

MAIN STREET MESSENGER

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Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Summer Schedule through Labor Day
One Service 9:30 a.m.
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9:30 a.m. for all ages
Nursery Available

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Our Lenten Journey Begins

February 22nd Ash Wednesday. Our Lenten Journey begins with the solemn imposition of ashes and communion. The Rev. Ray Stees will conduct our worship at 7:30 p.m.

February 26th Pretzel Sunday. Our Church School and Children's Church make and enjoy our favorite Lenten symbol, the pretzel.

February 26th Lenten Study. *24 Hours that Changed the World* begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Room.

March 1st Lenten Study. "Christian Yoga" begins at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

March 4th Lenten Offering.



Welcoming all to develop and live as disciples of Jesus Christ.

PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Friend,

Why are we going to Nicaragua?

Some of us want to travel, and immerse ourselves in another culture.

Some of us have been on work camps, and would like to try an international mission.

Some of us are going to meet Dr. Belinda Forbes, and get a sense of what her mission is to rural Nicaragua.

Some of us are going to make new friends across culture.

Some of us are going to offer encouragement to families who live in third world conditions.

Some of us are going to be the hands and feet of Christ.

I suppose there are as many reasons for going to Nicaragua, as there are individuals(14) who are making the mission. But this much I do know. When the plane sets down in Managua, Nicaragua on Friday, February 17th, we will not be going alone. We will be ambassadors for Jonesville United Methodist

Church. We will be representing you. You will be going with us!

Thank you for your support through monetary donations, which will help us begin the build of a new school. Thank you for your gifts of school supplies that we will take with us. Thank you for your prayers that will surround us with grace and joy. Thank you for going with us to Nicaragua.

Let's join together in worship on March 11th, to thank God for all God has done and is doing among us.

God is with you,

David

Adult Study Continues!

"Strong Was Her Faith"

Led by Deb Devenpeck and Lynn Fenstermacher, this study of women in the Early Church will provide the opportunity for women to grow and share their faith stories today. Join the class in the Library at 9:30 a.m.

"Men's Breakfast & Bible Study"

Led by Rev. Richard Dudinak, the group meets for a light breakfast at 9:15 and Bible Study at 9:30 a.m, in Fellowship Hall. Currently, the group is looking at the life of Joseph - how God can work through the most dysfunctional family. The men will meet on February 12th and 26th.

Guest Preachers in February

While David is with the mission team in Nicaragua, some of our favorite lay speakers and pastors will reflect on the Word.

February 19th – Dan Moran is the preacher. Rev. Rich Dudinak will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion at the 8:30 a.m. service.

February 22nd – Rev. Ray Stees will preach and conduct the Ash Wednesday Service.

February 26th – Gary DiLallo is the preacher and Rev. John Puthuparampil will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion at the 8:30 a.m. service.



ORGANIZATIONS



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MAPLEWOOD MANOR

On **Monday, February 6**, our Jonesville singers will entertain the residents with a Valentine Program of sentimental songs. If you are available to join us from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., meet at church to car-pool at 9:40 a.m. or meet at Maplewood Manor, Ballston Spa at 10 a.m. We always have a fun-filled time.



Haiti

Challenges and Hope

Tuesday, February 14th

Presented by Mildred Howarth, this School of Mission Study examines the cultural heritage, colonialism, and religions of Haiti and how the country is being helped in its recovery after the 2010 earthquake tragedy. An offering will be taken for *A Call to Prayer and Self Denial* mission project. Refreshments will be prepared by Ginny Rae Moran. United Methodist Women would LOVE you to join us for the program and fellowship.

Prayer Shawl Group Workshop

Thursday, February 16th

9:30 a.m.

(weather permitting)



Knitting needles will be clicking and crochet hooks weaving

stitches in the library. Patterns, ideas and conversations are shared as the group prepares shawls and lap robes to bring our church's concern for those in need of comfort and prayers. A supply of shawls is always on hand and requests are welcomed. If anyone wishes to take one for a relative or friend, see Mildred Howarth, Lory Bennett or the church office staff.



"Souper" Bowl Sunday Feb. 5

The men will be making their famous submarine sandwiches to support the "souper" bowl of caring. If you haven't ordered your sub yet, please call the church office 877-7332. Please bring a can of soup and/or \$1 to worship this Sunday to contribute to the Food Pantry. The congregation will be wearing name tags colored for their team!



Church Breakfast Sunday, February 19th 9:00 – 10:00 A.M.

All you can eat breakfast includes scrambled eggs, French toast, hash brown potatoes, sausage, bacon, coffee and juice. Enjoy good food and fellowship between the worship services. Adults: \$4.00, children under 12: \$1.50, family maximum: \$11.00.

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP CALENDAR

Sun., Feb. 5 No Meeting

Sat. – Sun., Feb. 11-12 MS

Sat. 8:30 a.m. – Sun. Noon

Skye Farm Retreat

Sun., Feb 12 No HS Meeting

Sun., Feb. 19 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

MS & HS Game Night

Sun., Feb. 26 MS & HS

1-2:15 p.m.

Ice Skating at Clifton Park Arena

\$5.00 Admission

\$3.00 Skate Rental

Looking ahead...

Fri. – Sun., March 9-11 MS

BREAKOUT

Sat., Mar. 31 Coffee House

Fri. – Sun., Apr. 20 – 22

Upward Conference Retreat

Syracuse, NY

Gr. 8 - 12

EXCEL Weekend

A group of 14 Senior High youth and adult leaders participated in EXCEL at the Saratoga City Center over Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend. EXCEL is a Christian youth retreat put on by Youth For Christ which draws over a thousand attendees from all over the Capital District area and beyond. This year the group was challenged to grow closer to God by living a *Deeper Life*. Thanks go out once again to the Strock family for hosting us overnight Friday and Saturday. Also thanks to the Kathe family for providing some drinks and snacks for the weekend.

Middle Schoolers – Don't forget to keep February 11th-12th open for our Skye Farm retreat and March 9th – 11th open for our BREAKOUT retreat.

SCHEDULES FOR FEBRUARY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Prayer Partner
 Ushers (8:30) John George
 (10:30) Jeff & Julie Hecht, Dan Moran, Jim Swett
 Worship Greeter Carol Bates
 Sound System Dan Moran
 Nursery Sheryl Manning
 Children's Church Linda Post, Cathy Sim
 Children's Message Pastor David
 Worship Leader Jon Cochran
 Offering Counters Dan Moran, Judie Scranton
 Financial Assistant Ron Neu
 Coffee Hour (8:30) Carol Larsen
 (10:30) Burt & Grace Theurer, Tami Farron
 Communion (8:30) Jan Volk, (10:30) Kathy Garofal
 Communion Preparer Jan Volk
 Acolyte Eli Theurer

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Prayer Partner Carol White
 Ushers (8:30) Ann Luse
 (10:30) Marc & Cindi Stanley, Monty & Sue Wright
 Worship Greeters Diane & Bill Patmos
 Sound System Tony Furnari
 Nursery Lisa Abraham
 Children's Church Jen Curtis, Ally Kelly
 Children's Message Pastor David
 Worship Leader Carol DiLallo
 Offering Counters Pat Hipenbecker, Bjorn Kaupang
 Financial Assistant Scott Leslie
 Coffee Hour (8:30) Alice Vautrin
 (10:30) Bob & Mary Vawter, Linda Post
 Communion (8:30) Jan Volk
 Communion Preparer Jan Volk
 Acolyte Eliza Whitfield

FEBRUARY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Wed.	Feb. 1	7:00 pm	Safe Sanctuaries
Mon.	Feb. 6	7:00 pm	Outreach
		7:00 pm	Trustees
Tues.	Feb. 7	7:00 pm	Education
		7:00 pm	Membership Dev.
Wed.	Feb. 8	7:00 pm	Green Team
		7:00 pm	Nicaragua Meeting
Sun.	Feb. 12	11:45 am	Nominations
		11:45 am	Worship
Thurs.	Feb. 16	7:00 pm	Stewardship
Mon.	Feb. 20		OFFICE CLOSED
Tues.	Feb. 28	7:00 pm	Spiritual Formation

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Prayer Partner Alice Vautrin
 Ushers (8:30) Ron Neu
 (10:30) Lance & Brenda Little,
 Pat Hipenbecker, Carol Vroman
 Worship Greeters Marilyn & Frank Overstrom
 Sound System Bob Scranton
 Nursery Kate Fosburg
 Children's Church Jessica George, Christy Gradoia
 Children's Message Holly Greene
 Worship Leader Jen Curtis
 Offering Counters Carol Bates, Les Hipenbecker
 Financial Assistant Bob Scranton
 Coffee Hour (8:30) UMM Breakfast
 (10:30) Pat Hatlee, Kathy Burton, Marlene Dickson
 Communion (8:30) Jan Volk
 Communion Preparer Jan Volk
 Acolyte Sara Stanley

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Prayer Partner Pat Hipenbecker
 Ushers (8:30) Holly Weatherill
 (10:30) Dana & Debbie Devenpeck,
 John & Cathy Kellogg
 Worship Greeters Mary & Bob Standish
 Sound System Graham Northup
 Nursery Sara Veeder
 Children's Church Christine Helsom, Holly Greene
 Children's Message Marv Veeder
 Worship Leader Russ Jacoby
 Offering Counters Pat Hatlee, Bob Scranton
 Financial Assistant Steve Harding
 Coffee Hour (8:30) Suzanne Shelton
 (10:30) Mary Lockwood, Ed & Lory Bennett
 Communion (8:30) Jan Volk
 Communion Preparer Jan Volk
 Acolyte Emily MacLain

LECTIONARY FOR FEBRUARY

Feb. 5	Isaiah 40:21-31, Psalm 147:1-11, 20c 1 Corinthians 9:16-23, Mark 1:29-39
Feb. 12	2 Kings 5:1-14, Psalm 30 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, Mark 1:40-45
Feb. 19	2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9
Feb. 22	Ash Wednesday Joel 2:1-2, 12-17, Psalm 51:1-17 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10, Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
Feb. 26	Genesis 9:8-17, Psalm 25:1-10 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15

MISCELLANEOUS

Lenten Study Begins!

"Christian Yoga"

Led by Cindy Reinker, this group will explore the relationship between body and spirit through the practice of Christian Yoga. The class will meet for six Thursday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Cindy will introduce us to gentle yoga practice while David will highlight various forms of Christian prayer and meditation. Cindy is a fitness Instructor at the Clifton Park YMCA. She has been practicing Yoga for many years and is a certified teacher with Yogafit, Inc. You should wear comfortable clothes, bring a mat for yoga if you have one, and a pillow or cushion for the sitting if you desire. Please register for this class through the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall or by calling the Church Office, 877-7332.



"24 Hours That Changed the World"

Led by Dana Devenpeck and Pastor David, this seven-week course will take us, step-by-step, through the last 24 hours of Jesus' life. Through video presentation and small group discussion, the class will experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death in a way we never have before. The group will meet on Sunday evenings from 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. in the Upper Room beginning on March 26th. Please register for this class and pick up your study book in the Church Office. The cost is \$15.00.

4th and 5th Grade Youth Group February 10th

On Friday, February 10th, the 4th and 5th Grade Youth Group will go to the movies at the new theater in Clifton Park. We'll gather at the church at 6:00 p.m. and car-pool. Parents will pick up children at the theater lobby. Look for more information in the Sunday bulletins and by post card.

Save the Date for Sue June 1st

A Celebration of Sue Cole's years of ministry at Jonesville U.M.C. will be held Friday evening, June 1st, at the Vista. More information will be available in next month's newsletter.

Music Director Position Open

Staff Parish is looking for a part-time Music Director to plan and lead some or all adult, youth and children's vocal and bell choirs beginning on July 1st, 2012. This position is for approximately 12 – 15 hours a week, Sundays and evenings. Starting salary will be based on education and experience. Benefits include vacation, holiday and personal time. Other details can be found on the web site link www.jonesvilleumc.org/musicdirector.html Send resumes to either Bob Vawter's email RMVawter@verizon.net or Jonesville United Methodist Church, 963 Main St., Clifton Park, NY 12065, attention Robert Vawter.

Green Team - Electronics Recycling

Thanks to everyone that participated and for the various donations. The following items were transported to Tech Valley for recycling:

6 computer monitors, 4 printers, 7 keyboards, 7 radios, 6 computers, 1 set of speakers, 5 televisions, 1 vacuum, 1 curling iron, 2 phones and 3 VCRs. Please feel free to call Jeff Hecht at 877-6461 if you were unable to participate and would like to schedule a pickup. Items brought to church over the next two weeks will be collected and dropped off. Tech Valley Recycling is located at 767 Pierce Rd., Clifton Park, 877-9800

www.techvalleyrecycling.com

JUMC Older Youth (The JOY Boys) Come Join the Team!

We've Done a Lot...
and there is always a lot "to do."
Wednesday Mornings...
a time of Fellowship,
Fun, and Work
(and a few donuts)
Call/email Ed Bennett
399-7733
ebennet1@nycap.rr.com

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THANK YOU all for your thoughtfulness in signing the prayer sheet posted by Barb Phillips. Your kindness is appreciated and your prayers worked as I am doing well. Thanks again and a Happy, Healthy New Year to all of you.

-Margaret Von Stetina

THANK YOU for your prayers and the beautifully made prayer shawl. I appreciate you thinking of me.

-Craig Knippenburg
(Brother of Kim Kathe)

THANK YOU for the use of your facilities for our recycling program. It was a successful and fun experience. We appreciate your willingness to assist us with our projects over the years.

-Troop 2532

THANK YOU! All of you were kind enough to include my husband Eric Borgelt on your prayer list and we are both so grateful for all of the faith, good wishes and prayers. We were so touched that you thought of us and included us in your prayers. Eric is home from surgery and resting – so we are moving in the right direction.

-Karrie & Eric Borgelt

Thank you from the bottoms of our hearts for all your support during Ryan's recent hospitalization. It was a very scary and uncertain time for us. Your

prayers, cards, phone calls, texts, and visits were a constant reminder of God's unfailing love. Jonesville UMC is truly an amazing example of Christian love and grace.

God bless you,
-MaryEllen, Paul, Kyle,
Matthew and most of
all Ryan Hendrickson

Thank you so much for your prayers on the recent passing of my mother, and again for your thoughts and concerns for my daughter Amy during her pregnancy. Fortunately both mother and baby are doing fine. It meant a lot to know that others were thinking of our family.

-Marlene Dickson & Family

THANK YOU to our wonderful church family for your generous gifts to the staff. These gifts are greatly appreciated. It is with joy and pleasure that each of us serves in ministry with all of you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ! Blessings & Peace,

Congratulations to.....

..... James Everett Eichfeld and Cole Henry Eichfeld who were baptized and welcomed into the family of God, on January 8th. The parents of these beautiful twin boys are Steve and Beth Eichfeld.

.....the members of the Mission Team to Nicaragua who prepared, and the friends in church who enjoyed delicious soup after worship on January 8th. Over \$500 was raised for the work the mission team will do on a new school.

.....our newest members of the 90-year-old club. Sally Weatherill celebrated her birthday on January 7th and Betty Eaton on January 22nd. They join our other nonagenarians Bill Rank (90), Elsie George (91), Len Hickok (95), Millie Owen (97), and Marge Whinnery (99). God bless you all.

.....to Leslie and Bruce Smith on the birth of their new grandson Cristiano Paulo Vieira, born on January 11th to their daughter and her husband Colleen and Paulo Vieira.

JUMC to Implement HEART-Safe Community Program
What greater commitment can you express to your congregation than a pledge to help them in their moment of greatest need. Sudden Cardiac Death (SCD), also known as Sudden Cardiac arrest (SCA) claims more than 300,000 victims every year. There is hope for SCA victims, but time is the enemy. To survive sudden cardiac arrest, the victim must receive early CPR along with an electrical shock from an automated external defibrillator (AED) to correct the abnormal heart activity. JUMC is partnering with the Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps in a program to help our church prepare to save a life with CPR training and AED placement.

-Ron Neu, JUMC
HEARTSafe Coordinator

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Vacation Bible School is Coming

The theme and date for Vacation Bible School has been set for 2012. "Sky – Everything Is Possible With God" will be held from August 13th through August 17th, 5:15 – 8:15 p.m. The Director for this year's V.B.S. is Jennifer Halkovitch. If you are interested in helping out as a Group Leader, or in Music, Drama, Games, Crafts, or Food, please call her at 588-2096, or email her at schooner@nycap.rr.com.

Super Name tag Sunday *Souper Bowl of Caring* February 5

Please bring a can of soup and/or \$1.00 to Worship. Everyone will wear name tags colored for their team!

Cookie Walk February 12th

Calling All Bakers!
**Proceeds will go to VIM
Nicaragua**



Please sign up in Fellowship Hall to bake 2-4 dozen cookies for the Education Committee's Annual Valentine Cookie Walk. Clean coffee cans are needed for the Cookie Walk and can be placed in the box in Fellowship Hall marked for collection. Thank you.



Family Bowling
February 12
2:00 -4:00 p.m.
Burnt Hills
Bowling Lanes,
Rte. 50

\$10.00 per person includes two games, shoe rental, pizza & soda. Please sign-up in Fellowship Hall.

Red Hat Luncheon February 16th

Save the Date:

- March 24th & 25th
Once Upon a Parable
- April 28th
Progressive Dinner
- June 1st
for Sue

Shenendehowa Helping Hands Food Pantry

Please bring the following items for the month of February to fill the basket in the Hallway:
Diapers – size 6, laundry detergent, denture cleaner, bath soap, *Hamburger Helper*, cereal, juice, coffee. Thank you for your generous support of this outreach in our community.