



2025

Lyndonville United Methodist News

Upcoming Ministries, Meetings & Programs

Mar 2	Adult Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Youth Sunday School	10 AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11 AM
	Worship Committee meets after church	
Mar 9	Adult Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Youth Sunday School	10 AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11 AM
	Ashes offered after worship	
	Lenten Bible Study	6:30 PM
Mar10	Hope Resales Meeting	6:00 PM
Mar16	Adult Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Youth Sunday School	10 AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11 AM
	Holy Baptism during service	
	Lenten Bible Study	6:30 PM
Mar 23	Adult Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Youth Sunday School	10 AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11 AM
	Lenten Bible Study	6:30 PM
Mar 29	Celebration of the life of Jan Lasal	10 AM
Mar 30	Adult Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Youth Sunday School	10 AM
	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11 AM
	Lenten Bible Study	6:30 PM

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Administrative Assistant Office Hours

Tues & Thurs

8am to 12pm

Service Times

Worship in the Sanctuary & Online
11:00 am

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On Facebook



5 THINGS YOU PROBABLY DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT St. Patrick

- 1 He wasn't Irish: Patrick was captured by Irish pirates and brought to Ireland from Roman-Britain in the early 5th Century.
- 2 Experienced a (mystical) vision of the Irish asking him to teach them about Christ.
- 3 Having become a Bishop, he was sent back to Ireland. He preached first to the members of the royal family, and soon his audiences grew. He used the druid rituals as evangelizing tools.
- 4 He used a shamrock to explain the Trinity because the Irish had a love for nature.
- 5 Instituted what is known as the Croagh Patrick Hike, where he prayed that Ireland would always keep her Christian Faith. To this day, young and old hikers follow that famous route in pilgrimage.

HAPPY *St. Patrick's* DAY!




Spring
Forward

*Daylight savings time begins
March 9, 2025*

Community



Easter Egg Hunt

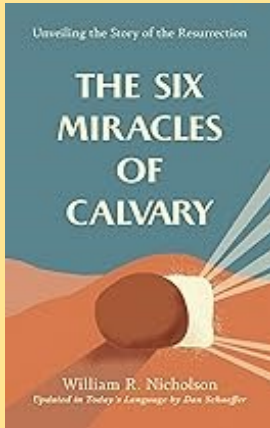
For ages 3 through 6th grade
Saturday April 12, 11:00 a.m.
In the Lyndonville School gymnasiums

Come on out and enjoy:

- The Easter Bunny!
- Prizes!
- Beverages and hot dogs!



Sponsored by the Lyndonville Lions Club
and the Lyndonville United Methodist Church



Unveiling the Story of the Resurrection

THE SIX MIRACLES OF CALVARY

William R. Nicholson
Updated in Today's Language by Alan Schaeffer

Beginning March 9
In the library at 6:30 pm.
(the first Sunday in Lent)

Pastor Pam will be offering a study using the book
The Six Miracles of Calvary
By William R Nicholson
Please let us know if you're interested in joining.



Pastor Pam Klotzbach

March 2025

Dear Fellow Christians,

As we approach the holy season of Lent, I am so grateful for the chance to share this journey with you. Lent is a time of reflection, self-discovery, and spiritual renewal- a time when we consciously draw closer to God through prayer, fasting, and acts of kindness.

Lent summons us to pause and turn our hearts toward the One, True God in the busyness of our daily lives and the challenges we face. As we start this Lenten journey, let us realize that we are alone but are unified as a community of believers, supporting and encouraging one another along the journey.

Lent is not solely about sacrifice; rather, it is way to grow us in faith, hope, and love. May we approach this season with open hearts, ready to receive abundant grace from our loving and merciful God. Through prayer, let us deepen our relationship with the divine. Fasting lets us detach from the material world and focus on the spiritual. Through acts of kindness and generosity, let us demonstrate the love of Jesus in our dealings with others.

I pray you experience a blessed and meaningful Lenten journey.



Pastor Pam

Disciple Profile: Judas—The Traitor

The most notorious of all the disciples is Judas Iscariot, the betrayer. His name appears last in every Biblical list of the apostles, except for in Acts 1, where it doesn't appear at all. The call of Judas is not found in scripture. Judas was as common as the rest, with no earthly credentials or characteristics that made him stand out from the group. He followed Jesus willingly, and like the others he left life as he knew it to follow Jesus. While he gave his life to Jesus, he never really gave Jesus his heart.

Judas chose to follow Jesus and he continued to follow even as it became difficult. Judas knew Jesus was a miracle worker and held power over the kingdom of darkness and the physical world. No one taught the way Jesus taught, spoke the way he spoke or lived the way he lived. But Jesus did not always fulfill his personal expectations. As he became more and more disillusioned, hiding his disappointment became harder. To be honest, his, theirs and our expectations are not always spiritually motivated.

The other eleven apostles are great encouragers to us because they exemplify how common people with typical failings can be used by God in uncommon ways. Judas however, serves as a warning to us about the dangers of spiritual carelessness. Even so, we must remember that while Judas chose to follow Jesus—Jesus also chose Judas. The tension between divine sovereignty and human choice is made manifest in Judas' calling. Judas was not coerced to betray Jesus, it was his choice.

MacArthur offers several lessons from the life of Judas. Among them is that Judas is a tragic example of lost opportunity. He walked with Jesus day in and day out for some 2 years... yet in the end Judas was damned because he failed to heed what he saw and what he heard. Another is that Judas is proof of the forbearing goodness of God. Even as Judas was betraying him, Jesus still called him "friend."

Adapted from Twelve Ordinary Men—John D MacArthur

Expand your learning!

After reading the profile – dig deeper into the Bible find the verses that reveal the personalities and the activities of each disciple.



Self-Defense Seminar

Saturday March 22

4pm—7pm

At the Webber Kitchen

Main St, Lyndonville NY

Buffet Dinner Included

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- Open to All Ages

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I Cannot Do This Alone

O God, early in the morning,
I cry to you.
Help me to pray
And to concentrate my thoughts
on you;
I cannot do this alone.
In me there is darkness,
But with you there is light;
I am lonely,
but you do not leave me;
I am feeble in heart,
but with you there is help;
I am restless,
but with you there is peace.
In me there is bitterness,
but with you there is patience;
I do not understand your ways,
But you know the way for me....
Restore me to liberty,
And enable me to live now
That I may answer before you
and before men.
Lord whatever this day may bring,
Your name be praised.
Amen

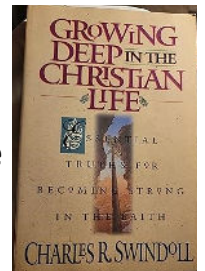
Dietrich Bonhoeffer



Hope Resales
Thrift Store
Starts its
spring hours in
March. We are
re-opening on Thursdays
evenings beginning on
March 6. 5:00 to 8:00 pm

What's happening in Adult Sunday School?

On March 2 we will begin a study
using Chuck Swindoll's book *Growing
Deep in the Christian Life—
Essential Truths for Be-
coming Strong in the
Faith*



Contact the church office
if you would like to par-
ticipate 585-765-9313 or
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The Adult Sunday School class
meets at 9:45 am in the church li-



8 Jimmy White
11 Cathy Miles,
22 Kimberly Kenyon
24 Marilyn Kenyon
26 Timothy Kenyon



It Is What It Is

Above my desk I have a small block of wood that bears the words "It is what it is". Hopefully it doesn't offend my clients this time of year... We say and hear those words a lot don't we. It's our sort of fatalist response to life gone awry, our benign coping response to, well... stuff.

I remember when I, or just about anyone, would say "it is what it is" in conversation with my mother her response would almost always be, "but it will be what you make of it." She lived that motto in the last years of her life... having endured serious illness and at least 4 strokes she found great joy in feeding and watching the birds outside of her apartment window. She worked to regain her dexterity so that she could knit and make hats and wash cloths to donate to various causes. Funny thing... as I type this, I realize that it was 11 years ago today that she passed. Gertie, the peace lily that came to live with me after her memorial service has 4 blossoms in celebration.

"Life is what you make it", I don't know who coined that phrase, but they hit the nail on the head with it. I often share with the folks in Sunday school or a Bible study I'm leading that what they will get out of the study is directly proportional to what they put into the study. Life is like that as well.

To understand and get the maximum benefit from a study you need to put in the time. Read and research the material, participate in the small group discussion, ask questions, share ideas, and above all, pray for guidance and illumination!

Likewise, I think to make the most of our lives we need to pay attention to the little things. I think most of life occurs in the everyday stuff we tend to overlook. Be fully present in the moments of our lives. Put in the time, participate in the lives of not only those you choose but also those who God chooses for you. Be willing to share... and to receive (for this allows others to share.) Look for what binds us to each other and not so much what divides us. Pray for guidance and understanding! Receive and offer grace in all circumstances. In a book I'm currently reading the author suggests that we must "consent to evolve." I have long believed that one purpose of this life is to become the people we were made to be. To strip away all of the stuff we have "clothed" ourselves with to adorn ourselves or to cope with the "it is what it is" moments that happen when life resembles trying to hit a 76 mph curveball.

Next to prayer, consenting to evolve might be the most important means of becoming. We can memorize scripture, we can participate in church activities, we can pray, and we can offer compassion. But if we do all of that without allowing Jesus to work on, work in, and work through our hearts than we cannot/will not be transformed or fully become who we were made to be.

It is what it is... and while there is some truth in that it will be what we make it, our lives can be so much more than we ever dreamed by allowing God to mold us and make us new. Want to make a life well lived? Pray. Be present. Pay attention. Share with others. Give and take grace. Consent to evolve.

Faithfully,
Anne



MARCH 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Hope Resales 10AM-1PM
2 Adult Sunday School 9:45am Youth Sunday School 10am Worship at 11 AM	3	4 Office Hours 8-noon	5 Hope Resales 10AM-1PM	6 Office Hours 8-noon Hope Resales 5-8 PM	7 Hope Resales 10AM-1PM	8 Hope Resales 10AM-1PM
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