



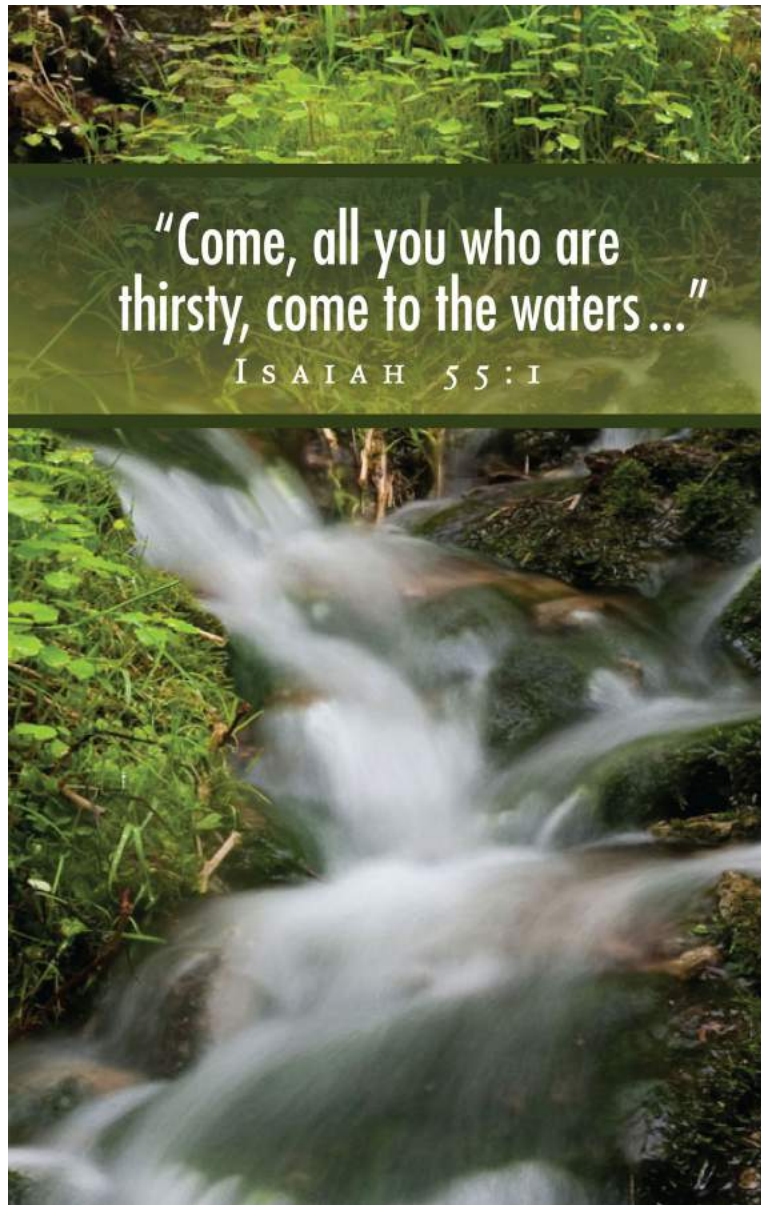
# The Herald



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## The Ascension challenge



“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters...”  
ISAIAH 55:1

Ever wonder what it might have been like to be a disciple when Jesus ascended into heaven? He gave them the monumental task of making disciples of all the world. Plus, they’d have to do it without relying on Jesus’ physical presence, as they had until then. Were the disciples overwhelmed, uncertain, afraid?

Maybe, yet they went on to spread the gospel throughout the world nonetheless. They rose to the challenge because they fixed their gaze above as they watched Jesus disappear into the clouds.

When we follow that example, offering ourselves as willing servants and keeping our eyes trained on Jesus instead of our circumstances, there’s no limit to what God can accomplish through us.

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# Upper New York Conference

The United Methodist Church



From Bishop Mark Webb: This is the theme of the United Methodist Church for the next few years. Let us “get serious about the discipline of prayer.” Prayer is at the heart of our journey with God, one another, and the world. Pray for the congregation and community we are called to reach, for ways to use our gifts and resources, for the future of God’s mission, for God to spiritually revive us, and more!

Join the Prayer Community for the United Methodist Church

**[www.umcprays.org](http://www.umcprays.org)**

The initiative is called: Praying Our Way Forward  
We are One in Christ

**Serving in  
Worship  
May 2017**

**Thank You for  
Serving  
this Month!**



**Liturgist**

5/07 Sandra Waterman  
5/14 Lyle Tague  
5/21 Peg Wittman  
5/28 Anita Taft

**Greeters**

5/07 Dee Colwell  
5/14 Allen Hulme  
5/21 Doris Frediani  
5/28 Paul McComb

**Ushers**

5/07 Susann B., Mary Lou B.  
5/14 Bob K., Roger D.  
5/21 Randy & Carol Bloechl  
5/28 Barry & Anita Taft

**Communion Servers:**

5/07 Tom & Sandy W.,  
Todd H.

**Acolytes**

5/07 Bob Kuder  
5/14 Erin Nichols  
5/21 Don Allis  
5/28 Jessica Archer

***Liturgy is  
the Work of  
the People  
for the Glory  
of God***

**Altar**

5/07 Dee Colwell  
5/14 Randi Wachter  
5/21 Ruth Mori  
5/28 Martha Kline

**Media Booth**

5/07 Sue N. Todd H.  
5/14 Randy & Carol Bloechl  
5/21 Rodney N, Todd H  
5/28 Rodney N, Sue N

**Media Presentation**

5/07 Sue Norton  
5/14 Carol Bloechl  
5/21 Tom Wulff  
5/28 Sue Norton

**Coffee Hour:**

Education/Nursery Team



To all the Volunteers who provided refreshments for the month of April.



May 7 4th Sunday of Easter: John 10:1-10; Psalm 23; Communion  
May 14 5th Sunday of Easter: John 14:1-14, Psalm 31; Mother's Day  
May 21 6th Sunday of Easter: John 14:15-21, Psalm 66  
May 28 7th Sunday of Easter: John 17:1-11; Psalm 68; Ascension Sunday

# PANCAKE BREAKFAST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTH CHILI

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**May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 8:00AM to 10:00AM**

From the Men's Breakfast Group

Featuring Barry's Magic Griddle!

Pancakes Eggs Sausage Juice

Coffee or Tea

Donations: Adults \$5 ages 5-10 — \$3

Come for Breakfast, Stay for Fellowship!



## Saturday, May 13th Spring Tea

2 to 4 o'clock PM in Adams Hall

\$4 per person Come join us for a relaxing afternoon!

Tea, delicious sandwiches and cookies,  
and other wonderful delights will be shared.

All Ladies and Young Ladies of the Church are cordially  
invited to this tea hosted by the Care Ministry team.

Bring a Friend! There's nothing as sweet as time shared  
with friends.

Sign up sheet is posted in hall near kitchen, or call  
Sharon Kelly 594-9326 or Sue Josephson 594-1682

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## Farmer's Market Report

A Vendor's meeting was held on Monday April 17th.

We had a very good response to annual vendor's letter and meeting. To date, we have heard from a large percentage of the vendors and everyone that has responded will be returning this year, including all of our most popular vendor's.

As has been the tradition, the market will **open for the season June 17th.**, the last two weeks in June and run weekly through October 28th. Something new this year, we will be offering a **one day "plant sale" on Saturday May 20th.** The hours will be **from 8:00 am to noon.** There will be a limited number of vendors but there is enough interest that we will give it a try. The sale will be featuring mostly vegetable plants some novelty items may be included. Check it out!

And as always, we will soon be looking for volunteers for the "market managers" positions.

Market Organizers,

Roger Dart & John Standinger



## UMC Market.org

Do you know what the UMC Market is?

It's a place to shop through thousands of vendors. Some offer free shipping, discount pricing and other special incentives. You can generate a donation to your selected United Methodist ministry.

A percentage of all your purchases will be donated to your church. Sign up today, create your own secure profile and let the donations begin!

## LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

**Donations** are needed such as Dry Goods, Toiletries, Paper towels, Soap & Dish soap. Our delivery day is Sunday May 21 this month. The donations are delivered to Grace Church of the Nazarene each month to benefit people in our area who need a little help.

Drivers for May are Doris Frediani and Randi Wachter.





## May Birthdays

5/3 Emma Nichols	5/5 Todd Hochgraf
5/9 Bob Arazy	5/12 Carol Miller
5/14 June Harndon	5/14 Lyle Tague
5/18 Allison Allen	5/18 Judy Drews
5/21 Kathy Krisher	5/23 Ellen Farnham
5/25 Kyle Kline	5/26 Anita Taft
5/27 Randy Bloechl	5/30 Florence Mihalyov

## Prayer Concerns for May

**Prayers for:** Avry, Carm & Steve L., David, Judy G.'s friend, Tammer Cook. Nicole, Rebecca, Carolyn, Sharon's niece Sarah.



Virginia Allen, Dolores Calvin, Gary & Marcia Caswell, Irene Kochersberger, Helen Ottley, Mildred Tower, Barbara Ward, Lyla Weinreber, John DeBack.



Our thoughts and prayers are with Dolores Calvin and family on the passing of Todd Calvin.

## ***Membership in The United Methodist Church of North Chili***

Our church is part of the Genesee Valley District and the Upper New York Conference of the United Methodist Church. We are a denomination that is committed to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ worldwide.

We subscribe to the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds. We are Christ-centered, Biblically grounded, missional, and enjoy the gifts of reason and experience God has provided us. We live our lives in God's grace and in partnership with others.

To be a full member of our church means belonging. It means being an active participant in the life of the church. It is much more than just saying "I'm a member."

It is more than coming to service on Sunday.

It goes beyond baptism and membership vows. It is an inclusive relationship.

### **Membership is Belonging**

It is an invitation to joining with other Christians in the life of the Church. It is both a privilege and a responsibility. It is joining the congregation for worship, prayer, song, and Holy Communion. It is also about joining in small groups, bible reading, serving in worship. It is about giving of our time, our abilities, and our financial resources to support our Church, our missions, and our legacy.

We are all about helping people relate to Christ through ones gifts and talents, to nurture and strengthen relationships with God and others. But it is about more than nurturing people inside our building. It's also about reaching out into the community to find where we are needed.

We need people to be leaders as well as participants of groups, ministries, missions, and teams. We also need to walk our daily faith walk together, to provide emotional support, but also to play together. We need to be a fully functioning family!

We have many activities here at our Church and you are invited and encouraged to try new things. Find out where you "fit". Or start something! The next time you are asked to join a team or activity give it some prayerful thought because you are part of a family and we want you to belong!

**The doors, hearts, and minds of our church is open to all, and we invite you to join us in membership.**

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# MEMORIAL DAY

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Sunday Worship 10:00 am, Traditional  
Pastor Dan Carr

