



First United Methodist Church

Summer, 2025



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Now That's A Bright Idea

Our next meeting will be in September so we can all enjoy the summer.

I will have a hip replacement before you get to read this. I have been waiting for this for over a year.

Things are in limbo right now what with the loss of Louise and me being out of commission.

Hopefully by September we will again be working on the handrails from the front of the church. We hope to finalize this project soon.

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. The last month has seen some improvement, but we are still not in a position to start any big projects as of yet.

The front lawn looks better. We still don't know why we had some much die off of grass this past winter.

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 hopping everyone has a blessed summer.

Bill Westervelt, Chair

From the Sexton's Broom

Summer is here!

School is out, the nation's birthday is almost here, the weather is nicer, and things here at TFUMC are slowing down for the summer.

I have a checklist of things I want to do: windows, screens, carpets, stairwells, to name a few. Along with the constant battle of pollen and critters getting into the building.

If you allow me to put on my Lay Servant Leader/Ad Council Chair hat, for a moment, Pastor Scott and I have chosen a new Bible Study to start in the fall. Subject is The Nicene Creed. It looks interesting! Also, NO Ad Council or Trustees meetings until September!

Everyone have a happy and SAFE summer!



Donnie.

Sexton extraordinaire

The Ticonderoga Food Pantry

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

Hours of operation:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday:

11am-Noon.

In May we provided food for 91 families:
91 adults.

126 children under 18 and
39 Seniors [those over 60 years old.]

Year to date:
we have provided food for 457 families.

We do not need egg boxes right now.

Happy Birthday

Betty Jacques July 9
 Barb Stowell July 9
 Hazel Flack July 10
 Mike Forand July 17
 Fred Viault July 18
 Skip Flack July 19
 Victoria Sawyer July 21
 Sandra Trepanier July 24
 Xann Tyler July 28
 Claire Bartlett July 31

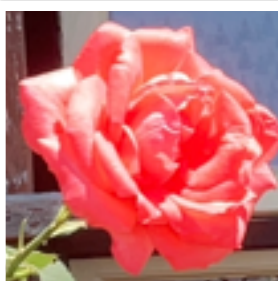
Hilda Stacy-Forand August 2
 Sue Fahey August 6
 Walter Thorne August 6
 Angie Spaulding August 8
 Raymond Ellor August 11
 Albert Thompson August 14
 Glen Greenough August 17
 Agatha Mace August 21
 Evelyn Shuart August 23
 Jo Wray August 31

Free Community Dinner



4:30-6:00
 July 13 & August 3
 Menus to be announced
 All are welcome!

July 4 Independence Day



Family Corner

Happy Anniversary

Dave & Hazel Flack July 29

Joe & Deb Michela August 18

The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.

Sunday Volunteers

July	Flowers	Readers
6		Donnie Norton
13		Ann Westervelt
20		Jeanne Thatcher
27		Sandra Trepanier
August		
3		Ann Westervelt
10		Bob Bartlett
17		Bill Westervelt
24		Donnie Norton
31		Sue Fahey

Thrift Shop News

Summer is HERE!

We have bathing suits, shorts, capris, blouses, dresses, and other items for sale. We also have many treasures to help you enjoy the season. We are often intrigued by the unique items that find their ways into the shop. Come in and check us out!

Our volunteers enjoyed lunch at the Hot Biscuit recently, as a thank you for their hard work. Twenty -Seven volunteers worked a total of 5,507 hours in 2024- WOW! Lynn Brigan topped the list with 505 hours, and several volunteers logged more than 400 hours. The Thrift Shop Committee is so thankful for all our dedicated volunteers. They work hard to keep the shop stocked and looking great, and customers comment enthusiastically.

Some spring clothing is on sale to make room for summer items. Watch for more sales in August!

Fall is coming. . .

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

Book Club

June 7 at 5:00pm

Rainwater by Sandra Brown

At Jeanne Thatcher's house

VOLUNTEER

HOURS

Margot Anello	497
Wanita Blanchard	322
Debbie Boyce	238
Lynn Brigan	505
Linda Carter	172
Joan Charboneau	53
Judy Forgette	104
June Frazier	68
Susan Guido	6
Beth Hanley	25
Roxanne Keith	200
Marsha LaPointe	350
Betty Lou Messier	406
Betty Rettig	199
Leona Simpson	299
Sandy Sprague	265
Jeanne Thatcher	380
Pam Thorne	428
Sandra Trepanier	308
Ann Westervelt	64
Judy Woodard	72
Denise Woolsey	88
Jeannine Wright	446
Kasey	6
Kristie	2.25
Maggie	1.5
Debbie	2
TOTAL	5507

Thrift Shop Volunteers

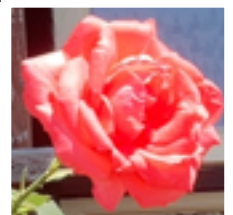
Saturday (9-2pm) July

5	Margot, Wanita, Sandy S.
12	Jeannine, Pam, Sandra T.
19	Betty R (1/2) Joan Jeanne, Susan G., Betty M.
26	Angela, June, Annoying

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Independence Day!	5 9-2 Thrift Shop
6 9:00 Worship, Communion	7 5:00 Book Club	8	9	10 1:00-3:00 Creating with Pastor Scott	11	12 9-2 Thrift Shop
13 9:00 Worship, Communion 4:30-6pm Free Community Dinner	14 6:30 Trustees	15	16	17	18	19 9-2 Thrift Shop
20 9:00 Worship, Communion Fellowship Coffee	21 6:30 Ad Council	22	23	24 1:00-3:00 Creating with Pastor Scott	25	26 9-2 Thrift Shop
Bridget away- To Kentucky and South Dakota, & home via Maryland!						
27 9:00 Worship, Communion	28	29	30	31	July	

Gardening at the First United Methodist Church

There is always tidying to be done. . . Weeding, watering, puttering about.
See Betty Rettig or contact the office.
Enjoy the fabulous surroundings!



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August					1	2 9-2 Thrift Shop
3 9:00 Worship, Communion 4:30-6pm Free Community Dinner	4 Book Club?	5	6	7 10:00 Worship Meeting	8	9 9-2 Thrift Shop
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24 9:00 Worship, Communion	25	26	27	28	29	30 9-2 Thrift Shop
31 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.					

It Takes A Village

Children have needs all year long, so *The Tiny Tim Program* is now called *It Takes A Village*. Donations may be given in the office in an envelope marked with the name and the check written to *It Takes A Village*, or given to Ann Westervelt.

Please be generous in your giving, since there is such a desperate need in this area. Thank you for your generosity.

Ann Westervelt