

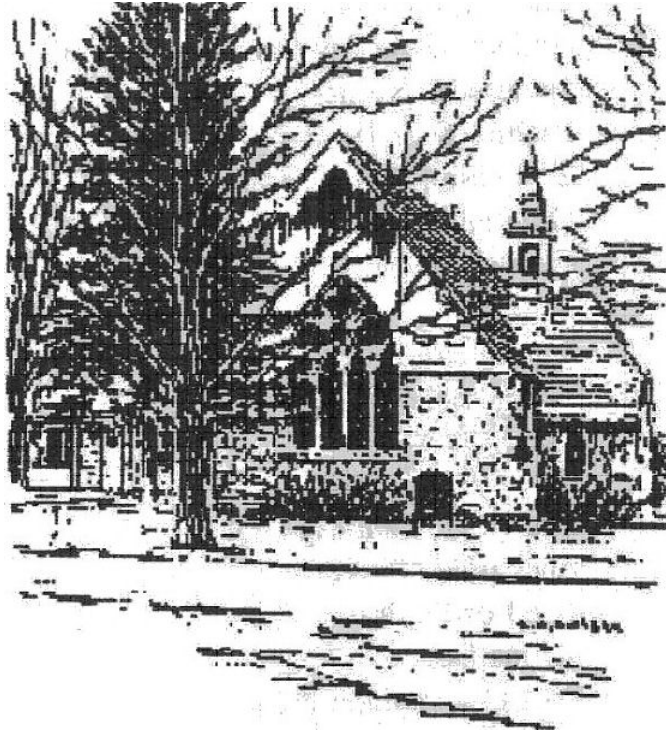
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GIDEON'S TRUMPET

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PASTOR'S PAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I write this as “the summer” draws to a close. I find myself wondering what happened to the seemingly endless summers I experienced as a child. Easter was just yesterday for me. Memorial Day and Labor have now blended into one holiday. The leaves have even started to change already up in the Catskills.

All too soon we will be planning for Advent and Christmas services. Bible Study is resuming and I look ever so far forward to it.

All of this has me contemplating what God has planned for us next. There is so much that may or may not be taking place. I am hopeful and expectant as to what we may do next. As our faith increases, we are better able to answer the calls that God places on our lives and to minister in our own special ways.

If there is a fear that you are feeling as I speak on such, please know that you are not alone. I too am often nervous, frightened and even occasionally struggling with anxiety over answering “the call” that God places on me (us). I second guess myself. I second

guess God even. It is a struggle that is real. Yet, we have a God who is ever faithful, who is not afraid and never doubts nor relents on his plans for us. He is “slow to anger” and quick to provide mercy.

My hope is that over the next few months we will continue to increase our faith together and become more and more comfortable with getting uncomfortable in answering what it is that God calls us to do.

What is that going to look like?

Honestly, at the moment I do not know. I am prayerful about it and seeking God’s guidance.

I ask that you join me in doing the same.

In the Love of Christ,
Fr. Frank

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Vestries and ministries of Christ Church Coxsackie and Church of Our Saviour	

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY

15 – Karen McKeon

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

10 – Robert and Debi Gallucci

11 – Randolph and Carol Lukas

DOLLARS AND SENSE

As I mentioned last month, I again missed some Sunday services due to being away. On my drive home, I noticed God's handiwork with the beginning of the annual Fall painting and it reminded me of some of the stories my Mom would tell us as we drove on trips.

Did you ever notice that God made the tree leaves as a reminder of our faith? The oak leaf looks like a hand reminding me that God has His hand in everything. The maple leaf has three distinct areas. My Mom would say that the middle was God the Father and that one side was Jesus, the Son, and the other was the Holy Spirit.

She continued with the colors saying that God liked colorful vistas and used the evergreen trees as the backdrop for His painting. Reds, oranges, yellows and even the browns were His handiwork. Of course, we, sitting in the backseat were quiet for a while - viewing and thinking about her stories (which I now think was the plan - QUIET!). Then we would ask the inevitable questions, "Are we there yet?" and yes "When will we get there?". Chaos would start again.

Sometimes, I forget how much God's hand is in my life - we know God has a plan and the seasons show us how beautiful the plan is. Just look at how blue the sky is in Fall - how white the clouds. I'm thankful for the beautiful days and cool nights of Fall and God allowing me safe travels. I pray your Fall and travels are as blessed.

Please join your parish family some Sunday for service or after, simply for coffee or breakfast at Jimmy D's.

God's Love and Blessings to All!

Susan Darcy

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Bible Study

Join us on Saturday evenings at 5:30 p.m. as we travel with the nation of Israel into Egypt to begin their 400 years of captivity and release.

Outreach for School Supplies

Thank you to everyone who donation to the "School Bus". We were able to donate three boxes of supplies to the school

"Just As I AM"

A barbeque/picnic day and time will be announced for October.

Operation Christmas Child

While you are buying for the school bus if you are able look to see what might fit in a shoebox. Please see list which is enclosed in this newsletter. No glass, food items including no toothpaste are allowed any longer. These items can be dropped off in the shoe box at the back of the sanctuary or in the Fellowship Hall. Debi said that everyone can meet in November to pack the shoe boxes. If you have any questions, please contact Debi Gallucci.

Newsletter Deadline

The newsletter deadline for the November issue will be ***Tuesday, October 15th***.

If you have any news to share, please send it to Susan Darcy at susan@darcy-systems.com or Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com.

Stewardship Campaign

Please start praying for the Lord to lead you in how you can be a good steward of your time and money as we enter our Stewardship campaign. During the month of November we will be passing out information about the Stewardship of Church of Our Saviour. We will be asking you to share with the Vestry how you can "work" with them to continue the work and help us to grow.

One of the needs the parish has is people to work on the Vestry. We have openings for two Vestry members and a Treasurer for the coming years. Please pray about these needs and let the Senior Warden know if you have an interest. The Treasurer is responsible for the budget and keeping an accounting of and distribution of the monies of the parish. There is no term limit on this role. You would be working with the Priest, Senior Warden, church secretary and Diocese. A knowledge of accounting would be helpful. Vestry member is a two year term, meeting the third Sunday of the month to review the needs of the parish and work with the Priest to formulate programs and services to share the Love of Christ with the Town of New Lebanon and beyond. Nominations will be accepted through mid January with the election held at the annual meeting.

Diocese Events

Mission Conference

A Mission Conference will be held on Saturday, October 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Church in Lansingburgh. Call Cindy for more information at (518) 859-4424. This forum will look at the mission effort of the Diocese and how you can join.

Blessing of the Animals

Will be held on Sunday, October 6th at 3:00 p.m.. Bless your beloved pet at this short service in the tradition of St. Francis. Pet portraits available before and after the service.

Diocesan Bible Symposium

The Bible and the imagination of C.S. Lewis – a talk and video about the work of C.S. Lewis by Dr. Michael Ward and how the Narnia Code was cracked. Dr. Ward has spent years studying and writing about the life and work of C.S. Lewis. This will be held in Cathedral of All Saints on Saturday, October 12th from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. Go to the diocesan website or the Cathedral for tickets.

Albany Recovery Commission

An evening with Darryl Strawberry will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Saturday, October 12th. "Though Darryl was extremely successful in his career, his personal life was plagued with addictions, abuse, divorce, cancer, jail time and other issues. Darryl finally found true redemption and restoration in Jesus Christ." Come and hear his story and how he can relate to you.

Guided Meditation Through the Poetry of T. S. Eliot

A group meets monthly on Saturday mornings from October, 2019 through May, 2020. A spiritual journey for those seeking growth through poetry, personal written response, and the company of the group.

Handel's Messiah

To be held on Tuesday, December 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral.

Lessons and Carols

To be held on Sunday, December 22nd at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

Saturday, October 5 –
5:30 p.m. Bible Study

Sunday, October 6 -
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Cookies and Crafts

Saturday, October 12 –
5:30 p.m. Bible Study

Sunday, October 13 –
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, October 15 –
Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, October 19 –
5:30 p.m. Bible Study

Sunday, October 20 –
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. Vestry meeting

Saturday, October 26 –
5:30 p.m. Bible Study

Sunday, October 27 -
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Operation Christmas Child

Do Not Include



Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Items we could use:

- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder)
- Soccer ball (Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be re-inflated.)
- An outfit of clothing to wear

Personal Care Items

- Comb
- Toothbrush
- Bar soap (packaged and/or in a container)
- Reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils (Consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as hair bows, bracelets, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space.)
- Shirts and pants
- Underwear
- Flip-flops
- Sunglasses
- Hair bows
- Hairbrush
- Washcloth
- Adhesive bandages (Colorful ones can help a child be more willing to wear a bandage. Do not include liquid antibiotic ointment.)
- Blanket
- Pillowcase dress (loose-fitting sundress)
- Shoes and socks
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Tote bag/purse
- Friendship bracelets (woven with yarn or embroidery thread)

Crafts and Activities

- Pencils
- Colored pencils
- Crayons
- Pens
- Coloring books
- Notebooks
- Small adhesive tape
- Playdough (Consider adding plastic cookie cutters as non-sharp utensils the child can use with the playdough.)
- Skipping rope/Jump rope
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Pencil case
- Markers
- Coloring pads
- Picture book
- Glue stick (Do not include liquid glue.)
- Watercolor set [Finger paint palette/crayons/markers (non-liquid containers), paint brushes, canvas or paper]
- Stickers

- Foam Ball
 - Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be re-inflated)
 - Slinky
 - Interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise
 - Make your own items such as hair bows, finger puppets, and friendship bracelets.
 - Finger puppets
 - Etch a Sketch
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The Leaves

The leaves had a wonderful frolic.
They danced to the wind's loud song.
They whirled, and they floated, and they scampered.
They circled and flew along.

The moon saw the little leaves dancing.
Each looked like a small brown bird.
The man in the moon smiled and listened,
And this is the song he heard.

The North Wind is calling, is calling,
And we must whirl round and round.
And then, when our dancing is ended,
We'll make a warm quilt for the ground.

-Author unknown