

# Aldersgate Hinge

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## From the Pastor

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As seems to happen every year in Rochester, the summer goes too fast. And while I hate to see it end, I'm looking forward to the fall. Not only is it another beautiful time of the year, it's a time when people who have been away for the summer come back to church.

We are calling September 7, "Back to Church Sunday." In a way, it's a bit of a misnomer. Many have been in church throughout the summer—worshipping, studying the Bible, participating in various programs—yet on September 7 many activities that took a breather during the summer are re-starting. In addition to welcoming everyone back, we will have an "Involvement Fair" following both the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. This will give you an opportunity to sign up to be a part of a small group and/or Bible Study, to learn more about other opportunities to serve both in the church and in the world, and to sign up to serve. There are lots of exciting things happening at and through Aldersgate. I hope to see you there. And remember, this is a great day to bring your unchurched friends and neighbors with you, especially those we've been praying for during the past year.

On another note, the group that is working on the intentional discipleship process (which is the thing we decided to work on first from last year's study of "Remember the Future") read the book *Simple Church* and met on August 7. At that meeting we identified three primary aspects of being a disciple that we want to build our process around. They are love God, love others, and serve with joy. The team is meeting again on September 8 at 7 p.m. to look at the first of these—how we can help people come to love God or love God more. If you are interested in helping in this important work, please let me know.

See you in church!

In Christ's love,

*Pastor Anne*



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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; Mary Shukitis (mother of George Shukitis) — Unity

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

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

**Those with Ongoing Health Concerns:** Vonnie Ackerman (sister of Gloria Montgomery), 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), Barb Jeffers, Rich Keller, Addison Lorraine Kelly (daughter of Jessica Christie and Aaron Kelly), 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), Emily White (granddaughter of Gloria & Rick Baker), James White (grandson of Gloria & Rick Baker), Mark Williams (son-in-law of Bob Wiederhold), Nancy Young

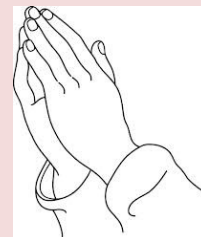
**Nursing Homes/Living Centers:** Nona Antczak, Warren Lenau (Debbie Lenau's father) — Seabury Woods; Maurice Deuel — Hilton East; Evelyn Deuel — Brightonian Nursing

## E-Mail Prayer Chain a Success!

We thank our Prayer Chain participants who faithfully pray for the current week's joys and concerns emailed them.

Help us keep the weekly printed church bulletin prayer concerns list UPDATED. If your family or friend's situation has changed in any way, PLEASE contact the church office.

If you have a prayer request that cannot wait until the next Sunday, please contact the church office or me.



Chitie Edgett, coordinator

Home; Phoebe Brown, John Hayashi - Edna Tina Wilson Living Center; Fred Hild — The Hurlbut; 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 the family of Dave Haring. Dave died on Monday, June 30.

**Christian sympathy** is extended to Lorraine and Jim Christie on the death of Lorraine's father, Karl Geinitz.

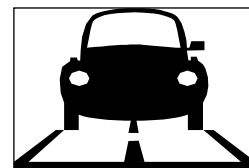
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## Parish Visitations

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.



# Church Events & Opportunities

## New Fall Study Opportunities

A new small group is forming on Monday evenings that will meet from 7-8:15 p.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month. If you haven't been a part of a small group or haven't been in one for a while this is a great opportunity to try it out. Our first Study together is a six-session study called "The Prodigal God" which focuses on Jesus' parable (most commonly known as the "prodigal son") found in Luke 15:11-32. Members of small groups study the Bible together, pray for and support one another, and encourage each other in their walk with Christ. Prayerfully consider joining us if you are not in a small group. Small groups are vital to our personal spiritual growth and the health of our church. If you have questions, ask Pastor Anne about it. Sign up on September 7 or call the church office.



A Bible study for people who are new to reading the Bible or haven't studied it for a while will be meeting **every Thursday at 7 p.m.** Ray Poling will be leading the study beginning

with the **Gospel according to Mark**. This is a great opportunity for those who are new to the Bible or are uncomfortable in Bible studies where every else seems to know so much (operative word being "seems" because in reality none of us are experts and we all have something to offer). If you need more information, talk with Ray or Pastor Anne or just come to the sign-up table on September 7. Give it a try.

**Membership Classes** will begin on Sunday, September 21 at 1:30 p.m. There are four classes of about 1 ½ hours each. At the first meeting we will see what Sundays work best for everyone. This is a great opportunity to learn what it means to be a Christian in the Methodist tradition and learn more about Aldersgate. At the last class you can decide whether or not you are ready to join the church. See Pastor Anne for more information.

## Game Night

**September 13 at 6:00 p.m. — All are invited!**  
in Rooms 3 & 4

Featuring Euchre and board games

## Choir Notes

How's your singing voice? Would you like to join our Chancel Choir to help enhance our services and worship



God with our music? Then come to our first choir rehearsals on Wednesdays, August 27' and September 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. David Hahn, our new choir director, is starting a 2-year Master's Conducting program at the Eastman School of Music, and

should add a new dimension to our music program.

You will be welcome!

## Crafts & Collectibles Show Set for October 10 & 11

Looking for an outlet for your handcrafts? Do you sell a line of fine quality gift items? Do you perhaps sell antiques or collectibles? Don't overlook the chance to be part of our Crafts & Collectibles Show on October 10 & 11 in the Ide Family Life Center and the Gathering Space. The area will be open for vendors to set up on Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m., and the sale will be open to the public from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. each day. If you are interested, pick up a flyer from the Missions Counter in the Gathering Space or talk to Joyce Farrokh (865-5135) or Candy Metzger (227-3138).

Not yet ready for your own booth? You can help make this event successful by donating your handmade crafts for the church craft booth, bringing baked goods for the bake sale, or helping to staff the sale and lunch counter. Sign-up sheets will be on the Opportunities Board later this month. And, of course, we also need customers. This is a great opportunity to pick up unique early Christmas gifts and to support local vendors at the same time.



The money raised by this event helps the Missions Committee to fund our commitments to Greece area social service agencies such as Mission Share. The UMW uses their portion to help fund White Gifts and to make contributions to other church and area ministries.

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# Aldersgate United Methodist Women

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## Come One, Come All!

### Assemble UMCOR Kits on September 25

Please keep those supplies coming for the United Methodist Committee on Relief Kits. Use the updates on the items still needed in the bulletin each Sunday to guide your shopping. Thanks to your generosity so far, we have many boxes of items already stored in Room 1. School supplies for Mission: Share and our Hispanic Ministry have already been distributed.

We are again aiming for 100 School Kits, 200 Health Kits, and 50 Layette Kits. We will, however, assemble as many kits as we can with the supplies that come in. In our country alone we have experienced flooding in unexpected places. Hurricane season is just beginning. We need to fill the Mission Central warehouse shelves.

Health Kits are the most used for disaster relief. It is not unusual for Mission Central to report sending out a shipping container with 10,000 Health Kits to a single site. How do they get so many when we only put together a few hundred? It takes a few each from many, many United Methodist Churches around the country—the magic of a connectional church! School and layette supplies are more often used as part of the long-term recovery effort or in areas where those items are in chronic short supply.

Join us in the Ide Center on Thursday, **September 25, at 6:15 p.m.** for a quick meal and a great hands-on mission project. There are jobs for everyone—men, women, and youth.. Those of you who want exercise can go up and down the lines to put kits together. Those who need to work sitting can count out supplies or check kits. It takes a lot of help to get these jobs done.

The evening will begin with supper (likely pizza, salad, and dessert), although you may do some work as soon as you arrive. The cost of the **supper is just \$5.00 per person** payable at the door. Please do **sign up** on the bulletin board in advance, however, so that we know how many places to set at the table.



### Sew 'N Sew's Continues Work

Join us on the first Monday of each month in Room 1 at 1:00 p.m. for coffee and good conversation as we sew, crochet, and knit.

### Novel Set in Korea Topic of Reading Circle on September 4

The Reading Circle selected a book from the 2014 Reading List, *Please Look After Mom* by Kyung-Sook Shin, for this month's discussion. When the elderly mother of a family gets lost in Seoul, members of the family realize how little they actually knew of her life. Besides being a good story, this unusual novel can give us some insight into life in South Korea.

The Reading Circle meets at 1:00 p.m. in the church library the first Thursday of each month. A hostess each month prepares light refreshments. Visitors and new members are always welcome. See or call Jane Salminen (544-1703) for more information.

### Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing Planned for Morning Circle Luncheon

After our catered lunch in the Ide Center, we will move to the Sanctuary for an Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing led by Doc and Sue Kavanagh. From "Holy, Holy, Holy" to "Closer Walk" and "I'll Fly Away," we'll sing the old songs to what Doc warns us is an "updated beat." Join us on **Tuesday, September 16, at 11:00 a.m.** for our traditional fall luncheon with this uplifting change from our usual activities. A sign-up sheet with more information on the cost of the lunch will be posted on the Opportunities Board shortly.

Morning Circle meets the third Tuesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. usually in the Parlor for a project or program. Plan now to join us.





### GVDUMW Annual Meeting to be Held at UMC of Webster

Come and bring a friend to hear **Carmen FS Vianese**, one of the 25 Directors of United Methodist Women, Inc., at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Genesee Valley District United Methodist Women on **Saturday, September 20**. In a talk titled "**Sisterhood of Grace—UMW, Inc.**," she will share the dynamic history of United Methodist Women and fill us in on what is happening now. The program starts with worship at 9:00 a.m. followed by the business meeting and keynote speech. A brief after-lunch program is also planned which should close by 2:00 p.m.

The cost for registration and lunch is just \$10.00. If you plan to go, please sign up on the Opportunities Board by September 7 and give your money to Betty Hild so that she can send one check from our unit. Reservations are transferable but not refundable.

### Conference UMW Meeting Set for 1<sup>ST</sup> Weekend in October

Popular speaker **Molly Golando** will keynote on the theme "Make It Happen" at the UNY Annual Conference UMW on **Saturday, October 4**, at **Shenendehowa UMC** at 971 Route 146, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Registration will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Friday with dinner at 5 p.m. and an evening program. Saturday registration will start at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast and lunch will be served on Saturday. The cost for both days is \$25; for one day \$15. We are asked to bring new books for children for the Utica Center. Please sign up in advance.

### Mark This Date on Your Calendar

The **Annual Aldersgate Auction** has been set for **Friday, November 14**. You don't want to miss this fun-filled evening, perhaps with the chance to pick up some unusual Christmas gifts. It's also not too soon to start looking around the house to see what fine item you no longer need (or never needed!) that might interest someone else and help raise money for our church. Gift certificates from businesses and restaurants you patronize also usually bring very competitive bids. Auction donation forms will start appearing in the weekly bulletins in October.

### Facility Project Help Appreciated!

The Trustees wish to thank everyone who helped work on the list of Aldersgate Work Tasks in the recent months. A number of tasks were completed over the summer timeframe:

1. Moving and re-setting furniture during the lamp replacements with LEDs project.
2. Repair of the door lock unit on one Gathering Space outside door.
3. Replacement of the door closer to the back entrance near the Chapel.
4. Replacement of sink with leaking faucet in Ladies' Room outside Fellowship Hall.
5. Trim the maple trees away from the 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. Replacement of the broken dishwasher in the Rental House.
9. Re-do back door entrance to Rental House with new wood and paint.
10. Re-set and mortar loose bricks to Rental House front steps.
11. Scraping loose paint off the Rental House walls and trim.
12. Re-doing the Rental House back entrance and painting this area.

Aldersgate is still 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 following page and contact us if you are able to help in any way.***

Thank you.



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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. Curtain outside south side of Sanctuary opening to ramp area. [Color(s)?] Rod ready, need curtain.
2. Finish painting gutter area over Chapel with "Software Gray" paint. Help install new gutters once painting is completed.
3. Apply UV Screen sheeting on the outside of the Kitchen Windows.

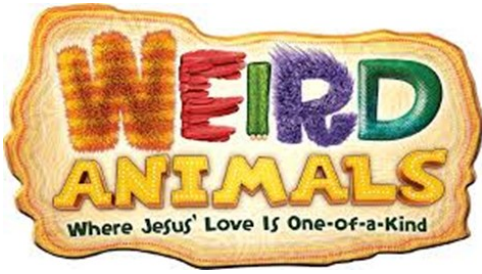
### To Do: [short-term and long-term planning]

1. Continue caulking Education Wing windows.
2. Clean return air vent in new Kitchen for ventilation system.
3. In bathrooms near Chapel: Clean fan vent grates and lubricate fans.
4. Replace/repair non-functioning light socket in Gathering Space.
5. The exposed roof trusses at the back (west) end of the chapel have been scraped; now need sanding and painting. (This can easily be done while standing on the flat roof section over the original kitchen.) The front (east) side also needs scraping and painting.
6. Remove cinder blocks and second dish post from roof over Room #8.
7. Roof sealant strip between original church hall and education wing is torn loose. Needs replacement, sealant, and silver paint.
8. 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. Leaks are appearing.
9. 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.
10. Clean and paint the hallway outside of the Chapel.
11. 'Circuit 16' plugs in new Kitchen are labeled as non-functioning. Poor location for electric plugs; remove and block with cover plate.
12. Repair buckling book shelves in Library.

### 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. Scraping Done: Re-paint white outside trim.
4. Scraping Done: Re-paint blue house.
5. Southeast basement window needs repair so that it closes.





### Thank You!

A big THANK YOU to all of our volunteers and helping hands for this year's Weird Animals VBS! We greatly appreciate all of the love, time and hard work you poured into this VBS. It was a joy to see God working through you to touch the lives of the children.

With Many Thanks,

Julia and Rhonda

#### Registration Table

Kathy Peck  
Gretchen Hughes  
Roxanna Muthersbaugh

#### Greeter

Anne O'Connor

#### Arts & Crafts

Carole Jermyn  
Shawna Bigler  
Jane Salminen

#### Critter Café

Sandy Norris  
Debbie Lenau

#### Jungle Games

Mike Simonelli  
Lisa LiPuma  
Dick Edgett  
Steven Edgett  
Nancy Brehm  
Bobbi Mohrmann

#### Bible Adventures

Gloria Montgomery  
Ally McHugh

#### Imagination Station

Michael Smith  
Derek Smith  
Erin Pfund

#### PreSchool

Denise Montgomery

#### Photographer

Adam Pfund

#### Sing and Play Stampede & Tail End

Doc Kavanagh  
Sue Kavanagh  
Christine Mitchell  
Kennedy Mitchell

#### A/V

Rich Mohrmann

#### Publicity

Ron Durbin

#### Set Design

Mark Payton

#### Website Registration

Juan Ruiz

### Imagine No Malaria

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35. During our Weird Animals VBS week, the 43 children raised a grand total of **\$181.93** to support the efforts of Imagine No Malaria. That is enough to purchase **18** pre-treated mosquito nets to help stop the spread of Malaria in Africa. We thank God for His work through us all.

### Blessing of the Backpacks

Bring your backpack to church on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> to receive a special blessing during the Children's Moment at each service. We mark the milestone of a new school year by sending our children off with a blessing on their studies, growth, and maturing in age and grace, from the worshipping community in which they are part of. We look forward to another exciting new year!



### Back to Church Sunday is September 7<sup>th</sup>!

We have renamed our Sunday School Program as Kidsgate and we are excited to start this year's new curriculum! We will mark this day as the third graders will be receiving their Bibles and backpacks will be blessed for all students. Parents, be on the lookout for a letter from us with information about Kidsgate and exciting upcoming events.



### Save the Date: October 24

Coming to Aldersgate UMC this Fall on Friday, October 24 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. It will be a Veggie Tales Movie Night & Disco Event for Families.

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## Kidsgate Curriculum

### K-3

Our Kindergarteners through 3rd graders will continue using the *Grow, Proclaim, Serve* Program. September's lessons will come from the unit *In the Beginning* based on the Bible verse, "Lord, you have done so many things! You made them all so wisely! The earth is full of your creations!" Psalm 104:24. The children will learning through activities where they will hear, understand and experience Bible stories, be encouraged to apply the stories to their lives, and to serve other in their own church and community.

Week	Topic	Activity
September 7	Back to Church Sunday	
September 14	In God's Image	Self-Portraits & Like-Me Game
September 21	Noah	Game: What's the Animal & Rainbow Fruit Kabobs
September 28	A Time for Everything	Game: A Time to Play, A Time to Work & Matching Bible Verses

### 4-6

Our 4th-6th graders will be starting a 6-week program on learning the books of the Bible using the book/guide "*Finding Your Way Through the Bible.*" This program will help the children become familiar with their Bibles and learn how to use them at their own speed.

### Confirmation

We are starting a new Confirmation Class for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders this fall led by Doc and Sue Kavanagh. It will be a one-year program titled CREDO and will meet on Sundays 2 times a month at 11:00 a.m.

### High School/Young Adult Class

All high schoolers and young adults are welcome as we will start the year by viewing and discussing the movie *God's Not Dead*.

Summary: An atheist philosophy professor insists the students declare that "God Is Dead" for argument's sake. Unable to do this, Josh is challenged to defend his faith and prove to the class that God is NOT Dead. With everything on the line, Josh's faith is unwavering...and life-changing to those around him.





### Food for Friends Sunday

We encourage you to bring non-perishable food for the Greece Food Shelf each Sunday, but four times a year we try to highlight the need in our local community with a "Food for Friends" Sunday. The week before the ushers will distribute grocery bags to remind you of this special emphasis. Then, when you shop that week, pick up extra grocery items to help our neighbors. "Food for Friends" Sunday this quarter is **September 14**.



The need continues to grow here in the suburbs. When social security checks or food stamps don't last until the end of the month, people need somewhere to turn to keep their families fed. An increasing number of those who need help are working full time, but just don't make enough to cover living costs. Many who have found jobs since the recession are working for less than they did before. Let's be conscious of these circumstances while we shop and be ready to share with our neighbors. Put our love into action.

### WANTED: Your Empty Pill Bottles

We will soon put another box on our Missions table to collect empty plastic prescription and over-the-counter pill bottles. Remove the labels with your personal information and rinse the bottles out before you bring them in. **Matthew 25 Ministries** in Cincinnati, OH, collects and ships the bottles to hospitals and health clinics in developing countries to improve the quality of health care. Often patients have to be sent home with their prescription pills in their hands or wrapped in a leaf because no containers are available. Like the collection of labels from Campbell's and General Mills products, this is another way we can make a difference in the lives of others at no cost and without a lot of effort on our part.

### Several Plan Mission Trip to Nicaragua — How About You?

For a number of years, Ted and Mary Anderson have led a Genesee Valley Mission Trip to Project Chacocente in Masaya, Nicaragua, during the winter school break. This February 14-21 several from Aldersgate, including Pastor Anne, plan to join them for the first time.

Project Chacocente is a ministry that has moved families who have been living in the dump in Managua to the Chacocente community where they are educated and trained for a productive life and the opportunity to live in their own homes. They prepare by completing a five-year covenant with Project Chacocente and helping to build their home. The Chacocente Christian School now has 150 students and will graduate its first seniors this year. Go to [www.outofthedump.org](http://www.outofthedump.org) for more information.

The cost is \$2,000 per person, which includes airfare, transportation, lodging, food, tips, supplies and materials, program costs, and a financial gift to Project Chacocente. Airline tickets will be purchased by December 1.

Reserve a spot in this mission with a deposit of \$1,000 or more or full payment by October 25.

The second payment of \$500 is due December 1

and the remainder by January 3. If you would like to go but have serious concerns about the cost, there may be help available from other members of the church.

Remember that while you are going to share your Christian love, you will gain even more from your relationships with your new Nicaraguan friends if you are open to change and flexible enough to receive as well as give grace.

Talk with Pastor Anne if you are interested.



### Come to Aldersgate Day at Ruby Tuesday's

**Monday, September 1**

**Yes, we'll be there even on Labor Day!**

Bring your bulletin insert. Ruby Tuesday's donates 20% of our food receipts to our Building Fund.

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# Stewardship Update

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Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen

Ephesians 3:20-21

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## Are You Fearless?

On September 28<sup>th</sup>, we will begin a four-week stewardship series called "Fearless Generosity." Each week we'll learn how to become more faithful stewards as we explore the concepts of fearless living, fearless service, fearless sowing, and fearless giving. And then on Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, we will join together to present our commitments of giving to support the ministry and mission to which we are called as the Aldersgate United Methodist congregation for 2015.

The Stewardship Committee is looking for four fearless volunteers to offer testimony, one each week during the stewardship series. Our stories are powerful inspiration to others and can show, as Paul tells the Ephesians, how God chooses to work through each of us to accomplish more than we can imagine.

- What do you do that celebrates God's gift of life?
- When did you become involved in a ministry that seemed scary at first, but then proved rewarding?
- When did you give your time or talent that reaped a return on that investment?
- When have you given financial resources above what was expected and how did that giving impact a life (lives)?

If you have a testimony to share, please contact Sue Accapezzato in person, via phone (225-3370) or email ([saccapez@rochester.rr.com](mailto:saccapez@rochester.rr.com)) by September 21<sup>st</sup>. I would love to share your story!

## Join UMCmarket, Shop Online, and Benefit Aldersgate!

UMCmarket has partnered with hundreds of online stores that will donate a portion of your purchase back to Aldersgate! This secure, online shopping program is an easy way for you and your friends and family to support the mission and ministries of our church. At UMCmarket, you can choose to shop from stores in many different categories! Each store donates a different percentage back to our church, some as high as 11%!

UMCmarket has been vetted and approved by the UMC's General Council of Finance and Administration. UMCmarket.org is safe and secure and your information is protected by its privacy policy and will not be disclosed to a third party. (For more information, contact info@umcmarket.org or phone 1-855-511-8200.)

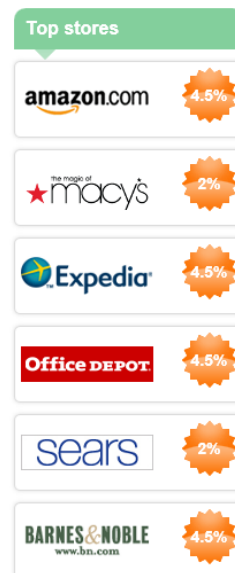
At the bottom of each page you can find all sorts of information, including Frequently Asked Questions, that can provide everything you need to know about how the program works.

### How do you get started?

1. Go to [UMCmarket.org](http://UMCmarket.org)
2. Click the **Get started** button
3. Click the **Sign up with email** (or Sign up with Facebook) button
4. Enter your **email** and a **password**
5. Click the **Register** button
6. Optionally **run** the Plugin for the Easy Give button (you don't have to do this - and can set it up later if you wish by clicking the Apps tab when you login)
7. Next, search for **Aldersgate Rochester** (that's us!)
8. Click the **Detail** button, and click the **Donate to Organization** button
9. Now you are ready to shop! Each time you log in you should see that Aldersgate is your selected organization right on your shopping page.
10. Simply find the store you want and **Click to Shop**

### When will my Aldersgate get the donations I create?

Every time you have made a purchase you'll get an email stating the amount of your donation. Depending on the



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## Helping Hearts: A New Ministry is Born

We are beginning a new ministry at Aldersgate Church. This ministry has been on our hearts for some time. There are several reasons this ministry seems so right to us. First, we have prayed about it for a long time. Second, we found ourselves talking through the program many times when we had no plans to even discuss it. We believe the Holy Spirit has His hands on this! Third, this is a ministry that requires us to come together as a congregation, to pray and tend to those around us that may be in need. This is just another reason for us to look at this as God leading us as an entire church! Lastly, we believe in our hearts that we need to be part of something much larger than ourselves.

Helping Hearts has no chance of thriving without your help. We need referrals from you. The people we are looking for are neighbors and friends in your own neighborhoods. We are looking for people that may be financially or physically incapable of doing minor or basic work in and around their house.

Once we receive the referral from you, we will call them for an introduction and set up an interview. We will then interview them to determine if we can assist them based on several criteria. If it is a good match for us we will set a date to do the work. Upon completion of that work we will invite them to our worship service and pray for them.

Our goal is simple. We will use His gifts and our time to help those among us that may not be able to do everything that needs done. Second, we will use this time to subtly share Christ's love through our attitude towards each other and toward the people we are helping.



We desperately need referrals from you! You can pick up referral forms in the church office. Fill them out and return them to the office. Nancy and I will pick them up there.

Please continue to pray for us and this ministry as we begin to share

His gifts and our time!

We hope that you will get excited about this hands-on ministry and join us in taking the love of Christ out into the streets! If you have any questions you can email us at [www.theguru@rochester.rr.com](mailto:www.theguru@rochester.rr.com) or call us at 585-943-0890.

We would love to hear from you!

In gratitude,

Ken and Nancy Rex

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store and if they have the item in stock or not, it can take up to 7 days for them to reply. Every month the church, with an accumulated value from donations that have been approved of \$100 or more, will receive a check from UMCmarket. If the accumulated total is less than \$100, it will roll-over to the next month until the accumulated amount reaches \$100.

With the holidays right around the corner, this is an easy way to buy what you need, and benefit Aldersgate at the same time!

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## September Birthdays

John Grizzanti	Sept. 1
Paul Wagner	Sept. 3
Rich Mohrmann	Sept. 7
Matthew Thompson	Sept. 7
David Roza	Sept. 8
Bob Wiederhold	Sept. 8
Lorraine Christie	Sept. 9
Al Holmes	Sept. 11
Shirley Geier	Sept. 11
Michael Streb	Sept. 11
Jim Carpenter	Sept. 12
Wendy Dunn	Sept. 14



Carey Hughes	Sept. 18
Glenn VanPutte	Sept. 19
Nan Keller	Sept. 20
Louretta Teasdale	Sept. 22
Chris Loudon	Sept. 27
Kevin Brown	Sept. 28
Renee Jerva	Sept. 28
Jenna VanKouwenburg	Sept. 29

## September Anniversaries

Tom & Anne O'Connor	Sept. 3
Daniel & Kathy Savage	Sept. 6
Jim & Diane Haschmann	Sept. 10
John & Candy Metzger	Sept. 14
Mike & Wendy Dunn	Sept. 15
Annette & Michael Thompson	Sept. 19
Kwame Edusel & Millicent Essilfie-Edusel	Sept. 25
Dale & Carol DeCann	Sept. 26
Gordon & Sue Spicer	Sept. 30

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> <b>Labor Day</b>  Aldersgate at Ruby Tuesdays	<b>2</b> 9:30 AM—12:00 PM Library Work Time (L) 12:00 PM Men's Lunch at Ezzy's 1:00 PM Sm. Group (Coburn) (2)	<b>3</b> 6:30 PM Prayer (8) 6:30 PM Basketball (Ide) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Simm) (P) 7:00 PM Choir (S) 7:00 PM Hispanic Youth (FH)	<b>4</b> 7:30 PM Stewardship (L)	<b>5</b> 7:00 PM Bi Lingual Bible Study (8) 7:30 PM Hispanic Youth (FH)	<b>6</b> 2:00-4:00 PM Mission Fair Setup (Ide)
<b>7</b> 8-8:30AM Prayer Meeting (P) 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship (S) 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School (P) 9:45 AM Children's Sunday School (3/4, 8) 10:45 AM High School Sunday School (2) 11:00 AM Traditional Worship (S) 11:00 AM Adult Sunday School (P) 11:15 AM Children's Sunday School (3/4, 8) 3:00 PM Hispanic Worship (C, N) 6:30 PM Sm. Group (O'Connor) (P)	<b>8</b> 1:00 PM Sew n Sew's (1) 5:30 PM Hispanic Choir (C) 6:00 PM Youth Bible Study (YR) 6:00 PM Trustees (O) 6:00 PM Staff Meeting (L) 6:15 PM Boy Scout Committee (2) 6:30 PM ACWT (S)	<b>9</b> 9:30 AM—12:00 PM Library Work Time (L) 9:45 AM Sm. Group (Caupp) (2) 11:00 AM—10:00 PM Local Primary (G) 1:00 PM Sm. Group (Coburn) (2) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (O'Connor) (P)	<b>10</b> 6:30 PM Prayer (8) 6:30 PM Basketball (Ide) 7:00 PM Choir (S) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Simm) (P) 7:00 PM Hispanic Youth (FH)	<b>11</b> 7:30 AM Dewey Ave. Round Table (3/4) 5:00 PM Bell Choir (Ide) 7:00 PM Worship (8) 7:30 PM Finance (4)	<b>12</b> 7:00 PM Bi Lingual Bible Study (8) 7:30 PM Hispanic Youth (FH)	<b>13</b> 9:00-11:00 AM Teen Band (S) 9:30 AM Altar (S) 6:00 PM Game Night (3/4)
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## Serving in Worship This Month

### Ushers

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
9/7	Al & Myrt Holmes Rich & Bobbi Mohrmann	Zuni Simons Scott Wiley Terry & Nancy Young
9/14	Al & Myrt Holmes Susan DeVincentis Evelyn Welker	John & Karen Best Betty Hild Mary Sims
9/21	Al & Myrt Holmes Shawna Bigler Ray Poling	Nancy Bader Bud & Carol Kress Ray LaFlair
9/28	Al & Myrt Holmes Eric McHugh Naomi Moss	Gary & Denise Hogestyn Eric & Kim Lindenau

### Scripture Readers

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
9/7	Cori Loudon	Nancy Young
9/14	Naomi Moss	Annette Thompson
9/21	Susan DeVincentis	Mary Sims
9/28	Bobbi Mohrmann	Karen Sladden



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

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## *Library Corner*

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September's *Response* magazine has two interesting features – one on an active family ministry center in Tampa, Florida, and one on rebuilding Liberia, focusing on the struggle against poverty and violence.

### **New Books and DVDs**

- *Healing Your Grieving Heart*, by Alan Wolfelt
- *Nature Girl: A Guide to Caring for God's Creation*, by Rebecca White
- *The Bible in Pictures*, by Ralph Kirby
- *Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience and Redemption*, by Laura Hillenbrand – being made into a movie to be released in December
- *Stories for a Man's Heart*, compiled by Al and Alice Gray
- *The Greatest Generation*, by Tom Brokaw



- DVD – *Soul Surfer: The True Story of Bethany Hamilton* – She overcame adversity after she lost her arm in a shark attack
- *Angels are for Real*, by Judith MacNutt

**Please visit the library! It's open whenever the building is, and self-checkout is a breeze.**

*"You can't get a cup of tea large enough  
or a book long enough to suit me."*

**C. S. Lewis**