



The Methodist Chimes

June 2019

The Gifts of Wisdom

Proverbs 8:1-20

8:1 DOES not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? 2 On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; 3 beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: 4 “To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.”

Wisdom, God’s first creation. {Wis.8:22-23} God’s valued ally and confidant. {Wis.8:30-31} Wisdom cries out to us today just as in the days of Solomon. She calls to us in the streets and the shopping malls. She calls to us in the towns, cities and villages. Wisdom calls to our better selves, to our higher nature. Wisdom lives with prudence, knowledge and discretion having no part in prideful arrogance. Justice is the path of Wisdom.

Let’s all take a deep breath, a deep quiet breath like the little leather bracelet that Bishop Bickerton sent to all of the pastors in the NY Annual Conference with the words etched into it saying “Just Breathe.” Let’s take that deep breath and listen for the call of Wisdom. She is calling to us and her gifts are many and beautiful.

8:14 “I have good advice and sound wisdom; I have insight, I have strength.”

8:15 “By me kings reign and rulers decree what is just”;

Don’t you think we can use some of that?

8:20 “I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice”

Let us pray for our church leaders and our political leaders. Let us pray they take a deep breath and hear the voice of Wisdom, She calls to them all.

Peace, Pastor Steve

Congratulations
Pastor Stephen Ernst
*on becoming a licensed local Pastor! The Red Hook
UMC members and friends are blessed!!!*



*To view more pictures of Pastor Steve during the Celebration of Ministry
Commissioning Service, go to the New York Annual Conference website,
www.nyac.com or at
the NYAC Facebook page.*

RHINEBECK HEALING & PRAYER

We believe in the healing love and power of Jesus Christ.



We listen, love and pray for all who come seeking healing in body, mind and spirit. The healing comes from the Holy Spirit and not from ourselves. Since we are not counselors we count on God's Wonderful Counselor to continue our Lords work through us.

PUBLIC HEALING & PRAYER SERVICE

JUNE 29, 2019

10:00 A.M

Location: 83 E. Market Street, Rhinebeck, NY

Special Guest Speaker: Shannon Cobb
“The Power of a Lament”

SOAKING PRAYER

June 1, 2019

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

WHAT IS SOAKING PRAYER?

Soaking Prayer is soaking in his presence (no water is involved). Come and relax while some scripture is read and quiet music plays in the background. The prayer team will come and pray over you in silence for your concerns.

Contact: Director, Nan Ernst 914-689-6116

from the Trustees

Here are some highlights from our last Council meeting:

- Pastor Steve is a bona fide pastor now.
- We are looking into getting a new copier.
- The Red Hook Historical Society is going to be getting, at no cost to us, an historical marker for our cemetery, which, by the way, is older than Rhinebeck's!!
- The spring cleanup went well. Two of our women, Joan Murray and her daughter Lori, went to the 150th anniversary celebration of the UMW held in NYC.
- The suggestion was made to watch the Bishop's message given at the recent conference; excerpts are posted for reading further on in this Chimes.

If you have any questions, etc., please text Tracie at 845-750-1402.

Tracie Dedrick, Council Secretary

from the Financial Secretary

Thank you all so much for your generous tithes. They enable the Church to continue to provide so many services to our community. We are able to offer a HUGE Food Pantry Support to our local community and beyond. We also have space used by Women's groups, childcare programs, special dinners, and worship services. We are also expanding our outreach to the Red Hook Village, and we participate in the Red Hook Friday Night Lights.



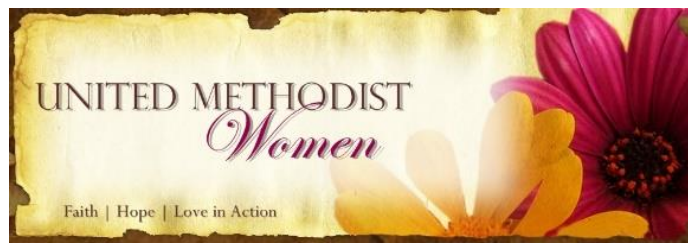
Altar Flowers

Your generosity has been overwhelming! As the spring and summer seasons are progressing, God is showing us some amazing beauty. We are enjoying his gracious beauty each Sunday, with your support. The Altar flower calendar and weekly forms are on the bulletin board outside of Pastor's office. Feel free to make a donation of a minimum of \$10.00, and we will purchase flowers and arrange them in the Altar vases for the Sunday you choose. If you choose, you are welcome to share the bounty of your own garden. Those flowers that are in memory or in honor of someone special can be noted in the Sunday bulletin with 5 days' notice or more. Any question, feel free to ask Beverly or Jennifer (586) 713-0104.

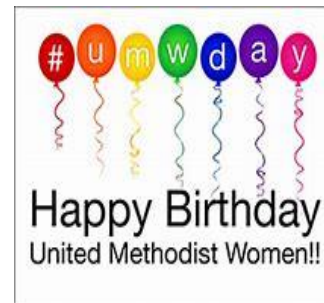
Friday Night Lights

The first Friday of each month there is a special event in the Red Hook Village where we set up a small table and hand out water and cookies. We are also making a presence wearing our bright T-Shirts. Feel free to sign up for future Fridays and join in the fun. We are open to additional ideas. The Hand to Mouth Weavers also join in the festivities. This is a great opportunity to represent our Magnificent Church and enjoy fellowship with each other and community members.

Jennifer Van Voorhis, Financial Secretary



from the United Methodist Women



May was a busy month for the UMW. On May 11, at Stevens Memorial Church in South Salem, NY, the NY/CT UMW celebrated 150 years of UMW. Beverly Risi presented the history of the UMW with the help of the women from Red Hook UMW. A lively play, based on the history of UMW, with audience participation was performed. A fun time was had by all!

On May 31, Joan Murray and Lori Coon, members of the RHUMW, continued to celebrate 150 years with our UMW sisters at the legacy at Christ Church UMC in New York City. It was a nice gathering!



The RHUMW hosted a tea party on May 18. We had approximately 50 women joining us. It was a special time to get to know everyone. We had lots of food, tea, music provided by a local musician, and a silent auction was conducted. It was a successful gathering with lots of laughs and chatter.

An Invitation!

On **June 24, at 6:00 pm**, the RHUMW will be having a potluck picnic at Janice Williams' home on Yantz Road. Bring your appetite, a dish to pass, and your S'Mores skills. All women are invited!



Joan Murray and Kristi Colburn of the 153rd Annual Strawberry Festival Committee extend a HUGE thank you to everyone who volunteered and made the Strawberry Festival a HUGE success! Thank you to all who donated and prepared the food, and set up and cleaned up the Fellowship Hall. We appreciate all of the HARD work!!! With many hands, the work was light!

Kristi Colburn and Joan Murray



from the Food Pantry

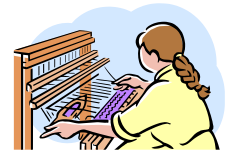
During the month of May 2019, the Food Pantry served 97 families that included 70 children, 53 seniors, and 141 adults

Upcoming food deliveries are scheduled for June 18, July 16, and August 20. The exact time is not known until one week before the delivery.

There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway outside of the church office to sign up to help at the pantry. We need at least three people each week...teenagers are welcome! Come get to know our clients; both clients and volunteers are fed.

School Supplies...it's not too early to think about back-to-school supplies. We will again be collecting school supplies for our clients. Donations of spiral notebooks, glue sticks, three-ring paper, binders, pens, erasers, pencils, and similar items are appreciated!

from Hand-to-Mouth Weavers



Do you want to learn to Weave? Join us on Wednesday evenings 7–9 pm in the weaving room in the lower level of the education wing. We have more looms than people at the moment, and our inventory is low. We have lots of fun, and it is easy to learn. Profits from the work of this ministry provides money to the Food Pantry to be able to provide items like our Stewart's milk certificates. Questions? Speak with Janice or give her a call/text at 845-750-3057.

Janice Williams



NYAC 2019: State of the Church Episcopal Address

Thomas J. Bickerton
Resident Bishop of the New York Area

June 7, 2019

As most of you know, for the past fifteen years I have taken the Elder/Deacon candidates that I have ordained to England each year. This trip is designed, in large part, to build relationships with those that I ordain AND to explore a series of events around the life and work of our founder, John Wesley.

Each year that trip has been filled with good conversation and somewhat light-hearted reflections on the life of John Wesley from birth to death.

But this year, the trip took on added meaning and significance. Given the current state of affairs within our church, it became very clear that at this point in our history, perhaps we need John Wesley more than we ever have. (Excerpts taken from www.nyac.com)

In the upcoming months (date and time TBA), Bishop Bickerton's State of the Church Episcopal Address will be viewed at the RHUMC, after coffee hour in the lounge. It's a must see. Bishop Bickerton addresses the church's current issues and provides guidance. If you want to view the address online, it can be found on www.nyac.com. A full transcript is available online as well.

Kristi Colburn



from Church Street Nursery School

Congratulations to all of the Pre-K students who graduated. Kindergarten, here they come. Also, congratulations to all the students in the 3 (age 3) and 2 (age 2) classes on moving up to “older” classes. Lots of excitement and laughter were in the halls of the RHUMC.

On Apple Blossom Day, we had a float in the parade. Thank you to Steven and Danielle Lown from West Side Auto for pulling the wagon for us! Thank you to all the families and teachers from Church Street for joining us!

We still have spaces available in our Two's Class. Children must be 2 by December 1, 2019 to enroll in this class. We also have a spot available in our Pre-K class. Children must be 4 by December 1, 2019. If you are interested, please call 845-758-6282 or email churchstreet@frontiernet.net

We are closed for the summer; emails and messages will be checked throughout the summer. I will respond to as soon as I can. Enjoy your Summer.

Director, Ashley Bolde



Prayer Concerns

THOSE OF SPECIAL CONCERN AT THIS TIME:

Ben Albizu, John Bamford, Donna Marie Blanche, Jean Bleibtrey, Carol Boeck, Ken Bonal, Rachel Booz, Pat Brammer, the family of Michael Brogan, Pete Buhler, Gabriella and Gavin Butz, Karen Dick, Deborah Dunkle, Kay Egan, Kay George, Melissa and Myriam Godwin, Pastor Paul and Gloria Gingrich, David Heller, Haley Hines, Donald Hunt, Ron Jones, Phyllis Keeler, Sherry Kelly, Nicole Lewellyn, Maria Martins, The family of Myrtle Moore, David Muller, Caleb & Grady Nelson, Carl Pack, The family of Christopher Ransford, The Resnick family, Joyce Riffenburg, Randall Stewart, Kathy Stoppenbach, Ed Surowitz, Diane Tanzosch, Nancy Titus, Reverend Eric Titus, Skip Tremper, Ruth VanVliet, Taylor VanVoorhis, Tony and Charlotte Vellake, Anna Weih, Mary Lou Williams, Reverend Bill and Marianne Wolf

**IN CHRIST'S NAME, WE PRAY.
AMEN.**

To add or remove anyone from our Church Prayer List, contact the Office at 845-758-6283, redhookumc@umcchurches.org