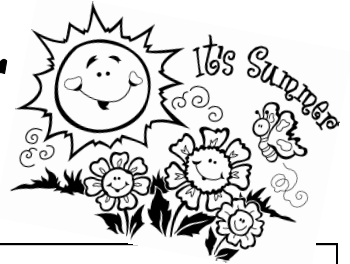


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KNOWING JESUS THE GOOD  
SHEPHERD & SHARING THE  
RISEN CHRIST WITH ALL.

## Upper New York Annual Conference 2013

The theme this year was Called to Sow. Last year's theme was Planting. When I arrived at the On-Center in Syracuse on Thursday May 31, I needed to register. I was able to find the table and get registered. It was a Very quick and easy process. I then went to the Laity session. The session was a mini worship sermon. Scott Johnson (Conference Lay Leader) Spoke with the theme dealing with "Sowing the seeds are our (the laity) job. We can't leave that job up to the clergy." Think about that. I had 2 training classes. The first is the changes in Lay speakers and the second was about UMW & UMM. Both were very informative. On to lunch and then Opening Worship with the Bishop. The Bishop spoke about the joy of planting. A few points of the sermon dealt with:

- A seed is useless unless it comes out of the binding cover.
- Let us Raise "Lazarus" from the grave!
- Renew and Revival are coming- it first must start with the church. Squabbles need to stop.
- Let us be free; so we can be all who God wants us to be.

Then the plenary sessions begin. This includes all reports, Amendments, mission projects, awards and Recommendations.

Most recommendations passed with little or no changes. Here are they.

- Mileage reimbursement for conference committees
- Conference and District Meetings should be accessible to all.
- Conference Advance Specials and Offerings.
- Ministry Shares
- The Budget and Commission on Equitable Compensation.
- Social Holiness Team brought 2 Resolutions
  - Aligning UM actions with our words
  - Opposing the Expansion of Casino Gambling

The resolution added after the deadline about Do No Harm not voted on. It was ruled out of Order by the Bishop.

There was time for fellowship and meeting new friends. Trainings and worship services. It was a very tiring and spiritual weekend. Thank you for the opportunity for allowing me to represent you.

Please see Jennie Gleason if you would like more info.

God Bless,  
*Jennie Gleason*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Our World situation  
The Rothfus Family  
to those at other residences...

CUBA CMH

Lucille Wildrick  
Pearl Franklin

WATERS OF WESTFIELD

Dawn Durkee

OLEAN PINES

Henny van der Horst

EDEN HEIGHTS - OLEAN

Evelyn Steen

**Military personnel and their families...**

Dylan Matijas  
Steven Moore  
Juan Rivera  
Christopher Sirianni



Our continued prayers go out to ALL military personnel who are serving our country by active duty & reserve status, both in the States, and abroad. Our List of Military Names is provided by the Weekly Prayer Group for our Military men and women and our world situation. Gatherings are held on Monday's at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Roman Catholic Church at 50 South Street in Cuba. All are welcomed to attend. For more information, call Sandy Lathrop at 585-968-1531.

**Others to keep in prayer:**

Tim Bushnell  
Chuck Brooks  
Becky Calarco  
John Culbert  
Mike Gibbons  
Kathy Glover  
Tyler Griffon  
Norma Guinnip  
Bernie Hawks  
Karen Hessney  
Diane Karle  
James Kellogg  
Rolly Miles  
Mina (Doris Wyant's sister)  
Elizabeth Morris  
Harley Poore  
Charles Rogers  
Jean Switalski  
Joshua Tsujimoto (Paul's Father)  
Henny van der Horst  
Lola Wilson

**July Birthdays**

2 - Michael Hupp  
5 - Rita Say  
9 - Jerry Burdick  
11 - Linda Appleby  
14 - Tom Eastham  
16 - Katelyn Cornell  
Debbie Rothfus  
Daniel Rothfus  
17 - Lucinda Pierce  
21 - Joshua Tsujimoto  
23 - James B. Travis  
24 - Mike LaFever  
28 - Debra Enderle  
29 - Molly Ann Kunz

**Statistics**

**Needed: \$1,657.75**

Date	Worship	Offering
5/19	34	\$1,585.00
5/26	29	\$1,159.00
6/2	29	\$1,871.00
6/9	41	\$1,461.00
6/16	37	\$1,237.50

**July Helping Hands****Ushers****Greeters**

7/7 Open for You  
7/14 Open for You  
7/21 Open for You  
7/28 Open for You

**Acolyte**

7/7 Josh Tsujimoto or Josh Enderle  
7/14 Josh Tsujimoto or Josh Enderle  
7/21 Josh Tsujimoto or Josh Enderle  
7/28 Josh Tsujimoto or Josh Enderle

**Altar Guild**

Shirley Poore

**Coffee Hour**

7/21 Jean Higby & Barb Spateholts

**July Anniversaries**

5 - Nick & Liz Abraham  
James & Marilyn Luckey  
20 - Lewis & Cheryl Holden, Jr.  
24 - Jeff & Hattie Cooper



*Many Hands make Light Work. Won't you please consider volunteering. We need greeters, liturgists, nursery helpers, Coffee Hour Hosts. Please sign up on the clipboards at the front entrance if you can help. Thank You!*

## August Birthdays

- 1 - Liz Abraham  
Alex Eastham
- 3 - Sylvia Clement  
Melissa Zeh-Gross
- 4 - Joshua Enderle
- 12 - Cheryl Wildrick  
Sid Wildrick-Cole
- 14 - Allison Eastham  
Lisa Hawks
- 20 - Joyce Enderle  
Dean Wildrick
- 24 - Darcy Eastham  
Barbara Johnston  
Donna Lawton
- 30 - Dawn Wildrick-Cole
- 31 - Brian Krott



## August Anniversaries



- 17 - Brian & Tammy Hawks
- 18 - Richard & Lucinda Pierce  
Pastor Tim and Jennie Gleason
- 24 - Larry & Veronica Clayson  
William & JoAnn Farrell
- 31- Mary Lou & David VanValkenburgh

## August Helping Hands

### Ushers

Harley & Shirley Poore

### Greeters

8/4 *Open for you*  
8/11 *Open for You*  
8/18 *Open for You*  
8/25 *Open for You*

### Acolyte

8/4 Josh Tsujimoto or Josh Enderle  
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8/18 Josh Tsujimoto or Josh Enderle  
8/25 Josh Tsujimoto or Josh Enderle

### Altar Guild

Shirley Poore

### Coffee Hour

8/18 Judy Zayac & Ruth Holden



Richard (Dick) Karle passed away Tuesday, June 11, 2013 in Florida. He had been active in the Cuba UMC for many years serving on the board of trustees and Sunday School Superintendent. A memorial service was held on Monday, June 17, 2013 at the Beyers Funeral Home in Lady Lake, FL.

### Church Cleanup



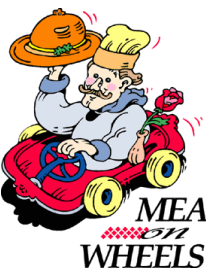
**Come, help on Church Clean-up Day**  
Saturday, July 13th, 8:00 am - 1:30 pm  
Many hands make light work as we gather together to beautify our church inside and out.



**Sunday School will be taking a break for the Summer.** We have had a faithful student, Eve, and had a fun time learning about Jesus. Thank you to Mrs. Krott, Mrs. Young and Mr. Allen for helping. Please continue praying for the children and how we can help them learn and worship our Lord.

*Sandra Allen*

**Thank you to those who delivered Meals on Wheels** during the second quarter of this year: Ray Climie, Cindy Dutton, Mike Kunz, Shirley Mosher, Louis Petroni and Dean and Cheryl Wildrick! If you can spare an hour one Friday a month to deliver meals to shut ins in Cuba, please let Cindy Dutton (968-3224) know.



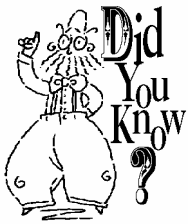
## It makes a great difference where you live

The Rev. Charles Lewis of Enumclaw, Washington, told about a man who lived on the border between Minnesota and Wisconsin. He had been told that his house was in Minnesota, but a new survey revealed that it was actually in Wisconsin. "Thank goodness!" the man said joyfully, "I never could bear those cold Minnesota winters".

Interesting, isn't it, how defining where we live makes a difference in our attitude? Saints, for example, seem to think of their true "home" as being in the dynamic presence of God. St. Paul was so in touch with God through prayer that he had mystical experiences that left him not knowing whether or not he was in or out of body. (Read 2 Corinthians 12:1-10.) Living with one foot in heaven and the other on the way, he was able to handle whatever came. "If we live," Paul wrote to the Romans, "we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord, so then whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's" (Romans 14:8). Knowing that our true home is "with the Lord" offers a security no one can take from us.

### DYK: Submitted by Dean Wildrick

Working with other community and faith-based groups, United Methodist are taking the lead in the Oklahoma tornado response. Already, the two state's conferences are:



- \* Opening long-recovery offices at First United Methodist Church in Moore and St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Shawnee, which will coordinate aid to outlying areas.
- \* Dispatching local teams for debris removal and, by June 10, having accommodations and transportation in place to receive out-of-state volunteer teams.
- \* Participating in multi-agency resource centers that provide "stopgap" assistance to storm survivors.
- \* Coordinating with FEMA and working with other volunteer organizations on donations management, volunteer placement, project management and spiritual care."

## Administrative Council Notes

*Submitted by Paul Tsujimoto*

- ♦ Summer Shenanigans will again be our Community outreach program this year. Contact Sandy Tsujimoto if you want to help.
- ♦ Cleanup day scheduled for July 13th (Saturday 8:00am to 2:00 pm)
- ♦ New proposed leadership structure being investigated
- ♦ Hand-To-Plow program being investigated to help grow the church



### Summer Shenanigans

for children in grades 6-8 will be held:

July 12, 19, 26

August 2, 9, 23

1:00 -3:00 pm

Please contact Sandy Tsujimoto  
for more information

## United Methodist Women's News

*Submitted by Judy Zayac*

Six women met together in Wesley Hall on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

Judy read an article about how Fathers Day came to be in 1908 when a West Virginia church sponsored the nation's first event explicitly in honor of fathers, a Sunday sermon in memory of 362 men who had died in the previous December's explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines. It took another two years before Sonora Smart Dodd succeeded in convincing Washington State to celebrate the nation's first statewide Fathers Day on July 19, 1910. From that time it took until **1972** when Richard Nixon proclaimed Father's Day a federal holiday. **WHAT TOOK SO LONG?**

Judy then led the group in prayer before enjoying a soup and sandwich meal prepared by Claire and Judy. Thanks to Claire for also providing fresh fruit and a yummy dessert of cake with fresh berries.

The Trash and Treasures sale netted just under \$300 which was a little disappointing. We did decide to try to hold the fall sale and hope for the best. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$927.72 after disbursements of \$300 to local church and \$200 to Red Bird Mission. The deposit for prayer and self denial was \$36.78. The group has decided to keep a healthy balance for possible funeral dinners and to support the general fund.

We will meet again in the fall with a night out. We will meet at Moonwinks on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Please remember that all women of the church are invited to join us.





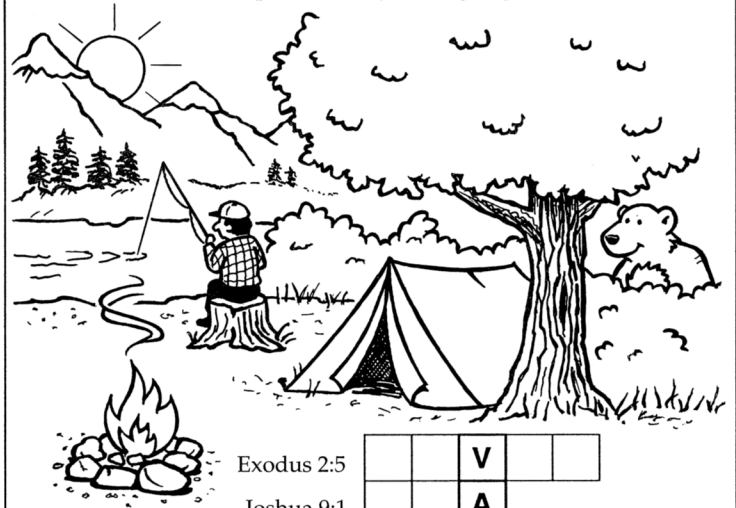
Joshua Enderle Dylan Cornell Sierra Rose

Three graduates were present to accept gifts from the congregation. Judy presented them and told the graduates that these were merely tokens that would hopefully serve as a reminder that at any time in their future, if they needed something, their "Church Family" would always be there to help them. Congratulations to all our high school and college graduates. We are proud of you. (Photos by Rob Cornell)

Our 2013 High School Graduates: Devinn Arnold, Dylan Cornell, Joshua Enderle, Ashton Hawks, Mason James, and Sierra Rose.

## Time for Vacation

School is out; the weather is warm. It's time to plan a vacation! Look up the Bible verses below to find words to fit in the boxes. The words are places that you might go on vacation.



Exodus 2:5			V		
Joshua 9:1			A		
John 21:4			C		
Exodus 33:7			A		
Matthew 8:23			T		
Isaiah 40:12			I		
Jeremiah 21:14			O		
Matthew 3:1			N		

## FRESH PEACH PIE

Shirley Poore

5 large, ripe peaches  
 1/3 cup orange juice  
 1/2 cup sugar  
 2 TBS cornstarch  
 2/3 cup water  
 1 (3oz) pkg peach Jello  
 9" baked pie shell



Recipe  
 FROM THE  
 Cuba UMC  
 Cook Book

Peel and slice peaches. Toss with orange juice. In a small saucepan, combine sugar and cornstarch, add water, heat to boil, stirring constantly. Add Jello, stir until dissolved. Cool. Add sliced peach mixture and pour into pie shell.

## How do clergy appointments get made?

By Bishop Mark J. Webb and Rev. Dick Barton

### ¶ 338 The Itinerant System

The itinerant system is the accepted method of The United Methodist Church by which ordained elders are appointed by the bishop to fields of labor. 20 All ordained elders shall accept and abide by these appointments. Persons appointed to multiple-staff ministries, either in a single parish or in a cluster or larger parish, shall have personal and professional access to the bishop and cabinet, the committee on pastor-parish relations, as well as to the pastor in charge. The nature of the appointment process is specified in ¶¶ 430-434.

20. See Judicial Council Decision 713.

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The *Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church* gives the responsibility for appointment-making to the bishop and district superintendents of the Annual Conference. While appointment-making is a task that happens year-round, the majority of appointments are made during the months of January through May, and then “fixed” at the Session of Annual Conference.

The rhythm of making an appointment seems to be a mystery to some; and some pretty creative, if incorrect, ideas get shared about how appointments are made. Our hope is to lessen some of that mystery by sharing the foundational process used each and every time.

The Cabinet of the Upper New York Annual Conference began this appointment-making season with an intensive three-day retreat in December, where members attempted to look at the big picture, establish priorities for appointment-making and develop guiding principles.

At the foundation of the appointment-making task is clarity regarding priorities for deploying clergy leadership. As we move through this appointment season, we have established the following priorities that guide our discussions, discernment and decisions.

**1. Prayer and God’s Agenda** – This entire process is bathed in prayer seeking God’s desire for our life together as brothers and sisters in Christ and the ministry of congregations in the Upper New York Annual Conference.

**2. The Mission Field** – What are the needs of the community surrounding the local congregation? How can we better equip the local church to engage the community in ministry?

**3. The Local Church** – What is the current reality of this congregation? What strengths for ministry do they currently demonstrate, and what are the areas of ministry that need to be developed? What kind of pastoral leadership will assist the congregation to fruitfully and effectively live the mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world in the days ahead? Who is God calling to be the next pastor?

**4. The Pastor** – What are the gifts the pastor brings? How will this pastor help this congregation continue living the mission and move to the next level in their ministry to the community? How does this potential appointment fit within the personal needs/desires of the pastor?

These priorities help us to stay focused on the main thing, which is the mission of the church and equipping the church to more effectively and fruitfully live that mission. These priorities remind us that appointment-making must be responsive – and not reactive – as the church continues to seek transformation and vitality.

While the deployment of clergy is a major part of the appointment-making process, the conversation and discernment process does not start with the needs of the pastor. The process begins with the opportunities in the mission field; the strengths, potential and needs of the local congregation SO THAT they can engage the mission field. It then moves to the giftedness needed in the pastoral leader. These guiding principles and priorities cause us to move away from a “seniority-” and “status-based” approach to appointments toward an approach that always has a goal of focusing on “gifts” and “effectiveness.”

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In the midst of the priorities and guiding principles established by the Cabinet to accomplish the work of appointment-making remains the consultation process that occurs among superintendents, committees on Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations and pastors. The information shared through church and clergy profiles as well as on-going conversation with the district superintendent are critical to the work that is done by the Cabinet.

When we actually begin making appointments, we consider full-time appointments first, then work on less than full times.

As a potential appointment is discussed by the Cabinet, we begin with the understandings and needs shared through the consultation process. A common question is: What are the gifts needed in the next pastor to assist this congregation for the future? After conversation, the Cabinet enters into a time of prayer. At the conclusion of that prayer time, names of pastors that the Holy Spirit has brought to our minds and hearts are shared and added to a list of potential pastors for that specific congregation.

Each person is then discussed asking two primary questions – “Why would this pastor fit here?” and “Why wouldn’t this pastor work here?” Potential designations are made, and then the Cabinet leaves the discussion of that congregation.

At the end of the Cabinet meeting, we revisit those potential designations, and a final prayerful discernment is made – or we acknowledge that we do not yet have the right person, and commit to returning to the conversation at the next Cabinet meeting.

Once a designation has been made, the discernment process continues engaging the designated pastor and Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee in conversation to assure the sense of God’s call.

Finally, the Cabinet seeks to provide ongoing support for both churches and pastors when new appointments are made.

One of the challenges we must continue to wrestle with is that United Methodist pastors are itinerant in a time when the practice and reality of itinerancy is being tested and examined in new ways. Our commitment as a Cabinet is to honor our call as United Methodists to be fully itinerant, yet also be willing to engage in conversation that provides space regarding 21st-century realities.

The reality is that our appointment-making process is never perfect. We acknowledge that 13 humans are involved, and while we deeply desire to seek God’s will, there are times that we do not get it right. However, the great truth we celebrate is how often God indeed works in, through and in spite of the process, and effective ministry and mission continue and begin among congregations and pastors. To that we say, “To God be the Glory.”

*Rev. Dick Barton is dean of the Cabinet and superintendent of the Finger Lakes District.*

#### THE SOCIAL PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH THE NATURAL WORLD (Excerpts from the Book of Social Resolutions)

All creation is the Lord’s, and we are responsible for the ways in which we use and abuse it. Water, air, soil, minerals, energy resources, plants, animal life, and space are to be valued and conserved because they are God’s creation and not solely because they are useful to people. God has granted us stewardship (management) of creation, but it belongs to God.

United Methodists support and encourage social policies that serve to reduce and control the creation of industrial by-products and waste; facilitate the safe processing of toxic and nuclear waste and move toward the elimination of both; encourage reduction of municipal waste; and assist the cleanup of polluted air, water, and soil.

We are aware that the current utilization of energy resources threatens the earth. As members of the United Methodist Church we are committed to approaching creation, energy production, and especially creation’s resources in a responsible, careful and economic way.

We support regulations that protect and conserve the life and health of animals, including those ensuring the humane treatment of pets, domesticated animals, animals used in research, wildlife, and the painless slaughtering of meat animals, fish, and fowl.

We acknowledge the global impact of humanity’s disregard for God’s creation. Rampant industrialization and the corresponding increase in the use of fossil fuels have led to a buildup of pollutants in the earth’s atmosphere.


The universe, known and unknown, is the creation of God and is due the respect we are called to give the earth. We therefore reject any nation’s efforts to weaponize space and urge that all nations pursue the peaceful and collaborative development of space technologies and of our space itself.

We recognize science as a legitimate interpretation of God’s natural world. We affirm the validity of the claims of science in describing the natural world and in determining what is scientific.

We support policies that protect the food supply and that ensure the public’s right to know the content of the foods we are eating. We call for rigorous inspections and controls on the biological safety of all food intended for human consumption.

We support policies that increase access to quality food, particularly for those with the fewest resources. We affirm local, sustainable, and small-scale agriculture opportunities that allow communities to feed themselves.

# JULY 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	 Independence Day	5	6 Kung Fu 6-8:00 Am
7 Worship 9:00 am Communion	8	9	10	11	12 Summer Shenanigans 1-3 pm	13 Kung Fu 6-8:00 am Clean-up Day 8:00 am - 1:30 pm
14 Worship 9:00 am	15 Finance 6 pm	16	17	18	19 Summer Shenanigans 1-3 pm	20 Kung Fu 6-8:00 am
21 Worship 9:00 am	22 Trustees 7pm	23	24	25	26 Summer Shenanigans 1-3 pm	27 Kung Fu 6-8:00 am
28 Worship 9:00 am AIM Offering	29	30	31			





# August 2013

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