

SUNDAY MESSENGER

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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

6/6 Lauren Reinhart
6/7 Brooke Pettis, Chris Wylie
6/8 Drew Wishman, Mark Domino, Art Shade
6/9 Jamie Farrell, Art Lowe
6/12 Daren Powers

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 Tony DeGobbo, Edna Cabaltica, Frank Swansfeger, Melissa Peters, Braden Winks and his family, Art Kliber, Jack Nill, ~ Continuing prayers are asked for Charles Mastin, Sarah Gregory

CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC SUNDAY, JUNE 13

Our annual picnic will begin at 11:00 a.m. immediately following worship service on June 13. Please sign-up on the sheets in the narthex if you are attending. If your last name begins with:

A - H bring an appetizer

I - P bring a dessert

Q - Z bring a side dish

We also need helpers for setup on Saturday evening, takedown on Sunday afternoon, and a cook for the hot dogs. Plan to share in this time of fellowship and fun.

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are looking for Commanders and Cadets to fill some very important volunteer positions! If you are available the week of August 9 – 13 from 6:00-8:30 p.m. we could sure use help in the following areas. Rocket Registration, Cosmic Café help (kitchen), Mission Pilots (group leaders), as well as Mission Specialists in the areas of crafts, recreation, science and nursery care. We are also in need of Pilot Assistants (7th grade and higher). Please let Judy Toone know if you're able to help by either e-mailing at jtoone@williamsvilleumc.org or by phone (634-4800). **There will be a planning meeting for all volunteers at Faith UCC on Wednesday, June 9 at 7:00 p.m.**

VBS WISH LIST

The VBS program is looking for donations of the following supplies:

tin pie plates, used CD's, coffee filters, pipe cleaners, quarter inch ribbon, yarn, plastic cups, jingle bells, wire coat hangers, heavy duty tin foil

Please bring any items in and either give to Judy Toone or leave outside the Christian Education office. Thanks so much!

WE'RE SERVING CHIAVETTA'S BBQ JUNE 5

Plan on letting us do the cooking on Saturday, June 5, because we're heating up the briquettes to barbeque some delicious Chiavetta's chickens. We'll be selling complete dinners from 4:00-7:30 p.m. (or until the chickens are gone, so come early!) As always this will be a lively event and to make it successful we'll need many helpers. We're looking for folks who will help prepare and serve the food, and those who come to eat! Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. We need people to put food on plates, prepare tasty desserts, sell tickets, wave signs on Main Street, keep the Fellowship Hall clean, and much more. If you have recently joined the church and are looking for a way to meet new people, working on the BBQ is a great idea! Please support the event by signing up to work if you can and coming to enjoy a great dinner!

FORTY FELLOWSHIP

A part of the worship service on May 23, 1982 was to give recognition and pay tribute to those who have been members of our church for forty years or more. There were 16 Charter Members of the "Forty Fellowship" honored that day. During the worship service they were presented with a United Methodist pin and a Charter Member Certificate. A reception was held after the service and pictures were taken.

This was a small way to say "We love you and we appreciate your faithfulness. The hope of the membership committee (Mary Jane Haight-Eckert, Clifford Eckert, Gretchen Hall, Mary El Minich, Robert Oehmler, Frank Swansfeger, Irene Williams and Lyn Wixom) was to make the "Forty Fellowship" a regular part of Heritage Sunday each year. And here we are almost 30 years later continuing this wonderful tradition of honoring these special members of our congregation. Congratulations to our new "Forty Fellowship" members and all who have been honored for this milestone over the years!!

TEACHER RECOGNITION

For thousands of years God has asked people to participate in the work of helping others come to know God and live as people of faith. These teachers and leaders have come in many shapes and forms, from many backgrounds, and with many levels of ability. But each has somehow heard a call to teach and has responded. Please join us next Sunday, June 13, as we recognize and celebrate all who have responded to the call to teach or assist with Christian Education this year!

CALLING ALL CADETS!

Get ready to blast off to a new cosmic adventure at our Vacation Bible School this year! Every day we'll orbit to a new mission where we'll be learning about how wonderful, incredible, amazing, magnificent and awesome our God! The dates for our Galactic Blast VBS this year will be August 9 – 13. Registration sheets and more details can be found at the table in the narthex.



END OF YEAR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CELEBRATION

It's time to celebrate another amazing year together! To all who either served on the Christian Education team or helped teach this year we invite you to join us on June 7 at 6:00 p.m. for a picnic at Cheri Pascoe's. Please bring a chair and a dish to pass. Christian Education supplies the rest. RSVP to Judy Toone at 634-4800.

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Next Sunday, June 13, we will be recognizing our graduating seniors. Please join us as we celebrate this important milestone in their lives.

CHRISTIAN ED MEETING

Our last Christian Education meeting before we take off for the summer will be held Monday, June 14. We are already planning next year by taking a look at different curriculums, planning topics, and mapping out next year's calendar. From 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. we'll be doing planning for our Kindergarten through 4th grades. Planning for our 5th through 12th grades will follow from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend!

IT'S SUMMER IN THE CITY - and that Means Fun and Excitement at Seneca Street Church!

Many of you had the opportunity to "dream" with Brian Rotach and Cheryl Bird of Seneca Street Church when they visited with us a few weeks ago. Among their many plans and special focuses is the "after summer-school" program at the church. Buffalo public schools are in session during most of the mornings in July and August but afternoons are "free" - and that's where the Seneca Street Church program comes in! It's a program filled with learning, crafts, field trips each week, and excitement!!

Last year, our church sponsored a field trip to the Rochester Museum and Science Center for about 50 kids - and it was a huge success. For many of the group, it was the furthest away they had ever been from home. For others, it was the first time they had been on a bus trip of any kind. We'd like to help them out again!

As a church family, we'd like to sponsor at least one or more field trips this summer. We've decided to focus on one "educational" and one "fun" trip - a visit to the Albright-Knox Art Museum (\$300), and a picnic at Beaver Island State Park (\$430). Can you help send some of Seneca Street's summer "students" on one of these trips?

You'll be hearing more about these trips and other summer program needs over the coming weeks. For the next several weeks there will be special collection baskets in the Narthex near our Seneca Street display, so please contribute toward one or more of these trips now. Please make out any checks to Williamsville UMC and place "Seneca St. Summer Program" on the memo line. Thanks for your support! Missions and Outreach Team

N.F.C.M. and PRIMERA IGLESIA DONATIONS

There are flyers in your bulletins for items that are desperately needed for the food pantry at Primera Iglesia and for the summer programs at Niagara Frontier City Ministries. We will continue to collect these items for the next few weeks. Please bring your donations to the church and we will be sure they are delivered to appropriate place.

DAYS AHEAD IN OUR CHURCH

Please contact the church office at 634-4800 to obtain phone numbers of the contact people mentioned below.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6 **Forty Fellowship**
10:00 AM Worship

MONDAY, JUNE 7
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

6:00 PM Christian Education Picnic
Contact Judy Toone 634-4800

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

9:30 AM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall
Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!

6:30 PM Learning to Live Support Group
Contact: Leslie Jordans

7:00 PM Stewardship & Finance Team meeting
Contact: Rosemary Elliott

7:00 PM Worship Team Meeting – Contact Cheryl Thomas

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

7:00 PM Lay Leader Mtg: Contact Dave Reichard

8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous meeting in Fillmore Hall

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

9:30 AM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall
Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!

7:30 PM ODNS Board Meeting

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

9:00 AM Ring Masters Rehearsal – Contact: Gloria Werblow

SUNDAY, JUNE 13 **Church Family Picnic**

10:00 AM Worship
Recognition of Graduating Seniors

11:00 AM Church Family Picnic

MONDAY, JUNE 14

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, JUNE 15 **Messenger Deadline**

9:30 AM Parent's Bereavement Support Group
Contact: Leslie Jordans

9:30 AM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall
Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!

1:00 PM Women's Cancer Support Group
Contact: Carol Amico

7:00 PM Trustee Meeting – Contact: Ed Howard

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous meeting in Fillmore Hall

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

9:30 AM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall
Contact: Claudia Fries. Newcomers welcome!

12:00 PM Rachel Circle
Contact: Sally Jost or Midge Hackworth

1:00 PM Dorcas Circle - Contact: Donna Swift
Meeting for Lunch at the Red Mill

6:30 PM Mitochondrial Support Group

FRIDAY, MAY 21

9:30 AM Central City Cafe

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

8:30 AM Habitat for Humanity
Crew meets at church then carpools to work site.
Newcomers welcome. Contact: Ed Howard

9:00 AM Ring Masters Rehearsal – Contact: Gloria Werblow

SUNDAY, JUNE 20 **Father's Day**

10:00 AM Worship