#### Heavenly Notes

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#### Sunday Worship

Service: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:20a.m.
Coffee Hour: 11:00 a.m.
Discussion Group - 11:20 a.m.

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# Happy New Year!

**Upcoming Events** 

January 11, 9:00 a.m.

Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation Class



MYSTERY DINNER THEATER

Mystery; Dinner Theater Dinner at 8, Dead by 9

January 18, 6:00 p.m.

January 25, 9:00 a.m.

4th Annual Corn Hole Tournament





Ash Wednesday Community Service February 26, Time: tbd

March 14, 6:00 p.m. 7:30

**Spaghetti Dinner** 





#### **Holy Week**

**April 5: Palm Sunday** 

April 9: Maundy Thursday



**April 10: Good Friday** 

**April 12: Easter Sunday** 





#### & Musings from the Pastor &

I happened to read an article about past predictions for the future (2020). Some of these predictions happened more than 50 years ago. Some have come to pass while many others have not. Read on.

<u>Futurist Ray Kurzweil</u> predicted in 1999 that <u>human life expectancy</u> would rise to "over one hundred" by 2019. The average life expectancy did raise from 72.6 years per life to now 78.6... but no where near 100.

Kurzweil also predicted that books would be dead. Although there has been a decrease since 2014, the publishing industry still sold 675 million print books in 2018 making about 28 billion dollars.

In 1994, the IFPR Institute projected the world population would increase by 2.5 billion to <u>reach 8 billion by 2020</u>. The current population is only 7.7 billion from a report by the United Nations.

In 1997, futurists <u>Peter Schwartz</u> and <u>Peter Leyden</u> said China would have the world's largest economy. Yet today it still trails the United States. Recent reports say china and India will overtake the U.S. by 2030.

In 1968, physicist Herman Kahn and futurist Anthony J. Weiner said that by 2020, Americans would work only 26 hours a week. The Average is 35 hours a week, according to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

A report in 1996 by the Space Studies Board of the National Research predicted that <a href="https://humans.would.land.on.Mars.by.2018">humans.would.land.on.Mars.by.2018</a>. We've had 8 unmanned spacecraft on the planet's surface, but no human has still set foot on the planet.

Now these and other predictions are still being worked out while others are nowhere near on the distant horizon. Some will come to pass, while other might never happen.

In terms of our lives as Christians, **there is one upcoming prediction that will come true**, and some in the church believe it will be sooner rather than later. The prediction is that **Jesus will come back again**. Jesus made the prediction himself, his early followers write about it, and one (John) saw the vision of it actually happening. Even though it hasn't happened yet, it's just a matter of time.

If there is one thing you would like to predict for yourself this year, in terms of the Christian life and your relationship with God... what might it be? What would you need to do or give up so that your prediction(s) will come to pass? Begin to plan. Make a small shift today to start it rolling. God is with you. God will help you.

Blessings on the journey to know, love, and serve God.

Pastor Paul

#### January Birthdays

- 3 Coral Odell
- 6 Jan Martin
- 8 Clifton Kirkpatrick Mickie Voight
- 9 Dani Toth
- 11 Chrís Cannaert Pat Schleh
- 15 Scott Jackson
- 19 Don Hansen Sarah Anderson

- 20 Andrew Cannaert Lane Rodocker
- 26 Laurie Anderson



#### January Anniversaries

7, 1977 Charles & Debbie Kirkpatrick

8, 1966 Dave & Ruth Wyckoff

10, 1976 Gary & Rosemary White

19, 1966 Don & Marty Hansen

25, 1974 Tom & Cheri Kowal



#### **Meetings in January 2020**

Mon. January 6: Trustees Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Wed. January 8: Design Works, 9:00 a.m.

Wed. January 8: Worship Team Meeting, 12:30 p.m.

Thurs. January 9: Financial / Ad. Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m.

Sat. January 11: CPR Class, 9:00 a.m.

Sat.. January 18: Dinner Theater, 6:00 p.m.

"Dinner at 8, Dead by 9"

#### **Weekly Events in January 2020**

Every Sunday: Service, 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship Hour, 11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.

Every Monday: Roots & Branches 8:30 a.m.

Pre-School

Knit, Crochet, Pray, 12:00 p.m.

Every Tuesday: Prayers and Squares Quilting, 9:00 a.m.

Every Wednesday: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m.

Every Thursday: Alcoholics Anonymous, 10:00 a.m.

Every Saturday: Alcoholics Anonymous, 10:00 a.m.

## 2019 Christmas Snapshots







#### COOKIE WALK







#### **Advent Tea**



Christmas Altar









# Hartland United Methodist Church Is Hosting A Dinner Theater

**Murder Mystery Comedy!!** 

Saturday January 18th, at 6:00 p.m.



# "DINNER AT EIGHT, DEAD BY NINE"

Tickets are only \$10.00

(Soup, Salad, & dessert included)

Reservations must be made by January 10, 2020

by emailing humcevents@comcast.net

All proceeds to benefit the Church Ministry Outreach Programs

#### Hartland UMC New Members



Nile Remsing
Iva Smith
Jim Cleveland



# Tick Tock Bring In Your Clock The Clock is Ticking Times Running Out



Please bring in a clock to hang on the Parlor Wall.
Let's find out where all the time goes? Pastor Paul's January Series will help us to consider how we can best use our time in Godly ways.



#### **CPR Training & Certification**

Saturday, January 11, 2020

Location: Hartland UMC Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Please sign up on the bulletin board flyer if you would like to participate in this important class.

Cost: Level 1 Training No Charge

Level 2 Certification \$50.00

#### 4th Annual Corn Hole Tournament

Join in the fun on January 25, 2020 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Invite your family, and friends, and come play Corn Hole. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to play. If you don't have a partner, sign up and we will find you one. There will also be a free snack and hot dog luncheon served.



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### **GREAT NEW YEAR'S** RESOLUTION IDEAS

- \* Get Fit and Healthy
- \* Lose Weight
- \* Drink More Water
- \* Quit Smoking
- \* Spend Less Money
- \* Be More Positive
- \* Pay Off Debts
- \* Get Organized
- \* Have more Patience
- Go on a Vacation

- \* Spend less time on the Phone
- \* Drink Less Soda
- \* Eat Less Fast Food
- \* Get More Sleep
- \*Volunteer More
- \* Get a Hobby
- \* Advance Career
- \* Quit Procrastinating
- \*Watch Less TV
- \* Keep New Year's Resolution



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