

# The Shepherd's Messenger



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## TIME CHANGE!!

Don't forget that our worship time has changed to 8:45 a.m.

Dear Cuba Friends in Christ,

My wife Jennie and I are blessed to have been so graciously received and warmly welcomed into your community of faith. As many of you know, we have moved to Allegany County from Findley Lake, where I served as pastor of the only church in the hamlet. Prior to that appointment, I served as pastor of Oswego First UMC.

I have been in pastoral ministry for seventeen years in New York state and the West Ohio Conference. I hold a Master of Divinity Degree from MTSO, a Master of Education degree from the George Washington University, and a Bachelor of Biological Sciences degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo. I was ordained a Deacon in the United Methodist Church in 2000, and an Elder in 2003.

As a pastor, I enjoy teaching and preaching, organizing and equipping laity for ministry, and providing spiritual guidance and leadership to my people. Perhaps the most challenging aspect of my ministry with you will be dividing my time between Cuba and our sister congregation in Fillmore, 26 miles away. I am also finding hospital visits challenging - from Olean to Rochester.

Along with pastoral ministry, my passions include Boy Scouting and the Free and Accepted Masons. Prior to responding to God's call to be a pastor, I served as an executive with the Boy Scouts of America and have been a volunteer leader throughout my pastoral career. In 2011 I was honored to receive the Masonic Scouter Award. I have been an active Mason for almost 20 years and served as Master of a lodge.

Jennie and I were not blessed with children, but our two cats get into plenty of mischief. We enjoy camping, hiking, and swimming. We also enjoy spending time at Jennie's parent's cottage at Silver Lake.

I plan on working three days a week in Cuba and two in Fillmore. I do keep a Sabbath every week - it will most likely be on Saturdays.

I do have two bad habits: Eating too much and driving a bit too fast. Please don't share that with the State Police.

Jennie and I are excited about serving the Lord with you in Allegany County and look forward to getting to know each of you.

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Tim



**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

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

CUBA CMH

Lucille Wildrick  
Laura Clayson  
Pearl Franklin  
Carmelita Butts

WATERS OF WESTFIELD

Dawn Durkee

BATH VA CENTER

John Visser

OLEAN PINES

Adaline Wakefield

EDEN HEIGHTS-OLEAN

Evelyn Steen

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

Bob Aaronson  
Daniel Bunk  
Kevin Desaultels  
Patrick Frank  
Lou Holden  
Mark Keenan  
Justin Linza  
John Curtis Quattrini  
Charles Randall  
Alfred Reynolds  
Greg Rogers  
Nolan Searle  
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 the first and third Monday' 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, contact Sandy Lathrop at 585-968-1531.

**Others to keep in prayer:**

Alissa (13) w/Leukemia  
Marshall Allen  
Tim Bushnell  
Chuck Brooks  
Lee Cobb  
Harris Fitch  
Mike Gibbons  
Tyler Griffon  
Brian Hawks  
Karen Hessney  
Lew Holden (In Afghanistan)  
Rolly Miles  
Elizabeth Morris  
Keith Pierce & Family  
Thomas Reitz  
Odean Searle  
Jack Small (Jennie Gleason's Dad)  
John L. Sullivan  
Feldy Yoder

**September Helping Hands****Acolyte**

Josh Enderle or  
Josh Tsujimoto

**Altar Guild**

Shirley Poore

**Coffee Hour**

9/16 Open

**Greeters**

9/02 Jean Higby  
9/09 Open  
9/16 Virginia Clayson & Brenda Wyant  
9/23 Doris Wyant a& Lucinda Pierce  
9/30 Open

**Ushers**

Katelyn Cornell and Paige Payne

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

## September Birthdays

- 4 Sarah Krott  
 7 Rylee Juiliano  
 11 Eric Watson  
 12 Alan Zayac  
 14 Ashton Hawks  
 17 Veronica Clayson  
 Derek Morris  
 Jocelyn Noll  
 James Steen  
 Alice Sweet  
 JoAnne Hupp  
 19 Paul Tsujimoto  
 Delain Pierce  
 20 Betty Edwards  
 Louis Petroni  
 Mary Lou Sprague  
 Loren Sweet II  
 22 JoAnn Farrell  
 Ken Wyant  
 23 Heather Noll  
 John Ricci  
 Evelyn Steen  
 Fran Young  
 Jessica Holden  
 John-Curtis Quattrini  
 Laroy Spateholts  
 29 Leo Reynolds, III  
 Marie Willer



## Weekly Statistics

Date	Worship	Offering
08/05	33	\$1,908.00
08/12	34	\$1,766.75
08/19	39	\$1,553.50
08/26	31	\$ 985.00



## ***“Summer Shenanigans By Sandy Tsujimoto***

Our church's outreach program for middle school students, called "Summer Shenanigans," was a huge success. The program included both community service projects as well as fun and fellowship. Over 30 youth participated in the Friday activities over the six week period. The schedule was:

- July 13 Canoeing, kayaking and swimming at Cuba Lake
- July 20 Cleaning and preparing Medbury Street guardrail for paint
- July 27 Bowling in Belmont
- Aug 3 Painting guard rail on Medbury Street, Cuba
- Aug 10 Minute to Win It games at Cuba united Methodist Church
- Aug 17 Washing Cuba Police and Ambulance vehicles

"Summer Shenanigans" was successful because of the volunteers who gave time and donations. I offer a special thank you to Mike and Marjanne Kunz for the use of their Lake property; John and Mary Hupp for the use of their van, Shameka and Mr. and Mrs. Gordan for their time, ideas and energy. Thank you also to all who donated money and snacks, to Paul, Bob Sprague and Dave Crowley for their canoeing expertise, and to our high school youth who helped monitor younger students during each activity. We already look forward to next summer!!!

## September Anniversaries

- 1 Mick & Shana Hindman  
 8 Dale & Lisa Stadler  
 19 Mike & Sandy LaFever  
 24 Tab & Marcia Loftis  
 26 Robbie & Rhonda Cornell  
 30 Harley & Shirley Poore



## UMW NEWS

*Submitted by Judy & Shirley*

The Cuba United Methodist women enjoyed brunch prepared and served by Sue Simmons and Doris Kellogg on Saturday May 12. Judy Zayac welcomed all. The minutes were read and approved as was the treasurer's report. The Spring Trash and Treasures Sale earned \$988, a nice boost to our treasury! Thank you Patti and Cindy!!

There was discussion about ongoing activities and services provided by UMW. The new baby and wedding frames will be purchased and presented by Patti Petroni. Judy will be sure we have cheese and a small loaf of homemade bread along with Church information to give to welcome Sunday visitors. Judy will also collect and deliver unused hotel toiletries to Genesis House, a homeless shelter in Olean. Please put those items from your travels in the basket at the back of the Church. Cindy will continue to take food collected on Communion Sundays to the Cuba Food Pantry at the Baptist Church.

Please plan to attend the UMW pot luck supper at 6 pm here at church on Thursday, September 13!!

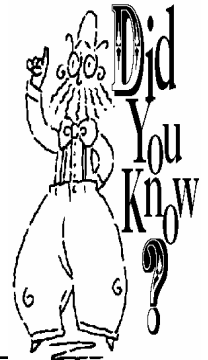
## UMW TRASH & TREASURES SALE

**Set up Sunday Sept 30! 1pm**

**Sale Hours: Thursday, 10/4 6-8pm; Friday, 10/5 9-3; Sat., 10/6 9am-noon**

### DYK: *Submitted by Dean Wildrick*

The Upper New York Conference has a new Bishop as of September 1. The Rev. Mark Webb was appointed in July for a four year term as Bishop by the 2012 Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference. Bishop Webb succeeds Bishop Marcus Matthews who has been assigned to West Virginia. Webb, age 47, is a native of York, Pennsylvania. He and his wife Judy have two teenage sons. He holds a Bachelor's Degree from Shippensburg University and a Master of Divinity Degree from Asbury Theological Seminary. Webb has served as pastor for United Methodist Churches in Wormleysburg, Pa and Mechanicsburg, Pa. New Bishops may not be assigned to the area where they were a clergy member. The upper New York Conference covers most of New York State except the New York City area. It is divided into nine districts, ours being the Cornerstone District.



## Pastor's Pen

Jennie and I would like to thank everyone for the welcoming gifts, the anniversary cards and gifts, the lunches and dinners, and the friendship Cuba UMC has extended to us. In this time of transition, we are getting to know each other. I am looking forward to learning what your traditions are and how I can support them as your part-time pastor. If you do not understand something I say or do, please ask me or a member of PPRC for an explanation. Communication is very important.

Everyone is making us feel so welcome. Thank you all! Jennie is still interested in hooking up with people to show her short cuts to the shopping areas! If interested, give her a call at 567-2291.

## Prayer Chain

Coordinator Donna Burdick is studying ways to make the Prayer Chain more effective and more accurate. Currently most individuals are called by phone. Are there some who would like to switch to email...which is a better guarantee that what you read is correct! Let her know!! Thank you!!

## PPRC News

The PPRC met on Tuesday, August 21st. We will have a joint meeting with the Fillmore Friends in Christ Church on Thursday, September 20th at 6:30 p.m. It will be a good opportunity to meet and work together with our sister church, and we also need to work jointly on the pastoral compensation package for 2013 which will be due soon.

The PPRC will also organize a "Congregational History Telling Event." We will have a pot luck dinner on October 15th. at 6:00 p.m. We are thinking about seating members at tables based on when they joined the Cuba United Methodist Church. We will discuss past events, favorite memories, and ask and answer questions about the past, present and future of our church. We hope to have an evening filled with fellowship, friendship, and (as usual) good food, so please plan on attending.

**Book Discussion Group**  
***In the Sanctuary of Outcasts***  
**Sunday Sept. 23, 10 am at church for**  
**brunch & discussion**

**Fall Craft Market**  
**and lunch at**  
**Cuba First Baptist Church**  
**Saturday, 9/22 9am-3pm**





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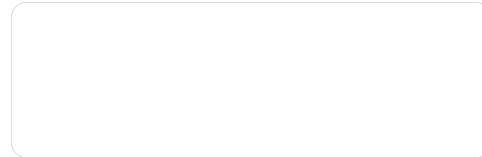
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> Kung Fu 6-8:00 am
<b>2</b> Worship 8:45 a.m. Communion (Food Pantry)	<b>3</b> Military Prayer Grp 7:00 @ OLA	<b>4</b> Finance Committee 6:00 pm	<b>5</b> Council of Churches 11:00 - 1:00 Episcopal Church	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Kung Fu 6-8:00 am
<b>9</b> Worship 8:45 a.m.	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Finance 6:00 pm Administrative Council 7:00 pm	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> UMW Potluck 6pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Kung Fu 6-8:00 am
<b>16</b> Worship 8:45 a.m.	<b>17</b> Military Prayer Grp 7:00 @ OLA Newsletter Deadline	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Combined PPRC w/Fillmore Friends in Christ 6:30 pm	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Kung Fu 6-8:00 am Baptist Church Fall Market 9 - 3pm
<b>23</b> Worship 8:45 a.m.	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Kung Fu 6-8:00 am
<b>30</b> Worship 8:45 a.m.						

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