

Whiteface Community

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sid Ward celebrates his birthday on June 16th.

June 17th Donna Changelo celebrates her birthday.

Jenn Cantwell celebrates her birthday on June 19th

June 21st Nancy Rine celebrates her birthday.

July 1st Jan Ward Celebrates her birthday.

Carol McDonald celebrates her birthday on July 23rd.

On July 28th Connie Morrison celebrates her birthday.

Church Staff

Russ Mulvey – Choir/Bell
Choir Director

Eric Klotzko – Pianist

Jeremie/Ashley Fish –

Administrative Assistant

Don Morrison – Lay Leader

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A Note From the Pastor

Knowing Our Why

Why do we do what we do? Why do you come to church? Why do you serve on those church committees? Why do you teach the church children, work at the Riverside Thrift Shop, greet or usher on Sundays, or whatever it is you do?

There are lots of things to do and lots of reasons for doing them. But having a Why that connects to your passion is what keeps you inspired and forward-moving. It is reinforced by the successes that are attached to our Why. So, for example, when the Church Growth Team holds an event and defines the Why as: We want to bring people to the church so that we can begin to build relationships, then our measure of success will be the number of people who attended and how many we had conversation with. In Kids Club, our Why is to help children build a relationship with Christ. So our measure of success would not be the number of children who attend, but rather, the stories of how children are growing in their knowledge, love and modeling of Christ.

Stories are the best way to share why we do what we do in church. Here is one that I shared in a recent Sunday worship service. And I give you permission ahead of time to share it. On a recent Monday afternoon during Kids Club, after having snacks, running relay races outside, doing a project and singing, it was time for Ms. Bonnie to tell a Bible story. One little boy was finding it hard to focus, but he finally settled next to Ms. Jenn, and ultimately on her lap. Ms. Bonnie began to tell how she was not sure what Bible story to tell but she felt God prompting her to tell about how Jesus welcomed the children. The children were enrapt. When she was finished, the little boy on Ms. Jenn's lap raised his hand and said, "Ms. Bonnie, I know how you knew to tell us that story. It's because Jesus told you and Jesus is inside of you." From his sitting place, right there wrapped in God's love himself, he recognized Christ. He experienced Jesus. The smile on his face at that moment is one I will never forget. This is why we run Kids Club....to help children build a relationship with Christ. And the measure of our success is stories like this one.

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Regional Events

Plattsburgh United Methodist Church

Now through June 30th the Plattsburgh UMC is hosting a shoe drive, the shoes will be delivered to underdeveloped regions of the world.

Wednesday Nights A “Bibles and Brew” night is held at the Meron’s (across the street from the Plattsburgh UMC) from 7-8 PM. For adult discussions about faith and the bible.

When you have the chance to share with someone why you are active in church or what you appreciate about your church, what story or stories do you have ready to share? If you don’t have one of your own (yet), it is fine to tell someone else’s story (just get their permission first).

Your Partner in Christ,
Pastor Chrys

PS I will be taking some time off this summer, beginning on June 15, for personal growth. Among other things, I am looking forward to following through on some projects that have been brewing for a number of years....and this is the time! I will travel some to see family, but will mostly be in the area, so you will occasionally see me “around,” although not in church on Sunday. I will be available in the event that urgent pastoral care is required. Please warmly welcome Rev. Marty Connor who will lead our summer Sunday Worship!

Worship News

Baptisms, Confirmations and Church Membership on June 9

On Pentecost Sunday remember to wear RED as we celebrate the Day of Pentecost, past and present! This is the perfect day for Baptisms, Confirmations, Reception of New Church Members, and Reaffirmation of Membership Vows. This year, we will have it all! You won’t want to miss this Sunday!

Children And Youth Ministries

The children and youth will be holding a car wash on Saturday June 15th from 11 am to 1 pm. The proceeds will go to a charity of Marilyn Ward’s choosing.

The summer lunch program will be starting again soon, date TBD and we tentatively plan on packing lunches on Tuesday’s and Thursday’s and would love to have the help of anyone who is willing to help. The children truly appreciate this program and it is lots of fun working together with other members of our congregation as well as people from other Church congregations. Contact Ashley if you would like to find out more.

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Kids Club

The final day of Kids Club for this school year is June 10. The children will present their program at 5PM in the Sanctuary and dinner will follow in the Fellowship Hall. The KC children, youth and teachers invite everyone to join us for this celebration of another year of faith-growth and fun!

Among the Kids Club happenings over the past couple of months, Ms. Jenn has been getting the children interested in resurrecting the church garden, the kids have had fun with sidewalk chalk, relay races, and other outdoor games now that the weather is warmer, Ms. Ann and her animal friend, Pearl will be visiting to teach the kids about summer safety with animals, and we will all take a trip to the Wilmington Firehouse on June 10.

We are happy to welcome Ms. Jessica recently with her gift of children's music.

And some of our Kids Club students will be baptized in June!!

The opportunity to see how God is working in the lives of these young people is inspiring!

So much for which to give God thanks!

United Methodist Women

Many thanks to everyone who donated to blanket Sunday for Mother's Day. \$215 will be sent. Next comes Father's Day and Tools of Hope. We will collect for that project on June 2nd and June 9th look for bulletin announcements.

Birthday lunch on June 21st at Noon in the Adirondack Cafe in Upper Jay.

The UMW Business meeting will be held on June 23rd after worship. Please plan to stay.

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