



First United Methodist Church

June, 2025



Pastor's Pen

Friends, we are rapidly transitioning into early summer (and hopefully the cold rainy days are behind us)!

The birthday of the Christian Church is happening on June 8th, Pentecost Sunday. Remember to wear red to celebrate the Holy Spirit anointing the first disciples and us. Jesus told his disciples on Ascension Day to wait together in Jerusalem for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and they would be empowered to spread the good news of the Gospel. The Holy Spirit made it possible for these disciples to speak across language and cultural barriers to touch peoples spirits and draw them together into sacred communities.

I pray that we will trust in the work of the Holy Spirit to empower us to reach people in new and powerful ways to help them know they are loved and treasured by God.

As you read through the newsletter I hope you see all the active ministries we are engaged with that are making positive differences in our community and beyond! A new ministry near to my heart is painting with the pastor. Each time we come together new people join with us, some are trying a media new to them. We are all having fun learning from each other and sharing in the joy of God creating through us. Come join us, no experience necessary! I've included a photo from our last time together (See back page).

May we take time this summer to breathe and enjoy the wonders of life in the Adirondacks. Rest, play, simply be in God's presence. Be renewed in body, mind, and spirit!

Peace, Love, & Blessings,
Pastor Scott Tyler

1

Pastor's Pen

2

That's A Bright Idea
From the Sexton's Broom

3

Birthdays and Anniversaries
Special Days
Flowers
Lay Readers' Schedule
Coffee Hour Reminder

4

Thrift Shop News
Celebration of Missions
Book Club News

5

Ticonderoga Food Pantry
Free Community Dinner
Garden News

6

Painting with the Pastor
Calendar

1045 Wicker Street
Ticonderoga, NY 12883
Church Phone: 518 585-7995
Email: timethodist@gmail.com
Website: www.tifumc.com
Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/tifumc>
Editor: Bridget M.M. Simpson, MBA

Now That's A Bright Idea

We did not meet in April. We were going to meet in May but due to Pastor Scott being away, we postponed our meeting. Our next meeting will be in September so we all can enjoy the summer.

We are still working on the handrails from the front of the church. We hope to finalize this project at our September meeting.

The investments and the entire stock market have not settled and seem to continue to decline. As such, again, I have proposed that all other projects be postponed.

We are aware of the problem with the grass in front of the church. Xann and Zyleen raked the dead grass off and replanted the worst of the spots. Donnie is in charge of watering and it looks better already.

Betty is doing a great job with the gardens as always. Three cheers!

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

Here's hoping everyone has a blessed summer.

Bill Westervelt, Chair

From the Sexton's Broom

June is HERE! Time for graduations, weddings, summer vacations, just to name a few.

Here at TFUMC, it's the beginning of Rest and Relaxation for a large portion of our church family. Family vacations start, friends and family come to visit, BBQs and get togethers abound. Many committees take the summer off, and life in general slows down for the church.

Things slow down for your sexton, as well. With less going on, I have less to set up for, less to take down, and less to clean up after. In my other capacity as both your Lay Servant Leader and the Chair of the Administrative Council, I see a marked drop in activity as well.

It gives me time to tackle some cleaning projects, and some maintenance chores as well. No matter the season, rest assured, your sexton is always around!

I hope everyone has a safe and happy June! As always, if you see anything that requires my attention, please let me know.



Donnie.
Sexton extraordinaire.

New Member Classes:

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

Happy Birthday

Pamela Moser	June 5
Peggy Armstrong	June 7
Donald Norton	June 10
Pastor Scott Tyler	June 13
Kathy Liddell	June 18
Alexander Moser	June 18
Leona Simpson	June 20
Laurie Ward	June 29
Olivia Quesnel	June 29



Happy Birthday, Pastor Scott!

June 13.

Celebrate all you do for your family, your faith family, and your community. Keep creating!

Photo from November 2009.

Sunday Volunteers

June	Flowers	Readers
1		Ann Westervelt
8		Donnie Norton
15		Sue Fahey
22		Bob Bartlett
29		Bill Westervelt

Family Corner

Happy Anniversary

Jeannine & Bill Wright	June 4
Mike & Kim Powers	June 13
Albert & Mary Thompson	June 20
John Wade & Deb Endsley	June 24
Jerry & Joyce Cooper	June 26
Douglas & Carolyn Buckland	June 30

June 15

Trinity Sunday

Fathers' Day (with Coffee!)

Peace with Justice Sunday

June 28, 1703

John Wesley founder of Methodism.

Coffee Hour Presenters needed!

Please sign up.



Fellowship Coffee can be enjoyed in the fresh air if the morning is cool.

Sexton Appreciation Day

The FUMC Sexton, Donnie Norton, is also a Trustee, Lay Leader, and overall kind soul. Happy Birthday, Donnie!!!

June 10.

You are appreciated EVERY day!!

Thrift Shop News

Warm weather is coming (please?!) – and we have many colorful summer items in the shop to choose from. Capris, shorts, bathing suits, shirts and summer dresses are available. Come in and browse around; you never know what you'll find!

We have received many donations lately; spring cleaning, folks moving, etc. Our volunteers have been hard at work sorting through everything to be sure that there are always nice, new and varied items for sale. If an item doesn't sell after a while, it is replaced by something different. Our shop always looks inviting, and we receive many compliments from customers.

Business has been very good this spring, and we look forward to a busy summer!

Thrift Shop Committee Members:

Margot Anello, Committee Chairperson

Jeanne Thatcher, Treasurer

Jeanne B. Thatcher, Trustees Representative

Margot Anello, Wanita Blanchard, Lynn Brigan,
Marsha LaPointe, Betty Messier, Leona Simpson,
Sandra Sprague, Pam Thorne, Sandra Trepanier,
Jeannine Wright, and Rev. Scott Tyler

Thrift Shop Volunteers

Saturday (9-2pm)

7	Sandy S., Jeannine, Margot
14	Sue, Wanita, Pam, Betty R.
21	Ann, Joan C., Roxanne, Sandra T.
28	Judy W., June, Sandy S.

June, 2025

Celebration of Mission Sunday

FUMC celebrated Christian mission on Sunday, May 18. During the worship service, the mission committee awarded special mission recognition pins and certificates to two members of our church: Kathy Liddell and Bill Westervelt.

We also celebrated the successful conclusion of the *Pack the Pantry* drive for our local food pantry. Margaret Beuerlein, director of the Food Pantry said she received 22 bags of food and supplies and \$325 from the drive.

Thanks to Sandy Sprague and Kathy Liddell, who chaired the effort, and to everyone who contributed to its success.

The committee will consider holding another *Pack the Pantry* drive in the future.



Book Club

The Thursday Murder Club

by Richard Osman

June 2, 5:00,

at Sandy Sprague's house.

The Ticonderoga Food Pantry

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

Hours of operation:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 11am-Noon.

The Pack the Pantry Food/Fund Drive was very successful.

We received 22 grocery sized bags of useful items to add to our inventory and give to our folks.

\$325.00 in funds was donated.

Thanks to the Mission Folks.... especially Sandy and Kathy

In April we served 323 Families. Year to date we have served 779 people.

Free Community Dinner

Pork Loin, Cheesy noodles, sides & desserts

June 8, 4:30-6:00pm
In the Fellowship Hall
Dine in or take out



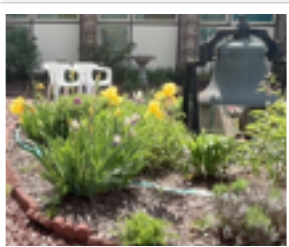
Thank you!
My Emory will love this Graduation Prayer Shawl!
I put it in a large bag to tuck into my car.
-- Bridget



Gardening at the First United Methodist Church



The Community Garden is getting started!



Stop by to help weed, or to enjoy some peace. The Memorial Garden is a lovely place to have a bit of lunch and enjoy the moment.

Gardening takes time, but can be done solo or in fine company. Contact Betty Rettig if you want to help keep the gardens beautiful. Plants growing on the path are often taken to new gardens- could be yours! Many disobedient violets, columbine, and snapdragons have come to my garden for rehabilitation. - Bridget

Painting with the Pastor

June 12 & 26

Fellowship Hall at 1:00.

Don't paint? Bring your portable project,
or come share ideas and photos of your
work. Many options!



Some supplies are available to share.
We all create SOMETHing!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Worship, Communion	2	3 Thrift Shop Luncheon 5:30 Book Club	4	5 No Worship Meeting	6 8:00 Men's & Women's Prayer Breakfasts in Silver Bay	7 9-2 Thrift Shop
8 9:00 Worship, Communion 4:30-6pm Free Community Dinner	9 NO Trustees	10	11	12 1-3 Painting with the Pastor	13 Sexton Appreciation Day	14 9-2 Thrift Shop
15 Fathers' Day 9:00 Worship, Communion Fellowship Coffee by Worship Committee	16 No Ad Council	17	18 Sexton Appreciation Day	19	20	21 9-2 Thrift Shop
22 9:00 Worship, Communion	23	24	25	26 1-3 Painting with the Pastor	27	28 9-2 Thrift Shop
29 9:00 Worship, Communion	30	31				

June