

The North Star

Newsletter of the North Ontario Methodist Church



S E P T E M B E R

2024

I am writing this article for the September newsletter in July because I will still be out of the office when it is due. Although September feels so far away, I know it will be here before we blink an eye. Isn't that how life sneaks up on us? We are preparing for deadlines and meeting demands and then all of a sudden, those dates are here and we are left wondering where the time has gone.

While I am out of the office, I will be experiencing my baby having a baby, buying his own chiropractic office, starting his business, moving a little further away from me and my mind keeps wandering back to the day I brought him home from the hospital, cradled him in my arms, wondering if I would ever eat or sleep again.

Time has a way of marching on without us noticing what we are missing. Scripture speaks of what we should be doing with the time that marches on in Matthew 24:36-42

But of that day and hour no one knows, no,
not even the angels of the heavens, but my Father only.
But as the days of Noah *were*, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
For as they were in the days before the flood, eating and drinking, marrying,
and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,
and they knew not until the flood came and took them all away;
so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken and the other left.
Two *women shall be* grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken and the other left.

Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

Do not let time find you slack in your knowledge, love, and devotion to God. "Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Make a point where you are connecting with God every day. Time always marches on but God is constant. Put your faith, trust, and focus on the one constant of your life, GOD and allow time to march on.

Blessings,

Pastor Linda



CHURCH EVENTS, NOTES & REMINDERS



MISSION TEAM UPDATE

Mission Trips – We are scheduled for September 23-28th for our annual trip to Mission Central and Sight and Sound Theater.

Community Assistance – We’ve had numerous requests for assistance from the community. We will continue to assist those in need as the Caring Fund allows.



FINANCE UPDATE

Financial Data – An update will be provided in future bulletins, along with the October Newsletter.



EDUCATION TEAM UPDATES

- Fall Bible Study - Pastor Linda is planning a study for the Fall to start in Mid-September. The study will focus on the Promises of God and the hope they bring as presented in Max Lucado's 'Unshakeable Hope' study. Pastor will be our guide as we explore God's promises in scripture.
- To accompany this study, the Education Team will also focus their Fall All Church devotionals on the God's Promises and they hope they inspire.
- Stay tuned for more information!

TRUSTEES

TRUSTEES UPDATE

- Meetings resume on Tuesday, 9/10/24 @ 6p.
- The parking lot repair & sealing has been completed and looks GREAT!
- The leak in roof in Motley Hall/Library has been repaired.
- Our new Tax-Exempt status for NOMC has been approved.
- Carpets in VandeVate Hall have been shampooed (Thanks to the Boy Scouts!)
- We continue with routine maintenance.



NURTURE OUTREACH TEAM UPDATE

- Meetings will resume on Tuesday, 9/10/24 @ Noon.
- Nurture Outreach Lasagna Dinner is on September 21st See Page 4 for details. WE NEED HELPING HANDS!!
- Operation Christmas Child Updates are on Page 4.

Respite

RESPITE PROGRAM UPDATE

- The Respite Program continued throughout the summer.
- We have a few new participants that have joined our program and all participants are enjoying the benefits.
- Our volunteers are invaluable in making this program a success. **If you'd like to participate as a volunteer, please reach out to Wanda Klem.**

SEPTEMBER MINISTRY TEAMS & CHURCH COUNCIL

*Questions should be addressed to the Team Leader.

MINISTRY TEAMS

1. Tuesday, 9/3/24
4p Worship – Classroom
2. Monday, 9/9/24
6:30p Education - Classroom
3. Tuesday, 9/10/24
12:30p Nurture Outreach – VandeVate Hall
4p Missions – VandeVate Hall
6p Trustees – Classroom
4. Thursday, 9/12/24
2p Finance – Classroom



Church Council: Monday, 9/16/24 @ 6:30p - Classroom



FAMILY PROMISE

- A Family Promise staff member shared that they are always in need of things like paper towels, toilet paper & cleaning supplies. They also keep household items and furniture to be given to those who need them.
- Right now, they need twin mattresses. Sheets, blankets, and towels can also be used.
- They also are in short supply of baking (cookie) sheets, 9 X 13 baking pans, as well as and small appliances.
- If you have any things you would like to donate, call their office - (315) 665-0037 - to arrange for a time to drop them off at 3 Holley St, Lyons, NY.



MISSION CENTRAL TRIP

Mission Trip to Mission Central in Pennsylvania will be September 23-27.

Direct questions to Bob Buck at 315-573-7314 or Mary Lou Buck at 315-524-8953.

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

- ~ Richard Adams
- ~ Kathy Aman
- ~ Sue Backus
- ~ Barb, Judy Porray's SIL
- ~ Missy Bergen
- ~ Michael Buck, Mary Lou's son
- ~ Tina Buck, Mary Lou's daughter
- ~ Brenda Burley
- ~ Roger Campbell, health issues
- ~ Barb & Bob Canan, Covid, and Darlene as caretaker
- ~ Christie, Ginny Eaton's niece
- ~ Nancy DeMagistris, Joyce Lyke's SIL
- ~ Stephanie Derse, brain tumor
- ~ Paul Dickinson, Lori Power's dad
- ~ Bob Eaton
- ~ Janice Foulke
- ~ Denny Gillespie
- ~ Carol Gillespie
- ~ Les Gillespie
- ~ Desitny Grace, Judy Porray's Granddaughter
- ~ Kirk Graham, Kay as caregiver

- ~ Suzanne Gresens, Missie Bergen's Niece
- ~ Gale Howell, recovering at home
- ~ Mel Hussey
- ~ Sandy Hussey
- ~ Ann Insalaco
- ~ Shirley Kuhn
- ~ Karen LaRue, Bonnie's sister
- ~ Logan Loveless, J. Porray Grandson
- ~ Jim Makins
- ~ Andrew, Martha McGlory's grandson
- ~ Ann, Martha McGlory's daughter
- ~ Libby Pickering, recovering
- ~ Lori Powers, medical concerns
- ~ Larry Smith
- ~ Morgan Smith, Lillian's son-in-law
- ~ Cathy, Sue Smith's sister
- ~ Julie Sondervan
- ~ Dave Stark, Joan as his caretaker
- ~ Dawn Straub, heart issues
- ~ Jean Van Ingen
- ~ Jane Wage



SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

- 2 Powers, Lori
- 5 PICKERING, FRED & STACY
- 6 Eaton, Jeremy
- 7 Scott, Sara
- 14 Denison, Bonnie
- 14 HUSSEY, MELVIN & SANDRA
- 15 Scott, Katie
- 15 CALUS, RANDALL & JENIFER
- 17 Hastings, Fran
- 19 Coomber, Marilyn
- 20 Backus, Sue
- 22 Pickering, Stacy
- 28 Smith, Lawrence



Birthdays: Upper/Lower Case
ANNIVERSARIES: ALL CAPS

IMPORTANT DATES

HOLIDAYS & SPECIAL DATES

- Sep 2nd Labor Day!
- Sep 3rd First Day of School
- Sep 8th Grandparent's Day
- Sep 11th Patriots Day
- Sep 14th Boy Scouts Lock-in
- Sep 15th **Membership Sunday** & Pancake Breakfast
- Sep 19th New Bible Study Begins
- Sep 21st Church Lasagna Dinner

Global Methodist Church Convening Conference
9/20/24 – 9/27/24

CONGRATULATIONS TO PASTOR LINDA, MIKE, AND FAMILY ON THE ARRIVAL OF BEXLEY BRAE HAIGHT!

(more pictures to follow in coming months)



Mike J (Daddy) & Bexley



Proud Memaw!!



Gracelynn (big-sister), Waylon (big-brother) & Bexley



INDOOR WORSHIP SCHEDULE RESUMES

Sunday, September 8TH @ 10:00am

MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY



PLEASE JOIN US ON SEPTEMBER 15TH MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

There will also be a **Pancake Breakfast**, after service, hosted by Boy Scout Troop 127 VandeVate Hall ~ All are welcome!!





NEW BIBLE STUDY

A new Fall Bible Study will begin on **Thursday, September 19th @ 10am.** Meeting in Classroom at end of hall. The study will focus on the Promises of God and the hope they bring as presented in Max Lucado's 'Unshakeable Hope' study.



NOMC LASAGNA DINNER

Saturday, September 21st the Nurture/Outreach team along with the help of our congregation will be hosting a Lasagna Dinner from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., or until gone. We will be calling people to help with setting up, serving, money collection, donations, kitchen duties and clean up. **We hope your family and friends will plan to attend the dinner.**



GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH CONVENING CONFERENCE

The GMC Convening Conference will be taking place in Costa Rica on 9/20/24 -9/26/24 The Conference will be Live Streamed

Also – on the GMC Convening Conference Website Sotheworldwillknow.org

There is a 40-day Guide to Prayer and Fasting as well as a 12-Day Prayer Guide leading up to the Conference. These are available for all who are interested.



2024 HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS BAZAAR & LUNCHEON

Save the dates for this year's bazaar on **Friday, Oct. 25th and Saturday, Oct. 26th.** Hope you're working on your crafts to sell and setting aside your treasures for the "Next to New - New to You" sale. **Please see Page 5 & Bulletin Board for more details.**



GMC NORTHEAST CONFERENCE APPOINTS FIRST LAY LEADER

President Pro Tem of the Northeast Provisional Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church, Reverend Steven Taylor, announced the selection of Jacqueline Kim as the first Lay Leader of the new conference.



For more information contact: info@northeastgmc.org



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – 2024

The Nurture/Outreach Team thanks all for the Summer Donations towards our corporate collection of items that we will be putting together to send in November. **THIS IS THE LAST CALL FOR THESE DONATIONS. ALSO...** As a church-wide effort, we will have boxes and instructions available for each family to prepare a Personal OCC Shoebox, including covering postage, and bring it to church by November 10th. We will be mailing all boxes from here by November 15th.

Please see full list on the bulletin board or direct questions to Judy McMillan.

We thank you in advance for your donations! Just a reminder: all items need to fit into shoeboxes.

SPECIAL NOTE FROM WANDA KLEM REGARDING BENEFIT DINNER FOR PASTOR DARRELL BROWN

Cancer Benefit
To raise money and support for:
Pastor Darrell Brown
Faith United Methodist Church
12223 Oswego Street, Wolcott, NY
315-594-2755

Saturday, September 7
Spaghetti Dinner
3-4pm: Drive-through take-outs (*Entrance upstairs under portico*)
4-6pm: Sit Down Dinners in Fellowship Hall (*Entrance to downstairs in back parking lot*)

Menu: \$15.00 includes Spaghetti (Meatballs & Sausage), Garlic bread, Tossed Salad, Beverages, Strawberry Short Cake
There will also be a Pie Sale!
Thank you for your support!



HERITAGE SQUARE SCARECROW CONTEST MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Celebrating Fall with Scarecrow Contest!
Saturday, September 28th ~ 11am-4pm
~ \$5/car entrance
More information on Facebook Page



Home for the Holidays

**“The Brick Church” Bazaar
North Ontario Methodist Church
7200 Ontario Center Road
Ontario, NY 14519
(315) 524 - 9509**



**Friday, October 25th - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 26th - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Dine In & Take Out Lunch
available on Friday & Saturday
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**



Crafts, Baked Goods, & “Next to New” Items

Home for the Holidays Bazaar “Next to New” Sale

Mark your calendars and save the dates October 25th and October 26th for NOMC’s “Next to New...New to You” Sale!! This sale will be the perfect time and place for you to find that special treasure! In order for this sale to be a success, we will need many kinds of items to sell, such as: small appliances, kitchen utensils, pots and pans, dishes and silverware, children’s toys and puzzles, holiday decorations, and anything else you have been wanting to get rid of, but didn’t know how or where to do so. Over the next couple of weeks please go through your basement, attic, garage, etc. and bring your items so, they might become someone else’s treasure at the “Next to New...New to You” Sale.

Note: We will not be accepting books or clothing donations.

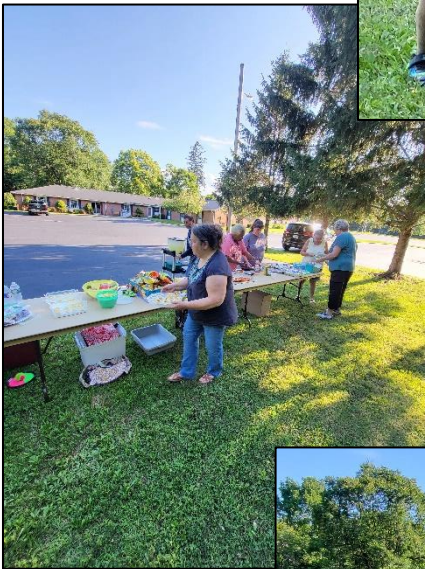
For those of you who wish to donate, please make note that we are asking that all items be **clean and priced** prior to being donated. Having items ready to be placed on the tables will cut down on the amount of set up time needed and is greatly appreciated.

Donations can be dropped off at church (signs will be posted for specific locations) between **October 12th – October 20th**, during regular church office hours Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., and after church service on Sundays. ***Please note that we will not be accepting any donations after Sunday, October 20th.***

As always, we are looking forward to our “Next to New...New to You” Sale, and hope you will participate through your donations, purchases, and attendance.

**Come one, come all to the Home for the Holidays Bazaar on
Friday, October 25th and Saturday, October 26th.**

2024 CHURCH SUMMER PICNIC & CAMPFIRE



SEPTEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9am Worship **LAST OUTDOOR WORSHIP **	LABOR DAY	4p Worship Team	10a Respite - VVH First Day of School	9-12p Garden Club- VVH 2p Finance - VVH		
10am Communion Celebration **INDOOR WORSHIP RESUMES** Food Pantry Collection Happy Harvest Day	6:30p Education Team - CR 7p BS #127 - VVH	12p N/O Mtg - CR 4p Mission Team-CR 6p Trustees - CR		10a Bible Study- #1 	3p Boy Scout Overnight Lock-In Vandevate Hall	Boy Scout Lock-in 8p Vandevate Hall
10am Worship MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY 11:30a Boy Scouts Hosting Pancake Breakfast After Service in Vandevate Hall	6:30p Church Council - CR 7p Boy Scouts - VVH	10a Respite - VVH	10a Respite - VVH	10a Bible Study- #2	Setup & Prep for Lasagna Dinner	430p Lasagna Dinner
10am Worship	7p Boy Scouts - VVH	Mission Central Trip	Mission Central Trip	10a Bible Study- #2	27	28
10am Worship 	7p Boy Scouts - VVH	30				
VVH - Vandevate Hall CR - Classroom KR - Kid's Room					NOTE: GMC Convening Conf. in Costa Rica 9/20 -9/27 sotheworldwillknow.org	



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North Ontario Methodist Church exists to:

Spread the Gospel in our community and elsewhere as we share
Christ's hope and love with the world.

Global Methodist Church Vision:

Worship Passionately, Love Extravagantly, Witness Boldly



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