

The Church Mouse

Hilton United
Methodist Church



A note of Thanks

Our family would like to express our extreme gratitude to our church family for the very generous Christmas gift. It is our joy and pleasure to serve as your pastoral family. Thank you for your love, support, and continued care of us. We look forward to where God will lead each one of us in 2015. May your New Year be filled with the abundant blessings of God!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Jennifer, Troy, Will, Trent, Nick, and Kate

Important Notice

HUMC TOWN HALL MEETING
Sunday, January 25th

Immediately Following Worship

Purpose: To get YOUR feedback on how to
best communicate events and information in the church

SMALL GROUPS UPDATE

The Small Groups Committee is composed of Steve Clark, Lois DeWitt, James Lee, and Harriet Zunno. Bob Comstock joins us as referee between us members all wanting to speak at the same time. LOL. We have had three meetings. We are exploring and trying to develop guidelines for small group creation at HUMC with an eye toward the goals of such groups meeting the Mission and Vision Statements for the Church. We have discussed and written notes about the different kinds of small groups and how different small groups get created. We have exchanged out thoughts just a week or so ago. We are now at the point of trying to synthesize our thoughts on the various issues we have discussed into one unifying document to represent to the Admin Council for review. We hope to have this completed by our January 1, 2015 deadline. We have a meeting scheduled for December 1st and 15th. We ask that you pray for us that we are inspired with the Holy Spirit to get this program completed.

Attention Women!

We have received two post cards offering treats for any one interested. I will post them on the big bulletin board in the Narthex for anyone interested in more information.

"**The Women's Chocolate Getaway**" March 6-8 at the Casawasco Camp retreat Center, Moravia, NY

"**Quilt by Faith**" March 26-29 or Oct. 8-11 2015 being held at the Casowasco Camp and Retreat Center.

You can also go to their web site: www.casowasco.org

Sharing Supper

Saturday Jan. 17th, 2015 will be the next Sharing Supper. It will be a Meatloaf dinner and the volunteer signup sheet will be posted in the Narthex. If there are any students needing credit for community service and want to help please contact me at 967-3759. Blessings, Linda Livermore

Wanted! A person to stencil HUMC on the new chairs. Needed equipment supplied. Perks could include a batch of cookies and the knowledge your artwork will be viewed by many.
See Liz G or any Trustee for all the details.

Thanks!

Mouse Dear Church Family. Thank you for all the card, calls, visits and food you have sent over this busy month. Your thoughts and prayers have helped put on the fast track for healing. Janet LaBorie

In case you've ever wondered . . .

The following is an excerpt from a report on the 2014 annual meeting of the International Advisory Committee for the Walk to Emmaus:

This year's Walk to Emmaus International Advisory Committee was attended by representatives from Ghana, Puerto Rico, England, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Bahamas, Hong Kong, Ireland, Singapore and the United States. Emmaus is spreading into different areas of the world. In Europe Poland and Bulgaria are starting up. Even with a war in their country the Ukraine held two walks this year. The countries of Uganda, Kenya and the Congo are asking for Emmaus to come. Emmaus is growing in Asia. There have been people from China who have gone on walks in Hong Kong. Korea's community started five years ago and they are on walk #104. They hold a walk every month! South America countries of Bolivia, Chile, Peru and Belize are sending people on walks to begin new communities in their countries.

If you've ever wondered if the Walk to Emmaus might be only a small organization with just a few people participating, the above information will give you an idea of the scope of Emmaus throughout the world. The Walk to Emmaus is sponsored by The Upper Room of the Methodist Church; however, it is ecumenical in every sense. If you wish to talk to anyone who has experienced a Walk to Emmaus please contact Carolyn or Will Rickman (392-9784) and they will give you a list of those in HUMC who have been on a Walk. Any of these individuals will undoubtedly confirm that a Walk to Emmaus is a wonderful gift to give yourself or someone you love.

It would be a joy to see YOU on a future Western New York Walk to Emmaus.

Volunteers For January 2015

<u>Greeters</u>		<u>Lay Liturgists</u>	
4	Roxanne & Mike Zambito	4	Ray Perkins
11	Lois DeWitt	11	Sally Lee
18	Sharon Kron & Bev Pirnie	18	Ken Fuller
25	Mark & Karen Swanson	25	Nancy Young
<u>Ushers</u>		<u>Coffee Hour</u>	
4	# 1 - Ed Holenbeck	4	The Sullivan Family
11	# 2 - Jim Lee	11	Carol Bell & Karen Swanson
18	# 3 - Will Rickman	18	Pearl Bloom & Kae Chojnowski
25	# 4 - Ernie McKenzie	25	Marj Earnhart & Liz Gliszczynski
<u>Sound Booth</u>		<u>Communion Servers</u>	
4	Bob Comstock, Patti Sullivan	4	Chris & Jeanne Wanjon
11	Patti Sullivan, Greg Schuler		Mac & Ernie McKenzie
18	Bob Comstock, Patti Sullivan		Sharon Kron & Gail Miller
25	Patti Sullivan, Pat Holenbeck		

January Anniversaries

Tige & Heather Noni	January 7, 1994	21 years
Steve & Toni Mizma	January 15, 1993	22 years
Bob & Donna Smalley	January 28, 1996	19 years

January Birthdays

2	Sally Coffey	16	Beth Mucci
	Troy Green		Erin Blackburn
6	Ryan Sullivan	22	Val Hare
7	Bob Smalley	23	Trent Vann
8	Kyle Kita	25	Maverick Clark
9	Chuck Cole		Tia Clark
11	Marta Swanson Hartman		Tammy Z Flemming
14	Evelyn Seeger		Eleanor Harrington
	Emma Postilli		

Happy New Year!

The following is an article on the Ministry Teams and Lay Leadership for 2015. This includes a description of the roles and responsibilities of the teams as well as the names of the individuals serving. This is an effort to give more information to the congregation.

Hilton United Methodist Church Ministry Teams and Lay Leadership for 2015

Lay Leader- Ray Perkins

The role of the Lay Leader is to represent the congregation by standing with individuals who are seeking baptism and/or membership. The Lay Leader is an ex-officio member of all church committees in order to represent views of the congregation.

Lay Member to Annual Conference - Evelyn Seeger

Alternate Lay Member to Annual Conference – Deb Comstock

Lay member to Annual Conference is our lay voting representative to the Upper New York Conference. This meets annually in May/June.

Church Council

(Formerly known as Ad Council or Administrative Board) Oversees all activities of the church. It establishes church-wide goals and policies. Prior to each calendar year team leaders present to the Church Council their general goals and programs, along with their budgetary requirements for the coming year. The Church Council votes on each of the proposed programs and expenditures. Approved expenditures are then added to the proposed annual budget.

Church Council is comprised of a representative from the eight Teams of Hilton UMC: Finance; Trustees; Staff Parish Relations (SPRC); Lay Leadership; Worship; Missions; Christian Education; and Nurture. Additional members include: Chairperson; Recording Secretary; Church Treasurer; Lay Leader; Lay Member to Annual Conference; UMW representative; Youth Coordinator; the Certified Lay Minister; and the Pastor. **Meets the 4th Thursdays at 7:30pm**

Chairperson

Jim McBride

Recording Secretary

Evelyn Seeger

Teams Leaders as listed below

Trustees

This is the legal entity of the Hilton UMC. They oversee and are responsible for the maintenance and supervision of use of all church equipment, property, and real estate. **Meets 4th Tuesdays at 6:30pm**

Chairperson – To be elected

2015

Sharon Kron
Robert Bunt
Troy Green

2016

Wayne Miller
Jamie Coonan

2017

Ken Fuller
Nancy Manning
Liz Gliszczynski

Endowment Fund Sub Committee

This team manages the Endowment Fund of Hilton UMC. They work closely with the Finance Team, but comes under the supervision of the Trustees.

2015
Ed Earnhart

2016
Dennis Sneddon
(Trustees Representative: TBD)

2017
Jim Lee
Al Blossom

Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC)

Monitors and assesses the relationships between the congregation and the staff of the church. Staff includes: Pastor; Certified Lay Minister; Music Coordinator; Organist; Office Manager; Custodian; Youth Coordinator; Childcare Coordinator; substitutes, and Noah's Preschool Staff.

Meets 1st Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Chairperson – Sam Emerson

2015
Tim List
Beth Mucci
Alea Floyd (young adult)

2016
Pearl Bloom
Sam Emerson

2017
Ray Perkins
Kathy Blackburn

Lay Leadership Team

Prayerfully considers congregation members for participation in leadership roles within the church, while matching spiritual gifts with leadership needs. **Meets as needed, usually in the fall.**

Chairperson – Rev. Jennifer Green

2015
Bob Comstock

2016
Val Brackley
Sue Emerson

2017
Barb Hare
Scott Campbell

Finance Team

Responsible for preparation of the church budget, stewardship, fund raising, administration of all funds including memorial accounts, completion of annual audit, and reporting the status of finances to the Church Council.

Chairperson
Treasurer
Financial Secretary
Auditor
Members-at-Large

Ed Earnhart
Dennis Sneddon
Sally Lee
Jim Butts

2015
Terry Young

2016
April Jordan
Linda Blossom

2017
Jim Butts

Remembrance Fund

Treasurer – Lori Cole

Worship

Responsible for support of the worship experience within the sanctuary.

Chairperson – Janet LaBorie

Scott Campbell, Pat Holenbeck, Ernie McKenzie, Sharon Miller, Nancy Young, Pearl Bloom

Communion Server Coordinator: Jeanne Wanjon

Greeter Coordinator: Ingrid Richardson

Coffee Hour: Janet LaBorie

Lay Liturgist Coordinator: Sharon Miller

Head Usher: Scott Campbell

Mission Team

Coordinates outreach programs, identifying needs within the community and facilitating plans to support those needs. For example; members coordinate or provide meals at a soup kitchen; lunches for the community Summer Recreation Program, support the Food Shelf in the delivery of Thanksgiving and Christmas meals; coordinating Angel Tree gifts, etc.

Chairperson – TBD

Lara Schuler, Alea Floyd, Carol Bell, Bill Kast, Bev Pirnie, Evelyn Seeger, Sparky Hess, Bill Hess

Christian Education Team

Selects curriculum for and coordinates the Christian Education programs within the church.

Val Brackley, Dan VanVleck, Angie Merrill, Bob Comstock

Nurture Team

Responsible for creating a welcoming, caring environment for the church family, providing spiritual care outside the Sunday worship experience. Examples include; small groups, camping trips, family picnics, bowling, etc.

Jim Lee, **Sally Lee**, **Alea Floyd**

Ministry Teams: Including Worship, Missions, Education and Nurture all meet at 7:00pm on the 2nd Tuesdays.

Congregational Representatives to Noah's Preschool Committee

Chuck Cole, Sam Emerson

Native American Communicator –

Designated person to receive information about Native American concerns from the District and Conference and relay the information to the congregation.

Harriet Zunno

Bold indicates NEW name elected.

Informed to Transform 6! - District Training Event

Genesee Valley District and Finger Lakes District

This is a wonderful day of training and information open to anyone who would like to learn more about the United Methodist Church. Pastor Jennifer strongly encourages all people in church leadership to attend.

Safe Sanctuary Training is offered – anyone working with the children or vulnerable adults of our church must have this training. If you have not already been to training – this is a perfect opportunity.

Join friends from around the Districts for a day of worship, insightful teaching, fellowship, and a meal.

Saturday January 31, 2015 at the Canandaigua UMC.

The day's agenda is as follows:

8:15am	Doors Open
8:30am	Registration
9:00am	Gathering
9:15am	Time of Learning & Renewal (first workshop)
11:15am	Worship w/Bishop Mark Webb
12:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm	Time of Learning & Renewal (second workshop)
3:00pm	Depart

Workshop Options:

Safe Sanctuary Training;
On Fire for Mission – explore how churches become involved in mission
8 Essentials for Revitalization – Hand to Plow
A Job or a Ministry? – for Church Secretaries and Administrative Assistants
Trustees..how and what
All in a System – The Power of Church and Family
SPRC..how and what
How to make your Church Young People friendly
Social Media
“Is God Calling You to Start a New Community?”;
We Do BIG Things – Shared Ministries – Apportionments – what do we mean.
How to be Lay Leaders
Finance/Audits/Apportionments;
Spiritual Direction;
Media Literacy;
Praying with your Camera.

A pdf with the information if attached to this newsletter e-mail.

Cost is \$25.00 for the day.

Registration is available online by using the link for this site:

<https://unyumc-reg.brtaapp.com/informedtotransform6>

Please let the office know that you have registered and we will try to coordinate car pooling.

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** 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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