# Aldersgate Hinge

#### October 2014



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### From the Pastor

Over the summer we instituted a new way of sharing joys and concerns. It's been a little slow in getting started but there are signs we will get there. If you have a prayer concern and/or a joy that you would like shared with the congregation, please write it down (legibly) on one of the prayer concern cards found in the gathering space. Then get it to one of the ushers or me prior to the beginning of the service. (If you come in late, you can still give it to the ushers and they will get it to me.) I will share your joy and/or concern with the congregation at the appropriate time. What we would like to hear you share during the prayer time is how you have experienced or seen God at work in the past week. We believe it is through these brief testimonies that all of us will come to better know the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

As part of our intentional discipleship process to help us become more used to watching for God in our daily lives and in sharing what we see and/or experience with others we are asking each small group, Bible study, and meeting to begin with a time of having everyone briefly share a God sighting or God experience at the beginning of each gathering. This includes choir, the trustees, the church council, the small groups and Bible studies, Hispanic ministries, the youth group, children's ministries, and the rest. It may challenge us at the beginning, but as we become more comfortable sharing with each other, we will become more comfortable sharing with those who don't yet know Jesus as Lord and Savior.

So here's mine for today. I had the privilege of meeting with a couple who is getting married. They told me they had not been going to church but had discussed it and decided that for their marriage and future family it will be important for them to begin to get involved in a church to help them grow in faith. God had given them this important insight into their need for the support of the Christian community to strengthen their relationship and to make their lives better.

God is with you everywhere and always. Keep your eyes, ears and hearts open so you will see what God is up to and be ready to share what you have seen or experienced.

In Christ's love,

#### Pastor Anne

#### **Aldersgate United Methodist Church**

Transforming Lives and Serving Christ with Joy

### Our Ministry of Concern

#### **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

**Recovering at home:** Noel Anderson, Nancy Jones, Nora Spindler Miller, Bob Wiederhold, Tim Rolfe

Those with ongoing health concerns: 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, Wayne Griffin (son of Seward & June Griffin), Becky Hess, 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), Ruth Loomis, Steven Lynch (son of Sylvia Lynch), Lena Mangion (friend of Richard Keegan), Tom Marsh, Charlotte & Patrick McCabe (daughter & son-in-law of Betty Baybutt), Rita Mead (friend of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Joan Michlin, Nicole Mohrmann (granddaughter of Rich & Bobbi Mohrmann), Gloria Montgomery, Ardis Nerby (mother of Lisa Deutsch), Dorothy Pearson, Kathy Peck, Toby Place (friend of Dan Hallowell); 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, Denise White (daughter of Gloria & Rick Baker), Emily White (granddaughter of Gloria & Rick Baker), James White (grandson of Gloria & Rick Baker), Mark Williams (son-in-law of Bob Wiederhold)

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

#### **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

Len Mack – Legacy Cranberry Landing; Martha Thomson – The Village West; Robert Fisher – The Jewish Home; Pat Holmes – Episcopal Home

**Christian sympathy** is extended to George and Jane Shukitis and family on the death of George's mother, Mary Shukitis.

**Christian sympathy** is extended to Debbie and Bob Kennedy on the death of Debbie's father, Hayden Armendinger.

**Christian sympathy** is extended to Pat Holmes and family on the death of her husband, Roy.

#### **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

#### Work Day, October 18

Can you spare some time to help with projects around the church? The Trustees are having a fall work day from 9:00 a.m. to Noon on Saturday, October 18. Come lend a hand! The rain date is November 1st.

#### **Chancel Choir Welcomes New Singers!**

The Chancel Choir would love to continue growing this fall. Consider lending your voice to help enhance our services and worship God with music. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary with new director David Hahn.

# Craft Show Expands! Helpers & Customers Needed Now

The Crafts & Collectibles Show is growing! We need to expand this year into the sanctuary area to give all our interested vendors adequate space. (We'll have it all cleaned up before Sunday morning.)

We need your help to make it a successful show for everyone. **Sign up now** to help staff the show so that it runs smoothly on **Friday & Saturday, October 10 & 11,** from **9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** We also need to get the word out to potential customers to be sure that this is a successful venture for our vendors. There's no publicity better than word of mouth!

Shoppers will find beautiful, one-of-a-kind gifts and useful, decorative items for themselves. Jewelry, fabric art, photographs, decorative boxes and soaps, crocheted and knitted items, greeting cards, flower arrangements, paper crafts, and collectible memorabilia will be among the variety of items on display. You will be able to shop ahead for Christmas and birthday gifts as well as support our local craftsmen. Our church booth features the work of our own members (although some of our vendors are members as well.)

#### How can you help?

**Thursday night**: Assist vendors bringing in their crafts, help set up the church booth, make coffee.

**Friday & Saturday**: (1) Prepare lunch both days. We would like to continue offering our traditional meatball subs and hot dogs for those vendors and customers who want to purchase lunch. Regulars especially count on that lunch.



(2) Bring in **baked goods** for both days. This is a major "profit center" for us if we have baked items to sell. Be sure to label the kind of pie, cake, or cookie and indicate whether or not the item includes nuts. **Staff** the bake sale, church booth, lunch counter,

and welcome station.

**Friday night:** Provide security between close of sale and close of building. This is even more important because we will have booths set up in the Gathering Space and Sanctuary both days.

**Saturday night:** Assist vendors in getting their product to their cars and help clean up the area, take down signs, reset the Sanctuary, Ide Center, and Gathering Space.

Money raised by the Crafts & Collectibles Show is divided between the Church Missions Committee and Aldersgate UMW to meet our commitment to local mission outreach through Mission Share, the Greece Food Shelf and our Christmas White Gifts program; and to national missions like Red Bird and Cookson Hills Center. As with all our projects, we do have fun working together. Sign up on the Opportunities Board now!

#### Annual Auction & Spaghetti Dinner Set for Friday, November 14

Get the date marked on your calendar now and start thinking about items or services you may want to donate. Ask merchants or restaurants that you regularly patronize for gift certificates or products that they could donate. (We have the letters they need for supporting records of their donations.) In mid-October you will find bulletin inserts asking what you can contribute so that we can let others know in advance what will be available. We are looking for good quality new or used items that may interest others.

Aldersgate proceeds this year will be divided between the Building Fund and the Nicaraguan Mission Trip in February.

#### **Game Night**

October 11 at 6:00 p.m. — All are invited! in Rooms 3 & 4

Featuring Euchre and board games

## Aldersgate United Methodist Women

#### **Aldersgate Tee-Shirts Available**

You asked; we answered! Place your order now for the latest Aldersgate Tee-Shirt. They are available in both long and short sleeves in red and blue. (We can order other colors if you insist.) They are embroidered with the Cross & Flame and our church name and location. Sizes small thru extra-large are \$20. Each additional "X" costs another dollar.

We have also ordered "Have You Hugged a United Methodist Today?" aprons. The price was yet to be determined when <u>Hinge</u> articles were due.

The tee-shirts and aprons are from **Cookson Hills Center** in Oklahoma. The embroidery and screen-printing shop was one of the first cottage industries started by **Meri Whitaker** to provide employment to area residents and to help self-fund the mission.

Profits from the sale of the tee-shirts and aprons will be used to help fund the February Mission trip to Nicaragua.

#### **Reading Circle Meets October 2**

Learn more about our United Methodist heritage. The October book selection for Reading Circle is the classic <u>Strangely Warmed</u>, a very readable biography of John Wesley by Garth Lean. Copies of the book are available in the Church Library. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Library. Dessert and beverages will be available for all.

Planning ahead? The November selection is Helen Brown's *The Cat Who Mended a Family*.

Visitors and new members are always welcome. See or call Jane Salminen (544-1703) for more information.



#### **Looking Ahead**

The UMW General Meetings in November and January have been held during the day in recent years, followed with time for hands-on needle projects like sewing school bags and baby gowns; and crocheting/knitting Warm-up Rochester Afghans, baby sweaters, caps, and prayer shawls.

The program on Saturday, November 8, will feature a very interesting, locally created video called "Comfort Zone," about ways we can have a positive impact on our climate and environment.

Our January meeting will be held on Monday, January 19, with a program in the Sanctuary to celebrate the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. Then we'll move to the Ide Center to watch an appropriate video, work on our projects, and enjoy lunch.

Mark these dates on your calendar now!

### ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN UPCOMING DATES

October 13 – Sew 'n Sew's in Room 1 at 1:00 p.m.

October 21 - Morning Circle in Parlor at 11:00 a.m.

#### To My Friends at Aldersgate,

Thanks so much for the visits, phone calls, and cards which I received during my recent hospitalization and recuperation. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Wilma Shaughnessy

#### Thank You Everyone...

...For the cards, prayers and kindness shown during my father's passing.

Thank you,
Debbie and Bob Kennedy



# Trustees' Update

#### **Facility Project Help Appreciated!**

Thank you to all for helping complete a number of work tasks around the church recently.

- 1. Cleaned exhaust fan vent grates in bathrooms near Chapel and lubricated the fans.
- 2. Repaired non-functioning light socket in Gathering Space.
- The exposed roof trusses at the back (west) end of the chapel were undercoated and painted. The front (east) side trusses were scraped, undercoated, and painted.
- 4. Removed cinder blocks and second dish post from roof over Room #8.
- 5. 'Circuit 16' plugs in new Kitchen were labeled as non-functioning. They were removed and blocked with cover plate.
- 6. Repaired buckling book shelves in Library.
- 7. Caulking of the Education Wing windows for the west and south sides of the wing are done.
- 8. Cleaned the return air vent for ventilation system in the new Kitchen.
- 9. The flat roof over the education wing, rooms 1 through 8, was sealed with silver colored tar.

#### **Completed Rental Property Projects**

- 1. Nailed down loose roof flashing near chimney and over garage.
- 2. Repaired/replaced cracked or missing windows at basement level.
- 3. Scraped and re-painted white outside trim.
- 4. Scraped and re-painted blue house.
- 5. Repaired southeast basement so that it closes.



#### **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 <a href="mailto:RMohrmann@rochester.rr.com">RMohrmann@rochester.rr.com</a>, or Mike Smith at 865-3809.

#### In Process:

- Curtain outside south side of Sanctuary opening to ramp area. Rod ready; need curtain.
- Finished painting gutter
  area over Chapel with
   "Software Gray" paint. Now need help installing
  new gutters. Also need a short downspout from
  the north side of the Chapel Roof to the lower
  new roof.
- 3. Apply UV Screen sheeting on the outside of the Kitchen Windows.
- 4. Stairs up from outside door are scraped and need sanding and painting with "Biscuit" color.

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

- 1. Caulk Education Wing windows on the east side (court yard) of the building.
- 2. The flat roof over the Parlor, Chapel Hallway and Bathrooms next door needs to be tarred and resilvered in summer 2015.
- 3. Clean and paint the hallway outside of the Chapel.
- 4. Sand and refinish Kitchen doors to Ide Center, Ide Center side lower part of doors, and then need to install hard clear plastic panel for outside of Kitchen Doors to Ide Center to protect them from food carts scratching the doors.
- In Men's Room by Chapel, replace toilet flush mechanisms with FluidMaster units (in utility room).
- 6. Maintain air controlled thermostat system for boiler heating system.
- 7. Add heater/ventilation vent and duct for Family Restroom in hallway next to offices.

### Christian Education

October's **Kindergarten-3rd Graders'** lessons will come from the unit *Beginning of God's People* based on the scripture "Know the Lord is God – He made us; we belong to Him. We are His people, the sheep of His own pasture." Psalm 100:3. We will be learning through activities where the children will hear, understand and experience Bible stories, be encouraged to apply the stories to their lives and to serve others in their own church and community.

Week	Topic	Activity		
Oct. 5	Abraham and Sarah	Having a Rolled- Paper Campfire & Creating a Game		
Oct. 12	Isaac is Born	Basket Weaving		
Oct. 19	Twin Brothers	Stay-Connected Obstacle Course Game		
Oct. 26	Jacob's Ladder	Ladder Hopscotch		

Our **4th-6th graders**, led by Nan Keller, will be starting the program *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 Class** starts on <u>Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup></u> from 11:00-12:00 in the youth room. The second class will be on Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>.

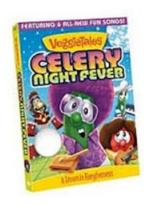
**NEW! Young Adults Class**, will be led by John & Dennis Simm from 10:45-11:45 in Room 2. They will be beginning the study *Defining Moments* by Andy Stanley.

<u>Summary:</u> It's no secret that what you don't know can hurt you. In spite of that, we still go out of our way at times to avoid the truth. While the truth often hurts, deceiving ourselves will ultimately only worsen the situation. Participants will listen in as Jesus introduces some rather perplexing truths to seven individuals who had grown comfortable with their misinformed lifestyles and belief systems. Participants will discover firsthand that the truth can set you free.

**High School Class** will be led by Christine Mitchell from 11:00-12:00. The class will start in Room 2 with the young adults class to view the *Defining Moments* study by Andy Stanley. They will then move to Room 8 for a separate discussion.

#### **DISCO FEVER!**

Veggie Tales Movie Event on Friday, October 24 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. There will be a pizza dinner, dancing, and movie with popcorn. Sign up today on the main bulletin board. We are still looking for helpers (Youth and Adults).



Veggie pals Laura Carrot and Junior Asparagus have a big job to do...save their beloved Celery Park from being destroyed! Laura and Junior plan a fundraising concert with the formerly famous Groovy Brothers, but the bandmates refuse to play together because of an old grudge. All hope of saving the park seems lost until the group remembers that God forgives without question, so why can't they do the same? Will the band reunite to save Celery Park? Find out in this fun, music-filled VeggieTales adventure! Featuring Terry Crews as the voice of "Bruce Onion."

#### **Kidsgate Celebrate!**

Begins on October 5 in Fellowship Hall from 11:00-11:15 for kids in Pre-K to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We will be singing upbeat Christian songs, learning signs and dances, participating in skits, praying and having just a wonderful time worshiping God! Afterwards, the kids will head back upstairs for their small group instruction time.

#### 2014-15 Registration Form

Attention Sunday school parents: Please fill out this year's Registration Form for the 2014-2015 Sunday school year. We need updated addresses, phone numbers, e-mails, allergy information, etc. If your child did not get one last Sunday, there are extras located on the bulletin board next to the nursery. Thanks so much.

The new "Spark Family" magazine is here for fall. Pick one up for your family today.



# Dear Sally Stewardardship

Dear Sally,

I keep getting confused. This "Fearless Generosity" finance campaign - -what is it all about? Is there a difference between that and the capital campaign?

Lost in the Thicket

Dear Lost,

Sorry about that, but you have plenty of company. Capital campaigns are usually held to make major purchases or improvements like the now nearly ten-year-old addition to our church. The original campaign, which raised close to a million dollars, allowed us to get the building started. We have held additional capital campaigns every three years since for money to pay off the \$2.1 million

Dear Families,

We are excited to share with you a website from our Kidsgate Curriculum "Grow, Proclaim and Serve." There are pages for Parents and Kids as well as Articles that follow up to the lesson taught on Sunday.



In the Kid's link there are:

- fun online Christian games
- video clips from Sunday's lesson

In the Parent's links are:

- links to articles with project ideas that correlate with the week's lesson
- Sunday's lesson (to reinforce at home or to do together if you missed the lesson)
- information on the monthly units being studied

The website and games do not work on iPhones, iPads or any Apple device. There is a free app titled *Grow, Proclaim, Serve!* mobile that is similar to the website.

We hope that you take the time to look through the website/Apps and enjoy the fun learning opportunities for your family. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask us, call us at church 663-3665 or email us at <a href="mailto:itroiano@aumcgreece.org">itroiano@aumcgreece.org</a> and

rsimonelli@aumcgreece.org.

Thanks,

Julia and Rhonda

dollar mortgage (the "Building Fund" on your church envelopes). We have made really good progress, but that's a topic for another day.

Every fall we hold a Finance Campaign ("Fearless Generosity" is the theme this year) to cover the ongoing expenses of our ministries here at Aldersgate. This is the money that pays for pastors, Christian Education, youth and music ministry, cleaning and maintaining our facilities, and so on. Without this support we wouldn't be enjoying thoughtful and uplifting Sunday worship services, a growing Hispanic ministry, Sunday School and a growing number of small groups, activities like VBS and Veggie Tale nights, and a strengthening local outreach effort like the Community Dinners. Without this base we would not be sending teams on mission trips, helping build Habitat Houses, supporting Mission Share and the Greece Food Shelf, or supplying meeting places for community organizations like AA and GA, We have a reputation in our community as a church that gets involved and that helps people. All these efforts are evidence of a healthy congregation that loves God, loves each other, and loves others.

There is an occasional conversation about combining the two types of campaigns by folding the mortgage into our regular budget, but so far it has seemed a step too far. Perhaps we just haven't challenged ourselves enough.

We encourage you to fill out and turn in a pledge card for Commitment Sunday on October 26. Pray about it. Let God challenge you to go beyond an amount that is comfortable. We are not growing spiritually if we give "safe amounts" or play "wait and see what happens." Consider what you are currently giving and look at the back of the pledge card to see if you can't move up a step or two. Notice, too, that the chart there recognizes that our giving is to be proportionate to our income. It is important to do this. Filling out a pledge card is a spiritual commitment and a demonstration that you trust God to provide.

I do hope you will respond with a strong, fearless pledge to support the work of our church in 2015, as well as to continue paying your pledge toward reducing our mortgage. Fear is normal; but with God's help, together we can learn to be a fearlessly generous congregation.

Joining you in prayer for a strong commitment,

Sally Stewardship

# Fearless Giving

#### Giving is our response to the generosity that we have received from God.

In the midst of economic uncertainties it can be tempting to permit fear to control us and cause us to believe that we must hold on to what we have. But God asks us to give freely and fearlessly – and not with an attitude of scarcity.

The annual financial commitment we make to this church provides the occasion for each of us to demonstrate the depth of our love for and trust in God. It reveals whether we are living abundantly and fearlessly!

#### **Generosity Corner: Celebrating Fearless Generosity**

- \$1,346 donated to date to support the monthly Community Dinner
- A three-year effort by the Hispanic Ministry to raise \$18,000 to purchase a 12-seat van, including the first year's insurance
- \$1,000 donated toward the air-conditioner repair which allowed us to be able to fund the total repair!
- \$5,600 light replacement program which will reduce electrical usage, covered in full by an anonymous donor

#### **Continued Needs:**

- \$17,492 is the monthly mortgage payment. We have managed to keep up to date so far this year due to a very generous bequest from the John Haldane estate
- We faithfully tithe 10% of our weekly plate toward our UM apportionments, but this isn't enough to fully
  cover what we owe to the greater UM church. We are behind about \$6,000 and if the current level of
  giving continues, we will end up the year behind about \$10,000
- Pledges for 2014 were not enough to cover our 2015 budget. Each committee has done what they can to minimize expenses and every category is under budget for the year, and yet there have still been times when we have struggled to pay all our bills.

#### **Fearless Giving Challenge:**

- Calculate your current level of giving and increase it by 1% for 2015
- Try tithing for 3 months! If you can't continue after that, determine what level you can give regularly
- Contact the church office if you are interested in receiving financial counsel to help set a budget and manage your debt. There are experienced people who can work with you!

Don't forget to include Aldersgate in your estate planning. Take care of your church family with as much thought as you do your heirs.

We do not worry because our trust and out commitment are in our generous God who promises to provide for our needs.

Phil 4:19

### Mission News

# World Communion Sunday Offering Provides Crusade Scholarships

Half the funds from the special offering on World Communion Sunday, **October 5**, will be used to support Crusade Scholarships for students primarily from the Asia/Pacific region, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Europe who don't normally have access to funding for graduate-level education. Students who plan to study in health-related fields, rural development, social work, teaching, theology, pastoral care, environmental studies, and agriculture are given priority. The students are expected to return to their home communities to use the skills learned for at least five years after finishing their studies. Any remaining funds are used to provide Ethnic Scholarships for undergraduates, with fifteen percent reserved to fund programs for ethnic people seeking second careers in church-related callings.

Your gift can help to touch many lives. Write your check payable to *Aldersgate UMC* or put your donation in a pew envelope. It should be designated for "World Communion Sunday."

#### Missions Committee Sponsors Election Day Bake Sale

Remember to vote on **Tuesday, November 4** — and to stop by the church (even if it's not your polling place) to purchase baked goods or Christmas crafts. Even for off-year elections, we usually do good business. However, **to have a good sale, we must have the goods!** People come in the morning expecting to find **cookies, brownies, and breads** to take to work with them. Throughout the day we have "regulars" who look forward to the mouthwatering **pies and cakes** they find here every year.

Sign-up sheets will be posted after the Craft Show for you to indicate your willingness to contribute both the product of your baking skills and your service in staffing the sale.

#### **Pie-Eating Season Coming Up!**

Why bake for yourself when we have so many opportunities to purchase pies while at the same time helping important ministries?

Holiday Pies for Habitat Houses from Kelly's will be available again this year for Thanksgiving (or put in the freezer

for Christmas!) Orders will be taken after services on November 2, 9, and 16 with delivery the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. Apple Crumb, Apple Raspberry, Pumpkin, and Christmas Crumb Pies will be sold for \$16.00, and a one-pound Apple Crisp for \$12.00. (Remember these pies are very large!)

Net proceeds will go to the Greece Churches Habitat for Humanity Coalition toward funding the next housebuilding project.

# What is the UMC Doing About Fighting EBOLA?

We have been hearing daily about the Ebola crisis in East Africa. Recently President Obama announced a major U.S. effort to fight the disease. What are we doing as United Methodists? A quick search of UMCOR news found that the United Methodist Committee on Relief has sent nearly \$400,000 in grants to Sierra Leone and Liberia to support the construction of holding units and the purchase of tents, personal protective equipment, training for health staff, public messaging about Ebola, and safe handling of deceased bodies. Wherever possible, UMCOR funds are sent to United Methodist health boards to purchase supplies locally. This practice enables the health boards to get exactly what they want as soon as possible. It also stimulates the local economy which has been severely impacted by the health crisis.

Closer to home, Mission Central is holding a donation drive in its area to collect practical items like heavy-duty hospital grade latex gloves and rubber boots. They also recently received a donation of an ambulance, which will be shipped to Sierra Leone along with the collected supplies. This shipment is expected to go out the first week in October.

Remember that our special contributions on One Great Hour of Sharing Sunday and our support of Mission Central through Aldersgate UMW help support efforts like these throughout the year. If you want to make an additional gift, you may do so by writing a check payable to Aldersgate UMC and mark it — or your gift in a pew envelope — for "Ebola assistance" or "Mission Central" at any time.

#### Thank You

The Trustees wish to thank the following people for their efforts helping maintain Aldersgate's facilities:

- Kathy Peck for trimming and pruning the bushes outside the Parking Lot doors to the Gathering Space;
- Bob Thayer for coordinating and working on a large number of projects for our building and the rental house; and
- Mark Houser for cleaning all the light controls and light dimmer switches for the Sanctuary lighting system.



# Come to Aldersgate Night at Ruby Tuesday's on Ridge Road

Monday, October 6

Turn in your bulletin insert, and Ruby Tuesday's will donate 20% of our food receipts to our Building Fund.

#### **Library Corner Continued from Page 12**

#### Children

The Christmas Story – Ruth J. Morehead This Little Light of Mine – Rachel Lisberg

#### General

Every Other Monday: Twenty Years of Life, Lunch, Faith and Friendship – John Kasich – One men's Bible study group's search for answers and meaning

Who is This Man?: The Unpredictable Impact of the Inescapable Jesus – John Ortberg – His influence has swept over history, bringing inspiration to what has happened in art, science, government, education and medicine. He has taught humans about dignity, compassion, forgiveness and hope.

Spanish for Dummies - Susana Wald

Where Angels Walk – Joan Wester Anderson – Stories attesting to the angelic intervention in human affairs

90 Minutes in Heaven: A True Story of Death and Life – Don Piper – On his way home from a conference, Baptist minister Piper crashed his car and was declared dead by medical personnel. For 90 minutes he experienced Heaven. Another minister's prayer brought him back to life. This experience dramatically changed Piper's life.

"It cannot be that people should grow in grace unless they give themselves to reading." John Wesley

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

#### **October Birthdays**

October Direntarys	
Laure VanPutte	October 5
Annette Thompson	October 5
Rachel Brehm	October 7
Susan DeVincentis	October 7
Dale DeCann	October 12
Margaret Jones	October 13
Martha Sholl	October 13
Robin Lindeman	October 15
Zachary Farrell	October 16
Joyce Farrokh	October 17
Thomas Rankin Sr.	October 17
Briana Kephart	October 18



Ella Simonelli	October 19
Nancy Young	October 20
David Rogenmoser	October 23
Nicholas Spicer	October 23
Cindy Purzycki	October 24
Timothy Kephart	October 25
Bette Edgett	October 25
Kevin Ruell	October 27

Ted Carstens October 30 Roy Baird October 30

### October Anniversaries Timothy & Tamara

Tilliotily & Talliala	
Kephart	October 6
Julia & Brandon	
Troiano	October 16
John & Karen Best	October 20
Tom & Zuni Simons	October 22

### Our Church Staff

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## Serving in Worship This Month

#### **Ushers**

9:30 AM
10/5 Al & Myrt Holmes Terry & Nancy Young
Larry Van Allen John & Karen Best
Eric McHugh

10/12 Al & Myrt Holmes Nancy Bader
Shawna Bigler Betty Hild
Ray Poling Candy Metzger
Bette Edgett

10/19 Al & Myrt Holmes Gordan & Suzanne Spicer

Eric McHugh Mike Smith Ray Poling Scott Wiley

10/26 Al & Myrt Holmes Bud & Carol Kress
Bobbi Mohrmann Gary & Denise Hogestyn

Shawna Bigler

#### **Scripture Readers**

9:30 AM
10/5 Lisa Deutsch
Nancy Young
10/12 Shawna Bigler
Melissa Powell
10/19 Ray Poling
Dick Stacy
10/26 Kathy Bernardi
Gretchen Hughes





ALL items for the November Hinge are due by October 15.

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# Library Corner

#### **New UMW Books**

Radio Shangri-la: What I Discovered on My Accidental Journey to the Happiest Kingdom on Earth — Lisa Napoli — A radio journalist moves to Bhutan, a country devoted to the happiness of its people, a country without a traffic light. She starts a radio station and reflects on the effect she is having on the country and the effect the country is having on her life.

King Peggy: An American Secretary, Her Royal Destiny, and the Inspiring Story of How She Changed an African Village – Peggilene Bartels – After her uncle dies in Ghana, Peggy is named king of his village.

The Church and People with Disabilities: Awareness, Accessibility and Advocacy – Peggy Johnson – Disability crosses all lines of gender, orientation, ethnicity, socioeconomic position, age and culture. This book calls the church to provide full access to services and opportunities and promotes advocacy for justice for people with disabilities.



How is it With Your Soul? — Priscilla Pope-Levison — This resource brings into balance the inner and outer dimensions of the Christian life. Organized around four verbs (pray, learn, mentor and transform), this book will challenge you to be a more vibrant disciple of Christ.

Grace and Grit: My Fight for Equal Pay and Fairness at Goodyear and Beyond – Lilly Ledbetter – An overnight supervisor at Goodyear, Lilly learned that she was earning thousands of dollars less than men in the same position. Thus began a long struggle for fairness in the workplace.

A Twist of Faith: An American Christian's Quest to Help Orphans in Africa – John Donnelly – A reporter started a school for children orphaned by the AIDS epidemic in Malawi. This book details the "help" he gave and the "help" that the children needed.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
AA MEETINGS (FH) Daily 7:30 AM Sunday 7:30 PM (FH) Monday 7:00 PM Wednesday 5:30 PM Thursday (Women) 7:30 PM	ALANON Monday 7:00 PM (8) GAM-ANON Friday 7:00 PM (2) GAMBLER'S ANONYMOUS Friday 7:00 PM (3/4)		1 6:30 PM Prayer (8) 6:30 PM Basketball (Ide) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Simm) (P) 7:00 PM Control (S) 7:00 PM Hispanic Youth (FH) 7:00 PM Hispanic Choir (C)	2 1:00 PM Reading Circle (L) 5:00 PM Bell Choir (Ide) 7:00 PM Beginners Bible Study (Poling) (2) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Sisson) (P) 7:30 PM Stewardship (L)	3 7:00 PM Bi Lingual Bible Study (8) 7:30 PM Hispanic Youth (FH)	4 11:00 PM Grief Share (P)
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