



Grace United Church

YOU BELONG HERE!

Lectionary

Scriptures

September 5

Prov 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23 & Ps 125

Isa 35: 4-7a & Ps 146

James 2: 1-10, (11-13), 14-17 Mk 7: 24-37

September 12

Prov 1:20-33 & Ps 19

Isa 50: 4-9a &

Ps 116: 1-9 or

Wisd of Sol 7: 26-8:1

James 3: 1-12

Mk 8: 27-38

September 19

Prov 31: 10-31 & Ps 1

Wisd of Sol 1:16-2:1, 12-22 or Jer 11: 18-20

Ps 54 James 3: 13-4:3, 7-8a Mk 9: 30-37

September 26

Esther 7: 1-6, 9-10;

9:20-22 & Ps 124

Num 11: 4-6, 10-16, 24-29 & Ps 19: 7-14

James 5:13-20

Mk 9: 38-50

This month we have several opportunities to reach out to our community and spread the word: "You Belong Here!" We want everyone to know that no matter who they are, what their background or walk in life, they are welcome here.

We have been busy preparing wares for our big Rummage Sale. We also need to prepare our hearts. As visitors come to discover hidden treasures, we have the opportunity to welcome them to our church! Jan Riley has ordered "You Belong Here" buttons for us to wear, and stickers to hand out. We'll also offer shoppers flyers telling them about our Harvest Dinner Festival as well as our service times. Come be a part! Welcome folks in, strike up a conversation, help them find what they may be looking for, and invite them to return.

And, if you have friends who are musically inclined, invite them to try ringing with our Handbell choir, or playing with our Worship band. We are always looking for musicians to share their talent and join the fun. Participating in a group is a great way to be included in the life of the church. We're looking forward to getting things up and running strong and would love to have a few extra hands!

Opportunities to include others abound. Soon we'll be kicking off our children's ministries programming. The Praise and Ministries teams also have some exciting ideas on the runway. Grace United has a place for everyone. Let's spread the word!

Pastor Karen



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Choir for those who have been vaccinated. Rehearsals are Wednesday nights at 7:30 pm. Please dress in church clothes as we will be recording it for the YouTube Worship.

HAND BELLS will be starting soon.



The Ministry Committee heard from Dawn Butts from Ardent Solutions (Intergenerational Enrichment and Educational Respite). This is a new program based out of Genesee Valley Central School that brings people 50+ with students together to provide respite for the caregiver of the older adult.

Linda mentioned that she would appreciate those who move tables and chairs around during an event to please arrange them back so that OFA doesn't have to.

Pastor Karen reminded us all to be making our phone contacts during this busy summer. She will also be leading us next month in an assessment mapping of the congregation. Once we know people's strengths and interests, we will have a better idea of how we can engage the whole congregation in mission activities.

We talked about helping the Salvation Army out with our annual Thanksgiving "Turkey Box". Mary is going to contact them for food needs.

RUMMAGE SALE

Grace United Church
289 N. Main St.
Wellsville, NY 14895

Friday, Sept. 10th from 9 to 4

Saturday, Sept. 11th from 9 to 1

**Clothes, toys, housewares, furniture,
 books and more...**



**Masks will be required by ALL
 (vaccinated or non vaccinated)**

BRING YOUR OWN BAGS

From the Praise Committee: Masks are required for everyone. Join us each Sunday at 10 am

If you are away or unable to attend worship, we have a prerecorded service that is available on YouTube® on Sunday morning. Go to Grace United Wellsville on YouTube® to find the service.



Have you missed the beautiful music of the handbells, well your wait will be over soon. The choir will be starting in a couple weeks, but we would love to have more players. You don't need to know how to read music...just be able to count (usually to 3 or 4) so everyone qualifies. Talk to Dave Toot, or any bell member to have a try at the bells. Let's make beautiful music together.

Several Board positions are up for grabs this November. Please prayerfully consider a leadership role in the church. This board, past boards & current and past committee members have kept our Church, Grace United, viable to the members and the community. We are now Blessed with a great knowledgeable energetic Pastor than can move us forward.

The Board positions open are the following:

Chair, Co-Chair, Clerk, Stewardship Chair, Praise Chair, Ministry Chair, and Assistant Treasurer. Consider stepping up and taking a bigger roll in the life of Grace United.



Bible Discussion : Tuesday's at 7 pm



Special Offering
 "LOVE IS AN ACTION WORD"

The Disciples of Christ have a special offering on September 26th and October 3rd. The theme is "Revealing God's Justice". The Reconciliation Ministry leads the pro-reconciliation/anti racism work of the church. The monies collected strengthens its commitment to actively seek God's justice. "The Church must show up, speak up and stand up to reflect the limitless love of God,"

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/7	Karla Hills
9/8	Sue Pederson
9/12	Sue Williams
9/16	Karyn Pratt
9/17	Cindy Beckhorn
9/17	John Flurschutz
9/25	Dan Babcock
9/26	Tom Kailbourn
9/26	Happy Kelley
9/26	Phyllis Moore
9/26	Mary Pratt
9/30	Ruth Rossman

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY

9/5 Susan Lemons-Wagner
 & Ralph Wagner



June Financials

Total Income:
\$10,989.00
 Actual expenses:
\$11,139.94
 Net difference:
(\$150.94)

Total for the year:
Income:
\$66,607.15
Expenses:
\$71,582.31
 Net difference:
(\$4,975.16)

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Did you know that we save our Giant receipts and turn them into CASH. Yes! And you can help. This week we are turning in \$32,000 dollars of receipts. Which gives a cash return of \$64 toward expenses. An honorable mention goes to Phyllis Moore with a recent donations of receipts going back to 2015. Thanks for your participation....Jeremy Johnson

Usher & Reader Schedule for September

September 5 – Head Usher Dave Toot

Reader Sally Dougherty, Ushers: *Bob Shook & Beth Shook

September 12 – Head Usher Dave Toot

Reader Marcia Pratt, Ushers: *Linda Elliott, Sharon Czarnecki

September 19 - Head Usher Sharon Ash

Reader Beth Shook, Ushers: *Kim Toot, Sue Williams

September 26 - Head Usher Sharon Ash

Reader Kim Toot, Ushers: *Bob Shook, Marcia Pratt

Star & Underline denotes Security Usher who stays and locks door and watches for latecomers.