

# Deansboro Congregational United Church of Christ

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**Please keep in your thoughts and prayers:** your friends and neighbors; those people who are suffering and those who are ill; those struggling with on-going health issues, especially

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*Also, keep in prayer those impacted by gun violence; the displaced people of Ukraine, Syria, and other war-torn countries; our divided country, as we work together toward unity; the so-called “Long Haulers”, affected by the Covid 19 virus and those who have yet to get their vaccinations; those who are marginalized by society; those protesting injustice; the police officers who protect us; victims of natural as well as man-made disasters; families seeking asylum in our great country; service people at home and abroad; and our world leaders. Pray for those in need of comfort, tolerance, peace, justice and the basics for comfortable and safe living; and for those who long for hope, courage and guidance.*

**Always give thanks to God for the many blessings, gifts and joys in our lives!**

## *Annual Harvest Dinner Becomes the Harvest Outreach Campaign*

The Church Council discussed the Harvest Dinner (or as we all affectionately refer to it – the Turkey Supper) and searched our hearts. We all know the cost of putting food on our own tables has increased significantly in recent months. We grappled with making changes to minimize how many volunteers we need, juggle logistics for a drive-thru event, account for rising supply costs, and lower the stressful toll this takes on all involved. Complicated solutions seemed to be all we found. So, we decided to cancel the dinner and take a different approach - We feel it is time to reinvent the Harvest Dinner. Therefore, we are reimagining the Harvest Dinner as the Harvest Outreach Campaign.

As many of you realize, the Harvest Dinner has long been a line item in our budget. We have a modest goal for the dinner of \$3,000 profit. To meet this goal, we are asking for your donations. Several council members have committed donations up to \$500. Will you do your part? Drop off checks at church or mail them to the church PO Box. Simply write “Harvest Outreach Campaign” on the memo line. (Church address: PO Box 276, Deansboro, NY 13328)

We know you want to know “How is this still outreach?” and “What about the supplies that were already purchased?” Since the goal of this effort is still to show love and support to our community, we will work with the Waterville Food Pantry to donate all the turkeys purchased to families in need. That’s 250 pounds of turkey! So many families will benefit from this gift.

The Women’s Fellowship will make apple pies to support this effort. Pies will be made on **Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**. These are limited edition pies! A limited number of pies will be made and you must order your pies to guarantee you get them! Pies will be \$14 each. Please order your unbaked apple pies by Thursday October 13<sup>th</sup> by texting Alice Yoxall at (315) 368-3216 with your name and number of pies. You will receive a text on Saturday to pick them up. Any ordered pies not picked up on Saturday will be frozen. Pick up of frozen pies will be the Saturday before Thanksgiving (November 19<sup>th</sup>) from 12-2PM or at the Christmas Cookie Sale in December.

Since this traditionally brought our church together in fellowship, we are looking for your ideas on how to bring our church together in different ways. Feel free to call or email any council members with your ideas. – By Tammy Sehn

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On Sunday morning, October 2, we observed World Communion Sunday, which has special meaning for every Christian around the world. Whether we celebrate Communion by passing the bread and wine communally or observe it privately (or secretly), we break bread and pour the cup together to remember and affirm that Christ is the head of the church.

During the morning service, coffee was available, along with French toast casserole, egg casserole, potato casserole, bagels, fruit, and blueberry, pumpkin bread, and muffins. Afterward, we continued Communion by visiting with one another and exchanging pleasantries. It was a wonderful time of fellowship.



## CHURCH WORLD SERVICE KITS

The Sunday School has been busily assembling the school and health kits – those little packages of supplies and hope which mean so much for so many people around the world as well as in our country who are suffering due to natural disasters or war. Indeed, people in Florida impacted by former hurricanes have benefitted by the kits, as Mary Lou Rosecrants recalled. Imagine last year's kits being distributed in Florida, Puerto Rico, or South Carolina, and imagine the relief brought to those who are left with nothing. Clayton Lawton read aloud a list of items they still need to complete the kits so they can be sent out in April. The Sunday School's goal is 25 school and 25 health kits. What's needed are:

- 25 cloth bags with handle
- 30 notebooks (70-count bound notebook or notebook containing 200-210 pages -- no loose leaf or filler paper)
- 1 box crayons (24 count only)
- 1 pr. Scissors (blunt, rounded tip)
- 24 hand towels (15x28 or 16x32; no fingertip, bath, dishtowel or microfiber)
- 2 bath soaps (in original package)
- 25 combs (wide-tooth, sturdy, with at least 6 teeth. No pocket combs or picks)
- 25 toothbrushes (individual in original packaging)
- 25 one-gallon ziploc bags

As a reminder, here is a complete list of items needed for the school and hygiene kits:

### SCHOOL KITS

Give children in impoverished communities and refugee camps the basic tools for learning

- 1 pr. Blunt scissors
- 3 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks of 200-210 pages (no loose leaf)
- 1 12" ruler
- 1 hand-held pencil sharpener
- 1 large eraser (no pencil erasers)
- 6 new unsharpened pencils with erasers
- 1 box crayons 24 ct. only
- 1 cloth or canvas bag with handle, 24x14" or 14x17"

### HEALTH (HYGIENE) KITS

Provide kits to make all the difference between sickness and health for struggling families

- 1 hand towel measuring 15x28 or 16x32 – no dishtowels, bath towels
- 1 washcloth
- 1 wide-toothed comb- sturdy, at least 6" of teeth; no picks or pocket combs
- 1 fingernail or toenail clipper
- 1 bath size bar of soap in original package
- 1 toothbrush in original package
- 10 standard-size Band-Aids

This all fits in a gallon-size Zip-lock bag

Remember those who are going through difficult times, and who will feel God's love when they need it most.

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**There is still a jar on the table in the Narthex for you to deposit your pennies for the Pennies for People initiative, a mission project.**

**Neighbors in Need Offering** will continue to be collected throughout the month of October. NIN supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States by addressing those who are homeless and helping to provide a permanent shelter for them.



## Hurricanes 2022 Emergency Appeal

The United Church of Christ has issued an appeal to support immediate needs for families and communities affected by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian.



While this year's hurricane season started slow, the last two weeks have made it clear just how dangerous and destructive these storms can be. With wind speeds topping out at 130 miles per hour and 155 miles per hour, respectively, Hurricanes Fiona and Ian have left devastation in their wake. More than a week and a half after Fiona's winds left all of Puerto Rico in the dark, hundreds of thousands of people remain without power. Communities remain in crisis mode as the delivery of food, drinking water, and medical needs is challenged in hard-to-reach places cut off by downed trees, mudslides, and washed away bridges.

Millions have lost power and access to clean drinking water. The need for emergency food support, medical care, and temporary shelter is high.

Meanwhile, Hurricane Ian has brought significant damage to Cuba, Florida, and the Carolinas. It is way too early to know the full extent of damage in Cuba and in Florida, yet early indications point to a recovery that will take many years - perhaps a decade.

Your generous financial support will be used by our partners in the areas of greatest need, for relief and long-term recovery.

Bring or mail your donation to church. Be sure to write "Hurricanes 2022 Fund" on the memo line of your check. Tammy will be sure it goes where it will do the greatest good.

Think of the Food Pantry when you shop. Fresh garden produce is welcome, as are health and beauty items – anything that can't be purchased via SNAP. If you would like to give money, that is appreciated as well. Send to:



**Waterville Food Pantry**  
**P.O. Box 22**  
**Waterville, NY 13480**

The Women's Fellowship Rummage Sale was very successful! It ran on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>, and again on September 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> and September 24<sup>th</sup>. Many of the items which were not sold were taken to be used by others through the Creekside Outreach Center, the Barton Hose Company, the Warming Center on Plant Street, Utica, the American Legion and the Salvation Army. Deepest thanks to everyone who sorted the rummage to get it ready to be sold, baked for the Bake Sale, shopped, or helped to take the items remaining where they will be put to good use.

*"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7*

# November 2022

| Sunday  | Monday                   | Tuesday                         | Wednesday                            | Thursday                               | Friday                       | Saturday                    |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   |                          | 1                               | 2<br>All Soul's Day                  | 3                                      | 4                            | 5                           |
| 6<br>Daylight Savings Time Ends                               | 7                        | 8<br>Election Day               | 9                                    | 10<br>World Immunization Day           | 11<br>Veteran's Day          | 12                          |
| 13<br>Rev. Robert Umidi at the Pulpit                         | 14<br>World Diabetes Day | 15<br>National Philanthropy Day | 16<br>International Day of Tolerance | 17                                     | 18                           | 19<br>National Adoption Day |
| 20  | 21<br>World Hello Day    | 22                              | 23                                   | Thanksgiving Day/Nat'l Day of Mourning | Native American Heritage Day | Small Business Saturday     |
| 24<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent/Hangi ng of the Greens | 28                       | 29<br>Giving Thursday           | 30                                   |  |                              |                             |

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# December 2022

| Sunday                                 | Monday                      | Tuesday               | Wednesday                            | Thursday                        | Friday                     | Saturday               |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
|  |                             |                       |                                      | 1<br>World AIDS Day             | 2                          | 3                      |
| 4<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent  | 5<br>Int'l Volunteer Day    | 6                     | 7<br>Pearl Harbor Day of Remembrance | 8                               | 9                          | 10<br>Human Rights Day |
| 11<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent | 12                          | 13<br>Nat'l Cocoa Day | 14                                   | 15<br>Int'l Tea Day             | 16<br>Boston Tea Party Day | 17                     |
| 18<br>Hanukkah Begins (8 days)         | 19                          | 20                    | 21<br>Winter Solstice                | 22<br>Nat'l Cookie Exchange Day | 23<br>Festivus             | 24<br>Christmas Eve    |
| 25<br>Christmas Day                    | 26<br>Kwanzaa (through 1/1) | 27                    | 28<br>Call a Friend Day              | 29                              | 30                         | 31<br>New Year's Eve   |

# BIBLE QUIZ

## True or False:

1. Jesus wept when Bartimaeus died. (John 11)
2. Herod washed his hands to show his innocence. (Matthew 27:24)
3. The man who received two (2) talents from his master buried them. (Matthew 25:22)
4. Joseph named his first-born Ammon. (Genesis 4:51)
5. Pilate put John the Baptist in prison. (Mark 6:17)
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Answers in November newsletter

## Answers from September newsletter

1. Who did God use to lead his people out of Egypt?  
a. Moses
2. Who was the first king of Israel?  
a. Saul
3. Name the man who killed the giant Goliath?  
a. David
4. Name the water Jesus was walking on  
a. Sea of Galilee
5. What was Paul's trade during his missionary journey?  
a. Tent maker



Virginia Marris – October 19  
Tricia Gibbons McConnell – October 20  
Garrett Marris – October 21  
Barbara Schuck – October 22  
Brendan Marris – October 24  
Mesafint Ellingson – October 24

Jan Fisher – October 30  
Sandy Bishopp – October 31  
Joyce Cornelius – November 5  
Bill Marris – November 5  
Abby Giannatelli – November 8  
Tammy Sehn – November 8  
Lisa Zajac – November 13  
Alice Yoxall – November 16  
Connie Abrams – November 17



Martha and Rick Lloyd – Nov. 4