

# Upcoming Ministries, Meetings & Programs <u>September 2024</u>

Sept 1	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11AM
Sept 2	Happy Labor Day!!!	
Sept 8	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11AM
Sept 15	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11AM
Sept 15	Adult Sunday School begins	9:45 AM
Sept 16	Hope Resales Meeting	6PM
Sept 17	Ad Council Meeting	6PM
Sept 22	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11AM
Sept 29	Worship Service-Online & in Sanctuary	11AM

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### <u>Hope Resales Hours</u>

Wednesday 10AM—1PM Thursday 5PM-8PM Friday & Saturday 10AM-1PM



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8am to 12pm

#### <u>Service Times</u>

Worship in the Sanctuary & Online 11 :00 am

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# SEPTEMBER IS MY BIRTHDAY MONTH Yep, the whole month!

Sept 3	Ross Burgess
Sept 5	DARREN WILSON
Sept 12	DARREL OAKES
Sept 16	William L. Olinger
Sept 19	Maria Quintern
Sept 21	ANDREW BOYCE & CARTER MILES
Sept 20	JENNIFER NERONI TRUPO
Sept 22	NATALIE MILES
Sept 23	LEE BOYCE JR., AISLINN MANNING
	& DIANE NELLIST
Sept 25	CASSIDY BOYCE
Sept 27	Dr. David Flint
Sept 30	THOMAS GOETZE & ANNA MARIE KINGDOLLAR

We appreciate your

## **Continued Generosity**

Offerings can be sent by US mail to P.O. Box 483 Lyndonville NY 14098, or online through Tithe.ly.com

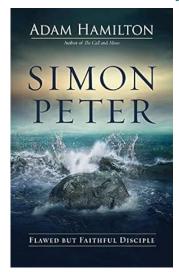
But we would really love to have you come worship with us and offer it in person!

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2cor. 9:7 <u>THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!!</u>

Starting in September

Adult Sunday School begins on Sept 15 at 9:45 am in the church library.

#### Led by Anne Hyndman Join us in our study of:





Sunday School for our youth will begin in October. Date and time tbd. Stay Tuned!

Pastor Pam Klotzbach Jetter from the Pastor • *September 2024* •

Greetings in the name of our Lord!

Over the last month, I have spent a great deal of time wrestling over King David and King Solomon (David's son). Both were recipients of God's favor. David was treated to God's great blessings yet his sins were enormous! (Is there really such a thing as big sins and little sins. (Probably not.)

His sins ran the gamut of lust and lies, murder and so much more...yet he was most favored by God, in fact God's very favorite! But, if we carefully read through the Psalms, we see David's regret and sorrow over his sins. Solomon did his best to break every rule in the 'sin book'. Foreign wives were a sin because of their 'other gods.' He built shrines to other gods and joined in worship to them. He accumulated multiple horses as well as multiple wives and amassed large quantities of gold and silver.

For a man who was gifted with the world's best brain, he had trouble with obedience, perhaps thinking his powerful position granted him latitude.

Aren't you glad we don't have to deal with these big things? But, I am not sure God weighs each sin on a scale to decide what the bigger sin might be. I think every sin hurts our relationship with others and our relationship with God. Whew! here I am preaching again!

As we move into fall, we will be learning more about our spiritual gifts and where they might lead us. I am trying to figure out how to do a get together with our sister church, Akron First UMC, and perhaps bring our leadership together to talk about our 'special services' (like Christmas Eve) and how we can celebrate the birth of Christ in a different time slot and still have a meaningful gathering. (Life should get a bit easier once the detour from 63 is ended.) There will be more game nights, pot luck dinners and times for discussion. Won't you walk with us?

Drive careful as the kids return to school and God bless you all!

Pastor Pam

P.S. Sitting in the office for "office Hours" is not productive. If you need to see me or talk to me we can set a time. My cell phone is 716-560-0290 and my email is revpamumc@gmail.com



I spent a few hours with my friend Karen the other day. Always time well spent! Our discussions usually touch on a wide range of topics and are almost always intertwined with spiritual matters and how we perceive that God is working in the world and in our lives. Karen is an artist and specializes in art restoration and conservation.

On this particular day I watched as she worked on an old painting. Art restoration can involve a number of things like; stripping, cleaning, repairing, rebuilding, repainting and refinishing. I'm sure there are more...

On this particular painting there was a spot where the thickness and texture of the paint seemed inconsistent with the rest of the painting, almost as if the canvas had been ripped and extra paint was heaped on as part of the repair process.

You can't always tell by appearances but this mound of "paint" just looked out of place, artificial, a detriment to the overall painting rather than enhancing it. She pondered briefly how to work with it and chose to begin sanding with a fine grit sand paper. As she worked her way through the surface layers of paint she found that most of the lump was actually some sort of filler that someone had applied for some reason that was simply painted over.

She then took an X-acto knife and picked and cut away the foreign material she removed most of the filler and rediscovered the canvas. When she did this I thought to myself that the knife was a risky tool, what if she accidentally cut the canvas? What if a chunk of paint came off? Would the knife cause more damage than intended? Would it be ruined forever? She didn't of course.... But would it really have mattered if she had. She is an art restorer - she knew she could repair it.

Can you see the correlation between art restoration and soul restoration? We come before God with foreign stuff stuck on us and in our soul, maybe a lump of filler, maybe something that has eaten away at us, maybe simply dust and grime so heavy we think we'll never get clean. Whatever it is leaves us feeling, and perhaps looking, as if there are inconsistencies with who God made us to be. Perhaps we feel less like us and more like something painted to be pleasing to the world. Perhaps we feel we've lost ourselves, covered over by things that we thought would fulfill us but have only left us in a spiritual lump. If so... Take heart!

God the creator, the maestro, is also the restorer of his masterpieces (us). God knows exactly what we need to be returned to our "as created" condition. God knows which of his masterpieces need a little heavier work or which ones need a gentler touch. If life has left us torn or if the restoration process leaves us bruised God knows exactly how to heal us.

"Therefore let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace for help at the time of our need." Hebrews 4:16



Faithfully, Anne



Wilbur and Edith the church mice returned a coupla weeks ago from spending their summer with relatives in Kuckville. It was a long journey to get there but they were fortunate to catch a ride on an old farmer's wagon comin' home. They got news

while away that the church has a new pastor. Wilbur told Edith that he was hopin' that the new pastor like cookies as much as the old one did. Cookie crumbs are a special treat!

Wilbur was thinkin' how nuthin' stays the same any more an' how everything changes. While they were away a rain storm washed out their storage shelter by the nut tree an' it is gonna take some time to dig out a new one. And them squirrels were gonna be upset like they were invadin' their territory. God was good to 'em tho. In the back of the farmer's truck the returned in was some corn and other veggies an' an old sack of dog food. Not only were they able to feast on the trip but they also filled their rucksacks to tide 'em over 'til they could refill their pantry with the morsels left behind by the church people. Good thing church people spend a lotta time eatin' while they're praisin' God.

A few days ago while Edith was out foragin' for goodies she overheard some of the church people talkin' about some new things they want to do and how they want to invite folks in to build fellowship and help 'em get to know Jesus. At first she was thinkin' about all of the changes that might be coming an she was a little worried because she almost got caught sneakin' some tasty raspberry Danish crumb off of the table during the church people meeting. With more people around she'd need to be more careful!

When Edith shared her worries with Wilbur he thought about it for a bit and then reminded her that more people meant more opportunity for gatherin' food. They would just need to ask God to help them not get caught.

Wilbur and Edith are now thinkin' the more things change the more they stay the same. In their prayers they are askin' God to bless the church people in their endeavors. Change can be invigoratin' new pastor, same people, new people, same opportunities, more people, more opportunities, more ideas, more fun, more hearts for Jesus.

Next year Wilbur and Edith are gonna tell the relatives to come here for the summer. It's gonna be a great time!

#### September Prayer Words

Before I list the words to pray through September... I apologize for not offering words for the July/August newsletter. I completely forgot. But, the unintentional break is over... here are some new words!

**Harvest**—Matthew 9:37-38; Quote: "Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant." Robert Louis Stevenson

**Moon**—Psalm 8:3-4; Quote: "Three things cannot be hidden: the sun, the moon, and the truth." Buddha

**Calm**—Luke 8:24; Quote: "After a storm comes a calm." Matthew Henry

**Season**—Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Quote: "Be sure to embrace whatever stage or season on life you are in. Remember: God wastes nothing." - unknown

**Search**—John 5:39; Quote: Searching is half the fun: life is much more manageable when thought of as a scavenger hunt as opposed to a surprise party." Jimmy Buffet

Remember the idea is to discover new intricacies of God and God's Word by researching and studying one word a week. Dig in to the Bible, a dictionary, a concordance and pray—ask God to reveal Himself to you through the word of the week and His Word.



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Gracious God, Bless each and every school with your spirit of Grace and love. Keep teachers, students, parents and all school staff safe and healthy. Amen.