

# SUNDAY MESSENGER

March 14, 2010

## WILLIAMSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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### WUMC VISION STATEMENT

As a village church, Williamsville United Methodist faithfully continues the vision and tradition of our founders by welcoming all people to encounter Jesus Christ. We will nurture active fellowship and participation through a variety of ministries that encourage people of all ages to grow in a spiritual journey with Christ.

### GREAT BIG BIRTHDAY HUGS TO

3/14 Gillian Dougherty, Mary Kelly, Rosemary Koepfel

3/15 Wilson Dickerman, Juliann Jakubowski,  
Helen Jones

3/16 Madison Jankovsky, Katelyn Pascoe, Evan Jones

3/18 Brian Gregory

3/19 Alyson Walter, Martha Wilson, Dwight Dickerman,  
Jim Russell

3/20 Claire Lippert

Your birthday is important to us! If we missed it please call the church office to update our records, 634-4800.

### PRAYER REQUESTS and CONCERNS

Prayers of healing and support are requested for Art Kliber, Russ Lewis, Jack Nill, Dwight Dickerman, Debbie Hein, Louise Flickinger. Continuing prayers are asked for Mariano Baer, Charles Mastin, Sarah Gregory, Tamar Friedner, Rev. John Beeson, and Elias Nojaim.

We extend our sympathy and prayers to Bruce Wattle and his family on the death of Bruce's sister, Thelma Wattle.

### UMCOR Responds to the Chile Emergency – Advance Special 3021178

UMCOR will be working with the local communities in the areas affected by the February, 2010 earthquake in Chile to rebuild their shattered infrastructure and their lives. UMCOR is particularly active in working to provide shelter and infrastructure reconstruction and in making improvements in the areas of availability of clean water and sanitation. It also helps to restore the means by which people make their living and to improve the health and nutrition of those affected by this disaster.

Please make any contributions to disaster relief payable to *Williamsville United Methodist Church* and mark *Chile Relief* or *Advance Special 3021178* on the check or offering envelope. Thanks for helping - and caring!  
Your Missions/Outreach Team

### BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet on March 19, 7:30 pm, at the home of Sally and Bud Jost. We will be discussing "The Shack" by William P. Young. Our April selection is "Buffalo Gal" by Laura Pederson. Holly and Phil Reynolds will host on April 23.

### COFFEE HOUR HELP WANTED

Do you enjoy the coffee hour after the 11:00 service? If you answered yes, perhaps you could volunteer to do a Sunday. I am in desperate need of more helpers. Please see me, Marie Grieser, or call me.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DATES

Our Vacation Bible School dates are set! So, mark your calendars now for our VBS from August 9 - August 13. Every year we work in conjunction with St. Paul's Lutheran and Faith United Church of Christ to provide a week-long Vacation Bible School. The three churches take turns hosting the event. This year, our VBS will be held at Faith United Church of Christ, which is at the corner of Maple and Hopkins. Our theme this year is "Galactic Blast" and I can tell you it's going to be out of this world!!



## SERVING THE WORLD'S NEEDS THROUGH ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



Through your gifts today to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) continues to respond to the needs of people who are suffering around the world, like victims of the recent earthquakes in Haiti and Chile. Our offering today helps assure that for other special offerings for people in need, *every penny goes to benefit those who need it, with nothing taken out for administrative expenses.* Please continue to give generously to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering March 14. Your gift can make a difference in the lives of those who are hurting.

### HEIFER INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES TO BE HIGHLIGHTED

The work of Heifer International, dedicated to working with communities around the world to end hunger and poverty and to care for the earth, will be center stage next Sunday, Mar. 21, when Roger Ellis will preach during both worship services and present information about Heifer to all of our Sunday school classes. Ellis has practiced veterinary medicine in Vermont, Michigan, and New York. He is a volunteer for the Lions Club, Heifer International, and the ACDI/VOCA Farmer-to-Farmer Program. He served on the Heifer International Board of Directors from 1999 to 2005 and has traveled extensively for Heifer and Farmer-to-Farmer to participate in, observe, and evaluate projects in Africa, Asia, Central America, India, Russia, and the United States. Roger lives with his wife Claudia in Granville, N.Y., where he is a trustee of the Granville United Methodist Church, a certified lay-speaker, and hunger coordinator for the Troy Annual Conference Board of Global Ministries.



### THANK YOU NOTE FROM SENECA STREET UMC

Dear Williamsville UM Church,  
Seneca St. UM Church thanks you for your recent donations of \$150.00, \$50.00 and \$150.00. Your continued support and generosity and help with our various programs are greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Seneca Street UM Church

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for the Adult Bible Study group during Sunday school hour! This is an informal discussion-based look at a different part of the Bible each week, followed by a discussion of how it applies to us in the 21st century. We hope to see you Sunday morning in the classroom right at the bottom of the stairs at the Oakgrove entrance!

### EASTER LILY AND BLANKET ORDERS

Order forms for Easter Lilies and Blankets for UMCOR are in your bulletin today, please return them to the church office by Monday, March 22.

### HELP WANTED THIS SUMMER

Camp Asbury is now taking applications for 2010 Summer Staff. Three new staff persons are needed: 1 Kitchen Assistant, 1 Waterfront-Pool Lifeguard, and 1 Female Core Counselor. Interested persons should contact Rev. Larry Wiliford at 585-237-5262 or email [asburydirector@rochester.rr.com](mailto:asburydirector@rochester.rr.com).

### HABITAT 2010 WOMEN'S BUILD

A fundraising event for the 2010 Women Build Project will take place on Friday, March 19, 2010 ~ 6:00pm – 10:00pm At Asbury Hall at Babeville, 341 Delaware Avenue. Tickets: \$25/person until March 13 or \$30 at the door. Event includes hors d'oeuvres, wine-tasting, desserts and coffee. There will be a live auction and silent auction. Domenic Cortese of *Hammertime* on the Home Improvement Hour (WBEN 930 AM) will be the emcee for the evening. For additional information, contact: Habitat for Humanity/ Buffalo, at 204-0740.



### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Each service during Holy Week will help us travel toward Easter and resurrection into a new life with God!

**March 28**

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

Contemporary Worship with communion at 9 AM  
 Traditional Worship with communion at 11 AM  
 No Sunday School

**April 1**

#### **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Tenebrae Service with communion at 7 PM

**April 2**

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

Good Friday Service at 12 PM

**April 4**

#### **EASTER SUNDAY CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION**

Identical services with communion at 9 & 11 AM  
 No Sunday School  
 All are welcome to join in celebration!

7:00 PM Memorial Handbells rehearsal - Contact: Judy Stafford or Wendy Amuso

8:00 PM Taize Service - Contact: Cheryl Thomas

#### **FRIDAY, MARCH 19 Messenger Deadline**

9:30 AM Central City Cafe

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 20**

8:30 AM Men's breakfast Group at Sheridan Family Restaurant. Reservations not required, come when you can. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Bob Hayman.

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 21 Fifth Sunday in Lent**

9:00 AM King's Kids Celebration (Children's Worship)  
 9:45 AM Confirmation Class - Contact: Nick Perry 984-5483  
 9:45 AM Christian Education for children & adults  
 11:00 AM Traditional Worship & Extended Session Class  
 6:30 PM Jr. High Youth Group - Contact: Nick Perry (984-5483) or Judy Toone

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 22 Easter Lily Orders Due**

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 23**

12:30 PM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall - Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!

#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24**

9:30 AM VBS Meeting  
 6:30 PM Advent Choir rehearsal - Contact: Judy Stafford or Wendy Amuso  
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir rehearsal - Contact: Judy Stafford or Wendy Amuso  
 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous meeting in Fillmore Hall

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 25**

12:30 PM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall - Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!  
 6:00 PM Women's Gathering in church parlor. Contact: Kim Weingartner  
 7:00 PM Memorial Handbells rehearsal - Contact: Judy Stafford or Wendy Amuso

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 28 Palm Sunday**

8:00 AM Pancake Breakfast 8 AM-11AM  
 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship with communion  
 9:45 AM Confirmation Class - Contact: Nick Perry 984-5483  
 11:00 AM Traditional Worship & Extended Session Class  
 6:30 PM Sr. High Youth Group - Contact Nick Perry (984-5483) or Judy Toone

### DAYS AHEAD IN OUR CHURCH

Please contact the church office (634-4800) to obtain phone numbers of the contact people mentioned below:

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 14 One Great Hour of Sharing**

Blood Pressure Clinic  
 Daylight Savings Time Begins  
 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship with communion  
 9:45 AM Confirmation Class - Contact: Nick Perry 984-5483  
 9:45 AM Christian Education for children & adults  
 11:00 AM Traditional Worship & Extended Session Class  
 6:30 PM Sr. High Youth Group - Contact Nick Perry (984-5483) or Judy Toone

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 15**

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 16**

9:30 AM Parent's Bereavement Support Group, meets in the library - Contact: Leslie Jordans  
 12:30 PM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall - Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!  
 1:00 PM Women's Cancer Support Group, meets in the library - Contact: Carol Amico  
 7:00 PM Trustee Meeting - Contact: Ed Howard 639-0087

#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17**

6:30 PM Advent Choir rehearsal - Contact: Judy Stafford or Wendy Amuso  
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir rehearsal - Contact: Judy Stafford or Wendy Amuso  
 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous meeting in Fillmore Hall

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 18**

12:30 PM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall - Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!  
 6:30 PM Mitochondrial Disease Support Group

