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# Scotia UMC

## November 2016

*“...Do This in Remembrance of Me.” – Luke 22:19*

### A Month of Celebration!

November is a month of remembrance beginning with an ending. On November 6th, our six-week celebration of “A Season of Saints” ends as we honor and remember the “saints” of our church on “All Saints Sunday.” However, with every ending comes a new beginning. This Sunday also marks a beginning of remembrance for our Native American brothers and sisters. November is the month when the United Methodist Church observes Native American Heritage Month, a month where we remember to continue our “acts of repentance towards indigenous peoples” while we “seek to build new bridges of relationship and mutual trust.” (umc.org) Our trust is what we put in those who make a vow to protect us and November is the month in which we honor and remember our past and present Veterans for their service to our country. Our country then continues to give thanks celebrating on the last Thursday of the month at Thanksgiving when we remember those who came before us, pioneering the way. Finally, the last Sunday of the month marks the beginning of another new season, the Advent Season. A season in which we remember the birth of a baby boy born to walk through our lands spreading His “Good News” to all and teaching us all to love and walk softly with one another.

### Walk Softly by Nakakakena (Boe Harris)

When joy fills us  
We will walk softly  
When our hearts are rejoicing  
We will walk softly  
When we recognize Jesus sits, walks and stands  
beside us  
We will walk softly  
When we hear of pain and suffering of others  
We will walk softly  
When hearts are stricken by grief  
We will walk softly  
When all around us is attacking our faith  
We will walk softly  
When doubt fills our days  
We will walk softly  
When others are watching  
We will walk softly  
As we lead others into the path of righteousness  
for His name's sake  
We will walk softly

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### Wesley's Wisdom

**"Wesley was persuaded...that the Bible was the book of utmost importance for him and for every Christian who took the faith seriously. Therefore he immersed himself in its language, stories, images, and themes, making it central to his daily study and meditation. All his basic theological convictions were rooted in the Scriptures."  
(John Wesley: Holiness of Heart and Life, pg. 24-25)**

### Worship Schedule

#### Liturgists

11/6 Dean Goodell  
11/13 Scott Brady  
11/20 Mark Cieslak  
11/27 Steve Long

#### Sound

Don Smith  
Mark Cieslak  
Dave Read  
Bob Hatt

#### Counters

Martha Hatt, Tim Keegan

#### Ushers

11/6 Meredith & Sue Van Vorst  
11/13 Mark Cieslak, Don Smith  
11/20 Steve Long, Zach Long  
11/27 Kevin Margas, Nicolina Jaycox

#### Social

Kevin Margas, Nicolina Jaycox  
Sue Sykes, Meg Sykes  
Wendy Liebl, Judy Swain  
Belinda Wagner, Patty Zych

#### Greeters

11/6 Carol Jacobson, Tim & Mai Keegan  
11/13 Flansburg family  
11/20 Sally Dean, Holly Russo  
11/27 Sue Sykes, Megan Sykes

#### Acolytes

Emily St. John, Zoey Flansburg  
Alec Flansburg, Daegan Connors  
Kayden Graves, Kaleb Graves  
Emily St. John, Hailie St. John

**Prayers** for the Buhrmaster family in the recent loss of Flower S. Buhrmaster.



**The Women's Group** will meet on **Monday, Nov. 14th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Fireside Room. We are excited to announce **Steve Prettyman** from **Shiloh's Edge** as our guest speaker.

Shiloh's Edge is an adventure-based ministry outreach of Capital District Youth for Christ. Steve also facilitates a national anti-bullying program called Point Break with Capital Region high school students. Come and hear what Steve has to tell us. Bring a friend & enjoy the delicious refreshments and good fellowship.

## SUMC IN MISSIONS

### Scotia Glenville Food Pantry 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month.

**-Go through your pantry and lend a helping hand-**

**Keep bringing in** bottles and cans, Box Tops for Education, and Labels for Education. Box Tops collected will be donated to local elementary schools. We turn them in and are able to purchase items for schools that are needed but may not be in the school budget for this year. The last group of labels were turned over to Glendaal Elementary. As we collect more Box Top Labels, they will be turned over to the other elementary schools in the Scotia-Glenville CSD.

**Regional Food Bank** – We will be meeting in the church parking lot at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, Nov. 15th at 2:00 pm to volunteer at the Food Bank.

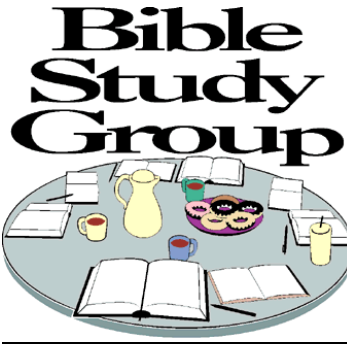
**Thanksgiving** will be here before you know it! Please bring donations for the food pantry to provide for a local family's Thanksgiving dinner. Stuffing, gravy and canned goods will be appreciated. Cash donations can be used by the food pantry to buy in bulk and to provide meat. Did you know that food stamps provide just \$1.41 per meal per person?

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### **Sunday School has been very busy!**

- ❖ On **October 16th**, the children decorated cupcakes for the Scotia Firefighters and walked over to deliver them in person to the Scotia Fire Department. This was a way of expressing gratitude that Firefighters keep the community safe while putting themselves in harm's way by doing God's work.
- ❖ There was a wonderful Halloween celebration **on October 23rd** which included pumpkin decorating, games, face painting and goodies! A great time was had by all (including the adults who attended and helped out).
- ❖ The classes will continue their respective studies of Moses, the Parables of Jesus and the life of Paul, the Apostle during November with **Advent lessons** beginning on **November 27th**.
- ❖ **November 20th** will be "**Service Project Sunday**" for the students not participating in the Confirmation class. The students will be learning in more detail what the work of the Food Pantry entails and will "shop" for what they think a family needs. They will then put together a package to be delivered to the pantry.



**The Tuesday Bible Study** will continue to meet at 9:30 am on Tuesdays in the Fireside Room with a study of *Jesus and the Gospels*.

**The Wednesday Evening Bible Study** will meet each Wed. **at 7:00 pm** in the Fireside Room. We will be studying the Old Testament - not reading the whole thing but dealing with it as an overview of structure, authors, context, history, and so on.

#### NOVEMBER CALENDAR

**11/5 Next-to-New Sale 9-4**

**Roast Beef Dinner 4:30 – 6:30 pm**

**11/5 Daylight Savings Time ends this evening– FALL BACK one hour!**

**11/6 All Saints Day**

**11/7 Trustees Meeting 7 pm**

**11/8 Election Day**

**11/12 SCA Building Use - all day**

**11/13 Stewardship Sunday**

**11/13 Charge Conference 12:00 noon**

**11/14 Women's Group 7 pm**

**11/15 Food Bank 2 pm**

**11/20 Confirmation Class**

**11/20 Worship/Welcoming Meeting after service**

**11/24 Happy Thanksgiving!**

**11/27 First Sunday of Advent**

**11/27 Staff Parish meeting after service**

**11/28 Admin. Council 7 pm**

**11/30 Finance Meeting 7 pm**



Next Newsletter deadline is **NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**.

Please email any announcements or upcoming events to [scotiaumoffice@gmail.com](mailto:scotiaumoffice@gmail.com)

Please bring any of these items unwrapped for the **Women's Shelter**. The Women's Group will be collecting ***during the month of November and up to Dec. 11th.*** Items may be left in the Loomis Room. If you have any questions please call Martha Hatt or Sue Sykes.

## **YWCA NORTHEASTERN NEW YORK Holiday Wish List of Donation Items**

- new/unused Toys for any age (newborn to teens), craft and sports supplies are good for older children
- combs/brushes/hair accessories/curling irons/hair dryers
- manicure sets/nail polish/perfume
- appointment books/calendars/planners/journals
- wallets/purses/tote bags
- photo albums/picture frames
- umbrellas
- clock radios/alarm clocks
- rain jackets/boots for kids
- hygiene gift sets (shampoo, conditioner, body wash, lotions, body spray etc.) for adults and kids
- slippers for all ages
- socks for all ages
- underwear for all ages
- pajamas for women and children
- bathrobes for women and children
- gift certificates ( Price Chopper, Price Rite, Hannaford, CVS, Rite Aid, Walmart, Target, Movie Theaters, Hair Salons)
- towels/wash clothes
- bed pillows/sheet sets/blankets
- pots and pans(small)/bakeware/can openers(non-electric)/ utensils/microwavable containers

**\*We only use new items for our Christmas program. Used clothing and linens may be accepted at other times of the year.**

**Church Treasurers Report  
30-Sep-16**

	<b>2016</b>	
	<b>September <u>2016</u></b>	<b>Total thru <u>9/30/2016</u></b>
	\$	
<b>Individual Contributions</b>	10,188	\$91,810
<b>Building Use/Rent</b>	720	12,373
<b>Fund Raising/Interest Income</b>	500	1,838
<b>Other Designated Giving</b>	56	(422)
	\$	
<b>Total Operating Receipts</b>	11,464	\$105,599
	\$	
<b>Wages &amp; other employment expenses</b>	6,553	\$59,098
<b>Church Operations/Program</b>	269	4,017
<b>Parsonage Expenses</b>	460	7,586
<b>Church Building-Repairs/Safety</b>	597	5,463
<b>Church Building-Utilities/Water</b>	189	5,734
<b>Church Building-All Other</b>	1,110	6,191
<b>Apportionments</b>	2,142	19,727
<b>Benevolences</b>	-	376
	\$	
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	11,320	\$108,192
	\$	\$
<b>Surplus/ Shortage</b>	144	(2,593)

There was a surplus of \$144 for the month of September 2016.  
Year to date shortage through September 30, 2016 is (\$2,593).

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