

The North Star

Newsletter of the North Ontario Methodist Church



October 2024

I love the stories of the faithful found in the Old Testament of the Bible. I love to read about Abraham who was called out of his comfort zone into a life lived for God. I love reading about Sarah who bore a child of promise even in her old age. I love to read about Noah who built an Ark on dry land because he believed in God's word. Then there are the amazing stories of Daniel in the lion's den, King David facing Goliath, timid Gideon defeating a huge army with only a few, Samson and his strength and weaknesses, and Elijah on Mount Carmel defeating the priest of Baal (Just to name a few). Oh for the faith of the men and women in the Bible, who developed such a reliance on God, that all else faded in comparison.

At the end of last month, we started a Bible Study, chosen by the Education Team, written by Max Lucado called Unshakable Hope. I will be taking excerpts from this study to use in a preaching series, which will last until the Advent season begins. The introduction to this study reminds us to keep God ever before us since we cannot gain hope without first acknowledging and embracing a deep faith and unwavering trust in God.

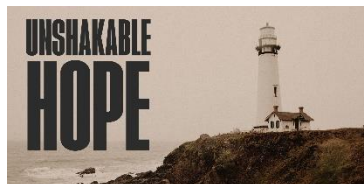
How do we develop a deep faith in God? By staying close to God...

A boy asked the father: What's the size of God? Then the father looked up to the sky and seeing an airplane asked the son: What's the size of that airplane? The boy answered: It's very small. I can barely see it. So, the father took him to the airport and as they approached an airplane he asked: And now, what is the size of this one? The boy answered: Wow Daddy, this is huge! Then the father told him: God, is like this, His size depends on the distance between you and Him. The closer you are to Him, the greater He will be in your life.

Stay close to God, develop your own deep belief and unwavering trust in God...only then can you experience your own "unshakable hope" in all circumstance that invade your life.

Blessings,

Pastor Linda



CHURCH EVENTS, NOTES & REMINDERS



MISSION TEAM UPDATE

Mission Trips – Our annual trip to Mission Central and Sight and Sound Theater was on September 23-28th

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 – Once Rich is back, an update of financial data will be provided in future bulletins.

- A donation in Doris Faulks memory was put into the building fund at the donor’s request
- The financial team feels that some of the proceeds from the Lasagna Dinner should go to the Caring Fund. Updates to follow.

TRUSTEES TRUSTEES UPDATE

- The Trustees need help with the Fall Clean-up. A list of Fall Projects will be posted on the bulletin board by October 20th. If you can help with anything on the list please sign your name next to it and cross off the list once it is completed. Thanks in advance!
- The parsonage driveway has been sealed.
- A new railing for the landing at the front porch at the parsonage has been installed
- Plugged downspout causing water problem in Motley Hall basement has been cleared.
- Fall boiler and furnace maintenance has been scheduled



EDUCATION TEAM UPDATES

- Fall All-Church Devotions – The Fall All-Church Devotions were chosen to compliment the bible study and preaching series Pastor is doing on Hope through God’s Promises.
- These resources, for adults, youth, and children, are available from the table in Motley Hall or by contacting Wanda Klem.

Respite

RESPITE PROGRAM UPDATE

- Please keep new participants to the program and/or participants who have recently moved to care facilities, and their families in your prayers. Transitional time is difficult.
- Word about our program, volunteers and the way we work together have gotten out. Life Span occasionally sends people considering starting a program to check us out!



NURTURE OUTREACH TEAM UPDATE

- Meetings will be on Tuesday, 10/8/24 @ Noon to evaluate Lasagna Dinner success and plan for OCC Box Packing.
- Operation Christmas Child Updates are on Page 3.

OCTOBER MINISTRY TEAMS & CHURCH COUNCIL

*Questions should be addressed to the Team Leader.



1. Tuesday, 10/1/24
4p Worship – Classroom
2. Monday, 10/7/24
6:30p Education - Classroom
3. Tuesday, 10/8/24
12p Nurture Outreach – VandeVate Hall
2p Finance – Classroom
4p Missions – VandeVate Hall
6p Trustees – Classroom_



Church Council: Monday, 10/14/24 @ 6:30p - Classroom



FAMILY PROMISE

- Family Promise of Wayne County helps our local families in crisis and dealing with homelessness to rebuild their lives with new skills and ongoing support
- They tap existing local resources to empower families towards economic stability and depend on donations.
- Please see bulletin board for list of needed items.
- 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.



BIBLE STUDY

Our Fall Bible Study is held on **Thursdays @ 10am**. The study focuses on the Promises of God and the hope they bring as presented in Max Lucado's 'Unshakeable Hope' study. If you'd like to purchase the companion book for \$9, or get a study guide (free when taking the class), please see Wanda Klem. All are welcome to join!!



REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~ Kathy Aman ~ Lindsey Aman, pregnancy issues ~ 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 ~ 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 ~ Carol Gillespie ~ Les Gillespie ~ Desitny Grace, Judy Porray's Granddaughter ~ Kirk Graham, Kay as caregiver ~ Suzanne Gresens, Missie Bergen's Niece ~ Debbie Grohman ~ Linda Haight, MRI results ~ Jackie Hansen & family | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~ Gale Howell, at home doing well ~ Mel Hussey ~ Sandy Hussey ~ Ann Insalaco ~ Jeff Klem, recovering 2nd surgery ~ Theresa Kretovic (Denison's niece) in palliative care. ~ Shirley Kuhn ~ Karen LaRue, Bonnie's sister ~ Logan Loveless, Judy Porray's grandson ~ Jim Makins, recovering at home ~ Ann, Martha McGlory's daughter ~ Libby Pickering, recovering ~ Lori Powers, medical concerns ~ Power's Daughter-in-law, surgery ~ Wayne Schultz, Jackie's cousin ~ Larry Smith ~ Morgan Smith, broken ankles, Lillian's Son-in-law ~ Julie Sondervan ~ Dave Stark, Joan as his caretaker ~ Dawn Straub, heart issues ~ Jean Van Ingen ~ Jane Wage |
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OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS

- 2 Judy McMillan
- 3 PETTY, GERALD & CONSTANCE
- 4 Petty, Gerald
- 4 HANCOCK, STEVEN & TAMMI
- 7 Gillespie, Les
- 7 Knapp, Eric
- 7 KLEM, JEFFREY & WANDA
- 8 Powers, Johnathan
- 10 Sanger, Ian
- 10 CONE, LINDA & GLEN
- 20 Michielsen, Arlene
- 23 Hancock, Kaidan L.
- 24 CHELINI, CHRIS & LISA
- 25 Wage, Jane
- 25 Quigley, Michelle
- 26 Scott, Daniel
- 27 Buck, Bob
- 28 Garland, Rebecca
- 28 GOODENOUGH, JERRY & MICHELE



Birthdays: Upper/Lower Case
ANNIVERSARIES: ALL CAPS



**2024 HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS
BAZAAR & LUNCHEON**

Join us on **Friday, Oct. 25th and Saturday, Oct. 26th**
Signup sheets will be posted 1st week of Oct with areas we need assistance with the "Next to New - New to You" sale.
Please see Page 4 & Bulletin Board for more details.

IMPORTANT DATES

HOLIDAYS & SPECIAL DATES

- Oct 6th** World Communion Sunday
- October 13th** Pastor Appreciation Sunday
- Oct 25th-26th** Holiday Bazaar & Luncheons
- Oct 27th** Reformation Sunday

2025 GOD'S CREATION CALENDARS



On sale now for just \$10.00. See Darlene Canan to purchase on Sunday mornings or they can be purchased at bazaar

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – 2024

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 **Nov 10th**.



We will be mailing from here by Nov 15th.

Please direct questions to Judy McMillan.



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
NOVEMBER 3rd @ 2am**

Almost time to turn your clocks back!

**HERITAGE SQUARE
MUSEUM**

**HERITAGE SQUARE HALLOWEEN HAPPENING
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Wear your costumes and visit all the buildings!

Saturday, October 19th 1:30p-4:00p

~ \$5/car entrance

More information on Facebook Page



ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE

We will be hosting our Annual Election Day Bake Sale on **Tuesday, November 5th.**

Sign-up sheets will be up mid-October
Please direct questions to Darlene Canan



CHURCH'S WEBSITE & EMAIL ADDRESS REMINDER

Our church website is: www.nom.church

Our church emails are: noum1@yahoo.com & nomcOffices@gmail.com

There are the 2 emails that we are using, but will be transitioning to only Gmail.

There will be an announcement when the transition to Gmail is complete.

This information is also listed on the back of our bulletins and newsletters.

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.**

OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 4p Worship Team	2 10a Respite - VVH	3 10a Bible Study-- # 3 CR	4 	5
10a Communion Celebration 6  World Communion Sunday	7 6:30p Education Team - CR 7p BS #127 - VVH	8 12p N/O Mtg - CR 2p Finance - VVH 4p Mission Team-CR 6p Trustees - CR	9 10a Respite - VVH	10 9a Garden Club - VVH NO BIBLE STUDY	11	12
10a Worship	14 NO SCHOOL 7p Boy Scouts - VVH	15 2p Nomination Committee Mtg. CR 6:30p G.S. svc Unit- VVH	16 10a Respite - VVH	17 10a Bible Study-- # 4 CR	18	19
10a Worship	21 6:30p Church Council - CR	22	23 VandeVate Hall Reserved All Week	24 10a Bible Study-- # 5 CR	25 Home for the Holidays Bazaar & Luncheon 9a-3p 	26 Home for the Holidays Bazaar & Luncheon 9a-3p
10a Worship  Reformation Sunday	28 7p BS #127 - VVH	29 	30	31 10a Bible Study-- # 6 CR		November 3 rd @ 2am 
VVH - VandeVate Hall CR - Classroom KR - Kid's Room						



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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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