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"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."



An update from the
**PASTORAL
 SEARCH
 COMMITTEE**

The nine members of the pastoral search team met with Rev. Ryan Henderson (Associate Conference Minister for NY Conference of the UCC) to understand our charge and review the various processes and available support as we undertake the pastor search process together. (Continued on page 9.)

**YOUTH
 SERVICE**

MAY 1ST



SPAGHETTI DINNER
 MAY 4TH
 5:00PM-7:00PM
 A PORTION OF THE
 PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
**HONEOYE FOOD
 PANTRY**



DINNER & a MOVIE
 MAY 14TH @ 6:00PM

Spring sale
 MAY 13TH & 14TH



RABBIT-PROOF FENCE

You are welcome to join our monthly "Dinner & a Movie" on Saturday evening, May 14th. Dinner is at 6:00pm in the church dining room. Please bring a prepared soup, salad, bread or a dessert to share. At 7:00pm we will move downstairs to our amphitheater room which has a big screen and surround sound to watch the movie. Of course, we will supply the popcorn! Afterwards, we will return to the dining room for dessert and discussion of the film.

This month's movie is *Rabbit-Proof Fence*. Western Australia, 1931. Government policy includes taking half-caste children from their Aboriginal mothers and sending them a thousand miles away to what amounts to indentured servitude, "to save them from themselves." Molly, Daisy, and Grace (two sisters and a cousin who are 14, 10, and 8) arrive at their Gulag and promptly escape, under Molly's lead. For days they walk north, following a fence that keeps rabbits from settlements, eluding a native tracker and the regional constabulary. Their pursuers take orders from the government's "chief protector of Aborigines," A.O. Neville, blinded by Anglo-Christian certainty, evolutionary world view and conventional wisdom. Can the girls survive?

The next "Dinner & a Movie" is Saturday, June 4th. The films selected can range from current to classic and deal with all sorts of issues, and some are just for fun. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend to a church event! If you have any suggestions for June's movie choice you can contact Don at honeyeyefoodpantry@gmail.com.

The stewardship board is pleased to announce that \$666 was collected for One Great Hour of Sharing to help other throughout the world. Thank you to all who donated.



SERVING AT SALEM

FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

On Monday, May 23rd, and on the fourth Monday of the each month, you are invited to participate in the Salem Nutrition Center noon lunch ministry, providing a meal for those who might not necessarily have a good meal otherwise. There are tasks for everyone in helping the other volunteer staff to prepare and serve this meal. We will car pool on May 23rd, leave at 9 am from the church parking lot and return no later than 2:30 pm. We will eat lunch at Salem. If you have questions or interest in going, please contact Margot Badger (585)727-0677.



BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

The Bell Choir will be ringing during Worship service on May 22nd! Bell Choir rehearses on Tuesday nights from 6:30-7:30pm in the church music room. If you have any questions, please see Kelly Roller for details!

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Choir meets at 8:30am on Sunday morning to rehearse. All singers are welcome!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Do you have a child who loves to sing?!? We have a great outlet to encourage and help shape that skill! Our Children's choir, led by Kelly Roller, meets in the dining hall on Sunday mornings from 9-9:45am. The Children's choir will be performing on Youth Sunday, May 1st! Don't miss it!

“Pop Quiz”

For the past four years, I’ve been mentoring first-time honeybee keepers in the Finger Lakes Beekeepers Club. One of my advisees is a retired teacher. On a whim, I sent him a pop quiz after one of our visits together. “Pop quiz?! Are you allowed to do that,” he asked with mock indignation. I’ll do the same this year with new advisees, both to test their powers of observation and to reinforce what I’ve (hopefully) taught them. Applying that model here, I thought I’d test your powers of observation as well as determine what you may – or may not – have retained from our time together so far:

1) The New Testament in the Bible begins with the four Gospels, accounts of Jesus’ life and ministry. Which of the following is *not* one of the Gospels: a) Matthew, b) Mark, c) Luke, d) John, e) Ringo? Bonus: Acts of the Apostles is regarded as the second volume of which Gospel?

2) To help keep the children wondering what’s new at church, which stuffed animals have I brought in: a) giraffe, b) lion, c) cheetah, d) dinosaur, e) penguin? Bonus: What are their names: a) Gerry, b) George, c) Cato, d) Paul, e) Artie?

3) In my sermon about walking a labyrinth, I explained that a labyrinth a) was like a maze, with multiple dead-ends, b) was a colossal waste of time, c) had one path into and out of the center, d) was only rewarding while you were on it.

4) After being out fishing all night with nothing to show for their efforts, Jesus instructed the disciples to a) come back to shore and go to Denny’s for breakfast, b) throw their nets out of the back of the boat, c) throw their nets out of the other side of the boat, d) come get a shower because they smelled like dead fish.

5) When Peter recognized it was Jesus on shore asking about the disciples’ luck fishing, Peter a) yelled, “Turn away from me, O Lord, for I am naked in this boat!” b) put on his

clothes then jumped into the water to swim to Jesus, c) mooned Jesus, which didn’t go over well with God, d) yelled, “Where have you been, you slacker?!” to Jesus, which *really* didn’t go over well with God.

6) “Doubting Thomas” got his nickname because he refused to believe Jesus had risen from the dead until he was able to touch the wounds in Jesus’ hands and put his finger in Jesus’ a) eye, b) ear, c) nose, d) throat, e) side.

7) Jesus was put to death because he a) threatened to lead a revolt against Rome, b) called-out the religious leaders for their hypocrisy, c) threatened the religious leaders’ position in society, d) challenged the religious leaders’ credibility.

8) On the day Jesus rose from the dead, two angels asked the women who came to his tomb, a) “What have you done with Jesus’ body?” b) “Why do you look for the living among the dead?” c) “Who are you and why are you here?” d) “Where are the rest of the disciples?”

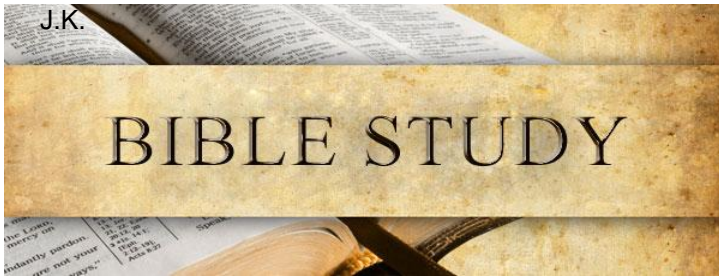
9) When Jesus arrived in Jerusalem on a donkey, he was demonstrating that he a) was a mighty warrior who would lead his people against Roman rule, b) enjoyed showing off his “parade wave,” c) was a man of peace riding a symbol of peace, d) knew the children would enjoy waving palm branches as he rode in. Bonus question: “Our” Jesus, Bob Bacon, rode into the sanctuary on a) a stuffed horse; b) Gerry, the giraffe; c) Cato, the cheetah; d) Paul, the penguin.

10) My “mantra” about abuse is, a) “Not no way, not no how!” b) “No one deserves to be abused, ever!” c) “What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.” d) “Thought you’d never ask.”

How did you do?

In faith,
J.K.

Answers: 1) e, Luke; 2) a, c, e; a, c, d; 3) c; 4) c; 5) b; 6) e; 7) b, c & d; 8) b; 9) c, a; 10) b, although “c” is also true as a general rule.



The Bible study group continues to meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00am in the Sunday school room. The discussion is free and flowing, and no prior Biblical knowledge is required. Come each Tuesday, or whenever you can, to enjoy this time of fellowship as we learn, ask questions, laugh, make comments and deepen our understanding of the Bible.

May 1

Acts 16:9-15
 Psalm 67
 Rev 21:10, 22-22:5
 John 14:23-29

May 8

Acts 16:16-34
 Psalm 97
 Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
 John 17:20-26

May 15

Acts 2:1-21
 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
 Rom 8:14-17
 John 14:8-17 (25-27)

May 22

Prov 8:1-4, 22-31
 Psalm 8
 Rom 5:1-5
 John 16:12-15



- 1 Heather Roller
- 2 Nancy Gillen
- 3 Kristin Passer Kester
- 5 Cathy Pestle
- 7 Mary Jo Watson
- 9 Frank Smith, Isac Lee
- 12 Dale Englehardt
- 13 Noah Passer
- 15 Richard VanAmburg, Beth Wilkins
- 16 Ken Hodgeman, Chuck Kennerson
- 17 Andrea Badger, Dan Hall
- 18 Laura Bower
- 19 Clark Affolter
- 20 Kathleen Whiting
- 21 Shawn Tompkins
- 22 Jason Beers, Karen Hodgeman
- 25 Shannon Ewing
- 26 Becky Bower
- 27 Kip Gillen



Board of

Community Life



Blanket and Tool Drive!

During the month of May, our church will be collecting money for blankets and tools that are distributed by Church World Service to families in need. A blanket is only \$10 and can be used for warmth and shelter to people in under developed countries or people who have survived a disaster.

Church World Service also provides tools for carpentry, plumbing, and farming as well as animals such as chicks for a self-propagating food source.

For every \$10 that we collect we will add a blanket or tool to our clothes line in the dining room.

Let's see how full we can make that clothesline before the end of May! Thank you for helping!



Recipes...do you have Recipes...

I LOVE to cook, and have a million recipes...how about you? Would you like to share your recipes with me and others from the church and community? How about if we share recipes AND make some money for our church? How about a cookbook fundraiser? Let's get this party started...

I understand that our church had a cookbook fundraiser about 15 years ago? Do any of you still have your cookbook? (I wish I had one...). 15 years ago it was quite the project as each recipe was probably submitted handwritten, and had to be retyped and formatted. With our new technology, we can still submit handwritten recipes (and scan them for publication), plus we can submit them electronically by email,

or even enter them directly into the cookbook software and it will be automatically formatted for printing. So the year long project of 15 years ago can be substantially reduced to just a few months. Here is the timeline.

Timeline:

Collect recipes – May thru June 30th (*collect hand written or printed recipes, email recipes to me, if you is so inclined – you may enter the recipe directly into the cookbook website, contact me for details*)

Enter recipes using software – May thru June 30th

Review and proofread cookbook – July

Print cookbook and take orders – September (*cookbooks to be available for the UCC Annual Fall Sale in October (aka Rummage Sale) and Christmas gift giving*)

Size: ~150 recipes (*our goal is 150 recipes, 200 would be maximum*)

For Sale: Make available to purchase at church, (*at our Annual Sale(s) and after*), also add a spot on our church website (*include PayPal for purchase*), and also sell at local stores/shops.

For the first step – let's start gathering recipes. You can email them to me (Annie – Anneeski@gmail.com) either type them in the e-mail, or attach a word document, or a scanned image if you have a handwritten recipe. (If it's a handwritten recipe, please be sure it's readable for someone to retype). You can also drop off hard copy recipes in the mail bins in the hallway near Cydney's office (named "Annie Bacon – Cookbook"). Or if you see me, just hand it to me.

In the coming few weeks, you will be receiving more details in an email blast, and I will have a guideline sheet available with suggestions.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer your time/effort to type recipes and/or proofread, please feel free to contact me – Annie Bacon (Anneeski@gmail.com, 585-229-1011). Thank you in advance for your participation...



Knitting Ministry

Will meet Sunday, May 8th in the library following worship.

Summer Kids' Activities!

As Sunday school comes to a close for the year we would like to thank Beth Stowe and all the volunteers who helped to make it such a successful year. All the members of the Board of Christian Education are looking forward to continuing to share the Spirit of God with the children of the church starting on May 22nd! For anyone that is new to the Honeoye UCC or as a reminder for others, the summer activities are geared for elementary-age children. Older kids are always welcome as helpers. Kids from the church, visitors, grandkids and guests – everyone is invited. All the kids will be combined in one class during our regular Sunday activities and we have an exciting variety of lessons for multi-age groups planned. Please feel free to check out the schedule for kids' activities on the bulletin board across from the church office. Please note there will be no kids' activities on Sunday, May 29th (Memorial Day weekend), children are invited to stay in church.

Possible Vacation Bible School Sundays

We are exploring the possibility of running some special Vacation Bible School Sundays during July and August. Stay tuned for more information.

Interested in Volunteering?

We are so excited to have such a growing and vibrant population of children. Would you like to get to know them better? If you'd be willing to volunteer as a lead teacher or as a helper please contact Kathy Kimber or any member of the Board of Christian Education.

Senior High Students interested in Volunteering at the Salem Nutrition Center?

The Honeoye UCC serves at Salem Nutrition Center in the city of Rochester on the fourth Monday of each month. This is a great opportunity for our youth to experience the joy of service. Upcoming summer dates are Mondays June 27th and July 25th. Please contact Kathy Kimber if you are interested in participating. You

must be at least 14 years old and have a signed permission slip. We can arrange transportation for you.

Library Catalog

The Board of Christian Education is going to be working on updating both the catalog and books in the Library in the hope that it can once again become an active lending library. If you have input, information about the previous catalog or any advice, requests etc. please let a member of the Board know.

Look for Summer Adult and Family Activities in the June Newsletter

-The Board of Christian Education: Gail Baader, Jeff Brown, Kathy Kimber, Joni Nilson, Shannon Seddon, Tom Taylor, Sara Tompkins, Karen Yax and Melanie Youman



I want to take this opportunity to let you all know what an inspirational year I personally had with your children. This wonderful position gives me the opportunity to continually explore my faith in a variety of ways. I am amazed how the word of God comes to life as together the children and fellow teachers open themselves to God's calling and instruction. Thank you all, young and old for joining me on this journey. Our Sunday school program is truly blessed as the Holy Spirit works through each of us. Thank you all and have a great summer!

May 1st: **Youth Sunday program!** Join us for the Sunday service as we review our year together. Parents, **please have your children at the church by 8:30** for our only rehearsal in the sanctuary

May 8th: We are all working together to plan an end of year surprise for J.K....shhhhhh ☺

May 15th: Outside fun together. Time for us to put our surprise into motion!

May 22nd: Join in the blanket and tool drive.

May 29th: Children are invited to stay in church.



This month will be a really mixed up “hither and thither” column. Ready?

The menu for the first Madrigal Dinner was Roast Pork, roasted root vegetables, baked barley casserole, red cabbage and apples, Irish-soda bread and the Flaming Pudding. Chief chefs were Jim Ruppert and Peter Nilsson of course the inspiration and overall chairperson was Nancy Pease.

Year? In the mid 1990's.

In 1997 there was considerable discussion about the children using the sanctuary for a play area after Sunday School and how to impress upon them that the Sanctuary and Music Room were off limits. It was suggested that this would be a good topic for a children's sermon because the parents would be listening. It was also suggested that the Library could be a place to play. How many of you were children then? What do the children do now?

In 1964, Ed Bacon, who ran a grocery store on East Lake Road, donated the ham for the Annual Church Fair Dinner. (Needless to say-we were happy to serve ham instead of Roast Beef that year!)

In 2001 renovation of the Church Sanctuary began. Mark Andrews, Don Jones, Jan and Neil Petty, John Trowbridge, Peter Badger, Gary Meek (and probably others) removed the tapestry from the walls; and put up and painted wallboard. Now that to me was a renovation project!

About this same time Mark Andrews was THE sound system monitor. Charlie Johnstone has been the capable, dedicated sound man since then. We are so lucky that there are several others who know what they are doing. The “team” today is Bob Bacon; Bill Badger; Artie Dietschler; Charlie Johnstone; Fred Jordan and Peter Nilsson. We are fortunate to have the system in capable hands. (I know that I appreciate them!)

In 1952 the Council voted to buy a mimeograph. For those of you who don't know, a mimeograph is the great-great-grandmother of the computer-but not nearly as tempermental.

In 1985 the sign in front of the church read:

“United Church of Christ
(First Congregational Church)
Honeoye, NY.”

Regular trips to Salem Soup Kitchen in Rochester were a project in 1986. Have we been going continuously since then? When I started volunteering there Margaret White's aunt was the Pastor in charge. She is a pastor at the South Livonia UCC now-and plans to retire next year.

In 1975 the Church contributed \$25 to the fund for the Redwood planters for the Bi-centennial Project. Do you think we are using the same ones?

In 1978 Peter Nilsson was elected Moderator of the State Executive Committee. (You owe me, Peter, for mentioning you two times! I'll take an ice cream cone next summer.)

In 1991 Jan Burgwardt organized a Food Pantry cupboard in the old Church Kitchen. How that project has grown. “Early” thank you to Joyce Janowski and Lindy Bruce; “Later” thank you's to Renee and Tom Thornton and continued thank you's to Don and Laurie who are “the” ones now. Food Pantry is a wonderful service to the Town and we are blessed to have such good leaders and volunteers. (this is a little secret-there is a drawer in the old kitchen that has candy bars to lure the volunteers!)

We were enjoying yummy Chicken Corn Soup Suppers in the 1970's. Alverta May (Carol Ann's mother-in-law) always added the final touch-dropping in the “squiggles.”

In 1976-and many times since then-there was concern over the electric bill. All groups were reminded to TURN OFF the lights when they left the building. Still good advice but this older person thinks we could afford more lights in the parking lot! (Did you read this, Trustees?!)

And-a final note-in April 1984 we were planning a Pictorial Directory; when I looked through the pictures members of 18 families are coming on a regular basis and several more part time.

With that, I will leave you-until.....



SAVE THE DATE!!!!
UCC Spring Sale: May 13-14th!!!

Friday, 9am-4:30pm (bake sale, hot dogs, popcorn sale, and “The Sale”)
Saturday, 9am-2:00pm (bake sale, hot dogs, popcorn sale, and “The Sale” – Fill a Bag for \$5.00 all day, ½ price on marked items 12:00-2:00pm)

Do you have items for the UCC Spring Sale? You can start bringing them to church after worship service May 8. Please put your items under the stairway before May 8th and in the dining room after May 8th. Please make sure that items donated are CLEAN and in GOOD, saleable condition. *Please do not bring: electronics (computers, TV’s, etc.), small appliances, mattresses, stuffed animals, and infant or children’s car safety seats.*

If you have a little bit of time and are so inclined, we could use your help setting up, working at the sale, and tearing down. Please see the sign-up sheet in the dining room and add your name where you’d like to help out. Thank you in advance...we really do appreciate any and all help.

If you have any questions, contact:

Annie Bacon at 229-1011, email Anneeski@gmail.com

Joan Hohmann at 229-4542, email Joan@Hohmann.us

Jane Affolter at 367-3995, email cj.affolter@gmail.com

Your help in making this sale a great success is appreciated.



An update from the
**PASTORAL
SEARCH
COMMITTEE**

Pastoral Search Team - Kickoff Meeting Minutes - 4 March 2016

(continued from front cover)

Following prayer, each member of the team shared their perspective - how they see our congregation as well as hopes / concerns about the search process.

Ryan reviewed his experience and discussed the typical steps that a Pastoral Search team must undertake. He left the team with two overview handouts:

1. Flow of events
2. Marks of faithful & effective UCC ministers

Ryan emphasized that many roles will need to be filled during this process, but asked us to select several initial positions to get the process underway and the team agreed to the following:

Secretary (Kelly Roller) - write updates, maintain notes of significant decisions, editor of church profile

Chaplain (Beth Stowe) - maintain the spiritual center of search, lead prayers

Co-Chairs (Mike Baker, Jeff Brown) - primary point of contact with UCC staff (Association, interim pastor), facilitate meetings, encourage discussion, ensure consensus decision making, report regularly to the congregation

We discussed three primary tasks to undertake immediately:

1. Develop a congregational survey as input to the church profile
2. Develop church profile
3. Congregational communication

Maintain a "status" bulletin board in the hallway opposite library and provide regular updates during Sunday worship.

We scheduled our next meeting for Monday 25 April @ 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Mike & Jeff

Attendees: Ryan Henderson, Beth Stowe, Bill VanDusen, Joni Nillson, Megan Apolito, Kelly Roller, Mike Baker, Louise Holmes, Karen Yax, Jeff Brown



Church Women United Meeting

Church Women United, CWU, is a national ecumenical women's Christian group founded in 1941. *Church Women United* holds three annual worship celebrations: *Human Rights Day, May Friendship Day,* and *World Community Day.*

The United Church of Christ in Honeoye will host CWU on Friday, May 6th at noon in the dining hall. Please bring a sandwich for lunch. Beverages and dessert will be provided. Please join us for an area CWU fellowship on May 6th!



Community Dining Program

We are pleased to state that our partnership with the Ontario County Office for the Aging for the return of the Community Dining Program is a success! We meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 noon in the Dining Hall. The congregate meal program offers a hot, nutritious meal to any disabled person as well as people over the age of 60. This is the perfect place to meet new people or socialize with friends and has become more of a social hour of sorts!

In order to prepare the proper amount of food, reservations are required 24 hours in advance. You can call the Ontario County Office for the Aging at 585-396-4196 or the church (371-8880) and let Cydney know.

Join us for some friendly games and Euchre on Tuesday, May 9th at 10:30, and stay for the meal program! We will be playing on the second Tuesday of the month.



QUILTING IN AMERICAN HISTORY

Thursday, May 19th, 2016 @ 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

East Bloomfield Historical Society, 8 South Avenue, Bloomfield NY 14469

Free; more information available at <http://www.ebhs1838.org/>

Using slides and real examples of quilts, Sue Long and Laura Thornton will show how quilting has been a reflection of the prevailing social and cultural attitudes of our nation. Quilts have a practical function--but just as important is the outlet for creativity for women and their reflection of important times in our political life.

Laura is a third generation quilter, taught by her grandmother and mother. Laura enjoys using her treadle sewing machine when she quilts and teaches classes to others. She has studied fabric design and quilt patterns and works at her local library. Sue is a self-taught quilter, learning from books and her own mistakes. A retired teacher, Sue incorporated quilting into classroom lessons as well as leading a sewing club for elementary students.

The program is 45 minutes followed by Q&A and refreshments.

Submitted by:
Judy Fulmer
Program and Publicity Chair
East Bloomfield Historical Society



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



NEW YORK CONFERENCE

NY Conference 53rd Annual Meeting – June 10-12 at the Hyatt-Regency Hotel, 125 E. Main St., Rochester. This year's theme is "Let Justice Roll." Keynote speakers are Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II, president of the North Carolina chapter of the NAACP, and Rev. Dr. Donna Schaper, senior minister of Judson Memorial Church of New York City. Along with the business of the Conference, there are workshops, onsite UCC-related gift shop, and a variety of social events. The meeting culminates with the Morning Service of Worship on Sunday, June 12. For more information: www.uccny.org/events/annual-meeting.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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..... Karinda Trowbridge
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Boodley

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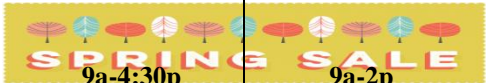
Floral: Donna Fulmer
Memorial: Louise Holmes

To schedule a room within the church for your meeting, event or other special use, please call (585)371-8880

Articles for the next newsletter are due in the church office by the middle of the month-May 15, 2016

May 2016

MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 10a Bible Study 6:30p Bells	4 <i>Spaghetti Dinner</i> 5-7pm Honeoye Food Pantry	5	6 12p Church Women United	7
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