

United Church of Christ

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





SPAGHETTI DINNER JUNE 1ST
5:00PM-7:00PM & PORTION OF THE
PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
UCC PHONE MINISTRY



DINNER & a MOVIE

JUNE 11TH @ 6:00PM



A quick update from your Pastoral Search Team:

Members include:

Jeff Brown, Mike Baker, Kelly Roller, Joni Nilsson, Bill Van Dusen, Karen Yax, Beth Stowe, Louise Holmes, and Megan Apolito.

The pastoral search process includes several steps, beginning with creating a church profile. Once the church profile is complete, it will be posted for any interested candidates to view. We will then receive pastoral profiles from candidates who are interested in our church. And finally, we will begin the evaluation of candidates.

We are currently in the "church profile" stage. Our profile will tell others who we are, what our vision is and what characteristics we are looking for in a pastor. We are compiling data from the surveys, which will be available through June. That data will help shape our church profile. Our next meeting: June 8.

Thank you all for your prayers and support as our congregation and the pastoral search team travel on this journey together.



JOY

You are welcome to join our monthly "Dinner & a Movie" on Saturday evening, June 11th. 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 Joy. Joy is a 2015 American biographical comedy-drama film, written and directed by David O. Russell and starring Jennifer Lawrence as Joy Mangano, a self-made millionaire who created her own business empire. Mangano was a divorced mother with three children in the early 1990s when she invented the Miracle Mop and became overniaht success. after she patented many other products, often selling on the Home Shopping Network and QVC. The film is a semi-fictional and inspirational portrayal of how Mangano overcame personal and professional obstacles to rise to the top.

The next "Dinner & a Movie" is Saturday, July 9th. 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 honeoyefoodpantry@gmail.com.





SERVING AT SALEM FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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 June 27th, leaving at 9 am from the church parking lot and returning 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.



The Stewardship Board is pleased to report that as of May 15, \$340 has been collected in provided envelopes for the Strengthen The Church special offering. Strengthen The Church is a United Church of Christ special offering generally collected on Pentecost Sunday. It is used for leadership development, new church starts and UCC conference initiatives working with ecumenical partners.

Thank you to all who contributed.



We had our Annual Spring Sale (a.k.a Rummage Sale) on Friday and Saturday, May 13th and 14th...and we believe it was a great success. We generated \$3,047! We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who was involved in that success. Thank you to all of you who donated items, who helped with the set up and organization of items for 4 days, and those who helped in the big clean up. Thank you to those who were here during the sale to answer questions and direct people, those who brought in baked goods, cooked hot dogs and made popcorn. A special thank you to Don Fox who called his contact from UCC Bloomfield, who sent 2 men to pick up almost ALL of the leftover household items for their "sale" that is coming up in the near future our leftovers will help one of our sister churches generate money for their church. And last but not least, thank you to all of you who came and shopped. We couldn't have done it without YOU. Thank you from the Spring Sale Sisters...we hope you'll help us in a few months when we will become the Fall Sale Friends... THANK YOU!!!!!



BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

The bell choir will be playing during Sunday worship on June 19, then they will be taking the summer off. Thank you for another great season!!!!

CHOIR REHEARSAL

The "adult" choir will end their singing season on June 19th. Thanks to all who sang with us. And thanks to our young tenor, Alex Rowley, who will graduate from HCS this year but will keep on singing in college. We do hope that he will join us when he is home on vacation. We are looking for folks who would like to provide special music for the summer. Please see Nancy if you can help with this. Nancy Pease and Brian Wilkins

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Thank you to all of the children who participated in the children's choir this year. I enjoyed working with such an amazing and talented group of young people. We will resume rehearsals again in the fall. Please join us for a new season of music making in September!



As part of our Church Visitation Committee we are looking to start up and/or continue our Prayer Chain. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to offer prayers for those in need. If you are interested in this ministry, please send your name and email address to Helen Johnson at helmarc45@gmail.com. Then as prayer requests come in, Helen will send everyone an email so prayers can begin.

If you or a person you know are in need of extra prayers, please let Helen know.

"Wedding Season"



In a few weeks, I'll be traveling to lowa to officiate the wedding of one of my favorite former

Ithaca College students and his fiancé. Before then, the three of us will do some pre-wedding counseling, what I describe as "90 minutes of intense small group therapy." I've made this a requirement for almost all of the couples I see because, "I assume you're in love and aren't thinking straight, so I want to make sure you're ready to get married." Each person answers the questions privately, talks with their partner about their answers, then the three of us get together for an in-depth review of their responses. The questions increase in level of intimacy as we progress through them. And the "sex question" isn't nearly as difficult as one which comes before it. Here's an adapted version of standard pre-wedding my questionnaire:

We begin with my explaining that the couple is making a covenant with each other, a commitment in which each person supports the relationship voluntarily. Hence the term, "marriage covenant."

- I. Communication: Do each of you feel heard by the other? Do each of you feel comfortable sharing your feelings with the other?
- II. Play: What do each of you do for relaxation or change of pace? What shared activities do you have? What activities do you want to continue alone? How do each of you feel about the other's interests?
- III. Respect: What characteristics do you treasure in the other? Does your future spouse act in any way that troubles or embarrasses you? Do you respect your partner?

To my surprise, I've often found that couples find it difficult to name what it is they

treasure about the other person. Initial responses are usually along the line of, "She makes me laugh." I reply that while that's good to know, "That's what's going on inside of *you*; what do you value about her? Rephrase your answer: 'I treasure her sense of humor.'" Once a couple understands what I'm after, they're usually able to come up with answers fairly quickly. I had one groom, however, who sat thinking for a painfully long amount of time. Finally, with a note of desperation in his voice, he answered, "She's a good cook." And that was it. I've no idea how that couple has fared over the years, but if they're still together, I'll quess he has put on a few pounds.

- IV. Conflict: How do you fight? As a couple, have you worked out a means of solving problems and coming to mutually agreed-upon solutions in a healthy, constructive manner?
- I had one couple who said they didn't argue. "We just give each other the silent treatment for a week or so until we're no longer mad at each other." "Do you ever actually discuss the issue," I asked? "No," they replied. I told them that while that might be an option after they've been married after 50 years, it wasn't a good habit to have when starting out. At the end of our session together, I gave them the homework assignment to pick a fight with each other about *anything* before their wedding day then work out their disagreement together.
- V. Commitment: What expectations do each of you have about your making a commitment to one another? Are those expectations realistic? Do you have a mutually agreed-upon understanding of how you'll share responsibilities in your future relationship?
- VI. Family: How do each of your families feel about this relationship? How do you feel about your own family and about your future in-

laws? What traits of your family origin do you want / not want to bring into this commitment?

This always brings up interesting "issues." I had one college graduate ask if I would officiate her wedding, however, her family was adamantly against the marriage. The assignment I gave to her: "Go back and talk to your family. If you can convince them your wedding is a good idea, I'll officiate." I never heard back from her.

VII. Money: Who earns the family income? Do you anticipate that changing? How will finances be managed in the future? Will you continue to have separate bank accounts, a joint account, or a combination of both?

VIII. Sexuality: Do each of you understand the sexual needs and desires of the other? Are both of you comfortable with your present sexual relationship?

This isn't nearly as difficult to discuss as I anticipated early in my career. By this point in the discussion, I've either worn down the couple or we've established a sense of trust between us. Couples are usually very open about sharing the *emotional* side of their sexual relationship. In fairly short order, we're talking about yet another kind of communication that takes place between them.

IX. Children: Do each of you want to have children? If so, how many? How will they be guided, and by whom? What about religious upbringing?

X. Values: Do each of you understand and support the other's core values, religious understandings, and spiritual practices? What are your plans for nurturing your individual and mutual spiritual growth and personal values?

I always conclude by touching on the topic of abuse by noting, "I've no doubt you two are great with each other, but you may have friends who are in less-than-healthy

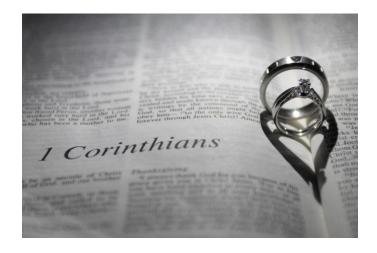
relationships." A genuinely loving and healthy relationship never includes abuse. No one *ever* deserves to be abused. The most healthy and loving thing one can do to someone who is abusive is to say, "Enough. You may not abuse me." Seek outside help immediately.

Finally, we talk about how a healthy relationship is a partnership; it doesn't require a complete loss-of-self for the sake of the other. An analogy: Giant redwood trees live in groves. Above ground, they are individual trees. Below ground, their roots intertwine, enabling them to support one another, allowing them to grow to heights they would not be able to reach alone. A good relationship is the Two individuals whose same: deepest emotional roots intertwine in order to support and draw support from – the other.

Here's hoping this is thought-provoking. If it also brings up "issues" for you and your significant-other, that's fine, too. I'm happy to refer you to a specialist for couples-counseling.

In faith,

J.K.





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.

| June 5 |
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| 1 Kings 17:8-16, (17-2 |
| Psalm 146 |
| Gal 1:11-24 |
| Luke 7:11-17 |

<u>June 19</u> Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Rom 8:14-17 John 14:8-17 (25-27)

June 12

1 Kings 21:1-10, (11-14), 15-21a

Psalm 5:1-8 Gal 2:15-21 Luke 7:36—8:3 June 26

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 Gal 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62



- 3 James Fulmer
- 4 Susan Kraft
- 6 David Fox
- 8 Debra Meek, Don Bennett
- 10 Carol Stutzman
- 12 Darlene Tschorke
- 13 Ray Stutzman
- 15 Garry Wohlschlegel, Madelyn Brown, Betty Read
- 23 Marcia Walter
- 24 Dianna Galante, Mark Andrews
- 25 James T. Fulmer
- 26 Peter Nilsson, Nancy Pease, James Mitchell
- 27 Megan Badger, Genevieve Johnson
- 29 Ruth Sauerwein



Board of Community Life



Church Karaoke Party!

With so many musical people in our church, we thought that a family style karaoke party would be a great way to have fun with our church family and friends! On June 4th, from 1:00pm-4:00pm, bring your friends and family to Church-aoke! This is a great opportunity to have fun and get a little silly, or maybe share your gifts in an informal setting! Snacks and drinks will be provided by the Board of Community Life.

If you want to attend and would like to make sure your song is available, you can email CydneyHess@yahoo.com with any song requests.

See you on June 4th!



Recipes...do you have Recipes...

We've started our cookbook fund raising project...and as of May 15th – we have 70 recipes...With a goal of 200 recipes – we are about one third of the way to our goal in the first 4 weeks of the project. You have until June 30th to get your recipes in to be included in the cookbook. Please submit your recipes as soon as you can so we have time to enter them into the software program. Thank you in advance for your submissions and for the great recipes that have already been submitted...

Here is our 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

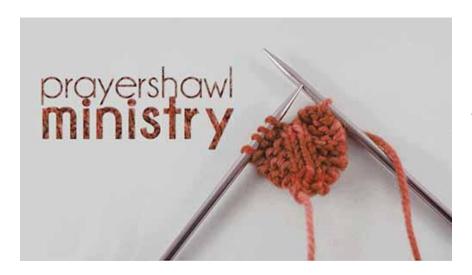
Print cookbook and take orders – September (cookbooks to be available for the UCC Annual Fall Sale in October (aka Rummage Sale) and for Christmas gift giving)

Size: ~200 recipes

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.

Here are the ways you can submit your 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. (There is also a "Guideline" instruction sheet available in the bins as well.)

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 (<u>Anneeski@gmail.com</u>, 585-229-1011). Thank you in advance for your participation...



Knitting Ministry
Will meet Sunday, June 12th in
the library following worship.



Join us for a Faith Adventure: With God All Things Are Possible!

Kids Activities and Vacation Bible School Sundays

The Board of Christian Ed is looking forward to providing summertime kids' activities every Sunday during worship service and in addition this summer we are very excited to offer four special Vacation Bible School Sundays! Save the dates: July 17th and 31st and August 14th and 28th.

On each VBS Sunday we will be traveling on a Faith Adventure right here in our Church. From 9-11 on each of these days all the children of our church, grandkids, neighbors and friends are invited to come along to explore scripture, music, crafts, games, snack and reflect on God's work in our lives and our work in God's world. July 17th will start us off with Cave Exploring: He is our light! focusing on "Our great power is from God, not from ourselves" based on 2 Corinthians 4:7. Kids are encouraged to sign-up ahead of time (see the bulletin board across from the Church Office) so that we have an idea of how many people will be coming. Feel free to join in at 10:00 for the second hour if that works best for you.

We are also looking forward to hosting activities for adults and families on our Faith Adventure this summer. Stay tuned for details.

Special thanks to Sara Tompkins for taking the lead on our VBS Sundays! And to all the members of the Board for all the work you do, seen and unseen.

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.

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

Visitation Committee

A Visitation Committee has recently been formed for the purpose of calling on friends and members who are in need of a visit. If you know of someone who is in the hospital, a nursing facility or at home who would benefit from a visit, please contact Louise Holmes (lousiened@frontiernet.net, 346-5761) or Carol VanDusen, (carol558@outlook.com, 229-2280), and a member of the committee will honor your request.





From the Livonia Gazette: March 13, 1956

"Monday night, March 12, at one of the largest attended "family nights" of the Honeoye Congregational Church (note name), the membership assembled to honor their older members at a "pot luck" dinner under the direction of the Ladies Aid (note name). Mrs. Herbert Van Vliet was in charge of the dining room. Mrs. Howard Barnard in charge of the kitchen.

After the dinner was over, the pastor of the church, Dr. P.L. Graham, took charge and paid a fitting tribute to the honored members of the church reading each name to be honored."

There were 38 names listed as members for over twenty five years. Descendants of Mr. & Mrs. Everett Affolter (Mary Pestle and Clark Affolter); Mabel Barnard (Solon Barnard); Mr. And Mrs. Charles Blackmer (Sandy Gates); Mrs. John Burton and Mrs. Leonard Portnow (Solon Barnard); Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Treble (Donna Cochrane, Linda Farrell, Mary Jo Watson); Wells Blackmer (Bill and Peter Badger) and Herman Wood (George Wood) are still "seen around."

Fourteen names were listed (and all but one was present) for membership for over 50 years. (I rember at least eight of them as regular church attendants.) Descendants of Carrie Blackmer (Mary P, Clark A, Sandy G, Bill + Peter B); Sue Francis (Sandy G.) and Florence Huff (Jeff Huff) are "seen around" also.

"The two oldest-in years and in years of service were Mrs. Carrie Blackmer who had been a member for 66 years and attends church on a regular basis. Suitable flowers were given to Mrs. Blacker by <u>Janet Barnard</u> (who really was a cute little girl-brag brag.) Miss Louise Reed was a 68 year member but unable to attend."

Reading this article gave me the idea to bring the long term membership up to date 60 years later. It proved a momentous task for this older person but I decided to try it.

I have come up with 24 names who have been members 50 years or more and 46 who joined more than 25 years ago. That brings us up to 1991.

If you have read this far, I'm sure you don't want to go through 60 more names so I will do that in the next newsletter. You may very well find your name there!

An added note-looking through old Barnard papers I found this letter which I thought might interest you. It was written by S. Mills Day, the first pastor of this church, to Fitch R. Barnard, great grandfather of Solon Barnard.

Honeoye, NY Jan. 26, 1904

Dear Mr + Mrs Barnard:

Your invitation to your silver wedding Anniversary is received. It will give me much pleasure to be present on that occasion if the weather and traveling prove sufficiently favorable for me to do so. I had no hesitation as to undertaking the trip to southwestern Livonia twenty five years ago to officiate a t the original wedding; but now, of course, I am neither as young nor as strong as I was then. I hope, however, to attend.

Yours, cordially,

S. Mills Day.

It cost two cents to mail it and just "Hemlock, N.Y." was a sufficient address. Look for your name next month!



UNITED CHURCH

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: wwww.uccny.org/events/annual-meeting.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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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-June 15, 2016

June 2016



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 5-7pm Honeoye Food Pantry | 2 | 3 12p Church Women United | 4 |
| 5 10:00A Worship | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 9a-10:30 Pantry |
| 8:30a Choir 11:00a Knitting Ministry | | 10a Bible Study 6:30p Bells | | | | 6pm Dinner & a Movie |
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