

Collamer United Church Circuit Rider

October 2024



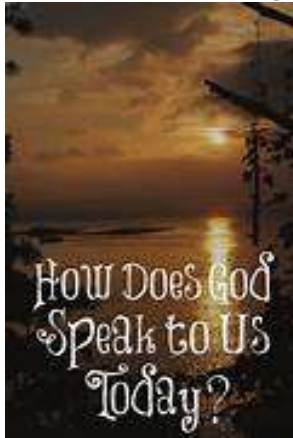
- Tues. 01** Blood Drive - First United Church
Fri. 04 Chicken & Biscuit Work Day
Sat. 05 Chicken & Biscuit Dinner - 4:30 p.m.
Sun. 06 Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. -
 Elder Lynn Jacques - Communion -
 Choir Returns
 Crop Walk - Poolsbrook Old Erie Canal
 Park, Andrus Road, Kirkville - Noon
Mon. 07 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.
Tues. 08 CCE Food Preservation program -
 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wed. 09 Senior Luncheon - Bridgeport UMC
 - 11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
 CCE Food Preservation program -
 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thurs. 10 CCE Food Preservation program -
 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sun. 13 Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Mon. 14 Columbus Day
 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.
Tues. 1 Master Gardeners 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Sat. 19 4-H Open Enrollment and Open
 House 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Sun. 20 Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Mon. 21 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.
Sat. 26 4-H Achievement Day
 9:00 a.m. - Noon.
Sun. 27 Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Mon. 28 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.
Thurs. 31 Halloween

- Linda Oswald - at home, 8701 Knowledge Lane, Apt 116, Cicero, NY 13039 - SPECIAL PRAYERS PLEASE!
 Helen Fischer - at home, 139 Dormar Drive, North Syracuse, NY 13212
 Grace Brignall and Family- 5514 N. Manlius Street, Fayetteville, NY 13066 - SPECIAL PRAYERS PLEASE!
 Carol Burleigh - 102 Watertree Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057
 Savanna Colabufo and Courtney Clark - at home - 4296 Seeber Road, Canastota, NY 13032
 Maryjane and Joe Molina - 502 Oot Lane, Apt. 2 Kirkville, NY 13082 - SPECIAL PRAYERS PLEASE!
 Ryan Hill - at home - 7060 Cattleman's Crossing Road, Cicero NY 13039
 Patti Monday - Bernadine Apts., #1304, 417 Churchill Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13205.
 Joanne Tongue - 2 Sacketts Road, Central Square, NY 13036
 Doug Kliphon (and Sheri too) - 7088 Ferstler Road, Kirkville, NY 13082
 Rev. Ed Veaudry - 438 Summerhaven Dr. N.E., East Syracuse, NY 13057
 Linda Miller - 6860 Kinne Street, East Syracuse, NY 13057
 Nancy Liberatore - 4616 Granada Blvd., Sebring, FL 33872
 Gloria and Jim Kyser and Family - 6844 Schuyler Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057
 Lois Klein - 6991 Fly Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057
 Please reach out by card, phone, or email to our friends on the Prayer List.



Starting, Sunday, November 3, 2024, our worship services will begin at 8:45 a.m. Please see details on page 3 of this issue.

Pastor's Message



Hebrews 1:1-2 says "Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds."

It's a good reminder of how God speaks to us today, not just through the Son, but also through that most elusive of the Holy Trinity, the Holy Spirit.

In fact, we might say the Spirit has always been speaking to us, no matter who the prophet has been.

Now, some among us may have trouble talking about the Holy Spirit. Growing up in Tennessee, I know I had images of people speaking in tongues or convulsing or handling snakes. The Spirit was scary to me, because it inspired people to do things that were unfamiliar.

It's exactly that unfamiliarity we need. That new experience that shapes us into better people, opening us up to all the ways the Spirit can speak to us.

So, as we head into October, a time when spirits are celebrated as the days get colder and darker, let us remain open to the Spirit.

Much like the Halloween tradition, let us all do new things that scare us in our faith, each and every day.

But this time, let's not hide ourselves behind a mask, but embrace our whole selves in God, even the parts that scare us.

*Yours in Christ,
Eric Adamcik*

Pastor's Office Hours

The following is Pastor Eric's schedule for office hours:

Monday @ Collamer, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Tuesday @ First United, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Wednesday @ First United, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.;

Thursday @ Collamer, 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Of course, this schedule is subject to change. If you would like to schedule a meeting with him, please contact the church office.

He will not be in the office on Monday, October 7, or Thursday, October 24.



04 - Pastor Eric

08 - Janet Vollmer

11 - Jeri Veaudry

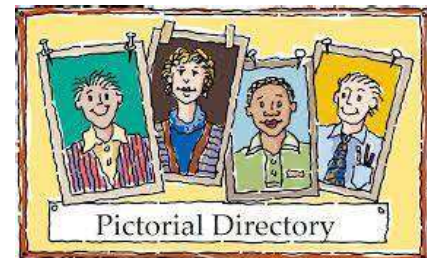
12 - Lorraine Vollmer

20 - Karen & Wayne Brignall (A)

29 - Marc McMaster

24 - Gill & Pam Laroche (A)

26 - Mike & Tammy Breclaw (A)



We are putting together a pictorial directory of CUC members and friends. We have been taking pictures at church. If you would like to submit a picture of yourself and/or your family, please e-mail it to the church office.

September 2024 Worship Report



“Comfortable with Our Discomfort”

The summer has officially ended - we look forward to seeing those who attend elsewhere while at camp. Rev. Adamcik served communion by intinction to 25 on September 1st. Elder Pat Pease and I assisted.

September sermons included “Step Up and Step Back,” “Comfortable with our Discomfort,” “Heads Up!” “Your Mother Should Know” - the Beatles, and “Let My People Go”! Pastor Eric teaches by Biblical references, music, life experiences, and much research. If something he shares strikes your heart, please find a moment to let him know.

A few have provided their favorite hymn(s) out of the big UM hymnal. Take a few moments to fill out one of the slips of paper provided on the back table to record your selections, then place it in the offering plate, or hand it to me. Thanks for taking time to help bring back hymns from the past!

Also, watch for the clipboard going around, looking for volunteers to serve as a liturgist, usher, and/or acolyte! We hope you would consider serving in this way, and will provide training, as needed. If you have a reason holding you back from helping, please let me know so we can mitigate your concern, and allow you to grow in church service.

The Keurig in the narthex is seeing more action now that people are familiar with it being there every Sunday. Please, help yourself!

Pray for each other, our mission in our community and world. Please read about an exciting change coming in November, in the next column of this page!

Respectfully submitted,
~ Connie Oliver

Announcement: Change in Sunday Service Time

The Worship committees at Collamer United Church (CUC) and the First United Church of East Syracuse (FUCOES) have been working together to facilitate a change that will benefit both churches.

Beginning **Sunday, November 3rd, Collamer’s service will begin at 8:45am**, (15 minutes earlier) and FUCOES’ service will begin at 10:30, 15 minutes later than currently scheduled. The CUC choir practice time will move up accordingly.

This change is necessary because FUCOES has not been able to start their service on time since we began sharing a pastor. Both churches are making a slight adjustment, with the advantage that this change will allow CUC the opportunity to have 30 minutes of fellowship with Pastor Eric since he will not need to rush to FUCOES. This change also works well for Christy and choir practices.

We did not engage in this decision lightly and hope all will see the benefits and adapt to the change. Please feel free to bring any concerns to the committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Oliver, Worship Team Lead, CUC



We will be holding our All-Saints Day worship service on Sunday, November 3. We will be remembering loved ones that have gone on before us. Forms for submission of names are on the table in the back of the Sanctuary. The form is also included at the end of this newsletter. Please return the forms to the church office by October 27. Requests may also be submitted via e-mail. Please specify if the person passed on during the current year.



On Friday and Saturday, September 13 – 14, we held our annual huge rummage sale. A clearance sale took place on Saturday, September 21 (1/2 price and \$5 bags). We had a real lot of “stuff” and a great turnout. Of course, it was quite warm in the greenhouse again! This year’s grand total was **\$3,706.54**, one of our best years!

In addition to raising funds to support our church, we were able to help several other charitable organizations by donating our “leftovers.” Representatives of the following organizations came to the greenhouse and took things they could use: Bridgeport UMC (Winter Clothing Drive); Interfaith Works, United Methodist Restart Program; and Priscilla’s Save the Animals. Books will be delivered to the Fayetteville Free Library. Baby clothes will be delivered to New Hope Family Services. Shoes will be delivered to Ralph Rotella, the Shoe Repair Guy, for donation to the Rescue Mission at Christmastime. The remaining items were donated to the Rescue Mission.

I would like to thank everyone who participated in this huge event, for donating items, providing baked goods, for countless hours spent organizing and pricing items at the steamy greenhouse, working the sale and packing up and delivering leftover items to various organizations. We could not do this without all of you and really appreciate the hard work. A special thanks to Vollmer’s for again providing use of the greenhouse and for Elliott the barn cat!

Respectfully,
Leslie DuMond



Fall Chicken & Biscuit Dinners

We will be having more chicken and biscuit dinners on: October 5 and November 2. The hope was to have both dinners in-house. However, due to timing issues we are not able to pull together the necessary staff for the October dinner. That dinner will be drive-thru only. *The November 2 dinner will be in-house with take-outs available. As in the past, we will serve family style meals in our fellowship hall complete with pies, brown breads, etc.! We are working on staffing for this meal, particularly the dining room helpers. We hope to see some of our former helpers that have not been needed for the drive-thru dinners. Please contact the church office ASAP to sign up to help! We will also have help from volunteers from the 4-H Program but need experienced staff to work with them.*

If you would like to make a monetary donation to help defray the cost of the chicken and other groceries for these dinners, you may contact the church office or leave a donation in the collection plate clearly marked as funds for the dinner.



On Wednesday, October 9, Bridgeport UMC will resume its monthly “Young at Heart” senior luncheons. Iassac Heating will make a presentation. Butternut Squash Soup, Chicken Deluxe Salad or Egg Salad Sandwich, and Harvest Dessert will be Served. This is always a good time with informative programs and great food. The program runs from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Please join us!



by Merle Oswald
September 2024 Mission



For September, we collected breakfast items needed by St. Matthew's Food Pantry. We collected an amazing 47 boxes of cereal and 3 boxes of granola bars. The donations were blessed by Pastor Eric on September 29 and delivered to St. Matthew's food pantry on September 30. Once again, I wish to thank you all for your generosity.

We also collected monetary donations to help a family from Canastota that lost everything in the recent tornado. The family is associated with Pat Pease.



We will once again participate in the Crop Hunger Walk.

When: Sunday, October 6, 2024 at noon

Where: Poolsbrook Old Erie Canal Park, Andrus Road, Kirkville, New York.

Please contact Leslie DuMond if you would like to walk with us at this beautiful park or if you would like to donate to this very worthy cause. Thanks

Adopt-A-Highway

On October 13, 2024, immediately following the worship service, we will pick up garbage from the corner of Route 298 and Fly Road up to the Thruway Bridge. This is actually a fun time. Please join us!

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Our Mission for October is to prepare to recognize our veterans, both those who have served in the past and those who are currently serving. We will collect names and information concerning veterans that our congregation and friends would like to recognize. We will recognize the veterans on Sunday, November 10, 2024. A form is provided later in this newsletter to be completed and returned to the church office or to Merle Oswald concerning veterans you would like to have recognized. The deadline to return the forms is Sunday, October 27.

Food Collection



We are continuing to collect food and egg cartons for St. Matthew's Food Pantry.



We will be collecting full skeins and partial balls of yarn on a continuing basis to be provided to the nuns at the Franciscan Villa. You may leave the donations at the church door or with the mission donations in the Narthex. Ginnie and Ed Busco will deliver the yarn once we have a significant collection.

Homeless Survival Kits



Homeless survival kits can be found in the Narthex. If you would like to help distribute these, please help yourself.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JULY 24, 2024 CUC BOARD MEETING

This regular meeting of the Board of the Collamer United Church was called to order on July 24, 2024, at 6:05 p.m. in the Collamer United Church lounge. Elder Judith Parker opened the meeting with prayer and Elder Jerome O'Neill served as moderator.

MINUTES: A motion was properly made by Elder Merle Oswald and seconded by Elder Judith Parker to approve the regular Session minutes of May 22, 2024.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Elder Pamela Laroche reviewed the financial reports of the church for the months of March, April, May, and June 2024. A motion was properly made by Elder Judith Parker and seconded by Elder Leslie DuMond to approve the financial reports.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Rev. Eric Adamcik reported that he has made some pastoral calls and visits. He discussed the importance of congregants continuing to wear name badges; not only for his benefit but also for the benefit of people that may be new or visiting and don't know everyone's names. Rev. Adamcik discussed recent issues relating to having people volunteer to be liturgists, ushers, and acolytes. He indicated we need to recruit people that do not generally volunteer to do this. Elder Judith Parker read a letter from Valerie Warfield in which she expressed concerns that no one different volunteers to be acolyte or usher.

His installation services were held the weekend of June 22 – 23. The service at First United took place on Saturday, June 22 and the CUC service was held on Sunday, June 23. Many guests attended and receptions were held at each church after the services.

Rev. Adamcik reported he recently had lunch with Rev. Lorrie Cooney, a former Presbytery liaison to the PNC, to learn more about CUC. He suggested that, in September, the Board address how things have been going with his call to CUC. He reported he will be taking the first Sunday in October off. He noted that during the last weekend in October the Synod of the Northeast will be meeting in Albany and the Auburn Seminary will be in the area to visit Seneca Falls.

Rev. Adamcik noted that the Presbytery's Social Justice Committee is looking for speakers to discuss how to get involved in mission work.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Elder Jerome O'Neill reported on May 31, Ginnie Busco, Marie Czajak, Leslie DuMond, Janet Krak, and

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scrubbed. Connie Oliver and Leslie DuMond put together a spreadsheet with instructions for future cleaning. Further instructions are needed for cleaning oven vents, hood and fan, pilot lights, and dishwasher.

Leslie DuMond, Connie Oliver, and representatives of the Master Gardeners program weeded the Serenity garden. Gill Laroche and Dave Vollmer mowed.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: We recognized our graduates on Sunday, June 30. Desiree' DeForest, granddaughter of Pat Pease, graduated from Chittenango High School. Aeron Kliphon, son of Josh Kliphon and grandson of Sheri and Doug Kliphon, also graduated from Chittenango High School. Jael Neidermaier, daughter of Christy Knowlton, graduated from Mansfield University in PA with a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education. Michael Breclaw, son of Mike and Tammy Breclaw, graduated from LeMoyne College. Each graduate was presented with a gift. A reception was held after the service.

MEMBERSHIP AND EVANGELISM: Cards are continuing to be sent. Preparation of the church directory is in progress.

We had a successful Movie Night on Saturday, June 15th. Twelve people from CUC, First United and Minoa Methodist attended. We viewed the film version of Sight and Sound's live stage production of Noah. We had a lively discussion afterwards. There were plenty of snacks, beverages, and fellowship prior to the movie. We plan to continue this movie night in the fall.

MISSIONS: Elder Merle Oswald reported concerning the following mission projects:

St. Matthews Food Pantry: - In June, we collected 3 boxes of food and 28 egg cartons for St. Matthew's Food Pantry. They were delivered by Wayne Brignall. In July, we collected 3 boxes of food and 18 egg cartons. They were delivered by Wayne Brignall.

May Mission: In May, in memory of Jameson, a little boy that went too soon, we collected pajamas and other baby clothes to be donated to New Hope Family Services. We had a wonderful response and collected the following items: 22 sets of girl's pajamas, 21 sets of boys' pajamas, 14 pairs of gloves, 7 hats, 3 girl's outfits, and 1 boy's outfit. They were blessed by Pastor Eric on June 2. They were delivered to New Hope Family services on June 3, 2024 by Merle Oswald, Pat Pease, and Ginnie Busco.

June Mission: For June, we collected items for 2 young women that graduated from East Syracuse –

Merle Oswald did a deep cleaning of the kitchen. The stove and oven still need to be cleaned. The burner grids have been

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Minoa High School and needed help with items to attend college. The items collected include: 1 twin size extra-long comforter, 2 sets of sheets, 2 pillows with protectors, two sets of towels, 1 laundry basket and one jar of Tide for each graduate. One set was light blue and the other light green. The items were picked up by the school counselor.

July Mission: - For July, we are collecting items for Helping Hounds. A wish list is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The deadline for collection is July 28.

We are also collecting monetary donations to help a family from Canastota that lost everything in the recent tornado. The family is associated with Pat Pease.

August Mission: On August 11, 2024, we will be hosting a picnic meal at Brown Memorial United Methodist Church. We will be providing hot dogs, salads, etc. First United Church of East Syracuse will join us in this mission project. We will obtain discounted hot dogs from Hoffman's as well as donations of other items.

We will also be collecting school supplies to be provided to children in need attending Woodland Elementary School and Pine Grove Middle School. The deadline for collection will be determined.

PASTOR/PARISH RELATIONS: Elder Geraldine Veaudry reported she met with Rev. Adamcik. He agreed to arrive earlier on Sundays for fellowship prior to the service. She noted that he needs to provide a certificate of completion of the required sexual harassment prevention training. Rev. Adamcik agreed to do so.

Elder Veaudry suggested we offer a Bible study on the fruits of the spirit. Other potential Bible study topics were discussed.

TECHNOLOGY: Rev. Adamcik noted that he would prefer a clip-on version of the microphone. Elder Judith Parker will look into this.

WORSHIP: Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver was not present but provided a written report as follows:

- Communion – On July 2, Rev. Adamcik served communion by intinction to 24. Elders Connie Heidt-Oliver and Marie Czajak assisted.
- Rev. Adamcik will be on vacation July 28. Rev. Beth Quick will provide pulpit supply

OLD BUSINESS: A meeting needs to be held with the dinner committee/4-H Program to discuss bringing the fall dinners back in-house with the help of the 4-H program.

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program. Presently, we have the Food Preservation Program scheduled to use the facility on October 8, 9 and 10 and November 4 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. (These dates were approved by the Board in April). At the rate of \$25 per hour, this will generate \$900 in income plus \$100 for 4 days use of the kitchen. This program also plans to schedule other smaller events throughout the year. Elder Leslie DuMond has also been in contact with a representative of the Natural Resources program that would like to use the Fellowship Hall and/or garden for a CommuniTree Steward graduation in August. This would only be for a couple hours so would generate a minimum of \$50. The scheduled 4-H events that will require use of the kitchen will generate approximately \$125. The proposed contract was reviewed. After discussion, it was determined that a minor change to the proposed contract was needed. The matter was tabled.

The next meeting of the CUC Board will be August 28, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE AUGUST 28, 2024 CUC BOARD MEETING

This regular meeting of the Board of the Collamer United Church was called to order on August 28, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the Collamer United Church lounge. Elder Emeline McShane opened the meeting with prayer and Elder Jerome O'Neill served as moderator.

MINUTES: A motion was properly made by Elder Merle Oswald and seconded by Elder Judith Parker to approve the regular Session minutes of July 24, 2024.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Elder Pamela Laroche reviewed the financial reports of the church for the month of July 2024. A motion was properly made by Elder Leslie DuMond and seconded by Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver to approve the financial reports.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Rev. Eric Adamcik reported that he has made some pastoral calls and visits. He needs to delay pastoral visits for a couple weeks due to his having been in a car accident and challenges related to obtaining another vehicle. He asked that individuals reach out to him if they know of anyone who should receive a visit from him. He will also reach out to individuals as a result of prayer requests and concerns expressed during the weekly worship services.

We are working with representatives of the Cornell Cooperative Extension to put together a master contract that will cover use of our facility for all of its various programs. This will eliminate the need to get contracts and insurance binders for each individual

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BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Elder Jerome O'Neill reported the Accessibility Solutions service agreement for maintenance of the lift is up for renewal. The service charge has increased to \$160 per visit. Up from \$135. A motion was made by Elder Emeline McShane and seconded by Elder Merle Oswald to approve renewal of the contract with Accessibility Solutions. Motion passed.

Dave Vollmer mowed the church grounds. Representatives of the Master Gardeners program have weeded the memorial and Eagle Scout gardens. Ginnie Busco continues to do weekly cleaning of the church.

MEMBERSHIP AND EVANGELISM: Cards are continuing to be sent. Preparation of the church directory is in progress.

A Membership Committee meeting will take place on September 8, 2024, following the worship service. Topics to be discussed include new members, "passing of the cards," next movie night, and finishing the directory. Dan Christian has a new movie to show at Christmas time. There is a lot of energy in the group.

MISSIONS: Elder Merle Oswald reported concerning the following mission projects:

St. Matthews Food Pantry: In July, we collected 3 boxes of food and 12 egg cartons for St. Matthew's Food Pantry. They were delivered by Wayne Brignall.

July Mission: For July, we collected items for Helping Hounds Dog Rescue. The items collected are as follows: \$25 Tops gift card, 8 leashes, 8 collars of various sizes, 2 toys, 1 halter collar, 1 bottle of hand soap, 1 container of disinfectant wipes, 1 pair of pillow cases, 3 bath towels, 6 washcloths, 14 rolls of paper towels, 2 dry markers, 1 box (100 count) file folders, and 1 package (8 count) file folders. The donations were blessed by Pastor Beth Quick on July 28, 2023 and delivered to Helping Hounds by Pat Pease and Merle Oswald on August 2, 2024.

We also collected monetary donations to help a family from Canastota that lost everything in the recent tornado. The family is associated with Pat Pease.

August Missions: On August 11, 2024, along with First United Church of East Syracuse, we hosted a picnic meal at Brown Memorial United Methodist Church. We provided hot dogs, macaroni salad, potato salad, watermelon, and milk. We obtained discounted hot dogs from Hoffman's and a gift card from Wegman's that covered the cost of watermelon and milk. We served over 50 meals and

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He reported he will be off on Sunday, October 6, and Monday, October 7. Remaining weekly office hours will continue. He will be attending Synod meetings in Albany at the end of October.

We also collected school supplies to be provided to children in need attending Woodland Elementary School and Pine Grove Middle School. They were blessed by Rev. Adamcik on August 25, 2024.

September Mission: - For September, we will provide breakfast items needed by St. Matthew's Food Pantry. In particular, we will collect boxed cereal. No oatmeal – please! There will be a collection box in the Narthex. The deadline for the collection is September 29, 2024.

PASTOR/PARISH RELATIONS: Elder Geraldine Veaudry reported she had a meeting with Rev. Adamcik. Various concerns were addressed. It was noted that we have not yet received the certificate of completion of his sexual harassment training. This will be provided.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE: The annual pledge letter will be sent in October.

TECHNOLOGY: Rev. Adamcik asked for a clip-on microphone. Gill Laroche purchased it.

WORSHIP: Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reported as follows:

- Communion – On August 4, Rev. Adamcik served communion by intinction to 27. Elders Pat Pease and Connie Heidt-Oliver assisted.
- The combined worship team met Sunday, August 25, at First United after their morning worship service.
 - Looking to collect a list of traditional hymns to re-incorporate into Sunday services.
 - Challenge: FUCOES is still not able to start their service on time.



leftovers were available to provide to others in need. Leslie and Judd DuMond, Ginnie and Ed Busco and Merle Oswald participated from CUC along with Pastor Eric and three representatives of First United.

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- Acolyte, liturgist, usher: Suggested sending around a clipboard and have people sign up as willing to serve. (If they have issues with stairs, remind them of the ramp behind the wall up front.) They will then be assigned to a 2-week stint; if those Sundays don't work for them, they switch with someone else on the list. A sign-up sheet with descriptions of what is required for each position will be put together and passed around.

OLD BUSINESS: Due to timing issues, it was determined that we are not able to pull together the necessary staff for the October dinner. That dinner will be drive-thru only. The November 2 dinner will be in-house with take-outs available. As in the past, we will serve family style meals in our fellowship hall complete with pies and brown breads. We are working on staffing for this meal, particularly the dining room helpers. We are asking people to reach out to family members and friends for help. We will need to let the 4-H program know in advance what help we will need.

The master contract with the Cornell Cooperative Extension has been finalized. It was approved by the Board via e-mail in July. The Communitree Stewards graduation was held in the garden on August 10. This program used a table and some chairs from the Fellowship Hall. They provided their own food and did not use the kitchen. Everything was returned to its appropriate place in the church building and cleaned up satisfactorily.

OLD BUSINESS: Dave Vollmer provided the "official" approval of our use of the greenhouse for the rummage sale. We will start setting up on Saturday, August 31. Items may be dropped off at the greenhouse starting on Sunday, September 1.

The Communitree Stewards program is offering to donate a tree to the church. They would like to film a "How to Properly Plant a Tree" video and were hoping to use Collamer United Church as a spot to plant. We would receive a free tree that they would plant and ask the Master Gardener Volunteers to take care of it. A motion was properly made by Elder Jerome O'Neill and seconded by Elder Judith Parker to accept the offer of a free tree. Motion passed. The members of the Building and Grounds Committee will determine the appropriate location for planting.

The next meeting of the CUC Board will be September 25, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

IN MEMORIUM

Rest in Peace Keith



Our beloved Keith Brignall passed away on Monday, September 23, 2024, due to progressive health problems. Most of the family is out of town so a celebration of life will take place at CUC on Monday, November 11. Details to follow. An obituary will be published in the near future. The family thanks you and are blessed by all of your prayers, calls, cards, and continuing kindness. Please continue to keep Grace, Wayne, Karen, and the rest of their family in your prayers.

Rest in Peace Denise



Denise Jochem-Robertson passed away on Wednesday, September 25, 2024. While we have not seen her in a while, Denise was a very active member of CUC for many years. She will be missed.

Visitation will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at R.H. Schepp & Son Minoa Chapel, 6530 Schepps Corners Rd., Minoa. The service will follow the calling hour at 1:30 PM at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Collamer Cemetery. Please keep her son David and their family in your prayers. Cards may be sent to 89 Windebank Lane, Minoa, NY 13116.



Calling all Crafters! We are excited to hold our Holiday Craft Sale in December again (in conjunction with First United's Cookie Walk). If you are crafty and would like to make items to donate to the sale it will be greatly appreciated! You can drop off your crafts to the church office anytime. We have had this sale for the past few years with great results and we thank you for your support!

We are always in need of liturgists, acolytes and ushers, and people to do general cleaning at the church. Please sign up on the sheets posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex or contact the church office to volunteer.

Church Secretary/Notary Services



Reminder

I am generally in the Church Office Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Other times vary. When I am not in the office, I monitor the Church e-mail regularly. I am also available to provide notary services.

Leslie DuMond

CollamerUnitedChurch@verizon.net



The deadline for any items for the upcoming Circuit Rider is October 28, 2024. Thank you for your cooperation in meeting this deadline.

We are accepting donations for postage for the monthly newsletter. Any donations will be appreciated. Also, if you are still receiving the newsletter via U.S. mail and would like to receive it via e-mail, please contact the church office.

Bottles & Cans



We have an arrangement with ESM Bottle Return. They have recently moved to Arterial Road in Lyncourt, across from the bakery. They will provide our Church the redemption money from the returns. You may also put your bottles and cans in the container in the lower entrance to the church.

Fellowship Hall Rental



Our church fellowship hall is available for rent for special occasions and meetings. Maximum capacity is 140. Please contact the church office for information.

*All Saint's Day remembrance request
to be read aloud during the service 11/3/2024*



Name of person/persons to be remembered: _____

Submitted by: _____



VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL THOSE WHO SERVED

OR ARE CURRENTLY SERVING

Please provide the following information for the veteran you would like to recognize:

Name: _____

Branch of Service: _____

Eras/War(s) Served: _____

Dates of Birth and Death (if deceased): _____



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Chicken & Biscuit Dinners



***Saturday, October 5, 2024 - Drive-Thru and
Saturday, November 2, 2024 - DINE IN***

@ COLLAMER UNITED CHURCH

6865 FLY ROAD IN COLLAMER (463-4939)

Serving will start at 4:30 P.M.

(Collamer Church is known for its great cooks!)

***This delightful, home style chicken and biscuit dinner will include
mashed potatoes, gravy, freshly cooked vegetables, and delicious desserts.***

Tickets may be purchased upon arrival:

\$13.00 for ALL Adults; \$6.00 for Children 10 and under.

Sorry - we cannot accept credit cards.