

“Kicking the Can Down the Road”

On March 3rd, the Commission on General Conference of the United Methodist Church issued a press release announcing the postponement of General Conference... again. General Conference is the only body that can speak for the United Methodist Church and they are scheduled to meet every four years.

For those keeping track, General Conference was originally scheduled for May, 2020. Because of the pandemic, it was rescheduled for 2021. As 2021 rolled around and the world still remained in various stages of lockdowns and restrictions, it was moved to August of this year.

Everything was moving towards an in-person conference in 2022. Delegates were vaccinated and boosted. Those from outside the United States were actively pursuing visas which had become more complicated in light of the precautions against international travel. Still, many had already received their travel visas and the others were in process.

So, what happened? The committee of 24 representatives decided that by this August, it would still be unsafe and too many delegates would probably not be able to make it (the vote was 14 to 9 with 1 abstention). To this observer, it seems like those 14 overly-concerned individuals were focused on an unusually gloomy prediction considering that mass gatherings have largely re-entered our society. On my vacation last month, I attended a baseball game with over 20,000 others and no one thought of it as a “super-spreader” event.

Can you sense my frustration? The top item on the agenda is a vote on the “Protocol of Reconciliation and Grace through Separation” which is a document of mediated compromise addressing the division in the denomination over the authority of scripture and human sexuality. A vote that is long overdue.

Since 2019, we have been preparing for a global conference that will decide the future of the United Methodist Church and every time we get to the brink of decision, the entire affair is postponed – this time - 2 years from now!

What upsets me the most is that I personally don’t believe our laity, clergy and churches deserve this emotional roller-coaster. We deserve better. Something could have been done this year. We could have found a way to meet virtually (as the AME church did last year). We could have met with an abbreviated agenda to cover the pressing issues of the denomination. We could have even met in Africa where there were fewer restrictions (they offered).

But there’s nothing we can do about it now. General Conference will be held in 2024. The “Protocol...” will still be on the agenda. Life goes on.

So, here at UMC Webster, we’ll continue to focus on the mission that God has called us to: Love God, Love Others, Serve Jesus. There is a way for us to move away from the United Methodist Church, (keeping our building and assets) to a new denomination in the Wesleyan tradition or to become an independent church, but at this time it would be fairly complicated and financially prohibitive to do so. And the reality now is that the impending split in the denomination will always be hanging over our heads to some degree over the next two years.

As your pastor, I’m committed to doing our best for the kingdom of God by minimizing the distraction of separation. After all, the debates and conflicts tend to be more of an interruption to those of us in leadership than to the average church member. So, we will press on.

In this post-Easter season, we are reminded that we serve a risen Lord and no one is getting Jesus back in that tomb. Christ is alive. As the song says, when we turn our

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eyes on Jesus, the things of earth grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace!

I’m reminded of the prophet Jeremiah’s words to the Israelites: “For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)

The hope of this verse is in the future. There’s no denying that life is uncertain. The Israelites were exiled from their homeland, but Jeremiah gave them hope for the future. Can we see the hope promised to the exiles as the same kind of hope that can rescue us from our stalemate? After all, we may not know for certain everything our future holds, but we know who holds the future.

In Him,

Pastor Rick

Sermon Series:	
“Not in the Bible... (and What Is)”	
5/1	“God Works in Mysterious Ways”
5/8	“Cleanliness is Next to Godliness”
5/15	“God Won’t Give You More Than You Can Handle”
5/22	“God Wants Me to Be Happy”
5/29	“God Helps Those Who Help Themselves”
June Sermon Series: Continuing with “The Chosen” Season 2	
6/5	“Spirit”
6/12	“Unlawful”
6/19	“Reckoning”
6/26	“Beyond Mountains”

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PRAYERS OF COMFORT FOR:

- † Patrick Bleier and family as they grieve the death of Patrick's wife, **Jeanne M. (Schaubroeck) Bleier** on May 2, 2022.
- † Rick and Sandie Micha as they grieve the death of Rick's mother, **Joan M. (Buckman) Micha** on April 30, 2022
- † For Deborah Fletcher, Terry Mura, Bonnie Hess as they grieve the death of their mother, **Marilyn L. (Howk, Mura) Brienzi**, on April 25, 2022
- † Dan & Janet C. Vespone as they grieve the death of Dan's father, **Vito Vespone** on April 16, 2022
- † Teri & Charles Rumsey, and family as they grieve the death of Teri's mother, **Shirley M. Moldenhauer** on April 13, 2022

Sunday School Update:

May 29—last day of Sunday School for K thru 3rd grade

June 5—Our Sunday school children will be recognized at both services.

Our Military Personnel

....please keep them in your prayers

PFC Maclain Andrews (USA, reserves), Peter Freundschuh (USMC); SFC Scott Humphrey (ARNG); Cpl Aaron Kahler (USMC); SSGT Casey Weldon (USAF).

[Names in bold—these service people are currently deployed in the Middle East or another war area and need our special prayers]

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Continuing Health Concerns/Healing:

Jim Berg (health concerns, healing)
 Ruth Berg (health concerns);
 Angela Boehme (healing);
 Brian Campbell (healing);
 Kim Carey (healing, broken ankle)
 Kelly Corretore (healing);
 Mary Alice Feathers (health concerns);
 Nancy Gerber (health);
 Dorothy Humphrey (broken arm, health concerns)
 Virginia Jacobs (healing, health concerns);
 Anna Julian (health concerns);
 Deborah Moerschel (healing, treatments);
 Betsy Reed (health concerns);
 Beverly Rhodes (healing, continued lessening of pain),
 Bert Schwarz (health, healing);
 Marie Stewart (health concerns);
 Allura Streb (health concerns);
 Lee Zukoski (healing)



OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN NURSING HOME CARE:

Ruth Berg, Jim Berg, Ken Crissman, Mary Alice Feathers, Nancy Gerber, Betty Hess, Dorothy Humphrey, Lorrie Krueger, Betsy Reed.

For Continued Well-being:

Our Homebound Folks / Our College Students

Individuals or Families lifted in Prayer during **MAY**

- 5/01** Urso Family (Chuck & Theresa, Jason)
 Vaden Family (David & Kerry, Emily, Andrew)
 Shirley Vaden
 Van Orman Family (Matt & Molly, Mason, Michael)
 Vercant Family (Mike & Debby)
 Vespone Family (Janet & Dan)
 Vorhauer Family (George & Carol)
- 5/08** Pauline Walz
 Walz Family (Bill & Donna)
 Waske Family (Len & Ruth)
 Faith Weldon
 Karen Wheaton
 Anne White
 Whitlock Family (Dave & Kathy)
- 5/15** Wilkes Family (Glenn & Kate)
 Willard Family (Bob, Anna Wang, James)
 Bart Wilson
 Joyce Wooding
 Woodward Family (Dave & Linda)
 Young Family (Don & Carole)
 Jo Zimmerman
- 5/22** Zukoski Family (Lee & Jude)
 Abbett (John & Laura, Ashley)
 Alice Abbott
 Margaret Adams
 Altavela Family (Jeanette & Edd)
 Anderson Family (Bruce & Cindy)
 Andrews Family (Louise & Peter, Mac)
- 5/29** Anglum Family (Jimmy & Jennifer, Josh, Molly, Ryan, Jason)
 Kim Ashby
 Ashley Family (Tim & Lara)
 Marge Aukerman
 Staci Ayers
 Lois Bailey
 Baird Family (Adam & Stephanie, Landon)

Individuals or Families lifted in Prayer during **JUNE**

- 6/05** Betty Baker
 Baker Family (Jay & Kathy Dunham Baker)
 Barbic Family (Valerie, Grace Warren, Wesley Warren)
 Barczak Family (Jeremy & Jennifer, Benjamin)
 James Barringer, Jr.
 Sally Bauer
 Berg Family (Ruth & Jim)
- 6/12** Beadle Jr. Family (Herb, Mary)
 Kathy Berkes
 Patrick Bleier
 Angela Boehme
 Boehme Family (Roger & Gloria)
 Barb Boehmer
 Bondy Family (Marilyn & Peter)
- 6/19** Bonnett (Bob & Lyla)
 Lynn Bosley
 Sue Bottone
 Botumanchi Family (Manny & Sharon)
 Darrien Boyer
 Boyer Family (Jeff & Michele, Halle)
 Breed Family (Chris & Tina, Jacob, Joshua)
- 6/26** Brienza Family (Mike & Carol)
 Dorothy Brotsch
 René Brown
 Brundage Family (Earl & Marlene)
 Shirley Buntin
 Lucy Burdick
 Butler Family (Joshua & Jennifer, Paxton, Colton)

Youth & Family Ministry / Worship Services

As you are reading this, most kids in New York have 4 or 5 weeks of school left. College students are well into finals and wrapping up their spring semester. When the gift of a well-earned vacation looms, it can be hard to wait! We must remind ourselves to push through to the finish, trusting with excitement the reward will come.

At other times, our patience is tested with more challenging circumstances. Perhaps we are waiting on a diagnosis, or for a treatment plan. Maybe we're waiting on a child to finally come home or a spouse to change. Perhaps we're waiting for a paycheck to arrive or an answer to come.

And, then there are times when we are simply stuck with waiting on a decision. Sometimes our circumstances leave us in the wake of other people's choices. But, often, we find ourselves reaping what we've sown. Waiting can be emotionally and spiritually exhausting. I love the reminder the prophet Isaiah gives us about God's promise, "But those who wait on the Lord **shall renew their strength**. They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

Waiting on the Lord can take many forms. In my own life, sometimes it looks like a wrestling match. In the aftermath, there is clear evidence that a struggle took place. At other times, I am better able to humble myself and tap into the Lord's patience until the time comes that the answer is revealed and my strength is renewed. I don't struggle with the Lord, but instead I surrender and trust in Him. Patience and Trust go hand in hand.

Surprisingly, the Lord taught me about this through a

horse! When I was a teenager, I purchased a horse that had been abused by his previous owner. When I first started working with him, I couldn't even stand him on cross-ties without him breaking into a full body sweat and trembling. He broke countless sets of cross-ties, and I had to chase and coax him back to the barn on a pretty regular basis. But, over time, tacking up and going for a ride was no big deal. He started looking for me and if I didn't arrive on schedule he became upset. Before I left for college he began to lose his eyesight, but I took him with me anyway and we spent the first semester trail riding through the Catskills. As he got older, he became completely blind. Many people, including my veterinarian, warned me about the dangers of working with a blind horse, let alone riding one. But, I had learned that patience developed trust, and when practiced regularly they were inseparable. When my horse was hurting and scared, I was patient. The barn manager frequently commented on how quiet I was. She often didn't know I was in the barn, sometimes for hours, until I accidentally surprised her. I was there slowly, quietly, patiently building trust with my horse. My patience with him led to a trust that was so great that we were able to continue trail riding for years after his eyesight was gone. We rode over all types of terrain, sometimes with just a halter and a lead rope - no saddle, bit, or bridle. He trusted that I was good and I would lead him on a safe path, and I trusted he would carry me.

The lesson I learned from an abused Appaloosa, was that consistency was key. Patience had to be practiced at every encounter. And, when patience was regularly applied, trust grew. I also learned the importance of being quiet. Being loud around a horse is pointless; they don't understand human language so if you're speaking it's only to hear yourself speak. Quietly pondering your next move, being gentle in your spirit, and listening were far more valuable to the relationship than any words I could speak.

For those of you in a season of waiting, I encourage you to patiently push through by trusting in God's goodness until the time comes that your strength is renewed. Quietly wrestle with the Lord if you need to, but ultimately humble yourself and surrender to His plan.

In Him,

Wendy McVeigh

Sunday Worship Services

***9:00 AM — Traditional Worship—in the sanctuary, and online**

***10:30 AM — Contemporary Worship—in Fellowship Center and Online.**

- ♦ Recommended: wear a mask/ face covering if you are unvaccinated or are more comfortable wearing a mask when around other people.
- ♦ **We are accessible for persons with disabilities.**

ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICES—from our homepage

9:00 AM: LIVESTREAM

10:30 AM (Face Book :UMC of Webster) or Youtube

Our Sunday worship services are broadcast on the Webster TV channel 1303, Sundays at approximately 2:30 pm.

We Celebrate with the following couples these special MAY Anniversaries

5/04	Margaret & Leslie Shuttleworth	54 years!
5/05	Marlene & Earl Brundage	59 Years!
5/05	Susan & Jim Goodman	15 yrs.
5/11	Mary & Herb Beadle	59 Years!
5/14	Jennifer & Elliot Cave	5 yrs.
5/18	Melissa & Matt Cahill, Sr.	20 yrs
5/18	Lorilyn & Edward Jones	48 yrs.
5/18	Erika & Shawn Morse	20 yrs.
5/19	Tracy & Bill Nowak	38 yrs.
5/20	Daphne & Paul Mooney	33 yrs.
5/25	Jaime & John Graziose	31 yrs.

We Celebrate with the following couples these special JUNE Anniversaries

6/01	Stephanie & Kevin Cummings	20 yrs.
6/02	Jennifer & Jeremy Barczak	4 yrs.
6/04	Barb & Jim Schneider	6 yrs.
6/10	Swapna Prathipati & Rajesh Saripalli	11 yrs.
6/10	Kate & Glenn Wilkes	61 YEARS!
6/13	Ruth & Len Waske	58 Years!
6/17	Charlene & Charles Miner	22 yrs.
6/18	Cindy & Bruce Anderson	51 Years!
6/20	Sharon & Jeff Scott	29 yrs.
6/21	Wendy & Dan McVeigh	25 yrs.
6/21	Bobbi & Dave Olson	47 yrs.
6/22	Jennifer & Jimmy Anglum	31 yrs.
6/22	Chris & Tim Uetz	31 yrs.

Upper New York Annual Conference postponed due to COVID-19 concerns

The Sessions Committee of the Upper New York Conference gathered by Zoom on the morning of Thursday, April 21 to discuss growing concerns about the uptick in COVID-19 cases in Upstate New York and throughout the United States. ...

Annual Conference **will be postponed to Oct. 6-8**, and it will be a virtual gathering. The plan is to use the same technology that was used at the 2021 virtual Annual Conference gathering, which was relatively well received.

Prayer Chain

Anyone may call our prayer chains or the church to request special prayer for themselves or someone close to you, at any time. You may call our prayer leader and she will send the prayer(s) throughout the chains. Please remember that your requests are kept confidential, unless you state that you want someone listed in the bulletins.

Our leader is: **Barb Boehmer (585-787-9754)** or **prayers4u@umcwebster.org**.

Note: each week our prayer team and the members of the congregation pray for the people of the congregation...we work through our families alphabetically. During the week you or your family is being prayed for - feel free to call the church office if you have a specific concern that needs prayer.

Stay Connected!

There are lots of ways to stay connected with our children, youth, and family programs and events. Here are a list of resources:

♦ UMC Webster website: www.umcwebster.org

And don't forget to follow:

UMC Webster, Switch Youth Group, and UMC Webster Kids Ed on: **Facebook, Instagram, and twitter!**

Online Offerings 2022

Offerings—you may give designated offerings online ... using this symbol with your smart phone, or on our website: www.umcwebster.org, click online giving.



**ROCHESTER RIDGEMEN
BASEBALL – 2022**

Would you like to be a Host Family this June & July for two college baseball players?

The Rochester Ridgemen Baseball Team is a joint ministry effort of Athletes in Action (AIA), a division of Cru (previously known as Campus Crusade) and Athletes in Rochester, the local arm of AIA - <https://goridgemen.com>.

The Team will be arriving here on June 1st to play in the NY Collegiate Baseball League. Their home games will be at the Basket Road Field in Webster. In addition to developing their baseball skills the players will be participating in a daily discipleship program and will be using their baseball skills as a tool to reach people for Christ. If you would be interested in being a Host Home please contact Bob Elliott – bobelliott585@gmail.com for more information.

Bishop Mark Webb meeting with Laity in June

Next month, Upper New York Area Resident Bishop, Mark J. Webb, will be hosting regional gatherings with laity for a time of worship, conversation, and celebration of mission and ministry. This will be a time to converse about the current realities within the UMC and the opportunities found in our call to live out the mission of Jesus Christ for today and into the future.

The following are the dates and times for the gatherings closest to Webster with Bishop Webb:

June 12, 2022 @ 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 PM at [LeRoy UMC](#)

June 12, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 PM at [Liverpool First UMC](#)

This May...

**Red Cross Blood Drive
Thursday, May 12, 2022**

2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

UMC Webster Fellowship Center

Blood supplies are very low—so your help in participating in giving blood is critical now.

To Sign-up to give blood:

Call: 1-800-733-2767

Website: www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive; once on this site, put in the zip code: 14580, scroll to the date.



GIVING IN RESPONSE TO WAR IN UKRAINE

Individuals can give directly to the Ukrainian people through our church offerings by writing a check to the UMC of Webster with **Advance #14053A** in the memo line of the checks. These checks / or cash (in envelope with **Advance #14053A** on it) can either be placed in an offering box, or given through our online giving link – use the dropdown arrow – to choose “Crisis in Ukraine”.

The Ukraine UMC has created a crisis committee that will oversee all the global support that is coming in through **UMCOR's Advance #14053A** “Eurasia in Mission Together - Ukraine and Moldova.” The money channeled through this Advance fund will go to the Ukraine UMC church account and decisions on how this will be used will be considered by the crisis committee, which includes pastors as well as lay leaders.

NOTE – remember that all these designated funds have **NO** administrative fees taken out of the relief efforts – **100% goes to each designated advance#.**



Baby Bottle Fundraiser



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Motivating one another to acts of love and good works — Hebrews 10:24

Amazon Smile ...Did You know?

There are a number of folks who have signed up at amazon.com to be a part of amazonsmile.com. This is a program where simply by signing up and picking a charity (we ask you to sign up to support United Methodist Church of Webster) - a percentage of your purchases (pre-tax) is sent to our church every quarter. What it does NOT do—it doesn't change your purchase prices at all! No impact to you at all; and no information about what you purchase is given to us.

So far this year—2022—we have received a total of **\$62.80** towards our general budget! So yes, it really does help to sign up on amazon to participate in amazonsmile. **Thanks so much to everyone who have signed up!**

Looking for ways to connect?...

We always have great ways to begin connecting within the church; some requiring just small time commitments!

Please contact the church office to connect into a ministry !

Ways to connect on Sundays:

1. **Ushers**—you can volunteer for either service; on a rotating basis.
2. **Greeters**—there's nothing like getting a friendly greeting as you walk into church. If you're a friendly person, we'd love to talk with you about being a greeter.
3. **9AM Coffee Hour hosts** —we'd love to re-start having 9 am coffee hour—but need a minimum of 8 persons (2 per Sunday) , but preferably 10, to start a new team of hosts. So far, we have 2 people signed up to be hosts.
4. **10:30 AM Coffee Baristas**— this service has an ongoing coffee service (our baristas), but we could use a few more volunteers on Sundays. No, you don't have to be a 'real' barista. We provide the simple training necessary.
5. **Media**—both services: we could really use more people to either input the information into the slides for services; and/or people to run the slides during the services. ALL training is provided—you don't have to be a computer whiz to do these tasks. Older youth ARE welcome as well as all other folks.
6. **Sound** — both services, for Sunday services, as well as for funerals. Again, all training is provided.
7. **Funeral receptions**—servers and “cookie bakers”, please contact either the church office or Bobbi Olson.

Coming Events

Hosted by: United Methodist Church of Webster,
with Webster Christian Reformed Church

NATIONAL DAY of Prayer



May 5, 2022
@ 7:00 PM

169 E Main St. Webster, NY 14580

www.umcwebster.org



VBS Teen Helpers

Teen helpers for Vacation Bible School at UMC Webster are needed. We would love to have you serve on our VBS staff and help the children celebrate God's greatness.

Dates: July 18 - 22 **Time:** 9:30 - 11:45 AM
(staff arrives at 9:00 AM)



Please let us know no later than **May 18th** if you will be serving. RSVP to Mrs. Keesom (ekesom@gmail.com). Include your t-shirt size as we will have some very cool VBS t-shirts for our staff.
*Our important **VBS staff meeting** is **Tuesday, June 14** from 6:00 - 7:30 PM in the Fellowship Center and includes pizza for dinner. Save the date. You'll hear more details soon.

Vacation Bible School

Monday - Friday

July 18 - 22

9:30 - 11:45 AM



United Methodist Church of Webster

169 East Main Street 265-9720

Registration begins May 15th

Pre-K through completing 5th grade

Children must be at least three years old by 1/1/22

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Fellowship Center

May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion 9:00 AM Pre-K ; K to 3rd classes- lower level 9:00 AM Traditional service- sanctuary 10:30 AM PreK; K to 3rd classes - lower level 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Ctr.) 10:30 AM Food Cupboard Collection 11:45 AM SALT: Sr., HS & College	2 7:00 PM Caring Choices Study (OH- lrg room)	3 10:00 AM Olson grp (Youth room) 10:00 AM Pastoral Staff (Conf rm) 4:00 PM GriefShare (Garden rm.) 7:00 PM SPRT (Garden Rm.)	4 1:00 PM Al-Anon (Narthex) 5:30 PM Faith-in-Action team (Garden room) 6:00 PM Dinner: Switch Youth & Club 4:12 - Fell ctr. 6:30 PM Club 4:12- Lower level 6:30 PM SwitchYouth grp (Fell ctr / Youth rm) 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal- choir rm	5 6:30 PM Worship Band Rehearsal 7:00 PM National Day of Prayer - sanctuary	6 10:00 AM J. Bleier Funeral & reception (sanct/ Fell Ctr.) 10:30 AM K. Friedler grp (OH/Liv 1)	7 9:00 AM WCA Global Simulcast (sanctuary)
8 Baby Bottle Fundraiser Mother's Day 9:00 AM Traditional service- sanctuary 9:00 AM Pre-K ; K to 3rd classes- lower level 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Ctr.) 10:30 AM PreK; K to 3rd classes - lower level	9 6:30 PM B. Roof Disciple grp (OH-Liv1) 7:00 PM Caring Choices Study (OH- lrg room)	10 4:00 PM GriefShare (Garden rm.) 6:30 PM Worship Band Rehearsal 7:00 PM Administrative Council Mtg. (Garden rm)	11 12:45 PM Parkinson's support grp - Fell Ctr. 1:00 PM Al-Anon (Narthex) 6:00 PM Dinner: Switch Youth & Club 4:12 - Fell ctr. 6:30 PM SwitchYouth grp (Fell ctr / Youth rm) 6:30 PM Club 4:12- Lower level 7:00 PM Exploring Membership- session 3 (Garden rm) 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal- choir rm	12 12:00 PM set-up: Blood drive (Fell Ctr.) 2:00 PM Red Cross Blood Drive (Fellowship Ctr.) 5:30 PM Grace House- Food Drop-off (Curtice Park entrance) 7:00 PM Clean-up (Fell Ctr.) 7:00 PM Finance Team (Garden room)	13 9:00 AM Pre-school: Mommy & Me (outside) 10:30 AM K. Friedler grp (OH/Liv 1) 12:30 PM Pre-school: Mommy & Me (Outside)	14 8:30 AM Church Work Day
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June 2022

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5 Pentecost: Membership Sunday SS Kids Recognition Food Cupboard Collection Communion 9:00 AM Traditional service- sanctuary 10:00 AM Food Cupboard Collection 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Ctr.) 11:45 AM SALT: Sr. HS & College	6	7 10:00 AM Pastoral Staff (Conf rm)	8 12:45 PM Parkinson's support grp - Fell Ctr. 1:00 PM Al-Anon (NartheX) 6:00 PM Dinner: Switch Youth & Club 4:12 - Fell ctr. 6:30 PM SwitchYouth grp (Fell ctr/ Youth rm) 6:30 PM Club 4:12- Lower level 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal- choir rm	9 5:30 PM Grace House- Food Drop-off (Curtice Park entrance) 6:30 PM Worship Band Rehearsal	10 9:00 AM Pre-school Celebration (Outside/ Fell Ctr.) 12:30 PM Pre-school Celebration (outside/ Fell Ctr.)	11
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19 Father's Day Return filled Baby Bottles 9:00 AM Traditional service- sanctuary 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Ctr.) <div>...Youth Retreat</div>	20	21 10:00 AM Pastoral Staff (Conf rm) 6:30 PM Caring Choices Board Mtg (Garden rm)	22 1:00 PM Al-Anon (NartheX) 6:00 PM Dinner: Switch Youth & Club 4:12 - Fell ctr. 6:30 PM SwitchYouth grp (Fell ctr/ Youth rm) 6:30 PM Club 4:12- Lower level 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal- choir rm	23 6:30 PM Worship Band Rehearsal	24	25
26 9:00 AM Traditional service- sanctuary 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Ctr.) 11:45 AM SALT: Sr. HS & College	27	28 6:00 AM Primary Election voting site - Fell ctr. 10:00 AM Pastoral Staff (Conf rm) 7:00 PM Buildings & Grounds (Garden room)	29 1:00 PM Al-Anon (NartheX) 6:00 PM Dinner: Switch Youth & Club 4:12 - Fell ctr. 6:30 PM SwitchYouth grp (Fell ctr/ Youth rm)	30 6:30 PM Worship Band Rehearsal	1	2



MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/01 Norma Hildreth
 5/02 Angela Boehme
 5/03 Lisa Hickey, Bill Nowak
 5/04 Debra Flannery, Levi Flores, Bridget Jerzak,
 Zenas Makka
 5/05 Dan McVeigh
 5/06 **James Barringer**
 5/07 Joshua Cookinham, David Corretore
 5/09 David Storck, Andrew Vaden
 5/10 **Marge Aukerman**, Theresa Urso
 5/12 Ariana Cookinham, David Hockenberger
 5/14 Rex Spencer
 5/15 Bob Willard
 5/16 Don Cedruly, Tim Uetz
 5/18 Jim Ludington
 5/19 Doug Locke
 5/21 Betsy Perry, Kaitlyn Tagliente
 5/24 Todd Hewitt, Stephanie Lang-Link
 5/25 Julie Melton
 5/26 John Graziose, Carolyn Johnson, Kate Wilkes
 5/27 Darrien Boyer, Rylee Silinskie
 5/29 Ken Friberg
 5/31 Nolan Flores, Lochlan Hamway



*** If you or an immediate family member would like to have your birthday listed—please contact the church office.
Names in BOLD—celebrating a 90+ birthday.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

6/01 Courtney Patric, Nancy Stiles
 6/03 Nancy Marion, Lisa Miner
 6/04 Dennis DeYoung, Heidi Hewitt, Patti Hill
 6/05 Matthew Newell
 6/07 Reese O'Connor
 6/10 Ellie Resurreccion
 6/11 Deborah Moerschel
 6/12 Steve Carey, **Lloyd Relyea**
 6/13 Jackie Campbell, Kelly Corretore, Jason Urso
 6/14 Chuck Urso
 6/15 Paxton Butler, Jim Harris
 6/16 Mike Fortner
 6/17 Amy Meisner, Bruce Thayer
 6/18 Jason Anglum, Roger H. DeMott
 6/19 Beth Keesom
 6/20 Matt Cahill, Jr., Emma Patric
 6/21 Nate Cookinham, Rae Friberg
 6/22 Meghan Cummings
 6/23 Claire Flores
 6/26 Lorrilyn Jones
 6/27 Charlene Miner
 6/29 Pete Nesbitt, Don Pegelow



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Hold onto your hats, it's coming back... The 27th Annual Hot Dog Sale!



at the United Methodist Church of
 Webster
 (169 E Main St., Webster)
 Sponsored by the Faith in Action/Mission Team
Thursday, July 14th
5:00 pm, next to the church
(Main Street)

We have a great time doing this event; the entire community is invited, and you get to watch the parade too. Everyone is welcome to come, eat, and watch the Firemen's Parade on Main Street - in front of the church!

Be watching for coming details!



Behind the Scenes Help Needed- Slide Input

Are you looking for a way to serve your church?
 Would you like to be able to work at a time which is convenient for you without having to attend any meetings?
 Are you comfortable with computers?

The Slide Input Team might be the perfect fit for you. Every week the Slide Input Team prepares the slides you see on the screen, truly enriching the worship experience for those in the congregation and at home. This input process can be done from home and is done on a rotating basis, requiring only a few hours of your time each month. Training will be provided! **Please contact the church office: office@umcwebster.org, or Jennifer Anglum.**

Serving in MAY**Ushers:****9:00 AM— sanctuary**

Ron Jerzak, Joanne Smith, Jean Tranquill, Carl Holland

9:00 AM Greeters

5/1 Ellen Mack
 5/8 Laurie Dutcher
 5/16 George Haskins
 5/22 Andy Ludwig
 5/29 Janet Vespone

10:30 AM: Ushers in Fellowship Ctr.

5/1 Wendy DeWitte, Tracy Nowak
 5/8 Carol Johnson, Darryl Jones
 5/16 Jay Baker, Judy Harris
 5/22 John Graziose, Jaime Graziose
 5/29 Judy Harris, Tracy Nowak

Serving in JUNE**Ushers****9:00 AM: sanctuary**

Bart Wilson, Eva Polito, Patrick Fulkerson, Joanne Smith

9:00 AM Greeters

6/5 Alana Carrozo
 6/12 Andy Ludwig
 6/19 Nancy Stiles
 6/26 Chrissy Freundsuh

Ushers 10:30 AM: in Fellowship Ctr.

6/5 Jay Baker, Darryl Jones
 6/12 Carol Johnson, Judy Harris
 6/19 John Graziose, Jaime Graziose
 6/26 Jay Baker, Tracy Nowak



FOOD CUPBOARD SUNDAYS

The first Sunday of each month we collect non-perishable foods and money which go to help designated ministries in Webster or the greater Rochester area.

♦ **MAY 1**— is Food Cupboard Sunday. Food and money donations to the food cupboard will be given to **ESWA (Easter Service Workers Association) in Rochester, for people in need**

In Rochester,

♦ **JUNE 5** — is also a food collection Sunday of non-perishable foods and money donations, which will be given to **House of HOPE (HH) in Webster, for people in need.**

Please be sure to mark the your envelope: “Missions / Food Cupboard”.

Please bring your non-perishable food donations to church on Sundays, where they will be collected inside the Curtice Park entrance). These monthly donations will go to... helping the needy in the Rochester and Webster areas. Money donations for fresh foods may be sent by check to UMC Webster; you may designate your donation to “Missions / Food Cupboard”, or go online and give through our website.

Reaching Out / Getting Involved:

Local Ministries:

- Food Cupboard Sunday—we collect non perishable food items the **1st Sunday of each month** / and monetary donations any Sunday (Mission envelopes in pew pockets or on tables)
- Caring Choices - 35 Curtice Park (next to church) Free Pregnancy & STD testing. Volunteering opportunities.
- Grace House Rochester—we prepare and drop off dinner items the **second Thursday** of each month.
- Open Door Missions—we post the current list of needs in the communications center. You may deliver your donations directly to Open Door Mission
- Donate Gently used Clothing: we deliver to HOPE House (Webster) & Asbury Store House (Rochester)

National Ministries:

- **Red Bird Mission Trip – July 31-Aug 5**

Global Ministries:

- ⇒ Haiti Medical Mission Trip—postponed
- ⇒ Project Chacocente: www.outofthedump.org

Making a Difference in People's Lives!

Our Easter Offering: Update Your offerings totaled: **\$3590!**



This means that...

\$1795 was donated to the **Ukrainian relief efforts**
Additionally, \$1795 has been put in a designated fund for a **future refugee family.**

Grace House of Rochester Prepared Dinner Items & Needs

Please consider signing up to provide **PREPARED Dinner items, FOR 20 Men.** We invite everyone to donate a dish. Please be sure to sign-up, and let us know what you are bringing. The Menu for each month's dinner is available in the communication center.

ON:

♦ **May 12, 2022**

♦ **June 9, 2022**

- The menus for each month are included in the emailed weekly news: each email is updated (items that are still needed).
- If you don't get email but want to donate food—please contact the church office for that month's menu needs, or come in and check the menu in the communications center.

We are also asking for donations of Toiletries, Cleaning Supplies and fresh & non-perishable foods for the men in residence at Grace House.

➤ We will accept these items (along with the prepared dinner items) on Thursday, May 12, and June 9th from 5:30 to 6:30 PM, at the Curtice Park entrance. Pastor Rick or a Faith-in-Action team member will be there to accept your donations.

Questions –

office@umcwebster.org, or call church office or Ruth Waske .

What: Our ministry to serve men coming out of confinement and working hard to be re-established in community life.

We have 2 special funds that you are invited to contribute to: envelopes are available, as well as online giving.

- * **Higher Education Scholarship Fund.** Our church has created our own scholarship fund for our students going on towards: trade school or special certifications, or college. We have a team that oversees the fund and the applications. The application form may be found on our website: click on resources tab, then the download link.
- * **Fellowship Renovation Fund.** Our Fellowship Center just had new flooring installed, making it more welcoming for a variety of uses—such as dinners and receptions, and of course as a worship center.

We RECYCLE!!!

Through your recycling efforts we are able to collect and give:

- ♦ **FOR NY State DEPOSIT bottles and cans** (only those items that say “NY”) - We do accept CLEAN, empty FOR DEPOSIT cans and bottles. The proceeds benefit our hospitality and youth ministries.
- ♦ Eyeglasses to the **Lions Club**. They deliver them to regional Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers (LERCs). LERC volunteers clean, sort by prescription strength and package the glasses. Most of the recycled glasses are distributed to people in need in developing countries where they will have the greatest impact.
- ♦ Cell phones to **“HOPE Line”** from Verizon Wireless. This ministry supports victims and survivors of Domestic abuse. Hope Line provides ways for individuals to take action against domestic violence by donating no-longer-used wireless phones and accessories in any condition from any service provider. Verizon turns these resources into support for domestic violence organizations and programs nationwide.
- ♦ Used toner & ink cartridges to the **Webster Public Library**. They receive money for the used cartridges/toners.

United Methodist Women's Circle:

is no longer meeting.
Call Mary Beth for more info:
585-265-0097.

Bible Study ~ open group

➤ **Last meeting for this season—May 19th!**

Women's Blessing Group—1st Thursday of the month, at 5:00 PM in the Garden room.

Questions: Nancy Eaton (585-507-6653) or Chris Uetz (uetz@rochester.rr.com).

Small Groups /Studies

Small groups (30+ groups) are meeting. If you'd like to participate in a group—please contact our Lay Leader, Brenda Roof at BRoof@umcwebster.org, and she will help you connect with a group.

Children & Youth Classes

Sundays:

Nursery: infants 0 thru 2 years, during both church services. Our child care provider, Molly Anglum, will care for your child in our lower level nursery....all year

Sunday school—Last day: May 29th, Recognition Sunday is June 5th.

- ⇒ **Kindergarten through 3rd** - meet during each service.
- ⇒ **Salt Youth** (senior high through college) - meet after the 10:30 Am service for lunch, talk and mission opportunities...continuing thru the summer.

***NOTE: "Crying rooms" available during the services:**

- ♥ **9:00 AM— The Garden room** (next to the sanctuary), there is a live feed of service in this room.
- ♥ **10:30 AM—The Youth room** (off of hallway, behind the Fellowship Center) is open Sundays, and also has a "live feed" of the services in there.

Wednesdays:

Club 4:12 - for 4 and 5th grades:

- **6:00 PM—pre-teens meet in the Fellowship Center** for dinner with Switch youth
- **6:30 to 7:30 PM—Club 4:12** meets in the lower level 4th & 5th grade classroom
- **During the Summer—will meet most Wednesdays at the McVeigh Home, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm—be sure to check your emails for information.**

***To have your children be included in our classes/groups—please be very sure to email Wendy McVeigh at: pastorwendy@umcwebster.org.**

Youth Ministry

(Junior & Senior High)

- ⇒ Our **SwitchYouth group** is meeting during school year on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM—for a quick dinner, and then the group begins at 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm, in the Fellowship Ctr.
- ⇒ **During the summer—**Most Wednesdays at 7:30 pm at the McVeigh's home, please check your emails for info.

The youth group is for grades 6 through 12, led by Wendy McVeigh, Director of Family Ministries. Contact Wendy by email, or at church: 585-265-9720.

with questions or to get connected to this group.

➤ **Please check the church website, or** Check out the **youth news on the UMC Webster website at:**

www.umcwebster.org

Ongoing Community Groups -

- ♦ **AI-Anon—**Wednesdays @ 1:00 PM (church, Heritage Hall—outside sanctuary (narthex)
- ♦ **Parkinson's Support Group—**meeting. monthly, 2nd Wednesdays @ 1:00 pm—Fellowship Center.

Website: www.UMCwebster.org
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Buildings and Grounds Team...

is asking for helpers for their monthly work days at church. They usually meet and work at the church on the 3rd Saturday of each month (but please check the online calendar first). Each month there will be a task list—usually a variety of things that need to be accomplished.

There is always something for someone to do, either skilled repairs or something as simple as dusting in a variety of areas, or polishing the pews/ woodwork.



☼ Yes, you can simply show up, although it would be helpful to know that you are coming (it's easier to plan the work that will get done).

Questions or to sign-up: Patrick Fulkerson at 585-787-2574 or pfulkerl@rochester.rr.com

Flowers for the Altar



A special way to remember or honor loved ones, or special people in your life!

You are invited to place one or more orders for flowers to be in the sanctuary for a particular Sunday—your choice (except Easter & Christmas). A regular flower arrangement is **\$45**, although you can pay more for larger arrangements. Our beautiful arrangements are created by Kittelberger's Florist. **To order — email church office or use the flower book by the prayer box, in Heritage Hall, outside the sanctuary.**

Tower Notes Newsletter

UMC Webster's bi-monthly newsletter.

To subscribe, (email or print) contact Faith Jones at:

office@umcwebster.org

Weekly Email to Parents

Weekly electronic updates/information for parents; includes a monthly calendar of Children's, Youth, and Family activities.

To subscribe:

Pastorwendy@umcwebster.org

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Fax: 585-265-9721.

Admin. Assistant: Faith Jones:

office@umcwebster.org.

- **Weekly Bulletin (Information)**
Deadlines: Thursdays, 10:00 am.
- **Newsletter Article/Info**
Submission Deadlines: 18th of each month (emails are great) //
- **Receiving the Newsletter:** by either email (pdf format), or snail mail or both email & mail
- **Address Changes:** As soon as you know it! (Post Office does NOT forward newsletters). We get charged .68 cents for each newsletter returned.
- **emails changes:** just send an email using your new address.