



SUMC

51 Church St., Schuylerville
 Sunday Worship Service at 11 AM



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466 Route 32 South, Schuylerville
 Sunday Worship Service at 9 AM

The MESSENGER

*Of the Schuylerville and Quaker Springs
 United Methodist Churches*

July / August 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sundays	Bell Choir @ SUMC 1 PM New members welcome
Alt. Monday	Girl Scouts 6:30PM @ SUMC
4th Monday	Emmaus (informal worship) 7PM
Mondays	Pastor's Sabbath (time to rejuvenate)
Thursdays	SUMC Choir rehearsal at 7PM
Friday	Overeaters Anonymous 10 AM @ SUMC
Saturday	Alcoholics Anonymous 8 PM @ SUMC
July 29	10 AM Riverside Worship Service
August 26	September/October Newsletter Deadline

Welcome Pastor John Iseman and Family

As you know; Pastor Ben and Alyssa Lalka have transitioned to a new position at the Victor UMC in Rochester.

Bishop Mark Webb of our Upper New York Annual Conference appointed, as of July 1st, Pastor John Iseman to the Schuylerville and Quaker Springs UMC churches. Please now address your concerns and questions to Pastor John.

We extend a warm welcome to Pastor John Iseman, his wife, Jackie and their two children Eliza and Josiah. Both Pastor John and Jackie have local roots as Pastor John is originally from Cambridge and Jackie is from Greenwich.

They are eager to begin their Ministry here and are excited to be settling into a community so close to their hometowns. We look forward to our time together with them.

Summer Meetings

Dates for summer meetings were not available at the time of printing. Please check Sunday bulletins and announcements for specific dates as they become available.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW PASTOR

Hello Everyone,

My family and I are so excited to get started joining the faith communities of Schuylerville and Quaker Springs. We are looking forward to journeying together to know Christ and share His love with the world around us. We are in the midst of a busy, but exciting transition season. We have been preparing to start with you all in numerous different ways.

First, I have been working closely with both worship committees on planning our upcoming worship services and have greatly enjoyed collaborating with them to design services which will prayerfully draw all of us closer to Christ and closer to each other. You may notice a few small changes to the order of service, please know that we carefully and prayerfully decided on these small tweaks together as a team and we are confident in the order of service we have put together. With that being said, please feel free to let myself or any worship committee member know if you have any encouragements or constructive criticisms, we would love to hear how we can serve you better and have worship that is inspiring and engaging for everyone!

Second, my family and I have been in the midst of packing and preparing to move. Our move is scheduled for July 11th, so most of our stuff is going into boxes and getting ready to be moved into the parsonage. So if you swing by the parsonage before July 11th there is a very good chance that we won't be there, but we very much look forward to getting to know you all in the coming weeks!

Third, we have been diligently praying for the new season that we are entering into together. This is a big change for all of us, you all get a new pastor, and I will be a full-time pastor for the first time. As we have prayed for

you all, and the transition in general, we have only become more and more excited about what God has done through all of your faithfulness through the years, what God is doing as we are building relationships and getting established, and all that God will do as all move forward together as a community in Christ seeking to love our neighbors and put Christ's love and glory on display to the people in our lives.

We are absolutely thrilled to be serving Schuylerville and Quaker Springs United Methodist Churches. It is our desire to serve you all with our whole hearts and with every gift and ability that Christ has given us. We are here to serve, love, teach, lead, and to learn with you all. Please let us know if there is any way that we can be praying for you, serving you, or helping you to grow in your faith. It is our joy and our call to serve, so please don't be bashful about reaching out!

Yours in Christ,
Pastor John, Jackie, Eliza and Josiah





Prayer - A Divinely inspired support system between God and God's people. Please keep in prayer:

Family, friends and folks we know who are ill, undergoing rehab, chemo, surgery, treatments, recouping or just in need of our prayers.

The Women and Men of our Armed Forces who are working for World Peace

Family and Friends in Nursing and Health Care Facilities

Family and Friends who are grieving the lost a loved one.

Peace and healing within our country

Pastors transitioning to a new church



SUMC GARAGE SALE Sat. Sept. 15th

If anyone would like a table, they are for rent for \$10. Call Pat Poirier at 695-6855 if you'd like one. The church will also have a table, so, if you don't want to do your own table, you may donate to the SUMC table. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

--Pat Poirier

Announcements for Sunday Bulletin

If you have an announcement that you would like to have included in the Sunday bulletin, please send it to Pastor John by the Wednesday before the Sunday you would like it in the bulletin. Please send it via email to Pastor John at isemanjohn@gmail.com.

eGiving at SUMC

Schuylerville electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account [or processed using your credit or debit card]*. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much needed donation consistency for our congregation. Enroll by going to www.sumethodist.org and click on Enroll Now. Click on Create Profile and follow the onscreen instructions to create your profile and schedule you recurring contributions.

---Scott Turner

Volunteers wanted at QSUMC!!!

It is time to pass the clipboards again. When Dan Craine was with us, he made sure that the clipboards with the various tasks around the church that volunteers could sign up for were passed around on a regular basis.

Generally, someone would volunteer to complete a task (i.e. clean the sanctuary, neaten the closets, set up communion) for a period of one month. Thank you to those who have been quietly taking care of these tasks for several months now.

Clipboards will be available at QSUMC for volunteers to sign up to help with some general housekeeping tasks as well to read liturgy. Liturgy reading will not be on a monthly basis but rather for a specific Sunday.

As the saying goes, many hands make for light work. Please consider volunteering.

--Deb Lagoe



Riverside Worship Service July 29th at 10 AM 902 Route 4 Schuylerville, NY

Join us as we gather under a large tent by the Hudson River on July 29th at 10 AM for our Sunday worship service and potluck picnic.

Thank you to Steve and Laurie Griffen for their hospitality and sharing of this beautiful spot by the river where we shall gather.

Please come and invite your friends and neighbors to come with you. All are welcome.

Watch for the signs near their driveway on Route 4 and then follow the roadway (and signs) back to the river.

Please bring a chair to sit on and a dish to pass. Paper plates, cups, napkins and utensils will be provided as well as iced tea and lemonade.

If you have any questions, give me a call at 584-1812.

Looking forward to seeing you there.
--- Deb Lagoe

Silent Auction



Successful Silent Auction

We recently had our April Supper, along with our Silent Auction. We were able to raise \$1,055 dollars to go toward our continuing Kitchen Renovation and our Guatemala Mission Trip in 2019.

Thank you to everyone who donated items, and all the local businesses who are always so giving to this event through the years. A special thank you to Martha Gilligan, Bonnie Greenfeld, Sharon Roby, Sally Snowden, Gini Griffen, Connie Turner and Dave Hoffman for your creativity and wonderful items you bless us with each and every time.

And also a thank you to Saratoga Sod and the Griffen's, Fiddlers Elbow, Just Meats, Longfellows and the Olde Bryan Inn, Revibe and Sweeney's, your donations and support are greatly appreciated. We look forward to another successful auction in October. Thanks be to God and to all.

Linda Campbell

Editor's note:

My apologies to Linda Campbell as the above article was lost when my computer lost power and did not get included in the last Messenger. Thank you Linda for your patience and forgiveness.



I would like to thank the QSUMC Sunday School for my retirement gift and enormous group hug. It is hard to believe that I taught Sunday school for 33 years. Time sure does

fly when you are having fun. You made every minute worth being there. You are the greatest and I love all of you. Thank you again.

Deb Lagoe



QSUMC Annual Pie Sale Coming in September

The Revive and Thrive Team has again partnered with Shelly Smith of Smith's Orchard Bakeshop in Charlton to sell their delicious homemade pies. Orders will be taken in September with delivery in October. More information to follow in August bulletins.



Schuylerville Garden Club

Schuylerville Garden Club will hold their Annual Flower Show, Saturday, July 14th from 1 to 5 pm and on Sunday July 15th from noon to 4 pm at 12 Spring Street.

This year's Theme "There's Music in the Air" will feature a horticulture competition, floral design displays, a photo contest and much more. There will also be a presentation on Sunday @ 2:30 pm by Master Gardener and Interior Designer, Denise Maurer on Stunning Succulents. Admission is free.

"CHOSE YOUR OWN HYMN,"

With the coming of summer season, our Chancel Choir at Quaker Springs will be on a much deserved Vacation. To fill the Anthem spot on the bulletin we will offer the congregation a chance to choose a hymn for the day. For the next 8 weeks, take a minute before the service begins to look for a favorite hymn to sing during the special music time and call out the number when the Pastor is ready.

We shall plan to resume our usual music schedule the Sunday after Labor Day weekend in September.

-Marion Craine

THANK YOU

Schuylerville would like to thank Melissa Polmateer-Vohnoutka for the wonderful cakes that she donates for graduation Sunday every year. Not only are they beautiful to look at but they are always delicious. Melissa is the granddaughter of Betty Polmateer and makes her cakes from scratch. Thanks again, Melissa!

QSUMC would like to thank Bob Greenfeld for his time and continued efforts to gather the information needed to decide on a new sign design as well as to arrange for our new sign to be built and installed.

A special thank you to Bonnie Greenfeld for all of the wonderful homemade bread that she has made for us to celebrate Communion over the past few years. Your baking skills have been greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Bonnie Greenfeld and Gail Gerber for the beautiful flowers from their gardens that they frequently share with us in altar flower arrangements.

Thank you to Tim Lagoe keeping the sanctuary neat and clean and for setting up Communion as needed.

Thank you to all the church members who faithfully provide a wide variety a wonderful goodies for all of us every Sunday. Our fellowship time is a wonderful time to catch up and visit with our neighbor and church family. Many of us can skip lunch following the wonderful repass.

We all at QSUMC thank Mike McLaughlin, for setting up our Fellowship beverages (hot coffee, tea, and cold drinks including diet choices) every Sunday to go along with the goodies.



THE NEW CHURCH SIGN

QSUMC has a new roadside sign that reflects the energy and strength of our church and its congregation.

The sign was beautifully designed, fabricated and installed by the *Adirondack Sign Company* In Saratoga Springs.

Our new sign is equipped with three lines of moveable letters that will allow us to vary of message to the passing public. This feature will allow us to advertise upcoming events like our Christmas service, church suppers, pie sale, plant sale or other events. We can also use this feature to provide a little church humor to local travelers.

--Tim Lagoe



Day by Day

“Day by Day” was written by a Swedish woman named Lisa Sandell in 1865. Lisa was the daughter of a Lutheran pastor named Jona Sandell. At the age of 26, Lisa accompanied her father on a boat trip. During the trip, her father fell overboard and drowned before her eyes. Obviously, the tragedy had a huge effect on Lisa. It would have been understandable if she had experienced a crisis of faith. However, Lisa’s faith blossomed and she wrote more than 650 hymns. At the age of 35, Lisa married a Stockholm merchant named C. O. Berg. She continued to sign her hymns “Lisa Sandell” until her death in 1903.

Oska Ahnfelt was the Swedish musician who set all of Lisa Sandell’s hymns to music. Ahnfelt traveled throughout Scandinavia singing Sandell’s hymns and playing his 12 string guitar. At that time, the state church was in a theological battle with the Pietistic movement. This gets complicated but Pietisms eventually led to John Wesley and the development of the Methodist church. The state church considered Sandell’s hymns to be pietistic and ordered him to sing them before King Karl XV. Politics can be unpredictable. The king was so impressed with the hymns that he allowed Ahnfelt to continue singing in both his kingdoms. Sandell later wrote “Ahnfelt has sung my songs into the hearts of the people.

Hymn Historian

Tim Lagoe

Sources:

Cyber Hymnal on the internet



Recently, Round Lake celebrated 150 years. **Josette Snowden** was honored as the Grand Marshall of the 150th year parade. Josette is not only the oldest resident of Round Lake but also the resident who has lived there the longest.



Methodist Church Trivia

In 1867, Joseph Hillman, a real estate and insurance broker from Troy, and a small group of interested laymen and ministers of the Methodist Church visited the western shores of Round Lake. Impressed by the pine woods, the nearby farms, the availability of pure spring water, and the convenient train service, these men brought a larger group to survey the proposed camp meeting grounds. Forty acres were purchased that year.

On May 5, 1868, the Round Lake Camp Meeting Association of the Troy Conference of

the Methodist Episcopal Church was incorporated. Shortly thereafter, a station, speakers' stand and a bookstore were built. Water for the fountains was brought down from the hill in wooden pipes; planks were installed across tree stumps for audiences, and tents provided for those who wished to rent them.

Methodist Camp Meetings at Round Lake

The first camp meeting was held on September 1, 1868. It lasted for ten days and drew 2,000 to 8,000 people per day. By 1869 camp meetings drew tremendous crowds-20,000 at Sunday services. The fame of these meetings was such that Harper's and Leslie's magazine of that year featured lithographs of camp meeting life.

Above quoted passage taken from:

History of the Village of Round Lake

Found at www.roundlakevillage.org/history

The First Camp Meeting

Round Lake was founded in 1868 by the Methodist-Episcopal Church of the Troy Conference. The Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroad stopped at the site, and the first meeting that summer drew 8,000 people! The first preaching, as at many camp meetings, was done from a raised platform built of wood. Attendees stayed in tents. In 1874 Ulysses Grant attended the meeting, and in 1885 the large auditorium was built, with a pipe organ. In 1887, the religious association that had organized the events was changed legally to the Round Lake Association, giving the settlement a broader base than just a summer religious revival camp. By the end of the nineteenth century, secular educational and cultural events had been added to the program, alongside the religious meetings.

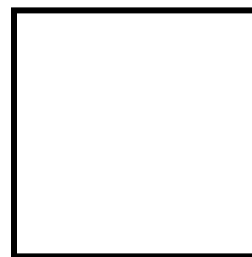
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