

First United Methodist Church

July & August, 2018

From the Pastor's Keyboard

Friends,

What are you doing to start each day with God?

Do you have a practice of thanking God for the new day and asking for guidance in how to be loving and Christlike with the words you use and the things you do?

If not, then I suggest starting right now, making it a habit for waking each morning. Then before you fall asleep in the evening, think about where you have experienced God's presence and love during the day, and give God thanks. When you get into a rhythm of doing this daily you will find your life transformed in ways you could have never imagined!

As Christians we are people of faith and faithful practice. We never get good at anything without practicing, and practicing our faith is no different than learning to drive well. It takes diligence, paying attention to God, and following through in doing what is right and Christlike.

Summer is a perfect time for us to create and live into new positive habits and I pray that God will guide you into new habits that will bring Joy and Blessing into your lives!

This September we will have a Confirmation Class for those in Junior High and High School who are interested in learning more about their faith and the United Methodist Church with the end goal of joining the church next June. I will also be looking for mentors to accompany the youth on this exciting journey.

May you all grow deeper in your faith this summer! And as always if you have faith questions please contact me!

Peace, Love, and Blessings,
Pastor Scott Tyler

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Now That's A Bright Idea

As I sit here in the church office, it is VERY bright! Donnie and I have started to change the light bulbs in the church over to LED's. All the hall ways are complete and we did the office today. We get more light and use less energy than the fluorescent lamps they replace. The lamps we are removing will be for sale in the Thrift Shop. While they are not as efficient as the LED's they are a lot better than regular light bulbs. If you have any questions about compatibility I'll be glad to try to answer questions. We were able to do this upgrade with a grant from National Grid that picked up over 60% of the cost.

Look for the hand rails for the stairs at both ends of Fellowship to be modified shortly. A request was made to modify them for a better grip. Another "get 'r' done" suggestion.

We will have information on the addition by mid September for everyone's review. The idea of a bell tower was deleted. This may

come about as a free standing tower at some later date.

Our new barn is filling up quickly. There is still a lot of room which is good since we had a boiler inspection and all combustibles must be removed from the boiler room. The Thrift Shop will be moving to the storage room with their racks after the Christmas in July removes items for the sale.

Betty has suggested that the bushes by the doors of the lower level be removed and be replaced by smaller plants. I'd love to hear your thoughts before anything is done. Just talk to Betty or me. Nothing is going to be done right away.

Have a great summer.

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"!

Bill Westervelt, Chair

Creating the New World to Come

People of prayer are, in the final analysis, people who are able to recognize in others the face of the Messiah. They are people who make visible what was hidden, who make touchable what was unreachable. People of prayer are leaders because precisely through their articulation of God's work within themselves they can lead others away from confusion and toward clarification; through their compassion they can guide others out of the closed circuits of in-groups and toward the wider world of humanity; and through their critical contemplation they can convert convulsive destructiveness into creative work for the new world to come.

The Wounded Healer



Bike&Build stopped for dinner and an overnight on June 18. They are on a summer bike tour of the northern United States, biking long stretches, stopping to rest, and stopping to help construct affordable housing. The dinner provided by the FUMC Kitchen Crew was greatly appreciated.

Happy Birthday

Zane Odom	July 4
Mildred Michener	July 5
Grace Trombley	July 8
Betty Jacques	July 9
Barb Stowell	July 9
Hazel Flack	July 10
Marion Catlin	July 13
Brianna Morse	July 15
Sophia Quesnel	July 16
Fred Viault	July 18
Anita Masten	July 19
Victoria Sawyer	July 21
Douglas Morse	July 23
Sandra Trepanier	July 24
Claire Phillips	July 24
Xann Tyler	July 28
Stevie Montville	July 30
Claire Bartlett	July 31
Keith Jackson	July 31

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
Joyce Barry	August 22
Ellen Ellor	August 23
Lori Fox	August 23
Janet Bullock	August 25
Don Thompson	August 26
Jo Wray	August 31

Family Corner

Happy Anniversary

Buf & Donna Frasier	July 6, 2013
Mr. & Mrs. Philip Fregon	July 7, 2007
Mr. & Mrs. Bela Ambrus	July 10, 1965
Zane & Jane Odom	July 17, 1970
Dave & Hazel Flack	July 29
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Montville	August 11
Joe & Deb Michela	August 18

**July 4th
Montcalm Mile
Parade
Fireworks
Offices Closed!**

Mission Committee Report

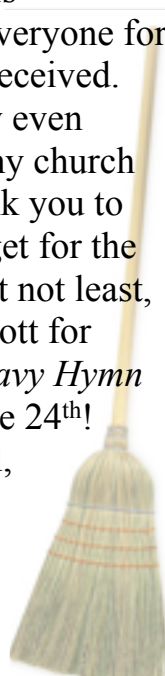
The mission committee has awarded 3 scholarships of \$1,500.00 each to our church members who are attending college in the fall. The recipients are Emily Powers who is attending Castleton University; Marcus Moser who is attending Clarkson University and Sierra Stacey who is attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. We wish all of them the best of luck with their pursuits.

**July 8 in the
Fellowship Hall**
following the 10:30 service,
there will be a celebratory
lunch
to celebrate
**Grace Trombley's
95th Birthday.**
Grace's family invites you
to attend and enjoy BBQ
chicken, green beans
almandine, and Jim
Whitty's broccoli and
cauliflower salad.

The Sexton's Broom

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the birthday wishes I received. They made a great day even better! This truly IS my church family! A special thank you to Chef Bunny and Bridget for the birthday cake! Last but not least, thank you to Pastor Scott for managing to get the *Navy Hymn* into the service on June 24th! Again my thanks to all,

Donnie



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

Book Club
Happy Summer Reading!

What's in
YOUR
beach bag?



Christmas in July

-- and so much more

July 21 9-2

8 special sale areas, snacks & lunch.

Donations are encouraged in the following areas:

Christmas décor,
Gifts – like our Nov. Gifts Galore,
Crafts, Gifts for pets (leashes,
carriers, etc.), Books
(no textbooks, encyclopedias or
almanacs)

Small furniture

(no baby equipment)

Call the office to be sure you can
access the Sunday School room.

**Bake sale items will be
needed.**

We hope to draw campers and
summer visitors as well as our
community friends.

How do you want to be involved?

Jane Bassett
Lynn Sawyer



It's Summer Special
Music Season!
See Grace about
sharing your musical
talents.



You are welcome to make
your offering
electronically.
Sign up forms are on the
bulletin board, also.

Free
Community
Dinners

4:30-6:00pm
Come share!

July 1st
is a Cook-out

BBQ Burgers, hot dogs,
pasta salad, desserts

August 5th

is a Luau

Pulled pork, sides,
desserts

All are welcome!

Donations are not
required, but are
always welcome.

There is a sign up sheet on
the main hall bulletin
board.

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.

Sunscreen might be welcome!

Thrift Shop News

Summer is here! We have many summer fashions & treasures to help you enjoy the season. We are often intrigued by the unique items that find their way into the shop. Come in and check us out!

We are hearing many favorable comments from customers about the quality of our items, and how nice the shop looks. Our

volunteers work hard to keep it stocked and looking good!

We continue to receive many donations. With volunteers' vacations and busy summer activities, we could use some extra help, especially Sorting on Mondays and Thursdays. If you are interested in working on Wednesday or Saturday when the shop is open over the summer, please let us know. Ringing up sales is not necessary; just bagging and assisting would be great.

Have a wonderful summer!

Thrift Shop Committee Members:

Ellen Ellor, Committee Chair
Jeanne Thatcher, Treasurer
Joyce Barry, Ass't Treasurer
Jeanne B. Thatcher, Trustees
Representative
Margot Anello, Joyce Barry,
Wanita Blanchard, Stephanie
Frazier, Beth Hanley, Betty
Messier, Leona Simpson, Pam
Thorne, Jeannine Wright and
Rev. Scott Tyler



Our Volunteer Recognition Luncheon at the Hot Biscuit on June 2. We are blessed by how generously they share their time- a grand total of 4,240 hours last year! (Like 530 8-hour days.) Betty Messier had a total of 475 hours, followed closely by Leona Simpson with 450. Pam Thorne and Jeannine Wright also logged more than 400 hours in 2017.



One Thrift Shop hat off on adventure! Heading west with Bike & Build!

Special thanks to Skip and Ed Flack, who have been taking away our cardboard for several years. We really appreciate it! And thank you to Walter Thorne, who will be taking on that duty now.

We will be open on July 21
for *Christmas In July*
... and so much more!

Watch for more sales in mid-August, after which fall items will begin to go out.

Thrift Shop Volunteers

Wednesday (9-2pm)		Saturday (9-2pm)	
4	Closed	7	Sandra T. & MaryLou
11	Leona & Wanita	14	Margot & Pam
18	Laurie & Betty R.	21	Jeannine, Steph, Pam
25	Jeannine, Pam	28	June, Lee, Gloria

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:30 Worship, Communion 10:30 Worship, Communion, Coffee 4:30-6pm Free Community Dinner	2 5:30 Book Club	3	4 Happy Fourth of July!	5 10:00 Worship Meeting	6 7:30 Men's & Women's Prayer Breakfasts in Silver Bay	7 9-2 Thrift Shop
8 8:30 Worship, Communion 10:30 Worship, Grace's Birthday Luncheon	9 1:00 Finance 6:30 Trustees	10	11 9-2 Thrift Shop 5:30 52 Smiles meeting	12 12:30 Thrift Shop Meeting	13	14 9-2 Thrift Shop
15 8:30 Worship, Communion 10:30 Worship, Coffee	16	17	18 9-2 Thrift Shop	19	20	21 9-2 Thrift Shop Christmas In July & so much more!
22 8:30 Worship, Communion 10:30 Worship, Coffee	23	24	25 9-2 Thrift Shop 5:30 52 Smiles meeting	26	27	28 9-2 Thrift Shop North Ferrisburg UMC LOBSTERFEST!
29 8:30 Worship, Communion 10:30 Worship, Family Coffee	30	31 Bridget out to swim.	July			

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<h1>August</h1>			1 9-2 Thrift Shop Bridget may be out of the office.	2 10:00 Worship Meeting	3 7:30 Men's & Women's Prayer Breakfasts in Silver Bay	4 9-2 Thrift Shop
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Sunday Volunteers

Lay Reader's Schedule

July	8:30	10:30	August	8:30	10:30
1	Bill Westervelt	Donnie Norton	6	Donnie Norton	Penny Mason
8	Ann Westervelt	Louise Goodwin	13	Sue Fahey	Denise Huestis
15	Denise Huestis	Joyce Barry	20	Sandra Trepanier	Jeanne Thatcher
22	Bill Westervelt	Ann Westervelt	27	Bill Westervelt	Donnie Norton
29	Carole Potter	Betty Rettig			

July	Acolytes	Coffee hour	Flowers	Ushers and Greeters
1	Victoria Sawyer Xann Tyler		Garden	Ray Ellor, Sue Fahey, Lynn Sawyer, Ann Westervelt
8	Taylor Bolton Yarr Tyler		Flowers	Grace Ambrus Louise Goodwin
15	Roger Sawyer Zyleen Tyler		& Houseplants	Judy Szabo Sandy Sprague
22	Victoria Sawyer Xann Tyler		Welcome!	Joyce Berry, Kristian Gibbs
29	Taylor Bolton Yarr Tyler	Family Coffee	Sign up!	Pam & Walt Thorne
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13	Roger Sawyer Zyleen Tyler			
20	Victoria Sawyer Xann Tyler			
27	Taylor Bolton Yarr Tyler	Family Coffee		