

# Christ Church Update

Week of October 8, 2012

"Living Christ's Ways and Exploding With Love & Service."

On Sunday, October 7, World Communion Sunday, we welcomed the Rev K. Wayne Butler, Niagara Frontier District Superintendent as our preacher for the morning. Rev. Butler spoke about the way in which the fragrance of fresh bread baking draws his family to the kitchen. Likewise, people in every age are drawn to Jesus the Bread of Life, sent by God to give life to the world. Are you a little bit hungry???

Our focus on Creation continued with the children of FaithXpress. Rev. Butler blessed many dogs, kittens, a rabbit and a hermit crab during the "Blessing of the Pets." Two kittens are available for adoption. If you are interested, please contact Ben Weaver at 839-5918

We were joined this past Sunday by 121 worshippers and a few four legged friends. Thirteen members of the Mature Years Ministry Group (MYM) were on a retreat at the United Methodist House in Chautauqua. Jim Pollard led them in focusing on wisdom... wisdom literature, wisdom that has come to them in life, and the wisdom they offer the world.

The youth group had a lock in overnight at the church and baked cookies which they sold to benefit their mission trip in 2013. Due to high cost they will not have their usual fall apple sale. They are sponsoring a Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ this Friday, October 12 from 4 - 7 pm. Eat in or take out for \$9, which will also support the mission trip.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and we continue to focus on this issue as we help "Paint The Town Pink," and our church as well, in support. The Remembrance Board in the sanctuary is a place to honor, remember and celebrate all the people we love who have lived with any kind of cancer. Please continue to add names as they come to mind.

Keep in your prayers the Uganda Mission Team. Kathy Weaver and Esther Keeney are treating hundreds of people each day, long into the night. They are meeting many people and distributing the clothing. They will return home on October 17.

The Habitat Women Build Team is continuing their work to finish the house on Guilford St. The dedication is delayed until the house and family are ready. keep them all in your prayers.

Our sympathy and prayers are with Alicia Ticconi and Carlina Horley and their family. Their mother, Carmen Ticconi died on Monday, October 8th. A memorial service celebrating Carmen's life will be held at Christ Church this Sunday, October 14, at 3pm. Carmen served as the Receptionist on the staff of Christ Church for many years. Her gifts of hospitality and caring helped people feel Christ's love here. A reception will follow the memorial service. People are needed to provide food and serving help. Please call Sally Pollard 839-2460 to offer your help.

Memorials may be made to Christ Church in Carmen's name, and also donations to the Susan G. Komen for a Cure foundation.

Our ongoing prayers are requested for the family of Carmen Ticconi, Ruth Kitson, Marian Steve, Nicky Sebastiano, and Barbara McCray.

Celebrating birthdays this week are Susan Cataudella,. Bill Bauza,Rachel James, Rob Noyes, Julie Wrisley and James George. Susan & Tom Cataudella are celebrating their wedding anniversary on October 8.

And speaking of fresh bread...see paragraph 1... There's a new bake shop in town! The Wheatberry Bake Shop is opening at the end of this week located at 3985 Harlem Rd,( formerly Haye's Fish Market) A grand opening will take place at a later time. Pastry Chef Lindsay Wilczynski (member of the American Culinary Federation) and Bread Baker, Brian Sagerstrand (member of the Bread Bakers's Guild of America) have artisan breads, cakes and specialty items just right for ordinary days and celebrations! Stop by and check it out. Tell them Sally sent you!!

Watch and plan for these upcoming events...

- Teaching Children Money Matters, Workshop Saturday, Oct. 13, 10am presented by Patrick Allaire. Call the church office to register. Child Care available.
- United Methodist Men's Group visits the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum on Sat. October 13. Meet at church at 10am to carpool. Cost is \$10 plus lunch. Contact Geoff Hill to RSVP 316-1522.
- Children's Sabbath worship service, Sunday, October 14. Beverly Newkirk of "It Takes A Village" will be the morning speaker. sponsored by the United Methodist Women
- Harvest Dinner, Friday, October 19, 4-7pm, sponsored by the United Methodist Women's group to support UMW mission projects. Sign up to help! Call Janet Hill with questions.
- A Women's Spring Retreat is being held April 26-28 at Camp Asbury Silver Lake in the brand new Manor! Facilitator, Rev. Gail Lewis will lead us in a theme, "Called to Be Friends". A deposit of \$75 due by October 21st will hold your spot. Contact Peggy Bermudez or Beth Sweet with questions. All women are invited!
- M & M Sunday (Mission & Ministry) Come see and hear about all the mission & ministry opportunities available in and through Christ Church. Find the place where you and your gifts make a difference!
- Annual Church Conference, Sunday, October 21, 3pm, led by Rev Wayne Butler, District Superintendent.
- Howling With Laughter women's gathering , Monday, October 29, 7 pm at the church. All women are invited to come (in costume if you like) to share in a howling good time! Watch out! There'll be lots of surprises!
- AARP Safe Driver Course, Friday, Nov. 2, 9am to 4pm. Cost is \$17 for AARP members, \$19 for non- members. Course is FREE to Veterans, and their family members during November. Lunch may be purchased for \$6 or bring your own. Call the church office to register.

Keep celebrating life!

With Joy,

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