May 2015

#### Message from the Pastor:

...So Sow

(see the Parable of the Sower - Matthew 13: 3-23)
(see also the Parable of the Fig Tree - | uke 13: 6-7)



Spring is the time when I start thinking "Garden!" We moved into our present home in August of 2014. The previous tenant had been a prolific flower gardener. However, in the last couple of years before we moved in, the weeds had grown up thick and tall. It took a lot of work to liberate those flower gardens. We hope to enjoy them this spring and summer. I even hope to start a vegetable garden.

Jesus lived in a time when agriculture was right close by, and a common part of everyone's life experience. He often made observations about farming and growing things, and told stories that involved this common facet of everyday life. Two of them are the Parable of the Sower, and the Parable of the Fig Tree.

As I read these two parables, I think back on the various garden patches that I have had at parsonages over the years. At one house, the only place for a vegetable garden was behind the garage, an area that had been used as a dumping ground over the years – not for garbage, exactly, but for rocks, and branches, logs, fireplace ashes, old lumber, and other stuff of that sort. All this stuff was then overgrown with weeds. Had I done as the sower did in the parable – random scattering of seed – I might have gotten a few plants that grew to maturity, but not many. Instead, I spent some time and energy clearing out rocks and stuff, killing off and beating back weeds, and tilling the soil. In fact, it took the whole first summer we were there to get the ground ready so that I could plant the next year. After all the work, the next year I had a nice garden.

As Jesus explained the parable to his disciples, the seed is the Gospel or "Good News", the soils are the people who hear the Good News, and the sower represents those who want to spread the Good News of God's love, forgiveness, and promise of abundant life through Jesus Christ. If our lives and words are in keeping with the Gospel, then we are sowing seeds all the time. A lot of it falls on deaf ears and skeptical or cynical minds. Once in a while, the Gospel gets through to someone through our words and/or actions. Percentage-wise, that portion is small.

However, we have a chance, in small areas close to our daily lives, to cultivate a small garden for the Gospel. We don't have to accept that the people close to us are too rock-strewn, or hard-packed, or weed-infested for the Gospel to take root and grow. With these people, as in our small household garden, we can take some time to "prepare the soil." We can help clear away some of the obstacles to belief and growth – the "rocks and weeds" of care, worries, and burdens. We can be like the gardener in the parable of the Fig Tree – not giving up, but putting some work and care into improving the "growing conditions." We can water, condition, and fertilize the soil with love, forgiveness, and generosity. We can live as though God loves, forgives, and promises life to <u>us</u>, as an example to them. Then we can carefully plant the seeds, and care for them. We can't do this for the whole world, but we can do it in small patches close to home.

All of us who believe have seed to be scattered, through the words we say and the things we do. We can plant the seed and hope it grows, and in a few lives, we can care for it and help it along. So sow!

In Christ's love,

Pastor Matt Stengel

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Salem Nutritional Center Tuesday, May 19th 9:00am—2:00pm Please join us for a morning of serving.



Donations Needed:

40 cans of Tuna
5 Jars of Mayo
5 Pies
Plastic Shopping Bags
Empty Coffee Cans

#### **Worship Schedule for May:**

#### Worship Services - 9:00 a.m. & 11:00am

What follows are the Lectionary Readings for each Sunday. Each week, the theme of the services will usually emerge from one of the prescribed readings (often the Gospel). We invite you to read through the lessons prior to Sunday morning. It can be a healthy discipline and enhance the experience of worship.

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5/3:	Acts 8:26-40	Psalm 22:25-31
	1 John 4:7-21	John 15:1-8
5/10:	Acts 10:44-48	Psalm 98
	1 John 5:1-6	John 15:9-17
5/17:	Acts 1:15-17,21-26	Psalm 1
	1 John 5:9-13	John 17:6-19
5/24:	Acts 2:1-21	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
	Romans 8:22-27	John 15:26-27;16:4b-15
5/31:	Isaiah 6:1-8	Psalm 8:12-17
	Romans 8:12-17	John 3:1-17

<u>A PRAYER CHAIN REMINDER</u>: We have an active prayer chain, both



through e-mails and phone. You're invited to be part of that; just call Bill and Gail Mason at 453-9038. Also, if you have a prayer concern of any kind that you want

to share, contact Bill and Gail at the number above or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:wmason@rochester.rr.com">wmason@rochester.rr.com</a>. We only send out prayer concerns when we receive direct requests.

Altar Flowers: If you would like a formal arrangement placed in honor/memory of a loved one, call Betty LaMonica. Arrangements are \$25.





Anniversary Ministry: Please contact me of your special day at dham1@rochester.rr.com

Thank you, Dick Hamblin

Birthday Ministry: We would love to recognize your special day. Please e-mail the office to let us know if your birthday is not on our calendar. areeceumc@frontiernet.net





Deadline for all newsletter articles is the <u>15th of each</u> month by 5:00pm. Please e-mail to Deb Babbage at dbabbage@rochester.rr.com. Thank you.

#### **Notice of Church Conference**

On Sunday, May 3, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. (between the two services), we will hold a Church Conference for the purpose of deciding whether to sell a portion of our property. After several months of negotiations, a developer, Stony Path Townhomes, has offered to exchange a 50-year warranted roof on the entire church building for 6 acres at the north end of our property (about 5/8 of the green space at the back of the parking lot).

The roof over the education building is in immediate need of replacement, the roof on the commons and office area is nearly ready, and the sanctuary is about 5 years from needing replacement. The Trustees have recommended that the offer be accepted. On May 3, all members of the church will have a vote on this matter, and everyone who attends will be able to voice their thoughts. Please come and participate in this important event in the life of our church.



### SUMMERFEST 2015

Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.-3:00p.m.



Once again we are looking for people to rent a spot in our parking lot or indoors (limited space) for our annual Summerfest. We are looking for anyone who has crafts or household goods or plants or garage sale items etc. to sign up for this fun filled event! \$15 for an outside spot or \$30 for indoors will get you plenty of space to display your items. Come join in the fun!

There will be a sign up sheet in the commons area or you can call me. Thanks! &haron Neary

#### We Need Your Books!!!!!

Do you have books laying around that you read this cold and snowy winter that you're looking to get rid of? Look no further. We're looking for new or gently used books, CDs, DVDs, Blue Rays, and puzzles to sell at our annual book sale\*. We are hoping to collect enough to have another three day sale. Tell your friends. We need lots of books! Proceeds to benefit the church ministries. \*(Please no VHS tapes, magazines, encyclopedias, or textbooks.)

Your donations can be left in the coat room in Kings Common. Thank you for your support!



Annual Books and Bake Sale
June 18th, 19th, and 20th



#### Volunteers Are Needed!

If you are interested in volunteering at the sale or making and donating a baked item(s), please contact Debbie Babbage at <u>dbabbage@rochester.rr.com</u>. We have opportunities for set-up, sale days, and clean-up help.

Our volunteers are the greatest assets in making our sale such a success. Thank you in advance.

#### Dinner and Devotion with Dee and Deb

Let's come together to break bread and reflect on God's presence in our lives. Dee and Deb will provide a soup and salad dinner, along with some treats.



May Meetings: 5/13 & 5/27 5:30—6:30, Fellowship Hall

#### Page Turners Monthly Book Club:

May Selection:



## **All The Light We Cannot See**By Anthony Doerr

From the highly acclaimed, multiple award-winning Anthony Doerr, the beautiful, stunningly ambitious instant *New York Times* bestseller about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II.

Please join us **Thursday, May 28th at 10:00am** in the Kerrison Room as we discuss this month's novel. Everyone is invited. Bring your friends.

June Selection: TBA

Bagel and Book Study:

## One Thousand Gifts: A Dare to Live Fully Right Where You Are.

By Ann Voskamp

How in the world do we find real joy and experience grace in the midst of deadlines, debt, drama, and all these daily duties? These sixty reflections, each one like a singular tree, invite you to take wing into a forest of graces. Glimpses of grace that will lead you into your own lifestyle of Christ-focus and communion. Into how your desperate need of Him every moment is wildly met with His extravagant love for you. As practical as profound, this devotional offers *real* life transformation with intentional space to begin the radical habit of thanking God for your own one thousand gifts.

Group meets Wednesday
@ 9:30-11:00am
Soho's Bagel Café, Stone Ridge Plaza
Contact Deacon Dee for books.



Adult Sunday Class— 10:00—11:00am

Vanishing Grace: Whatever Happened to

the Good News

by Phillip Yancy

#### Tuesday Book Group:

New Book Starting March 10th

## No Longer Silent: The Empowerment of Women in the Gospel

By Susan Dehn Matthews

Author Susan Dehn Matthews attempts to highlight the women in the Gospels and provide the background behind those important women. She gives voice to the minds and hearts of the women of the gospels who have been marginalized or ignored altogether.

This book is a selection from the UMW reading program under the category of Spiritual Growth.

# All are welcome to this group which meets on Tuesday mornings at 10:00am in Room 9.

For books or if you have questions, contact:

Linda Hoffman, facilitator

Imhoffman@rochester.rr.com

#### **Grand Sweep Bible Study**

Ever want to read the Bible cover to cover and could not do it? 360 days in the Bible with a source written to guide you along and a monthly discussion group to make sense of it all.

Would you make a commitment to read and reflect on the Bible and be part of discussion once a month?

Contact Deacon Dee if interested.

Next Meeting: Monday, April 6th, 7-9:00pm



#### GREECE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

**Next Executive Committee Meeting:** August 31, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. Room 9.

Linda Hoffman, President.

(No Executive Committee Meetings in May, June or July.)



<u>Circle Meetings</u>: Miriam: Mon., May 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. at Asbury U.M.C.

Baby Shower and Tour of Asbury Storehouse.

**Ruth:** Tues., May 12<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 p.m. Room 9.

Mother's Day Program by Gale Huber and Pat McMann.

**Daughters All Banquet:** Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

Buffet dinner. Cost: Adults - \$10.00, Children 12 and under - \$5.00.

Reservations to Karen Ingle by Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Theme: "The 1950's". Please bring anything '50's related.

#### **District Spring Event:** Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015.

Our Genesee Valley District is partnering with the Niagara Frontier District for a combined Spring Event/Day Apart gathering. The event will be held at the Oakfield United Methodist Church, 2 South Main St., Oakfield, NY. The Rev. Chris Wylie will be our guest speaker for a program entitled "The Church and People With DisAbilities". Guests are welcome.

Registration and refreshments at 10:00 a.m. Program at 10:30 a.m.

The cost is \$10 for registration and lunch following the program.

Please RSVP to Arlene Martin, 690 Westside Dr., Rochester, NY, by April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Make checks payable to: "Genesee Valley District UMW".

#### **Church Women United May Friendship Day:** Friday, May 1, 2015.

Webster Presbyterian Church, 550 Webster Rd., Webster, NY 14580.

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan. "Journey of the Caregiver".

Registration and dinner at 5:30 p.m. Program begins at 7:00 p.m.

Cost is \$12.00. Reservation and payment is required by April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

See President Linda or your Circle Chairman for reservation form.

#### Did You Know:

- that there is a UMW Reading Program? Our own Phyllis Miller is the District Chairman. Please contact her if you're interested in learning about the program.
- -One of the books on the reading list is "No Longer Silent: The Empowerment of Women in the Gospels" by Susan Dehn Matthews. The Tuesday morning book group is reading this book now.

### Food Shelf Adoption Program



Many churches in our community are helping the food shelf by adopting a particular food item to help stock the shelves. Greece United Methodist has decided that we will "adopt" peanut butter and

jelly. Please help us each week by bringing your donation. Each Monday we will take our donations to the food shelf.

## **Summer Mission Trip July 25th-August 2nd**

We are joining Elma UMC on a trip to Kentucky. Adults and youth are invited to join in an experience of helping others. Commitment time is now. Cost is \$300.00. \$150 due now. Serve and love one another as we venture to the unknown at Henderson Settlement.



#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



The expected ground breaking will be on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting, but the location has changed to 87 Orange St. Our next fundraiser is a Sticky Lips BBQ to be held at Hope Church on Vintage Lane on Thursday May 21<sup>st</sup>. Call Bill Mason at 453-9038 if you would like a ticket - \$14 includes a Rib & Chicken Combo dinner with cornbread, BBQ beans and Mac Salad. Pick up is available between 3:00 and 7:00pm. Drive through purchases are also available.

You can also support our efforts by completing the following, making a donation and/or volunteering to work on a Habitat building site.

5	GREECE CHURCHES HABITAT PROJECT - 2014-2015
d	87 Orange St., /owner to be announced

Eight Greece area churches have joined together to sponsor a Habitat for Humanity home (our 6<sup>th</sup>); part of an ongoing effort to provide low income housing in Rochester. It takes \$65,000 to sponsor a home and many hours of volunteer help to build the house. *We need your help!!* How:

- 1. Consider a donation to help underwrite the cost. \$65 underwrites the cost of a square foot, \$20 a porch light, mailbox or doorbell, \$40 a ladder or landscaping, \$100 a square of shingles or siding, \$150 small windows or doors, \$200 a trim package or large window, \$500 a HVAC system, \$1,000 a light post. Priceless...your volunteer time.
- 2. Plan on volunteering to work on the house. There will be construction opportunities from ground breaking (scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup>) to completion NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! You will be trained by competent construction supervisors on the task for the day (s) you work. It's a rewarding empowering experience for both men and women. Work will begin in spring 2015. You can sign up directly on line at <a href="https://www.rochesterhabitat.org">www.rochesterhabitat.org</a> and go to the volunteer prompt. Support fund raisers both within the church and for the coalition. Watch for such things as our *Sticky Lips BBQ event in May 28<sup>th</sup>* and our Thanksgiving Pie Sale. These fundraisers also provide volunteer opportunities

If you have any questions call Bill Mason at 453-9038, or e-mail at <a href="wmason@rochester.rr.com">wmason@rochester.rr.com</a>.

Please tear off the coupon below and return it to the church office or place it in the collection plate:

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GREECE CHU Yes, I want to help by:	URCHES HABITAT PR	OJECT – 2014-15				
I plan on volunteering to work o	Making a donation of \$ payable to Greece UMC and marked for the Habitat ProjectI plan on volunteering to work on the construction of the home.  Note: If you want me to sign you up for work on the home, call Bill Mason at 453-9038. I'll help in an					
other way I can, call me at	·					
Signed:	Env. #	Date:				

By the way, I could use a backup to represent our church to the coalition. If you're interested let me know. Thanks for your ongoing support.

#### **Dinner & Entertainment**



Please join us for a wonderful evening with a special dinner and a magic show by David Black. David Black is a professional magician who has performed for over 30 years in such far away places as Australia, New Zealand, Great Britain and Bermuda. He most frequently performs in upstate New York and northern Pennsylvania. David is a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians currently serving as President of the Southern Tier Magic Circle.

He is well known in the Southern Tier of New York having presented many performances for the general public including shows at Scott's Oquaga Lake Resort, Deposit Lumberjack Festival, the Spiedie Fest, First Night Binghamton and Earth Fest. He is active providing entertainment for company events, clubs, organizations and private parties.

David also serves as Discipleship Coordinator at Sarah Jane Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church in Johnson City, New York where he enjoys incorporating a little magic while sharing the Gospel or illustrating a discipleship lesson.

David Black will present a show filled with music, comedy, illusion and mystery that you are sure to enjoy!

The price is \$25 per person and the proceeds will go to support Nurturing Ministries. Bring your friends! Guaranteed great fun!



#### STEWARDSHIP



In a Max Lucado book, "Cure for the Common Life", he uses a diagram with three circles overlapping. One is marked "My Everyday Life", another "My Strengths" and the third "God's Glory". Where they overlap, he calls the "Sweet Spot". The theme of the early chapters is about discovering your own sweet spot, and, as he says, "You have one, you know". Basically, he's referring to our individual talents, time and treasures. He goes on to say "You can do something in a manner that no one else can."

He encourages us to use our uniqueness (what we do) to make a big deal out of God (why we do it) every day of your life (where you do it). Sounds simple, but first we have to find a purpose, embrace it and commit to it. Not only that, once you do that and reach a conclusion for that purpose, we need to go on and find another, or even take on more than one at a time.

Further on in the book he goes on to say "God never called you to be anyone other than you. But he does call on you to be the best you can be. The big question is, at your best, who are you? What are your strengths? What are your interests, your passions? What triggers your motivation. Our church provides many opportunities to take advantage of all of these facets in your life, read the Sunday bulletins, the monthly newsletters, talk with others. For me, I found Habitat for Humanity a place to put my talents to use doing work to help others. For some, there is our Nurturing Ministries efforts, the Music programs, helping with social functions, ushering, leading small groups, helping in the office and many others. Find your calling and take a step forward.

Bill Mason

#### Message from Outreach:



## Zíp-A-Dee-Doo-Dah! Zíp-A-Dee-A! Multiple THANK-YOUs are coming our way!

Following are excerpts from four recipients' letters which may be read in their entirety posted on the bulletin board outside Matt's office.

"On behalf of <u>Saving Grace Ministries</u>, we would like to thank you for your continued support . . . which significantly impacts the community in a positive way by providing housing, counseling, and other re-entry services for those returning from incarceration, as well as persons in need of housing to prevent homelessness. Without your support, these men would be unable to receive this type of care and opportunity to be successful. . . ." *Chris Pfohl, Executive Director of Grace House* 

"On behalf of <u>Cameron Community Ministries</u>, thank you for your donation. Because of your contribution, we continue to be able to help through emergency services, engagement, education, and empowerment for people living in the Lyell-Otis neighborhood." *Jennifer Muniga, Executive Director* 

"On behalf of the board, staff, and families we serve, thank you very much for your donations . . . . **RAIHN** is working diligently to help homeless families to return to sustainable independence by providing resources needed to stay housed and maintain stability for their children . . . . We are grateful for congregations like yours that want to make a difference."

Kim Hunt-Uzelac, Network Director, Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network, Inc.

Villa of Hope (formerly, St. Joseph's Villa): "Thank you for your generous support of our Holiday Wishes Project. Your donations . . . will make the holiday extra special for our youth!" Natalie Anderson, VP of Agency Advancement

Following our delivery of art supplies for the St. Patrick's Project, the youth created two hand-made cards: "We love to craft! Thank you for all the art supplies." "Thank you for all the craft stuff!" Mike, Jaobi, AJA, Kayla, Mark, Jai, Siera

Check next month's newsletter to read about the craft items donated for the Spring/Mother's Day Project at the Villa!

On April 10, we delivered a total of 99 pairs of undies and 15 pairs of socks to West Ridge, Holmes Road, Autumn Lane, Longridge, English Village, and Brookside, and, as usual, we were met with smiles, hugs, and many thanks. The nurses say there is always a need for undies, and they appreciate this generous ministry so much!

Finally, don't forget, *May is another Undie Sunday month*, so let's fill the big green basket again for the final delivery of this school year.



Thanks, everyone, for your ongoing willingness to help others by giving generously to all our projects!

#### Thoughts from Co-Lay Leader, Lisa Kostyshak

### Can You Prove Easter?

Easter is a proclamation. "Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed."

Easter is a Sunday.

Easter is a season (50 days of Eastertide)

Easter is a way of life.

Don't try to explain Easter, it is a mystery.

Don't try to prove Easter, it cheapens the experience.

You CAN prove Easter!!

Wait. What??

You "prove" Easter by LIVING Easter!

Do you believe in Easter?

Then YOU prove it by the way YOU live your life.

Do you believe Christ is risen?

Then YOU prove it by living in the power of the Resurrection.

Do you believe in a risen Savior?

Then YOU prove it by a life which demonstrates your faith.

Do you believe in Jesus?

Then YOU prove it by living in the peace, forgiveness, grace and compassion of Jesus.

Do you believe Easter is real?

Then YOU prove it by the way you live as a follower of the Risen Christ.

We are called to be the living proof of Easter.

We are called to demonstrate to a doubting world that Easter is real.

The proof of Easter is not the empty tomb, or even the appearances of the Risen Christ (notice how often the Bible tells us that some still doubted even when they saw Jesus).

#### No, the real proof of Easter is in the transformed lives of the followers of Jesus.

The early Christians demonstrated the reality of their Easter faith by their own changed lives. Others were amazed to discover those early disciples were changed, transformed, empowered witnesses whose integrity was not because of their fancy arguments or even because of their eye-witness testimony, but because they were **NEW PERSONS**.

Do you believe Easter is real?

Then prove it by the way you live as a follower of the Risen Christ.

Sources:

http://www.inumc.org/postdetail/1005980

#### **New Grief Forum/Parental Loss**



Next Meeting: Sunday, May 10th at 10:00—11:00 am in Fellowship Hall.

#### **Widows and Widowers Group:**



Our next meeting will be Sunday, May 17th at 2:00 pm in Fellowship Hall

#### **Congregation Updates**

#### Passings:



William Spence

April 4, 2015

Save the Date: Sunday, June 14th at 12:00pm
Church Spring Picnic
Hamburgers/Hot Dogs will be provided
Bring a dish or dessert to pass
All our welcomed!

#### **Special Request from Nurturing Ministries**

We are in need of a new projector screen for the Fellowship Hall. This is used for special events for video and PowerPoint presentations. If you have one to donate or would like to contribute towards the purchase please contact Debbie Babbage at dbabbage@rochester.rr.com

#### **May Birthdays**

Not available for web edition.

Contact office.



#### **May Anniversaries**

Not available for web edition. Contact office



#### Finance Monthly Report:

March numbers are as follows. Usable was \$77,102.12. We had spent \$74,630.67 and had \$13,745.16 in unpaid bills. Total of \$68,275.32 to spend. This leaves a minus \$11,273.71 through March.

Quarterly statements have been issued. Please check them so we can get any corrections made early in the year.

The fund raisers for Ruby Tuesday, Carmines and Ambit continue. We received \$79.34 from Ruby Tuesday, \$53.50 from Ambit and \$25.00 from Carmines.

The First week in April was a good one. (\$13,000) plus which should help a lot in catching up.

Bill



Cards of Gratitude:

These cards were sent to us from some of the children from the Villa of Hope,

thanking us for our generous donations of craft supplies. Your support was greatly appreciated.

#### Letter of Gratitude:

Thanks to all the folks from this wonderful church for your prayers, cards, rides, hugs, etc., etc. My fractured shoulder would not have healed so nicely without your support and caring.

Blessings, Sue Hogeman

Dear church family,

Thank you to everyone for such a wonderful surprise. Your cash gift will certainly come in handy.

Bud, Olivia and I are so appreciative of your support and care while in this period of transition. As we all know everything we do is a learning experience. Every day is a new lesson.

This benediction, my all time favorite, makes me smile and keeps me centered so this is my gift to you:

Go forth from this place rejoicing in the Lord. Delight in the God who is your salvation. Remember it is from the Lord you receive your strength. May God send you upon your way with a confident stride and a fearless heart, ready to tread upon the heights to which God calls you. Amen.

With this thank you are my blessings and love,
Mandy Rainey Lowell



#### Nursery:

5/3: Janice & Erich Ruppert

5/10: Kim & Carolina Whittemore 5/17: Melissa Dunn/ Kali Iachetta 5/24: Debbie & Missy Symonds 5/31: Barb Miroff/Phyl-Ann Helmes

#### Projectionists: 9:00/11:00

5/3: Ellen White/ Sarah Babbage

5/10: Earle Ridley/Jonathan Standhart

5/17: Kara Down/Earle Ridely

5/24: Norma Rappini/ Sarah Babbage

5/31: Ellen White/Jonathan Standhart

#### **Ushers:**

9:00: Don & Nancy LaClair, Don & Betty Lamonica

11:00: Sally Lepi

#### **Liturgists: 9:00 Worship**

5/3: No Liturgist 5/10: Sharon Neary

5/17: Sally Lepi

5/24: Tom Klingenberger

5/31: Neva Benson

#### **Greeters:**

5/3:

5/10: TBA—schedule unavailable at

5/17:

5/24: newsletter deadline

5/31:

#### **Counters:**

5/3: Keith Kroon, Norma Rapini, Melissa Dunn

5/10: Cindy Lane, Keineth Stone, Sally Lepi

5/17: Cindy Lane, Keineth Stone, Sally Lepi

5/24: Mary VandeLogt, Kim & Chelsea Whittemore

5/31: Mary VandeLogt, Kim & Chelsea Whittemore





The Worship Committee is looking for people who want to aid their fellow worshipers each Sunday. See below how you may help enrich our worship time:

Altar Guild: Members serve for a month to care for the chancel; filling the candles, hanging the paraments as required, and preparing for baptisms. This work can be done any time during the week, with the candles being checked between services. If you are interested, contact Phyl Ann Helmes.

**Communion Stewards:** This is a once a month obligation (and most likely only a few times a year). If interested, contact Mary VandeLogt.

**Greeters:** We are looking for people who would like to greet people 15 minutes before 9:00 and 11:00 Worship. Anyone can be a greeter, individuals, family groups, youth. If interested, contact Melissa Dunn @723-9053.

Ushers: Interested in serving your congregation in a small but significant way? Why not become part of one of the ushering teams? Groups of four members serve for a month once or twice during the year. Contact Tom Hinterman in person, or Hinterman.Tom7@Gmail.com

**Nursery:** Sally Lepi, Nursery Coordinator is looking for people to help serve a week in the nursery during worship. Could you sign up? We need to be able to give people with young children the option during both 9 and 11am for childcare.

**Projectionists:** Lisa Kostyshak, coordinator, is looking for projectionist for both the 9 and 11 am services. Please contact her if interested.

## May 2015—As of 4/15th

### Please see Website for updates

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					AA 12:00 PM Creative Hands 1:15 PM	Spring Cleanup — 9:00am -12:00pm Cub Scouts #173 Crossover
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Crop Walk		Carmines All Day Fundraiser	Bagels and Book Study	Atria Sr Bible Study	AA 12:00 PM	Emmaus Gathering 8:30 AM
	Silver Squares		9:30 AM	10:30 AM	Creative Hands	
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Square Dancers 12:30 PM	Staff Mtg 9:30 AM	AA	Women's AA	1:15 PM	
Traditional Worship		Tuesday Book Study	12:00 PM	11:00 AM	Daughters All Ban-	
Service 9:00 AM	Guitar Music Lessons	10:00 AM			quet 6:30 PM	
Fellowship & Educ.	2:30 PM	Guitar 2:30 PM	Music Guitar Lessons 2:20 PM to 8:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #195	AA 7:30 PM	
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	Bible Study	Education Team	Bell Choir 6:15 PM			
Praise & Worship Ser- vice 11:00 AM	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir			
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		Praise Band 7:00 PM				
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Carmine's_fundraiser 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	AA 12:00 PM	Staff Mtg 9:30 AM	Bagels and Book Study 9:30 AM	Atria Sr Bible Study	Newsletter Deadline Today	An Evening of En- chanting Entertain-
6.00 AWI to 12.00 PW		Tuesday Book Study	Study 9.30 AW	10:30 AM	louay	ment
Traditional Worship	Silver Squares	10:00 AM	AA 12:00 PM		AA 12:00 PM	6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Service 9:00 AM	Square Dancers 12:30 PM	Ruth Circle 12:30 PM	Music Guitar Lessons	Women's AA	Creative Hands	
Trustee Committee			2:20 PM to 8:00 PM	11.00 AW	1:15 PM	
	Guitar Music Lessons	Guitar 2:30 PM		Boy Scout Troop	A A 7 00 PM	
Fellowship & Educ.	2:30 PM	SPRC 7:00 PM	Dinner and Devo- tions	#195 7:00 PM	AA 7:30 PM	
	Miriam Circle		5:30 PM			
	7:00 PM	Treble Clefs 7:00 PM	D. II Ok alia 0 45 D.			
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM Traditional Worship	AA 12:00 PM Silver Squares Square Dancers	Salem Nutrition Center 9AM-1:30 PM Tuesday Book Study 10:00 AM	Bagels and Book Study 9:30 AM AA	Atria Sr Bible Study 10:30 AM Women's AA 11:00 AM	AA 12:00 PM Creative Hands 1:15 PM	Baby Shower 11AM - 3:00 PM
Service 9:00 AM Fellowship & Educ. for all ages 10:00 AM Praise & Worship Ser- vice 11:00 AM Widow/Widower Group 2:00 PM	12:30 PM Guitar 2:30 PM Ruby Tuesday Church Fundraiser 4:30 PM to 10:00 PM	Guitar 2:30 PM Finance Committee 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Treble Clefs 7:00 PM Praise Band practice 7:00 PM	12:00 PM  Music Guitar Lessons 2:20 PM to 8:00 PM  Bell Choir 6:15 PM  Chancel Choir 7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #195	AA 7:30 PM	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Carmine's Sunday church fundraiser 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM Traditional Worship Service 9:00 AM	No UMW meeting MS Society Support Group 10:30 AM AA 12:00 PM Silver Squares Square Dancers 12:30 PM	Staff Mtg 9:30 AM Tuesday Book Study 10:00 AM Guitar 2:30 PM Treble Clefs 7:00 PM Praise Band practice 7:00 PM Church Council 7:15 PM	Annual Conference Bagels and Book Study 9:30 AM AA 12:00 PM Music Guitar Lessons 2:20 PM to 8:00 PM	Annual Conference	Annual Conference	
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