

Lyndonville United Methodist News

Upcoming Ministries, Meetings Programs June 2024

June 2	Sunday School	BAM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
June 9	Sunday School	MAE
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary 10AM	
June 10	Hope Resales Meeting	6PM <
June 14	Coffee House *Kingsbury's & Corser*	7-9PM
June 16	Sunday School	MAE
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
	**Happy Fathers day	* *
June 23	Sunday School	MAB
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
	**Pastor Tim's Final Message*	*
June 30	Sunday School	MAB
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	10AM
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💐 A Community Thrift Store

Wednesday 10AM—1PM Thursday 5PM-8PM Friday & Saturday 10AM-1PM How To Contact Us: Address: PO Box 483

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Service Times

Sunday School 9:00am

Worship in the Sanctuary & Online 10 :00 am

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June 13 Brooks Boyle

June 18 Jenna Gawne

June 28 Larry Wolfe

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June 15 Ginny Corpenter,

& Robert Olinger

John Olinger

& Robin Botsford

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Please Contact Laurie Bradley if you would like to contribute

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Some Closing Thoughts

Life is about new beginnings and closures. There have been numerous closures in my life and another one is approaching. I made the decision months back to return to retirement. [The pic here shows my first ministry/ church in Buffalo].

I remember our first meeting in 2022 and the warm welcome you gave me. Lyndonville was a village I had visited in times past, like when our family lived in Hartland-down the Ridge about fifteen minutes away. At least once for fireworks in my youth. And Lyndonville continues to be the place to be for fireworks, thanks so much to Wes Bradley (this year is going to be a big blast!). Leaving a large parsonage to live in a city apartment will be an adjustment, especially for one who enjoys outdoor work.

My heart feels gratitude for the ways you have been so kind, welcoming, and accepting of a pastor who didn't grow up Methodist. Working with the Ad Council, with Mandee, our office administrator, and having weekly interaction with Doug, Jen, and the worship team has been a blessing, thanks to all of you. Jim has been our most regular Sunday prayer leader, and Wes has been the dependable moderator of the services when I was away. Thanks, gentlemen!

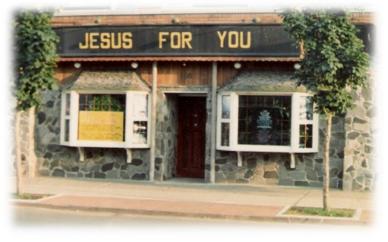
The conversations, visits and other personal contacts have been my favorite part of life here. Frankly, I will miss those moments. Our sweet seniors and the weekly thrift store volunteers (along with Marilyn's treats—oh, my goodness!), and the congenial contacts with other ministers in the community~ yes, these are a few of my favorite things. Tim Kenyon is someone who especially reached out to me in friendship. Thanks Tim! Ginny Carpenter has been a great encouragement, and friend. Others of you, with words of kindness, advice, homemade bread, coffee pods, and jam. Who will be there to greet me on Sundays, without Larry? "Hi, Pastor Tim!"

You know how life is. It is about change, and sometimes that change is unexpected. I hope in the months and years ahead God will pour out the Spirit of truth and life in this place. I pray that this church will be gripped by

the effect of a new affection for Jesus. God is still working in our world, and the church is the essence of divine activity.

If you are in Buffalo, feel free to look me up. I will be living for the time being on Main Street, not far from Delaware Park and Canisius College, and across from where I was born, Sister's Hospital.

Saying thank-you can sound so routine. But I want to pause and say, "Thank-you" for giving me this privilege of being your pastor. Yes, it has been a short term. But you will continue to live in my heart.



" I hope so... but I doubt it..."



Ever said that? Thought that? Ever stop to think that doubt pretty much deflates hope?

I'm sure I've used this quote from <u>Tuesdays With Morrie</u> before and I'm using it again because it is timeless, and I like it. *"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 struck me... and has me thinking about the relationship between doubt and hope.

Applying this to 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 aren't certain. We pause in fear instead of stepping out boldly. We are thankful and yet dissatisfied – both at the same time.

I think we give doubt too much weight – and we stumble about in its uncertainty and indecision. Conversely, we don't give hope enough value – 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 potentials 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.

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...because we are, after all United Methodists. Some of us are looking forward in Hope for new inspiration and new opportunities. All of us should be praying and opening our hearts and minds to the ministry possibilities.

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 true for finding the most beautiful, sustaining, blessings in our lives. 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.

Come Holy Spirit, renew us, restore us, and fill us with your light, your life, your purpose, and your peace! Amen.

- Anne Hyndman

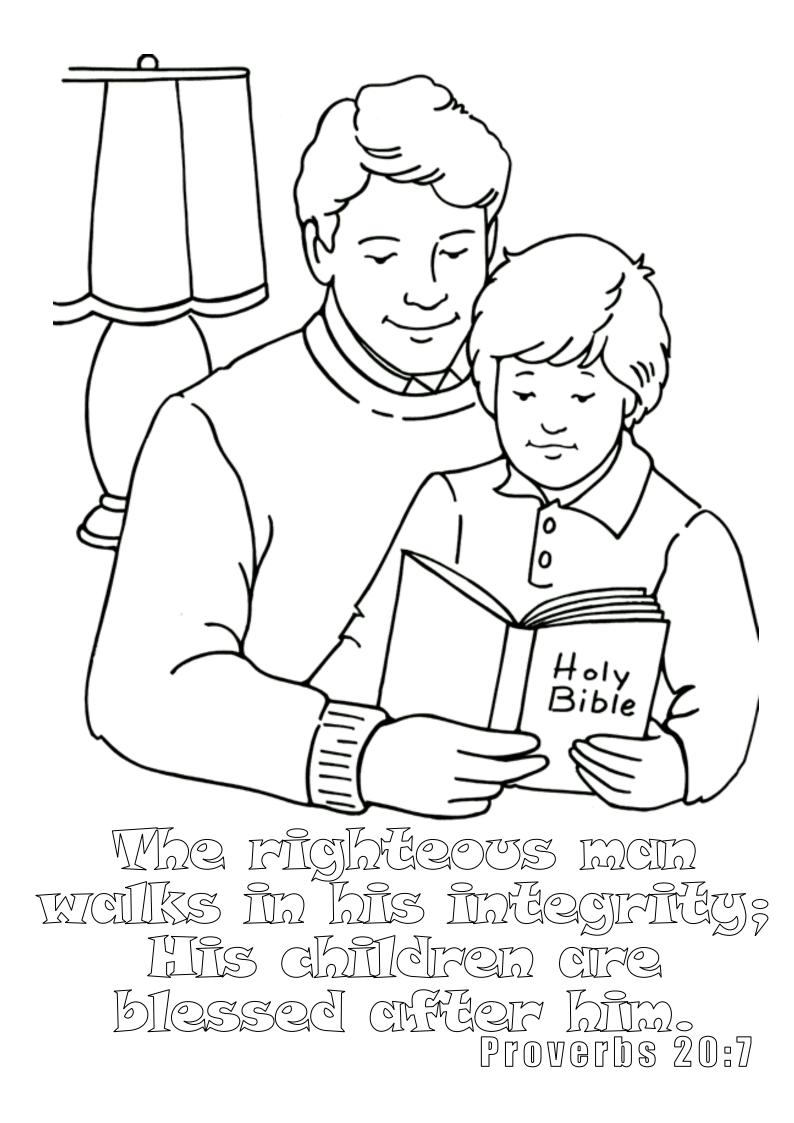
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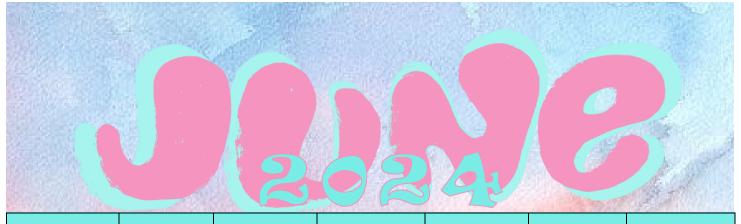
Change: Scripture - Hebrews 13:8; Quote: "If you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change." Wayne Dyer

Doubt: Scripture - James 1:6; Quote: "When in doubt, don't." Benjamin Franklin

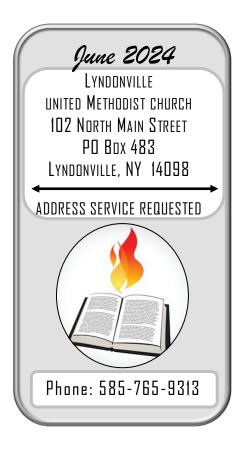
Boldly: Scripture - Hebrews 4:16; Quote: "You only get one chance at life, and you have to grab it boldly." Bear Grylls **Believe**: Scripture – Mark 5:36; Quote: "Believe you can and you're halfway there." Theodore Roosevelt







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
A. NE						1 Hope Resales 10AM-1PM
2. Sunday School	3	4	5	6	7	8
B:DDam Worship Service 10AM			Hope Resales 10AM-1PM	Hope Resales 5PM-8PM	Hope Resales 10AM-1PM	Hope Resales 10AM-1PM
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