

The North Star



Newsletter of the North Ontario United Methodist Church



**“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heaven.”
~Ecclesiastes 3:1**

This time of year, there is always talk and a few groans about Daylight Savings time. The talk often centers around whether the practice of changing the clocks is outdated. For myself, this practice causes some dread as I struggle to remember how to change the clock on the stove and in the car or the fear of forgetting and showing up at the wrong time for church. I even know people who spend the off-season just remembering their clocks are an hour off because they can't remember how to change the time or skip church this day to avoid confusion (these are not options for me).

As the clocks are changed the day gets shorter and the darkness becomes more prominent (FYI: this is going to happen anyways). We are going into the season of increased darkness, but the Light still reigns.

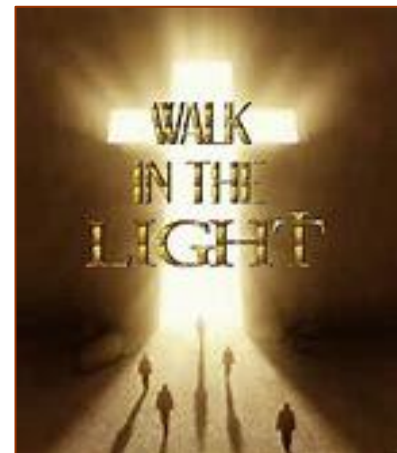
The increase darkness causes many to experience increased depression, anxiety, and irritability. Although, for some, these feelings need medical intervention, for others these feeling need spiritual intervention. If you have Seasonal Affective Disorder, please see your doctor, if not, turn to our great source of light, Jesus, to remain in top mental and spiritual form even as the days get shorter.

Never allow darkness to overwhelm you, instead find gratitude, thanksgiving, and peace in the True Light of the World. John 8:12, “When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

Even as the days grow shorter, walk into the light of life.

Blessings,

Pastor Linda



FINANCE REPORT



Financial Data – Our weekly average tithing for Sept. was \$2865. The bank total is \$57056. The year-to-date income compared to the plan is \$5870 greater than the plan. The year-to-date expenses compared to the plan are \$6829 worse than the plan. Our biggest expense for the month was the material to refurbish the shed, which was \$1467 and doesn't it look nice.

MISSION TEAM UPDATE



BBQ – Oct. 15th The BBQ was good, though we did not sell out. Sunday, the congregation bought 40 of the 70 remaining chicken and all of the rolls, coleslaw and potatoes. The remaining 30 chickens were given to our local food pantry and they were delighted to have them. Our net profit was \$1776 and the Mission Team will decide at our next meeting how to dispense this money.



UMC - UNYC GIVES US THANKS FOR PAYING 100% SHARED MINISTRIES

Please take a moment to look at the bulletin board as we were thanked by the church for paying 100% of our 2020 Shared Ministries.

"In any normal year, paying 100% of your share ministries request is noteworthy. In 2020, it is amazing. Thank you for this and for all the other ways you serve Christ through your church and in your community." ~Bishop Mark J. Webb

MINISTRY TEAMS & PARISH COUNCIL

MINISTRY TEAMS

*Questions should be addressed to the Ministry Team Leader.

- Ministry Teams:** *
- Tuesday, 11/2/21
4:00p Worship
Online Education & Nurture/Outreach
 - Tuesday, 11/9/21
5:00p Missions
6:00p Finance
6:30p Trustees



Parish Council: 6:30p Monday, 11/15/21



REQUEST FOR PRAYERS



- Prayers for Richard Adams
- Prayers for Missie Bergen
- Prayers for Missie Bergen's niece, battling cancer
- Prayers for Christopher Buck and prayers of strength for Mary Lou
- Prayers for Les Gillespie
- Prayers for Suzanne Gresens, friend of Jackie Hansen
- Prayers for Margie Haywood, recovering after car accident
- Prayers for Linda Kelsch
- Prayers for Shirley Kuhn
- Prayers for Mary Lou Ledain
- Prayers for Dave & Doreen Upham
- Prayers for Geraldine Whitmire, recovering at St. Ann's
- Prayers for the Makins' family in the passing of Jim's brother.
- Prayers for the Schimerhorn Family in the passing of Betty
- Prayers for all students, teachers and administrators
- Our churches, Pastors, Bishop Mark Webb, DS Vonda Fossett
- Prayers for our world, communities, schools and all leaders



Pies for the Pines



We need pie makers!!

We are having another fantastic Pie Sale this Year and hope to beat last year's sales!

Last year we had some wonderful homemade Pie Varieties: pumpkin, pecan, lemon meringue, apple, dutch apple (with crumb topping), chocolate, sugar-free chocolate, coconut cream, nutty chocolate (chocolate chips and walnuts) and peach blueberry.

Call the Pines of Peace at (315)524-2388 or email us at directorpop@gmail.com if you can make a pie for us. Let us know how many and what variety(ies) you are willing to make **by November 19th**.

Timeline: We will start taking orders for Pies on Tuesday November 23rd. We will confirm with you the commitment of homemade pies **Monday December 13th**.

Drop Off your Pies for the Pines on Thursday, December 16th by noon.

Pines of Peace
2378 Ridge Rd., Ontario, NY

JOIN OUR COMMITTEES

We are adding to our committees!!

Please consider joining us.
See Pastor Linda to join a team.

Available Committees to join are:

- Christian Education**
- Finance Team**
- Missions Team**
- Nominations Team**
- Nurture Outreach**
- Staff Parish Relations**
- Trustees**
- Worship Team**



NOVEMBER 2021

- 5 Todd, Mary Gwen
- 6 Goodenough, Michele
- 8 Goodenough, Jerry
- 8 Kelsch, Bob
- 8 Thomas, Dawn
- 8 HANSEN, ROGER & JACQUELINE
- 11 Jones, Jesse
- 14 Hussey, Sandra
- 16 Straub, Dawn
- 19 Stratton, Cory
- 20 Eaton, Lorelai
- 21 Chelini, Chris
- 27 Mertz, Watson
- 28 Burley, Brenda
- 29 COOMBER, JEFF & MARILYN

Birthdays: Upper/Lower Case
ANNIVERSARIES: ALL CAPS

REMINDERS



Please remember to bring your non-perishable contributions, as we are continuing to support the **Ontario Food Pantry**. Please place items in bin in Narthex. Your donations are appreciated!



Please consider bringing in donations for the **Family Promise of Wayne County**. The list of needed items is posted on the bulletin board. If you have questions, call the office. Thank you!

NOVEMBER 7TH @ 2 A.M.



NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS & SPECIAL DATES

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| November 1 st | All Saints Day
No School (K-6 only) |
| November 2 nd | Election Day & ½ Day School
NOUMC Bake Sale |
| November 7 th | All Saints Day Recognition |
| November 11 th | Veteran's Day
No School |
| November 12 th – 13 th | Home for the Holidays Bazaar |
| November 14 th | Veteran's Recognition |
| November 21 st | Long Term Member Recognition |
| November 24 th -26 th | No School |
| November 25 th | Thanksgiving |
| November 28 th | UM Student Day Offering |

SAFE HAVEN RESPITE PROGRAM

November 3rd & 17th ~ 10a -2p
 (1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month)



We're so thankful to be able to serve our community!!

CHURCH EVENTS



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - 2021

~A Few More Boxes are Needed~

Empty OCC Shoe Boxes are available in the Narthex for individual participation - detailed instructions included. Please be sure to include the \$9 postage with your completed box.

Dropoff Deadline (at the church) is Sunday, November 14th.

Imagine how happy these children will be to receive their first gift!

We are so grateful for your contributions!

Direct Questions to Judy McMillan or Nancy Haak.



North Ontario
United Methodist Church
7200 Ontario Center Road
Ontario, NY

Baked Food Sale
Election Day, November 2, 2021
VandeVate Hall

Pies, Cookies, Muffins, Cupcakes,
Cakes, Breads and many more
goodies!!!

Thank you for your support!!

Confirmation Class

SCHEDULE FOR CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Classes will be at 11:15am - 1pm
(Beginning with lunch, then class)

The Liturgy

November 14, 2021 The Lord's Supper

The Christian Life

November 28, 2021 Morality

December 12, 2021 Spiritual Practices

January 9, 2022 why? Prayer

January 23, 2022 The Lord's Prayer

Church Calendar

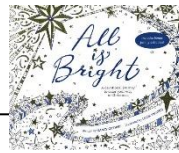
February 13, 2022

Church History

February 27, 2022

Confirmation Sunday

March 13, 2022 10am Worship Service



ADVENT STUDY

The Education Team has chosen the Devotional Coloring Book – All Is Bright – as the Advent all church take home study for 2021. Each family unit will receive a copy and a box of colored pencils.

The book provides a wonderful way for our individual families and our church family to be together in spirit everyday of the Advent Season as we read and meditate on Christ through the devotions.

Relax and retreat from the chaos of the Christmas season by reading these 31 short devotions (one for each day of December). A coloring page accompanies each devotion and in the back of the book are family pages with discussion questions, kid-friendly coloring pages, plus bookmarks and ornaments to cut out and color. During the Advent season, these family activities can help you instill a sense of gratitude and anticipation of Christ's coming in the midst of the holiday season. They will be distributed throughout November. Enjoy!

If you'd like a copy and you're not at church, please contact Wanda Klem @ 315-524-2135

NOVEMBER OFFICE HOURS

Wendy will be out of the office November 23rd & 24th for the Thanksgiving holiday. Pastor Linda will have limited hours, but will be available by phone.

Office will be Closed for Thanksgiving,
November 25th – 26th



INDOOR WORSHIP HAS RESUMED

Indoor Services have resumed in the Sanctuary
Services begin @ 10am

When we meet in the Sanctuary, wear masks, & social distance.

The option will remain that you can remain in cars and listen in parking lot, or view online

THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR IS ALMOST HERE!!

Home for the Holidays

“The Brick Church” Bazaar
North Ontario United Methodist Church
7200 Ontario Center Road
Ontario, NY 14519
(315) 524 - 9509



Friday, November 12th - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 13th - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Take Out Lunch only - available on
Friday & Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Crafts, Baked Goods, & “Next to New” Items



Masks Required

“Next to New” Donations

This year we are asking that all
donations be clean and priced before
you drop them off at church.

All donations for the “Next to New”
are to be dropped off between
October 31st – November 7th

This deadline is firm – no exceptions.



Thank you

BAZAAR DONATION DETAILS

Home for the Holidays Bazaar "Next to New" Sale

Mark your calendars and save the dates November 12th and November 13th for NOUMC's "Next to New...New to You" Sale!! This sale will be the perfect time and place for you to find that special treasure! In order for this sale to be a success, we will need many kinds of items to sell, such as: small appliances, kitchen utensils, pots and pans, dishes and silverware, children's toys and puzzles, holiday decorations, and anything else you have been wanting to get rid of, but didn't know how or where to do so. Over the next couple of weeks please go through your basement, attic, garage, etc. and bring your items so they might become someone else's treasure at the "Next to New...New to You" Sale.

Note: We will not be accepting books or clothing donations.

For those of you who wish to donate, please make note that we are asking that all items be **clean and priced** prior to being donated. Having items ready to be placed on the tables will cut down on the amount of set up time needed and is greatly appreciated.

Donations can be dropped off at church (signs will be posted for specific locations) between **October 31st, - November 7th**, during regular church office hours Tuesday - Thursday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. ***Please note that we will not be accepting any donations after Sunday, November 7th.***

As always, we are looking forward to our "Next to New...New to You" Sale, and hope you will participate through your donations, purchases and attendance.








Come one, come all to the Home for the Holidays Bazaar on Friday, November 12th and Saturday, November 13th.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 All Saints Day 7p B.S. Committee Mtg - Choir Room No School K-6	2 6a-9p Election Day Polling Site & Bake Sale  4p Worship - Choir Rm 1/2 Day School - K-12	3 10a-2p Safe Haven Respite 7p GS #40038 Classroom	4 6:30p Boy Scouts -VVH	5	6 10:30a Church Conf. Zoom Mtg - VVH 
7 10a Indoor Worship All Saints Day Observed 3p Wedding - V.V.H. Daylight Savings Ends	8 	9 Ministry Teams 5:00p Finance 6:00p Trustees 6:30p Missions	10 HOLIDAY BAZAAR SET UP - V.V.H. BLOCKED FOR WEEK 7p - GS #40038 Classroom	11 Veterans Day 9a-1p Garden Club - Choir No School 	12 9a - 3p HOME FOR THE VANDEVATE HALL 	13 9a - 3p HOLIDAYS
14 10a Indoor Worship Veterans Recognition Blessing of OCC Boxes 11:15a Communion Class #5 - V.V.H.	15 6:30p Parish Council 7p GS #40337 - VVH	16 	17 10a-2p Safe Haven Respite 6-9p Heritage Sq. Mtg. VVH	18 6:30p Boy Scouts -VVH	19	20
21 10a Indoor Worship Long Term Member Recognition	22 7p G.S #40337- VVH	23 7p G.S #40337- VVH	24 No School	25 THANKSGIVING  No School	26 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE No School	27 
28 Advent Begins 10a Indoor Worship UM Student Day Offering 11:15a Communion Class #6 - V.V.H.	29	30 				



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**North Ontario United Methodist Church exists to:
Spread the Gospel in our community and elsewhere
as we share Christ's hope and love with the world.**

2021 COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE – ON PAUSE INDEFINITELY

AS OF NOW, WE WILL RELY ON PSALM 34:8

**“TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD;
BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO TAKES REFUGE IN HIM”**