

The Midweek Messenger
Jonesville United Methodist Church
March 4, 2026

TGBC #6 : The Encouraging Community (Luke 14:27-33, 2 Corinthians 4:7, Galatians 5:14-18)

“But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.” (2 Corinthians 4:7)

In the life of the church, we need to ask ourselves an honest question: Am I a consumer or a growing disciple? A consumer asks, “What do I get out of this? Are my needs being met?” A disciple asks, “How can I grow? How can I serve? How can I help others grow in Christ? How is God shaping me here?” In the Second Epistle to the Corinthians, we are reminded that we carry a treasure in jars of clay. We are the clay—ordinary and imperfect. The treasure is Christ within us. The church is not about admiring the jar, but about carrying the treasure. God calls us not to consume, but to grow in Christ—and to help others grow as well.

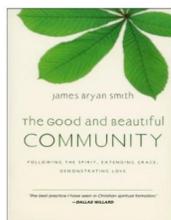
Come join us at Jonesville UMC! Our Sunday service begins at 9:30 a.m. You can also connect with us via livestream at Jonesvilleumc.org at the same time.

Blessings,
Youngjae

Sermon Series

The Good and Beautiful Community by James Bryan Smith
Through - March 22, 2026

-Sunday at 11:00am (in person/ Upper Room) - **Monday at 6:30pm** (Zoom)
Please sign up on the sheet on the table outside of the church office.



Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026

9:30 am

Maundy Thursday, April 2, 2026

Potluck 5:30pm, Service 7:00pm

Good Tenebrae Friday April 3, 2026

7:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

9:30 am

We are going to start Easter flower orders this Sunday, March 8th with a due date of March 18th .

Join Us in our Methodist Community

Third Sunday in Lent & Girl Scout Sunday

March 8, 2026

Service Time 9:30 am

Technology Volunteers: Images: Heather Brown Stream: Heather Brown, Burt Theurer
Greeter: Mary Vawter Ushers: Fred Boyd, Norm Young Counters: Carol Bates, Pat Hatlee

PRELUDE

Casey Gray

CHURCH BELL (7 TIMES)

*OPENING HYMN #369 *Blessed Assurance*

LIGHTING OF ALTAR CANDLES

Lily Moreau

*WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Youngjae

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

And also, with you

The risen Christ is with us

Praise the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Lord God,

You call us to follow Jesus, the treasure in our clay jars.

Grant us grace to walk the costly path with courage and faithful hearts.

Teach us to deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow in love as we seek to follow Jesus Christ.

Help us remind one another who we are, show each other who we can be, and give us the courage to hold one another accountable.

In everything we do, remind us of our blessed assurance:

Jesus is mine, and we are His.

Amen.

* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Together

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Heather Brown

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Youngjae

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Lily Moreau

Leader: As God has blessed us, so we also should bless others.

People: With love and gratitude, we bring our gifts to the Lord.

OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir

Director:

Tim Antonacci

What Wondrous Love Is This? by Heather Sorenson

*DOXOLOGY #94 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Olivia Nowak

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastor Youngjae

PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER SONG #2008** *Let All Things Now Living*

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Madi Nowak

Luke 14: 27-33, 2 Corinthians 4:7, Galatians 5: 14-18

SERMON

TGBC #6 *The Encouraging Community*

Pastor Youngjae

*CLOSING HYMN #2130** *The Summons*

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Youngjae

*POSTLUDE

Casey Gray

*All those who are able are invited to stand.

**Hymns are in The Faith We Sing

Altar flowers today donated by Jan Volk in honor of her grandchildren.

Prayers:

†Ella

†Laural Hayes

†Heather Brown

†Janice Catuccio

†Anita Comtois

†Rob Sundell

†Ella Sherman

†Eileen Williams

†Kelly Farron

†Charlene Donald

†Lory Bennett (P and continued prayer)

†Pat Vautrin

†Dot Habura

†Dee Holman

†Pat Vautrin

† Attend JUMC

P: Praise for answered prayer

Pray for men & women in our armed services & their families.

Pray for those who suffer from PTSD .

Pray for all those in countries with political and other strife.

Pray for all of our brothers and sisters in Christ, and those not in Christ that we can grow into a peaceful community, through mutual respect, humility and work.

Pray for those with Alcohol of Substance Use Disorders or Mental Health Challenges and their families that they will find recovery.

Pray for Peace, Protection and resolution in the Ukraine.

Prayers of thanks to God for our community and our family of believers. Thanks to God for supporting us through our struggles.

God is good.

[Please share any joys and concerns that you may have by emailing the Church Office office@jonesvilleumc.org.](mailto:office@jonesvilleumc.org)

If you would like anyone included in the shared list, please confirm their consent.

Giving to the Church

As of March 1, 2026

Weekly Giving 3/01

\$3,961.00

2026 Giving: \$53,922.50

[Keeping current with pledges enables JUMC to be successful in its commitment to the work of Christ](#)

Come work for JUMC!

If you've been following, you've seen we said goodbye to our wonderful Administrative assistant, Kathy Fedorchak . We're now looking for support staff to fill her position. Please inquire at the office or see SPRC.

Mission of the Month for March

City Mission of Schenectady

City Mission of Schenectady, founded in 1906, is dedicated to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed. Our ministries are seeking to comprehensively meet the needs of the poor in a manner that dignifies and strengthens the individual, the family, and the community.

Our goal is to provide not only HELP for today, but HOPE for tomorrow. We want to help people who are in need right now by meeting basic needs like food, shelter and clothing. Providing these life essentials are at the core of who we are.

In addition, our hope is that we can do more than just meet basic needs... we want to transform lives. Together, we can help people begin to dream again and think about what they want their future story to look like.

We help those future stories come true by providing spiritual guidance, counseling, training, classes, life and job skills training and so much more! We don't receive government funding, so we couldn't do any of this without the generous support of concerned individuals, churches and businesses.

JUMC will be serving at the community dinner on March 19, April 22, and May 27.

Donate on-line to JonesvilleUMC.org with note to MOM March or check to Jonesville UMC with note Mom March on the memo. *Remaining Donations for February, to the Regional Food Bank, should be similarly designated, but With February.*

OUTREACH:

Volunteer at the Regional Food bank on Tuesday March 17 from 1:30 - 3:00pm. Sign up in Fellowship hall, or talk to someone in Outreach. Carpool from church lot at 12:45 PM.

Outreach serving dates at City Mission : March 19, April 22 and May 27. (Subsequently added March date, please adjust your calendar accordingly)

RISSE : RISSE requests any **sewing or knitting materials**. Many of the clients enjoy crocheting, knitting and sewing to make extra money. Please leave these donations in the RISSE Box under the coatrack inside the ground floor entrance.

RISSE Volunteer opportunity to assist on-line **ENL evening classes** on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 8-9pm It's an easy way to support newcomers. Contact Noora Ahmed via her email at : volunteer@risse-albany.org .

RISSE : Help also needed with Friday **conversation classes** 10 to noon. Contact Pat Hipenbecker at phip944@yahoo.com .

United Women in Faith:

Prayer Shawl Workshop: Stopped till further notice

Knitters will keep busy at home, and all are encouraged to sign out a prayer shawl as a gift to one of the many on our prayer list, or that didn't make it on to our prayer list.

Sunshine Girls Luncheon: This coming Tuesday! March 10th, April 14, May 12 at 12:30pm

Please sign up to attend in Fellowship Hall, or call the church. The Program for March 10 is "St. Patrick's Hospitality: Welcoming the Stranger". Pastor Youngjjae

has graciously offered to provide the main course.



JUMC 200th Anniversary 1826-2026

**This Sunday: Stained Glass Window Tour,
March 8th 2026 after the Service**



Now Displaying!

**Check out the Timeline in the Education Corridor!
First 125 Years is Up!**

Starting with the base of John Wesley and the origins of the Methodist religion, this wall gives interesting, bite size information of the history of our church, including cool pictures of artifacts.

To donate for 200th anniversary activities, please make check out to JUMC with 200th anniversary in the memo line. Or designate a donation on line. See Barb Phillips with questions: (518)527-8591



United Methodist Men: Men's Breakfast

March 15th

April 19th

Education: Meeting this Sunday after Church

Please, have your kid join the Sunday School fun. We love to have them!

MYF Upcoming Activities (myf@jonesvilleumc.org)

4th&5th	Middle School	Highschool
3/20 6-8:15 Movie night at the church	3/14 5-6:30 pm Gathering at Church	3/14 5-6:30 pm Gathering at Church
4/17 6-7:30 pm Game Night at Church	3/21 8am-10:45 pm Ms Camp Pinnacle	-----
	3/29 1-3pm Rollerskating @ Guptills	3/29 1-3pm Rollerskating @ Guptills

Shenendehowa

Helping Hands Food Pantry

(518) 877-7380

DONATIONS ALWAYS NEEDED

General Items

- Cash Donation
- Canned Chicken
- Canned Fruit
- Condiments (mayo, ketchup, mustard etc..)
- Meals in a can (eg ravioli, SpaghettiOs, Corned Beef Hash, Beef Stew, etc.)
- Pasta sides (Hamburger Helper, Knorr Pasta sides etc.)
- Paper Towels
- Cleaning Products (spray cleaners & disinfectants, toilet bowl cleaner, Laundry detergent etc.)



Every
Donation
Makes A
Difference

Inclement weather policy:

The pantry will be closed when the Shenendehowa Central School District is closed due to bad weather.

If Shen has a 2 hour delay, we will do our best to open at 11. However, this is dependent on volunteer availability.

If you are unsure if we are open, please check our Website

<https://sites.google.com/view/shenhelphinghandsfoodpantry/home> for up to date information.

Shenhelphinghandsfoodpantry.org

Additional Resources Local to our Church AA& AI- Anon

Monday:12:15pm AA Meeting, Upper Room

Wednesday 12:30 pm AA Meeting, Upper Room

Thursday 10:15 am AI-Anon Meeting, Upper Room

Friday 10:00 am AA Meeting, Upper Room

Friday 7:30 pm AA Meeting, Upper Room

Saturday 9:00 pm AA Meeting, Upper Room