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April 2015

From the Pastor



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After the long harsh winter, it's wonderful to see signs of new life breaking out all over. I'm especially grateful for the new life we have through Christ's death and resurrection. Easter is the celebration that all things can be made new. Since Jesus Christ is raised from the dead, he has power over everything that destroys life. In Christ dead relationships can find new life. In Christ those dead to sin can live apart from sin. In Christ those who have died physically will live forever. Christ is risen and that changes everything! Halleluiah!

To more fully experience the joy of Easter, I encourage you to participate in our special Holy Week services. On Thursday, April 2, at 7 p.m. there will be service to commemorate Jesus' last meal with his followers before his crucifixion. On Friday, April 3, there will be a prayer vigil in the chapel from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. You can sign up to come and pray for an hour during that time or you can just drop in for however long you wish. Also on Friday at 7 p.m. we will hold our Good Friday worship and hear again about Jesus' suffering and death. (Child care will be provided at both 7 p.m. services.)

Then join us for the joyous celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter morning! Christ is risen! Halleluiah!

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: Noel Anderson – Rochester General,

Wilma Smith—Unity, Joan Michlin—Strong

In Rehab: Martha Thomson – St. Anns

Recovering at Home: Dawn Barrett Brickel (daughter of Nora Spindler Miller), Ron Durbin, Bob Fisher, Seward Griffin, Kim Lindenau, Ken Sisson, Larry Van Allen

Those with Ongoing Health Concerns: Tom Beamish (cousin of Carole Jermyn), Bonnie Bush (friend of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Stacy Miller-Clark (cousin of Mike & Wendy Dunn), Sarah Crough (niece of Doug & Nancy Jones), Logan Desmone (child of friend of Lisa Deutsch), William Donahue, Norm Edgett, 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), Barb Jeffers, Beverly Johnson, Rich Keller, Addison Lorraine Kelly (daughter of Jessica Christie & Aaron Kelly), Keith Kimberly (friend of Gloria & Rick Baker), 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, Barbara Milliken, Nicole Mohrmann (granddaughter of Rich & Bobbi Mohrmann), Gloria Montgomery, Ardis Nerby (mother of Lisa Deutsch), Dorothy Pearson, Kathy Peck, Marissa Peck, Toby Place (friend of Dan Hallowell); Kaley Petrella (friend of Richard Keegan), Kamran Pickering (grandson of Donna Colangelo), Delia Pinto (aunt of Juan Ruiz), Carol Price-Barden (cousin of Wendy & Mike Dunn), Susan Tuck Rooksby (friend of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Elaine Roney (sister of Meg Jones), David Stanley, Bill Teasdale, Kevin Way (uncle of Michael Dunn), Kevin Weil & Family (nephew of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Jennifer Welker & Noah Welker (daughter and grandson of Gloria & Rick Baker), Denise, Emily & James White (daughter, granddaughter & grandson of Gloria & Rick Baker), Mark Williams (son-in-law of Bob Wiederhold)

E-Mail Prayer Chain

PLEASE help us keep the weekly printed church bulletin prayer concerns list UPDATED.

FYI: Candy Metzger will be sending out the weekly Sunday email prayer chain in March and early April when the Edgetts are in Myrtle Beach, S.C. (Thank you!) If you have a prayer request that cannot wait until the following Sunday, you may contact Candy at the church office.

Chitie Edgett, coordinator edgett83@frontiernet.net

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 – 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; Robert Fisher – The Jewish Home; Pat Holmes – Episcopal Home

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

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

Monday, April 6

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

Make this your lunch or dinner out with your friends!

Get in the Picture!!

Crop Walk is coming up soon! **May 3rd** will be our second year of serving as the host church and we are looking forward to participation by a number of area churches. Last year the Greece Food Shelf received over \$2,000 in funding as a result of this walk which also benefits people around the world. Sponsored by Church World Service, 25% of the funds raised stay with our local food shelf. We will have our usual 6-mile route and our Golden Mile, and will have our "Rock and Roll" route in the Ide Family Center to accommodate those who would like to walk a shorter distance. Wheelchairs are welcome!

Sign up to walk or help! Get in the Picture!



Coming Up: Our Great Recycling Event – The Rummage Sale

Drop-off for the annual Rummage Sale will begin on **Memorial Day**, **May 25**, for the **sale** which will be held on **Thursday – Saturday**, **June 4-6**. It's not too soon to start gathering together your own donations while the cold weather is still keeping us stuck in the house. Most of us have too much "stuff," whether it's clothes that we've grown tired of, working appliances we don't use, Christmas gifts we never found a place for, etc. "Declutter," "recycle" and help fund missions projects at the same time!

Join the Summer Mission Trip!

Can you hold a paintbrush or drive a nail? Are you willing to get a little dirty to help someone whose home has been damaged or destroyed? Aldersgate is forming a team to head back down to New Jersey to work along with UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) in restoring homes damaged by Hurricane Sandy; leaving here August 16th and returning August 22nd. If you would like to know more, there will be a short, informational meeting at 12:30 on Sunday, April 19th, or give Carol Kress a call at 865-7658 (carolk2@frontiernet.net). No matter what your building skills are, we hope you will join us!

Thank You!

We want to thank the following for their service as officers in the church who will be moving on to other ministries. May God bless you as you continue to serve in new ways.

- Members of Evangelism and Membership Care: Carol DeCann, Betty Edgett, Jan Rothfuss, and Bob Wiederhold
- Lay member to Annual Conference: Rich Keller
- Prayer Leader: Joyce Farrokh
- Staff Parish Relations Committee Members: Carol DeCann, Gary Hogestyn, and Tammy Kephart
- Trustees: John Best, Tim Kephart, and Gordon Spicer

Save the date! All-Church Picnic

Mark your calendars for our church family picnic on Sunday, **June 7**, 2015 (following the 11:00 a.m. worship service) at **Braddock's Bay Park**. Everyone is welcome to join us for a fun and relaxing afternoon on the shores of our mighty Lake Ontario. There is a huge playground, trains

Lake Ontario. There is a huge playground, trails to wonder and explore, games to play, crafts, and a lot to eat!

Game Night

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

Featuring Euchre and board games

Aldersgate United Methodist Women

Reading Circle

Are you concerned about the inequities in our criminal justice system? Why are we seeing a rash of events like those recently in Ferguson and Cleveland? Why do we with 5% of the world's population have 25% of its prisoners, according to a recent news report?

When discussion of these events occurs on many news programs, the commentators often cite <u>The New Jim</u> <u>Crow</u> by Michelle Alexander as a resource. This book, which was also recently on the UMW Reading List, is the topic for the April 9 Reading Circle. Why is this book, already a few years old, considered on the cutting edge of current concerns?

Pick up a copy of the book from the Church Library to read in advance and come to Reading Circle for what is certain to be a lively discussion. (Come even if you have not had a chance to read the book!) Reading Circle meets at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Library. Light refreshments are provided by a hostess each month. Newcomers and visitors are always welcome. If you have any questions, call Jane Salminen at 544-1703.

Gateway-Longview Speaker for Morning Circle

Rob Baird, Development Director at Gateway-Longview, a United Methodist-related family service agency in the Buffalo area, will speak at Morning Circle on Tuesday, May 21, at 11:00 a.m. in the Ide Center. Aldersgate has supported this agency through its Christmas Offering for 25 years or more, but it has been some time since we have had a speaker from Gateway-Longview to update us on their current services to children, young people and their families.

Since we generally do like to know where our money goes, this is a topic that should be of interest to both men and women in the church. Everyone interested is welcome to attend.

We will provide a meat tray and rolls for a light lunch and ask that you bring a salad dish or dessert to share, as you are able. There will be no charge for the lunch. Please do sign up, however, so that we can plan for the table arrangements.

Church Women United Holds Annual Bible Study at Greece UMC

The Rev. Susan Maybeck, Pastor Emerita of the United Church of Pittsford, will lead a Bible Study "Women Companions on the Journey" on Friday, April 10, at 10:00 a.m. at Greece United Methodist Church at 1924 Maiden Lane. Registration at the door (starting at 9:30 a.m.) costs just \$3.00. Bring your Bible, a Brown Bag Lunch, and boxed or canned food items for the Community Food Cupboard of Rochester. This is an excellent opportunity to meet together for Bible study, discussion, and fellowship with women from many churches around the area. No reservations are required.

Keep Your Hands Busy With Good Works!

The sewing machines and crochet needles were busy at the last gathering of **Sew 'n Sew's**. We're working on school bags, baby gowns, and receiving blankets for the summer collection of supplies for school and layette kits for the United Methodist Committee on Relief. The needles are clicking away to make baby caps for preemies and afghans for the homeless in Rochester. Soon some of those needles will be making baby sweaters for the layette kits.

We enjoy our monthly gathering in Room 1 on the second Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m. and the group is growing, but we are wondering if others who may be working during the week would like to join us for more regular "Project Days" on a Saturday this summer? If so, let Gretchen Hughes know by calling her at 865-2822 or e-mailing her at fghughes76@frontiernet.net.

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN UPCOMING DATES

- May 2 District UMW Spring Event at Oakfield
 United Methodist Church
- May 7 Book Review Luncheon, Noon
- May 9 Mothers, Daughters & Friends Banquet, gathering at 5:30 p.m. in the Ide Center, dinner at 6:00 p.m.
- **July 30-August 1** Mission u (School of Mission) at Camp Asbury

Dear Sally Stewardship

Dear Sally Stewardship,

I hear all this discussion about "global warming" and "climate change." This was certainly a different winter than we have seen around here for many years. I don't know whether or not what we do makes any difference, but I'm concerned. What can I do?

Just One of God's People

Dear One,

First of all, to God, every one of us is important and has a role to play in creation. What one of us chooses to do or not to do may not seem to matter, but collectively our actions do make a difference. In Genesis 1:26-27, God said, "And now we will make human beings; they will be like us and resemble us. They will have power over the fish, the birds, and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small." So God created human beings, making them to be like himself. He created them male and female, blessed them and said, "Have many children, so your descendants will live all over the earth and bring it under their control. I am putting you in charge of the fish, the birds, and all the wild animals." (TEV)

Part of the debate today stems from a difference in interpretation of what God meant by bringing the earth under our control or dominion. Does it mean that we are free to use its resources any way we please, or does it mean that we are responsible for its care and upkeep? That's probably over-simplifying the discussion, but United Methodists believe caring for our planet is our responsibility.

What can one person do? The World Wildlife Fund offers a list of actions one person can take. Here's a portion of their list with some comments adapted to our own circumstances:

- **Put on a sweater.** When you turn up the heat in a furnace you are probably burning fossil fuels. A sweater or robe will help conserve resources.
- Put one foot in front of the other. Using fuelefficient cars is important, but so is reducing fuel by
 driving less. Allow yourself time to walk on errands
 and advocate for traffic planning that makes pedestrian and bike travel safe.
- Go for seconds. Recycling doesn't just mean separating your cans and bottles. It can mean using things a second or third time. (Don't forget the Rummage Sale!)

 Watch your waste. Items you may be throwing away can contaminate the soil and water for thousands or millions of years. Follow the special provisions for disposal of things like oil and batteries, the new light bulbs, and electronic equipment. (Your ink cartridges can be brought to church for recycling that provides income for our Christian Education program.)

- Paper or plastic. By taking reusable bags to the grocery store, you can cut down on the 350 bags the average American uses each year and reduce needless deaths of marine life or birds when they ingest the plastics in trees and streams. Or recycle your paper and plastic bags. (There is some risk of contamination from reusable bags unless they are laundered.)
- BYOB. Fill a reusable water bottle with tap water from home and bring it with you. We generally have excellent tap water in this area. Not all parts of the country are so fortunate.
- Flip 'em off. We often can't even see the stars for all the electric lights. Keep the light on in the room you are using, but keep the rest of the house dark. You'll find the dark is soothing.
- Get in touch with your roots. Plant a tree! It's good for the soil, good for the birds, good for reducing climate change, and good for the air you are breathing.

We do believe that we are charged with good stewardship of the earth. Change starts often with one person at a time. Thanks for asking!

Caring for God's Creation, Sally Stewardship

CREDO Confirmation Class

In the last two months of Confirmation class, we have studied the life and ministry of Jesus, His passion, death, and resurrection, and the beginnings of the early church. Next we will learn about Paul's journeys and letters , and the development of the church through the reformation as well as the beginnings of Methodism.

Upcoming class schedule: APR 5, APR 19, MAY 3, and MAY 17 is Confirmation Day. Confirmation class is in Room 8 and starts promptly at 11:00 a.m. All Confirmands must schedule a time to meet with Pastor Anne in the next month before being Confirmed in the church.

God Bless! Doc and Sue

Christian Education

April's Kindergarten-5th Grader lessons will come from the Unit 2 Easter and Beyond based on the scripture, "But these things are written so that you will believe that Jesus is the Christ, God's Son, and that believing, you will have life in his name." John 20:31. We will learn through activities where the children will hear, understand and experience Bible stories, and be encouraged to apply the stories to their lives and to serve others in their own church and community.

Week	Topic	Activity
April 5	Easter	Make a Story Cross for the Classroom
April 12	Thomas	Take the "I Doubt It" Challenge and Make an "I Believe" License Plate
April 19	Breakfast on the Beach	Make a Bead Fish and play the "Get-the-Fish-to-Shore" Game
April 26	The Great Commission	Go and Tell Map and learn about the Trinity

Our **4th-6th graders**, led by Nan Keller, will continue 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 will meet on Sundays, April 5th and April 19th at 11:00 a.m. in Room 8.

In April, the **Young Adults Class** will view and discuss *Last Ounce of Courage*.

<u>Summary:</u> Last Ounce of Courage is the story of a grieving father inspired by his grandson to take a stand for faith and freedom against a tide of apathy and vanishing liberty. Alongside fellow citizens of courage, faith, and integrity, he is a champion for the cherished principles we the people hold dear. A tale of family bonds and free expression, the film seeks to encourage all Americans to take a stand and raise their voices in support of their beliefs.

In April, the **High School Class** will start in Room 2 with the young adults class to view *Last Ounce of Courage*. They will then move to Room 8 for a separate discussion when needed.

Thank Yous!

A huge thank you to all who supported and participated in Scoops and Hoops! We enjoyed delicious pizza and ice cream, played a lot of basketball and



raised money for a good cause. Proceeds went to Imagine No Malaria and we couldn't have done it without you.



A Wild Heart Full of Thanks to the following people for volunteering their time and service to our neighborhood children on February 28th, Saturday's one-day VBS: Christine & Kennedy Mitchell, Jared & Marita Jones, Doc & Sue Kavanagh, John & Debbie Simm,

Nancy Brehm, Christine Rice, Michael Smith, Mike Simonelli, Dayna Edgett & Allie Greenberg, Erin Pfund, Deepa Samuel, Debbie Kennedy, Tim Kephart, Tom O'Connor, and Juan Ruiz.

Thanks, Rhonda & Julia

Everest — Vacation Bible School 2015

Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power

Join us August 17-21 from 9:00-12:00 for games, crafts, Bible stories, snacks, music and much more! At Everest vacation Bible school, kids experience God's Word in surprising and unforgettable ways! Each day, leaders reinforce one simple Bible truth—which makes it easy for kids to remember and apply to real life!

Vacation Bible School is FREE and open to all kids who are in Preschool through Sixth grade. Online Registration will begin in May. For more information,

contact Rhonda or Julia at 663-3665 or rsimonelli@aumcgreece.org or jtroiano@aumgreece.org.

Volunteers are always needed to make this ministry a success. Please let us know if you can help.



Mission News

Your Easter Offering Will Support Meri Whitaker

Meri Whitaker's visit last summer to Aldersgate reminded us all how important her ministry is to the poor in Eastern Oklahoma as director of the Cookson Hills Center. The majority of the people living there are Cherokee. Since this is also the month in which United Methodists celebrate Native American Awareness Month, focusing on her support through the Easter Offering is even more appropriate.

The Center provides a food shelf, clothing closet, health services, day-care, youth activities, a senior center, and a multitude of other efforts to reach out to people in the area, which is one of the poorest in the country. Meri works to develop cottage industries like screen-printing and embroidering clothing, selling Indian crafts, and making rubber mats from discarded tires to help people to support themselves. (We ordered our Aldersgate teeshirts and aprons last fall from Cookson Hills.) In addition, she pastors a Twelve-Step Church. You can learn much more about her work by reading *My Sister the Father*, a delightful collection of stories about her experiences, available in our church library.

Please be generous both with your prayers and with your money for this most important relationship. Put your special gift in the Easter Offering envelopes provided with your packet of church envelopes, or mark "Easter Offering" on your check or pew envelope.

Native American Ministries Sunday, April 19

Did you know that your special gift for ministries among Native Americans supports work here in Western New York as well as seminary scholarships for United Methodist Native Americans? About 119,000 members and 225 United Methodist churches in the United States identify themselves as Native American. Because Upper New York Annual Conference has substantial work among Native Americans, half our offering stays in our own annual conference. Your gift helps both those who are studying to become pastors as well as those they serve. Please put your generous contribution in the envelope provided in the bulletin that Sunday, or mark "Native American Ministries" on your check or pew envelope.

Annual Mission: Share Auction

The Annual Auction for Mission: Share is one of the primary fundraisers supporting this ministry to the Greece Community. It will be held on **Sunday, April 19**, at the Assemblies of God Church on Long Pond Road. There are always a very large number of products and gift certificates from local businesses sold through a silent auction as well as some exciting "higher end" items and services sold by live auction. Watch the bulletin for more information and make plans to attend, help the cause, and have a good time!

A New Extended Ministry Has Begun at Aldersgate UMC

The theme of this ministry is: See the Need, Feel the Need and Meet the Need

A non-denominational communion service has begun at the Edna Tina Wilson Living Center. Initially, Pastor Bob Jeffers and Paul Brown served communion once a month to the member of Aldersgate who resided at this facility. At the time of this writing Phoebe Brown is the only Aldersgate member in residence.

A survey was taken of the residents who were able to receive communion to determine the interest of this type of ministry. (This survey was of all faiths.) The response was such that we felt the need to begin. Our first gathering we served four souls. Last month we served twelve. God invites, we serve.

The Service
A room set apart (Our Upper Room)
Welcome
Prayer
Scripture Reading
Reflections of Communion
Brief Order of Service
Distribution of the elements of Holy Communion
Closing of the Service
Prayer Requests from the Gathering

We are grateful to God for placing this ministry in our journey of service to him.

Pastor Bob Jeffers, Associate Pastor of Visitation
Paul Brown Assisting

April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
AA MEETINGS (FH) Daily (except Sun.) 7:30 AM Sunday 7:00 AM Sunday 7:30 PM (3/4) Monday 7:30 PM Wednesday 5:30 PM Thursday (Women) 7:30 PM & 1st Thurs .6:30 p.m. (3)	ALANON Monday 7:00 PM (8) GAM-ANON Friday 7:00 PM (2) GAMBLER'S ANONYMOUS Friday 7:00 PM (3/4)		1 5:00 PM Exercise (Ide) 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30 –8:30 PM Hispanic Prayer (C)	2 Maundy Thursday 7:00 PM Worship Service (S)	3 Good Friday 9:00 AM-6:00 PM Prayer Vigil (C) 7:00 PM Worship Service (S)	9:30 AM Altar Meeting (S) 11:00 AM Grief Share (P)
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Serving in Worship This Month

Ushers

Scheduling Contact: Ray Poling (phone number: 993-8058)

Scripture Readers

•	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
4/5	Bobbi Mohrmann	Nancy Young
4/12	Kathy Bernardi	Dick Caupp
4/19	Marie Sims	Kathy Peck
4/26	Ray Poling	Gretchen Hughes





ALL items for the May *Hinge* are due by **April 15**.

Send to: karensladden@hotmail.com



April Birthdays

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Wendy Peeck	April 1	Aaron Rothfuss	April 20
Nancy Rex	April 3	Charlotte Ridley	April 21
Natasha Burdick-Carsten	April 4	Kevin Roza	April 23
Judy Hare	April 6	Helen Wolter	April 24
Karin VanPutte	April 6	Kathy Peck	April 24
Doug Unell	April 7	Julia Kennedy	April 25
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Library Corner

The rummage sale is coming up June 4, 5 and 6. Please consider donating books to the cause.

In March's **Response** magazine the idea of happiness which Jesus spoke of in the Sermon on the Mount is contrasted with the idea of happiness which the media promotes. Another article explores UMW programs which reach out to incarcerated women and help their children.

New Books for Children

- Complete Bible text in:
 - The Gospel of Matthew: The Illustrated Bible
 - * The Gospel of Luke: The Illustrated Bible
 - * The Gospel of John: The Illustrated Bible
 - * The Acts of the Apostles: The Illustrated Bible
- Serenity illustrated story of Esther, the orphan God used to help save her people

New Books for Adults

- The Biblical World: An Illustrated Atlas by Jean-Pierre Isbouts – National Geographic reference book places Bible stories in the framework of history
- The Bridge of Peace by Cindy Woodsmall a novel

- about a young teacher of great faith discovering who she is and what she believes and not defining herself by the world
- Bury Me Standing: The Gypsies and Their Journey by Isabel Fonseca – a UMW book – non-fiction report on the Gypsies based on the author's 4 years with them
- The Christmas star by Ace Collins a boy harbors sadness and bitterness about his father's death in World War II until a visitor brings information which changes his attitude
- The hope of refuge by Cindy Woodsmall a young woman and her daughter flee a stalker and live among the Amish, learning lessons in forgiveness and love
- Keepers of the covenant by Lynn Austin this novel brings to life the story of Ezra leading the exiled Jews from Babylon to Jerusalem after the king calls for the annihilation of all Jews
- Return to me by Lynn Austin the struggles of the Jewish people as they return to Jerusalem to rebuild the Temple

"Reading will make your hours pleasant to you as long as you live." Anthony Trollope