

October 2022

Scotia UMC

Greetings as we head into the later days of October! Time seems to be flying by and the long hot summer quickly shifted into a beautiful fall. I hope you have taken a moment to enjoy the splendor of God's creation as the green of summer shifts into the beautiful treetop colors of autumn.

The beauty of God certainly surrounds us and comes in many forms. In this season we enjoy the explosion of color in the trees, but soon we will also see the joy on so many faces as our children experience Halloween. Recently we held a Blessing for the Animals – an event that brought not only smiles and laughter with the experience of our pets getting to meet each other, but also some sadness for those who have recently lost loved furry family members. In both the joys and the sadness, we experience God's love and the beauty of God's creation in our lives.

Soon that beauty will be evident as we give Thanks in November, as we celebrate Advent and the birth of Christ at Christmas. Again we will share in Joys, and in sad times as these seasons bring together families, and remind us of those who are no longer among us. God's blessings come in many forms, let us be thankful for all of them.

I invite anyone who has stories of God's beauty, or actions, in their own lives to share those stories with others. Through the sharing of stories not only do we share in God's love and beauty in our lives, but we also invite others to consider how their own lives have been touched in ways they may not have even considered before.

May we all be blessed by our stories and those of others which display the beauty and power of God in our lives

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Wesley's Wisdom



"I want the whole Christ for my Savior, the whole Bible for my book, the whole Church for my fellowship, and the whole world for my mission field."

– John Wesley

OCTOBER LITURGISTS

10/2 Carol Deiulio
10/9 Jill Wesley
10/16 Wendy Liebl
10/23 Sean Flansburg
10/30 Holly Russo

FLOWERS

10/2 Darlene St. Amour
10/9 Barbara Hanley
10/16 Mary Connors
10/23 Martha Hatt
10/30 Holly Russo

October Birthdays 🎵🎂

10/3 Sean Elliott
10/6 Zachary Long
10/8 Bryan Zych
10/8 Melissa Potter
10/8 Bonnie Barner

10/11 Admin. Assistant 😊
10/16 Michelle Potter
10/19 Lynn Flansburg
10/20 David Buhrmaster
10/20 Madeline Handy
10/21 Linda Flynt
10/21 Samantha Cooper
10/22 Tyler Spence
10/23 Sabrina Long
10/24 Sean Flansburg
10/30 Barbara Blum
10/30 Ellen Russo

Congregants of SUMC: Thank you for the generous food donation. The Scotia Food Pantry shelves will continue to be stocked with your help. We appreciate your support.

Sincerely,
Ellen Quick, Volunteer

To Pastor Mackey and the wonderful people at Scotia UMC: Thank you for hosting our memorial to David Campbell on September 24th. It was a lovely service and a joyous day, filled with family, friendship, and the Holy Spirit. I was blessed to meet so many wonderful people. Every time I remember my "baby brother" I will think of the kindness all of you showed and be grateful. - Jeff Campbell

Church Treasurer's Report
08/31/22

	YTD <u>Aug-22</u>
Individual Contributions	\$81,033
Building Use/Rent	17,265
Fund Raising/Interest Income	<u>2,998</u>
Total Operating Receipts	\$101,295
Wages & Other Employment Expenses	\$59,179
Church Operations/Program	4,542
Parsonage Expenses	3,561
Church Building-Repairs/Safety	958
Church Building-Utilities/Water	8,289
Church Building-All Other	7,301
Apportionments	2,999
Benevolences	<u>1,714</u>
Total Operating Expenses	\$88,542
Surplus	\$12,753

There is a year to date surplus of \$12,753 as of 08/31/22.

If there are any questions or requests for detailed information,
please contact Anne Heller at cheller001@nycap.rr.com.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

10/2	World Communion Sunday
10/4	Blessing of the Animals 5:30 pm
10/15	Free Community Breakfast
10/22	District Day - see info below
10/25	Finance Meeting 6:30 pm
10/25	Admin. Council Meeting 7:00 pm
10/29	Trunk or Treat
10/30	Church Charge Conference 1:00 pm

Meditation group meets every Wednesday at SUMC from 5:30 PM to 7 PM. For more details contact either Christopher Diedrich 518-847-8670 or Kim Huhtala 518-527-8623

COMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE! Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 29th. Plan on bringing your children & their friends and family. And how about decorating your car and handing out treats? Should be lots of fun..details to follow.

SUMC Charge Conference - Sunday, Oct. 30th, 1 PM @ Eastern Parkway UMC, Schenectady.

Fourth District Day to be held Oct. 22 at Saratoga Springs UMC

The Adirondack and Albany District Day, "Informed to Transform," will be held from 8:30 AM to 3 PM Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Saratoga Springs UMC, 175 Fifth Ave., Saratoga Springs. A variety of workshops and discussions will be offered. More details will be shared later this summer.

SAFE SANCTUARIES - UPPER NEW YORK ZOOM TRAINING DATES -

3.5 hour Basic Training (for all Clergy, & anyone working with children, youth or vulnerable adults)

Saturday, 11/5

9am - 12:30pm

Registration Opens

10/5 Midnight

Register at:

<https://uny-ss-basic-nov5.eventbrite.com>

Training of Trainers - TOT (to become a church or district Safe Sanctuaries trainer in the UNY Conference. Must have completed Basic Training prior to taking the TOT Training.)

Saturday, October 22, 2022 9am - 12:00pm - Registration Opens September 22, 2022 @ Midnight

Register at: <https://uny-ss-tot-oct22.eventbrite.com>

Prayers - Please continue to pray for Florida and all those affected by Hurricane Ian.