



MARCH 2022

Lyndonville United Methodist News

Upcoming Ministries, Meetings & Programs March 2023

Mar 1	Zoom Bible Study Returns	6:30PM
Mar 5	Sunday School & Confirmation Class	9AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
Mar 8	Zoom Bible Study	6:30PM
Mar 12	Sunday School & Confirmation Class	9AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
	Daylight Savings Time	
	Ice Skating @Cornerstone	1:55PM
Mar 15	Zoom Bible Study	6:30PM
Mar 17	<i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	
Mar 19	Sunday School but <u>NO Confirmation Class</u>	9AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
	<u>*Guest Preacher—Pastor Dan Thurber*</u>	
Mar 20	Hope Resale Meeting	6:30PM
Mar 22	Zoom Bible Study	6:30PM
Mar 26	Sunday School & Confirmation Class	9AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
Mar 28	AD Council Meeting	6:30PM
Mar 29	Zoom Bible Study	6:30PM

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Service Times

Sunday School 9:00am

Worship in the Sanctuary &
Online 10 :00 am

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On Facebook



2 Andrew Grohowski **12** Teri Woodworth
7 Debra Bieniek **22** Kimberly Kenyon
8 Jimmy White **24** Marilyn Kenyon
11 Cathy Miles. **26** Timothy Kenyon

March 14
 Terry & Carla
 Woodworth



March 21
 Ken & Alexis
 Strickland

Hope

RESALES

* A Community Thrift Store.

Wednesday 10 Am to 1 P

Thursday **5 PM to 8 PM**
Starting March 23

Friday 10 AM to 1 PM

Saturday 10 AM to 1 PM

Volunteers Always Welcome!!!

Please Call the church office 585-765-9313

Note: New Winter Hours for Thursday Nights 4PM-7PM

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 sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously."

2 Corinthians 9:6

Confirmation Class

Beginning **Sunday March 5** we will meet in the fellowship hall at 9:00 for Confirmation/Membership classes. The class is open to anyone wanting to know more about the Christian life in the United Methodist perspective.

**** We will not meet Sunday March 19 ****

March

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

2023



Meeting Our New Bishop

On March 9 I attended a large gathering at the Leroy United Methodist Church which featured an introduction to our new bishop, Hector A. Burgos Nunez. Following the lengthy worship session, I spoke briefly with Bishop Hector about something we have in common: having both

lived and ministered in South Jersey. Someone else knows about Bridgeton, Millville, and Vineland!

I was impressed with our new bishop and one line that he shared that particularly impressed me had to do with his vision. He said that it is his passion in life that people connect with the love of Jesus (not his exact words). Isn't that what ministry is all about? Isn't that what we—even with all our committees and budgets and activities—should be about as a church?

That is why last month we had our first coffeehouse. Just another opportunity for people to connect with the love of Jesus. That is what I hope the Easter Egg hunt will be about, as well as our ongoing thrift store.

At the same meeting in Leroy, I had some personal conversations about denominational issues. Those connections reminded me that policies, differences, competition, and obsessions over issues are *not* at the core of real church work. Instead, they often serve as distractions.

So, in our changing seasons of church life, and as we begin relating to a new bishop, let's keep "the main thing the main thing!" Connecting people with the love of Jesus.

Pastor Tim Schultz





Perhaps you noticed that the format of the newsletter was changed a little. As a result, there is less space available for my meanderings. Or, there was, I'm told it may go back to the way it used to be. Either way, I recognize that I meander a lot sometimes and I sort of like the challenge to embrace brevity.

So, as I was thinking about rambling a bit more concisely, I remembered something I read not long ago... "Grace is like the lapping water of a stream. It might ebb and flow, but it never stops spreading its message of kindness." It was shown as a quote but whoever said it was not noted.

I renamed this article last year because I thought maybe focusing a bit more on grace was a good thing. The picture up in the corner is the artwork of a tattoo on my right forearm - its message is "infinite grace". It's there as a reminder that as I extend my hand to someone... anyone... to always lead with grace. Sometimes I'm better at that than other times.

I confess though ... that my purpose here has never really been to spread more kindness but to inspire more thought. If something I've written or said has made you think, specifically think about Jesus... then my purpose has been fulfilled. But... if you think about it...extending grace should always infer kindness.

God's grace is like a stream that continuously flows over us, in us and through us... we can't hoard it and save it for ourselves because it will overflow whether because of us or in spite of us. Besides... hoarding grace would be neither graceful nor grace filled.

If you look for "how to live with grace" on the internet you'll get a whole lot of ideas and advice... a whole lot! Far too many list here that's for sure... remember... I'm meandering concisely.

While I'm no expert... not even close... to me it seems relatively simple. Want to cultivate grace in your life? Start with gratitude, be teachable, walk in faith.

Faithfully,
Anne



Helping Those Who Grieve

Here are suggestions from Jill Sullivan (who lost 16-year-old daughter) for both those who are grieved and for those who can comfort:

- Be patient with them. Grief is a marathon, not a sprint, and it's important to respect the fact that people need time to heal. The grieving parent may not be ready to resume regular church activities right away, whether that's teaching Sunday School, singing in the choir, working in the nursery, or greeting at the door.
- Grief comes in waves. Don't assume that a person is "over it" if you see them smiling or laughing, and don't assume that a person is "not

doing well" if you see them grieving outwardly.

- They may not be interested in small talk. Someone who has lost a child is grappling with deep spiritual issues and may not be interested in shallow conversation. Listen to them if they want to talk, and don't feel that you need to answer all their questions. Remember how well it went over once Job's friends started talking!

- Grieving people are vulnerable and often hyper-sensitive, and they may have been hurt by things that well-meaning people have said to them. Some of those things might include: "I know what you're going through. My grandmother died last year." Something along the lines of "God always picks His best flowers first" or "God must have needed another angel in heaven." "She's in a better place." (There's nothing really wrong with that because it's true...it's just that the grieving person really wants their loved one here with them!) "It's a good thing you have another child."

They also may have been hurt by those who have intentionally avoided them or who have said nothing to them at all. So what should we say to a grieving mom or dad? "I love you, and I'm praying for you."

She writes, "That's it? Could it be that simple? Yes, it really is. This statement, maybe accompanied by a warm hug, is all that's needed to assure a bereaved parent of your care and concern."

New Sunday Morning Series Coming in April



THE LIFE OF DAVID

AFTER
GOD'S
HEART



Wilbur and Edith here hanging out in the corner of the fellowship hall enjoyin' the music from the coffee house event the church people were havin'. Wilbur told Edith how much he loves the smell of coffee brewin'. He said that it reminds him a little of what prayer must be like to God... When Wilbur smells good coffee he likes to take a real deep breath and savor it... Just like when we pray... the aroma of God's beloved children prayin' must make God want to breath them in deep and savor them.

Edith overheard some people talkin' about how they used to celebrate lent beginning with Fat Tuesday. She told Wilbur that she doesn't know any one named Tuesday but she didn't think it was nice to be callin' 'em fat.

Edith remembers that she lent her sister Georgia a dress once so she could go to the Rodent-a-thon dancin' contest. But that isn't the kinda lent the people are talkin' about.

The people were saying that lent is a time of contemplation and self-denial and that they should give up somethin' as sort of like a sacrifice for 40 whole days!. One woman said she'd give up chocolate... Edith didn't think she could ever go with out chocolate for that long. Wilbur said maybe she could give up her tv shows and Edith thought maybe she'd give up washin' Wilbur's clothes instead. Edith remembered hearing the people talkin' in the worship service about how Jesus gave up himself for alla them. She thought about that for a little bit and decided that what she was gonna give up for lent maybe wasn't supposed to be a thing to do without but maybe more personal like her time as an offering. She decided to do some behind the scenes things for the people. Not sure where to start, she asked God to show her where to help. Then she called Georgia and asked her... "What are you gonna offer?"



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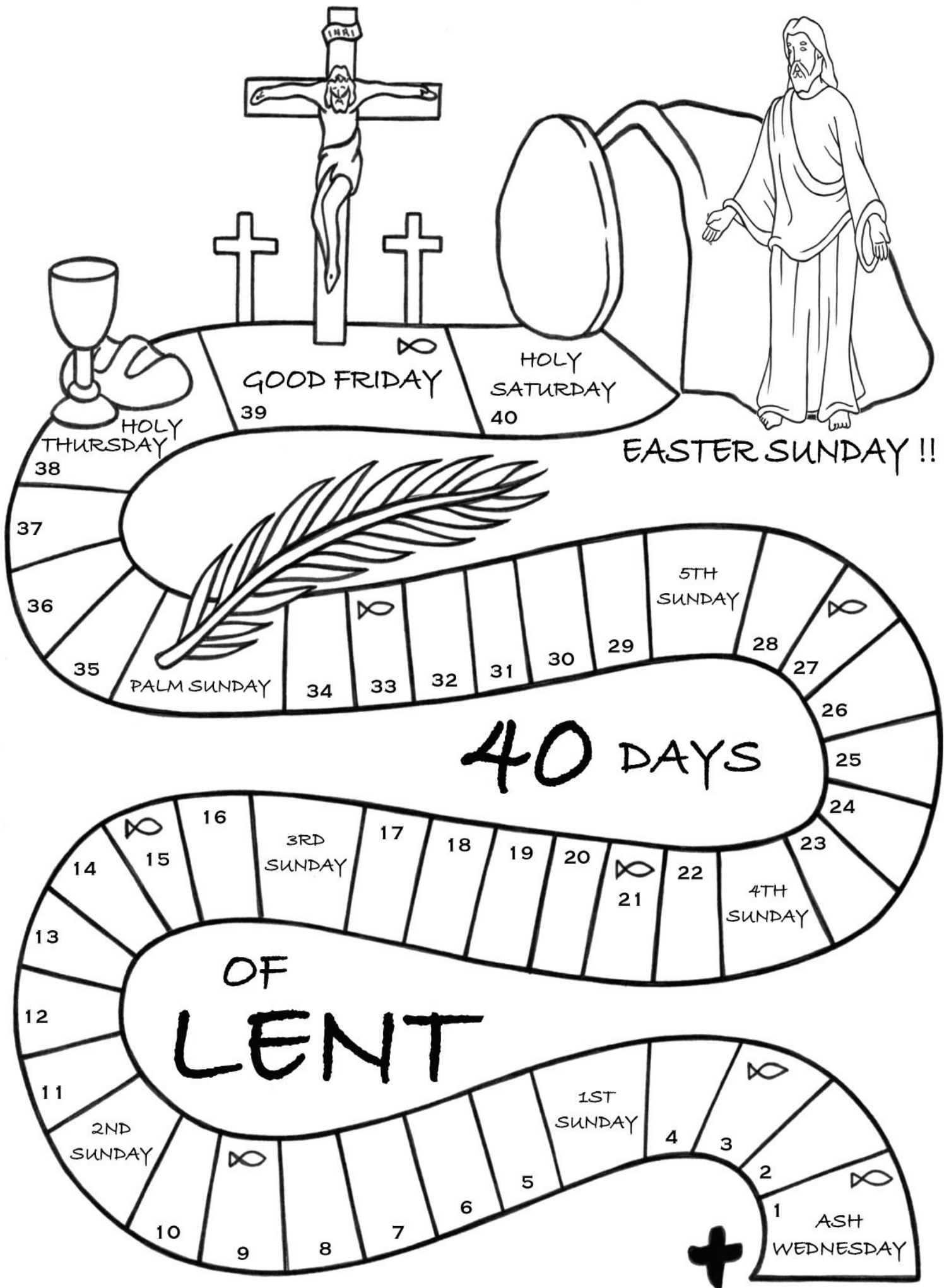
AND YOU KNOW THAT THE PRIMARY MISSION OF HOPE RESALES IS TO OFFER ENCOURAGEMENT AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN BOTH OUR OWN COMMUNITY AND TO WORLDWIDE MISSIONS BUT, DID YOU KNOW THAT IN 2022 HOPE RESALES GAVE OVER \$7,000 TO VARIOUS NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITY, REGIONALLY, AND INTERNATIONALLY AS WELL.

WE REGULARLY SUPPORT THE LOCAL LYFE FOOD PANTRY. WE ALSO HELPED THE PASTORS OF A METHODIST CHURCH IN CUBA, PROVIDING THEM WITH A MEANS TO SECURE FOOD AND SUSTENANCE. WE HELPED A LOCAL FAMILY IN NEED. WE MADE A DONATION TO LOCKPORT CARES HOMELESS SHELTER, THE TUNNEL'S TO TOWERS FOUNDATION, AND PROVIDED FUNDS TO PURCHASE TOYS FOR THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BASKETS. WE SUPPORTED THE LYNDONVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT; THE LION'S CLUB FIREWORKS DISPLAY AND THE TOWN OF YATES BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION. WE SENT DONATIONS TO THE UNITED METHODIST COMMITTEE ON RELIEF TO AID IN RECOVERY OF HURRICANE RAVAGED AREAS IN THE US AND TO HELP OFFER RELIEF IN WAR TORN UKRAINE. HOPE RESALES OFTEN ALLOWS FAMILIES OR INDIVIDUALS TO COME AND SHOP FOR FREE WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES CREATE A GREAT AND IMMEDIATE NEED. HOPE RESALES ALSO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRIES OF THE LYNDONVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

HOPE RESALES IS A SPECIAL MINISTRY. WE ARE BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING. WHEN YOU SHOP WITH US NOT ONLY WILL YOU *FIND* A GREAT DEAL, YOU'LL ALSO BE HELPING US *DO* A GREAT DEAL IN OUR COMMUNITY AND WHEREVER THERE IS NEED.

⁹ LOVE MUST BE SINCERE. HATE WHAT IS EVIL; CLING TO WHAT IS GOOD. ¹⁰ BE DEVOTED TO ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE. HONOR ONE ANOTHER ABOVE YOURSELVES. ¹¹ NEVER BE LACKING IN ZEAL, BUT KEEP YOUR SPIRITUAL FERVOR, SERVING THE LORD. ¹² BE JOYFUL IN HOPE, PATIENT IN AFFLICTION, FAITHFUL IN PRAYER. ¹³ SHARE WITH THE LORD'S PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED. PRACTICE HOSPITALITY. ROMANS 12:9-13

THANK YOU!



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Zoom Study with Anne Hyndman			1 Hope Resales 10am-1pm Zoom Study @6:30pm	2	3	4
5 Sunday School @ 9:00am Worship Service 10AM	6	7	8 Hope Resales 10am-1pm Zoom Study @6:30pm	9	10 Hope Resales 10am-1pm	11 Hope Resales 10am-1pm
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