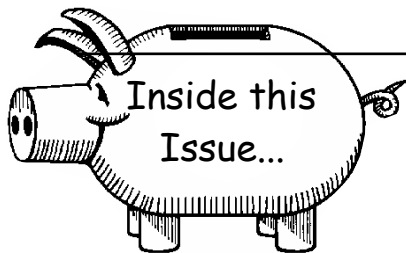


The Shepherd's Messenger



Pastor Sunny's Rays



Summer is here, I think, but as we all know here in New York nothing is for sure when it comes to the weather. The weather has been more unstable and changing than in prior years, not only here in NY but throughout the US. So many people's lives have been lost or at the least turned upside down.

Most of you are getting ready for vacations, reunions, camping, swimming, graduation and weddings. Summers are always busy. I looked at last year's newsletter from this time of year and it was talking about changes that were happening in our community, our church and our world then. Things are still changing. Change is part of life. Everything will change sooner or later, if it doesn't then it will die, and then there is change.

Change isn't a bad thing. As a matter of fact it can be a wonderful thing. Change can bring about growth, spirits can be lifted and there can be new life.

Now I know that some feathers got ruffled a few weeks ago when I talked about change needing to happen here but folks if we don't change some things what will that mean for Cuba United Methodist Church? I know there is comfort in the way things used to be, in singing the old songs and "doing" church in the same way. And yes, tradition has its place but that place can't be all encompassing in this day and age, because we are boring our young people right out of the church. In talking to some of our wonderful young people, they hit the singing first thing out of the box. The music drags too much and there are too many songs. Now that hit me right where I live as I have always said you could have a mediocre sermon but if there was good music the overall service would be wonderful. They actually want less singing and (are you ready for this, because I wasn't) they want me to preach longer. They get frustrated with the way people don't put any feeling into the way they read the scripture for the day. They want to hear emotion in the readings not a monotone verbalization of the liturgy. Now this was a group of 11 to 16 year old young people. I was absolutely blown out of the water on some of these ideas.

So many want to just complain but have no intention of offering any ideas of how to make things better and heaven forbid that they be asked to attend an event or help with an activity. There was one family who simply can't get to church or Sunday School on time so they just stopped coming and then were upset that the Sunday School was changed. Remember the saying that was all the rage here a few years ago; "*It takes a village to raise a child*"? Well, it is my contention that "*it takes the whole family of Cuba UMC to grow the church.*" We all have an

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Prayer Request

*Please be
Praying for...*

Our World situation
The Rothfus Family

To those at other residences...

CUBA CMH

Lucille Wildrick
Laura Clayson
Pearl Franklin

ABSOLUT HOUGHTON

John Lawton

WATERS IF WESTFIELD

Dawn Durkee

BATH VA CENER

John Visser

EDEN HEIGHTS- BUFFALO

Jane Wright

EDEN HEIGHTS OF OLEAN

Evelyn Steen

OLEAN PINES

Adaline Wakefield



Military personnel and their families...

Bob Aaronson
Daniel Bunk
John-Curtis Quattrini
Kevin Desaults
Brad Frank
Mark Keenan
Justin Linza
Carl Randall
Alfred Reynolds
Greg Reynolds
Justin Sweet
Dan Thompson
Ron Truax
Miles Ward
Eric Young

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

Prayer List Update

Please keep our prayer list up to date.

Requests made in writing are preferred, to assure proper spelling. You can do this in the attendance pads on Sundays, or drop your request off at the office, or email. If you call your request in, please spell out the name.



Liturgist

3: Cindy Dutton
10: Mary Ann Pfouts
17: **Reserved for you!**
24: Liz Abraham
31: Michael Kunz

Ushers

Tom & Judy Krott

Greeters:

3: Gary & Joyce Enderle
10: Jean Higby & Ruth Holden
17: Thela Snow
24: Jerry & Donna Burdick
31: Harley & Shirley Poore

Acolytes

3: Josh Enderle
10: Josh Tsujimoto
17: Katelyn Cornell
24: Nick Berardi
31: Dominic Berardi

Children's Moment

3: **Reserved for you!**
10: **Reserved for you!**
17: **Reserved for you!**
24: **Reserved for you!**
31: **Reserved for you!**

Communion Steward

Mary Ann Pfouts

Videographer

Jim Travis


Organist

Donna Lawton



Celebrations . . .

July Birthdays

- 
- 2 - Michael Hupp
Steve Noll
 - 5 - Rita Say
Paul Trask
Jordan Zalar
 - 6 - James Luckey
 - 7 - Cindy Kennedy
 - 9 - Jerry Burdick
John Lawton
Matthew Hays
 - 11 - Linda Appleby
 - 12 - Kathryn Vossler
 - 14 - Tom Eastham
 - 15 - Meredith Mouser
 - 16 - Katelyn Cornell
Debbie Rothfus
Daniel Rothfus
 - 17 - Lucinda Pierce
 - 18 - Dick Bowers
 - 20 - Taylor Juiliano
 - 21 - Joshua Tsujimoto
 - 23 - James B. Travis
 - 24 - Mark James
Alan LaFave
Mike LaFever
 - 26 - Douglas Clayson, III
 - 27 - Devinne Arnold
Trisia Young
 - 28 - Debra Enderle
 - 29 - Ruth Lewis
Molly Ann Kunz
 - 31 - Cameron Brickey
Ian Miller
Jude Nasser

August Birthdays

- 
- 1 - Liz Abraham
Alex Eastham
Cheryl Harrington
 - 3 - Miranda Clayson
Sylvia Clement
Melissa Zeh-Gross
 - 4 - Joshua Enderle
 - 5 - Lynnette Knapp
 - 8 - Cassandra Lopes
 - 9 - Bill Amundson
 - 10 - Mark Mosher
 - 11 - Marissa Pagli
 - 12 - Cheryl Wildrick
Sid Wildrick-Cole
 - 14 - Allison Eastham
Lisa Hawks
Brian Watson
 - 18 - William Warren
 - 19 - Adaline Wakefield
 - 20 - Joyce Enderle
Kristie Freeman

- 21 - Amy Hasard
Lacey Reihle
Dean Wildrick
- 24 - Darcy Eastham
Barbara Johnston
Donna Lawton
- 26 - Judith Deck
Alex Petroni
- 27 - Jean Bowers
Deborah Freeman
- 28 - Larry Hayward
Tina Zalar
- 30 - Dawn Wildrick-Cole
- 31 - Brian Krott
Arnold Nelson
Laurie Simons

July Anniversaries

- 2 - Joel & Alice Vanik
- 5 - Nick & Liz Abraham
James & Marilyn Luckey
- 6 - Jeremy & Dawn Enders
- 7 - Ed & Alice German
- 11 - Lon & Linda Sweet
- 14 - Douglas & Lynnette Clayson
Randy & Lynnette Knapp
- 20 - Lewis & Cheryl Holden, Jr.
- 24 - Jeff & Hattie Cooper
- 28 - Tim & Lynn Kunz
- 29 - Dave & Deb Battistoni

August Anniversaries

- 8 - Richard & Janice Sutphin
- 14 - William & Sandra Allis
- 17 - Brian & Tammy Hawks
- 18 - Richard & Lucinda Pierce
- 24 - Larry & Veronica Clayson
William & JoAnn Farrell
- 25 - Peter & Mary Lou Sprague
- 26 - Timothy & Carol Fisk
- 31 - Mary Lou & David
VanVaulkenburgh

*Please notify the church office
if there is any changes and/or
additions to any month.
celebrations.*



August

Liturgist:

8/7: Joyce Enderle
8/14: Cindy Dutton
8/21: **Reserved for you!**
8/28: Michael Kunz

Ushers:

Harley & Shirley Poore

Greeters:

8/7: Dean & Cheryl Wildrick
8/14: Mike & Sandy Lafever
8/21: Judy & Alan Zayac
8/28: Mayme Giles

Acolytes:

8/7: Andrew Clement
8/14: Michael Hupp
8/21: Jasmyn Dorsey
8/28: Josh Enderle

Children's Moments

8/7: **Reserved for you!**
8/14: **Reserved for you!**
8/21: **Reserved for you!**
8/28 : **Reserved for you!**

Videographer

Jim Travis

Organist

Donna Lawton

Communion Steward

Judy Zayac &
Liz Abraham

**If God seems far
away, guess who
moved?**



UMW NEWS

Submitted by Maggie Watson, President

UMW - In May we had the rummage sale and did pretty well. (I don't remember how much we took in) Deb and Maggie took the unsold bagged items over to Angelica and took five remaining items to the drop box on 305 North. A big thank you goes out to those who were involved and we couldn't have done it without your help. We also opened our rummage room to those who lived in the Cubana Apartments.

We sponsored a coffee hour this year with a cake.

Our end-of-the-year dinner was held at the Turfside Restaurant in Rushford which was a success. We might start out with a pot luck breakfast in September instead of a dinner. Let's try something different, ladies. We also voted on buying "brown" mats for the kitchen floors which we will share the cost with the Trustees.

ON June 19, the UMW provided a great breakfast for the father's. Thank you ladies for your delicious food and help. It was a huge success.

Please don't forget our tea in July. More information will be available.

Enjoy the summer and we will meet again Sat, Sept 10th and 10 am. Mark your calendar. May God keep you safe.



OUR CHURCH COOKBOOK



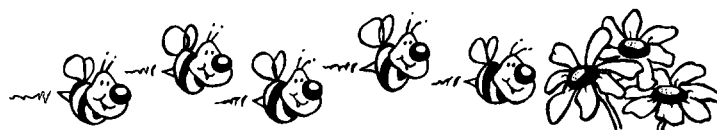
TRY THIS ON A WARM SUMMER DAY!!

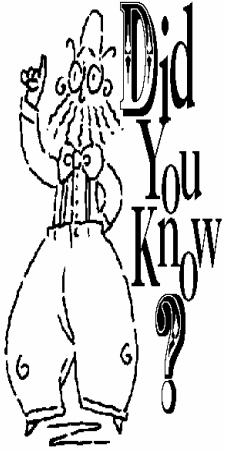
CHERRY SALAD

Donna Burdick

- 1 can Cherry Pie Filling
- 1-20 oz. can Crushed Pineapple (drained)
- 1-12 oz Cool Whip
- 1 can Condensed Milk
- 1 cup Chopped Nuts

Fold together and refrigerate.





*Submitted by
Dean Wildrick*

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UMNS) — “Imagine No Malaria”, a ministry of The United Methodist Church, welcomes actress Pauley Perrette to its growing community of supporters working to reduce deaths caused by malaria. Known for playing Abby Sciuto on the hit CBS TV show “NCIS,” Perrette is an active member of Hollywood United Methodist Church in California and has agreed to take on a new role to raise awareness and money to fight the disease. Perrette’s support for “Imagine No Malaria” includes starring in several public service announcements that call for action and generosity in the fight against malaria.



The church picnic this year is August 7, at 1:00pm. It will be held at the home of Louis and Patti Petroni. Bring a dish to pass, your own place setting and lawn chairs.

Their pool will be open, so bring your swim suits and a towel. If you have any outdoor games, please feel free to bring them. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.



YOU ALL DID GOOD WORK. THANK YOU AND KEEP THEM COMING.

GIANT RECEIPTS

Kay Wetzel

We turned in \$50,000+ worth of receipts. This will earn us \$100+ for the Steven Seen Scholarship. We turned in \$10,000 more than last year.



COUNCIL OF CHURCHES COMMUNITY PICNIC

The Council of Churches is having their 3rd Annual Community Picnic to be held on July 24th.

They will supply the meat and entertainment. They ask that those who attend bring a dish to pass, their own place setting and chairs. If you didn't attend last year, you really missed a good time of fellowship and fun. Plan to attend this year.



UMW Chautauqua Tea



You have heard of the famous Chautauqua Institute, right? Ever wanted to visit or see what it is all about but have never done it? It is a cultural religious jewel almost in our backyard. On Tuesday, July 26th our members (Maggie, Patti, Cindy, Shirley M. and Kay W.) will be hosting a porch reception at the United Methodist House on the beautiful grounds of

Chautauqua Institute which is a year round retreat and renewal center. We will be joining a group of 75-80 people on the open porch of the guest home and making new acquaintances while serving punch and cookies provided by us. This is a tradition that has been going on for years and we decided to fill one of the available Tuesday slots as a local project for guests and visitors to the house. We are invited for the afternoon beginning with lunch on the porch at 11:30 and then can tour the grounds afterwards. We will begin to set up around 2 pm as the social hour begins at 3 pm and goes until 4:30 pm. We would love for more people to attend. We're allowed free parking for two cars so if you are interested in helping out or attending with us to see the grounds and house please see Maggie or Patti.



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interest in the kingdom of God and its growth. Remember the great commandment from Jesus in Matthew 28:19: *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit". (NIV)* So what are we to do here? Who wants the kingdom of God to grow? Who is willing to work? Who is comfortable with just doing their hour on Sunday and is done with God till the next Sunday. Who would rather sit back and blame the pastor or the Ad Council or anyone else but ourselves? We take God and His salvation so much for granted. We ignore it and Him until we get in some sort of trouble and then we want his complete and undivided attention and our answer. It just doesn't work that way. If we took ourselves a little less seriously and God a little more seriously I bet most of our problems in this world would be non-existent. We must pull together toward the same goal, God's heavenly kingdom. We can show others who Jesus Christ is in our lives and tell the story of salvation simply by the way we live, the way we interact with each other, by reaching out to the least, the last and the lost. It's really not that hard to do. That is one of the few things I can guarantee you in life. So as you prepare for your summer calendar events, schedule some time with God in prayer but remember to listen during your prayers that you might hear that still small voice calling you to service and grace. Travel safely to those vacations spots, reunions, weddings and other summer activities. And remember that while you are on vacation, God and His church are not. There are still bills to pay and ministry to do.

Remember also that God loves you and so do we!

Pastor Sunny



Father's Day Breakfast



On Sunday, June 19th....Father's Day....the UMW provided a most delicious breakfast to honor our favorite guys of the church and some very nice visitors. Sausage and ham casseroles, blueberry and cinnamon bread and coffee cakes, and bowls of fresh fruit were offered with orange juice and coffee to wash it down. We were delighted with the group that was able to make it on this busy Sunday morning with the food provided by Maggie, Cindy, Patti, Barb, Judy, Mary Ann, and Claire.



Summer Shenanigans



Fridays

July 15, 22, 29 and August 5, 12, 26

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

(For children entering 6th - 8th grade)

Community Service Projects

Community clean-up

Out-reach activities

Recreational Activities

bowling, canoeing, games, movies, etc.

Snacks and Refreshments

Questions: Please contact Sandy Tsujimoto at the Cuba United Methodist Church or call 968-4317. Hope to see you at the Cuba United Methodist Church this summer! Meet at the church each Friday at 1:00 p.m. !!!!

July 15.....we are going canoeing at Cuba Lake if the weather permits.

Items needed:

First aid kit

Garbage/leaf bags

Soft Drinks

Garden gloves


Snacks

Rakes put (put your name on it)

Napkins

Driver for 12 passenger van

Cups



SUMMER TALENT

If you are interested in singing or playing any type of instrument for one of the services, please contact the secretary. If you have relatives visiting who are musical and might like to share their talents let us know. Also, if you know of someone, or even someone who knows someone, it is always worth a try to see if we can have them join us for a Sunday.



Sue Simmons is "Cheer Person" for the UMW if you know someone is ill or needs a little cheering up, please let her know and she will send them a card.



CHOIR - It looks like choir will start again Wed September 7, at 7 pm. We welcome all who like to sing. Maggie




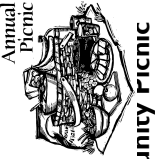

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Nobody makes a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little.

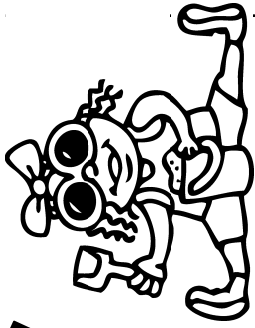


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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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17 Worship 10am One Room Sunday School 11:15a	18	19 Angel Food Deadline	20	21	22 Summer Shenanigans 	23 Kung Fu 6-8a
24  Community Picnic	25	26 UMW Tea at Chautauqua Inst.	27	28	29 Summer Shenanigans 	30 Kung Fu 6-8a Angel Food Distribution 9a
31 Worship 10am One Room Sunday School 11:15a						

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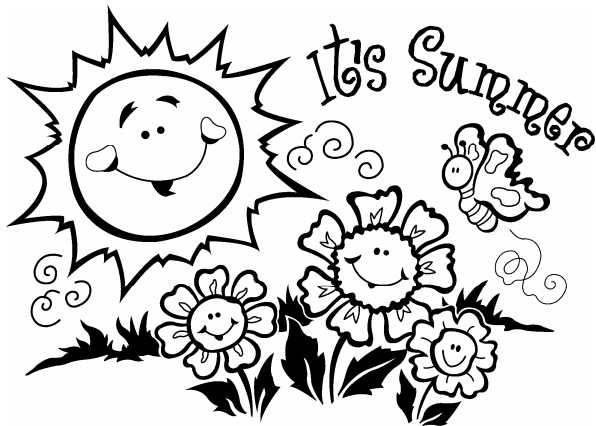


August

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Ad Council 6:00p	3	4	5 Summer Shenanigans 	6 Kung Fu Classes 6-8am Saturdays 
7 Church Picnic 	8	9 Finance Meeting 6:00p	10	11	12 Summer Shenanigans 	13
14 Worship 10am One Room Sunday School 11:15a	15 Newsletter Deadline	16 Angel Food Deadline	17	18	19	20
21 Worship 10am One Room Sunday School 11:15a	22 Trustees 7:00p	23 SPRC Meeting 6:00p	24	25	26 Summer Shenanigans 	27 Angel Food Distribution 9-10a
28 Worship 10am One Room Sunday School 11:15a	29	30	31			

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ONE NATION UNDER GOD

Roger Robicheau



One Nation under God

Think about all some had to give.
We the people share freedom's life
In a world of ever present strife.
Be grateful to those who keep this true
Warriors of our red, white, and blue.
They're trained by those of great skill
Honored to perform, so strong their will.
They show what love is all about
They'll fight for us, there is no doubt.
Defending bravely what we are
No holding back each heartfelt star.
Highly praise these men and women
Giving thanks time and again
Those in uniform will always be
The golden pride of this country.