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Head Usher: Ed Howard
February Usher Team: Robert Miller, Marshall Jost

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Church Office Hours:

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Phone: 634-4800

If you have an emergency and must speak to a pastor you may call:

The Rev. Richard Neal, 984-3541 The Rev. Carmen Perry, 946-2269
Pastor Associate Pastor
richneal@together.net carmenperry10@yahoo.com

Pastoral Office Hours:

Rich Neal: Monday thru Wednesday mornings or by appointment
Carmen Perry: Monday & Tuesday mornings or by appointment

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Mark 1:38, NRSV

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 5, 2012

9:00 AM

Williamsville United Methodist Church
5681 Main Street, Williamsville NY 14221
Phone: (716) 634-4800 email: wumc@williamsvilleumc.org
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Service of the Word

February 5, 2012

9:00 a.m.

At the asterisk (), please stand if you are able.*

PRELUDE, "Shout for Joy" by Gail Lewis
Crosswinds

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GATHERING MUSIC

"I Will Celebrate" Facing Page
"Let There Be Peace on Earth" Hymnal 431

* THE GREETING

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

As children come forward, sing "Where Children Belong" FWS 2233

SONG, "Open Our Eyes, Lord" FWS 2086

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:29-39 Pew Bible, N.T. p.48

THE MESSAGE, "This Is Why He Came" Pastor Rich Neal

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC, "Miracles" by Faith Otwell
Crosswinds

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

* SENDING AND RESPONSE

"Here I Am, Lord" Hymnal 593

* POSTLUDE, "Freely, Freely"

Crosswinds

I Will Celebrate

Words and Music by: Rita Baloche

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I will celebrate, sing unto the Lord
Sing to the Lord a new song
I will celebrate, sing unto the Lord
Sing to the Lord a new song

With my heart rejoicing within
With my mind focused on Him
With my hands raised to the heavens
All I am worshiping Him

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Ritual of Friendship:

Joining Hands – Building on Love

February 5, 2012, 9:00

Name

Address

City

State, Zip

Email

Telephone

- This is a new address
- I am a member of this congregation
- Nonmember who attends regularly
- Occasional visitor
- First-time visitor
- New resident
- Desire a call by pastor
- Wish to talk about becoming a member

Please see other side.

Detach this slip and place it in the offering plate.

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The Chancel Choir

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* GREETING

Sing praise to God, who is gracious and good.

Sing praise to the God of love!

Hope in the Lord, who is faithful and true.

Sing praise to the God of love!

Trust in our God, who strengthens us all.

Sing praise to the God of love!

* HYMN, "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" Hymnal 126

* OPENING PRAYER

* THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON, Isaiah 40:28-31 Pew Bible, O.T. p. 781

* THE GOSPEL, Mark 1:29-39 Pew Bible, N.T. p. 48

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

As children come forward, sing "Where Children Belong" FWS 2233

SERMON, "This Is Why He Came" Pastor Rich Neal

* HYMN, "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" Hymnal 569

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Hymnal 884

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC,

"I Have Chosen The Way Of Truth" by Craig Courtney

Karen Ferington, soprano; Paul Ferington, organ

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

* HYMN, "Make Me a Captive, Lord" Hymnal 421

* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Trust in the everlasting God, who never grows tired

and who understands everything in all of life.

God gives power to the faint and strength to the weak.

God will revive us when we falter,

and we will rise to soar with eagles!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

* POSTLUDE, "A Jubilant Song" by H. Stuart

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SUNDAY MESSENGER

February 5, 2012

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.

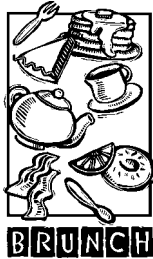
*For more information on any event listed,
please contact the church office.*

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet on February 17, 7:30 pm, here at the church. We will discuss *Have a Little Faith* written by Mitch Albom. This non-fiction book looks at an inner-city faith refuge for the homeless and a Jewish congregation and finds the intersection between the two.

FAMILY BRUNCH

There will be no regular Sunday school classes in between services on Sunday, February 12th. Instead that morning, the Christian Education would like to invite those participating in Christian Education (Sunday school classes of all ages and youth groups) and their families to join us, downstairs in Fillmore Hall, for a "Family Brunch" where we will join hands and build on love together! The Christian Education Team will provide the paper products and drinks (coffee, tea, hot cocoa and juice). We ask you and your family to bring a dish (filled with food, of course) to share with others. We do ask that you RSVP so we will have a sign-up sheet outside of Fillmore Hall in order to get a head count and an idea of what everyone's bringing to share. Children attending must be accompanied by a parent please, as there will be no Sunday school teachers "on duty" that day. Thanks for understanding!



FLOWER SALE

We are looking for several people to help with this year's Spring Flower Sale. If you would like to help out please contact Shelley Kayne.

THANK YOU FROM SENECA STREET UMC

To the congregation at Williamsville UMC, Thank you for your donations over the past few months to Seneca Street UMC. Your ongoing support and generosity are truly appreciated and benefit our ongoing programs. Thank You!!

WOW MEETING - FEBRUARY 6

We hope you are planning to attend the next WOW (Women of Williamsville) meeting on **Monday, February 6**, in WUMC's parlor.

Please note that this meeting will begin at **6:30 p.m.** since we will share a "Soup and Salad Bar" dinner that evening. After a light supper, we will discuss Ann Patchett's newest book, *State of Wonder*. Copies of this book are available at libraries or it can be purchased in paperback or for e-readers. This fiction book is loosely based on research completed in the Amazon jungle by large pharmaceutical companies. The mystery and intrigue woven into this story should



provide an interesting discussion!

Even if you don't have time to read this book, we hope you come anyway for an evening of food and fellowship. If you need more information or to find out what Salad Bar item you can bring to the meeting, please contact either Carol Forden or Sondra Scott (contact information available from WUMC's office at 634-4800).

THAT THURSDAY THING

The next meeting of That Thursday Thing is slated for February 9th. Our Biblical women of interest will be Leah and Rachel. The intertwining lives of these two sisters make the Book of Genesis interesting and challenging, indeed! Our studies are often interactive, easy to understand and the company of women is always enjoyable and fun! Please RSVP to Denise Reichard by phone or email if you are planning to attend. New participants are always welcome, so come and check it out.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Kiwanis Club of Buffalo is sponsoring a blood drive for the Red Cross on February 7, 9, & 11 at their Cheektowaga center located in the George Urban Plaza. Blood is needed every day in Western New York. Please donate if you can even if you have never donated before. Take a coupon from the bulletin board or see Bud Jost for details.

THANK YOU FROM GATEWAY-LONGVIEW

Your children at your Methodist children's mission, Gateway-Longview, would like to thank the Williamsville United Methodist Church for your generous gift that helped to make their dreams, hopes and prayers come true this Christmas.

Thank you also from the dedicated professionals at Gateway-Longview that provide care, counseling and support for 900 children and families who seek our services and programs each day. We could not meet their needs without your friendship and strong support. Because you cared, your children at Gateway-Longview felt less vulnerable and alone during the Holiday Season. From all of us at Gateway-Longview, we send our warm wishes for a safe and peaceful New Year. You will be remembered in our prayers for your caring and generosity.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER

Come join us for a Shrove Tuesday Celebration and help us make it a real "Fat Tuesday" with "ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES!" Shrove Tuesday is observed in the traditions of the Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist, and Roman Catholic churches. Shrove Tuesday marks the beginning of the 40-day season of Lent.

So, Why Pancakes?

Historically Lent meant a period of fasting in which the faithful were forbidden to consume meat, butter, sugar, eggs, and milk. However, if a family had a store of these foods, they would certainly spoil by the time the fast ended on Easter Sunday.

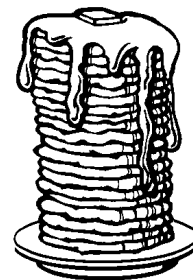
The challenge was to use up their milk, butter, sugar, and eggs no later than Shrove Tuesday. And so, with the addition of flour, the solution ~ **PANCAKES**

Where: Williamsville United Methodist Church

When: Tuesday February 21

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Beverage & Deserts



DAYS AHEAD IN OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 AM Christian Education for children & adults
- 9:45 AM Sr. High Youth Group Meeting –
Contact: Chris Kayne
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship & Extended Session Class

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 6:30 PM Christian Education Team Meeting –
Contact Judy Toone
- 6:30 PM “WOW” Women of Williamsville Meeting–
Contact: Carol Forden
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – Fillmore Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- 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 Staff Meeting
- 1:00 PM Women’s Cancer Support Group, meets in
the library, contact: Carol Amico
- 7:00 PM Worship Team Meeting –
Contact : T.J. Wishman

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 10:00 AM That Thursday Thing- Contact Denise
Reichard
- 12:30 PM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall – contact:
Claudia Fries.
Newcomers welcome!
- 7:00 PM Memorial Handbells rehearsal - Contact:
Judy Stafford or Wendy Amuso
- 7:30 PM ODNS Board Meeting

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10 **Messenger Deadline**

- 6:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 619 Pinewood Derby
Weigh-In Contact: John Nickerson

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12 **Boy Scout Sunday**

- 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 AM Christian Education Family Brunch
- 9:45 AM Sr. High Youth Group Meeting –
Contact: Chris Kayne
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship & Extended Session Class

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – Fillmore Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- 12:30 PM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall – contact:
Claudia Fries.
Newcomers welcome!
- 6:30 PM Learning to Live Parent’s Support Group,
Meets In the library – contact: Leslie
Jordans,
- 7:00 PM Finance Team meeting - contact: Bud Jost

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- 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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- 12:30 PM Exercise Class in Fillmore Hall – contact:
Claudia Fries.
Newcomers welcome!
- 6:30 PM Mitochondrial Disease Support Group
- 7:00 PM Memorial Handbells rehearsal - Contact: Judy
Stafford or Wendy Amuso

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- 9:30 AM Central City Cafe
- 7:30 PM Book Club

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

- 8:30 AM Habitat for Humanity, crew meets at church to
Car pool to work site, newcomers always
welcome. Contact: Ed Howard
- 9:00 AM Ring Masters rehearsal –
Contact: Gloria Werblow

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 AM Christian Education for children & adults
- 9:45 AM Sr. High Youth Group Meeting –
Contact: Chris Kayne
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship & Extended Session Class

