



# The Church Mouse

Hilton United Methodist Church

August 2014

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Welcome to the Summer 2014 edition of the Church Newsletter. I like to call it the “Mini” Mouse! Only basic information regarding upcoming events, the volunteer schedule and birthdays and anniversaries are included. If you have any question, please contact the office.

## **Hand to Plow Update:**

As many of us “take a break” this summer, our Hand to Plow Vision Team has been busy at work. About fifteen to twenty people met over the course of several weeks to pray over 4 specific areas. These areas included Hilton Senior Citizens, Hilton Youth, Facebook/On-line ministry, and the Village II Apartment complex. From these prayer meetings, thoughts, feelings, and insights were gleaned to help formulate a vision statement for the church.

The Vision Team consists of Ed Earnhart, Marj Earnhart, Angie Merrill, Harriet Zunno, Sue Emerson, Sam Emerson, Dan VanVleck, Pat VanVleck, Abby VanVleck, Pat Butts, Jim Butts, Pastor Jennifer, and Bob Comstock. We covet your prayers as we discern God’s vision for HUMC.

We are still working on perfecting the Vision Statement and discerning God’s challenges to us as the people called Methodist in Hilton, N.Y. We hope in the next week or so to have something to share. The Vision Statement will first be presented and approved by the Administrative Council. Then we will present and have a series of sermons to help us learn and understand the vision.

Our next task will be to have a Strategic Planning Retreat for the Lay and Staff Leadership of the church. During this retreat, Rev. Aaron Bouwens will teach us how to put some “meat on the bones” of the vision. He will also lead us in how to plan ministry events around our vision. Please begin to pray now for this retreat.

**The Strategic Planning Retreat will be Friday September 19<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm and Saturday September 20<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 3pm. It is expected that all Lay Leadership attend and participate in this retreat.** Please mark your calendars and make this time a priority as we continue to journey in the Hand to Plow process.



**\* \*\*\*\* Leadership Retreat September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> \*\*\*\* \***

## News from Nurture:

The second summer church picnic will be at the Emersons and Earnharts, 667 & 663 Moul Road, on August 17, beginning at 2 PM with games and a swim in the pool. Again bring a dish to pass and a chair and we will provide the rest.



## Vagabonds

August- Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am: **JELL-O Gallery Museum**, LeRoy NY. Admission \$4.50. We will meet at church, travel to LeRoy, have lunch and visit the museum.

## Hullabaloo 2014\*

Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at the Hilton Community Center 11:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Hilton Parma Churches invite you to enjoy fun carnival booths, inflatables, face painting, snocones, cotton candy, popcorn and food. ALL FOR FREE!

*\* As one of the sponsor churches we need to provide volunteers. There are lots of options and many different shifts to accommodate your schedule. See Angie for more information.*

## August Birthdays

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Postilli, Julia    | 8/1  |
| Weaver, Julianna   | 8/3  |
| Cole, Lori         | 8/5  |
| Clark, Nancy       | 8/8  |
| Rickman, Carolyn   | 8/9  |
| Hurlimann, Alyssa  | 8/10 |
| Merrill, Malachi   | 8/10 |
| Confer, Ryan       | 8/11 |
| Smalley, Agnes     | 8/19 |
| Swanson, Karen     | 8/19 |
| Sylvester, Trystan | 8/21 |
| Gary, Tiffany      | 8/25 |
| Young, Terry       | 8/26 |
| Hogg, Dianne       | 8/27 |
| Freeman, Kenneth   | 8/29 |



## August Anniversaries

|                          |            |    |
|--------------------------|------------|----|
| Mike & Roxanne Zambito   | 08/01/1975 | 39 |
| Dan & Pat Van Vleck      | 08/06/1988 | 26 |
| Kevin & Patti Sullivan   | 08/15/1980 | 34 |
| John & Pearl Bloom       | 08/18/1984 | 30 |
| Scott & Valerie Campbell | 08/18/1979 | 35 |
| Doug & Ingrid Richardson | 08/18/1984 | 30 |
| Ralph & Nancy Ingraham   | 08/20/1949 | 65 |
| Jim & Alea Floyd         | 08/27/2011 | 3  |
| Bill & Carol Manley      | 08/27/1960 | 54 |
| Jack & Sue Trembley      | 08/29/1965 | 49 |

## Help Needed:

Have you been sitting in your pew during Sunday Worship service wishing you could be an usher? We have men, ladies and couples usher teams. We currently have six usher teams, so that means you only have to serve once every six weeks. If you can't serve the week your team is scheduled, no problem, I can always find a substitute. If you are interested in becoming an usher, please contact Scott Campbell at Sunday Worship, by phone (225-2052) or e-mail ([skcamp38@aol.com](mailto:skcamp38@aol.com)). Thanks.

## Volunteers For August 2014

| Volunteers For August 2014 |  |    |                              |
|----------------------------|--|----|------------------------------|
|                            | <u><b>Greeters</b></u>                           |    | <u><b>Lay Liturgists</b></u> |
| 3                          | Janet LaBorie                                    | 3  | Ray Perkins                  |
| 10                         | Carol Bell & Alea Floyd                          | 10 | Ken Fuller                   |
| 17                         | Jim & Pat Butts                                  | 17 | Jim Butts                    |
| 24                         | Chris & Jeanne Wanjon                            | 24 | Jeanne Wanjon                |
| 31                         | Bob & Kathy Blackburn                            | 31 | Harriet Zunno                |
|                            | <u><b>Ushers</b></u>                             |    | <u><b>Coffee Hour</b></u>    |
| 3                          | # 3 – Will Rickman                               | 3  |                              |
| 10                         | # 4 – Ernie McKenzie                             | 10 |                              |
| 17                         | # 5 – Pat Holenbeck                              | 17 |                              |
| 24                         | # 6 – Bob Comstock                               | 24 |                              |
| 31                         | # 1 – Ed Holenbeck                               | 31 |                              |
|                            | <u><b>Sound Booth:</b></u>                       |    | <u><b>Acolytes</b></u>       |
| 3                          | Pat Holenbeck /Patti Sullivan                    | 3  |                              |
| 10                         | April Jordan/Dan Van Vleck                       | 10 |                              |
| 17                         | Dan Van Vleck/Greg Schuler                       | 17 |                              |
| 24                         | Greg Schuler/Bob Comstock                        | 24 |                              |
| 31                         | Bob Comstock/Pat Holenbeck                       | 31 |                              |
|                            | <u><b>Communion Servers:</b></u>                 |    |                              |
| 10                         | Bob & Debby Comstock; Val Brackley & Trent Green |    |                              |

### Office Notes:

- Summer Office Hours will be from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon, Monday thru Thursday. The office will be closed on Fridays during July and August.
- After those hours, please leave a message on the answering machine and I will get back to you the next day. I also check the church e-mail account daily ([humc98@rochester.rr.com](mailto:humc98@rochester.rr.com))
- Deadline for submission of information and articles for the September Newsletter is August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Announcements for the weekly bulletin are due in the office on Wednesday morning.
- Volunteers needed: I am looking for people who would be willing to work a day in the office when I am on vacation. You would need to answer the phone and greet anyone who comes in. Hours are from 9:00 am until 12 noon. Dates needed: August 25-28. Please call the office if you are interested.

Thanks to all of you who have assisted me in the office this year. I greatly appreciate all of the tasks that you do. Have a wonderful summer! Pat Van Vleck

### Sunday Coffee Hour



Wanted: Hostesses for Coffee hour during the month of August. I will post a signup sheet on the bulletin board or you can contact me Janet LaBorie – 392-9504, [janet.laborie@gmail.com](mailto:janet.laborie@gmail.com)

What are you responsible for? A cold drink and some goodies—we Methodists like to have our goodies of any kind!!! Preferably two people will work together each Sunday.

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## August 2014

\*\* If you no longer wish to receive the HUMC monthly newsletter, please be a good steward of our church's money and let us know. Thank you.

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