

# ENDWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## JULY/AUGUST 2009 JOURNEY

**Our Vision:** *“To be a caring Christian community on a journey to follow Jesus.”*

### Hazy, Lazy Days of Summer

Do you remember as kids the joy of coming to the end of school and the long, hazy, lazy days of summer? As you got older, some of that free time was taken with summer jobs...or, sometimes, with summer school. But, there was still that sense of freedom and lack of real responsibility.

As adults, we may feel we don't have the luxury, time or resources for such frivolous stuff. Some in our midst are worried whether there will even be a job by the end of the summer. Others worry whether their investments will allow them the kind of retirement they had always planned to have. And many wonder if a vacation of any kind is a financial possibility this year.

So, in the current economic climate, we may need to hear words from scriptures reminding us that the Lord made the earth in six days and then rested; that observing Sabbath rest is not only important from a spiritual basis but also a health basis. Whatever the circumstances of your life this summer, I hope you will find some of that rest that we all require to do our best the rest of the year.

*Pastor Roger*

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## Parsonage for Rent

Bev Scudder anticipates moving into one of the new cottages at Good Shepherd Village of Endwell this fall. In anticipation, we are offering the parsonage for rent (probably beginning in November). It will be initially offered for an eight month period. Subsequently, it will be offered for one year periods. This is so the "contract" will end with the appointment year so that the parsonage may be made available if needed when there is a change in pastors. The rent is set at \$1,000/month including all utilities, snow removal and yard service. The parsonage has central a/c and includes three bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths, living room, dining room, family room, utility room and use of half of the garage. The parsonage is being offered for rent only to church members and constituents. Anyone interested in more information is asked to contact the church office.

## United Methodist Helpers

This year during Vacation Bible School (July 12-16) youth and adults are invited to come to the church where there will be many projects around the building needing to be done. Especially in the current economic climate, we cannot afford to hire people to do what we can do ourselves. So, come join others as we keep our facilities looking clean and well cared for. Dave Alexander has a long list with various skill levels plus there is always weeding to be done in the flower beds and vegetable garden.

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## Need for Ushers

We have seven individuals for the early service and eight teams for the late service. We are always in need of additional persons to help with our usher ministry at both services. The job is easy but very important. For more information or to volunteer, please contact the church office.

## Acolytes and Crucifers

We thank all of the young people who served as acolytes and crucifers this year. They are taking a break this summer. But a new schedule will be made this fall. Anyone who wants to be included is asked to call Jeanne Laubert at 239-4530 or send her an e-mail:

[jlaubert@razormortgage.com](mailto:jlaubert@razormortgage.com)

## Summer Office Hours

9:00—Noon and 1:00-4:00

Monday through Thursday

9:00-Noon Friday

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[www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org)

for lots of information  
about The UMC

## Recovery and Rebuilding Projects

We have had good news and bad news around the church lately.

- Good news is that we awarded a bid for renovating the rest rooms by the kitchen.
- Good news is that it was a little less than we had set aside for the project.
- Good news is that the work is to begin early in July.
- Further good news is that the windows have arrived for the Fireplace Room and we have adequate funding for them. They should also be installed in July.
- Bad news is that as we were checking the water and gas lines for the rest room project, we learned that the gas lines are located in the floor of the Fellowship Hall. NYSEG required that the line be checked and it did not pass inspection. Therefore, the gas line was shut off and must be replaced. Even if it had passed inspection it would still have to be replaced.
- Bad news is we have no hot water to that end of the building.
- Good news is that we are currently doing the required work hiring what has to be hired and using volunteers to do what we can.
- Bad news is that this project will cost over \$8,000. Donations to help pay this unexpected bill would be appreciated.

Finally, we continue to receive donations to complete the window project so that we can replace the windows in the Fellowship Hall by this fall. Because it would be very costly to replace the smaller windows near the ceiling, volunteers have been covering this area including insulation. We will need about an additional \$12,000 for this project and will order the windows once we have the necessary funds.

We thank the Board of Trustees and especially our custodian, Dave Alexander, for all of their work on these important projects. We will all benefit by these improvements.

### **Summer Worship**

**8:15 and 10:00 A.M.**

Fellowship Time between services

### **Fall Worship**

**8:15 and 10:30 a.m.**

Begins Rally Day, September 13th



## American Cancer Society "Relay for Life"

**Thank you** to the congregation for your support of "Jean's Kids", our EUMC "Relay for Life" team. With the help of your generous donations to the Fall Daffodil Bulb Sale, Soup Luncheon, Coins for Cancer, Coffee Sale and Luminaria sale we were able to raise over \$2,225 for Cancer research.

The Greater Binghamton Relay for Life event involved 100 teams and raised more than \$225, 000. Thanks again for your support of this important cause. Every dollar donated brings us closer to a cure!

## News from the Lord's Table



The Lord's Table Team Captains and the Mission Team have decided to suspend the Monday Night Dinners until the work on the gas line and the bathrooms has been completed. The lack of natural gas and water just makes it impossible to continue, but we will resume serving soon after the work is completed.

Although we aren't serving meals right now, we still have needs to be met. The pantry is low on canned goods. The large number 10 cans of fruit, vegetables and tomato products are always welcome. These are available at Giant, Wegmans, Sam's Club and Maines. Restocking the pantry while we are on break from serving will put us in great shape when we begin again this fall.

Also, we are running a **bottle drive** for Rally Day, September 13th, with the proceeds to supplement our budget line, which is used to purchase perishable items. So, please save your returnable cans and bottles during the long hot summer, and bring them to Rally Day!

As always, the Missions' Team **Thanks all of You** for your continued support.

## Calendar Items for July and August

### Every Sunday:

8:15 a.m.	Worship with Communion
9:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time
10:00 a.m.	Worship with Child Care

### Every Tuesday:

9:30 a.m.	Congregational Prayer Group
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### Every Thursday

6:30—8:00 p.m.	Weeding gardens
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### Vacation Bible School

6:00—8:00 p.m.	July 12 through July 16
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### Summer Meetings:

Board of Trustees	Monday, July 6th at 7:00 p.m.
Finance	Monday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m.

### Special Events:

Vestal UMC Staff	Monday, July 13th from 9:00-2:30
Red Cross Blood Drive	Saturday, July 25th, 8:00—1:00
Maistruck/Seiger Wedding Reception	Saturday, August 1st
Branca/LaMont Wedding	Saturday, August 8th

Refer to online Calendar

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Note: Pastor Roger heard Barbara Brown Taylor in May at the Festival of Homiletics and often quotes from her work in sermons. She is an excellent speaker and preacher.

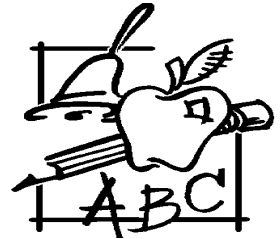


The family of Faris Kenien wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, food and memorials to the Building Fund in his memory.

Thank you also to the women of the Church, who provided a lovely luncheon following the funeral service. It was gratefully appreciated.

**The Endwell Nursery School** has a few openings still available for both the 3 and 4 year old programs.

If interested or if you have any questions, please contact our Director, Jennifer Anderson at (607) 798-8073.



Calling all campers for **Camp EDGE**

**VBS**

**July 12 - 16 6 - 8 p.m.**

see pg. 9 for the registration form

A **HUGE thank you** goes out to Dave Alexander, Steve Potter, Cheryl Strauss and Phyllis Smith for a wonderful job helping out on the end of the year picnic. Thank you for all your hard work.

*Tracy*



My family and I would like to thank everyone for your cards and prayers during the brief illness and recent passing of my mother, Patricia McNalley.

Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

*Karen & Brad Taylor and family*

VBS Form Registration  
July 12th - 16th - 6-8 p.m.

**Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Numbers** Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

**Age Information:**

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Last school grade completed \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Church** \_\_\_\_\_

**Allergies/Medical Information/Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contacts:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Dismissal Information:**

Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this child from VBS

**Other Information (church use only)**

Camper Group \_\_\_\_\_

Are parents helping with CAMP E.D.G.E. VBS? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Summer Fellowship Time**

( June 21st. - September 6th.)

will be held from **9 am to 10 am**  
**in the Fellowship Hall**

**All are Welcome - please join us.**



Help is needed to accomplish the following tasks  
during the summer months:

- Re-stain the bell area
- Install soffit on the outside of the Fellowship Hall windows
- Taping and painting in the following areas:
  - 1) Narthex
  - 2) Hallways in the Education Wing
  - 3) Nursery School rooms
- Pulling weeds in the shrub beds around the church
- Apply concrete seal on the new walk
- Apply driveway seal on the blacktop area leading to the office hallway, and walk leading to the Sanctuary
- Power wash and steam sanitize the folding chairs in the Fellowship Hall
- Hand cleaning and steam sanitize the tables in the Fellowship Hall
- Clean out the storage area in the garage, move and restack all the items in this area





**Our Sympathies to .....**

.....Brad and Karen Taylor and family on the death of Karen's mother, Patricia McNalley, on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

.....Jeff and Heidi Federko and family on the death of Jeff's mother, Jean Federko, on June 6<sup>th</sup>.

.....Jerry and Mary Robinson and family on the death of Mary's uncle, The Rev. Bill Bouton, on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

.....Barry and Sue Fetheroff and family on the death of Sue's father on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

.....Grace Finch and family on the death of Grace's son, Lee, on June 23<sup>rd</sup> in Rochester, NY.

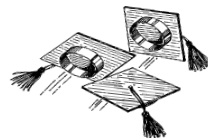
**Congratulations to .....**

....Lillian Van Arsdale and Justin Van Arsdale on the birth of Matthew Ferdinand, on June 11<sup>th</sup>.

....Richard and Marcy Cheeseman on the baptism of Alexis Elisabeth and Dominick Joseph Jay on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

....Mike and Patti Adams on the baptism of Rachael Anne and Stephanie Joan on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**.....Our High School and College Graduates:**



**....Our High School and College Graduates (continued):**

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personal information  
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### PRAYERS + PEOPLE + GOD = MIRACLES

During June, our Congregational Prayer Group and prayer chain members included the following church members in their daily prayers: Pastor Roger & Lisa, our Conference churches, Betty & Doug Oakey, Pat & Larry Vesely, Betty Rogler, Charlie Rider, Elin Schaller, Karyl Gadecki, Roy Carter.

Also during this same time frame, the following people were included as well: Mary Ann Piester, Ben Staples, John McNalley, Larry Lemcke, Hailey Coniber, Beverly Pettigrew, Cindy Minter, Joe Mahany, Charlie Tarricone, Stephanie Good, Theresa Knight, Cherie Savage, Andy Jones, Katie Staples, Dee Schira, Lee Finch, Ernie D’Gata, Sally Tallon, Becky, Louise Heckman, Vito DeCarlo, Bill Ditchey, Doug & Nellie Spitz, Our Country.

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Each week, we also pray for the men and women serving in our Armed Forces: Dan Geisenhof & Family, Alex Russell, Michael Stack, Tom Swartz, Nick Tokos.

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(Prayer requests can be advised either by calling the church office (754-5735) or contact any prayer member. If an address of the person needing prayers is also advised, a letter is sent to them, letting them know we have included them in our prayers.

### ON-GOING VISITS BY FRIENDLY VISITORS

Our Friendly Visitors volunteers continue their monthly visits to our home-bound and nursing home members. This very worthwhile visitation program has been much appreciated by our long-time church members. All have expressed their great praise for these visits and thoroughly enjoy talking and sharing of memories both past and current.

We warmly welcome our newest members of Friendly Visitors — **Jeannie Laubert, Bob Buttermore, and Mary Ann Buttermore** - Thank you to all of you for joining with our current visitors: Dottie Allen, Donna Buddenhagen, Marie Foster, Mary Jane and Myron Gregory, Barbara Herne, Florence Legenhausen, Shirley Orr, Bev Scudder, and Nettie Williams.

Grateful thanks and appreciation to **Janice Miller and Janet Van Housen** for being part of the Friendly Visitors. These giving ladies are taking a “leave of absence” from this ministry but hopefully will be back with us again soon.

If anyone would like to be a Friendly Visitor volunteer, please call Bev Scudder in the office, 754-5735.

## WORSHIP IN JULY

### July 5th—5th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Grace All Sufficient  
Text: II Corinthians 2:1-10;  
Mark 6:2-10

### July 19th—7th Sunday after Pentecost; Communion

Sermon: Out of Order  
Text: Mark 6:30-45, 53-56

### July 12th—6th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Shall We Dance?  
Text: II Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

### July 26th—8th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Sunday Dinner  
Text: Psalm 14; John 6:1-21



# WORSHIP IN AUGUST

## August 2nd—9th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: I Don't Feel Safe Here  
Text: I Kings 19:1-13; Psalm 16;  
Matthew 1:18-24

## August 16th— 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Seeking God in Real Time  
Text: Ephesians 5:15-20

## August 9th— 10th Sunday after Pentecost; Communion

Sermon: Bread of Life on a Low Carb Diet  
Text: John 6:35, 41-51

## August 23rd—12th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: Cover All Armor  
Text: Ephesians 6:10-20

## August 30th—13th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: When the Going Gets Tough  
Text: Exodus 13:1-20



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**Sunday Worship at 8:15 & 10:00**