

The Midweek Messenger
Jonesville United Methodist Church
July 22, 2026

Roots: *Our Wesleyan Heritage: Personal and Social Holiness*

With what should I approach the Lord and bow down before God on high?

Micah 6:6

I have had the opportunity to visit both Jerusalem and Belize. In Jerusalem, I sat on the *Teaching Steps* which lead up to the temple mount. It is on the teaching steps that Jesus would sit and teach when he was at the temple. It was also one of the entrances to the temple court. Before you entered the temple court, you would ritually cleanse in one of the baths and then ascend the steps. The teaching steps were purposefully made inconsistent. Some steps were deeper, some shallower, some wider, some narrower. They were designed this way so those ascending the steps had to assume a humble posture. Your head was down so you could see the steps.

In Belize, I visited Mayan ruins. The steps on their pyramid to the king's palace and holy place were all very deep. You truly had to crawl on hands and knees unless you were 6' tall. Again, this was to force those approaching the throne to assume a humble posture.

Micah 6 asks the question with what should I approach the Lord? There are lots of outward signs the church has adopted in her 2000-year history. Dress codes and rituals, lowered voices all are among some of the outward signs of "holiness."

Micah tells us that God is looking for more than outward rituals and postures. It is the posture of our hearts towards God and towards our neighbor that is the concern.

I have heard it said recently of the church in the USA—that many Christians have a mouth full of Scripture and a heart full of hate. How we dress for church, attend church, quote scripture does not mean anything if our heart, our words, our actions do not match the Fruit of the Spirit. This Sunday we will look at the connection of personal holiness (our personal faith) and social holiness (our attitude and actions towards others) as we look at Micah 6:6-8. Join us as we connect with the Wesleyan concept of heart and hand, personal and social holiness.

Blessings,
Pastor Leanne

House Meetings

We are looking for church members willing to host small or large group meetings in their home as an opportunity to get to know Pastor Leanne. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall if you are willing to host. Additional details can be found on the sign up sheet.

Join Us in our Methodist Community

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2026

Service Time 9:30 am

Technology Volunteers: Images: Mary Ellen Hendrickson **Stream:** Mary Ellen Hendrickson, Burt Theurer
Greeter: Norm Young **Ushers:** Bill Volk, Carol Bates **Counters:** Carol Bates, Mike Gradoia

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH BELL (7 TIMES)

CALL TO WORSHIP

With what shall we come before the Lord?
What shall we bring into the presence of our God,
as an expression of our worship and praise?

**Shall we bring him all that we own—
our finest possessions, our life-savings,
our investments and property?
Would God be satisfied if we brought everything we possess?**

No, that's not what God is looking for.
God has told you what is good,
and what he expects of you:

**To do justice.
To love mercy.
To walk humbly before him.**

***OPENING HYMN #430** *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee*

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

*** SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Casey Gray
Pastor Leanne Zeck
Darlene Burdick

Together
Heather Brown

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.

OFFERTORY *Special Music*

DOXOLOGY #94 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Micah 6 : 6-8

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.

Darlene Burdick

Casey Gray
Darlene Burdick
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SERMON: *Roots: Our Wesleyan Heritage:
Personal and Social Holiness*

Pastor Leanne Zeck

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *See insert*

PRAYER SONG ** 2177 *Wounded World That Cries for Healing*

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN * #408** *The Gift of Love*

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Pastor Leanne Zeck

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Casey Gray

*All those who are able are invited to stand. **Hymns are in The Faith We Sing



Altar flowers donated by Laurie Runnerstrom in Honor of her dad, Jim Runnerstrom.

Prayers:

†Family of Carol White

Adam Koblenky - brother of Alice Vautrin

Wayne Sherman- Brother of Charlene Donald

Family of Elliott Blackwell - Grace's Dad

†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

†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

†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 7/19/2026

Weekly Giving 7/19 \$5,590.00

2026 Giving: \$161,922.76

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](https://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.

Children's Church Volunteers NEEDED Please sign up in Fellowship hall.



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

My hubby's ringing ears has made it increasingly difficult to do this job. 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.

KIDDO's OPPORTUNITY!!!: Kingdom Quest VBS- **FREE**

Who: Pre-K - 7th



August 10-13 9am-12pm



Location: Fruitful Vine Christian Church



Sign up required: <https://www.fruitfulvine.online/vbs-2026>

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/1FAIpQLSczY9Lp7nP4w2S2T1d-oF7ojtDRldDAKYHSNfj9q3zIQid2g/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!

Bicentennial Tee Shirts \$15 Limited stock after Service in Fellowship Hall!

Or customize with your preferred color at <https://valswebstoreschipply.com/Jonesville/>
Hoodies also available at the webstore.

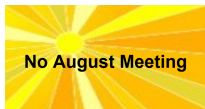


MYF Upcoming Activities

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

A wonderful time was had by all at the end of year pool party with special guest appearance by our own Pastor Leanne.

Stay tuned for upcoming events in your email and in the midweek.



There will be no Sunshine Girls meeting in August

**Safe Sanctuary Training is due in August
15th on zoom**

**Let's get trained so we can fulfill our
commitment to the kids**



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/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

AA QR Code



AI- Anon QR

