

# **June 2015**

"This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24 NKJV

#### **The Season of Pentecost**

The Spirit came bursting forth and inspired me one evening not so long ago in the form of a simple poem which I decided to write down. I thought I'd share it with you all as we celebrate the Pentecost Season together.

> "The Spirit within my Heart" As the sun sets and the moon is high I thank God and I wonder why I am truly blessed with this life Full of love and its strife It is my Maker's and my own To create it and to own But in the end To the unknown Forever indebted, forever grown I give my life laid down and sown For the One who knows my heart Whom forever I will impart My deepest wishes and desires To keep alive the burning Fire That keeps me longing for the best Hoping to show the world – the rest That we are people of One kind United together in one mind For that which is truly of One love One Kin-dom, my God above

We shall do our very best When we are put to the test To love one another with all our heart And never to stray too far apart From doing great works in Thy name We shall never be put to shame When we stand up for what is right And agree to take up the fight For where else is there to go But into the world telling all we know Showing that You were there all along Fighting for us, making us strong We thank You now, giving You praise A toast to You so shall we raise To You oh loving God Divine Creator, Maker of the vine That weaves us together, every one Your gracious children we have become We give thanks and we pray Giving a gracious AMEN to You today.

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# Worship Schedule

# Liturgists

6/7 Jim Coburn
6/14 Children's Sunday
6/21 Sue Sykes
6/28 Jennifer Breslin

Greeters 6/7 Martha Hatt 6/14 Children's Sunday 6/21 TBA 6/28 TBA Sound Don Smith Mark Cieslak Dave Read Bob Hatt

Ushers Sue Sykes, Addie Sykes Children's Sunday Women's Group Martha Hatt

### Social

6/7 Judy Swain, Connie Large
6/14 Sunday School
6/21 Women's Group
6/28 Pat Zych, Belinda Wagner

### Counters

Clarence Mosher, Martha Hatt Dick Knapp, Judy Swain Pat Knapp, June Pelham Dean Goodell, Pat Knapp

**The Women's Group** will meet on Monday, June 8, with a covered dish supper celebrating everyone's birthdays over the past year. All the ladies of the church are invited to come to Martha Hatt's home at 16 Homestead Road, Scotia, starting at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share & dessert will be provided. RSVP to either me or Martha so she has an idea how many tables need to be set up. This will be our last meeting until the fall. Sue Sykes, 377-3861, ssykes12302@outlook.com or m1hatt@nycap.rr.com

**Sat. June 6 – Scotia Village Wide Garage Sale** – Scotia UMC will be participating in this sale. We need your help to set up on Friday 5-8 pm and also on Sat. starting at 7:30 am to bring items outside and to help with shoppers till 3:00.

**Tuesday morning Bible Study** group will continue to meet till their final session June 16, and will resume in the Fall. **Wednesday evening Bible Study** group will not be meeting June through August.

**"Kids Helping Kids" Service Project** - As the current school year comes to a close and we start to anticipate a new school year starting in just a few short months, we are excited that the children of Scotia United Methodist Church will be collecting *backpacks and school supplies* for some children in need at a few local elementary schools. More information to come...

## **SUMC IN MISSIONS**

The **Prayer Shawl Group** continues to be active. Anyone interested in knitting, crocheting or sewing is welcome to participate. We have a good supply of yarn. Please contact Pat Knapp (393-5737 or <u>44knapptyme@gmail.com</u> [new address]) with any questions.

Scotia-Glenville Food Pantry – We collect for the Scotia-Glenville Food Pantry, both food and cash, during service on the second and fourth Sundays each month. There are baskets in each corner of the sanctuary for food donations anytime. Cash will allow the food pantry to buy from the Regional Food Bank at reduced prices as well as those items they run short of. The pantry will use anything we donate but they always need personal hygiene products (soaps, shampoo, toilet paper, etc.) because people cannot purchase these items with food stamps.

**Bottles for Bread** – Please continue to place your clean **refundable** containers in the red barrels. If you have a large quantity, pick-up can be arranged. All proceeds go to the Scotia-Glenville food pantry.

**Regional Food Bank** – A great opportunity for fellowship with others from our church and a group from Bank of America. On the third Tuesday of each month we go to the Regional Food Bank to sort and repack products from various stores. We meet at the church to carpool at 2:00 and usually return there around 4:30. No long term commitment, join us whenever your schedule allows. Our next trip is **TUESDAY**, **JUNE 16<sup>th</sup>**.

**Box Tops for Education -** Box tops for education can be found on some cereal boxes, yogurt containers and numerous other containers. If you are not giving yours to a school, please drop them off at church and we will donate them to local schools.

**Labels for Education** – Similar to Box Tops for Education the Labels for Education are found on many packages. So if you are not using your labels, please consider bringing them to church.

If you have any questions or want to sign up for any of the above, please contact Dick Knapp (393-5737 or knappster933@gmail.com) or anyone on the Mission Committee.

Now is the time to plan your participation in the SICM and Union College lunch programs. This is where we serve lunches to children 18 years old or younger. We will be serving at Hillhurst Park July 20-24. We are scheduled to serve at Collins Park August 3-7. A sign-up sheet will be available on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Calendar

- **6/7** Communion Sunday
- 6/8 Woman's Group @ Martha's home 6:00 pm
- 6/9 Tues. Morning Bible Study 9:30 am
- 6/14 Children's Sunday
- 6/16 Tues. Morning Bible Study 9:30 am- last session till Sept.
- 6/16 Food Pantry 2 pm
- 6/21 Happy Father's Day!
- 6/25 Finance Meeting 7 pm

In the month of July, Communion Sunday will be on July 12<sup>th</sup>.

Office Schedule for July/August: Wednesdays 8-4, Thursdays 8-12.

### Church Treasurers Report 30-Apr-15

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	April	Total thru
	<u>2015</u>	<u>4/30/2015</u>
Individual Contributions	\$7,917	\$41,912
Building Use/Rent	\$2,150	\$5,975
Fund Raising/Interest Income	\$0	\$216
Other Designated Giving	\$0	\$370
Total Operating Receipts	\$10,067	\$48,473
Wages & other employment expenses	\$6,504	\$25,829
Church Operations/Program	\$566	\$2,440
Parsonage Expenses	\$757	\$3,493
Church Building-Repairs/Safety	\$769	\$2 <b>,</b> 886
Church Building-Utilities/Water	\$1,640	\$6,183
Church Building-All Other	\$977	\$5 <i>,</i> 998
Apportionments	\$2,074	\$8,296
Benevolences	\$88	\$171
Total Operating Expenses	\$13,375	\$55,296
Surplus (Shortage)	-\$3,307	-\$6,823

There was a shortage of \$3,307 for the month of April 2015. Total for the year through 4/30/15 is a shortage of \$6,823.

If there are any questions or requests for detailed information, please contact Mary Connors at mechardball@yahoo.com.

**Children's Sunday is June 14th** -All of the children (Kindergarten through 12th grade) are asked to attend a rehearsal in Room 3 on June 7th during our regular Sunday School time (10:15-11:15 am).

**Save the Date! "Camping with Christ" is coming.** We are going to be offering a mini Vacation Bible School for our Kindergarten through 8th grade students in the evenings of <u>August 4, 5, and</u> <u>6</u>. Stay tuned for more information coming soon!

**Next Carillon** – will be a combined issue for summer. Please submit material for **the Summer Newsletter edition by July 20<sup>th</sup>** – thank you!

**Prayers** for the families of Werner Gauger and Beverly Stringer in the recent loss of their loved ones.