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Worship Schedule

Wednesdays

7 pm

WOW

Worship on Wednesday
Contemporary Worship

Sundays

10 am

Traditional Worship

Broadcast Schedule

Each Sunday

3:30 pm

Telecast of morning's

Traditional Worship

on Hornell Cable TV Ch. 99

Second Sunday of Each Month

10 am

Radio Broadcast of

Traditional Worship

on WLEA

All I Have Needed

By Doris Snowden

Bob and I were married on January 2, 1943 at the height of World War II. While on our honeymoon in New York City, Bob received his draft notice from Uncle Sam, and on January 22, he boarded a bus bound for Fort Hood, Texas, leaving me sadly behind.

In May 1943, at the end of Bob's basic training, I took a week's vacation from my office job to visit him in Texas. Instead of returning home as planned, I stayed there with Bob and quit my job by mail.

In February 1944, we came home on furlough, and returning to camp, he left me behind once more because I was expecting our first child. Our son, who we named John Philip, was born on May 7.

The Red Cross was able to obtain an emergency furlough for Bob and he arrived home when our baby was a few days old. Upon Bob's return to Texas, he found out that his entire unit had been sent overseas without him. He was reassigned to the U.S. Army 2nd Army Intelligence Division in Memphis and remained there for 19 months until Bob was discharged in February 1946.

Needless to say, Bob returned from the war-years while many others did not. We bought a home three weeks after returning to Hornell and lived a normal and happy life while living in that home for 60 years, raising a family of six children.

I have always felt that God had a hand in these series of events in our lives. It seems that throughout the years, he has put us in the right place at the right time.

My favorite hymn is "Great is Thy Faithfulness" — *All I have needed thy hand has provided...*

And so it has always been.

January 22 turned out to be a significant date in our lives. Bob passed way on January 22, 2010, leaving me behind once again, but this time to go to his heavenly home.



**AND WE KNOW THAT ALL
THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR
THE GOOD TO THOSE WHO
LOVE GOD, TO THOSE WHO
ARE CALLED ACCORDING TO
HIS PURPOSE.**

Romans 8:28

*See page 3 for
the lectors,
the messengers
for the Time for
Growing Christians,
and ushers.*

Safe Sanctuaries refers to policies designed to safeguard children and youth. Through the program, churches train and certify persons as safe workers with children and youth in United Methodist ministries.

Safe Sanctuaries policies include such things as


- screening and checking references for paid employees and volunteers;
- preventing abuse,
- recognizing signs of abuse
- reporting incidents of abuse
- making sure insurance coverage is adequate
- developing building usage policies.



Keep Saving (and Buying) Greeting Cards

Virginia Burritt is taking over our greeting card sales, which have been such a good fundraiser for our church's youth group.

Please **do continue to donate cards** you have but don't need to help support this fundraiser.



From the Pastor's Desk

By Pastor Marian Luce

Like many of you, I have been a *Guidepost* reader for many years. Not only do I read it, I give subscriptions to it to family members and several service people as part of my annual Christmas celebrations.

In the most recent issue, an article was written about how the author focused on a single word for an entire year, emphasizing it and looking for it in her daily life. What a blessing this spiritual discipline has been for her.

At first I did not think it was something I would find meaningful, but the more I thought about it, the more the notion intrigued me.

I began to look for a word that God might be suggesting to me. While reading from one of my devotionals the word, "yield" jumped out at me.

"Yield to Jesus," was part of the sentence. Coming from Oswald Chamber's classic work, "My Utmost for His Highest," Chamber's writes:

"We will all feel very much ashamed if we do not yield to Jesus the areas of our lives he has asked us to yield to him... It is absolute and irrevocable surrender of the will that is required. An undue amount of thought and consideration for ourselves is what keeps us from making that decision, although we cover it up with the pretense that it is others we are considering. When we think seriously about what it will cost others if we obey the call of Jesus, we tell God he doesn't know what our obedience will mean. Keep to the point—he does know."

It is one of the many things that keeps me coming back to Chamber's little devotional—absolute honesty as well as his focus on yielding his life totally to Jesus.

I'll let you know from time to time where this spiritual venture leads me, but I thought I would mention it here, in case you too would like to **try to find that special word that God has for you to focus on this year.**

On a different matter, this is the year that the Upper NY Conference has set to **implement policies to protect children and youth from abuse, Safe Sanctuaries.** To help us be in full compliance, it will be necessary to form a working committee that will look at all areas of the church as well as our various ministries to make sure they follow the full letter of the mandates. It has been suggested—because of the wide purview of the Safe Sanctuary Committee—that each standing committee provide one of its members to also serve on Safe Sanctuaries.

To round out the committee we will need two to three at-large members who are not necessarily part of any other committee.

If you would like to serve on this committee, please let me know as soon as possible. We will need to hold our first meeting during February and we all know how fast the time flies by!

Lastly, January is the time for year-end reports. **If you are the Chair of a committee that must complete year end reports, please get those to me as soon as possible** so they can be copied and sent along to both the District Office and the Conference Office before the January 31st deadline. Few of us like making out these reports but they are important and help us keep our church functioning well and moving forward.

To every one, have a Happy and Holy New Year. Until the next time...

A New Year and a New Prayer Partners Meeting Time

By Melody Carrier

Happy New Year!! In this season of new dreams, new goals and new ways of doing things for 2012, Prayer Partners is making some changes. We are changing our time and format! We hope this will make it easier for people to join us in prayer for our pastor, for our church and for our community. This is such an important intercessory prayer effort—please consider joining us!!

We are changing our gathering time from Monday evenings to **Monday afternoon at 3 pm**. It will still be the 4th Monday of the month. Our **next Prayer Partners** gathering will be **Monday, January 23 at 3 pm at the church library**. We hope that this new time during the daylight hours will be more convenient to some for driving purposes, for energy levels and for calendar purposes. **Milene Dexter is willing to pick up anyone who might like to join us** at this new time. You can reach her at **324-6640**.

Our time at Prayer Partners will be spent in reviewing prayer concerns, outlining a chapter of the book *Prayer* by Richard J. Foster, and geographical praying.

The book is not required for participating in Prayer Partners and is outlined so well, that anyone will benefit from listening to the outline.

Geographical praying involves going into the rooms of the church and praying for the people who use that space, who maintain that space, and for the activities within that space. We usually are in teams—one team doing one end of the church and the other team doing the other and then we unite in the sanctuary for a group prayer for our pastor and our worship services. We have done away with the meal-time so we can get right down to our purpose—prayer.

If you have any **questions, please feel free to call Pastor Marian at 324-3281, Melody at 324-5821 or Cheryl at 324-2640**. Those of us who have been with Prayer Partners for a number of years feel that it is such an important effort and we have seen the benefits of being in prayer for our church and pastor. Please consider joining us and being a partner in this prayer effort.

January

1/2 Sarah Heineman
1/3 Russell Brace
1/6 Erin Cranmer
1/15 Donald Murphy
1/16 Brian & Heather Clifford
1/17 Howard Chafee
1/17 Georgia Dibble
1/17 Deb Pierce
1/19 Joy Valentine
1/19 Donny Valentine
1/20 Jersey Ryan
1/21 Tim McMichael
1/21 Clare Thompson
1/22 David McMichael
1/24 Doris Snowden
1/25 Rita Jean Thomas
1/26 Milene Dexter
1/28 Bill & Angie Smith
1/29 Rosemary Clifford

February

2/3 Rich Wood
2/6 Derek Burritt
2/7 Betty Emo
2/9 Kaley Murphy
2/11 Christian Jessup
2/11 Fran Smith
2/14 Cindy & Daniel Burdell, Jr.
2/15 Rena Tuller
2/21 Melissa & Christopher Brace
2/26 Donald & Irene Murphy
2/26 Cheryl Slatt
2/28 Cailey McManus
2/28 Lois Stephens

Next
**Prayer Partners
Meeting**
Monday, January 23
at our new time
3 pm!!!
in the church library

Lectors

Jan. 1 Cheryl Slatt
Jan. 8 Jim Hess
Jan. 15 Kim Smith
Jan. 22 Milene Dexter
Jan. 29 *To be announced*
Feb. 5 Cheryl Slatt
Feb. 12 Jim Hess
Feb. 19 Kim Smith
Feb. 26 Milene Dexter

Messengers for the Time for Growing Christians

Jan. 8 Doug Carrier
Jan. 15 Becca Smith
Jan. 22 Cheryl Slatt
Jan. 29 *To be announced*
Feb. 12 Doug Carrier
Feb. 19 Becca Smith
Feb. 26 Cheryl Slatt

Ushers

January
Jim & Milene Dexter
Betty, Jim & Jessy Hess


February

Duane Heineman
Betty, Jim & Jessy Hess
Jean Pissanos
Dave Smith

Greeters

To be announced

*If you are interested
in being an acolyte,
or a greeter please contact:
Art Quant 324-6351*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>9 am—Coffee & Conversation (Current Events/Faith) 9:45 am—Prayer with the pastor 10 am—Traditional worship with Communion 11:15 am—Sunday School 3:30 pm—Cable TV Broadcast (Ch. 99)</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7 pm Trustees (to be confirmed)</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>4:30 pm Stewardship 7 pm WoW Worship on Wed.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>3:15 pm Choir 6 pm <i>Fellowship hall in use</i></p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>
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