

Aldersgate Hinge

April 2016



From the Pastor

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Christ is Risen! That changes everything!

On March 27, we celebrate Easter Day. In the words of N. T. Wright, "Easter day is about the wild delight of God's creative power...we ought to shout Alleluias...we should light every candle in the building..." (p. 255, *Surprised by Hope*) In other words, we should go all out in our celebration. And we do. But Easter doesn't end on that day. In the Christian church, we celebrate Easter for fifty days. (Well actually each Sunday is a "little Easter.") What would it take for us to continue our 'wild delight' at least for the fifty days of the Easter season? Again in the words of N. T. Wright, "If Lent is a time to give things up, Easter ought to be a time to take things up. ...Christian holiness was never meant to be merely negative. ...If Calvary means putting to death things in your life that need killing off if you are to flourish as a Christian and as a truly human being, then Easter should mean planting, watering, and training up things in your life (personal and corporate) that ought to be blossoming, filling the garden with color and perfume, and in due course bearing fruit." (p. 257)

With God's help, we are going to do what we can to keep the excitement of Easter Day alive each Sunday. In April we are entering into a debt reduction campaign, "Greater Things," because we know that reducing the debt will bring new life and enable us to do even greater things for God. It's an exciting time for our church. I know you'll want to be a part of it!

The culmination of the Easter season is our celebration of Pentecost on May 15; that Sunday, we will be welcoming new members. If you are interested in joining Aldersgate, please join me for our **New Member Orientation on Monday, April 25 at 7 PM**. Between now and then you have time to participate in some more of the Discovery Discussions. (There are discussions planned for April 3, 5, 10, 17, 24, and 26. Be sure to check the schedule and weekly bulletin for details. The schedule is available on page 3 or on the bulletin board by the elevator.) Even if you haven't completed the discussions and feel called to membership, come to the orientation. If you can't make the orientation and still want to join the church, please let me know.

Christ is Risen! Let's keep celebrating on Sunday and in the way we live our lives each day!

Blessings,
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 at Maplewood Nursing Center

Recovering at Home: Shirley Grierson, Judy Hare, Ruth Loomis, Sylvia Lynch, Mary Sims

Those with ongoing health concerns: Shirley Ackler (friend of Evelyn Welker), John Adamski (son-in-law of Betty Judd), Samantha Alloco (friend of Kim Latragna), Karen Ameco (cousin of Ron Durbin), Pastor Tony & Gianna Bartolucci, Bonnie Bush (friend of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Ronnie Catalano (niece of Gloria Baker), Cindy Chiaramonte (best friend's mother of Jessica Fox), Jessica Christie, Dave Coccia (friend of Gloria Baker), Sarah Crough (niece of Doug & Nancy Jones), Ralph Dellheim (brother-in-law of Lorrie & Ron Durbin), Logan Desmone (child of friend of Lisa Deutsch), William Donahue, Donovan Dunn (father of Mike Dunn), Diane Durbin (mother of Ron Durbin), Jennifer Durbin (sister of Ron Durbin), James Fuller (brother of Mary Finacchairo), Pat Fuehrer (friend of Candy Metzger), Heather Gerber (friend of Tracy Winter), Shirley Grierson, Seward Griffin, Wayne Griffin (son of Seward & June Griffin), Jan Hasak (sister of Roy Baird), Maura Hebberecht (sister of Shawn Roach), Antoinette Heerkens (friend of Robin Fox), 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), Steven Lynch (son of Sylvia Lynch), Sylvia Lynch, Bill MacMillan (uncle to Lorrie Durbin), Lena Mangion (friend of Richard Keegan), Tom Marsh, Electra McRae (aunt of Lorrie Durbin), Rita Mead (friend of Bobbi & Rich Mohrmann), Joan Michlin, Stacy Miller-Clark (cousin of Mike & Wendy Dunn), Nicole Mohrmann (granddaughter of Rich & Bobbi Mohrmann), Ardis Nerby (mother of Lisa Deutsch), Mas Okita, Selina Palmer (niece of Gloria & Rick Baker), Dorothy & Jack Pearson, Kathy Peck, Marissa Peck, Kaley Petrella (friend of Richard Keegan), Kamran Pickering (grandson of Donna Colangelo), Delia Pinto (aunt of Juan Ruiz), Dana Player, Carol Price-Barden (cousin of Wendy & Mike Dunn), Martha Reynolds (friend of

E-Mail Prayer Chain

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



Call Candy at the Church Office (663-3665) if you have a prayer request during the week.

Chitie Edgett, coordinator
(away until April 9)
cge1935@gmail.com

Carol & Jim Cobia), Mary Margaret Roach (mother of Shawn Roach), Elaine Roney (sister of Meg Jones), Susan Tuck Rooksby (friend of Bobbi and Rich Mohrmann), Sandy Schaefer (mother-in-law of Shawn Roach), David Stanley, Karen Stevens (a friend of Tom & Louie VanKouwenberg), Bill Teasdale, Hal Wagner, Diana Wallace (daughter-in-law of Betty Hild), Ted & Barb Way (uncle & aunt 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), Chuck Wolter (son of Jerry & Helen Wolter)

Nursing Homes/Living Centers: Nona Antczak, Warren Lenau (Debbie Lenau's father) – Seabury Woods; Phoebe Brown, Jean Stevens – 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; Len Mack – Legacy Clover Blossom; Pat Holmes – Legacy Cranberry Landing; Martha Thomson – Hamilton Manor

Christian Sympathy is extended to David Kaszubowski and Marion Davis on the death of David's father, Clair Yeaman. **Christian sympathy** is extended to Mike and Rhonda Simonelli and family on the death of Mike's grandmother, Letezia Simonelli. **Christian sympathy** is extended to Matthew Russel and family on the death of Matthew's wife, Jacqueline. (She was a former member of Aldersgate and was very active in the church.)

Transportation Ministry

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

Church Events & Opportunities

Aldersgate U Discovery Discussions: April Class Schedule

Whether you are a long-time member or just starting, there's something for YOU! Join a group for discussion and fellowship.

Who is Jesus and what does he have to do with me?

Sunday, April 3, 1:30-3:00 pm
Discussion led by Doc Kavanaugh

What's the Big Deal about the Bible?

Sunday, April 17, 1:30-3:00 pm
Discussion led by Ray Poling

Is God calling me to serve?

Tuesday, April 26, 6:30-8:00 pm
Discussion led by Jan Winter

Why is the Church always talking about Money?

Sunday, April 10, 1:30-3:00 pm
Discussion led by Gretchen Hughes

How do I share my Faith?

Tuesday, April 5, 6:30-8:00 pm
Discussion led by Eric McHugh

How do I talk with God?

Sunday, April 24, 1:00-2:30 pm
Discussion led by Lisa Deutsch

March Crafting Workshop a Success!

Thirty women came to Aldersgate on March 11th and 12th to work on their favorite craft projects, raising \$785 to benefit the Building Fund while sharing some laughs and enjoying each other's company. Seven were new visitors to our event and Aldersgate, 13 were repeat visitors and attendees, and ten Aldersgate members were repeat attendees.

Join us on **August 12-13 for the next workshop!**

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.

Dine With Us at Applebee's

Monday, April 4

**10% of Food Receipts benefits our
Building Fund.**

Make this lunch or dinner out with your friends!

AED/CPR Training

We are planning an Aldersgate group training session for AED/CPR training. Every minute saved in attempting to revive a person increases their likelihood of survival by 10%! So quick action by trained individuals before the professionals arrive can help save lives.

The least expensive option seems to be the Greece Ridge Fire Station, charging either \$25 or Free, depending on exactly where you live. Ask us about scholarships from Aldersgate if you live outside of the Greece Ridge Fire District.

Greece Ridge holds AED/CPR classes the last Wednesday of each month, from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. We are targeting **Wed., April 27** as the evening for an Aldersgate session. If you are interested, please contact Rich Mohrmann (225-1526) or Pastor Anne so the trainers can plan for our group. We'll need the name and home address of each participant.

Lend a Helping Hand on May 14

The Trustees have designated Saturday, May 14 as **Spring Work Day at Aldersgate**, starting at 9 a.m. **We need your help** in cleaning and maintaining the facilities and grounds at Aldersgate. Please save the date and plan on lending a hand. A partial list of items and projects that need work will be in the May *Hinge*. If you are not able to attend on that Saturday please check with a Trustee about how you can help during the Spring work season. Thank You!

Game Night

April 9

at 6:00 p.m. — All are invited!

Aldersgate United Methodist Women

Learn More About the Work of the Greece Food Shelf

Carol Coons, spokesperson for the **Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf**, will be the featured speaker at the next **General Meeting of Aldersgate United Methodist Women on Saturday, April 9**, in **Fellowship Hall**. If you have considered becoming a volunteer with this ministry, this will be a good chance to find out where your gifts may fit. As a regular contributor, you may want to know more about the kinds of products that best serve those in need here in Greece and how the organization is financed and supplied beyond what the churches contribute. The program will begin at **9:30 AM** with coffee and a breakfast snack to sweeten your Saturday morning spirit. After Carol speaks, when your questions have been answered, we will take a few minutes for business – including distributing our 2016 Pledge to Mission Giving cards for those of you who have not yet received one.

Then those interested are welcome to stay for a (mostly) light-hearted video while you help with our various needlework projects. We continue to work on supplies for layettes and on school bags for the United Methodist Committee on Relief, caps for premature infants in local hospitals, Warm-Up Rochester Afghans, children's quilts, etc. We try to plan for a variety of skill levels, including beginners.

Around 12:30 PM we will break for a light lunch. (Donation requested.) We usually stay to work for "a while" after lunch – depending on your schedule.

Everyone interested is welcome. There will be a sign-up sheet on the Opportunities Board so we can plan ahead. This is a good day to get acquainted with others in the church and to participate in at least one kind of hands-on mission work. Join us on April 9!

Are We on the Right Track? District Spring Event

Get acquainted with other women from the United Methodist Churches in the Genesee Valley District on **April 23** at the **Greece United Methodist Church** on Maiden Lane. The theme is "On the Right Track" with the Reverend Sandra Stoica Hussey leading the discussion.

Registration will begin at 9:00 AM with the worship service and program at 9:30. The event will close with lunch at noon. Lunch costs \$10.00.

Please sign up on the Opportunities Board, and give your check payable to *Aldersgate UMW* to our treasurer Betty Hild by April 17 so that she can send in our reservations with one check from our church. Reservations are transferable but not refundable.

Reading Circle

Popular Christian author Francine Rivers' novel *The Scarlet Thread* tells the story of a young wife and mother asked to pull up roots and move across country with her husband, comparing and contrasting the experience with that of an ancestor who moved west on the Oregon Trail.

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 haven't had a chance to read the book!) Reading Circle meets April 7 at 1:00 PM in the Church Library. Light refreshments are provided each month. Newcomers and visitors are always welcome. If you have any questions, call Jane Salminen at 544-1703.

Morning Circle Features Speaker on Genetic Counseling

A speaker from the Elizabeth Wende-Logan Clinic will join us on **Tuesday, April 19, at 11:00 AM in the Parlor** to talk about one of hottest topics in the field of Women's Health: Genetic Counseling.

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the Opportunities Board because we need to have **at least 15 people in attendance** or we'll have to cancel the meeting. The speaker and topic are in such demand that they need to schedule their time carefully. If you plan to attend, please sign up no later than Sunday, April 17. Bring a light lunch if you like, given the hour. Beverages and dessert will be available. Everyone interested is welcome to attend.

Coming Up: Our Great Recycling Event — The Rummage Sale

Drop-off for the annual Rummage Sale will begin on **Memorial Day, May 30**, for the **sale** which will be held on **Thursday – Saturday, June 9-11**. It's not too soon to start gathering together your donations and setting them aside for this June. 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 and church projects at the same time!

Native American Ministries Sunday is April 10

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 U.S. 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.

Get Ready to Walk!

Sunday, May 1st will be the date for this year’s annual CROP WALK. Last year’s walk was a great success and we were able to raise well over \$2,000 for the Greece Food shelf, since 25% of the total raised goes to help locally and the rest helps worldwide. So far we have 7 churches participating!

Aldersgate will be the host church again with **registration at 1:30** and the **walk starting at 2:00**. Trinity Episcopal, Messiah Lutheran, Greece United Methodist, Greece Baptist, Lutheran Church of Concord, and John Knox Presbyterian have agreed to be part of the walk and we hope



for more churches, Scouts, and other organizations to join. There will be a sign-up sheet on the opportunities board for walkers and helpers.

We will have the traditional 6-mile route, the Golden Mile, and also be able to use the Ide Center to accommodate those wishing to participate but not able to walk a mile. Rest stops on the longer route will be at Bethany Presbyterian and Messiah Lutheran. We look forward to having a good time!

The Crop Walk is really a joint effort. Our friends from the Greece Food Shelf will staff the registration table, and Larry Dennis from Messiah Lutheran will serve as treasurer. Fred Fant from Trinity Episcopal has been a great help as well.

Please mark your calendars and plan on participating. Sponsor envelopes will be available in the church office and questions may be addressed to Joyce Farrokh at efarrokh@rochester.rr.com. Of course, everyone can participate by sponsoring a walker and praying for beautiful weather!

UMW UPCOMING DATES:

April 11 – Sew ‘n Sew’s in UMW Room, 1:00 PM

May 5 – Book Review Luncheon at noon

May 7 – Mother - Daughter Banquet, gathering at 5:30 PM in the Ide Center, dinner at 6:00, entertainment by Jim Cobia & Friends

July 16 – Red Bird Mission Crafts, 9 AM-2 PM, Ide Center (& after church briefly on Sunday)

July 21-23 – Mission u at Camp Asbury

October 14-15 – Crafts & Collectibles Show





“Faithful Friday”
 Youth Group
 Jr. High Youth - 6-7:30 pm
 Sr. High Youth - 7-9 pm



Kennedy & Marisol

Thank you to all who have supported our bottle and can drive! There have been questions regarding what kind of bottles and cans we will accept. We will accept **anything** that can be redeemed for \$0.05.



Facebook: Aldersgate Greece Youth Group

CCYM UP!Word '16
April 22-26, 2016
Holiday Inn, Liverpool NY



The registration cost for UPWORD 16 is \$60/per person (youth and adults) with the cost of \$115/per night for each hotel room our group needs (maximum of 5 per room).



April Birthdays

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| Wendy Peeck | April 1 |
| Nancy Rex | April 3 |
| Natasha Burdick-Carsten | April 4 |
| Judy Hare | April 6 |
| Bud Kress | April 6 |
| Karin VanPutte | April 6 |
| Doug Unell | April 7 |
| Jimmie Condon | April 8 |
| James Christie | April 11 |
| Martha Thomson | April 14 |
| Sue Burdick | April 18 |
| Hal Wagner, Jr. | April 19 |
| Aaron Rothfuss | April 20 |
| Charlotte Ridley | April 21 |
| Kevin Roza | April 23 |
| Helen Wolter | April 24 |
| Kathy Peck | April 24 |
| Julia Kennedy | April 25 |
| Dennis Simm | April 28 |
| Bobbi Mohrmann | April 30 |

April Anniversaries

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|------------------------|----------|
| Paul & Phoebe Brown | April 15 |
| George & Jane Shukitis | April 21 |

Flower City Work Camp was held
March 28-April 1

We had five youth who gave up their Spring Break to serve those who are less fortunate in the Rochester Area. Each of them worked very hard over the week and made others see Jesus at work in their lives. I cannot be more proud of our youth.



I would also like to extend a special thank you to Bob Thayer, Rich Mohrmann, Ray Poling and Dan Hollowell for their service to FCWC during the week as well and supporting not only the youth of Aldersgate but also hundreds of youth from churches all over Monroe County.

Finally, a big thank you to Gloria Baker, Gretta Schaefer and Sabina McLeod for supplying and delivering lunch to our worksite in the city of Rochester. They were a blessing to those kids and adults who worked so hard throughout the week.

Unit Eight– Believe!

MEMORY BIBLE VERSE

“Happy are those who don’t see and yet believe”
(John 20:29)



Apr. 3 – The Road to Emmaus

Luke 24:13-25

Apr. 10 – Thomas Believes

John 20:24-31

Apr. 17 – The Great Commission

Matthew 28:16-20

Apr. 24 – Believers Share

Acts 4:32-37

Painting Fun

On March 13th eleven of our Sunday school kids had the opportunity to paint a picture based on Jesus in the Spring. Here is a picture of the boys painting away! This event was a huge success and was hosted by the Christian Education Department as well as Aria’s School of Music and Art.



A Special Thank You

Thanks to the following people for helping make our “One-Day VBS” a huge success! Greta Schaefer, Frank and Joyce Pombert, Sara and Allison McHugh, Doc and Sue Kavanagh, Mike Simonelli, Nancy Brehmn, Brianne Schmitt, Marisol Rivera, Katie Buskey, Rich Mohrmann, Ron and Lorrie Durbin and Debbie Kennedy. We had great morning learning about how God watches over us, helps us and loves us.



Calling All Future Acolytes!

Brenda Donovan is the new Acolyte Coordinator for the 11:00 service. Thank you Brenda for your service.

There will be a **training held on Sunday April 3rd** at Noon in the Sanctuary. All who are in 3rd grade and up who would like to acolyte should contact Brenda as well as attend the training session.



April 10, 17 & 24 @ 11:00

- VBS-Style Worship
- A lesson from the “Bible Twins”
- Offering will benefit “The Water Project.” Money raised will be used to build clean water wells in Africa. (www.thewaterproject.org)
- Prayer
- Worship led by our High School Sunday School Class!
- It’s a mini worship service in 15 minutes! Come One Come All!!



The first Sunday of each month the children will attend service for the children’s moment with Pastor Anne. All other Sundays, the children will be dropped off right at Kidsgate (located in the Youth Room off Fellowship Hall).



OFFERING
CLEAN WATER PROJECT



BIBLE LESSON
BIBLE TWINS

“Bagels, Bunnies & Blessings”

Coming to a Saturday in April. Watch the Sunday Bulletins for more information. A fun time for the Pre-school – 3rd grade Sunday School kiddos!



Summer Camp Information has arrived! If you would like to find out more information regarding United Methodist Christian Camps, feel free to grab a brochure on the main bulletin board.

Dear Sally Stewardship

Dear Sally,

I know we just completed refinancing our mortgage; but, if my memory serves me correctly, isn't it almost time for another campaign to raise money to pay for it? How many more of these campaigns do we have to put up with? (I know, three prepositions in a row at the end of a sentence no less!)

Let's Get This Over!

Dear Get It Over,

I couldn't agree more! Although our monthly payments for the new mortgage with Canandaigua National Bank are lower, \$11,361.33, it is going to take another 15 years at that rate to pay off the mortgage. (We had ten years to go with the bonds, but the interest cost and monthly payments were much higher.)

Now do we have to take that long? Absolutely not! Under the terms of the new mortgage, we can pay off as much as an additional 25% of the total mortgage in any given year. If one of our local multi-millionaires should happen to take pity on us and give us enough to pay all of it at once, we could do that.

We could take a couple of approaches: (1) Sit around looking pitiful until said multi-millionaire shows up. (I say "multi-millionaire" because I wouldn't want to strip him/her of his/her last million.) Or, (2) Put our collective heads – and energy – into paying this off early. The latter approach is a little more complicated.

More complicated – because we don't want to get so focused on paying for a building that we lose sight of our



mission as a church – but there's no reason that has to happen. Dream a little – think of the ministries we could support if we didn't have building debt hanging over us.

That's the approach the Stewardship Development Team plans to take with this campaign: challenging ourselves as a church to "go on to Greater Things." Rather than grumble about monthly payments, let's look ahead to the possibilities before us when those payments are behind us. Yes, it does mean we have to focus on the task, and that we may have to make some choices about how we use our money as a church and as church families. We do plan to include a First Fruits Sunday as part of making our planned commitments to this debt reduction to get us off to a strong start. We will also ask you to think more concretely about ministries you may want to see at Aldersgate or as part of our outreach. Let's see if we can generate a little excitement about getting these things done!

God has met our needs and blessed the ministries here at Aldersgate. Let's together look at this task with His Eyes and say, "Show us the way."

Ready to Move,
Sally Stewardship



The 2016 Aldersgate Church Picnic
June 5, 2016

Braddock's Bay
Make sure you mark your calendars today!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Vacation Bible School
July 25-29, 2016
9:00 am – Noon



Volunteers will be needed, if you are interested please
see Rhonda or Mitch

Shoes in Church

My alarm went off — it was Sunday again;
I was tired — it was my one day to sleep in.
But the guilt I'd have felt the rest of the day
Would have been too much, so I'd go; I'd pray.
At the church, I bowed my head in humble prayer
Before I closed my eyes, I saw his shoes there
The shoes of the man sitting next to me
Were touching my own and I sighed.
With plenty of room on either side;
I thought, "Why do our soles have to touch?"
It bothered me so; he was glued to my shoe
But it didn't seem to bother him much.
Then the prayer began: "Heavenly Father," someone
said.
But I thought, "Does this man with the shoes have no
pride?"
They were dusty, worn, and scratched end to end.
What's worse, there were holes on the side!
"Thank You for blessings," the prayer went on.
The shoe man said a quiet "Amen."
I tried to focus on the prayer,
But my thoughts were on his shoes again.
Aren't we supposed to look our best
When walking through that door?
"Well, this certainly isn't it," I thought,
Glancing toward the floor.
Then the prayer ended and songs of praise began.
The shoe man was loud, sounding proud as he sang.
He lifted the rafters; his hands raised high;
The Lord surely heard his voice from the sky.
Then the offering was passed; what I threw in was
steep.
The shoe man reached into his pockets, so deep,
And I tried to see what he pulled out to put in.
Then I heard a soft "clink," as when silver hits tin.
The sermon bored me to tears —
And no lie —
It was the same for the shoe man,
For tears fell from his eyes.
At the end of the service, as is custom here,
We must greet the visitors and show them good cheer.



But I was moved inside to want to meet this man
So after the closing, I shook his hand.
He was old, his skin dark, his hair a mess.
I thanked him for coming, for being our guest.
He said, "My name's Charlie, glad to meet you, my
friend,"
And there were tears in his eyes, but he had a wide
grin.
"Let me explain," he said, wiping his eyes, face bowed
low.
"I've been coming here for months, you're the first to
say, "Hello."
I know I don't look like all the rest.
But I always try to look my best."
"I polish my shoes before my long walk,
But by the time I get here they're as dirty as chalk."
My heart fell to my knees, but I held back my tears.
He continued, "And I must apologize for sitting so
near."
"But I know when I get here, I must look a sight.
And I thought... if I could touch you, our souls might
unite."
I was silent for a moment, knowing anything I said
Would pale in comparison, so I spoke from my heart,
not my head.
"Oh, you've touched me," I said, "and taught me, in
part,
That the best of a man is what's in his heart."
The rest, I thought, this man will never know...
How thankful I am that he touched my soul!

— Leanne Freiberg

April 2016

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| AA MEETINGS (FH) Daily 7:30 AM (FH) Sunday 7:30 PM (3/4) 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 6:00 PM Jr. High Youth (FH) 7:00-7:30 PM Youth (Ide) 7:30 PM Sr. High Youth (FH) | 2 8-10 AM Basketball (O'Connor) (Ide) 9:00 AM—12:00 PM CREDO & Teen Band (S) 9:30 AM Men's Putter Club (K) 11:00 AM Grief Share (P) |
| 3 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 11:00 AM Traditional Worship 11:00 AM Adult Sunday School (P) 11:15 AM Children's Sunday School 1:15 PM Confirmation (8) 1:15 PM Hispanic Bible Study (P, FH, 7) 1:30 PM Discovery Discussion (2) 2:15 PM Hispanic Fellowship (P) 3:00 PM Hispanic Worship (C) 4:45 PM Hispanic Sharing Our Table (FH) 6:30 PM Sm. Group (O'Connor) (P) | 4 Aldersgate at Applebees 6:30 PM ACWT (S) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (O'Connor) (P) 7:00 PM Girl Scouts 3/(4) 7:00 PM Soccer (Ide) | 5 9:30 AM—12:00 PM Library Work Time (L) 12:00 PM Men's Lunch at Ezzzy's 1:00 PM Sm. Group (Coburn) (2) 6:30 PM Boy Scouts (3, 4) 6:30 PM Discovery Discussion (2) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Simm) (8) | 6 5:00 PM Exercise (Ide) 6:00 PM Disciple (2) 6:00 PM Hispanic Prayer (C) 6:30 PM Basketball (Ide) 7:00 PM Choir (S) 7:00 PM ESL (3/4) | 7 1:00 PM Reading Circle (L) 5:00 PM Bell Choir (Ide) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Sisson) (P) 7:00 PM Beginning Bible Study (Poling) (2) 7:30 PM Stewardship (L) | 8 6:00 PM Jr. High Youth (FH) 7:00-7:30 PM Youth (FH) 7:30 PM Sr. High Youth (FH) | 9 8-10 AM Basketball (O'Connor) (Ide) 9:30 AM UMW Project Day (FH, K) 11:00 AM Grief Share (P) 12:00-4:00 PM Pinewood Derby (Ide) 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)

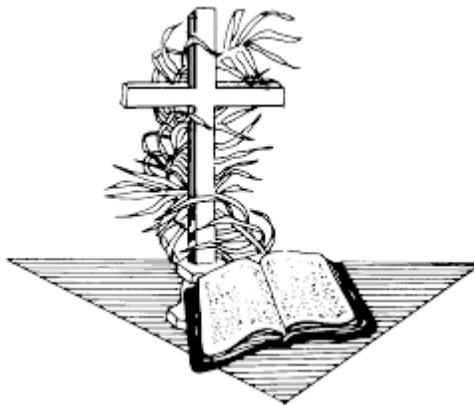
11:00 AM Nancy Bader (225-2730)

Scripture Readers

| | 9:30 AM | 11:00 AM |
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| 4/3 | Kathy Pearson | Bobbie Eckert |
| 4/10 | Kamren Jackson | Mary or Marie Sims |
| 4/17 | Kathy Bernardi | Sue Accapezzato |
| 4/24 | Jeannette Zeh | Karen Sladden |

Contemporary Service AV

| | 9:30 AM |
|------|-----------------------------------|
| 4/3 | Ron Durbin and Christine Mitchell |
| 4/10 | Mark DeVincentis and Ron Durbin |
| 4/17 | Rich Mohrmann and Ted Carstens |
| 4/24 | Rich Mohrmann and Ron Durbin |



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New for Adults

- **Tough Choices** by Carly Fiorina – challenges she faced on her road to becoming the CEO of Hewlett-Packard for 6 years
- **Outsider in the White House** by Bernie Sanders – political autobiography of the presidential candidate
- **Key United Methodist Beliefs** by William Abraham – very readable guide to beliefs, how they came to be and implications for the future – **on UMW shelf**
- **Good God, Lousy World, and Me** by Holly Burkhalter – memoir of a well-known human rights activist – **on UMW shelf**

New for Children

- **Am I Praying** by Jeannie Taylor – bright, cheerful illustrations accompany the story of a boy going through his day in a continual dialogue with the Lord

- **Rolling Along: The Story of Taylor and His Wheelchair** by Jamee Heelan – Taylor, a twin with cerebral palsy, tells us how important his new wheelchair is as he strives to do the things his brother does
- **Tara's Lookout** by Eugene Caputi – set in India, this is the story of Tara, a young girl with developmental challenges who spends most of her time observing the world from her family's terrace

New DVDs

- **This is Our Time** – 5 friends, connected by their strong faith, set out to make a difference in the world for God, but will they have the courage to fulfill their calling regardless of what comes their way?
- **Facing the Giants** – a couple facing infertility, a coach facing being fired, and a losing Christian school football team learn to trust regardless of the outcome
- **Unbroken** – inspiring true story of Louis Zamperini who ran in the 1936 Olympics, was shot down in WWII, survived for 47 days on a raft and endured a prisoner-of-war camp

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Christopher Morley, novelist and poet