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



Members include: Jeff Brown (co-chair), Mike Baker (co-chair), Megan Apolito, Louise Holmes, Joni Nilsson, Kelly Roller, Beth Stowe, Bill Van Dusen and Karen Yax.

In review, 37 profiles have been reviewed, 14 candidates were contacted for follow up, conducted 7 phone interviews and 4 Skype interviews (some more than once). We have been reviewing sermons submitted by the candidates who are still actively under consideration. Upcoming steps are to bring 2 candidates to the area for a neutral pulpit after which the Church Council and Deacons approve a formal call. Please pray for our patience, diligence and guidance as we carry out these exciting steps in our search.



**Spaghetti Dinner May 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
 5:00pm-7:00pm  
 A portion of the proceeds to benefit **The Honeoye Food Pantry**





### **Midnight in Paris**

You are welcome to join our monthly “Dinner & a Movie” on Saturday evening, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Dinner is at 6 pm in the church dining room. Please bring a prepared soup, salad, bread or a dessert to share. At 7 pm we will move downstairs to our new 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.

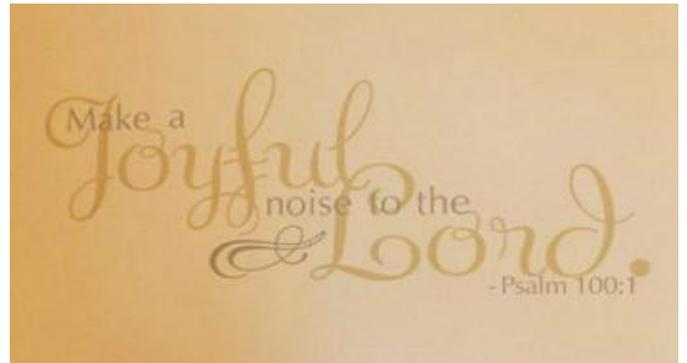
**Midnight in Paris:** Gil Pender (Owen Wilson) is a screenwriter and aspiring novelist. Vacationing in Paris with his fiancée (Rachel McAdams), he has taken to touring the city alone. On one such late-night excursion, Gil encounters a group of strange -- yet familiar -- revelers, who sweep him along, apparently back in time, for a night with some of the Jazz Age's icons of art and literature. The more time Gil spends with these cultural heroes of the past, the more dissatisfied he becomes with the present.

The next “Dinner & a Movie” is Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. 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 May's movie choice you can contact Don at [honeyfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:honeyfoodpantry@gmail.com).



### **Serving at Salem**

On the fourth Monday of the each month, our church participates in the Salem Nutrition Center noon lunch ministry, providing a meal for those who might not necessarily have a good meal otherwise. On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will meet at the church parking lot at 9:00am and carpool to Salem UCC. We will eat lunch at Salem and return no later than 2:30pm. If you have any questions or would like to join us, please see Margot Badger for more information.



### **Bell Choir Rehearsal**

Bell Choir will begin meeting on Mondays at 6:30pm, starting May 1st! If you have any questions or interest in joining, please see Kelly Roller.

### **Choir Rehearsal**

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

### **Children's Choir**

Children's choir continues to meet Sunday mornings at 9:00am in the dining hall. Our last performance for the school year will be on Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be no children's choir rehearsals on May 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>.



**Knitting Ministry**  
Will meet Sunday,  
May 7<sup>th</sup> in the  
library following  
worship.

# from interim MINISTER

## “Senioritis” from the intentional interim minister, Rev. James K. Boodley

In the life of every student – no matter what his or her age – there comes a time in the school year when the weather turns nice, projects and papers are finished, and all that remains are a few final exams before either summer vacation or graduation. Before that last day of school, though, the thought “I can’t wait for this school year to be over!” is on the minds of students and teachers alike.

While reading the update from the pastoral search committee, three thoughts came to mind for me: 1) the search committee is making great progress; 2) inviting two candidates to preach in neutral pulpits may happen enticingly soon; and 3) it may be tempting for some folks to sit back and wait for the new pastor to come through the door before “getting serious” about church again. In other words, “senioritis” might kick in for some people now that the excitement of Easter has passed and the arrival of a new pastor seems “closer than ever,” to quote a line from the *Wizard of Oz*. As you may recall from that timeless tale, though, Dorothy didn’t get whisked back to Kansas the moment she and her ruby slippers waltzed into the Emerald City. Not by a long shot.

In a related state of anxious anticipation, the disciples asked Jesus, “Tell us, when will this [destruction of the temple about which you just told us] be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?” (Matthew 24:3b) Jesus replied with a long explanation about “wars and rumors of wars,” false messiahs and prophets leading many astray, even signs in the heavens that will appear before the Son

of Man comes to “gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.”

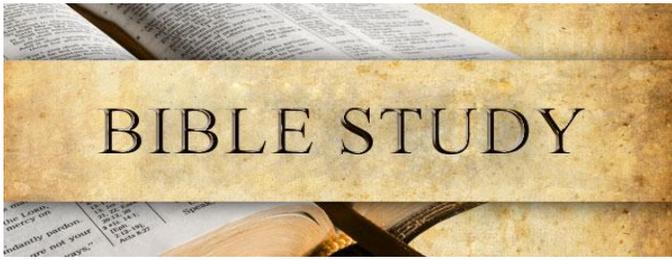
There is, however, one significant “however” about which we need to be aware:

“But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father... Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.” (Matthew 24: 36 & 44)

Just as God only knows when the Son of Man is coming, God only knows when the HUCC search committee will make a final recommendation about a new spiritual leader. “Not even the search committee knows about that day and hour,” to paraphrase Jesus. With that in mind, the last thing the congregation needs to be doing is letting off the gas and coasting in anticipation of the arrival of a shiny new pastor. The same can be said about waiting for Jesus, even with all of the turmoil taking place in the world today, which makes his arrival also seems imminent. In both cases, everyone needs to be hard at work caring for “the least of these” of society and in loving God. When you think about it, loving God is one of *the* compelling reasons for loving humanity – and God’s creation. In doing both, we, too, will be ready. For, as Jesus has already mentioned, “the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

With that in mind, there’s no time for senioritis for this group.

In faith,  
J.K



On Tuesday mornings at 10:00am, a group of friends meet at the church in the Sunday school room to sip tea, laugh, and enjoy lively conversation regarding Scripture. This is a time honored tradition and they'd love for you to join! No prior knowledge of the Bible is needed- just a willingness to learn, discuss and laugh along. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Janet Arnold. The more the merrier!

**May 7**

Acts 2:42-47  
 Psalm 23  
 1 Pete 2:19-25  
 John 10:1-10

**May 14**

Acts 7:55-60  
 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16  
 1 Pete 2:2-10  
 John 14:1-14

**May 21**

Acts 17:22-31  
 Ps 66:8-20  
 1 Pet 3:13-22  
 John 14:15-21

**May 28**

Acts 1:6-14  
 Ps 68:1-10, 32-35  
 1 Pet 4:12-14; 5:6-11  
 John 17:1-11

- 1 Heather Roller
- 2 Ruth Roberts\*
- 3 Kristin Passer
- 5 Cathy Pestle
- 7 Mary Jo Watson
- 8 Isac Lee
- 9 Frank Smith
- 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, Janet Arnold
- 20 Kathleen Whiting
- 21 Shawn Tompkins
- 22 Jason Beers, Karen Hodgeman
- 23 Nancy Gillen
- 25 Gerry Barnard\*, Shannon Ewing
- 26 Becky Bower
- 27 Kip Gillen
- 28 Richard Folwell

*(\* This beloved member of our community has passed. We have chosen to leave their name so that we may remember them on their special day.)*



**Visitation Committee**

Smiles, hugs, phone calls, visits, cards, and transportation are all ways the Visitation Committee continues to serve our members and friends in the community. The most important way we show our support is through our prayers for those in need. There are 15 "visitors" and are currently calling on and praying for 16 very special people. The more we enter into this ministry the more we realize how important and helpful it is to those we visit. If you have any questions, please call us. Carol Van Dusen and Louise Holmes



May has finally arrived and the regular Sunday School Season is closing down, but not before our final end of year event takes place. **YOUTH SUNDAY IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 14th.** We realize it falls on Mother's Day, but it seemed to be the best time to gather all the youth together. We are hoping mothers of all generations will come and enjoy this special Sunday morning event.

So, here are some details about Youth Sunday:

- May 7<sup>th</sup>: We will have final run through after the church service. We ask that all youth plan to stay after church until 12:15 on that day.
- May 14<sup>th</sup>: We ask that everyone be at church between **8:15 and 8:30**. We will use the time to practice final details and choir songs.
- All the youth will be given a costume from our wardrobe. No need for you to send them with anything special that day.
- May 21<sup>st</sup>: I will share our final meeting of the season, as we talk about Pentecost and wrap things up.
- May 28<sup>th</sup>: There will be no Sunday school
- June 4<sup>th</sup>: Will start our summer Sunday school program as Vacation Bible School kicks into gear.

Thank you all for a truly blessed year,  
Beth



Youth Group will be taking the months of May and June off from our regular Tuesday evening meetings, allowing for sports and the end of school year. However, we are still planning on outings and service projects! Please watch the bulletin for more information or see Greg or Cydney if you have questions.



Welcoming new members is an exciting part of the life of any congregation. Whether you've been coming here for a month or ten years and a month, if you've been thinking about becoming a member of the congregation, now's the perfect time to do so. Please send an email to the church office indicating your interest in joining a new member "class" this spring. The process is painless and the result is a stronger congregation and a stronger Body of Christ. It's also another opportunity to have cake and celebrate!



Seeking an enthusiastic go-getter who enjoys working with others to head the Trustees Committee. Candidate doesn't have to know how to use tools of any kind but is willing to help direct the energies of those who do. For more information, please see David Makepeace or anyone on the Trustees Committee. Position open to all regardless of age, size, weight, height, sex, sexual orientation, ability to draw a straight line, etc.

## Help!!!

We all get to enjoy the flower beds in front of the fellowship hall, but it's time for a new chief to step in and take the reins! I have enjoyed doing it for many, many years but my knees and hips are screaming, "no more, Ellie!"

## Wanted:

A new Flower Power Person (or people). Please see Ellie if you have any questions, or if you'd like to volunteer!

Thank you,  
Ellie Jordan



## Socks for Salem

On Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, we sent countless pairs of socks to Salem UCC in Rochester as part of our "Socks for Salem" drive. It was a welcome donation for those who most need it. Thank you to everyone who participated by bringing in socks! It was greatly appreciated, and they will go to great use!



## May 12-13th!!!!

Friday, 9am-4:30pm (bake sale, plant sale, "The Sale")

Saturday, 9am-2:00pm (bake sale, plant sale, "The Sale" – Fill a Bag for \$5.00 all day, ½ price on marked items)

Do you have items for the UCC Spring Sale? You can start bringing them to church after Worship Service May 7th. 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:**

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Joan Hohmann at 229-4542,  
email [Joan@Hohmann.us](mailto:Joan@Hohmann.us)  
Jane Affolter at 367-3995,  
email [cj.affolter@gmail.com](mailto:cj.affolter@gmail.com).**



## Prayers for John Moffat

One of our long time friends and church family members, John Moffat, was diagnosed with a pancreatic tumor at the end of March.

Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> during church, we offered John our support and prayers as a congregation as we joined together in a laying on of hands for John. It was heartfelt and powerful, and John and his family wish to thank everyone, sharing that they were overwhelmed with emotion at the outpouring of support that he felt.

If you'd like to follow John's journey to healing, a caring bridge website has been set up: [www.caringbridge.org/visit/johnmoffat](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/johnmoffat). Please continue to pray for John and his family.



How many of you remember that until 1971 you entered the parsonage through a door from a small stoop facing Main Street, or a door to the east that opened into a small enclosed porch? Of course, I do-but-I do not remember the hen house built by the Ladies Aide in 1904.

To refresh your memory: the parsonage was built in 1902-1903 for \$1,328.00. A committee had been formed in 1901 to buy a parsonage or a lot and build. The first pastor, S. Mills Day (1862-1897) owned his own home-48 West Main Street-still known to many of us as the Furman Huff home. I have no idea when F.W. Herman (1897-1898); F. A. Stubbins (1899-1900) or W.C. Burns (1900-1906) lived until the parsonage was built (can someone tell me?). Rev. Arthur C. Dill (1906-1910) called it "The Elms". This acreage had been part of the Pitts Estate. In 1907 Rev. Dill and his mother renovated the interior at their own expense.

Jump ahead-at a council meeting in November 1966, Earl Sandeen reported many problems at the parsonage. In the June 1970 Council minutes there were two pages of notes about changes that needed to be made to make the parsonage "livable'-and-hold on to your hats-at a special meeting called in July 1970, there were five pages (evidently, the church clerk could not "condense" very well.)

As chairman of the Trustees, Earl Saundeen presented four possible plans. (Earl had a very strong sense of how he felt things should be done-but he was also very fair and had always thought things out ahead of time!)

His proposals: #1-Leave it alone and continue to patch; #2-Do a complete remodeling job; #3-Sell it; #4-Renovate it for \$500-\$600 to make it "livable".

He listed important points to consider. The sagging walls need to be strengthened; a new wet wall is necessary (the paint is the strongest part of that wall); the kitchen needs fixing and rooms on the first floor should be re-arranged. The upstairs only needs new floors or wall to wall carpeting and fixing any cracks caused by straightening the walls.

If proposition #3 were accepted we would have to buy or build or pay rent on a house for the minister. Phil Rowley (Rowley's Real Estate) appraised the house and surrounding five acres for

\$19,500. Estimate for a new building about \$3,500. (How many of you knew the parsonage was on five acres? I didn't.)

Earl explained again-remember this was two pages of notes-that no matter what we did, the west wall MUST be replaced-a coat of paint only lasts for so long.

Move ahead to the Special Congregational Meeting called July 20, 1976. It should be noted that this meeting was open for discussion to the entire congregation (not just Council members) so much of the discussion was reported. Earl showed more detailed plans he had drawn in addition to the minimal foundation leveling and sewer installation.

Plan A- make the downstairs bathroom into a powder room and closet (this would do away with the maze of closets) and make a central hallway to the kitchen and upstairs.

Plan B- change the aspect of the house. In addition to Plan A, make an entrance from the west side of the house (there goes the Main Street front door) into a broadened hall; combine the music room and side living room; the partition between the dining room and side porch would be removed. This larger hall would give access to each room downstairs.

Plan C- same as Plan B but with the addition of a garage and breezeway on the west side.

Estimated costs- Plan A \$12,100; Plan B \$13,200; Plan C \$17,380. Did you notice these plans only referred to keeping the parsonage?

Moderator Bob Edwards- also known for his fairness and attention to detail showed a plan he had worked out:

Plan A- Sell-invest-money would allow for rent allowance.

Plan B- Remodel using \$10-12,000 figure.

Plan C- Sell-give minister a housing allowance.

Plan D- Extensively remodel- \$20-25,000 figure.

After a lengthy, spirited discussion-which you will have to wait to read about next time, Moderator Bob noted we had had enough discussion and facts, we needed to make a final decision. He asked Dr. Skogland (a professor at Colgate Divinity School and at the time, our interim pastor) to lead us in prayer. Six proposals were then suggested.

My allotted space is used up-but stay tuned!



### **The Honeoye Community Food Pantry**

This month, a portion of the proceeds for our spaghetti supper will benefit the Honeoye Community Food Pantry.

The Food Pantry is housed at the Honeoye UCC and relies on donations, grants and Food Link to provide the community with access to nutritional items that many of us take for granted. They offer this service to anyone in the Honeoye school district, regardless of age, ability or income. The Food Pantry is open on alternate Saturday mornings from 9:00am-10:30am and relies on volunteers. In May, the pantry will be open on the 13<sup>th</sup> and the 27<sup>th</sup>. Please bring at least one reusable bag for the groceries and a piece of mail (preferably a utility bill) to prove residency if this is your first time requesting aid.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Don at 585-721-0009 or email [honeyefoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:honeyefoodpantry@gmail.com).



**senior**nutrition

### **Senior Lunch Program**

The Congregate Lunch Program offered by the Ontario County Office for the Aging continues to be hosted in our dining hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Anyone (and everyone!) over the age of 60 is welcome to join us for lunch, which is served promptly at noon. A \$3.50 donation is requested, but not mandatory. All are fed. A menu for the month of April has been posted on the bulletin board as you enter the church. This is a great opportunity to meet throughout the week and catch up with members of the community who might not necessarily attend our church. Reservations are required no less than 24 hours in advance-please call 585-396-4196 for more information. You can also find a menu at their website, [www.co.ontario.ny.us](http://www.co.ontario.ny.us).



### **NYS Forest Owners Association**

On Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, there will be a general meeting on Conservation Easements at the United Church of Christ, 8758 Main Street, Honeoye. Light refreshments will be provided.



Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at the Village Gate Square in Rochester, join the NAMI Rochester mental health walk to raise funds and awareness to help change perceptions about mental illness. Check in is at 9:00am, and the walk begins at 10:00am. You can register or donate today by visiting [www.namiwalks.org/rochester](http://www.namiwalks.org/rochester). For more information contact Kristina Mossgraber at [kristingamossgraber@namirochester.org](mailto:kristingamossgraber@namirochester.org) or call 585-520-8380.

CASH PRIZES!



# Hickok Center for Brain Injury's

## 6th ANNUAL 10K/5K 1 Mile Fun Run & 'Who Let The Dogs Out' Race

# ADP Helmet Heroes Memorial Run

## Saturday, May 20, 2017

Stewart Lodge at Mendon Ponds Park **FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

### RACE TIMES

- 10k starts at 9am
- 5k begins at 9:15am
- 'Who Let The Dogs Out' 5k begins at 9:35am
- 1 mile fun run begins at 9:45am

### REGISTER AT

[www.ADP5K.com](http://www.ADP5K.com)  
Check in starts at 7:30am



Dogs need to be leashed for the 'Who Let The Dogs Out' race and a current rabies vaccination is required

Chip Timing Provided by **RMS**  
RACE MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS

Silent Auction

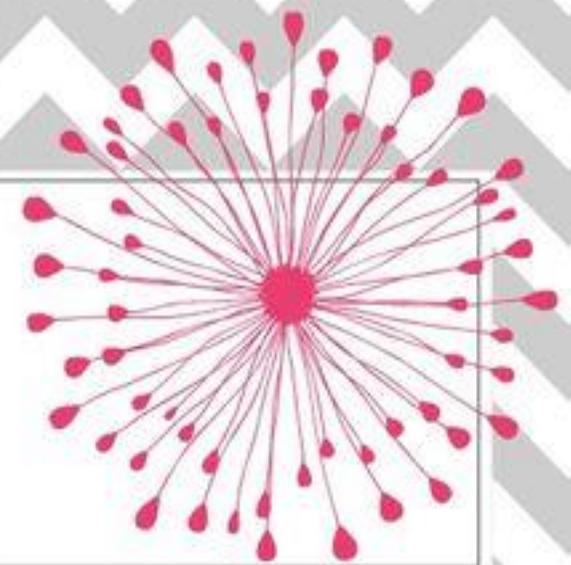
Great Food  
Music

### Sponsors



The mission of the Hickok Center is to provide a safe, supportive environment that encourages people with brain injuries and other neurological challenges to design and direct their own life journey.

# May 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:30p Bell Choir	2 10a Bible Study 12p Sr. Lunch	3 Spaghetti Supper 5p-7p	4 12p Sr. Lunch	5	6 6p Dinner & a Movie
7 8:30 Choir 9:00 C. Choir 10:00 Worship	8 6:30p Bell Choir	9 10a Bible Study 12p Sr. Lunch	10	11 12p Sr. Lunch	12 <i>spring sale</i> 9-10:30 Pantrv	
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