



# THE TORCH

ROUND LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
DEDICATED 1894  
CELEBRATING OUR 119<sup>TH</sup> YEAR  
JUNE 2013

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## Transitions

It has been said in many times and in many places that the only thing that one constant we can count on is that things will change. A wise one has reminded us that when we cease to change, we die. What is true in our individual lives and circumstances is also true in the life of the Round Lake UMC. We are in the midst of change.

This past November after six months of prayer and study, the Administrative Council voted to request the Bishop to appoint only a part-time pastor to the Round Lake UMC beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. Over the past six months we have been in communication with our District Superintendent, Rev. Rich Weihing, about the needs and financial situation of the congregation. This is the first of several changes that will be effective on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Our pastor will now only be part-time. We are continuing to discern exactly what this will mean.

A second change is the intention of Bishop Mark Webb to appoint our current pastor, Rev. Jane Baker, to the Pine Grove UMC in Colonie. Rev. Jane has been serving with us for the past three years. There will be a *Celebration of Our Ministry Together* on Wednesday, June 19, 2013 starting at 6:00pm. This is a pot luck dinner, so please bring a dish to share. Dessert will be provided.

The third change is that we will be yoked with the Malta Ridge UMC effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be sharing equally the services of one pastor. Rev. Penny Brink is currently serving part-time with the Malta Ridge UMC and will also serve with us. She will be a full-time pastor between the two congregations. She will be moving into the parsonage. She has been with Malta Ridge UMC since 2006 and with Wells UMC for one year prior to that. She is looking forward to quitting her full-time job with Siemens Healthcare and focusing on her ministry and her family, which includes two sons, a daughter, one daughter-in-law (soon to be 2), and 2 grandsons. The S/PPR Committee is excited about her enthusiasm and the opportunities to work with Malta Ridge UMC.

Should you would like to send her a note of welcome, she can be reached at:  
Rev. Penny Brink  
22 Walnut Ave., Johnstown, NY 12095  
[pbrink@nycap.rr.com](mailto:pbrink@nycap.rr.com)

NOTE: To accommodate the 2 churches, effective July 7th, Round Lake UMC will begin worship 30 minutes earlier, at 9am. Malta Ridge will begin their worship 30 minutes later, at 10:30am.

## **Scriptures in Worship**

Scriptures in worship during June emphasize semi-continuous readings from 1 & 2 Kings featuring the dramatic stories of the prophet Elijah. Our Gospel lessons are from Luke during Jesus' ministry around the Sea of Galilee. Paul's letter to the Galatians is also read this month.

**Sunday, June 2, 2013** *Sacrament of Holy Communion.* 1 Kings 18:20-39; Psalm 96; Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

**Sunday, June 9, 2013**

1 Kings 17:8-24; Psalm 146; Galatians 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17

**Sunday, June 16, 2013**

1 Kings 21:1-21; Psalm 5; Galatians 2:15-21; Luke 7:36-8:3

**Sunday June 23, 2013**

1 Kings 19:1-15; Psalm 42; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

**Sunday, June 30, 2013** *Sacrament of Baptism.*

2 Kings 2:1-14; Psalm 77; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

## **Trustees**

The area in front of the church is ready for planting! If you have extra perennials to share we are looking for a variety of hostas. We do have plenty of the plain green variety so if you have variegated, blue, lime green or other types that would be great. We would also like to plant astilbe and bleeding hearts. If you have any of these plants and would like to share, please contact Jean Halme, [jhalme@nycap.rr.com](mailto:jhalme@nycap.rr.com) or Donna Alaskey [ladybug124@hotmail.com](mailto:ladybug124@hotmail.com).

A sign-up sheet will be going around for parking at the Antiques Festival. If anyone would like to help fill a slot, Trustees would really appreciate it. This is the weekend of June 22 and 23.

A big thank you goes out to all who helped with the outside clean up last month. Trustees would also like to thank Doug Stata for removing the dead tree on the front lawn of the church.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. We welcome your input and encourage you to attend one of our meetings.



## **Pot Luck Dinner for Reverend Jane**

There will be a pot luck dinner for Reverend Jane in Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 6:00pm. Please come and bring a dish to share, (a cake will be provided for the finishing touch of the meal) and please share a comment or two in her honor for the time she has been with us.

There will be an envelope available on Sunday for collection towards a departing gift. Please see Joyce Meurs.

## **Church Council**

The Church Council held its meeting on Tuesday, May 21st. Positive exciting comments about our outreach programs were mentioned by congregation members, the latest being the **Coffee House**.

Another project was providing lunch to individuals working on the Rebuilding Saratoga Program, and yet another is making sweaters for children in need.

Church Council is in the process of putting together a Safe Sanctuary Policy, more information will follow.

Malta Day will take place in September. If anyone is interested in helping out please contact Joyce Meurs for participation information.

As you know, we are in the process of making changes from a Full-time Pastor to a Part-time Pastor. This will take place as of July 1, 2013. We will keep the congregation informed as soon as we know anything from the Albany Conference.

## **UMW**

Thanks to all who participated in the garage sale! We made over \$500.

Also a big Thank You goes to Rev Jane for presenting a program on planning your *Celebration of Life Service* at our May meeting. We appreciated the help with a gift we can give our family in advance to our passing.

Stone Soup will end our meetings until October 7, 2013. Hope to see you then.

On June 17, 2013 at 6pm UMW ladies will be dinnning at The Pig and Whistle 654 Route 50, Burnt Hills. All ladies of our church are invited to attend. If you are interested, please call Carol 899-2418.

We are planning the Antique Festival Breakfast on June 23 7am to 9am. We'll have French toast, scrambled eggs and sausage for a donation of \$7. If you'd like to work or donate supplies, please call Carol 899-2418. Please think about joining us and supporting UMW and our local mission projects.

# Salem, Maine Economic Ministry News

Dear Friends at Round Lake UMC,

For many years now, you have supported an annual mission trip to the Salem, ME United Methodist Economic Ministry with your prayers, enthusiasm and finances. That being the case, you won't be surprised that now I remind you the time for this year's trip is fast approaching. The dates for your mission are July 27 through August 3.

You can take modest pride in realizing that Round Lake UMC is recognized as a friend and supporter of improved rural life by people spread across many villages in central Maine. And once again we turn to you for prayerful financial aid. The money you donate is used to purchase supplies for the building, rehabilitation and improvement projects the team will tackle during our week in the shadow of Mount Abraham. Team members each contribute \$300 to cover travel, food and lodging.

So how much should you think about contributing to the cause? I'm glad you asked! Bishop Dale White, commenting on a similar situation, once said, "Don't be afraid of giving too much. The need is great and all our resources are too few." Right now Stephen and Diane Marino are organizing to make the trip from New Mexico just to be part of the mission. Others of us are putting money aside so we can be there, too. Your support lets you be part of the team even if you can't be physically present with us.

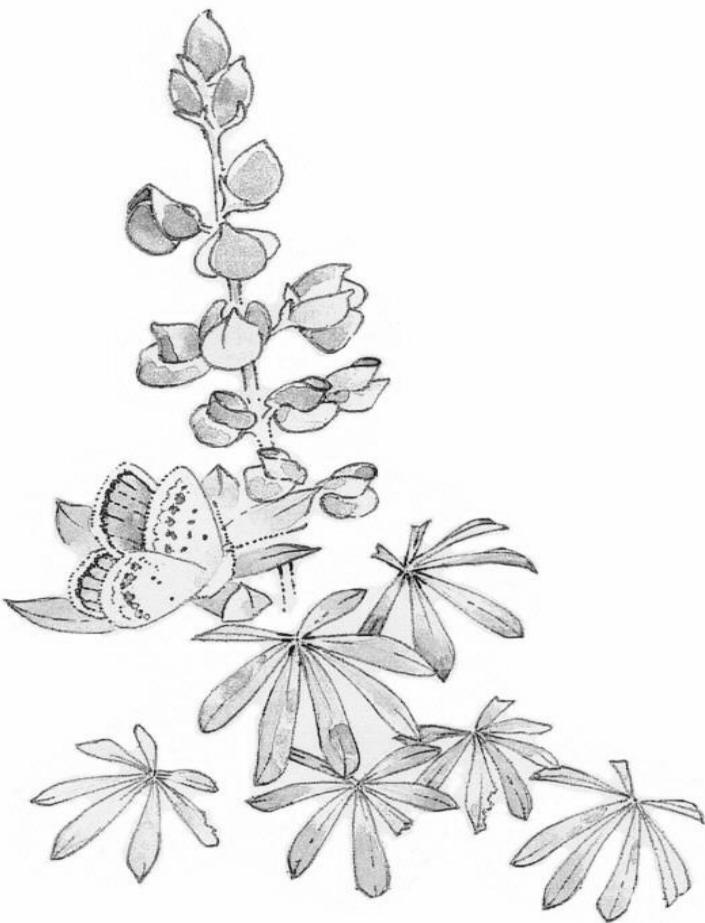


The **mission collection** on June 16<sup>th</sup> is designated for the UMEM trip, but you can also make a designated gift at any time. I hope you will be part of this effort as it does make a difference. Round Lake UMC began as a camp meeting to help bring people to the love of Christ. This annual mission trip continues that tradition as it brings the love of Christ across the miles to bless some fine folks in rural Maine.

Financial assistance is always needed for mission. However, you can take the next step and become a participant. If you are interested in being part of the mission and experiencing the involvement first-hand, please get to me right away and I'll give you more details. (753-0442 or [ramarino@nycap.rr.com](mailto:ramarino@nycap.rr.com))"

Thank you for caring,  
Pastor Ralph Marino, Mission Trip Coordinator

## Special Dates in June



### Birthdays

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|----|------------------|
| 5  | Jane Stratton    |
| 5  | Larry Brehmer    |
| 8  | James Agnew      |
| 12 | Cathy Scoons     |
| 15 | Aaron Marquise   |
| 17 | Marissa Colson   |
| 19 | Linda Thompson   |
| 22 | Jeff Wildberger  |
| 22 | Marian Milczarek |
| 30 | Eleanor Tobin    |

### Anniversaries

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| 1 | Bob and Kathy Washburn |
| 8 | Diane and Steve Marino |

**June 2**  
**9**  
**16**  
**23**  
**30**

### Ushers

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|--------------------------|
| John Davey/Ron English   |
| Eugene LaDue/Ron English |
| Duane Colson/Ron English |
| Dom DeLorio/Ron English  |
| Dan Baker/Ron English    |

### Readers

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| Dan Baker      |
| Tamara Russell |
| Katie Madigan  |
| Nancy LaPine   |
| Steve Mitchell |

### Counters

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| Linda Milkins/Jean Halme    |
| Shelda Roerig/Nancy LaPine  |
| Terry Reynolds/Bob Washburn |
| C.Christopher/Walt Agnew    |
| Jean Halme/Nancy LaPine     |

### Reminders:

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**June 19<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 6:00pm.**

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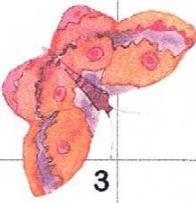
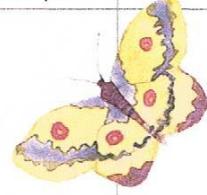
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July

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# June 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Worship 9:30am	Bible Study 10:30am	Trustees 7pm	Choir 7pm			
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<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
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Breakfast 7am						
Worship 9:30am		Bible Study 10:30am				
Parking-all day				Choir 7pm		
<b>30</b>						
Worship 9:30am						

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Round Lake, New York