

JANUARY 2022

# Scotia UMC

Thus says the Lord  
Who made a way through the sea,

A path through the mighty waters.  
Remember not the former things,

Neither consider the things of old.  
Behold, I am doing a new thing,

Even now it is springing to light.  
Do you not perceive it?

A way I will make in the wilderness  
And rivers in the desert! Isaiah 43:16,18-19.

It is a new year. The Christ, the One who brings the New Creation, is lying in the manger—trying to get our attention. The gift of his Presence tells us that God is (always) doing a new thing. Can we let go of what the prophet calls the “former things” and the “things of old?” If we do, we just might see the new thing that is, even now, springing to light.

Here’s to a peaceful and transformative new year!

-Chris

## Sunday School

The children put on a wonderful Christmas Pageant on December 19th and were happy to see so many church family and friends attend. If you didn't have a chance to join us, you can watch the service on the church's Facebook page.

They were awesome!



The Sunday School classes will begin 2022 learning about Jesus' baptism and ministry. We look forward to sharing what we are learning during the Children's Moments.



## Wesley's Wisdom

*"Nothing short of God can satisfy your soul." John Wesley*

### January Liturgists

1/2 Royann Rogerson  
1/9 Carla Hastings  
1/16 Martha Hatt  
1/23 Steve Wesley  
1/30 Carol Deiulio

On January 9th, the Women's Group will be meeting at Mary Connors' house for brunch right after church. All the ladies of SUMC are invited. Please let Mary know if you plan on attending.

### Holiday on the Avenue



### Christmas Eve Outside Service



Photos courtesy of Mary Connors

**Winter Heating Fund** - In the month of January we will be accepting donations towards our winter heating bills. All donations **given in memory or in honor of loved ones** will be listed in a special Sunday bulletin. Please complete form and submit no later than **JANUARY 23rd**. Submit forms in the offering plate or email info to church office. Any forms submitted after this date will not be listed. Thank you for helping to keep the church warm during these cold months!

Given by \_\_\_\_\_ Donation of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

OR In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

**Church Treasurer's Report**  
**11/30/21**

	<b>YTD</b>
	<b><u>Nov-21</u></b>
Individual Contributions	\$96,932
Building Use/Rent	18,800
Fund Raising/Interest Income	4,572
PPP Loan Forgiveness	<u>13,672</u>
<b>Total Operating Receipts</b>	<b>\$133,976</b>
Wages & other employment expenses	\$79,828
Church Operations/Program	8,841
Parsonage Expenses	12,178
Church Building-Repairs/Safety	3,963
Church Building-Utilities/Water	6,766
Church Building-All Other	11,156
Apportionments	12,176
Benevolences	<u>1,317</u>
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$136,225</b>
<b>Shortage</b>	<b>(\$2,249)</b>

There is a shortage of (\$2,249) as of 11/30/21.

If there are any questions or requests for detailed information,  
please contact Anne Heller at [cheller001@nycap.rr.com](mailto:cheller001@nycap.rr.com).

**Happy New Year!**