

Aldersgate Hinge

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From the Pastor

It's hard to believe summer is almost over. I pray you have had a wonderful summer. I have enjoyed having some down time and am energized for all the things starting and re-starting in September.

On September 13, we kick off the new Sunday school year. I'm excited that we are starting a new pre-school class. Look for more information in this newsletter about all the classes offered on Sundays this fall.

Also on September 13 is our 60th anniversary celebration! It's been ten years since we broke ground on the church addition. Many ministries we never imagined before are possible because of the decisions and sacrifices of countless people over the past 60 years. Elsewhere in this *Hinge* you will find more information about this celebration. I hope you'll join us, not just to look back, but to imagine the future because God is faithful!

This fall we are implementing the intentional discipleship program that we've been working on for the last year and a half. The yellow sheet entitled "The Faithful Lifestyle at Aldersgate," found behind the welcome table, outlines the process. As disciples we are called to love God, love others, and serve Christ with joy both within the church and in the community. Discover Discussions are intended to help visitors and members alike grow in their knowledge and love of Christ. Each topic for discussion will be offered three times a year, so if you miss it this fall, look for the next date it's offered. The first discussion is "What's the big deal about the Bible?" on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 7:00 p.m. lead by Ray Poling. You can find a list of all the discussions and when they will be first offered in this edition of the *Hinge*.

Ray Poling will also be leading a DISCIPLE Bible Study Class on Wednesdays beginning with an orientation session on Sept. 16. DISCIPLE is a 34-week course. It's a wonderful opportunity to read, discuss and be transformed by God's word. Talk to anyone who has taken it and I'm sure they will encourage you to join because it's a life-changing experience. If you want more information, talk with Ray or me.

We are also hoping to hold a short-term study on Christian Parenting this fall. If you are interested, please let me know so we can determine the best time to hold it. It will be a great opportunity for parents to connect with each other and support one another in that all-important task of raising healthy, happy children who love and serve God.

In Christ's love,

Pastor Anne

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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.

In Hospice Care: Wilma Jean Smith – Crimson Ridge

Recovering at Home: Noel Anderson, Dawn Barrett-Brickel (daughter of Nora Spindler Miller), Seward Griffin, David Hahn, Anthony Mendola (Gail Snyder's grandson), Joan Michlin, Nora Spindler Miller, Janice Preston, Bill Tschorke, Bob Winter

Those with Ongoing Health Concerns: Samantha Alloco (friend of Kim Latragna), Karen Ameco (cousin of Ron Durbin), 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, Diane Durbin (mother of Ron Durbin), Jennifer Durbin (sister of Ron Durbin), James Fuller (brother of Mary Finacchairo), Heather Gerber (friend of Tracy Winter), Shirley Grierson, Wayne Griffin (son of Seward & June Griffin), Maura Hebberecht (sister of Shawn Roach), Larry Hickey (friend of Candy Metzger), Vi Hutchins (friend of Chris Palmer), Barb Jeffers, Beverly Johnson, Keith Kimberly (friend of Gloria & Rick Baker), Madeline Larabee (great granddaughter of Nancy Bailey), Lorraine Linder (mother of Tammy Ruiz), Ruth Loomis, Steven Lynch (son of Sylvia Lynch), Sylvia Lynch, Lena Mangion (friend of Richard Keegan), Tom Marsh, Rita Mead (friend of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Nicole Mohrmann (granddaughter of Rich & Bobbi Mohrmann), Ardis Nerby (mother of Lisa Deutsch), Dorothy Pearson, Kathy Peck, Marissa Peck, 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), Ron Rozinski, David Stanley, Bill Teasdale, John (Cal) Wagner (son-in-law of Jean Stevens), Diana Wallace (daughter-in-law of Betty Hild), Ted Way (uncle of Michael Dunn), Kevin Weil & family (nephew of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Jennifer Welker & Noah Welker (daughter & grandson of Gloria & Rick Baker), Denise, Emily & James White (daughter,

E-Mail Prayer Chain



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

If you have a prayer request that CANNOT wait until the following Sunday, please contact/leave message for Candy at the Church Office.

Chitie Edgett, coordinator
edgett83@frontiernet.net

granddaughter & 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; Phoebe Brown – Edna Tina Wilson Living Center; Maurice & Evelyn Deuel – Brightonian Nursing Home; Robert Fisher – The Jewish Home; Fred Hild – The Hurlbut; Rosetta Knapp – Crimson Ridge Gardens; Phyllis Little – Legacy Park Crescent; Pat Holmes and Len Mack – Legacy Cranberry Landing; Martha Thomson – Grandville Nursing Home

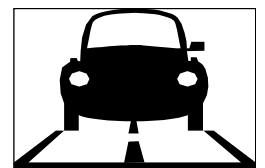
Christian Sympathy is extended to Gege Dunn & family on the death of Walt Dunn; Roy Baird on the death of his wife, Fran; and to Tim & Karen Sladden on the death of Tim's father, Charles Sladden.

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.





God is Faithful!
Come Celebrate as Aldersgate UMC
Turns 60 on September 13!

Anniversary Service at 11:00 a.m. with:

Reverend Anne O'Connor, Reverend Jerry Wolter,
Reverend Hector Rivera and Reverend John Cooke

Catered Buffet dinner at 1:00 p.m. in the Ide Center:

Menu

Chicken French
Baked Ham
Salt potatoes
Pasta
Fresh vegetables
Chef salad
Rolls & Butter
Anniversary Cake
Coffee, Tea, Water, Lemonade

Tickets can be purchased after every service from
August 15 – September 6:

- Adults: \$12.00
- Ages 5 – 10: \$8.00
- Under 5: Free

Short, special program featuring our Contemporary Worship team and the VBS kids.

View the history of the Church in photos!

Sign up on the Opportunity Board to help:

- Set up tables & chairs on Saturday, September 12 from 10-12
- Clean up dinner dishes
- Take down tables & chairs on Sunday

Game Night

September 12 at 6:00 p.m. — All are invited!
in Rooms 3 & 4

Featuring Euchre and board games

Church Events & Opportunities

Crafts & Collectibles Show Set for October 9 & 10

We still have room for vendors in our upcoming Crafts & Collectibles Show, so don't overlook the chance to be part of the fun on October 9 & 10. We've had a strong early response, but we have room to expand. We are looking for people with handcrafts, collectibles, and quality gift items for sale. 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).

The Gathering Space, Ide Center, and Sanctuary (if necessary) will be open for vendors to set up on Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. The sale will be open to the public from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. both Friday and Saturday.

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.

More Voices Wanted to Join the Choir!

If you've ever wanted to sing for joy with a group of like-minded individuals, consider joining the choir. Rehearsals are held Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m., beginning September 9. Warm up on Sunday mornings at 10:30 before singing during the 11:00 worship service.



Aldersgate United Methodist Women

Enjoy Supper & Help Assemble UMCOR Kits on September 24

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.

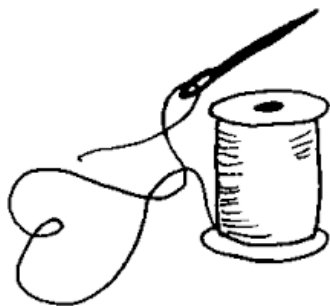
We are again aiming for 100 School Kits, 200 Health Kits, and 50 Layette Kits. We will, however, assemble as many kits as we can with the supplies that come in. Health Kits are used for basic relief in every major disaster. Shipping containers with 10,000 Health Kits often go to major sites. An article in *Response* magazine this year noted that the only reason UMCOR doesn't distribute more layette kits is that they don't have them. We need to help fill the Mission Central warehouse shelves.

Join us in the Ide Center on Thursday, **Sept. 24, 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 **sign up** on the bulletin board in advance, however, so that we know how many places to set at the table.

Sew 'N Sews Continues Work

Join us on the second Monday of each month in Room 1 at 1:00 p.m. for coffee and good conversation as we sew, crochet, and knit. We will still be working on school bags, baby gowns, and baby sweaters for UMCOR kits this month.



I am Malala Topic of Reading Circle September 3

The Reading Circle selected a book from the 2016 Reading List, *I Am Malala* for this month's discussion. You may remember that this is the story of the young Pakistani woman who defied the Taliban by continuing to go to school and encouraging other young women to do likewise. Their attack on her was a shot heard around the world.

The Reading Circle meets at 1:00 p.m. in the church library the first Thursday of each month. Members are asked to bring a small donation to cover the cost of light refreshments. Visitors and new members are always welcome. See or call Jane Salminen (544-1703) for more information.

Join Morning Circle for Lunch

Morning Circle will begin its program year by gathering for a light lunch on **Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 11:00 a.m. in rooms 3 & 4**. A basket will be available for donations to cover the cost.

As is traditional, this meeting will be primarily a time of fellowship with a chance to discuss plans for the upcoming year. Please sign up in advance on the Opportunities Board so that we have a place set for you. Newcomers and visitors are always welcome.

GVDUMW Annual Meeting to be Held at Rush UMC

Come and bring a friend to hear **the Reverend Dr. Cathy Hall Stengel**, pastor of the Rush United Methodist Church, speak about the importance of "Purpose-Driven Women – Women Living Lives of Purpose with the Purpose of Helping Women Live" on **Saturday, Sept. 19**. This year's Annual Meeting of the Genesee Valley United Methodist Women will begin with registration at 9:00 a.m., worship at 9:30 followed by the business meeting and keynote speaker. The gathering will close with lunch. This is a great opportunity to get acquainted with and learn from UMW members from other churches.

The cost for registration and lunch is just \$10.00. If you plan to go, please sign up on the Opportunities Board by September 6 and give your money to Betty Hild so that she can send one check from our unit. Reservations are transferable but not refundable.

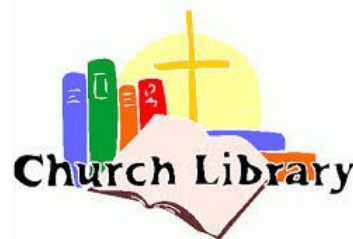
Conference UMW Meeting Set for 1ST Weekend in October

The Upper New York Annual Conference UMW will gather on **Friday evening** and **Saturday, October 2-3**, at **Malone UMC** around the theme "Our Legacy." Activities will begin at 3:00 p.m. for early arrivers on Friday with dinner at 6:00 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. Look for more on registration details.

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for the outpouring of cards, prayers, and hugs over the last few weeks, after my Dad's passing. We truly are a great church family.

Tom O'Connor



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- *Faith and Struggle on Smokey Mountain* by Benigno Beltran – life for those who live off the vast garbage dump of Manilla in the Philippines - on **UMW** shelf
- *A Fighting Chance* by Elizabeth Warren – her 20 years in Washington, D.C.
- *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee – by the author of *To Kill a Mockingbird*
- *Jesus: A Biography* by Paul Johnson – the effect Jesus' teachings had on those around him and still has today - on **UMW** shelf

"You know you've read a good book when you turn the last page and feel a little as if you've lost a friend."

Paul Sweeney, author

Birthdays & Anniversaries

September Birthdays

John Grizzanti	Sept. 1	Wendy Dunn
Paul Wagner	Sept. 3	Carey Hughes
Rich Mohrmann	Sept. 7	Glenn VanPutte
Matthew Thompson	Sept. 7	Nan Keller
David Roza	Sept. 8	Louretta Teasdale
Bob Wiederhold	Sept. 8	Chris Loudon
Lorraine Christie	Sept. 9	Kevin Brown
Al Holmes	Sept. 11	Renee Jerva
Shirley Geier	Sept. 11	Jenna VanKouwenburg
Michael Streb	Sept. 11	
Jim Carpenter	Sept. 12	

September Anniversaries

Sept. 14	Tom & Anne O'Connor	Sept. 3
Sept. 18	Daniel & Kathy Savage	Sept. 6
Sept. 19	Jim & Diane Haschmann	Sept. 10
Sept. 20	John & Candy Metzger	Sept. 14
Sept. 22	Mike & Wendy Dunn	Sept. 15
Sept. 27	Annette &	
Sept. 28	Michael Thompson	Sept. 19
Sept. 28	Kwame Edusel &	
Sept. 29	Millicent Essilfie-Edusel	Sept. 25
	Dale & Carol DeCann	Sept. 26
	Gordon & Sue Spicer	Sept. 30

Christian Education

Welcome Christine “Mitch” Mitchell, New Christian Ed Co-Director

Thank you AUMC members for welcoming me into my new position here at Aldersgate. I have been attending AUMC for approximately a year and a half or so now. I became a member of the church last October. I am very involved in the 9:30 contemporary service where I often run the sound board for the band both Sunday mornings and Monday nights. Since I started coming to Aldersgate I also started working with Lisa and the Youth Group as well as helping out with VBS. While Lisa was on leave I filled in running Youth Group. I have a huge heart for the kids of the church and being able to help them grow closer to Christ.

I am currently a senior at Roberts working towards my Bachelors in Religion and Philosophy. The next step in my journey is to attend Seminary. Not long after attending AUMC I got the calling loud and clear from God letting me know that he wanted me to become a Pastor and bring others closer to him in any way possible.

I am so blessed to have been given this opportunity by God and the church. Please feel free to contact me at cmitchell@aumcgreece.org or by phone/text at 585-704-5587 if you have any questions or need anything!

In Christ, Mitch



Blessing of the Backpacks

Bring your backpacks to church Sunday, September 13th 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 worshiping community in which they are part of. We look forward to another exciting new year!



Rally Day & Small Group Sign-ups

These will be held Sept. 20th, due to the 60th Anniversary Celebration.

3rd Grade Bible Day

On **September 20th**, our 3rd grade students will receive their new Bibles from the church. We look forward to seeing everyone and starting our Sunday School program this day as well. Parents, be on the lookout for a letter from us with information on upcoming events.



Kidsgate Curriculum

This year our Sunday School Curriculum will be the same from Pre-School to 5th grade. We will be using *Deep Blue: One Room Sunday School Edition*. These kids will learn the same information in an age-appropriate manner, and will be split up by grade as we have done in the past.

Pre-school / K – 3rd Grade / 4th - 6th Grade

Sept. 13 – The Earth – Genesis 1:1-19

Sept. 20 – Living Things – Genesis 1:20-25

Sept. 27 – In God's Image – Genesis 1:26-2:4

Oct. 4 – Adam & Eve – Genesis 2:10-3:24

Jr. High School (Grades 7-8)

Claim the Life: Word

In this year of study for younger youth the focus will be on “words for life.” Of all the Bible passages, these 32 Scriptures are ones youth should understand and know “by heart.” In Semester 1 the words are from the Old Testament and include the Ten Commandments, the Shema, Psalm 23, and other memorable passages. Semester 2 words come from the New Testament and include the Beatitudes, the Lord's Prayer, the Great Commandment, and the Fruit of the Spirit. Sample words: God, Sabbath, Choose, Shepherd, Steadfast, Justice, Prayer, Good Shepherd, Believe, Abide.



Sr. High School (Grades 9-12)

Claim the Life: Story

Doc and Sue Kavanagh will take our older youth on a journey to encounter the larger Biblical Story as told in the Old Testament (Semester 1) and New Testament (Semester 2). Through the telling of the stories that move along The Story, youth will put together bits and pieces of Bible stories they have learned in the past into a coherent and grand story of God's amazing love for humanity. Sample words: Creation, Sin, Grace, Deliverance, Exile, Savior, Remember, Resurrection, Church, New Jerusalem.



Save the Date: October 24

Come to Aldersgate UMC this fall on **Saturday, October 24 from 5-7 p.m.** in the Ide Center. Christian Education will be hosting a Fall Festival Carnival as an outreach to the Dewey Ave community. We welcome any other ministries that would like to work a table/game. Please contact Rhonda or Mitch. We would like to have information from all ministries available at this event!



Young Adults Class

John and Dennis Simms are taking the lead with this group again this year. They will be doing some in-depth video studies with our young adult students throughout the year.

Coming this Fall: Discipleship Discussions

- What's the big deal about the Bible? (September 15, 6:30 PM, Parlor)
- Who is Jesus and what does he have to do with me? (September 21, 6:20 PM, Parlor)
- How do I talk to God? (October 6, 6:30 PM, Parlor)
- Why do I need the church and why does the church need me? (October 11, 1:30 PM, Room 2)
- What's different about Methodists? (October 20, 6:30 PM, Parlor)
- Is God calling *me* to serve? (November 3, 6:30 PM, Parlor)
- Why is the church always talking about money? (November 8, 1:30 PM, Room 2)
- What happens when someone dies? (November 17, 6:30 PM, Parlor)

Do any of these questions interest you? We are excited about offering these new opportunities to grow in discipleship to Jesus Christ. Each discussion is stand alone. They discussions are for everyone, but we especially encourage those who are new to the church to participate. When you have participated in most of the discussions you will be ready for our New Member Orientation and to join the church (dates to be determined). If you miss a discussion this fall, you can catch it in the winter or spring. We pray you'll join us! If you have questions talk with Pastor Anne.

Dear Sally Stewardship

Dear Sally,

It was good news that we are going to be able to re-finance the remainder our church mortgage at a lower rate. I understand that if we pay it off in ten years, we can do so with a payment of about \$11,029 a month compared with the current payment of \$17,492. What do we plan to do with that \$6,463 difference that's left over each month?

Let's Use Our Money Wisely

Dear Use Money Wisely,

Aha! Wouldn't that be a lovely problem to have! Unfortunately that is not the situation we find ourselves in. There is no extra \$6,000 a month. Our last capital campaign fell quite short of fully funding the monthly payments. That's why we have felt it was important each year to designate half the rummage sale and auction proceeds for the Building Fund, to ask for special gifts, and to continue even the small fundraisers like the monthly Aldersgate Dining Out events.

What has been a significant help was one of our members listing us as an annual beneficiary to the income (approximately \$10,000 a year) from a foundation gift. Most recently the \$50,000 bequest from John Haldane has provided for several months the difference between capital campaign pledge income and the amount due. That money has been used. The timing of our being able to refinance is really just another example of God's timing and God's provision of our needs rather than our wants.

But, speaking of bequests, we would have had neither had we not asked. That's why on the last Sunday of each month you see the question in the bulletin, "Have you remembered Aldersgate in your will?"

Including your church in your will is a way to continue your support of ministry here when you are no longer present to do so. It serves as a significant testimony to your loved ones and your church family of how important your fellowship with the Lord and the ministry of Aldersgate have been to you. If you would like to discuss taking such a step with someone, speak to Pastor Anne or a member of the Stewardship Committee. If that member does not feel comfortable talking with you

about the topic, s/he will be able to recommend someone knowledgeable.

Just another thought – while we are on this sensitive subject, may I suggest one more thing? Please let your family know that you would like to have the remainder of any pledges you have made completed if the money is available. This is strictly voluntary because we certainly don't ask families for the money. However, quite frankly one of the reasons we have come up short even on current expense income in recent years is that we have lost a number of older members whose regular giving we had counted on. We do have new givers. However, it often takes a while for those new givers to grow into the ability and the practice of regular, generous giving.

Now, on a more upbeat note: we actually do hope that we will have renewed enthusiasm around paying off our mortgage so that we can turn to further expansion of the Lord's ministry in our community. We can prepay as much as 25% of the remaining mortgage any year. (Should someone wish to give us a million dollars at some point, I'm sure we could come up with the pre-payment penalty as well!)

I'm sure this is more information than you had in mind, but please pray about it to see what the Lord would have you do. Our fall finance campaign scriptural theme fits: "They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasures of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life." (1 Timothy 6:18-19)

Laying a Foundation for the Future,



Live Satisfied

As Christians we should know that God defines our worth – not the amount of money in our bank accounts. We know that we should have a mindset of abundance rather than scarcity. We know that we should cheerfully give away what we have been given to seek first the kingdom of heaven and to find rest in the Savior whose yoke is easy and whose burden is light. As God's stewards we should be living "... the life that really is life" (I Timothy:6:19).

Our annual fall finance campaign theme this year is "Live Satisfied." Starting September 20, Pastor Anne will be exploring in her sermons what it means for Christians to be "Satisfied." How do we avoid the trap of always thinking that we need "more?" How can we find freedom in Christ through faithful stewardship and generous living? How can we turn the head knowledge we have into heart knowledge and learn truly to "Live Satisfied?"

Mark This Date on Your Calendar

The **Annual Aldersgate Auction** has been set for **Friday, November 13**. 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.



Southern Gospel NY Will be Back

Aldersgate will once again host an evening of Southern Gospel Music. **The 4One Quartet** will be here to inspire and entertain us with an evening concert on **Friday, October 23**. Mark your calendar and plan now to attend. More details will be coming soon.

60TH Anniversary Gifts to Benefit the Building Fund

We challenge you to make a special gift this month in honor of the 60th Anniversary of Aldersgate and the 10th anniversary of the groundbreaking for the now not-so-new facilities. If you are a long-time member, consider how God has provided and how our ministry here has benefited from our stepping up to the challenge in 2005. (Too often we forget how really cramped we were in the approximately 8,000 sq. ft. we used to live with.) If you have started attending more recently, and Aldersgate has always had about 25,000 sq. ft. of wonderfully arranged facilities, consider a gift in honor of those with the foresight to act on God's direction. These donations will be designated, of course, for the Building Fund to pay on the mortgage. We challenge you to consider a gift with a "60" in it – \$60, \$600, \$660, etc.

Your gift in a pew envelope marked for the "**60th Anniversary Challenge**" or a check payable to *Aldersgate UMC* so marked will be received with delight and gratitude.

Building Fund Refinancing Approved

On Sunday, August 3, the members of Aldersgate unanimously voted to accept the offer from Canandaigua National Bank to refinance the church mortgage.

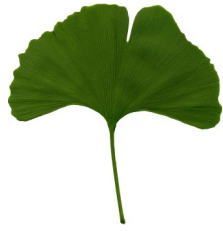
This will result in substantial savings to Aldersgate. We still need the support of everyone to continue paying the mortgage, but the lower rate—will allow us to pay off the loan more quickly with less cost.

What if you have a bond that is affected by this decision?


Trust Management will contact all bondholders with further information.

The bonds will be dispersed on December 10, 2015 with all interest earned to date included.

Refinancing - Yes!



September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6 8-8:30AM Prayer Meeting (P) 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School (P) 9:45 AM Children's Sunday School 10:45 AM High School Sunday School (2) 11:00 AM Traditional Worship 11:00 AM Adult Sunday School (P) 11:00 AM Sunday School (3/4) 1:15 PM Hispanic Bible Study (P, FH, 7) 2:15 PM Hispanic Fellowship (C) 3:00 PM Hispanic Worship (C) 4:45 PM Hispanic Sharing Our Table (FH)	7 Aldersgate at Applebees	8 9:30 AM—12:00 PM Library Work Time (L) 9:45 AM Sm. Group (Caupp) (2) 1:00 PM Sm. Group (Coburn) (2) 6:00 PM Trustees (O) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Simm) (8) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (O'Connor) (P)	9 6:00 PM Hispanic Prayer (C) 7:00 PM ESL (3/4) 7:00 PM Dewey Corridor Neighbors (Ide) 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (S)	10 12:00-9:00 PM Primary Election (Ide, G) 7:00 PM Beginner Bible Study (2) 7:30 PM Finance (4)	11 7:00 PM Bi Lingual Bible Study (FH)	12 9:30 AM Men's Putter Club (K) 11:00 AM Grief Share (P) 9:00-11:00 AM Teen Band (S) 6:00 PM Game Night (3/4)
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Serving in Worship This Month

Ushers

Scheduling Contact: 9:30 AM Ray Poling (993-8058)

11:00 AM Nancy Bader (225-2730)

Scripture Readers

9:30 AM

11:00 AM

9/6 Lorrie Durbin

9/13 Shawna Bigler

9/20 Debbie Simm

9/27 Naomi Moss

Karen Sladden



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

Please Send to: karensladden@hotmail.com

Please notify the office if you would like to receive your newsletter electronically instead of a printed copy in the mail.

Come to Aldersgate Night at Applebee's on Ridge Road

Monday, September 7

Bring your bulletin insert, and Applebees will
donate **10% of our food receipts** to our Building Fund.

Make this your lunch or dinner out with your friends!

Please note change of location.

**Ruby Tuesday's is no longer doing the church
fundraisers.**

**We are looking for suggestions for locations to contin-
ue this fun fellowship time and earn some money for
the Building Fund!**

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Response Magazine

The **July/August** issue features an article about Ferrum College in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. From its founding in 1914 as a training school for economically disadvantaged people in the area to its current status as a 4-year accredited college of 1,500 students, the UMW has lent financial support and expertise. With goals of opportunity, accessibility and affordability, its mission is to give individual support to students, many of whom are the first in their families to attend college. Through grants, scholarships, and mentoring, students are encouraged to find appropriate careers and become activists for social justice.

New Books for Children

- *Angels Among Us* by Leena Lane – celebrates angels as they appear to people on earth in 12 stories from the Bible
- *Circles of Hope* by Karen Williams – a boy wants to plant a tree in honor of his sister's birth and persists in the face of many obstacles

- *Five-Minute Bible Stories* by Lois Rock – 20 stories engagingly retold and impressively enhanced by art-work
- *Mali Under the Night Sky* by Youme Landowne – a girl who fled the civil war in Laos when she was a child shares her memories of the land she loved
- *The parable of the sunflower* by Liz Curtis Higgs – a boy spends time one summer in the garden helping his father
- *Tomie dePaola's Book of the Old Testament* – Noah, Jonah and more

New Books for Adults

- *All Creation Sings: the Voice of God in Nature* by J. Ellsworth Kalas – on **UMW** shelf
- *Dia's Story Cloth* by Dia Cha – Dia recalls her life in Laos through a story cloth stitched by her aunt and uncle - on **UMW** shelf

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