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Newsletter – December, 2022

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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 Meeting

February 19, 2023 – 9 am

The Annual Meeting of the Deansboro Congregational United Church of Christ will be held Sunday, February 19 at 9:00, in conjunction with a breakfast during the service of worship. It will be held in the Church House.

Many topics of interest to members and friends will be discussed, and the Council members will be voted on. Anyone who would like to serve the church in any capacity is very welcome, and urged to attend.

Scout Sunday is set for February 5.

Members of troops from the area are invited to join us for the Sunday service. Part of the Scout law is that a Scout is reverent, which means he or she is worshipful toward God and faithful to his or her religious views while respecting the beliefs of others. Scouts pledge in their Oath “duty to God and the

SCOUT SUNDAY



Country.” Pass the word to any Girl Scout, Cub Scout, or Boy Scout who would like to join us. There will be a time of fellowship, with good things to eat, following the service of worship, during which Scouts will participate, if they wish.



It's easy to remember the Food Pantry during the Christmas season – our hearts are full with the wonder of the coming of our Lord, and we want to reach out and share that joyous and glorious feeling by helping those who are in need and are hungry.

But even though the holidays have gone, hunger has not. The unrelenting cold doesn't help. People still need our help.

When we grocery shop, we need to keep those people in mind. Think of what we crave during the cold winter months: soups, hot chocolate, tea, coffee. Also, health and beauty items like toilet paper, toothpaste, bandages, and shampoo, are very welcome - they are not covered by the SNAP program. The Food Pantry is glad to receive our monetary donations. Please send them to: **Waterville Food Pantry, PO Box 22, Waterville, NY 13480.**

COMING UP: Plans are underway for the Sunday School Pasta Dinner. A date is not yet set, but we welcome this dinner back after a pandemic two years! Donations toward another successful and delicious dinner are appreciated! Please see either Alice Yoxall or Tammy Sehn.



CHURCH WORLD SERVICE KITS

The Church World Service kits, those wonderful little packages of supplies and hope which mean so much to so many people around the world and in our country who are caught in natural or man-made disasters, have been completed. They will be taken to the warehouse in Maryland in April. The Sunday School, with help from Church members and friends have assembled 29 School kits and 26 Health kits. Much of these supplies were purchased with money earned from the Sunday School Pasta dinner in 2019.

Imagine being in a war zone, or surveying your home destroyed by a hurricane, and think of the relief those kits provide to those who are left with nothing. Putting those kits together is truly doing God's work.

January 2 – Ron Steinmann

January 7 – Dustin Sehn

January 14 – Sullivan Marris

January 19 – Stephanie Yoxall

January 20 – Zachary McMullen

January 21 – Ed Bishopp

January 21 – Michelle Zajac

January 24 – Nathaniel Belouin



January 24 – Steve Ellingson

January 27 – Rich Lloyd

January 27 = Jim McConnell

February 8 – Beth Hopkins

February 10 – Sharon Knutti

February 11 – Mary Lou Rosecrants

February 14 – Doug Cornelius

February 15 – David Knutti



Sharon and John Gibbons – January 25

Stacy and Gary Peck – February 15

Congratulations to Jasmine Rippey, Lawrence Gilley's granddaughter, who was married at the Hamilton College Chapel Nov. 26 and in Thailand Jan. 8; and to Stephanie Yoxall who was wed January 14. Best wishes to both couples.

THANK YOU...

- For helping decorate and undecorate the Sanctuary
- For providing poinsettias to grace the altar this Christmas
- To the generous members and friends who brought Christmas joy to so many children in the community

ANSWERS TO QUIZ ABOUT JESUS' EARLY MINISTRY

Jesus was baptized and began his ministry at about age 30. Who baptized him? **John**

After baptism, Jesus was tempted. Which of these were NOT temptations? **Turning water into wine**

To whom did Jesus say, "For God so loved the world ..."? **Nicodemus**

Where did Jesus meet the Samaritan woman? **At the well**

Where did Jesus conduct his early ministry? **Galilee**

Jesus chose Matthew as one of his Disciples. What was Matthew's occupation? **Tax collector**

2023 Budget
Council Approved: 11/13/2022
Congregation Approved: 12/4/2022

	Proposed 2023 Budget
INCOME	
Sunday School	\$ 200.00
Harvest Dinner*	\$ 3,000.00
Interest and dividend	\$ 1,500.00
Offerings	\$ 24,000.00
Other	\$ 100.00
Women's Fellowship	\$ 1,500.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 30,300.00
EXPENSES	
Buildings and Grounds	
Cleaning	\$ 1,500.00
Insurance	\$ 4,500.00
Maintenance	\$ 700.00
Organ/Piano	\$ 350.00
Utilities	\$ 4,000.00
Other Buildings and Grounds	\$ 250.00
<i>TOTAL Buildings and Grounds</i>	<i>\$ 11,300.00</i>
Clerk	\$ 25.00
Congregational Care	\$ 250.00
Education	\$ 200.00
Finance	\$ 50.00
Minister's Housing ⁵	\$ 14,630.00
Oneida Association	\$ 350.00
Our Church's Wider Mission	\$ 1,050.00
Outreach	\$ 200.00
Worship	
Organist	\$ 2,760.00
Supply ministers	\$ 800.00
Worship Supplies	\$ 500.00
<i>TOTAL Worship</i>	<i>\$ 4,060.00</i>
Miscellaneous	\$ 750.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 32,865.00
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ (2,565.00)

The 2023 budget was passed by the Congregation at the Budget Meeting on December 4. Thanks to all who voted for it. Special thanks to Tammy Sehn, who prepared the budget.