

**Christ Church is Making Connections
& Offering Opportunities for Faith, Love & Service**

Weekly Update - July 25

Christ United Methodist Church

Harlem & Saratoga Roads
Amherst, NY 14226

Daily Bible Reading – 2018 Shaping Our Life Experience

Excerpts from both the Old and New Testament are included each day. This is a great way to support your ongoing growth in faith and the Christ Church community as well.

July 25: Psalms 44-46; Acts 25

July 26: Psalms 47-49; Acts 26

July 27: Psalms 50-52; Acts 27:1-25

July 28: Psalms 53-55; Acts 27:26-44

July 29: Psalms 56-58; Acts 28:1-15

July 30: Psalms 59-61; Acts 28:16-31

July 31: Psalms 62-64; Romans 1

JOYS!

JOY! We had a good turnout at last Friday's Blood Drive! There were 16 donors (3

first-time donors!) and 16 units of blood were collected, which could potentially help save 48 patients in need!

JOY! Thank you for your generous gifts to purchase tables and chairs for the café. This project is now fully funded! Your gifts will help make Christ Church a more welcoming place for our community!

JOY! The new Community Youth Group room has gotten a makeover! Thanks to **Bob Lovell** and **Ed Gilbert**, who have now moved on to freshening up the former youth group room to make more meeting space downstairs.

Courtney Cataudella is taking her Bar exam yesterday and today. She has accepted a job in NYC starting this fall as an immigration lawyer.

In Our Healing Prayers

Ann Burdette - at Wesley Rehab

Janet Hill, Michele Sciolino, Mary Jane Shanley (at home), **Robert Nachbar, Millie Staley, Bob Varian, Greg Mailken, Dennis Scaringi, Sue Estee, Lois Lewis, Jean Ericson, Kevin Cetola, Sissie Mooney**

*Those who are **care partners** with others

*Pray for Chris Maliken, Lindsey Darling & Ian Johnson serving in the US Navy

This Week at Christ Church

Church Office (Summer):

Mon., Wed., Fri. – 9 am to 3 pm,

Tues. & Thurs. – 9am to Noon

Friday, July 27 - 7pm - Game Night

Sunday, July 29 - 9 am - Casual Praise Service

11 am - Traditional Worship

Guest Speaker: Brad Loliger

Supervised Child Care, Sky Box and Family Worship Space available

*Visit the **Café Connection** each Sunday morning and enjoy delicious, fair trade, **New Day Coffee**, morning treats and friendly conversation.*



Pictorial Directory

Each Sunday in August, we will be taking pictures of families and individuals after each service and asking for updated contact information for a new in-house pictorial directory (coming later this year)!

Make A Difference

Food & Supplies Needed for Local Families

In addition to the food that goes to local food pantries, Christ Church serves local families in need. The following items are needed:

cleaning supplies, paper towels, toilet paper, personal hygiene products, deodorant, and soap.

The Tiger's Den is collecting **couscous & quinoa** in July. Collecting carts at Christ Church are marked for Tiger's Den Food Pantry and for local families.

The Teacher's Desk

The Teacher's Desk is a local faith-based organization that offers free school supplies to teachers based on their school's need. Throughout the month of July, Christ Church will join other local churches in gathering **new or gently read books** for K-12 students.

Please place books in the bin located in the Family Room. Thank you!

Offer Hospitality

Help is needed to host the Café in August. If you would like to provide hospitality on any Sunday morning in August, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Café. Thank you!



Exploring Sunday Scriptures

Every **Tuesday at Noon**, Pastor Daven leads a time exploring the upcoming Sunday's Scripture. This will provide context to the Scripture(s) being explored and ultimately enrich the experience of worship itself. All are welcome anytime!

VBS Video

Check out a video picture slideshow from July's Rolling River Rampage VBS!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LoRcs3xmc3E&feature=youtu.be>

Newsboys Concert

The Newsboys will be uniting with past and present band members for a concert at The Chapel at Crosspoint on **Thursday, September 27 at 7pm**. Tickets are \$18 each for a group of 10 or more. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Wayne Pruski at wpruski@icloud.com or 525-2413.

Women's Weekend

October 5-7, 2018

All women are welcome to join us for Vita Abbondante! Our Women's Weekend will be held from October 5-7 at the United Methodist House at Chautauqua Institution. Inspired by John 10:10, Chaplain Daryl Bennett will guide us as we explore ways to live more fully by caring for our bodies, minds, and spirits. Cost is \$90 and includes 2 nights and 4 meals. To reserve your place, please sign up on the poster in the Café. Checks may be made payable to UMW and placed in the UMW mail slot near the church office.

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