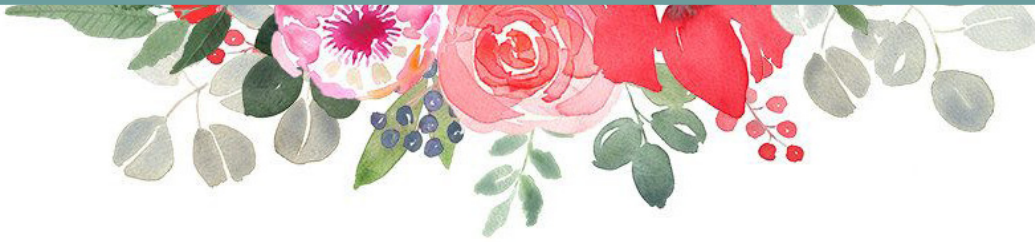


The Circuit Rider

February 2023 Edition - Pastor Chris Jewell

 Queensbury United Methodist Church



“Only the hand that erases can write the true thing.”

--Meister Eckhart

The above quote from the famous 13th century pastor and mystic speaks a great truth. God is not found through acquisition or accumulation--but through letting go. Jesus said much the same thing with the cross. We win by losing. And this truth is behind other statements he made like, “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You can’t serve both God and money.”

How will this guide our faith journey in the new year?

Peace,
Chris

PASTOR CHRIS IS LEADING THE FOLLOWING GATHERINGS DURING FEBRUARY:

Wednesdays (1, 8, 15, 22) Noon to 1 PM, **Spiritual Lunch Break** in parlor. Bring your own lunch and have time for prayer, worship and discussion.

Thursdays (2, 9, 16, 23) 5:30 to 7:30 PM, **Centering Prayer and Meditation** in Clark Hall

All are welcome at any time! No sign-up necessary.





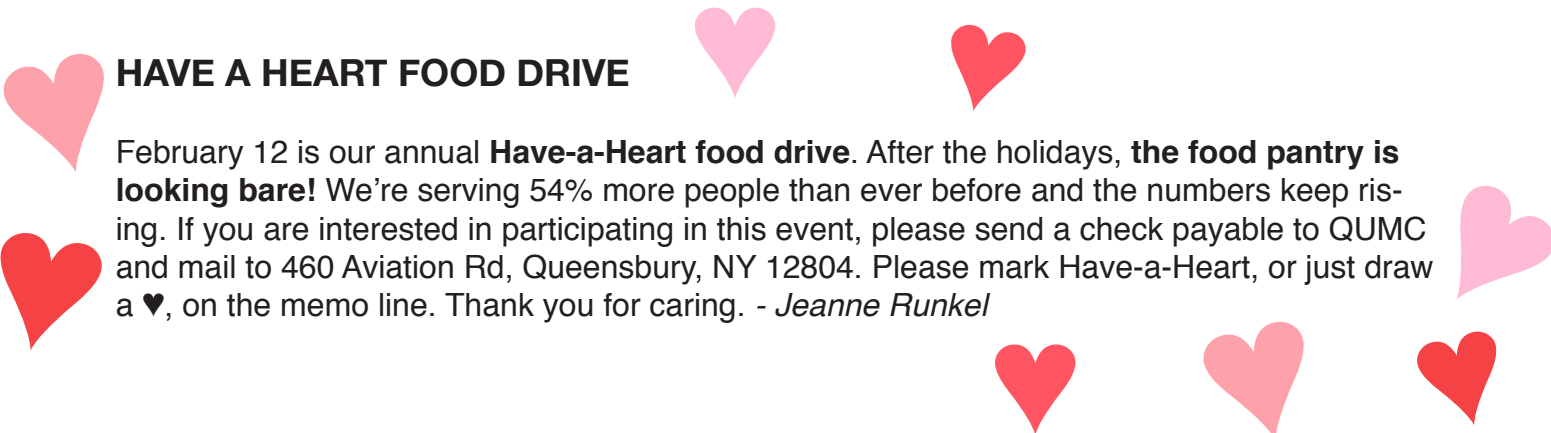
TAKING THE SCOUT LAW TO HEART
 “Here are a couple photos of the lucky winner of the Zamboni ride - Jasper in 2nd grade and Miles in 4th grade (at the Cool Arena recently). Their step dad, Andy Ratto, is the Cubmaster for Queensbury Cub Scout Pack 16 that Kiwanis and QUMC sponsor/support.

When the family won, only one child was allowed to ride last Saturday night. Being the good scout, the older brother Miles let his younger brother ride. Wow!



Perhaps Jeff at the civic center could arrange another night when the older brother could get a turn to ride the Zamboni?

Sunday, February 12th is Scout Sunday at the United Methodist church at 10:30am service. All are welcome to attend as we celebrate 113 years of scouting. We would like to recognize Miles for thinking of his brother first.” - Terry Goodemote



HAVE A HEART FOOD DRIVE

February 12 is our annual **Have-a-Heart food drive**. After the holidays, **the food pantry is looking bare!** We’re serving 54% more people than ever before and the numbers keep rising. If you are interested in participating in this event, please send a check payable to QUMC and mail to 460 Aviation Rd, Queensbury, NY 12804. Please mark Have-a-Heart, or just draw a ♥, on the memo line. Thank you for caring. - *Jeanne Runkel*

PENNIES FOR THE WORLD FUNDRAISER

Our winter fundraiser at QUMC this year supports the World Central Kitchen (WCK). One of the main focuses of the WCK is emergency food relief by responding to natural disasters, man-made crises and humanitarian emergencies across the world. They get meals to the people who need them most, knowing that a nourishing meal in a time of crisis is so much more than a plate of food – it’s hope, it’s dignity, and it’s a sign that someone cares.

When a devastating snowstorm hit Buffalo, NY on December 23 closing stores, highways and access to food for several days, WCK’s Relief Team mobilized quickly. They partnered with a local chef – Chef Darian Bryan – to ensure warm meals reached families in impacted neighborhoods. WCK and Chef Darian served 8,400 hot meals in 177 locations in Buffalo over the course of one week!

Next week, we’ll look at the World Central Kitchen’s “Climate Disaster Fund.”For more information, you can visit the World Central Kitchen website at wck.org. - *Linda Pollock*

FYI...

If you still haven't picked up your giving envelopes for this year, now's the time. They are in the solarium with your name on them. The financial secretary designates 2023 envelopes for those who pledged or gave regularly in 2022.

Our Food Pantry is in need of children's and adult's over-the-counter cold medicines, pain relievers and pet food.

Our 2nd Life Wearhouse clothing drop off shed by the back ramp is open to accept your donations 24-7. Hours for the thrift shop are normally 6 to 8 PM Fridays and 9 to noon Saturdays.



Prayer Shawls - Shawls have been restocked and can be found on a table in the narthex. - *Lois Rowe*

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Our policy is to print names for prayer from people who have given their permission or who have been mentioned publicly online or in the newspaper. Please send this information to news@umcq.org. Names will appear for two issues, at which time you may then request two weeks longer, if desired.

In The Post-Star:

Long-time member **Marge Lewis** died January 26. Calling hours are 4 to 6 PM Thursday, February 2 and a memorial service at 10 AM Friday, February 3 – both at Regan & Denny Funeral Home, 53 Quaker Road.

Prayers “for a family to reunite after conflict ...and prayers for a grown son to end years of estrangement because his young son is lost in the conflict.”



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