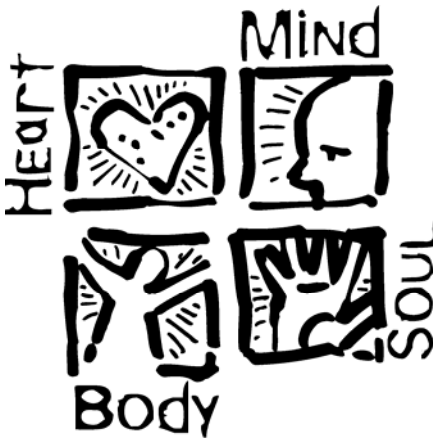


"A community of faith providing nurture, strength, & direction for living today in God's world."

HOMILETICS: *study of the preparation & delivery of sermons, applying rhetorical principles to the art and craft of preaching*



As this newsletter goes to print, I will be in Minneapolis enjoying the final day of the 2008 Festival of Homiletics, a conference I have attended yearly since my ordination. It is a lot more fun and engaging than the definition may imply. Its founder envisioned this gathering to empower transformational preaching in the Church. It has evolved over the years, but maintains a standard of excellence unmatched by other offerings in the field. (The first was attended by 90 pastors; this year more than 1600 attended.) We hear sermons and lectures from some of the most effective preachers in the English language. Some are seminary professors, some are parish pastors (relatively few), as well as public figures in matters of faith and religion. This year, in addition to some of

the nation's premier preachers (Tom Long, Barbara Brown Taylor, Anna Carter Florence, Fred Craddock, and Otis Moss III -pastor of Trinity Church in Chicago and successor to Jeremiah Wright, who has previously been a participant); we will hear from scholars Walter Brueggeman and Christine Smith; authors Jim Wallis, and Walter Wangerin, story teller Garrison Keillor and Naomi Nontombi Tutu, a daughter of Desmond Tutu. Previous liturgists have included poet Ann Weems, musician Brian Wren and author Kathleen Norris, among many others. There are story tellers and musicians of every genre and highest quality, supporting three worship services a day.

The Festival is a unique and restorative gathering, providing much more than technical information about preaching. It is both inspirational and pastoral, addressing the specific needs of those who preach week after week in the parish. It is also a rare opportunity to gather with those who care deeply about preaching and are committed to the discipline it requires. It is a healing and energizing experience, without being predictable.

I am grateful to UCF and the Staff Support Committee for providing the continued participation in this ministry-sustaining event though study-leave time and funds. If you would like to know more, you can find information at <http://www.goodpreacher.com/festival>.

In faith,

Rev. Dr. Linda D. Even

Sunday Worship at 10:25 AM

*Child Care provided 9 AM to Noon June 1; other Sundays during worship time
Before worship coffee fellowship with Adult Ed, 9 AM on June 1st (last Church School)
Fellowship Time each week after worship in Fellowship Hall*

Summer Worship begins at 9:25 AM on June 22

Summer Child Care time: 9 AM-11 AM

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| June 1
10:25 AM | Annual Meeting Sunday
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (<i>come forward</i>)
Children's Stewardship of Art Parade
Recognition of teachers, choir leaders and acolytes
Reception of New Members | 9 th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| June 8
10:25 AM | Commitment Sunday/Capital Campaign
Presentation of Pennies, Gifts and Pledges
Celebration Luncheon Cruise on the SS Steward Ship following worship | 10 th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| June 15
10:25 AM | Honoring Graduates
Message: Tom Parmenter, Director of Youth Ministries
Scriptures: Psalm 139; Matthew 5:13-20, "Out of the salt shaker"
Liturgists: High School Seniors
Word to the Children: Father's Day
Presentation of Scholarships | 11 th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| June 22
9:25 AM | Announcement Sunday/Capital Campaign
<i>Worship Time changes to 9:25 AM through September 7th</i> | 12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| June 29
9:25 AM | Ordination & Installation of Officers | 13 th Sunday in Ordinary Time |

DON'T FORGET to make your summer sermon requests to Dr. Even by June 15!

Hidden in Plain Sight

What do puzzles, anagrams and word searches have in common with UCF's annual report? Lots of good stuff, treasures and surprises -- all there for those with eyes to see. The annual report has been published and is available to each household. Prior to the congregational meeting on June 1, let me encourage everyone to go on an "Affirmation Hunt" through the pages of the report. This is a game everyone from youngest and oldest can play. As you read the report, find at least one thing in each report for which you personally are grateful or by which you have been enriched. Circle it. (If everyone in your household plays, think how many treasures you will find.) Take time to pass on the results of your treasure hunt to those around you, in class, small groups and fellowship hall. At the congregational meeting, we will celebrate the many reasons we have to be grateful to God and are glad to be in ministry together. Linda

Worship, Music & Spiritual Life

Honoring Graduates in Worship Sun. June 15th 10:25 AM



Class of 2008 high school graduates will be recognized in the annual baccalaureate worship service the Sunday before graduation. Our high school graduates are Rich Blumenthal, Matt Craft, David DeHority, Emily Dunuwila, Ben Girardi, Lorina Mpinga, Esau Price, Lizzy Price, Kyle Sutliff. If you have a college graduate in your family, please contact the church office with information about your graduate to be included in the bulletin and summer newsletter. Memorial scholarships will also be awarded. Tom Parmenter will bring a message following the scripture skit, "Out of the salt

shaker."

Hatt's off!

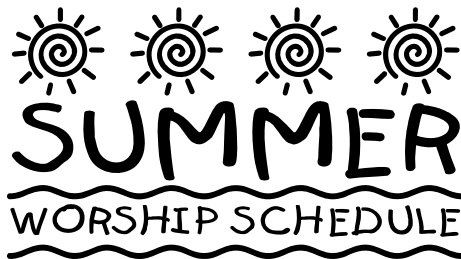
United Church has a wonderful group of volunteer music leaders who guide our youth and adults in many music making opportunities **every week** throughout school year! On Sunday, June 1st we will recognize in worship the volunteer leadership of:

Judy Spencer, Wendy VanSlyke, Cherub Choir;
Jim Spencer, Sarah Vonhof, Children's Choir;
Sul-young Choi, Youth Handbell Choir assistant;
Barbara Morison, Joyful Sign Choir



Thank you to all the choir members for their faithful participation and for joyful song/sign to the Lord at United Church this year!

The Senior Choir's last Sunday before summer will be June 22nd.



Summer Worship Time – 9:25 AM

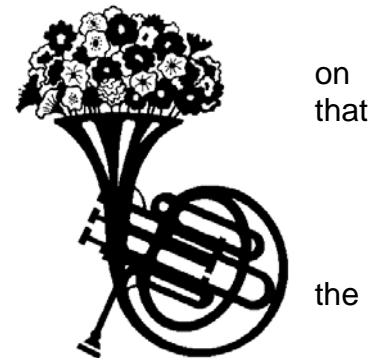
Beginning June 22nd, our summer worship time changes. All are invited to worship at 9:25 AM through the first Sunday of September, Sept. 7th.

Watch for summer music choir sign-up sheets for Women's Chorus, Men's Chorus, ensembles, and Summer Handbells!

Summer Flowers If you would like to donate garden flowers for the communion table, please sign up on the hallway flower chart!

Thank you Jim Spencer & Syracuse University Brass Ensemble

A wonderful benefit "Spring Pops Concert" was heard in our UCF sanctuary Saturday, May 17th! We have a treasure here in our midst with the concerts Jim Spencer's SU Brass Ensemble brings to United Church. The program included movie scores, a march, JS Bach, and PDQ Bach and was superbly played. We appreciate the talents and gift to the church and community that Jim and the SU Brass Ensemble bring to United Church. Thank you to Cindy Burke, the concert committee, and staff for organizing many aspects of putting on the concert as a fundraiser for United Church mission support!



Alice Dickerson Hatt, Minister of Music & Worship

What's Up from Down Under

Sharing and Caring by the Young People
Of United Church



- June 1** Children's Sunday/ Kid's Poster Parade Last day of Sunday School classes Teacher/Acolyte Recognition Annual Meeting
- June 8** Commitment Sunday/Commitment Luncheon Kid's Penny Pouring Kick-off
- 9:55 a.m. Cherub/Children's Choir rehearsal
- 10:30 a.m. Children's Choir/Cherub sing
- June 22** Worship moves to 9:25 a.m.

PENNY STACK MANIACS !!!! Over the last three weeks, our kids have been very busy exploring the joy of giving through the Cruise on the Steward Ship program. They learned that because God loves us, He wants us to know that we are happiest when we give. On May 4 kids created life-sized cut outs of themselves on which to mark the progress of their Penny Stack. For the Penny Stack, kids were challenged to 'earn' their height in pennies (18 pennies=1 inch) to donate to the "steward ship". The Penny Stack will end with the kids dumping their pennies in a big metal bucket during the June 8 Commitment Service.



JOIN THE POSTER PARADE ON CHILDREN'S SUNDAY. . .

Kids were also challenged to create posters showing their ideas about stewardship. On Children's Sunday, June 1, they will process down the aisle of the sanctuary in a Poster Parade during the worship service and share their thoughts with Pastor Linda. Ideas the children considered as they created their posters were: It is fun to give; Lord, what do you want to do through me?; I love my church; Sacrifice; Not Equal Gifts But Equal Sacrifice.

SPECIAL LESSONS. . . During our three-week cruise, the kids enjoyed the creative lessons taught by Shelley Everding, Brad Hines, and Anne Mackenzie. In addition to creating posters and collecting pennies, kids also made "find it" bottles filled with symbols of giving, inventoried their talents and brought in non-perishable food to create lunches for the food pantry. Thanks to the captains of the UCF Steward Ship, Sarah McCoubrey and Martha Ketcham, and to the rest of the Children's Team for a great cruise.

FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADERS TO HOST FELLOWSHIP . . . Attention 5th and 6th graders! June 1 is Children's Sunday and your class will host and serve (and clean up!) Fellowship after church. Meet at church Saturday, May 31st from 2:00-4:00pm to bake the goodies we will serve. Come ready to roll up your sleeves and have fun. Have any questions? Please call Mrs. Ketcham at 637-7709.



LET'S SAY THANKS TO ALL THE TEACHERS !!!!! On Sunday, June 1, be on hand to thank all our teachers for a wonderful year of teaching and leading. We are so blessed by the talented and dedicated people that have modeled God's love for us all -the teachers, music leaders and all the special people in our congregation who see and encourage God's promise in our children.

ACOLYTE RECOGNITION . . . Have you served as an acolyte in upstairs worship this year? You will be recognized for your service during worship on June 1st. Be ready to stand up and be counted!



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL . . . The congregational meeting will be held during worship on June 1. Childcare will be provided in the nursery for children up through 3rd grade during the time of the meeting. Children will return to the sanctuary for the remainder of worship following the end of the meeting.

LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES . . . Summer is on its way and June 1 marks the day of our last Sunday School class. The time of worship will remain at 10:25 a.m. for June 8 and 15. June 22 marks the beginning of summer hours with worship moving to 9:25 a.m.

EXTRA REHEARSAL FOR CHILDREN'S AND CHERUB CHOIR. . . On June 8, Children's and Cherub Choirs will meet at 9:55 a.m. before singing in worship. Cherub Choir will be singing the "Magic Penny" song.

ALL ABOARD FOR THE CELEBRATION LUNCHEON!!! On Commitment Sunday, June 8 the congregation is invited to come aboard for the capital campaign Celebration Luncheon following service !!! Sign up and come enjoy!



BIBLEMANIA 2008: BEAUTY AND THE BEATITUDES IS A BLAST!!!

On Friday, May 2, kids leaped into learning about the Beatitudes at the Biblemania overnight. Anticipating a delicious Middle Eastern dinner served in a desert tent, kids crafted Beatitude Catchers, fingerprint art for the Sermon at the Mount, and Beatitude Scrapbooks. Then they were off to sweep their hearts clean with a balloon and broom relay race followed by games that challenged them to use their bibles to match the proclamation to the promise for each Beatitude. Later, they snuggled around the "campfire" in their PJ's to praise God in song and eat s'mores. Special thanks to Leanne Larson, Connie Caldwell, Martha, Sarah and Greg Ketcham, Sandy Mason, Lori Lommel for this outstanding event.

CONGRATULATIONS on a "monsterishly" great performance by the Cherub and Children's Choirs at the Variety Show in support of the Youth mission trip. Hats off to all the monsters and snoozers who sang "God Is Bigger Than the Boogiemán" !!!



SUMMER CAMP IS COOL!!!!



There's still time to register for some awesome summer fun at Vanderkamp, Camp Iroquois, Camp Vick and Camp Pathfinder. Grab a friend and sign up !! View details and download forms at the following websites!

Pathfinder - www.abc-nys.org/camps/ - Open House – June 14, Cooperstown, NY
Camp Vick - www.abc-nys.org/camps/ - Open House – June 14, Sandusky, NY
Vanderkamp - www.vk.org/summercamp/ -Open House - June 1, Cleveland, NY
Camp Iroquois - www.campiroquois.org/ -YMCA day camp in Manlius, NY

Judy Spencer Director of Children's Ministries



Mid-Week & Mid-Summer Night's Dream
UCF Picnic and Informal Vespers
Wednesday, July 30th
5:00 pm till . . . dark
at Ryder Park by Dewitt Town Hall



“BYOPB”

Bring Your Own . . . Picnic Basket

Each family is invited to bring their own picnic meal & goodies, plates, utensils, drinks, thermos with iced or hot beverages & cups. This is a “carry-in, carry-out” event. Bring a friend; bring a neighbor. *No alcohol*

No time to pack a basket? Stop at KFC or “Subway” and let them pack your dinner for you.

Flying Solo? Call a friend and join together to make a “party basket” to share.

Ryder Park features restrooms, a large playground, a butterfly house, a picnic shelter, walking trails, and a pond. Plenty of parking is available in the Dewitt Town Hall parking lot, with a short walk to the shelter. This will be an opportunity to play and chat, talk and romp. Frisbee, anyone? Bring chairs or a blanket, frisbee, gloves/ball, bocce set!

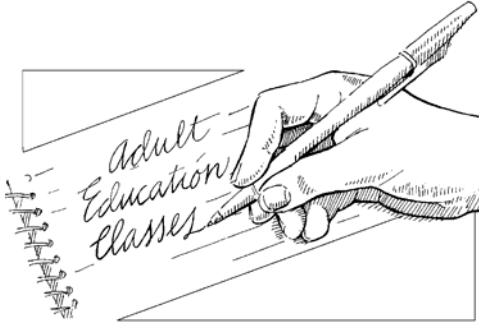
Informal Vespers Service after supper under the pavilion.
 Bring a poem to share or your favorite story about seeing God in nature.

RAIN PLAN: Meet at Fellowship Hall
Sign up on hallway poster in July so we have enough songbooks
Donations accepted to help pay for rental of park
Sponsored by Worship & Spiritual Life Committee



Adult Education – June 2008

Forums, Bible Study, and Parents Place on Sunday mornings



I. Adult Forums [9:00 AM - Meet in Beard Lounge]

Forums are presentations and discussions which focus on timely topics of Christian social concern, personal and spiritual development, Bible study, exploration of our Christian heritage, and study of world religions. Through Forums we seek to provide a place for understanding special topics or current issues of our Christian presence in the community and world.

June 1 (last Adult Forum of the Season): Dennis Baldwin and Richard Fowler will speak on the work and mission of InterFaith Works. Denny is a long time member of UCF and has recently become the President of the Board of InterFaith Works. Rick is the "Director of Opportunities," and shares leadership of the Advancement Department of InterFaith Works. Rick also heads the "individual investor program," which offers opportunities to become a "participating partner" with InterFaith Works in its mission programs.

II. Bible Study in Women's Lounge [9:00 AM - Meets in Women's Lounge]

Led this month by Jason Larson (church member and PhD student in the SU Dept. of Religion), this relatively small group engages in in-depth study and discussion of a book of the Bible or biblical theme using a study guide. The group is currently studying the Gospel of Matthew, using the study guide "Matthew" by Tom Wright. Newcomers are always welcome.

III. A Parents' Place [9:15 AM Meets on the basement level in Room 5]

A Parents Place provides an opportunity for informal, unstructured conversation about the joys and challenges of raising children. Coffee and tea are available.

IV. Saving Jesus - In April we completed the last part of this interesting and provocative DVD series on the life and meaning of Jesus. If there is sufficient interest, we will offer another opportunity to view this series in the fall. You may also borrow this DVD to view it privately. Contact Norm Hatt if you would like to borrow the DVD.

Submitted by Norman Hatt, Chair

An Invitation - Sacred Circle Women's Group

We are issuing an invitation to join us as we begin the process of starting a Sacred Circle. This women's spirituality group is our response to reading *Sacred Circles* by Robin Carnes and Sally Craig. Our intention is to have a group built on trust, honesty and commitment that nurtures us spiritually while building connections and community.

The group will be open to women both from within and outside of the UCF congregation. We will meet on Sunday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30. We will meet on June 1 and June 15th to get established, explore and envision our group and its membership; meeting monthly after that with rotating leadership. Please call any one of us for more info.

Karen Gutelius, Dorothy Harrold and Betsy Nash.

Church and Society



Churches respond to 60 years of conflict in Israel and Palestine with a global week of prayer and action for peace

This common prayer and message for peace in Palestine and Israel will be used in about 100 countries as part of a global week of prayer and action led by the World Council of Churches June 4-10, 2008. This year marks 60 years since the partition of Palestine and 41 years of occupation.

The Jerusalem prayer for Sunday, June 8th

The Heads of Churches in Jerusalem

INVITE CHURCHES AROUND THE WORLD TO PRAY WITH THEM

Heavenly Father,

We give you thanks and praise for your gift to us of your only Son, Jesus -- His birth in Bethlehem, His ministry throughout the Holy Land, His death on the Cross and His Resurrection and Ascension. He came to redeem this land and the world. He came as the Prince of Peace.

We give thanks to you for every church and parish around the world that is praying with us this day for peace. Our Holy City and our land are much in need of peace.

In your unfathomable mystery and love for all, let the power of your Redemption and your Peace transcend all barriers of cultures and religions and fill the hearts of all who serve you here, of both peoples - Israeli and Palestinian - and of all religions.

Send us political leaders ready to dedicate their lives to a just peace for their peoples. Make them courageous enough to sign a treaty of peace that puts an end to the occupation imposed by one people on another, granting freedom to Palestinians, giving security to Israelis and freeing us all from fear. Give us leaders who understand the holiness of your city and will open it to all its inhabitants - Palestinian and Israeli - and to the world.

In the land you made holy, free all of us from the sin of hatred and killing. Free the souls and hearts of Israelis and Palestinians from this sin. Give liberation to the people of Gaza who live under unending trials and threats.

We trust in you, Heavenly Father. We believe you are good and we believe that your goodness will prevail over the evils of war and hatred in our land.

We seek your blessing especially on the children and young people, that their fear and the anxiety of conflict may be replaced with the joy and happiness of peace. We pray too for the elderly and the handicapped, for their well-being and for the contribution they can make to the future of this land.

We pray, finally, for the refugees scattered across the world because of this conflict. God give the politicians and governments responsible for them the wisdom and courage to find suitable and just solutions. All this we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

JERUSALEM INTERCHURCH CENTRE. St. Peter Street, Jaffa Gate, Old City, Box 741, Jerusalem

Submitted by Cara Steiner

Financial Information

Financial statistics for the months of April 2008 are as follows:

This chart shows real dollars

	April	Year to Date
Income	\$27,894.	\$94,597.
Expenses	\$23,060.	\$101,690.
Difference	\$4,834.	\$(7,093.)

For April, income was ahead of expenses by \$4,834. This reduces our deficit for the year to just over \$7,000.

This chart shows pledge and plate income as a percent of the yearly budget

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
January	11.72%	9.61%	7.5%	7.5%	8.2%
February	6.16%	7.11%	6.39%	6.51%	9.07%
March	6.77%	6.26%	6.66%	7.97%	6.72%
April	11.14%	8.02%	10.58%	7.59%	10.23%
May		5.39%	6.28%	7.66%	7.65%
June		7.63%	5.51%	5.70%	5.40%
July		8.79%	7.65%	8.69%	5.63%
August		5.33%	4.86%	5.85%	6.37%
September		7.92%	7.23%	7.65%	8.21%
October		8.36%	9.08%	8.65%	11.68%
November		7.28%	7.88%	8.94%	5.22%
December		11.84%	14.76%	8.72%	13.63%
Year to date	35.79%	93.52%	94.42%	91.48%	97.98%

The above chart compares pledge and plate giving as a percent of the budgeted amount for the year. If income was steady throughout the year and met projections, we would expect to see numbers at about 33 percent through April. We are a little ahead of budget.

Submitted by Bob Craft, Asst. Treasurer

UCF Will Participate IN “FAYETTEVILLE FIRST” Celebration in September!

As we did last year, UCF will have a presence in Beard Park on **September 20th** (rain date, September 21st) for the “Fayetteville First” celebration. We are anticipating that the Village Nursery School will join us in this endeavor.

What we will offer at our tent: information on UCF and VNS offerings and programs; harvest sale items ***other than baked goods!*** It appears that many of the organizations planning to be involved intend to have bake sales, and the planners of the event suspect that enough is enough. Our Harvest Sale theme provides multiple other opportunities, so let’s be creative.

Pickles, applesauce, corn relish, jams and jellies, candy, fruits/vegetables straight from the garden, plants, dried flower arrangements, craft items...we’ve a couple months to plan and come up with some interesting offerings.

So...put your thinking caps on, begin creating, and let’s come up with a tent that will invite people to stop by! See Cindy Burke with ideas, suggestions, questions....

Capital Stewardship Campaign News

Building on Our Past, Preparing for Our Future

I am about to do a new thing. Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? Isaiah 43:19a

Mark your calendars to be a part of the new thing God is doing at UCF through our Capital Stewardship Campaign.

Sunday, June 1 Children's Sunday
Thursday, June 5 Day of Fasting and Prayer
Sunday, June 8 Commitment Sunday and a Celebration Cruise on the SS Steward Ship.
Sunday, June 22 Announcement Sunday

UCF Day of Fasting and Prayer: Thursday June 5 Mark your calendar!

Oh, the places we could go and the things we could do... Let our imaginations soar as we allow God's imagination to expand in us – considering what God might do through our community of faith at home, in our nation and in our world. If through the capital stewardship campaign, there is provision for the necessary care and maintenance of our beautiful, historic building, as well as the more effective use of natural resources and our financial, programmatic and spiritual energies, what mission and ministry would we be able to do?

Members and friends of UCF are invited to give up one meal on Thursday, **June 5**. In the time it would take to prepare the meal and eat it, pray for God's guidance. Pray alone, with family or in a group. (Those who cannot fast can eat a simple meal as they pray.) To begin, you may want to pray the prayer of discernment that we have prayed each week in worship or the one the back of our prayer reminder card: "Lord, what do you want to do through me?"

We hope all of UCF will be united in prayer on Thursday, **June 5**.

Prayer Leadership Team
Building on Our Past, Preparing for Our Future

From the Task Force

The Task Force on Ordination presented its "white paper" report to the Board of United Church at its April 15 Board meeting. The Board then held two special meetings to consider the options before this church relative to how and who we choose as leaders of this church. The Board determined the following: that we would continue to ordain rather than install the leaders of this church; that being a self-declared homosexual does not, in and of itself, disqualify that person from being ordained as an Elder and member of the Board of United Church. For a full copy of the report, please contact the office.

Further, the Nominating Committee, with the assistance and guidance of Dr. Even, is directed to clarify the standards and process by which the Nominating Committee selects candidates for Elder and member of the Board, and to report to the Board no later than February, 2009.

Nominees' names are presented directly to the congregation by the Nominating Committee for their vote. (This is the same practice we followed so recently in the call of Dr. Even.) By the congregation's vote, it, and not the Board, elects its officers. The Board's action was to declare what it would do, should the congregation elect a self-declared homosexual to the Board.

News from the Staff Support Committee

Re: Our Director of Youth Ministries

The Staff Support Committee announces with regret the resignation of Tom Parmenter as our Director of Youth Ministries effective July 31st. As many of you know, his wife Dori is finishing her PhD degree in Religion at Syracuse University this spring. Dori has recently accepted a teaching position in Old Testament Studies at Spaulding University in Louisville, Kentucky. This is a bitter/sweet announcement as Tom, Dori, Abby and Dori's parents, John and Susan Miller, are involved and beloved members of our congregation!

The whole congregation will have a time to celebrate Tom's ministry here on Sunday, July 20, before his departure. In the meantime please join me with prayers and encouragement for them as the spring and summer will be a busy time for Tom and our youth and also, for Tom and his family, as they make the transition to a new place.

Re: Our yearly review process

The Staff Support Committee sends this note of appreciation to you, our congregation, for your feedback this spring during our review process. We appreciate your help in completing forms to affirm the work of our Pastor and Staff as we continually engage in our shared ministry.

Re: The search for a new Director of Youth Ministries

Per our "Policy for Hiring Non-Ordained Staff" the Board approved the formation of a new Search Committee that met in early May to organize and begin its work. Members of the committee are: Paul Arras (secretary), Sue Boland, Rev. Even (ex-officio), Lisa Graniero, Toni Hines, Gloria Manuel (chair), Janet Press and Wendy Schmidt. We are presently placing ads in newspapers and on-line and request that if you know of anyone, you ask them to apply to the church with a résumé and faith statement. The job description has been revised and approved by the Board and we will begin interviews in June. We ask for your prayers for discernment as we proceed with our tasks.

Submitted by Gloria Manuel, Staff Support



Fellowship Committee

Isn't it nice to chat with people after church as we have our coffee and goodies? We think so too! This is your Fellowship Committee sending a friendly reminder to sign up to host a Sunday (chart posted on bulletin board near kitchen). If you'd like a little training, just see one of us. We appreciate the good response we have had and hope to see it continue through the summer.

(Mary Chamberlain, Kathy Clay and Marge Mahony)

From the Committee in Stitches

The **Committee in Stitches** continues to improve our fellowship facilities. They've recently purchased five more new banquet tables for Fellowship Hall. That's a total of fourteen so far! Thanks go out to Stu and Mary Jane Woodcock for delivering them. This enabled our church to "gift" Trinity Episcopal Church with five of the older, very heavy tables. The Committee also purchased lace tablecloths for the round tables for our more formal occasions. We thank these nimble fingered ladies for their ongoing contributions!



It's here...

**Automated External
Defibrillator!**



The AED discussed in the weekly bulletins and May newsletter has arrived and is in service.

It is located in the main hallway between the sanctuary and fellowship hall, at the top of the main staircase. There are signs visible from all directions indicating its location.

CPR /AED training is available at minimal cost, as is familiarization sessions with the AED for those already trained in CPR. Please watch the weekly bulletins for information on training sessions or contact the office.

While we hope that we never need to use the AED in an actual emergency, it's nice to know we have it, just in case.

Tabitha Circle

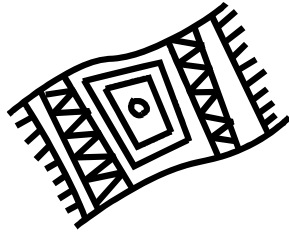
"Tabitha's Porch Party and Planning Meeting"
Wednesday, June 11 at 7:15 pm on Cindy Rosbrook's porch.
Bring a munchie to share (Drinks will be provided)
and some ideas for programs beginning in the fall.
Questions? Call Cindy at 682-7982."



The Annual Mission and Ministry Meeting of the United Church of Fayetteville will be held on Sunday, June 1st in the sanctuary prior to the serving of communion at the conclusion of 10:25 worship!

The Village Nursery School – located in the lower level of our church building is currently accepting applications for September enrollment. Children must be age 3 before December 1st and potty trained prior to the start of the school year. Call 637-9683 for more information.

Needed: Fleece all shapes and sizes



As you are cleaning out old trunks or fabric bins or walking through the clearance rack of fabric at a craft store— please keep us in mind. When Sunday School begins in the fall, the education branches will be collecting the fleece pieces you have gathered. On November 30th we will all sit down— the old, the not so old, younger and the young— to create **no sew scarves and blankets** for those who need them in Syracuse. Fleece prints, color and size don't matter as almost any can be turned into something warm for someone else. Please help us gather the warm material and share the warmth of Christ with others this winter.

A HUGE THANK YOU to Jim Spencer and The SU Brass Ensemble!



SU Brass Ensemble Spring Pops Concert '08 was held Saturday, May 17th, in the UCF sanctuary and was, as usual, enthusiastically received by an appreciative audience, as was the reception following the concert. With a theme of the “Silver Screen” and the Bachs (J. S. and P. D. Q.), the concert netted \$2,000 for UCF missions/ministries.

Heart-felt thanks to all of you who labored for and/or sponsored this endeavor—it couldn't have happened without you.

With rueful apologies, we include below an ad which was inadvertently omitted from the program.

“WOVEN DREAMS”

**Baskets and Basket Weaving Classes
by Marti Vasiliades
Fayetteville, NY**

**20th Annual Summer Weaving Classes
now forming for JULY 2008**

Call 637-5845 for Basket Class Schedule

CREATE YOUR OWN HEIRLOOM !!



United Church Congregational Care Ministry

Part of each member's ministry is to respond to the needs and hurts of others through prayer and other acts of caring. We also lift up joys and celebrations and offer thanksgiving to God for births, birthdays, anniversaries and other milestones in members' lives. To update this list please contact Cindy Rosbrook or Barbara Johnson.

BEREAVEMENTS:

to Glen and Iona Ries upon the death of their granddaughter, Julia Parker, who was killed in a fire on April 27th.

to Dorothy Terry upon the recent death of her sister in Arizona.

to Stu and Mary Jane Woodcock and their family upon the death of Stu's brother Dr. Leslie Woodcock Sr., who passed away on April 18, 2008.

ILL AND RECOVERING:

Francie Callahan
Barbara Johnson
Susan Larson
Dom Malara (currently at Sunnyside)
Virginia Pratt
Jane Richardson
Penny Sills

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

09 Brad & Connie Leech
12 John & Susan Miller
20 Bruce & Mary Hotchkiss

BIRTHDAYS:

01 Moo Park
03 Bob Cherry
06 Kathy Clay
06 Kyle O'Byrne
09 Haley Everding
12 McKenna Everding
13 Leona Schad
15 Michael Olmsted
16 Harold Appleby
16 Ann Chu
16 Donna O'Byrne
19 Edith Olmsted
19 Margaret Olmsted
22 Chikwa Bwalya
22 Anne Mackenzie
23 Pam Speer
24 Elizabeth Wenke
29 Ingrid Hatt
30 Janet Green

OUR HOMEBOUND:

Helen Brown (James Square)
Avis Clintsman (the Crossings in Minoa)
Marcia Ehlers (Wynwood #127)
Helen Jean Krathwohl (at home)
Frances Lee Muckley (Wynwood #116)
Ruth Law (Sunnyside Adult Home E-3)
Margory Sweetser (Home for Adults)

PRAYERS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Brianna (friend of D. Shepard)
Bill Chamberlin (T. Kuhns' cousin)
Camdyn Cross (D. & G. Sandle's granddaughter)
John Davies Jr. (local musician)
Rosemary Day (friend of B. McKean)
Brian & Gavin Donlan (D. Terry's grandsons)
Jennifer Edwards (C. Burke's daughter)
Theresa Falcone (R. Falcone's mother)
Cindy Graves (friend of W. Schmidt)
Ed Gridley (O. & C. Gridley's son)
Tom Groff (D. and B. Clark's son-in-law)
Jon Guttery (friend of E. Price)
Gordon Harkins (Diane Brundage's brother)
Ruth Hill (M.J. Woodcock's cousin)
Jane Hanlon (B. McKean's friends)
David Harrison (S. Harrison's brother)
Nancy Hines (Brad Hines' mother)
Rose Marie Juron (G. Baldwin's cousin)
Richard Lepley (Mary Doto's father)
Bob Mahony (M. Mahony's son)
Kent Maynard (L. Scharbach's brother)
Anne Perry (Gay Burch's mother)
Pamula Picciano (friend of L. Shepard)
Robin Regni (I. Regni's daughter)
Cherie Riggs (wife of Randy Riggs, former Associate UCF pastor)
Debbie Rockwell (K. Cherry's sister)
Ralph & Gladys Sandle (D. Sandle's parents)
Nan Songer (G. Ensher's friend)
Matt Spaulding (D. & C. Ashworth's son-in-law)
Ross Stuber (Lois Spitzer's brother)
Mary Lou Tornatore (B. McKean's friend)
Bernadette Welch (friend of B. McKean)
Alexandra Williams & Rhonda Williams (friends of Julie Higgins)
Cathi Willis (Brenda Hines' aunt)
Troops in Iraq and Afghanistan

PASTORAL EMERGENCIES:

In a pastoral emergency, please call the church office at 315-637-3186. If it is outside office hours, please be sure to leave a message on Dr. Even's voice mail (ext. 104), and call her home as well 315-445-3002.



Staff:

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Linda D. Even
Minister of Music & Worship:	Alice D. Hatt
Director of Church School Ministries:	Judy Spencer
Director of Youth Ministries:	Thomas Parmenter
Administrative Assistant:	Lisa Minutoli
Board Moderator:	David DeHority
Treasurer:	Scott Manuel
Asst. Treasurer:	Bob Craft

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Sunday Worship 10:25 AM - Child Care Provided
Summer Worship 9:25 AM begins on June 22
Fellowship immediately following worship!

Please submit your **Summer newsletter** articles to the church office by **Friday, June 20**.
Your promptness is always greatly appreciated!

UNITED CHURCH – JUNE 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Last Day of Sunday School 10:25 AM Worship with Annual Mission & Ministry Meeting Communion – Come Forward Teacher, Choir leader, Acolyte Recognition Reception of New Members 3:00 PM Piano Recital – 7:00 PM Sacred Circle/RR		7:00 AM Women's Cov/WL 8:00 AM FM Clergy-United Church of Fayetteville 8:30 AM Yoga/FH 11:30 AM Staff Mtg/WL 7:00 PM PCC/WL 8:00 PM Alanon	6:30 AM Men's Cov/WL 9:30 AM – 4 PM Presbytery Workshop/FH with luncheon 7:00 PM AED training 7:15 PM Joyful Sign/BL 8:00 PM Spanish Alanon/10	8:30 AM Yoga/FH 10:30 AM VNS Graduation 1:00 – 3:00 PM Circle of Hearts/BL	10:30 AM VNS Graduation 2:00 PM VNS Graduation	Set up for Commitment Meal in FH
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
10:25 AM Worship Commitment Sunday 11:45 AM Commitment Meal/FH	10-12 Clutterbug Circle/RR 5:30 – 9:00 PM Search Comm/WL 7:00 PM Onondaga Civic Orchestra Rehearsal/FH 7:00 PM Ed Branch Mtg/BL	7:00 AM Women's Cov/WL 8:30 AM Yoga/FH 11:30 AM Staff Mtg/WL 7:00 PM Worship & SL/WL 8:00 PM Alanon	6:30 AM Men's Cov/WL 7:15 PM Tabitha Circle/WL 8:00 PM Spanish Alanon/10	8:30 AM Yoga/FH	6:30 PM Country Dancers/FH	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
10:25 AM Worship Father's Day Graduation Sunday with Memorial Scholarship Awards 7:00 PM Sacred Circle/RR	6:00 PM Bridge Mtg/WL 7:00 PM Response Training/WL	7:00 AM Women's Cov/WL 8:30 AM Yoga/FH 11:30 AM Staff Mtg/WL 7:00 PM UC Board/WL 8:00 PM Alanon	6:30 AM Men's Cov/WL 8:00 PM Spanish Alanon/10	8:30 AM Yoga/FH	Newsletter Deadline FM Graduation	6:30 PM Country Dancers/FH
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
9:25 AM Summer Worship Begins	7:00 PM Staff Support Mtg	7:00 AM Women's Cov/WL 8:30 AM Yoga/FH 11:30 AM Staff Mtg/WL 7:15 PM Heart to Heart/RR 8:00 PM Alanon	6:30 AM Men's Cov/WL 8:00 PM Spanish Alanon/10	8:30 AM Yoga/FH		
29	30				27	28
9:25 AM Summer Worship Ordination and Installation of new officers					Education & Sunday Worship Schedule: 8:50 AM Youth Handbells Choir 8:50 AM Cherubs' & Children's Choir	9:00 AM Adult Forum, Bible Study, Parents Place 9:25 AM Church School Gathering 10:25 AM Worship 11:40 AM Fellowship Time

