

The Nimmonsburg Witness

August 2022



Intentional Discipleship System



In a few short months, I will be partnering with you all to fill out our Charge Conference paperwork. One of the questions our Bishop and Cabinet pose to us every year is, *“Do you have an Intentional Discipleship System?”* By this, they mean, have we thought about the way we are partnering with God to *Reach, Resource, and Release* new disciples of Jesus Christ.

Over the years I have served as a United Methodist pastor, I have noticed that people need relational spaces to have formative experiences with God. In response to this need, I have developed a Faith Exploration Class. With five one-hour sessions that cover Wesleyan Grace, Covenant, Sacraments and Holy Conferencing, it is packed with concepts central to our identity as United Methodist followers of Christ.

The question I asked our Church Council was, *“Could we experiment with this class and see if it would serve us as a formation component of our Intentional Discipleship Plan?”* They said yes! Our hope is that we could take this class together as a congregation for two reasons:

- 1.) Grace, Covenant, Sacraments, and Holy Conferencing are a joy to discuss at any level of spiritual maturity. We all might grow from this. And, at the end of it, you might think of things that have been left out of the initial formative experience you hope for others to have in Christ.
- 2.) If we as a church can embrace this experience together and identify it as a core training for new disciples, then we can invite people not only to church but also to a learning journey that draws them into the small group setting.

What a wonderful welcome you have given me to Nimmonsburg UMC! Let’s see if we can invest some of the joyful energy of our connection into a conversation that has the potential to help us make disciples of Jesus Christ for transformation of our world.

Pastor Harold





Worship Calendar for August 2022

August 7, 2022—Communion

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: *Campfire Questions*

August 14, 2022

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: *Campfire Questions*

August 21, 2022

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: *Campfire Questions*

August 28, 2022

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: *Campfire Questions*



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Our August Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS:

8/1 - Eva Randall

8/2 - Janice Kienzler
Alayne Schaffer

8/4 - Dottie Benjamin

8/5 - Taylor Lindsey
Nathan Zweig

8/7 - Chris Nabinger

8/10 - Diane Schaumberg

8/16 - Frances Lindsey

8/17 - Deborah Edwards
Judy Poit

8/19 - Andrea Pickney



8/20 - Bernadette Yotter
Dee Seeley

8/21 - Paetyn Burish
Dorothy Forsyth

8/22 - Dick Oakley

8/25 - Steve Herrick
Freya Randall
Avery Rovere

8/27 - Gloria Hider

8/29 - William Poit

8/30 - Helen LaBarr



ANNIVERSARIES:

8/10 - Lynne & Jim Ruth

8/11 - Judy & Russell Sanaeko

8/17 - Patti & Paul Derr

8/18 - Marilyn & Steve Herrick

8/23 - Dottie & Wally Benjamin

8/25 - Elizabeth & Craig Button

8/27 - Melissa & Michael Burish



Please let us know if we missed your birthday or anniversary. We want to celebrate with you!!



WELCOME

We would like to welcome Rolette Warren, our new Treasurer. Rolette owns RG Bookkeeping Services in Binghamton, and has many years of experience helping businesses and not-for-profit clients accomplish their bookkeeping and payroll needs. She will be in the office every other week to pay bills and prepare payroll just as we have done in the past.

Nimmonsburg Church Cookbooks



This easy summer salad recipe was submitted by Cheryl Weeks, and is on page 216 of the Cookbook. Sounds delicious for a summer dinner picnic!

The Nimmonsburg Church Cookbooks are \$10 each and are available in the Church Office or from Jim Tregaskis.



Mandarin Orange Salad

Ingredients:

- 3 oz. vanilla pudding (not instant)
- 3 oz. orange Jell-O
- 3 oz. tapioca pudding (not instant)
- 1½ cups orange juice
- 1½ cups water
- 1 can mandarin oranges (drained)
- 1 medium size container of whipped topping

Directions:

- ① Mix puddings, Jell-O and liquids in a saucepan. Bring to a boil for three minutes, stirring constantly. Cool in the refrigerator.
- ② To finish, mix in drained mandarin oranges and whipped topping.
- ③ Refrigerate overnight if possible.

Welcome to our New District Superintendent

Dear Friends of Binghamton and Oneonta Districts,



I am so excited to begin this journey in Christ with you. Our goal is to find ways of celebrating the joy of Christ with us, and share that joy in making disciples for Jesus.

While I have been serving Central NY for the last 8 years, I served in the former Wyoming Conference for 20 years at New Berlin, Homes for the Aging, and Paupack appointments. This region and its beauty has always meant a lot to me.

While there are challenges before us, let us always find ways to love, learn and lead!

A little more about my family: my spouse, Nancy, will continue living in Oneida Castle as she provides support for her 90+ year old parents. I will be living some of the time in the District Parsonage in Binghamton and some of the time in Oneida Castle. But I am available. We have 4 adult children, one of whom is a senior in college and 5 grandchildren who live in the area.

I look forward to what God has in store. Please pray for me as I pray for you.

Here's to God's leading us together!
Grace and Peace, Bob Kolvik-Campbell
District Superintendent



Fifth Annual Southern Tier MobilePack



We are happy to announce that Southern Tier MobilePack is continuing to make a difference in helping to feed God's hungry children around the world.

Nimmonsburg UMC is scheduled to pack meals on **Saturday, October 15th, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at Owego Church of the Nazarene in Owego.** We are hoping for at least 10 volunteers for our "packing team". Please take a minute to sign up for this event in the narthex.

If you would like to donate to this event, you can send a check payable to "Feed My Starving Children" and mail it to 523 Dugan Road, Owego, NY 13827, or donate online at: <https://give.fmssc.org/owego>.



And we are so grateful for the time you take to put on a hairnet and say, "Yes, every child deserves to be fed."



Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, August 9th
Hillcrest Campus
5:00 to 8:00 pm

Children's Home



SUMMER

WORD SEARCH



Search for the twelve Summer themed words below.

W	L	E	L	L	R	J	M	L	B	K	N	G	F	C
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BARBECUE	LEMONADE	SUNSCREEN
BEACH	POOL	SWIMMING
FLIP FLOPS	SUMMER	VACATION
ICE CREAM	SUNGLASSES	WATERMELON

Safe Sanctuaries Certification Class at NUMC



We are very excited that Pastor Harold has offered to conduct a mini-course for those who need to be Safe Sanctuaries Certified in order to be a teacher or helper in our Sunday School. *These classes are normally 3 hours long, but Pastor Wheat's class will be only 45 minutes!*

Please sign up in the narthex for this course being offered on Sunday, August 21 at 6 pm.



Church Picnic to Welcome Pastor Harold

Everyone had a good time, and lots of good food at the Welcoming Picnic for Pastor Harold. We were worried about the hot weather, but just in time the breezes arrived to save the day!



We are inviting all Sunday School teachers, children, parents, grandparents and helpers to a MEGA PARTY on Sunday, August 28th from 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm here at the church. Come and meet each other, share a meal and meet Pastor Wheat. More information to follow

M = Meet
E = Eat
G = Greet
A = And PARTY!



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Come Worship With Us!

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