

The Midweek Messenger
Jonesville United Methodist Church
July 8, 2026

Roots: *Our Wesleyan Heritage:* *Baptism*

⁸ I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” ¹
-Mark 1:8

I just watched the movie *Project Hail Mary*, with Ryan Gosling. The Earth needs saving, so a space probe with three people launches to find a solution to the devastation humanity faces. Two of the three people die en route, leaving Ryan Gosling alone. The space travel left him with memory gaps, so he needs to figure out why he has knowledge of complex scientific data and equations, and what his mission is. Our story matters. Our past informs who we are and why we respond in a certain way. This goes beyond just our own past. There is a connection to the story of our family we have, even if we are unaware of it.

Even medically, the story of our family history is important. Every doctor, hospital visit, test—requires us to answer our family’s health history. It informs our physical being and our tendencies.

Now, as USAmericans, we like to be lone rangers and pull ourselves up by our boot straps, yet so much of who we are was informed by our parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, and great-great-grandparents. Our roots affect us whether we know it or not.

Like Ryan Gosling’s character, the church needs to remember who we are and our mission. Even when we are aware of our roots and doing our best to live out our mission, it’s good to be reminded. So we begin a series on *Roots: Our Wesleyan Heritage*. This week we will look at baptism. What does your baptism mean to you? What connection does the Holy Spirit and baptism mean to you?

Join us this week to look at our Wesleyan Roots in Baptism and how we can remember our baptism and be thankful.

Pastor Leanne

Please join us in person or online for Church. Sunday service begins at 9:30 am. You can find us on Facebook and YouTube under Jonesville United Methodist Church. For reference, this week is the 7th Sunday after Pentecost.

¹ [Common English Bible](#) (Nashville, TN: Common English Bible, 2011), Mk 1:8.

Join Us in our Methodist Community

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2026

Service Time 9:30 am

Technology Volunteers: Images: Heather Brown Stream: Heather Brown, Tony Furnari
Greeter: Julie Hecht Ushers: Darlene Burdick, Fred Boyd Counters: Scott Strock Jeff Hecht

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH BELL (7 TIMES)

Kat Norton

Pastor Leanne Zeck

Deb Devenpeck

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God calls us beloved!

All: God calls us into the River of Forgiveness

One: God calls us God's own!

All: God calls us to live into our baptism!

*OPENING HYMN #723

Shall We Gather at the River

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Together

Amy Pelc

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

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

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

Deb Devenpeck

OFFERTORY

Special Music

DOXOLOGY #94 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Kat Norton

Deb Devenpeck

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1 : 4-12

Deb Devenpeck

Reader: For the Word of God spoken, for the Word of God made flesh, for the Word of God among us,

All: We give thanks.

SERMON:

Roots: Our Wesleyan Heritage: Baptism

Pastor Leanne Zeck

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

See insert

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Pastor Leanne Zeck

PRAYER SONG **2117

Spirit of God

PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN * #252

When Jesus Came to Jordan

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Leanne Zeck

*POSTLUDE

Special Music

Kat Norton

*All those who are able are invited to stand.

**Hymns are in The Faith We Sing



Altar flowers donated by Kathy & Tom Fedorchak in honor of their 40th anniversary.

Prayers:

†Vincent Paruolo

†Courtney Fedorchak

Gail Lewis - PJ's mom

Michelle Hoffman - Requested by PJ Furnari

Laura Fabrizio - Requested by PJ Furnari

Kathy Anthony - Requested by Kathy Fedorchak

Larry & Carol Tomaszewski - Requested by Kathy Fedorchak

Joy La Barge - Requested by Barb Phillips

Grace's Family

†Dottie Habura

Marie Cuzzo- Requested by Pat Hipenbecker

Michael & Laurie Krutza - requested by Pat & Les Hipenbecker

Char and Scott - requested by Barb Phillips

Dave - requested by Scott McFadden

Terry McFadden -Scott McFadden's brother

Bill Wilson- requested by Carol Vroman

Rindich Family- requested by Carol & Ron Neu

Pam Haynor - requested by Carol & Ron Neu

†John George

Family of Petra Nygard -requested by Carol Bates

†Carol White

†Laurel Hayes

† PJ Furnari

†Heather Brown

†Anita Comtois

†Ella Sherman

† Attend JUMC

Geraldine Sim

†Alice Vautrin

†Charlene Donald

†Pat Vautrin

†Dee Holman

P: Praise for answered prayer

Pat Brownell

†Laural Hayes

†Janice Catuccio

†Rob Sundell

†Eileen Williams

†Calvin Flood

†Kelly Farron

†Lory Bennett

†Dot Habura

†Pat Vautrin

Prayers for those with chronic and with life threatening illness, the marginalized, the men & women in our armed services & their families, those who suffer from PTSD, and for those with alcohol and substance use disorders and their families.

Pray for Peace, Protection and resolution in the Ukraine, and for all those in countries with political and other strife.

Please share any joys and concerns that you may have by emailing the Church Office office@jonesvilleumc.org , or by using the prayer sheets available in the pews.

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

Giving to the Church

As of 7/5/2026

Weekly Giving 7/5

\$5,168.00

2026 Giving: \$152,822.76

Keeping current with pledges enables JUMC to be successful in its commitment to the work of Christ.

Mission of the Month for July Shelters of Saratoga (SOS)



Did you know that SOS have been changing lives for over 30 years? It started in 1991 with an eight bed emergency shelter for men. Last year a 31 bed shelter was renovated and expanded along with a nine unit supportive housing development- both right in Saratoga!

SOS is a Saratoga County based human services agency that provides food, shelter and housing services to people who are homeless or facing homelessness. All of these needs are ongoing year round, not just in the winter months! Please consider a generous donation to this very worthy mission.

Please support our Mission of the month by donating on-line to JonesvilleUMC.org with note to MOM July, or check to Jonesville UMC with note Mom July on the memo line.

OUTREACH: Please check previous issues for other opportunities to serve.

New RISSE Request! There is a new need for laundry detergent and baby wipes at RISSE. Collections next to the fibercraft material box underneath the coatrack in the ground floor entry way. Detergent may be purchased at a cheaper price at any dollar store. Please give if you can. Your help is greatly appreciated.



RISSE : RISSE still requests any **sewing or knitting materials**. Please leave these donations in the RISSE Box under the coatrack inside the ground floor entrance.



Micah 6:8

There will be an opportunity, once again to watch 1946 the movie, this fall. It is a movie that teaches how one mistranslation of the bible was used by many in power to divide, much to the detriment of the LGBTQ+ community, and how much of it still persists today. Big thank you to Carol Bates for making this education available to us.

Children's Church Volunteers NEEDED

Please sign up in Fellowship hall.



Tech Team Request: Please come check us out. We need your help.

For the past few years, my husband, Burt, has had a struggle with an extremely inconvenient case of tinnitus. It has an unfortunately strong effect on his ability to decipher what sounds are there, and what ones are in his ears. We need someone with non-ringing ears to come learn the ropes. Please. We really need your help. You don't have to know anything to join.

JUMC 200th Anniversary 1826-2026

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

CLAM BAKE

September 13th at 1:00PM

Buy your tickets now!

You will have a purchase window to get them when they're only offered to our church, before they go on sale to the public. When they're gone, they're gone, so go online at jonesvilleumc.org, scroll to just past the message, and order your tickets at "200th Anniversary Clam Bake" you can pay right online, or order in church on Sunday with a check.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSczY9Lp7nPt4w2S2T1d-oF7ojtDRIdDAKYHSNfj9q3zIQid2g/viewform>

BE A PART OF THE FUN! The 200th committee is still looking for a couple of volunteers to be a part of the **Clam Bake Reenactment Service on August 9th** in place of the service. It's a fun & easy way to participate. Please see Pat Hipenbecker for details!



Buy Your Bicentennial Tee Shirts size s - 3x \$15
Buy after Sunday Service in Fellowship Hall!
Get yours NOW! Wear it Everywhere!



MYF Upcoming Activities

Middle School & High School (myf@jonesvilleumc.org)

7/19: End of Season Party From 2:00-4:00 PM more info to follow

Sunshine Girls Luncheon

"Freedom in Christ"

This Tuesday, June 9
12:30 pm

Go sign up in Fellowship Hall
No meeting in August.

Shenendehowa Helping Hands Food Pantry

(518) 877-7380

DONATIONS ALWAYS NEEDED

General Items

- Cash Donation
- Boxed Potatoes
- Canned Chickpeas
- Canned Peas
- Baked Beans
- Meals in a can (eg ravioli, SpaghettiOs, Corned Beef Hash, Beef Stew, etc.)
- Cookies & Crackers
- Tea
- Juice Boxes
- 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.

One-hour closure delays pantry by one hour. If there is a two hour delay or full closure the pantry will be closed. However, this is dependent on volunteer availability.

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

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

Shenhelpinghandsfoodpantry.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

AA QR Code



AI- Anon QR

