

First United Methodist Church

October, 2021

From the Pastor's keyboard & brush



Autumn is upon us and the amazing beauty of the Adirondacks is blazing with God's glory. Make time to walk and breathe and commune with God.

The Blessing of the Animals happens on Saturday the 2nd at 10 AM. Celebrating the bond God created between ourselves and the creatures of the world. Bring your animal companions for this special service!

Sunday the 3rd is our monthly outreach to the community with the drive-thru dinner featuring chicken and biscuits, and many wonderful sides. Everything is made in our church kitchen.

I have taken the first steps on a journey with God to deepen my faith and grow as a spiritual leader in an eight month class that I began this week with a coach and colleagues. One of the ways I connect to God is through art. I have committed to once again create art with God each day. This in-process painting is from the vantage point of the altar and cross of the chapel at Skye Farm. It symbolizes my faith journey is in-process with God.

What do you dream of doing with God? What steps are you going to take to live into that dream with God?

Peace, Love, and Blessings,
Pastor Scott Tyler



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Now That's A Bright Idea

September went by VERY quickly. Tim TeRiele is hard at work on the windows. It's a slow process since they have not been maintained in many years.

For the time being the water cooler in Fellowship Hall has just been covered. The plumbing behind the unit would be difficult to hide so it was decided to just leave it in place for the time being. Next year, your trustees will look at replacement.

Narcotics Anonymous (N.A.) is meeting in Fellowship Hall Monday and Wednesday evenings. They lost the location that they were using just as Pastor Scott and your Ad Council are wondering what more we could do for outreach to the community.

I have again reached out to Travis in regard to the down spout for the addition. The runoff from the roof is digging a 4-foot hole in our new sod. Hopefully something can be done before winter.

We are attempting to get someone to trim the bushes by the driveway and cut down the lower hanging branches. If you know of anyone who would be interested, let Donnie, Pastor Scott or myself know.

As always if you see something that needs attention, contact Donnie, Pastor Scott or myself and we'll do our best to "get 'r' done"! (Or at least put it on the list)

Bill Westervelt, Chair



Christmas wreaths

Only 50 wreaths will be made!
Orders need to be placed by October 15th to ensure delivery at the Church Fair on November 20.

Without bow: \$20.

With bow \$25.

You may sign up on the bulletin board at the church.

Orders may also be placed by calling the church office.

Looking ahead to November:

Start thinking about things for which you are thankful. I like to post notes throughout the newsletter.

I am thankful I work in your office. Your support of me and my family for over 10 years has been priceless.

I am also thankful for the great comfort I find in the natural world around me- Creation in action! Pastor Scott has shared paintings, but we can all stand and appreciate, and even venture into the landscape to feel our connection to Creation around us.

Thank you!
Bridget

Happy Birthday

Jane Bassett October 2
 Grace Ambrus October 3
 Ronnie Romano October 3
 Ella Vilaro October 5
 Amy Catanzarita October 6
 Ann Dolback October 6
 Jeanne Thatcher October 9
 Amy Quesnel October 2
 Doug Buckland October 18
 Edwin Flack October 18
 Darcy Morse October 19
 Michael Moser October 19
 Josie Bougor October 30
 Bridget Halloween



Family Corner

Happy Anniversary

Pam & Walter Thorne Oct. 12



October 2- 10:00
 Blessing of the Animals
 on the circle out front.
 Company manners, please!

Bible Study
Wednesdays, 11-noon in Fellowship Hall and online.
finishes October 13
 Next Bible Study will be in Advent. Stay tuned!



Sunday Volunteers		
Oct.	Flowers	Readers
3		Ann Westervelt
10		Denise Huestis
17		Donnie Norton
24		Jeanne Thatcher
31		Sue Fahey

Free Community Dinner

Chicken & Biscuits
 Sides & Desserts
Drive through
 October 3
 4:30-6:00pm
 Donations are not required,
 but are always welcome.
This is the last community dinner until spring.

Thrift Shop News

Fall has arrived, especially at the Thrift Shop. The shop has been decorated, and our volunteers have been busy putting out Halloween decorations, fall items and warmer clothing for sale. Halloween clothing and costumes will go out very soon.

The Thrift Shop continues to support the Church's general fund, the local Clergy Association, the Ticonderoga school lunch program, and the newest mission – the Homeless Fund – with monthly donations. When you support the Thrift Shop, you are also supporting these worthy causes.

If you have some time to spare this fall, we can use your help. We have a continued need for volunteers on Saturdays, 9am to 2pm. With our new protocol, we need 3 volunteers rather than 2. If you can help, please contact Wanita Blanchard at 518-585-6613, or leave a message on the Thrift Shop phone – 585-2242.

Thrift Shop Committee Members:

Ellen Ellor, Committee Chairperson

Jeanne Thatcher, Treasurer

Joyce Barry, Assistant Treasurer

Jeanne B. Thatcher, Trustees Representative

Margot Anello, Wanita Blanchard, Stephanie Frazier,

Betty Messier, Leona Simpson, Sandra Sprague, Pam

Thorne, Sandra Trepanier, Jeannine Wright

and Rev. Scott Tyler

Thrift Shop Volunteers

Saturday (9-2pm)

2	Ann W, Carole B, Sandy S.
9	Jeannine, Pat, Sandra T.
16	Joan, MaryLou, Judy G.
23	Margot, Wanita, Pam, Jeanne
30	June, Gloria, Lee

Sexton's Broom

It is time to prepare for falling leaves, then falling SNOW! A Sexton's work is never done!

As always, if you see something that requires attention, just let me know!

Donnie Norton, Sexton



Election Day Dinner

Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2021

Turkey / Dressing

Potatoes / Gravy Vegetables Rolls / Butter

Cranberry Sauce Dessert

Take Out Dinners Only 4:30 - ?

Adults \$12.00

Book Club

Winter Garden

by Kristin Hannah.

The meeting is at Sandra

Sprague's house

Oct 4th at 5:30 pm

The Ticonderoga Food Pantry

Thank you all for your continued support of the
Ticonderoga Food Pantry.

Hours of operation:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 11am-Noon.

Please be aware that filling a basket takes time,
so don't arrive at the last minute. Anyone
seeking a food basket should bring a utility bill
as proof of residency.

Donations may be left in the shopping cart in the
foyer, and financial donations may be sent to the
Food Pantry via the church office.



Gardening at the First United Methodist Church



Sandy and I have appreciated all the thank yous
from folks at church admiring the gardens. It has
been our pleasure to plant and maintain them! We
are fortunate to have such lovely garden areas to
work in. The Memorial Garden in back is there for
everyone to enjoy and spend time talking with
God. It is handicapped accessible. Please let us
know what you'd like to see planted there next
year.

For the Christmas Fair, I plan to make a few table
arrangements with fresh greens. If you have
Balsam, Spruce or other suitable evergreen
branches that can be trimmed from your trees,
would you please let me know?

Thank you, Betty Rettig



Church Christmas Fair

November 20th 9-2

The Luncheon 10:30 – 1:00

Take out only.

Gifts Galore

Bake Shop

Crafts

Wreathes delivered

Christmas decorations

Do-it-yourself material

Silent Auction

& the Thrift shop.

We would love the participation and the
support of the church family and
community.

Your donations of baked goods and other
food, crafts, item for Gift Galore,
Christmas decor, and the Silent Auction
make a unique shopping and social event
the community enjoys each year.

Donations may be left at the church
starting November 1st
(hold off on baked goods until the time of
the fair, please!).

Feel free to call the office first.

Lynn Sawyer and Sandy Sprague
Co-chairs



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>October</h1>					1	2 9-2 Thrift Shop 10:00 Blessing of Animals
3 World Communion Sunday 9:00 Worship, Communion 4:00 Free Community Dinner	4 5:30 Book Club at Sandy Sprague's house.	5 Sexton Appreciation Day	6 1:00 SPPRC	7 10:00 Worship Meeting	8 Office Closed	9 9-2 Thrift Shop
10 9:00 Worship, Communion	11 Indigenous Peoples' Day 1:00 Finance 6:30 Trustees	12 Bridget out of the office.	13 Bridget out of the office during regular hours.	14 Sexton Appreciation Day	15	16 9-2 Thrift Shop
17 9:00 Worship, Communion	18 1:00 Ad Council	19	20	21	22	23 9-2 Thrift Shop
24 9:00 Worship, Communion	25	26	27	28	29 Sexton Appreciation Day	30 9-2 Thrift Shop
31 Reformation Sunday 9:00 Worship, Communion						

New Member Classes:
Please contact Pastor Scott Tyler at 585-7995 if you are interested in joining the church as a new member.

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