

Lyndonville United Methodist News



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July 3	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
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July 6	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 7	Hope Resales	5PM-8PM
July 8-9	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 10	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
July 12	AD Council Meeting	6:30PM
July 13	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 14	Hope Resales	5PM-8PM
July 15-16	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 17	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
July 20	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 21	Hope Resales	5PM-8PM
July 22-23	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 24	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
July 25	Hope Resales Meeting	6:30 PM
July 27	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 28	Hope Resales	5PM-8PM
July 29-30	Hope Resales	10AM-1PM
July 31	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM

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> Tues, Wed., Thurs. 8am to 12pm

Service Times

Worship in the Sanctuary & Online 10 :00 am *LyndonvilleUmc On Facebook*



Dear Church Family:

We are embarking on a new adventure together! I'm grateful for the opportunity to meet several of you already. Your District Superintendent, Rev. Carlos Rosa-Laguer, and your Pastor, Rev. Olga Gonzalez, have been so helpful to me in this time of transition.

Now a brief introduction. When I was in my last years of high school at Royalton-Hartland in Middleport, God did a work in my life that resulted in a call to ministry. After high school I went to Elim Bible Institute, which was the beginning of a decades-long educational pursuit that culminated in my graduation from Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School.

Ministry has taken me to the inner-cities of Buffalo and Atlantic City and also to rural/suburban areas of New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania and back here in New York. And it has been an ecumenical adventure: independent, Mennonite, Church of the Brethren, American Baptist, and soon United Methodist! My closest pastor friend in Ohio is a United Methodist pastor there.

On a personal note, I am single with extended family Clarence, West Seneca/Orchard Park, and Florida. My parents (my mom is still alive) were antiques dealers. We moved fairly often so I attended a number of schools. My parents had a significant mid-life spiritual renewal experience at a United Methodist church in Tampa Florida.

My hope for Lyndonville UMC is that we will experience a work of the Holy Spirit in our hearts that will result in deeper worship, contagious sharing of our faith, maturity as disciples of Christ, sincere love and respect for each other, and a welcoming attitude to all those who enter our doors.

Feel free to reach out! I enjoy fellowship and having coffee together. Let's always pray, "Lord, what do YOU want to do in our midst?" Thank-you to all of you who have already helped in the transition!

Pastor Tim Schultz

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13 Jennifer Boyce Draper
16 Robin Boyle 20 Keith Rutherford
21 Vicky Shingleton 24 Janet Belson Johnson 26 Scott Geotze
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIVING!!!!

Let us continue practicing "Extravagant Generosity." Send your offerings by US mail to P.O. Box 483 Lyndonville NY 14098, or online through Tithe.ly "Remember whoever some sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever some generously will also reap generously."

2 Corinthians 9:6



<u>Wednesday</u> 10 Am to 1 PM <u>Thursday</u> **5 PM to 8 PM** <u>Friday</u> 10 AM to 1 PM Saturday 10 AM to 1 PM

Volunteers Always Welcome!!! Please Call the church office 585-765-93/3



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If Interested in helping with the Fall Festival Please contact: Colleen Gooding goodgir11059@live.com

Time for a Change!

- ghace Matters aka..... the curious relationship between doubt and hope...

You're probably thinking that I'm referring to our pastoral change effective July 1. But, no... Remember how Olga was always telling us that God is doing a new thing? Well, as I sat to begin writing this I thought maybe that it was time for a new name for this. This is what came to mind..... Grace Matters! Indeed it does.

I know I've used this quote from <u>Tuesdays With Morrie</u> a couple of times before and I'm using it again because I like it and because its message is timeless... *"The tension of opposites: Life is a series of pulls back and forth. You want to do one thing, but you are bound to do something else. Something hurts you, yet you know it shouldn't. You take certain things for granted, even when you know you should never take anything for granted. A tension of opposites, like a pull on a rubber band. And most of us live somewhere in the middle." — Morrie Schwartz. Most of us experience that push me/pull you aspect of our existence and know well what happens when you lose your grip on the stretched out rubber band of life ... it snaps back hard... and its bite doesn't feel very good when it does.*

Nelson Mandela once said: *"One cannot be prepared for something while secretly believing it will not happen."* This quote and the truth of it strikes me... I wonder if there were areas in my life where it applies to me, I suspect so. I wonder if there are areas of your lives where it applies to you. I suspect so.

Applying Morrie's quote, I think I would restate part of it as follows: Life is a series of contradictions, we hope for one thing but expect another. We want to believe but we just aren't sure. We pause in fear instead of moving forward in confidence. We are thankful and yet dissatisfied- both at the same time.

I think we give doubt too much weight – and we stumble around in its uncertainty and indecision. In the same way, we don't place enough value on hope – for with it we can rise above whatever we are mired in or whatever we are weary of. Hope and doubt, two inevitable and perhaps inextricably intertwined qualities in our lives. Another quote I saw recently – "Faith and doubt are both needed, not as antagonists but working side by side, to take us around the unknown curve." Lillian Smith.

Have you ever noticed that the most stunning, amazingly, incredible sunsets are those where there are clouds to reflect, refract, diffuse and dispense the light of the setting sun? The same is often true for finding the most beautiful, sustaining, blessings in our lives. Light penetrating clouds of ambiguity is always reassuring. Doubt induces hope, while hope transforms doubt. And as with the clouds...hope shining through doubt is absolutely awe inspiring. The simple truth is... we would have little appreciation for all of the good and all of the beauty in our lives if we didn't also experience the difficulty and unpleasantness of life. What matters, what makes all of the difference... is which will we cling to... doubt or hope.

July brings with it another pastoral change. We've certainly seen more than our share. Some of us are sad, discouraged, disillusioned and maybe even angry... some of us are resigned to it. Some of us are looking forward in hope for new inspiration and new opportunities. All of us should be praying for both and Pastor Olga, Alexis and Pastor Tim and the churches during this transition. All of us should be finding ways to plug in, to get to know our new pastor. All of us should be hopeful in the good things God has in store for us. God isn't finished with us yet. Come Holy Spirit, renew us, restore us, and fill us with your light, your life, and your peace.

Faithfully, Anne

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God Is Faithful

Talking to God

Thank God for His faithfulness—for being strong when you are weak and for being with you no matter where you are.

Diving In

Go on a scavenger hunt. Each person should find one thing that is "strong." As a family, talk about the items you gathered and why you chose them. Then test each item to prove that it is strong in some way.

Going Deeper

In Joshua 1:7, God tells Joshua to "be strong and very courageous." Joshua's strength comes from God and not from his abilities. In the same way, people today are asked by God to do things such as loving their neighbour, doing what is right by their enemy and feeding the poor. When you allow God to strengthen you, He demonstrates that He is faithful to you. Because of Jesus' example and God's strength, people can do what God requires, even when their inclination may be to love only those who are good to them. In 1 Thessalonians 5:24, the apostle Paul says, "The one who calls you is faithful." God will never ask you to do something without faithfully giving you the strength to complete the task.

Talking to Each Other

- What do you think it means to be "strong in the Lord"?
- How does your strength show God's faithfulness?
- . When you say God is faithful, what does that mean?
- Why does His faithfulness matter?
- . When have you seen God's faithfulness to your family? To you?

—Janine Petry

Let us hold unswervingly to the **hope** we profess, for he who promised is **faithful**.

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