

Jacob's Well

June 2017



June 4 PENTECOST (Please wear red, orange or yellow!) *Celebration of the Lord's Supper*

Lectionary Readings: Acts 2: 1-21; Psalm 104: 24-35; 1 Corinthians 12: 3-13; John 20: 19-23

Greeter: Amber Deyoe

Liturgist: Anne Mitchell

Ushers: Kim and Karl Thayer

Counters: Amber Deyoe/Anne Mitchell

Communion Servers: Cindy Brockman/Paulette Foote/ Anne Mitchell/

Amber Deyoe

Communion Cleanup: Pam Seward

**June 11 TRINITY SUNDAY OF EASTER *Fellowship Hour in honor of the Chancel Choir Members*
*hosted by Cindy Brockman***

Lectionary Readings: Genesis 1: 1-24; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13; Matthew 28: 16-20

Greeters: Kim and Karl Thayer

Liturgist: Hank Harrington

Ushers: Holly Deyoe/Dick Behrens

Counters: Cindy Brockman/Bruce Guerineau

June 18 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *Father's Day*

Lectionary Readings: Genesis 18: 1-15; Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19; Psalm 100; Matthew 9: 35-10: 8

Greeter: Pat Woomer

Liturgist: Paulette Foote

Ushers: Paula Sheely/Bridgette Lewie

Counters: Amber Deyoe/Anne Mitchell

June 25 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Lectionary Readings: Genesis 21: 8-21; Psal, 86: 1-10; Romans 6: 1-11; Matthew 10: 24-39

Greeter: Anne Mitchell

Liturgist: Pat Woomer

Ushers: Hank Harrington/Katrina Harrington

Counters: Cindy Brockman/Paulette Foote

From the Pastor...

Dear Members and Friends of Old Saratoga,

*"I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy;
Your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.
Even on the male and female slaves, in those days,
I will pour out my spirit."
Joel 2:28-29*

Dear Members and Friends of Old Saratoga,

Greetings to you and your families in the Love and Peace of Christ!

On Sunday, June 4, we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost. On this day we will read the story from Acts 2 about an amazing outpouring of the Spirit of God in Jerusalem. This extraordinary event brought thousands of diverse people together and empowered them with new life and to become the Body of Jesus Christ in the first century A.D.

We, who are part of that church today, claim this as our founding story. We look to this story for clues about the nature and purpose of our existence! It points us to the ongoing presence of God's Spirit in the world and how we can participate in the transforming work of the Spirit!

One of the signs of the Spirit's work then and now is bringing people together in the realization that we are one human family and all belong to God. This point came home to me two Sundays ago (5/21) when we welcomed visiting members of the local Baha'i faith community to our worship. They brought greetings from their community, shared some tenets of their faith, and expressed the hope that there would be coming opportunities to work together to help promote the work of love, understanding and peace in our communities. Our common love for God and for our human family unites us in spite of different religious beliefs. It is a good thing to come together as friends, learn about each other, and do God's work together to help make our deeply divided world a kinder and more safe and peaceful place for all.

Pentecost helps us remember the work of God's Spirit to gather and bring people together into union with God and each other. Despite our differences, we are one in God's Love, and called to "maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." (Eph. 4:3)

On the first Pentecost, there were all the usual things that keep people apart—fear, distrust, language barriers, differences of belief, social and cultural boundaries; but by the end of the day, many of these things no longer stood in the way of people coming together as they did. Peter's Pentecost sermon testified to the love of God in "Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power..." (Acts 2:22) It is Jesus' life of unselfish, generous and courageous love that gives definition to ours and sets us and all humanity on a new path of life.

Pentecost is a celebration of God the Spirit's gift to the world—to bring us together, to change our lives, and to fill our hearts with the Divine Love that makes all things new!

Faithfully yours,

Pastor Joyce de Velder

Church Family

BIRTHDAYS

2: Vicki Perkins
3: Dale Cox
3: Kylie Dyke
5: Chris Garney
5: Bonnie Garrand
5: Eric Richards
9: Rich Zotzmann
11: Donald MacMillan
11: Gerry Barber
12: Pam Driscoll
12: Sydney Alexanian
15: Mellenie Rose Booth
16: Zoe Bartholomay
16: Nicholas Casey
16: Barbara Vincent
17: Ajay Deyoe
20: John Bodnar
21: Adam Burch
21: Matthew Waldinger
23: Olivia Edgar
24: Jenny Middlebrook
25: Patti Zotzmann
27: Kenny MacMillan
28: Wally Kroner
29: Sue Hughes



ANNIVERSARIES

1: Darryl and Cheryl (Sherman) Baust, 1996
2: Randy and Cindy Kerr
9: Jean Stark and Walter Kroner, 2001
24: Don and Jennifer (MacMillan) Squires, 1995
25: Tom and Sue Wilbur
25: Cindy and Jim Brockman 1994
27: Rixt (Bierma) and David Clifford

Please help us keep the lists current by giving us dates and updates. Thanks!

IN OUR PRAYERS

"Pray at all times in the Spirit....making supplication for all the saints." (Ephesians 6: 18)

Ruth Hayes	Bette Tucker
Dwight Colvin	Sue and Tom Wilbur
Alyson Fitzgerald	Bill Cluff
Thomas Altrogge	Venita Duffany
David Garrand	Ryan Markwith
Rod Borgman	Ashley Edgar
John Bodnar	Trevor Lewie
Richard Zelazny	Naomi Thayer
Sandy Jones	Cheryl Durkee
Evie Senecal	Alicia Lewie
Charlotte Gorham	Rosie Driscoll
Justin Flanders	Clyde Wells
Susie Murphy	Tom Barber
Pat Hayes-Howd	Michael Hughes III
Sandy DeGregory	Charles Thayer
Mona Perkins	Robin Hoffman
Suzanne Guerineau	Joan James
Connie Jacobson	Trisha Atkinson
Michael Gordon	Jodi Neckles
Nancy and Norman Howard	Peggy MacMillan
Donald Morrill	Rev. Virginia Cornell
Hank Harrington	Joy Yahwak
Florence Sherman	Gene Usher

HOSPITALIZED IN MAY

Cheryl Durkee- Saratoga Hospital
Joyce deVelder- Albany Bone and Joint
Mark Booth – Saratoga Day Surgery
Florence Sherman- Saratoga Hospital
Gene Usher – Saratoga Hospital
Alicia Lewie - Saratoga Hospital ER

REV. CHARLES BAILEY TO BE HONORED

Where: Old Fort House Museum, Ft. Edward
What: Riverside School Bell Award for
outstanding retired teachers
When: Thurs. June 8 at 5pm
Cost: \$10 donation to benefit Historical
Association Education programs
Call: 747-9600 for reservation to pay at the
door

THANKS RECEIVED

"The Community Foundation for the Greater Capital Region expresses sincere thanks for your recent gift of **\$463.25**. Your gift was deposited into the Drilling for Hope Fund."

**With deepest appreciation,
John Eberle, President and CEO**

"I would personally like to extend gratitude on behalf of our agency and residents for your kind donation to Ahana House in Waterford, NY. It will definitely be put to good use!" **(\$50)**

**Thank you-
Jacqueline Lombardo, Director
Support Ministries for Persons With AIDS**

"Thank you for all the prayers and well wishes. I knew they were heard as I have no pain and feel pretty good – hopefully I can start walking in 1-1 1/2 weeks. Thank you again to all."

Cheryl Durkee

GRADUATES



We will soon be publishing the list of graduates who are connected to OSRC. If you have a child or grandchild who will be graduating from high school or college, please let the office know the details of what school the person will be graduating from, and what the plans are for the future. Names will be published in the July/August issue of JW, after all the ceremonies have been held. Thanks!

CONGRATULATIONS!



..to **David Woomer**, son of **Pat and Robin Woomer**, who took two first places in swimming at the Special Olympics Regional Meet, held before the State Meet, which will be in June. David competed in the 10 Meter and 15 Meter races. Way to go, David!

THANKS EXTENDED

..to all the volunteers who came to clean up the church, both inside and out, on Sat. May 20: **Ajay Deyoe, Holly Deyoe, Amber Deyoe, Paulette Foote, Anna Bierma, David deVelder, Mikael deVelder, Joyce deVelder, Pam Seward, Duffy Whitehouse, Dick Behrens, Bridget Behrens, Carolyn Markwith, Terri Richards, Karl Thayer, Cindy Brockman, Eddie Fish**

..to **Dick Behrens** for all his research and work for the Stained Glass Window Sunday

CHILDREN'S JUNIOR CHOIR ROBES



During our cleanup of the church, the decision was made to dispose of the old children's choir robes. **If you were a member of the choir, and would like your robe "for old time's sake" please let the office know.** The robes which are left will be donated to the Schuylerville Community Theater Wardrobe Department.

Church Life

ECUMENICAL BIBLE STUDY

The Ecumenical Bible Study group is reading the **Book of Isaiah**, one of the richest books of the Hebrew Scriptures, esteemed by Jews and Christians alike. The prophet Isaiah speaks words of faith and hope to us today—as well as to the people of his time.

Bible study's schedule for June:

Wed. June 7, 10-11am – at the church

Wed. June 14- 12 noon at the home of

Jean Myers

(Bible Study does not meet in summer, but will resume on Wed. Sept 13.)

CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

Sunday, June 4 at noon



Everyone is invited to attend the annual church family picnic to be held on Sunday, June 4 at noon, at the home of **Duffy and Bill Whitehouse**. Please sign up to bring a picnic item (salad, dessert, etc.) If you have a lawn chair, please bring it, and if you want to cook your own meat, a grill will be provided. Come and enjoy the fellowship of a meal with your church family in the country!

(A signup sheet is posted in the foyer.)

STEWARDSHIP INVITATION UPDATE

The response to the Stewardship Invitation has been gratifying! So far we have received donations and pledges totaling **\$1435**. If you would like to see what has been underwritten so far, and what still remains, an updated list of the items may be found on the bulletin board in the foyer. Thank you to all who have made a donation to support the church, in addition to their regular giving.

GUILD MEETING

The Women's Guild will hold their next meeting on **Mon. June 19 at noon**.

Members and guests will be enjoying a "picnic." The Guild will not be meeting during the months of July and August, and will resume on Monday, **Sept. 18 at noon**.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN



Summer worshippers always look forward to visiting with members and friends of OSRC following the service, with a glass of refreshing lemonade and a cookie or two! If you enjoy this time also, why not take a turn to host? A signup sheet is posted-check to see when you can help! Thanks!

SUMMER MUSIC VOLUNTEERS

Music in worship is a wonderful part of the whole spiritual experience. This summer, why not gather a group of friends and join together to sing something during the offertory! Or if your talent is in playing an instrument, share it with OSRC! We'd love to have you take a turn! A signup sheet for this is posted also.

WE HAVE A GARDENER !!



The good news is that **Ajay Deyoe**, son of **Amber and John Deyoe**, has volunteered to tend to our three church gardens! Ajay will be getting service credit for school, and the church will benefit from his service to the community. Thank you, Ajay!

CAMP FOWLER REGISTRATION AND "CAMPERSHIPS"

Registration for the upcoming camping season at Fowler is available online, by accessing the Fowler website:

www.campfowler.org

We're happy to note that there are already five of our young people (**Makenzie Harrington, Bridget Behrens, Ajay Deyoe, Holly Deyoe, Bridgette Lewie**) planning to go to Fowler this summer.

The consistory has designated **\$300** for each camper to help cover the cost of a week at camp, which is **\$425**. OSRC will be accepting donations towards camperships. You may make your check out to OSRC, earmarked "**Campership**" and place it in the offering plate or send it to the church. Thanks!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY



On **Children's Sunday, May 28**, three of our young people received their Good News Bibles. **Bridget Behrens, Matthew Waldinger** and **Halie Tomlinson** will all be ten years old during this calendar year, and joined a long line of youth who received their Bibles from OSRC, one of whom was **Anne Mitchell**, Bridget's mother! Thanks was extended to the Sunday School leaders, **Chris Garney** and **Donna Mellen**, and helper **Bridgette Lewie** for their parts in teaching the children, and in sharing two of their mission projects with the congregation (**Drilling for Hope, Hippies for Hope**) which have now become part of the OSRC mission program!

HYMNS OF OUR FAITH

"Sing to the Lord, you saints of God; praise his holy name." (Psalm 30:4)

*"Take time to be holy, speak off with the Lord;
Abide in him always, and feed on his Word.
Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak,
Forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek." vs 1*

The poem "Take Time to Be Holy" was written in 1882 by Englishman William D. Longstaff, the son of a ship owner. His inherited wealth was used to benefit others, especially as his gifts pertained to God's work. Longstaff provided funds for the renovation of Bethesda Free Chapel, where he worshipped, and financial support for the evangelistic campaign of the evangelist Dwight L. Moody.

"Take Time to Be Holy" is the only one of Longstaff's poems that has survived the passage of time. He was inspired to write it after hearing a sermon based on 1 Peter 1: 16, "...Be ye holy because I (God) am holy." George Stebbins, who was a church music director, put music to the poem. He had composed many hymns, and also had worked with Dwight Moody.

Being holy as God is holy is a tall order for humankind, but with guidance from the Holy Spirit, when we stray we can achieve some measure of holiness. Robert Cotrill, pastor and hymnologist, says, "God does not simply "zap" us and make is spiritually mature and Christlike. It requires consistency of time with the Lord and in his Word, and daily application of the truths we learn."

*"Take time to be holy. The world rushes on;
Spend much time in secret with Jesus alone;
By Looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be;
Thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see."*

Dick Behrens

PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Property Committee met on 5/8 and discussed what tasks needed to be done on the Church Cleanup Day. Several areas were noted, both inside and out. Members also reported on progress regarding violations noted by the village code enforcement officer. The door on the stairway from the kitchen to the choir loft has been removed. An electrician has been contacted and will soon be giving an estimate for the emergency lighting. A roofing contractor has also given an estimate for the repairs to the parsonage north porch roof and the roof on the church. **Next meeting is Mon. June 5 at 7pm.**

HOW TO "HYGGE"



Why are Danes more cheerful, their homes more cozy and their lives less stressful? It's all about hygge (*hoo-ga*) the Danish "coziness" philosophy. Hygge involves life's simple pleasures: hugs, candlelight, being kind to yourself and others, conviviality and community, enjoying the outdoors, and coming together over cake and coffee. So come and join our Tuesday morning coffee time and de-stress around the crowded (cozy!) table and hygge with us! **(The group will continue to meet on Tuesday mornings at 9:30am throughout the summer, too!)**

NATIONAL CEMETERY VOLUNTEERS

Eight volunteers from OSRC participated in placing flags on the graves of veterans at the Saratoga National Cemetery for Memorial Day: **Cindy and Jim Brockman, Patti Booth, Paulette Foote, Carl Douglass, Duffy Whitehouse, Sarah Brockman and Pam Seward.**

MISSION OF THE QUARTER

The Mission for the second quarter (April-June) is **Hippies for Hope**. If you have not received a box, extras are on the back table in the Sanctuary or in the Church Office. **Hippies for Hope** is a grassroots, youth powered organization working to better the education of children in third world countries and spread smiles through local pediatric wards.

Hippies for Hope will be celebrating its 10th anniversary with a brunch at the Century House on Aug. 6 from 12-3pm. If you are interested in attending, please see Chris Garney. (Boxes returned June 25.)

SECOND HAND ROSE THRIFT SHOP HONORS VOLUNTEERS

On Monday, May 23, 12 volunteers were treated to dinner at the Golden Corral to thank them for their dedicated service to Second Hand Rose. Store manager, **Charlotte M. Gorham**, arranged the event. Participants included:

Jean Wisley	Ron Periard
Yvonne Wooley	David deVelder
Terri Richards	*Pat Hernandez
Donna Forte	Mikael deVelder
Theresa Fontaine	Pam Seward
Roland Fontaine	*Peggy MacMillan

Peggy and Pat are members of the Board of Directors. Thank you also to **Betty LaCroix and **Donald Morrill**, who helped out but were unable to come.*

Second Hand Rose Thrift Shop is a not-for-profit, serving the community since 2003. All proceeds, after expenses, are donated to local school and community organizations. New volunteers are always welcome. Donations are accepted during store hours- **Tues-Sat. 11am-4pm , 116 Broad Street.**

STAINED GLASS WINDOW SUNDAY

May 21



It wasn't the bright, sunny day we had hoped for - when the morning light makes the east windows in the sanctuary come alive with color and beauty. But spirits were bright as we highlighted the legacy of our stained glass windows and the contribution they make to our faith and as works of art.

Pastor Joyce gave an introduction, and our church historian, **Dick Behrens**, gave a moving sermon on the text that is inscribed in one of our windows: "I am the true vine and you are the branches." (from John 15)

Following the service, we had an open house from 11-2 for visitors to come and see the church windows. Dick served as host and prepared a wonderful guide for church members and visitors to learn more about each window in the sanctuary. (These guides are available on request and/or can be read as people wait for worship to begin.

The state-wide event was organized by the Sacred Sites division of the NY S Landmark Conservancy, with the theme "Windows on This World and the Next."

CAN YOU HELP?

We would like to have another **Chicken and Biscuit Dinner** in the fall, since it was so well received before. However, in order to plan for it we need to have two people willing to co-chair. Please let Pastor Joyce know if you can help. Thanks!

CHANCEL CHOIR ENDS SEASON



Sunday, June 11, will be the choir's last Sunday to sing in worship until early September. They will be singing an anthem entitled "Let Your Light Shine" and will also sing a choral benediction, as their way of saying farewell for the summer months. Please take a moment to thank the ten dedicated members of the choir, Minister of Music **Christopher Tucker** and organist **Barbara Elcox**, for their efforts in making a "joyful noise" throughout the year!
A special Fellowship Hour after worship will be held in honor of the choir

ARTS AND MUSIC EVENTS

"Faces of Uganda"

Spring Street Gallery, Saratoga Springs

Thurs. June 8 6-8pm

Gallery opening and fundraiser to celebrate and support Karen Flewelling's humanitarian work for

Drilling for Hope

\$5 minimum donation

Music Collage Concert

*featuring the Adirondack Flutes,
Old Broads Quintet and * This Time Around"*

Sat. June 17 3pm Salem Courthouse

*Each group will perform separately and
come together for a grand finale
(donation split among groups and courthouse)*

***OSRC's Christopher Tucker
will be performing with
This Time Around**

In Our Community

SECOND HAND ROSE THRIFT SHOP

116 Broadway, Schuylerville NY



Tues. – Sat. 11am-4pm

Donations gladly accepted during store hours

Volunteers are always needed!

Call Charlotte at 695-4640

Next Board meeting: July 7 at 9:30 at OSRC

SAFER

(Schuylerville Area Food Relief)

12 Spring Street

Open 9-12 noon M,F 260-4779

BACON HILL REFORMED CHURCH

CHICKEN BBQ- Sat. June 3

Sittings: 4:30 and 5:45 pm; Take outs 4-6pm

Adults: \$12; Children, or ½ Chicken \$6

Reservations: Jennifer Thomas 695-6116

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Where: Bacon Hill Reformed Church

When: July 31-Aug 4 (M-F) M-Th at Bacon Hill;

Fri. at Hudson Crossing Park

Who: Youth K-5th grade

Call: Jessica Schwerd 441-3932 to register

“RAISING OF THE TIMBERS”



When: Fri. June 16 at 10am

What: The new information center

Where: site of the old Town Hall, Ferry St.

**A Ceremonial Raising of One Side
attended by dignitaries**

**(Sat. Sunday 6/17, 18 will be the actual raising of
the other sides)**

The public is invited to both occasions

SARATOGA COUNTY

EOC'S MOBILE PANTRY

If you know people who are hungry, but can't get to the food pantry, please let them know that help is on the way! Saratoga's Mobile Pantry will be visiting the neighborhood.

When: 4th Tuesday of the month (6/26)

**Where: Schuylerville United Methodist Church
51 Church Street**

Time: 2:30-4pm

OLD SARATOGA HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Meeting: Thurs. June 22 7pm

**Join the group as they visit the
Prospect Hill Cemetery for a tour
(Corner of Cemetery and Burgoyne Roads)**

SUNDAE ON THE FARM

When: Sunday, June 18 from 12-4pm

**Where: Kings Ransom Farm, 311 King Road
in the town of Northumberland**

**What: A fun and educational time for the
family. Includes tours of the farm,
orchard, children's activities, farm
animals, horse-drawn wagon rides,
live music, agricultural exhibits, and
demonstration by area chefs using
local farm products**



OLD SARATOGA REFORMED CHURCH

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Cindy Brockman, Bruce Guerineau, Anne Mitchell

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Sunday Worship: 10:00 am

Sunday School: (Sept.-June) 10:00am–11:00am

Pentecost

(please wear red, orange or yellow)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Sunday June 4 10am

Annual Church Family Picnic

Sunday June 4 following worship

(details inside)

General Synod Meeting of the Reformed Church in America (June 8-13)

See www.rca.org/synod for info and news

Father's Day

Sunday June 18