

# Aldersgate Hinge

July / August 2014



## *From the Pastor*

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Today I have two things on my mind as I write this article for the summer *Hinge*. The first is a challenge that comes to us from James 1:9. "Everyone should be quick to listen..." Most would agree that we want more young adults and young families in church. Some have ideas or thoughts about what would make them want to come. Others have no clue. There are no easy answers. We are talking about a generation of people who have grown up in a different culture than many of us. Technological changes in just the past ten years have been astronomical. Many of these young adults have never been in church. I believe most are looking for something more in their lives and that Jesus is the answer. But how can we share Christ with people in these emerging generations in a way that will reach them? Here's my challenge to you for this summer. Make a conscious effort to take time to listen to a young adult or young parent — maybe it's a grandchild, a neighbor, your physical therapist, whomever you encounter on a regular basis. Ask them what they think about God, about Jesus, about the Church. Find out how they think the church could better serve them or the community. Remember, we are listening, not defending. Write down what you learn and give it to me. Let's see what we can learn from them.

The other thing I've been thinking is that one of the reasons most of us are reluctant to share our faith with others is because we don't often think about how God is involved in our day-to-day lives and/or we don't feel competent in talking about our faith in Jesus. I'm hoping we can change that by encouraging people to briefly share during our joys and concern times on Sundays where they have seen God at work during the past week or where they've had a chance to share Christ's love with others. If you have a longer testimony you want to share, let me know about it and we will find a time for you to share it during church. As we hear from each other, my hope is that we all become more aware of how God is working in our lives and in the world around us. This will make it easier for us to share Christ with others. I do ask that those who share during joys and concerns, keep it brief, save your thoughts to another week if a couple have already spoken, and if you've shared something recently give someone else the opportunity. It will also help if you give me or the ushers your prayer concerns in writing before the service starts and let me share them with the congregation. Let's see what God will do with this.

I pray you have time to relax and enjoy life this summer.

In Christ's love, *Pastor Anne*

## Aldersgate United Methodist Church

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# Our Ministry of Concern

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## Prayer Concerns

People are added and removed from our ongoing prayer list upon request. Please call the church office to ADD, REINSTATE, or REMOVE names.

**Hospitalized:** Tom Simons – Rochester General, Toby Place (friend of Dan Hallowell) – Strong

**In Rehab:** Bob Fisher – Jewish Home

**Recovering at Home:** Natasha Carstens, Beverly Johnson, Nora Spindler Miller, Ken Sisson, Hal Wagner, Bob Wiederhold

**Those with Ongoing Health Concerns:** Vonnie Ackerman, Hayden Armendinger (father of Debbie Kennedy), Todd Boer (grandson of Walt & Gege Dunn), Amanda Condrow (friend of Louie VanKouwenberg), Ursalee Crepinsek (cousin of Myrle/Beverly Johnson), Sarah Crough (niece of Doug & Nancy Jones), Logan Desmone (child of friend of Lisa Deutsch), William Donahue, Norm Edgett, Robert Fisher, James Fuller (brother of Mary Finacchairo), Heather Gerber (friend of Tracy Winter), Shirley Grierson, Becky Hess, Roy and Pat Holmes, Vi Hutchins (friend of Chris Palmer), Rich Keller, Addison Lorraine Kelly (daughter of Jessica Christie and Aaron Kelly), Barb Jeffers, Madeline Larabee (great granddaughter of Nancy Bailey), Kim Latragna, Ruth Loomis, Steven Lynch (son of Sylvia Lynch), Sylvia Lynch, Lena Mangion (friend of Richard Keegan), Tom Marsh, Charlotte & Patrick McCabe (daughter & son-in-law of Betty Baybutt), Allison McHugh, Joan Michlin, Ardis Nerby (mother of Lisa Deutsch), Dorothy Pearson, Kathy Peck, Kathy Montgomery Peterson (sister/sister-in-law of Ivan & Gloria Montgomery), Kaley Petrella (friend of Richard Keegan), Kamran Pickering (grandson of Donna Colangelo), Delia Pinto (aunt of Juan Ruiz), Donna Sarnacki (sister of Judy Hare), Susan Tuck Rooksby (friend of Bobbi and Rich Mohrmann), Elaine Roney (sister of Meg Jones), David Stanley, Bill Teasdale, Ashlee VanKowenberg's Grandpa Gassett, Denise White (daughter of Gloria and Rick Baker), James White (grandson of Gloria & Rick Baker), Mark Williams (son-in-law of Bob Wiederhold), Nancy Young

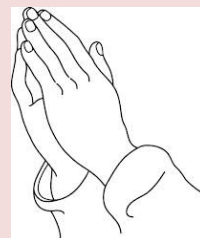
**Nursing Homes/Living Centers:** Nona Antczak, Warren Lenau (Debbie Lenau's father) – Seabury Woods; Maurice & Evelyn Deuel – Hilton East; Phoebe Brown, John Hayashi, Karl Goenitz (Lorraine Christie's father) – Edna Tina Wilson Living Center; Fred Hild – The Hurl-

## E-Mail Prayer Chain a Success!

The method of E-Mail for our weekly prayer chain is working well. Because each participant can choose WHEN to pray, these requests can easily be incorporated into one's daily prayer time schedule. Thank you for taking the time for this important ministry!

Please help us keep the printed Church Bulletin prayer concerns list UPDATED. If your family or friend's situation has changed and can be removed (or re-framed) from this current concerns list, please contact the church office.

Chitie Edgett, Coordinator



but; Rosetta Knapp – Crimson Ridge Gardens; Jean Smith – Crimson Ridge Meadows; Phyllis Little – Legacy Park Crescent; Len Mack – Legacy Cranberry Landing; Martha Thomson – The Village West

**Christian sympathy** is extended to Tim & Tammy Kephart & family on the death of Tim's father, Kyle Forrest Kephart.

**Christian sympathy** is extended to Paul & Phoebe Brown & family on the death of their daughter, Cheryl Haines.

**Christian sympathy** is extended to the family of Pauline Ashley.

**Christian sympathy** is extended to Juan & Tammy Ruiz on the death of Juan's aunt, Teresa Pinto.

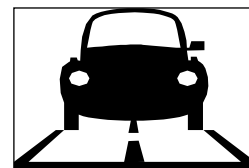
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## Parish Visitations

Call the church office when someone enters the hospital or is discharged or if you, or someone of whom you are aware, desire a pastoral call. This will help provide better pastoral care and avoid unnecessary trips. Arrangements for the Sacrament of Holy Communion are encouraged. Both pastors and the lay visitation ministers visit regularly and would be happy to include others in the visitation schedule.

## Transportation Ministry

Please call the church office if you need a ride for a doctor's appointment.



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## Church Events & Opportunities

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### Small Groups

The following Small Groups will not meet in July and August:

- Anne O'Connor's small groups.
- Dick Caupp's small group.
- Ken Sisson's small group.

They will resume in September.

### Adult Bible Class Launches New Summer Study

Adam Hamilton's "Christianity and World Religions" will be the focus of the Adult Bible Class beginning on July 6. In this series he compares Christianity with the other four major religions: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. Using a DVD of his sermon series on the subject and a participant book as guides, we will look at each of the religions. With so many world conflicts seeming to have religious differences as a base, we need to know more about what others believe.

The class meets each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the church parlor. Anyone interested is welcome to join us.

### One Year at Ruby Tuesday's!

With the **July 6 & 7** dates, we will celebrate our first full year at Ruby Tuesday's. In that year the restaurant has donated **\$2,397.56** for our Building Fund from the Aldersgate food receipts. Your purchases will benefit Aldersgate anytime the restaurant is open that weekend provided you give your server the voucher that will be in the bulletin on Sunday, July 6.

We have learned a couple of things from our experiences this year. A hard winter doesn't help attendance, and fellowship together is an important part of the experience. We can't do anything about the weather, but we found that attendance dropped off when we had two days to go there. We will continue with both days in July since they are already approved. However, come August we will ask for approval for only one day – **Monday, August 4**. This has been a small but steady source of income for our Building Fund and a great way to get together. Put these dates on your calendar now!

### No Game Nights in July or August

Game nights will resume in September. See you then!

### Crafting Unlimited Workshop, August 1 & 2

We are hosting our second two-day crafting time fundraiser at Aldersgate on August 1<sup>st</sup> (12:30 – 9 p.m.) and 2<sup>nd</sup> (9 a.m. – 8 p.m.). It will be Christmas in August! It's a great time to start on holiday projects or work on your items for the October craft sale.



This is open to the Rochester community. Participants will get dedicated table space. Dinner will be served on Friday evening. Breakfast and lunch are included on Saturday. The cost is \$25 for a single day or \$45 for both days.

There is an optional card workshop where you can make 10 greeting cards for \$20. No card-making experience is necessary! All supplies will be provided. Please register in advance if interested (there will be limited supplies available on-site on a first-come basis).

Child care will be offered if enough people request it and are willing to help split the cost.

For more information, contact Tammy Ruiz at 585-402-8078 or Karen Sladden at 585-342-5828. Registration forms are available at the office or online at: [www.aumcgreece.org/craftws](http://www.aumcgreece.org/craftws)

### Get Ready for the Crafts & Collectibles Show in October

Flyers have been sent out to past vendors for our upcoming Crafts & Collectibles Show on **Friday & Saturday, October 10 & 11**. If you know people who may want to participate, pick up vendor flyers for them from the Missions Counter or give their names and addresses to Candy Metzger or Gretchen Hughes.

We will continue to have a church booth with craft items donated by our members. Your contributions will be welcomed. The more variety we have, the more likely we are to do well at this booth.

Proceeds from the Craft & Collectibles Sale are divided between Aldersgate UMW and the Missions Committee.



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# Aldersgate United Methodist Women

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## UMCOR Kit Collection Starts Soon

Mid-July you will see the blue-gray totes lined up under the coat racks in the Gathering Space ready to receive supplies for **School Kits, Health Kits, and Layette Kits** for the **United Methodist Committee on Relief**. This annual project is important because it helps to stock the shelves at Mission Central in Mechanicsburg, PA ready to be shipped out for disaster relief or for the community health and educational projects undertaken by UMCOR in the US and around the world. We will also collect school supplies for the school backpacks distributed by our Hispanic ministry.

Last year we sent 101 School Kits, 200 Health Kits, and 50 Layette Kits along with boxes of additional supplies. Can we do better this year? Sew 'n Sew's have already completed more than 100 school bags. Sewing, crocheting, and knitting are underway to make baby gowns, sweaters, washcloths, and receiving blankets for the layette kits. What we can't make will need to be filled in with your purchases.

Ads for sales of school supplies traditionally start shortly after July 4. We start the collection early in order to get the best prices. While we don't put the UMCOR kits together until the UMW meeting on September 25, the backpacks for the Hispanic Ministry will be needed in August for the start of school here. UMW members will be counting and storing the items on a regular basis as the totes become full. All items must be new.

Each **School Kit** includes the following: **1 pair blunt scissors (rounded tip), 3 spiral-bound pads (or 150 sheets of loose leaf) of 8½" x 11" ruled paper, one 30-centimeter ruler, 1 hand-held pencil sharpener, 6 new pencils with erasers, 1 eraser (2½"), and 1 box of 24 crayons.**



For **Health Kits** we need these items: **Hand towels (15"x25" to 17"x27"); washcloths; large, sturdy combs at least 8" long (rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable); nail files or fingernail clippers; bath-sized (3 oz. or more) bars of soap; adult-sized toothbrushes in original wrappers; and adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages.**

**Layette Kits** include **cloth diapers pre-folded or plain, diaper pins, shirts or onesies, baby washcloths, baby gowns or sleepers, sweaters or hooded sweatshirts open in the front, and receiving blankets 30"x30" or 30"x32".**

Your support for this project, whether purchasing needed supplies or using your skills with a needle puts your love for God and his children into action on the front lines of disaster or poverty relief around the world. It's a testimony that we are truly "serving Christ with joy."



## Reading Circle Meets Year Round

We decided again this year to avoid the Independence Day weekend, so Reading Circle will meet on the second Thursday, **July 10**. Come prepared to share briefly a book you have enjoyed reading recently and to recommend a book for us all to read during the 2014-2015 program year.

We'll return to our pattern of meeting on the first Thursday for the August 7 meeting. Members will read *The Centurion's Wife* by Davis Bunn and Janette Oke, popular authors of Christian fiction. Copies of that book will be available in the church library. We will also vote on the books to be read this coming year.

The Reading Circle meets in the church library starting at 1:00 p.m. A hostess each month prepares light refreshments. Visitors and new members are always welcome. See or call Helen Wolter (621-1904) or Frances Crabtree (315-5077) for more information.

**UMW Members: Complete Your Reading Plan for 2014** and turn your report in to **Jane Salminen by August 10**.

You just need to read one book from each of the five categories—Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, Social Action, and Spiritual Growth—and *Response Magazine* to complete Plan I. Selections can be from the 2009-2014 reading lists if they haven't been included in previous reports. There's a good supply of books on the UMW cart in the church library. Some of them are quite short! Copies of *Response Magazine* are on the bottom shelf of the cart. Could we regain our leadership this year as the unit with the most readers?



### Enjoy Needlecrafts?

**Sew 'n Sew's** meets the second Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in Room 1 to work on a variety of "love in action" projects in addition to those mentioned in the previous article. We will continue to make Warm-Up Rochester **afghans** for this winter, **caps for preemies** born at Unity, **bibs** for children in daycare at Utica Neighborhood Center, **prayer shawls** for members of our congregation, and other useful items that come to our attention. Feel free to join us. If you need more information, talk to Joyce Farrok (865-5135) or Betty Hild (663-5032).



### Where Did the Leftovers Go?

Thanks to all the donations, workers, and shoppers we had another successful Rummage Sale at Aldersgate. Our total proceeds so far are **\$5,552.53**, the best ever. We had good, steady help throughout the preparations and sale, and great help with clean up. The Ide Center was cleared by 2:30 p.m. with tables put away or returned to their assigned locations and the floor swept.

Where did the leftovers go? Even with sales that high, the leftovers would have made another respectable sale. (Don't even go there!) The clothing and linens went to the St. Pauly's Shed at Greece UMC to benefit our Greece Habitat for Humanity Coalition, and all the remaining books and household items were taken to the new Goodwill Store on Dewey Avenue.

#### ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN UPCOMING DATES

**July 17-19 – Mission u** (School of Christian Mission) at Camp Asbury, Silver Lake (registration forms on Mission Counter)

**Sept. 20 – Genesee Valley District Annual Meeting** at Geneseo UMC

**Sept. 25 – Fall General Meeting** of Aldersgate UMW to assemble UMCOR Kits

**Oct. 3 & 4 – Conference UMW Annual Meeting** at Shenendehowa UMC in Clifton Park, NY

### Looking for a Volunteer

One of Aldersgate's building Security Checkers is looking to retire from the position. The Trustees are looking for a volunteer to check the building on Sunday nights. If you would be willing to serve Aldersgate in this capacity, please contact Rich Mohrmann, 225-1526 or [RMohrmann@rochester.rr.com](mailto:RMohrmann@rochester.rr.com); or Mike Smith, 865-3809 or [msmith74@rochester.rr.com](mailto:msmith74@rochester.rr.com).

### Facility Project Help Appreciated!

The Trustees wish to thank everyone who helped with maintenance on the recent Work Day, and also for everyone donating your time and talents by working on the list of Aldersgate Work Tasks both during and in addition to the Work Day.

The church is in need of people who can help with other work tasks. This is a great opportunity for fellowship and will make a positive impact on Aldersgate's facilities. Please look over the list on the next page and contact us if you are able to help in any way. Thank you.

*Please See List on Next Page!*

### Support Needed for Aldersgate's HVAC – Air Conditioning Units

With the current cash flow challenges at Aldersgate, help is needed to ensure that some of the air conditioner units at Aldersgate continue to work properly. You may remember that the air conditioning units to the Sanctuary failed last summer because they were not maintained and required emergency repairs to operate again. Some less critical repairs for units were deferred to spread the cost out to the following year, 2014.

We are now in the cooling season and two needed repairs should be done. One of AUMC's air conditioners has a leaking value that needs to be repaired with a quote of around \$1,300. Another of AUMC's air conditioners needs replacement of a broken part that will cost around \$535. If you can help with any amount of extra donation to support these repairs, please make your donation marked "Air Conditioner Repairs."



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## Work Tasks Needed at Aldersgate

The Trustees have identified the following list of tasks needed at Aldersgate. If you are willing and able to help with any of these, please contact the Trustees so that materials and work can be coordinated and we can avoid duplicate effort. Please contact Rich Mohrmann at 225-1526 or [RMohrmann@rochester.rr.com](mailto:RMohrmann@rochester.rr.com) or Mike Smith at 865-3809.

### In Process:

1. Replacement of incandescent & halogen lamps with LEDs to be scheduled.
2. Curtain outside south side of Sanctuary opening to ramp area. [Color(s)?]

### To Do: [short-term and long-term planning]

1. Replace sink with leaking faucet in Ladies Room outside Fellowship Hall. [New seat and washers did not stop leak.]
2. There is one spot/flood lights out in the Gathering Space and five out in the Sanctuary. The Sanctuary lights are on the lower ceiling area. No lift needed.
3. Continue caulking Education Wing windows.
4. Clean return air vent in Kitchen for ventilation system.
5. Continue trimming of the Maple Trees away from building by the Education Wing.
6. Trim the Silver Maple Tree on the west side of the parking lot back to the fence line.
7. Bag, seal, and move Gym floor remnants from Fellowship Hall storage room to storage area under Chapel.
8. In bathrooms near Chapel: Clean fan vent grates and lubricate fans.
9. Replace/repair non-functioning light socket in Gathering Space.
10. The exposed roof trusses at the back (west) end of the chapel were scraped; now need sanding and painting. (This can easily be done while standing on the flat roof section over the original kitchen.)
11. The front (east) side also needs scraping and painting.
12. Paint bare wood by gutters over Chapel with Kilz Primer and "Software Gray" paint. Help install new gutters once painting is completed.
13. Roof sealant strip between original church hall and education wing is torn loose. Needs replacement, sealant, and silver paint.
14. The silver paint on the flat roof over the original kitchen (back of chapel) and education wing is thin – can see black through it – and we need to re-silver paint that roof.
15. Clean, dust inside of doors, remove rust, and paint entrance area (inside and outside) by back doors to Chapel Hall/Fellowship Hall. Stairs up from outside door are scraped and need sanding and painting with "Biscuit" color.
16. Clean and paint the hallway outside of the Chapel.
17. 'Circuit 16' plugs in Kitchen are labeled as non-functioning. Poor location for electric plugs; remove and block with cover plate.
18. Apply UV Screen sheeting on the outside of the Kitchen Windows.

### Rental Property Projects

1. Nail down loose roof flashing – near chimney and over garage.
2. Repair/replace cracked or missing windows at basement level.
3. Scrape and re-paint white outside trim.
4. Scrape and re-paint blue house.
5. Re-do back door entrance with new wood, and paint.
6. Southeast basement window needs repair so that it closes.



Dear Sally Stewardship,

I know finances in our church are really tight. I'd like to help, but I can hardly pay all my bills now. Tithing sounds good, but giving 10% is way out of reach. What can I do?

Concerned

Dear Concerned,

First, let me say that we take your question seriously. We've said it before, but we'll say it again: God is concerned about all your finances, not just about the portion you give to the church.

At the same time God doesn't give us a lot of room for excuses. Ecclesiastes 11:4 gives a good piece of advice that can be applied to many situations: "If you wait until the wind and the weather are just right, you will never plant anything and never harvest anything." Make a plan and start now.

The model for the sin offering described in Leviticus 5:5-13 shows us clearly that God does not expect the same offering from everyone. Bringing a female sheep or goat was the first choice. (Remember that agriculture was the dominant culture throughout Bible days. We just have to update.) Then verse 7 says, "If a man cannot afford a sheep or a goat, he shall bring to the Lord as the payment for his sin two doves or two pigeons..." (It was also a male-dominant society.) Then in verse 11, "If a man cannot afford two doves or two pigeons, he shall bring two pounds of flour..."

You say, "But that's the Old Testament. It's much more prescriptive." You many not have noticed, but Jesus' followers included quite a number of rich people, including some prominent women who supported his

ministry. Did He call attention of His disciples to their giving? Yes, if they weren't giving or doing all they really could have done. Who was pointed out for praise? The widow who "dropped in two little copper coins, worth about a penny...for she, poor as she is, put in all she had..." (Mark 12:42-44, TEV)

In other words, *start with something*, even if it is small by the standards of others. Giving in proportion to what you have is the expectation.

You may need to seek help to address the overall issue – not having enough or barely having enough money to pay your bills. Not talking about money openly is part of our culture. However, there are times we need to look to others for help and advice, whether on how to manage the income we have better or how to prepare ourselves to get a job that pays better. There are many outside resources locally that can help and we do have some people in our congregation that may be able to work with you. If there's sufficient interest, we could arrange for budget management courses right here at church. The best place to start is to talk with one of our pastors. Your needs will be confidential, but they can point you in the right direction. Remember, God is concerned about your whole well-being, not just what you can give to the church.

With that last thought in mind, don't forget the importance of reading Scripture and praying. God is an ever-present help and can lead us in the right direction if we are paying attention!

Also praying for your concerns,  
Sally Stewardship

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### Congratulations Graduates!

#### Graduating from High School

**Ed Carstens**

Irondequoit High School

**Genesis Collazo**

James Monroe High School  
continuing on to RIT or MCC

**Amanda Farrell**

Arcadia High School  
Monroe Community College

**Elvis Reyes**

East High School  
Monroe Community College

**Christian Ruell**

Hilton High School  
Monroe Community College

**Nick Spicer**

Arcadia High School  
Welding Program at Mahaney  
Welding

#### Graduating from College

**Katie Geier**

B.S. Summa Cum Laude in  
Civil Engineering, Virginia Tech

**Christopher Peeck**

B.S. in Biology, SUNY Brockport

**Sarah Roza**

B.A. in Arts Management,  
The College of Charleston



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## Mission News

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### Community Dinners Celebrate One-Year Anniversary

Our Free Community Dinner celebrates one year of successful operation on Saturday, July 26. Participation has grown from one to regularly more than one hundred, not counting those working. As a church we have benefited in many ways, not the least of which is to give us another avenue for outreach and service.

If you have not yet attended, plan to do it soon. (August 30 is the date next month.) The food is delicious and the fellowship is great. If you are concerned that this isn't for you because you can afford to buy your own food, put a donation in the box provided at the sign-in table. That will ease your conscience and help defray the expenses of the program. For the best experience, look around to sit with someone you don't know, whether it is a first-time visitor or another member of our congregation you haven't spoken with before. Our presence as friendly members of the congregation is important to letting newcomers know that we are serious about welcoming them to our church. To make disciples, we must first build relationships. The Community Dinner is a good place to start.



### Sticky Lips BBQ for Greece Coalition

Thanks to all who supported the Sticky Lips BBQ fundraiser for the Greece Churches Habitat for Humanity Coalition. With the inclusion of a grant from Thrivent, a Lutheran men's organization, **\$2,419.50** was added to the treasury toward building the next house. If all goes according to plan (our plan – remember God sometimes intervenes), we will spend this year raising money and start the **sixth house** in 2015.

### St. Pauly's Shed at Greece UMC Provides Building Funds for Greece Churches Habitat Coalition

For a number of years now, the Greece United Methodist Church has provided space in the back of their parking lot for the location of a St. Pauly's Shed.

St. Pauly Textile, Inc., a family owned company based in Western NY, is the largest clothing collection organization in our region. Their purpose is to get **useable** clothing to people who need it both in our country and around the world. Their website ([www.stpaulytextile.com](http://www.stpaulytextile.com)) cites an EPA report that suggests that 85% of clothing in the United States is thrown away, filling landfills and depriving others of the opportunity of getting still wearable clothing inexpensively.

St. Pauly collects, sorts, and rebundles the clothing collected for resale at reasonable prices to non-profits like the Salvation Army in the U.S. that may find the collections for its own stores are low and to organizations that ship clothing to developing countries. To the non-profit groups like our Greece Churches Habitat for Humanity Coalition, they pay by the pound for the clothing collected. It is from this latter payment that we get funds to use for our house building projects.

The sheds are sturdy, dry and well-kept. St. Pauly takes care of maintenance. The sponsoring organization checks the shed regularly to be sure that the donations are bagged and appropriate. A representative from each church participating in the Greece Churches Coalition takes a turn checking our shed in a six-week cycle. Doug Hess, Kathy Peck, and Ray Poling have done it in the past. Bud Kress is our current representative.

*St. Pauly accepts all clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes and stuffed toys. They do not recycle fabrics; so **please do not put** in any rags, fabric scraps, pillows, toys or household goods.* This has been a problem lately for our shed. Our volunteers then have to sort out the unacceptable items and put them in the church dumpster.

The monthly checks from St. Pauly are not large, but over time they add up and it's a relatively painless way to raise money. So, before you throw clothing or any of the other acceptable items away, ask yourself, "Is it still useable?" If so, start a bag for St. Pauly. When it is full, drop it off at the shed. Pick up a receipt and keep it with your list of donations for a tax deduction. Your support helps others in multiple ways.



## Summer Sunday School

Our Sunday School curriculum and theme this Summer is **Imagine No Malaria**. Imagine No Malaria is an extraordinary effort of the people of the United Methodist Church, putting our faith into action to end preventable deaths by malaria in Africa, especially the death of a mother or child.

Through lessons, children will learn through Jesus' actions how they can help to prevent Malaria, help people get medicine, help people learn about Malaria, and how to help spread the message of hope. They will apply this knowledge into action as they will be collecting spare change to buy mosquito nets for children and families living in Africa.



**July 21-25**

**9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.**

**Pre-K — 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Vacation Bible School at Aldersgate**

You can register now at: [www.aumcgreece.org](http://www.aumcgreece.org)

Or register on paper today! Forms will be distributed in Sunday School class. Please bring friends with you or meet new ones here.

## Two Important VBS "ZOO CREW" Meetings in July!

**Sunday, July 13 starting at 10:30 am -12:00 pm (Church Office)**

**Sunday, July 20 starting at 4:00-6:00 pm (Sanctuary)**

## Picnic Recap & Thanks

The church picnic was wonderful! Beautiful weather, delicious food, and fun fellowship. Thanks so much to the following people for their help: Ray Poling, Sue and Mark Devincentis, and Jan and Dan Rothfuss.



## Reading Fair, August 25

Greece School District's "Reading Festival Fun Fair" will be held at Aldersgate UMC on Monday, August 25 from 5:30-7:30 in the Ide Center. Popcorn, Clowns, Balloons, Guest Readers, Games and Prizes for children in grades Pre-K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade. Please see Pastor Anne if you would like to help serve and support this fun literary evening.

## Thank You!

*For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*  
*Ephesians 2:10*



We would like to take a moment and thank all of the wonderful Sunday School teachers and volunteers who have supported our Christian Education Program this year. Whether it's through the gift of teaching or serving food, your generous gift of time is greatly appreciated. We would not be able to do what we do without your support! ~ Rhonda and Julia

## Our Sunday school teachers for the 2013-2014 School Year have been:

Erin Pfund & Christine Rice (PreK-5<sup>th</sup> grade at 9:30)

Jim & Lorainne Christie (Confirmation Class)

Gretchen Hughes (9:30 Adult)

Nancy Brehm & Chitie Edgett (PreK-3<sup>rd</sup> grade at 11:00)

Candy Metzger (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade)

John & Dennis Simm (High School)

Cori Loudon (11:00 Adult)

**Special Helpers:** Julie Meeks and Lisa LiPuma

## Coming This Fall

Veggie Tales Movie Night & Disco Event!



## Welcome New Members

### Baptized June 15, 2014

**Kamren Charles Jackson**  
Mentor: John Simm

**Shane Michael Jackson, Jr.**  
Mentor: Dennis Simm

**Kaila Marie Sieczkarski**  
Mentor: Lisa LiPuma

### Confirmed June 15, 2014

**Jared Douglas Jones**  
Mentor: Jim Christie

**Lucas Hawke Jones**  
Mentor: Mike Smith

**Briana Marie Kephart**  
Mentor: Lisa Deutsch

**Allison Grace McHugh**  
Mentor: Nancy Brehm

**Renee Marie Tibbles**  
Mentor: Sue Accapezzato

### Confirmed June 22, 2014

**Ryan Christopher Lindeman**  
Mentor: Rich Mohrmann

**Caleb Benjamin Thompson**  
Mentor: Ray Poling

**Chase Richard Tyler**  
Mentor: Rich Keller

Congratulations to these youth and their families. Thanks to Jim and Lorraine Christie for teaching them these past two years and to those who served as mentors.

(Graduates continued from page 7)

### Masters Degree

**Rachel Carstens**  
MFA in English & Poetry,  
University of Maryland

**Jennifer Min-Young Lee**  
Master of Music in Choral Con-  
ducting, Eastman School of Music

### PhD

**Brian DeCann**  
PhD in Electrical Engineering,  
West Virginia University

**ALL** items for the September  
*Hinge* are due by  
**August 15.**

Send to:  
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### July Birthdays

Emma Byrnes	July 1
Eric DeCann	July 2
Ivan Montgomery	July 2
Shirley Grierson	July 3
Donn Rice	July 3
Colleen Tyler	July 4
Ryan Lindeman	July 10
Marisue Caupp	July 11
Jared Jones	July 14
Debra Simm	July 14
Caleb Thompson	July 15
Michelle Maggio	July 15
Angela Maggio	July 15
June Griffin	July 16
Tom VanKouwenberg	July 18
Michael Spicer	July 19
Bill Teasdale	July 19
Floyd Hughes	July 23
Allison McHugh	July 24
Emma Bock	July 25
Seward Griffin	July 27

### July Anniversaries

Bob and Barb Jeffers	July 4
Walt & Gege Dunn	July 8
Gary & Denise Hogestyn	July 10



Ron & Lorrie Durbin	July 15
Edward & Natasha Carstens	July 18

### August Birthdays

Chris Peeck	August 2
Dustin Deutsch	August 3
Cassandra Sobus	August 4
Dennis Pankey	August 4
Ray Poling	August 6
Amanda Carpenter	August 7
Luke Simonelli	August 7
Ruth Loomis	August 8
Evelyn Welker	August 13
Kurt Lindeman	August 13
Denise Hogestyn	August 14
Marilyn Sobus	August 14
Gege Dunn	August 15
Rhonda Simonelli	August 15
Jim Haschmann	August 15
J. J. Wehrle	August

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Nathan Dunn	August 23
Ellie Cook	August 25
Gary Hogestyn	August 25
Molly Donovan	August 25
Terry Young	August 26
Dick Edgett	August 27
Morgan Wehrle	August 30
Mike Accapezzato	August 30
Roxanna Muthersbaugh	August 31
Jane Shukitis	August 31

### August Anniversaries

Jerry & Helen Wolter	August 1
Fred & Betty Hild	August 3
Marshall & Grace Watts	August 4
Donn & Donna Rice	August 4
Ken & Jerry Sisson	August 6
Brian & Margaret Jones	August 13
Dave & Maria Stanley	August 16
Jimmie & Barb Condon	August 18
Glenn & Alene VanPutte	August 24
Roy & Pat Holmes	August 24
Dan & Jan Rothfuss	August 26
Roy & Fran Baird	August 26
Rich & Nan Keller	August 28

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## Serving in Worship This Summer

### Ushers

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
7/6	Al & Myrt Holmes Rich & Bobbie Mohrmann	Zuni Simons, Scott Wiley Terry & Nancy Young
7/13	Al & Myrt Holmes Susan DeVincentis Evelyn Welker	Nancy Bader, Betty Hild Eric & Kim Lindenau
7/20	Al & Myrt Holmes Shawna Bigler, Ray Poling	John & Karen Best Ray LaFlair, Mary Sims
7/27	Al & Myrt Holmes Eric McHugh, Naomi Moss	Gary & Denise Hogestyn Zuni Simons
8/3	Al & Myrt Holmes Susan DeVincentis Naomi Moss	Nancy Bader, Zuni Simons John & Karen Best
8/10	Al & Myrt Holmes Bobbie Mohrmann Evelyn Welker	Nancy Bader, Betty Hild Mary Sims, Scott Wiley
8/17	Al & Myrt Holmes Shawna Bigler, Ray Poling	John & Karen Best Terry & Nancy Young
8/24	Al & Myrt Holmes Eric McHugh, Naomi Moss	Betty Hild, Ray LaFlair Candy Metzger, Scott Wiley
8/31	Al & Myrt Holmes Rich & Bobbie Mohrmann	Bette Edgett, Mary Sims Gary & Denise Hogestyn

### Scripture Readers

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
7/6	Ray Poling	Nancy Young
7/13	Shawna Bigler	TBD
7/20	Naomi Moss	Mary Sims
7/27	Allison McHugh	Melissa Powell
8/3	Gloria Montgomery	Nancy Young
8/10	Carol DeCann	Kurt Lindeman
8/17	Ray Poling	Laurie Ruell
8/24	Sara McHugh	Suzanne Unell
8/31	Kathy Bernardi	Gary Hogestyn

### Acolytes

	11:00 AM — July	11:00 AM — August
7/6	Zachery Farrell, Elijah Tyler	8/3 Zachery Farrell, Matthew Thompson
7/13	Natalie & Emma Bock	8/10 Michelle Maggio, Marie Sims
7/20	Michelle Maggio, Marie Sims	8/17 Natalie & Emma Bock
7/27	Stephen Samuel, Max Tyler	8/24 Elijah & Max Tyler
		8/31 TBD



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## *Library Corner*

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Thank you so much for all your book donations to the rummage sale. They sold very well.

- The theme of **Response** Magazine's June issue is that social action and Methodism are inseparable. There are articles about cyberbullying, nurturing faith in college, meeting the rights of the deaf in court, and making UMW more multi-generational. Featured are two centers working to meet community needs, one in Portsmouth, Virginia, and one in Key West, Florida.
- The May/June issue of **Interpreter** focuses on faith and aging. There are articles about how a caring church helps the elderly, friendships with older people, caregivers and the concerns of retirement.

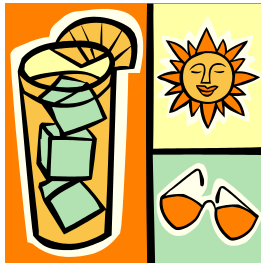
### **New Books**

- *These is My Words*, by Nancy Turner – 3 novels set in the Arizona Territory of the 1880s
- *Sarah's Quilt*, by Nancy Turner
- *The Star Garden*, by Nancy Turner
- *The Kite Runner*, by Khaled Hosseini – a father-son relationship in the midst of a turbulent Afghanistan

- Appomattox Saga Series #1-6, by Gilbert Morris – 1820 – 1900 in the American South (A covenant of love, Gate of his enemies, Where honor dwells, Land of the shadow, Out of the whirlwind, The shadow of his wings)
- Emerald Ballad Series #1-5, by B.J. Hoff – immigrant saga of the Irish in America (Song of the silent harp, Heart of the lonely exile, Land of a thousand dreams, Sons of an ancient glory, Dawn of the golden promise)
- *Animals of the Bible*, by Dorothy Lathrop
- *Dakota: A Spiritual Geography*, by Kathleen Norris – a thoughtful look at the Dakotas
- *Grieving the Loss of Someone You Love*, by Raymond Mitsch (155.9)
- *365 VeryVeggie Devos for Girls*
- *The Rainbow Fish*, by Marcus Pfister
- *All About God*, by Lois Rock
- *All About Prayer*, by Lois Rock
- *The Chicken and the Worm*, by Page McBrier – a Heifer International book
- *Winter in Songming*, by Page McBrier – a Heifer International book

**"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island." ~ Walt Disney**





# July 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> 9:30 AM—12:00 PM Library Work Time (L) 9:00 AM D. Jones (2) 12:00 PM Men's Lunch at Ezzy's 1:00 PM Sm. Group (Coburn) (2)	<i>2</i> 5:00 PM Exercise (Ide) 6:30 PM Prayer (8) 6:30 PM Basketball (Ide) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (P) 7:00 PM Hispanic Youth (FH)	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>
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# August 2014



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