
our Connection

United Methodist Church

Clifton Springs



Thank You to all who volunteered to help make PandaMania Vacation Bible School a success for God. You are all truly a blessing.

- 86 attended
- 17 youth volunteered each night
- 28 adults volunteered each night



Getting Back to Normal

For 23 years I have tried to write something for the September Newsletter about getting back to our “Normal” schedule / routine. This year I’m having a hard time doing that. Oh, we are indeed returning to the two worship format, Sunday’sCool is starting back up, the summer will be left behind. However, I’m also focused right now on what we will be doing to mark the 10th Anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. Frankly, nothing seems normal. In some phenomenal way 9/11/2001 changed “normal” forever.

I noted a course offering - a history lecture series entitled “The World Was Never The Same: 36 events that changed history” Among the 36 are the Trial, Death & Resurrection of Jesus, The Black Death Pandemic, Columbus Finds the New World, Luther’s 95 Thesis, The Wright Brothers First Flight, the Stock Market Crash of 1929, Hiroshima and the Atomic Bomb, Kennedy Assassinated, and September 11, 2001 Terrorist Attacks.

Each of these events shifted everyday reality so profoundly that “Normal” changed. Think I’m exaggerating? If you were old enough to be alive, then I’ll bet you can recall exactly where you were and what you were doing when you learned President Kennedy had been shot. I’ll bet you can tell me precisely what you were up to when you learned of the 9/11 attacks. Since then our lives have changed considerably in response to that event. For example, how many of you had ever been frisked or x-rayed at the airport prior to 2001? On a personal note, Lorrie and I stopped celebrating our wedding anniversary on its actual date, which is September 11. It just doesn’t seem right to be celebrating on that day, so we wait until we go on vacation in October.

Yet, while some things shifted, others stayed exactly the same, Thank God! We noted it on 9/11/2001 and we should note it again today. In the midst of that awful day God was powerfully present, to save some through miraculous intervention or coincidence (God-Incidence), to comfort, guide, inspire, console. Some folks on that day were ushered into heaven. Others remained here on earth. All were in God’s care and God’s immediate presence that day – and this day, too. Not a day, or moment goes by that we are not surrounded by, bathed in and infused with God’s love.

It’s an awareness thing. Can you recall how the church was filled with people immediately following the attacks? We were profoundly aware of our need then. Do we need God less now? I think not. Perhaps we are just less aware of our need – numb to grace. May this 10th anniversary wake us up to our need to connect with one another, and with God’s healing, life-giving love.

Praying for all of you!

Lynn





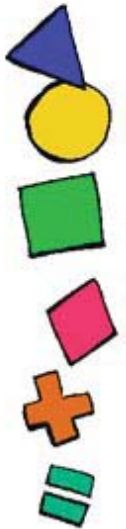
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Sunday'sCool Opening

September 11th

9:45 a.m. Registration, Food, VBS Songs, Face Painting & Balloons by Wally, make cards for 1st Responders in Honor of 9/11

Registration and information for infant – adult. (3 adult classes again this year)
Questions – Lorrie 462-7192 or revspence@juno.com



ACME

**Area Christian Men
September 10 at 8AM**

In our church Dining Room
Menu – Omelet's Made-to-Order,
Homefries, Coffee & Juice

All Men invited – bring a guest
We will form a plan for the coming year

Regular Worship Schedule Resumes September 11th

9AM Come As-U-R Praise Service

11AM Traditional Worship

9:45 Sunday'sCool for all ages



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thank you again to everyone involved. Because of you, this awesome ministry is still going strong! We are still looking for more help! We have everything you need to get started. We will be having a get-together in the near future.

Check out our new banner in the Grace Center. Please take a moment to see our progress.

If you have any questions or want to be involved, please ask.

Love and God Bless

Kim Giles, Mark McCumber, Lori Spence

Thank you

We at Finger Lakes Hematology / Oncology would like to thank all of you who have made lap robes or prayer shawls for our patients. Not only do they keep them warm during their treatments but they also brighten their day.

Thanks again

Lisa Sargiacono, Nurse Manager



Caring and Sharing Touching Hearts, Transforming Lives

Wednesday, September 14th
1:00 p.m. at church
Program: Teddy Bears

For questions or a ride please call
Shirley Reed 585-289-9887
or Birdie Roll 462-9235.



Thank You to all who helped make the summer lunch program a success. We were able to give out 14 boxes 3 times this summer to help make sure kids had lunch. Plus thank you to those who helped with the food distribution. Our next distribution is November 2.

Thank you

I want to thank my family, church family and friends for all the cards, phone calls, thoughts and prayers during my recent surgery. A special thank you to my daughter Terry and to Carol for all their help during this time.

God Bless

Dorothy Sunderlin

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for a wonderful reception. Fred and I feel that we have been truly blessed to be part of a loving and supporting church family.

We will surely miss our families, friends and communities as they have been such a part of our lives all these years.

Thank you for all the Christmas gifts that you have showered us with. We will be able to take 5 boxes of gifts to Red Bird in September. Many children will be blessed by your generosity.

May God continue to bless our church and communities with more opportunities to help those in need.

Please stay in touch & God Bless.

Shalom

Fred & Sandy Worboys
1035 Riverview Road
Centerville, TN 37033
User742sem@aol.com



Quilt by Faith Retreat October 6 - 9

Quilters understand with every stitch how scraps of fabric can come together to make something wonderfully new and striking with a little time, imagination, and love. Ruth's story of sacrifice, difficult decisions, and faithfulness reminds us that in God's design, even the smallest scraps or most frayed fragments of our lives can be fashioned into something new, complete, and beautiful.

The Quilt by Faith Retreat is a weekend dedicated to providing women a quiet space away from daily routines to work on favorite quilting projects, connect with other quilters of faith, and invest in their relationship with God. This weekend will include times of devotion, a trip to a local quilt shop, a visit from a massage therapist, a service project benefiting children, and lots of time to sew. Qualified leaders will teach a variety of mini classes on quilting techniques. All levels of quilting experience are welcome.

• October 6 – October 9 | Ages: 18+ |

Package A: Thursday - Sunday (3 nights, 9 meals) = \$209

Package B: Friday - Sunday (2 nights, 6 meals) = \$144

Package C: Thursday - Sunday (Commuter, 9 meals) = \$80 Girls Only!

Registration forms available at http://www.campsandretreats.org/images/uploads/Quilt_by_Faith_Registration_Form.pdf

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HIDDEN MESSAGES

Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works.
Hebrews 10:24

Recently a famous cereal company started wrapping their rice treats in writable wrapping paper. As parents pack lunches for their youngsters (or wives for their husbands), they can now use a permanent marker to jot a little note: I love you! Have a good day! Hugs and kisses!

The new wrappers prompted a Canadian group to survey how many parents actually add little personal notes to their children's lunch bags. Researchers found that while children desperately need encouragement at school, over half of Canadian parents never send notes along with their children's sandwiches.

While it was a great idea to utilize the writable packaging, we can't wait for cereal companies to remind us to be affirmers. There are countless little ways every day to boost your child, your spouse, your friend, and even a total stranger. It's up to us to begin cheering one another now. Why not think of a way you can snap, crackle, and pop with encouragement for someone today.

RED BIRD OR BUST!

submitted by Donna and Roger Cullen

The Clifton Springs UMC team traveling to Red Bird Mission in Kentucky is looking for your support. Each vehicle traveling to Kentucky and the worksites of this mountainous region uses over \$400 worth of gas. You are invited to sponsor the team by purchasing one of our "Red Bird or Bust" mini-vehicles. For a donation of \$10 or more, a "thank you" vehicle is yours! The vehicles are available at a table at Sunday's Cool opening as well as at other services before the team departure of September 25.

Need more the Red Bird information? Ask the team members or visit the website rbmission.org. Cash is welcome. Checks can be made out to Clifton Springs UMC with "Red Bird Mission" in the memo line.



Anyone interested in membership and/ or Baptism should call the parsonage and speak to Lynn.
462-7192

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child provides shoeboxes filled with gifts to children around the world. The boxes are more than just gifts. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love to needy children around the world, and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. In addition to the shoebox, each child also receives "The Greatest Journey," a 12-lesson discipleship program to grow their faith in Jesus Christ.

To participate in Operation Christmas Child, simply pick up a shoebox at the church, fill it with gifts for either a boy or girl in one of the following age groups: 2-4; 5-9; or 10-14, and return the box with a suggested donation of \$7 (if possible) to cover shipping.

At this time of year, there are often great deals on items that would make great gifts in boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

Last year our congregation and that of Inglesis de Dios, Casa de Refugio shipped 89 boxes, with 74 of them having been tracked to their final destination. The 74 tracked boxes were delivered to children in seven different countries! Our 89 boxes were part of nearly 8.2 million boxes collected and distributed in 2010.

This year we hope to ship a minimum of 100 boxes. The final collection date will be Sunday, November 13th, and we hope many people will participate in filling the shoeboxes. It's a joy and a blessing to give, and a fun project for families to do together.

Next month's newsletter will contain additional information about Operation Christmas Child. In the meantime, if you have any questions see Webster Pearsall or contact him at 585-289-6769 or wpearsall@rochester.rr.com.



SEPTEMBER 11 AT 3PM
we will host a Service remembering
those who lost their lives
on September 11, 2001.

Following the Service, Fire Dept
units will proceed to the Clifton Springs
Fire House for a reception and to view
displays commemorating the
10th Anniversary of that tragic day.

Wall of Soldiers

We still have brave men and
women fighting 24 hours a day to
keep our freedom.

Please keep praying for
these soldiers and their families.

I hope we are all still praying for
them at 9pm every night. This is
a vigil shared around our country
with many other Christians.

Love & God Bless, Kim Giles

Continuing the Work of Jesus

• Peacefully • Simply • Together •

Whenever, wherever disaster strikes, children
are challenged by the sudden loss of their home and
neighborhood. Their caregivers (parents, grandparents,
etc.) are emotionally absent. Kids are left to deal with
their losses and their feelings, often caring for siblings
as their parents explore housing options.

Children's Disaster Services (CDS) is an ecumenical
ministry meeting the needs of children by setting
up childcare centers in disaster shelters. Trained to
respond to traumatized children, volunteers provide a
calm, safe and reassuring presence. In the midst of the
chaos created by tornados, floods, hurricanes, wildfires
or any other natural or human-caused disaster, a child
can find a place to play.

CDS volunteers respond quickly both locally and
nationally. Most volunteers serve 1-2 times a year as
available. A "Kit of Comfort" is taken to the disaster
site. The kit contains toys carefully selected to pro-
mote imaginative play. Children receive individual
attention and are encouraged to express themselves as
each starts their healing process.

The Children's Disaster Services team is offering
several trainings this fall. One is scheduled to take
place nearby:

Friday, Oct. 21, 5 p.m. to Saturday, Oct. 22, 7:30 p.m.
First United Methodist Church
106 East Main Street
Victor, NY 14564-1304

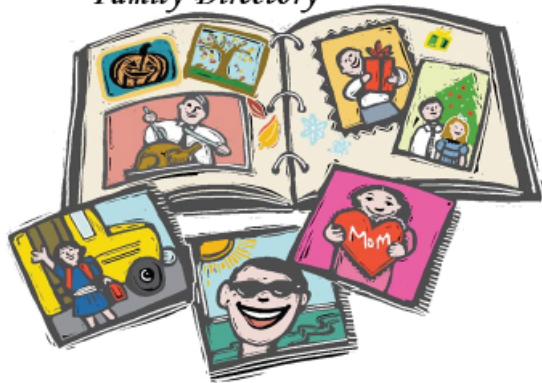
Contact: Local Coordinator: Dot Norsen, 585.924.7516
Cost:

- \$45.00 - early registration fee includes all
meals, curriculum, and one overnight
- \$55.00 - late registration fee when mailed after
September 28

Travel to and from the disaster sites is arranged
and paid for by CDS.

Are you moved to minister to these children? Why
not take advantage of the local training. Volunteers are
men and women, retired and employed who have been
trained by CDS. Jane Hahn and Donna Cullen, current
CDS volunteers, are happy to answer your questions
or check out the CDS website at <http://www.brethren.org/cds/> Jane's picture is featured on the site.

*Our Church
Family Directory*



Picture Directories

Still don't have your picture directories? Just ask! We have several left to give out. You don't need to have had your picture taken to get one. We want you to take one and use it to get to know your fellow worshippers.

We also signed up for the online version – so, you can still get to know people's names and faces. Go to <http://om263575.onlineolanmills.com>. The password for all church members is csUMC1808.

If you would like to be added to the website or wall directories or know that your information needs to be updated, please contact Cathie Chabrier, mrschabrier@hotmail.com, 315-515-8155 or John Mueller, 315-462-6194.

Wall Directory

The Photography Team has begun working on updating the photographs on the wall directory. As Jim Conners works through the list, he will be reaching out to people to ask them for updated pictures or to take their picture. Watch for more news on this.

We have a new website!

You will find a very user-friendly calendar and ministry information.

www.csumc.com

If you have any ideas for the website- please contact Kris Vanduyne at vanduynefamily@yahoo.com or 585-739-3255 Check it out today!



Needing to connect with a few light-hearted, creative, inspired and innovative individuals to provide new ideas and helping hands to design and organize the upcoming women's fall bazaar (Saturday, November 12) which raises funds for numerous mission projects. Interested in getting involved in a new project? Email or call Ellen Pfeif – rpfeif@rochester.rr.com or 315-521-0911

MEALS ON WHEELS:

Looking for a few folks who would be willing to sign up to drive for the Meals on Wheels program in the Clifton Springs area. Thanks to Ellen Gregory who drives every Monday, Ruth and Gill Adams every Tuesday and Jeanne Smith every Thursday, I am only looking for a few extra drivers for the Wednesday and Friday schedules. With the dedicated folks I currently have, I am able to schedule on an every other month rotation.

Please call Ruth Wheat for further details and/or to volunteer – 315-462-2725.



Taste of Clifton

Come join us for a Dessert Auction!!!!

Saturday, September 24th at 6:30pm
Fellowship Hall

- Featured at the event:
- Programs containing recipes from the desserts being auctioned off!
 - Prizes!!
 - CSUMC cookbooks for sale
 - Refreshments
 - Bidding number decorating table
 - Lots of FUN!!!!

We have raised 85% of our goal to date to pay for the addition of our church! The GRACE center is a wonderful resource for the church and the entire community. Your participation in this event will assist in achieving our goals.

WE NEED YOU!!!!!!



- To Bake *(sign up below!)*
- To Volunteer
- To Advertise
- To Come Bid & Buy!

Taste of Clifton Dessert Auction

Entry Form

Name: _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____
 Name of Dessert: _____

Category:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cake |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cookie/Brownie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Gluten Free/Sugar Free |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other |

What makes your dessert Special?
(Help us sell it for more because of the "story" that goes with it,

Recipe:



6:30pm, Saturday
September 24th

***Contact Cathy Chabrier with questions at (315) 515-8155 or mrschabrier@hotmail.com

~ Drop off forms in the "Cake Box" outside the Sanctuary or email to Cathy Chabrier ~

Fundraising Committee: Reverend Lynn & Lorrie Spence, Joan Bakcer, Matthew & Meghan Bowman, Betsy Burkhard, Catherine Chabrier, Lynne Sweeney, Heidi White, Diane Williams



Upcoming Lay Speaking Classes to be Offered by the Finger Lakes District Team

From Your Heart to Theirs – Preaching

(advanced class)

- Sundays, Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16 4-6 p.m.

Truxton UMC

Instructor - Rev. Nelson Stafford

Dancing with Words, Storytelling as Legacy, Culture and Faith (advanced class)

- Saturdays, Oct. 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 10 - 12 noon

Newark First UMC

Instructor - Lucina Hallagan

Basic Lay Speaking

- Saturdays, Oct. 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 10 - 12 noon

Newark First UMC

Instructor – Pastor Patricia Page

Basic Lay Speaking

- Saturdays, November 5 & 12 9 am - 2:30 pm

Trumansburg UMC

Instructors – Chris Kimball-Peterson & Lynn Snedaker

From Your Heart to Theirs – Preaching (advanced class)

- Sundays, January 8, 15 1:00-6:30 pm

Auburn First UMC

Instructor - Rev. Richelle Duchano

United Methodist Heritage

- Wednesdays, Feb. 1, 8, 15, 29, March 7 7:00 p.m.

Manchester UMC

Instructors – Rev. Penni Farrington and Terri Ritter

Registrations for all classes will be on the Finger Lakes District Web page at www.fingerlakesdistrict.org or you may e-mail the registrar – Lorrie Spence at revspence@juno.com and receive a registration form.

SEWING NEWS

The Sew Sisters have had a great time quilting and sewing this summer. Recent projects include making pot holders and Table Top Quilts for the Women's Bazaar in the Fall. Our next gathering will be **Saturday, September 17, from 9 – 1 in the GRACE Center.**

We will be making “Disappearing 9 Patch” Baby Quilts. Disappearing 9 Patch quilts are a growing trend in quilting. They are created by making 9-patch blocks, then cutting them up and rearranging the parts. Below are a couple of Disappearing 9 Patch quilts to give you an idea of how different the quilts can look, depending on fabrics chosen and arrangement of parts.

Come find out about the latest buzz in the quilting world! We have a large donation of fabric that is available. As always, you are welcome to come work on other crafts or just join us in fellowship. Contact Heidi Pearsall for the supply list at (585) 289-6769 or hpearsall@rochester.rr.com.



Quilt 1 (above) made
with Charm Packs



Quilt 2 (right) made
from 3 fabrics



**Drive.
Give.
Thrive.**

Come in to give blood in September and receive a coupon for a \$12.99 oil change and free tire rotation, redeemable at any Monro Muffler/Brake location.



redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767

**CLIFTON SPRINGS
&
PHELPS COMMUNITY
BLOOD DRIVE
SPONSORED BY
*THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

1 East Main Street – Fellowship Hall

The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give blood.

Please call Lorrie Spence at 462-7192
to schedule your life saving appointment.

Walk-ins are welcome.

If you donated on or before
JULY 18 (Whole Blood) or MAY 23 (Double Red),
you are eligible to donate.



Reflections of a Blood Donor

*I'm giving blood.
Christ has given HIS.*

*I can easily spare my meager pint.
Christ poured out HIS life's blood.
The needle is small, sharp and sterile.
HIS nails were large, dull and rusted.
I spent a few moments on a comfortable bed.
HE hung in agony for hours on the cross.
My attendants are gentle and kind.
HIS soldiers were harsh and cruel.
I am respected for my deed.
HE was mocked and spat upon.
My blood is for only a few.
HIS, for positively everyone.
Mine, at best, prolong life, but only for a time.
HIS has won for us Life Eternal.*

2/17/09 Jean DuBois



Volunteers needed to help with the blood drive September 12th

Registration folks – we try to have 2 people on the registration & canteen areas during the 1-7 time frame. If you can do a 2 hour session please let me know. Canteen workers hand out water and cookies after folks give blood.

We also need blood donors and cookies for the canteen. If you can help in any way please let Lorrie know. 462-7192 or revspence@juno.com

Do I Want to Be Welcoming? (Welcoming Series Part I)

Many of us would answer “yes” to the title question of “Do I want to be welcoming?” but then get stuck when the opportunities arise because we haven’t thought through what we’ll say.

If you invited a friend to come to church with you, what questions do you think they would ask before they said yes? Try answering these questions. Write out your answers so you’ll have them to refer back to.

1. How does this church help me grow in my faith?
2. Why do I attend this particular church?
3. How would I describe this church?
4. Why do I think other people might like this church?
5. How would I want my guests to be treated?

The Welcoming Team will be presenting a series of thought provoking exercises via the newsletter this fall. This material comes from the United Methodist Communications training called Igniting Ministries.

Dessert Auction Program Advertising

We are selling advertisement space in the Dessert Auction Program. If you would like to purchase an ad for your business or just to place a message, please submit the following information to Matt Bowman at mattebowman@gmail.com or 315-573-3207 or by leaving it in the Council mailbox at church.

Name:
Phone/email:
Business card or ad
Payment made out to CSUMC

Prices for the ads are \$30 for a full page (5”x7”), \$20 for a double business card size (4”x3.5”) or \$10 for a business card size ad (2”x2.5”).

Thank you for your support of this fundraiser.



Books of the Bible

Our Adult Sunday School Class will be starting the study of Luke on September 18 at 9:45 am in the Library. We invite you to join us as we study the life of Christ in this gospel. Each week we will read one of more chapters of the book of Luke and discuss what we've read.

Study of Psalms – to begin in October

This 10-week study is a Disciple program that takes an in depth look at the Psalms. Each week students are asked to read the workbook and assigned psalms. Make a deeper connection to the world of the Psalms so that these well known scriptures can help you give voice to all aspects of our human experience---joy, faith, uncertainty and sorrow.

During weekly video segments, experience a varied presentation of individual psalm texts, including dramatic reading, music, dance, and images. Listen to insights into specific psalms presented by one of two biblical scholars through an informal, roundtable conversation format. Then join us as we discuss the video, read Psalms and apply it to our lives today.

This is an ideal experience for adults who are interested in the practice of prayer and worship and would like to connect prayer practice with Scripture. The study is accessible for adults with little prior Bible experience. See Cathie Chabrier if you are interested in signing up.

Sessions:

1. Word of God, Words of Prayer
2. The Prayer Book of God's People
3. Praying the Psalms
4. The Language of the Heart
5. A Geography of the Imagination
6. A Theology of the Imagination
7. Lament and Praise
8. Grace and Repentance
9. Love and Wrath
10. Hallelujah and Amen

Every Member in Ministry

Church Council is hosting an EMIM sign-up at the Sunday School kickoff on September 11. Volunteers will be there to answer your questions about Every Member in Ministry.

This will allow new people to choose areas to serve and those of you already involved to choose additional and new areas to serve. If you know now what you want to do that is different or new, you can get forms at any time from the brochure rack in the GRACE center and turn them into the Council's mailbox.

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315-462-9235, tweety@ftg.net

Phyllis Ryan, Lay Leader

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Rev. Lynn Spence

Lorrie Spence, Coordinator of Ministries

315-462-7192

csumcrev@juno.com or revspence@juno.com

Kris VanDuyne, Secretary

585-289-4559, vanduynefamily@yahoo.com

Church Scrapbooks

We are looking for pictures you have taken in 2011 to add to the church scrapbooks. This year's is looking a little slim without Bob Ellis leading our efforts, but we have now formed a team and they are interested in working on this. Please send pictures to Kathy Friedel.



United Methodist Women News

UMW FINGER LAKES DISTRICT
FALL MEETING
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th
Dundee UMC
"WHAT ARE YOU READING?"

Registration & coffee @ 9:30AM
Meeting to begin at 10AM
Bring a bag lunch.
Dessert and beverages
will be provided.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet your new District officers and hear what has been happening in bringing new ideas and plans for the United Methodist Women's organization.

Our church will be hosting the Conference UMW Annual Meeting this year in October, so please, let's have a good attendance at this District Meeting.

Contact Shirley Reed 585-289-9887 or Cathie Chabrier 315-515-8155, for car-pooling and further information.

BASKET MAKING FOR THE BAZAAR

UMW is hosting a **Girls Night Out Friday, October 7th** at 7 pm to work on a basket craft that we can sell at the bazaar. This is a simple, decorative craft that requires only that you can use a pair of scissors and glue paper together – in other words, it's for EVERYONE. You will need the following supplies.

- 2 paper bags (grocery size is preferred, but smaller bags will work also)
- 1 piece corrugated cardboard cut to size of bottom of paper bag
- 12 yds of paper twist (we have several colors already donated)
- ¾ yd. fabric (fabric should coordinate with paper twist)
- Hot glue gun and glue sticks (we can share if you don't have your own)
- 15 Clothes pins or binder paperclips to hold basket together as you work
- Scissors

UMW UPDATE

We have several events planned this fall. All are invited to join us in our mission to reach out to women and children with the love of God.

- 9/17 Finger Lakes District Mtg
- 9/26 Planning Meeting 7 pm
- 10/8 Basket Making for Bazaar
- 10/22 Upper New York Conference Meeting of UMW at CSUMC – Workshops on Domestic Violence
- 11/8 Chicken and Biscuit Dinner
- 11/12 BAZAAR

Nursing Home Birthdays

Each year the UMW (Jeanne Smith) provides a birthday gift for each resident of the Clifton Springs Nursing Home. This year Jeanne is making a wall hanging and she needs 10" x10" pieces of calico with floral print. If you have material you could donate, please leave at the Missions table in the GRACE Center for Jeanne with her name on it. Thank you.



Recent Requests for Prayer:

Jerry Rolston – recent hospital stay – A-Fib
Phyllis Ryan & Family – following the death of her dad, Bruce Detro

Family & friends of Ken Gretton – following his untimely death

Carissa Connors- studying in London for the fall semester

Diane Williams - Battling an infection in one ankle and preparing for the opposite knee replacement surgery

John Briggs – several pesky health issues

Ellen Haner - nursing a broken wrist

Kids back to school for - and for their teachers

All those recovering from Hurricane damage

For all those facing or recovering from surgery

For folks struggling with addictions

Landmark Events of recent weeks:

BAPTISM

- 7/3 Riley Elizabeth Kuhn
- 7/17 Karleigh Patricia Martineau
- 7/31 Michael Thomas Sandore

MARRIAGES

- 8/6 Mark & Laura (Bowman) Cirone
- 8/13 Andrew & Lisa (Cheetham) Mattoon
- 8/20 James & Donna (Hammond) Mason
- 8/27 Matthew & Melissa (Crowley) Mullard

FUNERALS / MEMORIAL / GRAVESIDE SERVICES

- 7/8 Jim Piper
- 7/16 Florence VerStreate
- 7/27 Ruth Iddings
- 7/28 George Landstrom
- 7/29 Patricia Castellano
- 8/24 Kenneth Gretton
- 8/29 Bruce Detro

Whom do I call??

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| Sr. Pastor: | Lynn Spence | 462-7192 |
| | Lynn's cell phone | 315-945-1095 |
| Church Office (answering machine): | | 462-2274 |
| Church Secretary: | Kris VanDuyne | 585-739-3255 |
| Bell Choir: | Sharon Mullard | 462-2129 |
| Camping Agent: | Lorrie Spence | 462-7192 |
| Caring&Sharing Grp: | Birdie Roll | 462-9235 |
| | Shirley Reed | 585-289-9887 |
| Christian Education: | Lorrie Spence | 462-7192 |
| Church Treasurer: | Jim Connors | 462-9237 |
| Church Usage Coor: | Lorrie Spence | 462-7192 |
| Email Prayer Chain: | Lynn & Lorrie Spence | 462-7192 |
| Financial Questions: | Kris VanDuyne | 585-289-4559 |
| Food Cupboard: | Chuck Tomes | 585-526-7024 |
| | Or Bill Smith | 462-2064 |
| Food Service Coor: | Don & Betty Bagshaw | 462-7217 |
| Lay Leaders: | Pat Roll | 462-9235 |
| | Phyllis Ryan | 585-490-1049 |
| | Cathy Chabrier | 515-8155 |
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**To schedule a wedding,
baptism, funeral etc:
Call the pastor at 462-7192**



A Day Trip to the Neighborhood Center:

A trip to the Neighborhood Center in Utica was enjoyed by Jeanne Smith, Cathie Chabrier, Eunice Barnes and Ruth Wheat in addition to being a fine learning experience.

A tour of the facility began with director, Frank Tocco, showing and explaining to us the financial aspects of the Center. Much of the financial aid for the families is provided from grants and donations from many United Methodist churches and United Methodist Women's groups, along with United Way, the City of Utica and other sources. The fee schedules for attending the Center are figured from the donations along with the family's incomes. The Center is open from 6:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. daily. The Neighborhood Center currently provides services for children from infant levels (18 months to 36 months), pre-school and kindergarten to 8th grade.

The kitchen prepares all the children's meals and snacks while at the Center. Meals are sit down and each meal is with the child's own age groups. The children's care is not just "baby sitting". Each age grouping has an age appropriate curriculum which is routinely followed. Reading activities are enjoyed by all children. The older children are involved in community service projects. The school celebrates Heritage Week where many activities are celebrated. In early summer camp stories and other activities are organized. There are 140 children every day during the summer. Day trips are often provided which becomes a very special experience for many children who would not have otherwise had this opportunity.

It was a very fine day for us including a simple and tasty lunch. It was very apparent that the children and their families receive high quality care and supervision. This is our only National Mission Program in New York State. Our churches should be applauded for supporting and helping to improve the lives of youth in this enriched environment.

Ruth Wheat

Sunday'sCool Needs

- Shepherds for Sunday'sCool – 1st & 2nd grade
- Teachers for either games or cooking (two week commitment at a time)
- A coordinator for "Meals with a Smile"
- Transportation coordinator for Spa and Ashton folks.

Please let Lorrie know if you are willing to help in any of these areas.

Thanks. 462-7192 or revspence@juno.com



Ladies Monday Morning Bible Study

Women Of Faith
"Encouraging One Another"
will be resuming this study
Monday, September 12th, 10:30AM.

Lesson #8.

Second floor--Room 13.

See you ladies there!

Questions?

Call Shirley Reed-585-289-9887 or
Marge McCumber- 315-462-3301.



SEPTEMBER

- 1 - Patrick & Jessica Spence
James & Val Allen
- 2 - Becky & Mark Goodman
- 4 - Irene & Charlie Beshara
- 5 - Zelma & Charles Tomes
- 7 - Ruth & Reinold Koster
Jim & Maris Avery
- 11 - Lynn & Lorrie Spence
Jim & Cathy Snow
Carol & Ed Wertz
- 14 - Jim & Kristin Conners

OCTOBER

- 2 – Mark & Michelle Watts
- 3- Jason & Heather Wertz
- 6 – Mark & Debbie Herry
- 8 – Jackie & Gordon MacCammon
- 9 – Janelle & Travis Yates
- 10 – Bill & Pat Gordner
Victoria & John Elleman
- 11- Gary & Vicki Guggenbickler
Steve & Donna Phillips
- 13 – Dorothy & Keith Henninger
- 14 – Casey & Missy Spence
- 16- Scott & Sara Upchurch
- 19 – Robert & Ardeth Lee
- 20 – John & Pam Severson
Pat & Bill Smith
Rick & Terri DeHond
- 21 – Karen & Larry Whitbeck
- 23- Jon & Barb Barkley
- 25 – Henry & Sharon Ranger
- 28 – Carrie & Jason Lannon

Enjoy the convenience of electronic giving

Our church offers electronic giving, which allows you to make donations on a scheduled, automatic basis. If you are writing checks and preparing envelopes every week, you will especially appreciate electronic giving. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our church.

How to get started

To set up electronic contributions visit the church website and follow the directions to donate. Electronic contributions can be debited from either your checking account or savings account.

Please see or call Kris VanDuyne (585)739-3255 with any questions - She would be happy to walk you through the process anytime!

FOOD CUPBOARD SUNDAY

Always the 1st Sunday Of the Month

Don't forget to bring in your donations for the food cupboard, one of our church's vital mission projects.

The Food Cupboard is always in need of canned vegetables like green beans, canned fruit like peaches and pears, soups, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, pasta and sauce.

And as Don Wheat would say, "Please don't forget to tape an extra quarter or two to your cans or boxes".



Happy Birthday

Sept 1
Amanda Spence

Sept 2
Brenda Brickle
Jason Wertz

Sept 6
Pat Roll
Jay Smith
Alina Taylor
Jessie Kauder

Sept 7
Carol Wertz

Sept 8
Allison Ranger
Daisy White

Sept 9
Austin Yates
Dan King
Terron Schoonerman
Glenn Shultes
Clariece Trautman
Jerry Zehr
Kelly Zehr

Sept 11
Nancy Busby
Linda Youngman
Jacqueline MacCammon

Sept 13
Jade Schoonerman
Lorrie Spence

Sept 14
Brendan Kauder
Darlene Romeiser

Sept 15
Mark Goodman
Lucille Ebel
Lucy Wilcox

Sept 16
Lynda Schwab
Doug Severson

Sept 17
Laurie Coon

Sept 18
Thomas Mueller
Emma Ranger
Ethan Shedenhelm

Sept 20
Matthew Scott Mattoon
Don Romeiser
Keith VanDuyne

Sept 21
Caroline Strub
Collin Bowman

Sept 22
Spencer Linsner

Sept 23
Sierra Braden
Jim Rosekrans

Sept 25
Abigail Spence
Howard Hughson
Brenda Nudd

Sept 26
Jane Hahn

Sept 27
Cody Schmitt
Debbie Herry
Jim Snow
Jenny Levine

Sept 28
Kaye Newcomb
Katlyn Upchurch

Sept 30
Breeyn Bengtson

Oct 1
Emma Curran

Oct 2
Dorothy Henninger

Oct 4
Molly Mueller

Oct 5
Jane Arnold
George Payne
Jean Lipsius

Oct 6
Jeff Lisner
Zoelle Payne
Ruth Wheat

Oct 7
Lois Briggs
Rebecca Turner

Oct 8
Jeannine Rossi
Tyler Stegall

Oct 9
Jim King

Oct 10
Jennifer Goodman
June Power
Heather Lawrence

Oct 11
Austin White

Oct 12
Connie Lapresi
Val Allen

Oct 14
David Bump
Brian Peisher
Charlie Beshara

Oct 15
Coby Maslyn
Heidi White

Oct 16
Emily East
Carrie DiCarlo
Pat Williamson

Oct 17
Barb Young
Jean Philips
Rich Lenhart

Oct 18
Katelyn Wilkes

Oct 21
Kathy Blackburn
Shawn Peisher

Oct 22
Jennifer White
Rachel Maslyn
Elinor Abplanalp

Oct 23
Dorothy Tunison

Oct 25
Emily Strub
Allison Garver

Oct 26
Wyatt Eagley

Oct 27
Kierstin Spooner

Oct 28
Chad Avery
Leigh Smith
Allison Nudd

Oct 29
Patrice Shultes

Oct 30
Nicole Rossi

Oct 31
Scott Upchurch
Elaine Hilton