

FROM THE PASTOR
Reconnecting



We have spent much of the last year being apart from others: socially distant, masked, not shaking hands or hugging others. In many of our lives, this has created a sense of aloneness.

Separation was necessary to prevent COVID infections, but as more and more people are vaccinated, we have the opposite problem. We need to learn to reconnect without fear.

One of the best ways to do this is by being outside together. Our Church picnic is June 13 and it is a wonderful opportunity for people to gather safely outside to reconnect in a new way.

Regardless of whether you have ever been to a church picnic in the past, I invite you to come and celebrate being able to be together. Let us reconnect as a worshipping congregation and as a group of God's beloved and faithful children.

Many of us will also reconnect with family and friends over the course of the summer. I expect that people will be traveling to see loved ones that they have missed over the many months of COVID precautions. May God go with you as you travel and reconnect!

As you spent time with friends and neighbors at church and with loved ones who you have not seen in a long time, remember to reconnect with the Holy One as well.

Spend time each morning in prayer as you look out at the sunrise or over the lake. Give thanks for each meal, especially finally being able to eat out at a restaurant or to have dinner with friends in their homes. Look at the world around you and see, not people to fear, but people to love! Breathe in the fresh clean air that blows through our beautiful world and celebrate the Spirit throughout this season after Pentecost.

When you go to the beach or away on vacation, take with you an inspirational book so that, as you reconnect with nature, you can be inspired by Rumi or Gerard Manley Hopkins or Mary Oliver!

God is present wherever you look in this incredible world of ours. Find ways this summer to reconnect and rejuvenate your soul. May God bless you today and always!

Dawn



June 2 Beauden Leasure
June 3 Tim Clancy & Cathy Brooks
June 4 Jean Trost & John Miller
June 5 Jane Alden & Matti Francis
June 6 Gail Gilbert
June 7 Ann Piorkowski
June 8 Lou Bliss & Joe Kardesh
June 10 Michael Muscato
June 11 Bonnie Maguire & Keith Blaker

June 13 Barbara Henry & Luanne Graulich
June 14 Bill Hallett
June 17 Matthew Newman
June 20 Dick Kotalik & Jay Harris-Maxwell
June 22 Gayle Henry & Jayne Bobsein
June 28 Charles McCausland & Bill Blaker
June 29 George Hamlin & Rebecca Hazard

Message From Our Moderator

Survivors

We are all survivors in some way, shape or form. Each one of us has a story of overcoming the odds, making it through a difficult situation or dealing with challenging circumstances.

As fortunate as we are, we have battle scars from our situations. We may be hesitant to enter into new relationships or distrustful of people. We may hold grudges.

Not all our battle scars are bad. Some are positive. We may have a new-found respect for individuals such as doctors, nurses and caregivers. We may be more tolerant or accepting of others. We may be more patient.

As survivors, we share a common bond – we have overcome! And it is this shared bond that unites us. As we move forward into uncertain times post-pandemic, let's be patient, kind and tolerant. Let's find what we have in common. Let's share battle stories so we can learn and help others.

Hannah Morgan
Church Moderator

Weathervane Deadline for July/August issue is June 15th.

Prayer List

Ancy & Kira (Fred Henry's friend); **Steve Beck** (Heidi Schwarz's brother); **Brad Bliss; Marjorie Case; Cheryl** (Jennifer Maxfield's sister-in-law); **Judy Clark** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' and Elaine Hilton's friend); **Cathy Coots; Bob DeSantis** (Dorice & Don Raw, Sr.'s friend); **Julie English** (Janet & Kim Tenreiro's friend); **Brian Fuscaldo** (Mara Huberlie's nephew); **Bob Graumann** (Don DeSmith's friend); **Carin Herren; Peter Ingalls** (Jean Ingall's son); **Jim and Carolyn** (Amy Ogden's friends); **Jim & Melody** (Don & Marilyn DeSmith's friends); **Jim Kolesar** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Sue Kotalik; Michelle List** (JoAnn Reed's friend); **Loren** (Jack Radley's friend); **Lynn** (Joan Ryan's friend); **Eileen McCarthy** (Carla DeMeco & Betsy Dresser's friend); **Liz Nelson** (Kathy Ward's friend); **Norman** (Jennifer Maxfield's uncle); **Pia** (Jim & Connie Malone's friend); **Chris Pritchard** (Rick, Cindy Mullen & George Herren's friend); **Jack Radley; Don Raw, Sr.; Sara** (Jack Radley's granddaughter); **Barb Stahl; Sara Szrama** (Sally Mueller's granddaughter); **Smith/Dworetsky Family** (Okke & Kathy Postma's friends); **Pat Smith; Dr. Steven Smith & Family** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' friends); **John Spare; Walker** (Don & Dorice Raw's friend); **Kathy Ward; Gordon Wenner** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Nancey Wilbur; Robin Wisniewski** (Alicia's mom); **Josh Yeo** (Barb Stahl's friend); **Jason Zeller** (Kathy Ward's son); **Linda Zeller** (Kathy Ward's daughter in law)



Spotlight: Betty Lyon

I had the great pleasure of interviewing Betty Lyon. Betty has been a member of our congregation since she moved here in October of 2002. She chose our church because she was warmly welcomed by the people here. She liked the music and she learned that Tom Herbek was a "Hokie." (I had to ask what that was.) A "Hokie" is a supporter of Virginia Tech. Her husband as well as their three children all graduated from Virginia

Tech. At Walter's graduation Betty was awarded a "PHT" degree (Putting Hubby Through).

Their son, Scott, lives in Byram Township, New Jersey. He is a mechanical engineer employed by the U.S. Army, engaged in R&D on fuses. Daughter Nancy lives in Cleveland, Ohio. She is a traffic engineer who runs the Cleveland office for WSP, a global engineering and services firm. Debbie, familiar to all of us as our Director of Christian Education, lives with her mom here in Canandaigua. Betty has four grandchildren.

Betty grew up in Roselle, New Jersey. She has a sister living in Rochester. Her brother died four years ago. Betty attended Gettysburg College for two years before entering the Cornell University School of Nursing in New York City. After graduation she worked at New York Hospital on the surgical unit and joined the faculty, teaching Fundamentals of Nursing. She was one of five nurses, sharing an apartment on the 6th floor of a six-story walk-up apartment building

She was living in Ramsey when she and her husband divorced. Betty knew that she wanted to live on a lake. Her grandparents had had a cottage on Ballston Lake, where her family visited every summer in her childhood years. When her children were growing up the family spent a week each summer at Sacandaga Lake, one of the best weeks of the year.

Her search for a home on a lake drew her to the Finger Lakes and eventually narrowed to Canandaigua Lake. The quest continued for twelve years. She wanted to live right on the lake (no road to cross, no tram to get down to the water). She also wanted an attached garage ~ hard to find in a lake cottage. She found the perfect house in Cottage City Cove. She knew that her children would come to visit if she had a place on a lake. (Little did she know that it would be her good fortune to have one child, Debbie, come and stay.)

Betty has many interests. She enjoys assembling photo albums and memory albums. (She created the memory album for Tom at his 20th anniversary.) She loves to sing, does crossword puzzles and Sudoku as well as jigsaw puzzles. She is a great organizer, according to Debbie, and loves to "garden." "I buy the plants and Debbie puts them into the garden," she tells us.

Betty has a long history of volunteering. She was a Girl Scout leader and Sunday School teacher for many years. In her previous congregation she served on various committees, was an elder, serving as Clerk of Session for eleven years. She organized Presbytery

Dinners, created props and made costumes for chancel dramas. She authored a history of the church in celebration of their 165th anniversary. Here in Canandaigua, she has volunteered at Sonnenberg Gardens, the Ontario County Historical Society and the County Health Center. She serves on the Hospitality Committee and sings in the choir, as well as being videographer extraordinaire for Debbie's Sunday School lessons during the pandemic. She has helped Debbie throughout her tenure at church in organizing supplies, costumes, and props.

When I asked her how the pandemic had affected her she said that it reminded her all over again of how fortunate she is to be living here. What better place to be confined? She spent some of her weeks of isolation sorting through boxes of childhood and family memorabilia as well as putting photos in order and doing many jigsaw puzzles. Debbie set up a home office in the loft and was able to keep up with her work responsibilities. Together they managed to maintain a somewhat normal lifestyle. She says that one of the best blessings of living here at "Lyon by the Lake" is watching the spectacular sunsets throughout the year.

I guess we could say that Betty Lyon is a happy camper.

Submitted by Kathy Postma



What to Expect for Masking and Social Distancing in June:

June 6 – All will sit socially distanced, but those who are vaccinated do not have to wear a mask. Anyone can *choose* to wear a mask, but those who are unvaccinated will need to remain masked.

June 13 – Socially distancing rules relaxed for the church picnic at the Sauters. Those who are vaccinated can sit at the same table as others who are vaccinated and can be unmasked.

June 20 – Worship will return to the sanctuary. The center section will be designated for those who are vaccinated and would rather not sit socially distanced. Those in the center section do not have to wear masks, but can wear them if they choose. Social distancing will be retained in the side sections where anyone who is unvaccinated will sit, as well as anyone who prefers to maintain social distancing.

June 27 – Worship time moves to 9:30. Throughout the summer we will invite people to sit in the section that is appropriate for their vaccination and comfort level (see June 20).

Instead of Coffee Hour: June 20 is Graduation Sunday and Father's Day. We will begin serving Lemonade on the Lawn or Portico in front of the church following worship. We may also offer a little extra treat in individual baggies to celebrate graduation but will regularly only serve lemonade or water until the fall.

GLENER'S KITCHEN:

Even though Gleaner's Kitchen is not open for meals, they hand out bag lunches every day. They also are still giving out bags containing enough for two meals for a family twice a week. Additionally, they will give a bag of food to anybody who asks for it, that way, a family does not need to wait – if they need food, they get it immediately.

Although we cannot contribute food at this time, we can send a check. Tom Carter, the manager, can make a small amount of money go a long way by buying through Foodlink.

More people than ever before, families are without paychecks. Their families still need to eat, so please, if you are able, send a check to:

Gleaner' Community Kitchen Attn: Tom Carter c/o St. John's Episcopal Church,
183 N. Main St., Canandaigua, NY 14424

God bless you for your kindness!

CHRISTIAN ED

Calendar:

June 6: Hybrid Sunday School; Youth Zoom

June 13: Church Picnic!

June 20: Fathers' Day; Graduation Sunday

June 27: Summer hours begin – church at 9:30 a.m.



The **CHURCH PICNIC** is back!

That's right – we **WILL** have a church picnic this year! It will be on **Sunday, June 13** at the regular church service time. Once again, Dave and Peggy Sauter have graciously offered to host it on their beautiful grounds! A couple of things will be different this year: **we are asking everyone to**

bring their own food, beverages, and utensils so that there will be no concern regarding contamination. We also ask that everyone sign up ahead of time to make sure we are able to prepare the site accordingly. We recommend appropriate social distancing and mask wearing until you are seated. *Please contact Alicia in the office via phone or e-mail to let her know you plan to come.*

We will need some help moving tables and chairs from the church to the Sauters a day or two before the picnic. We will also need to transport them back on Sunday after the picnic. If you have a pick-up truck or a trailer and are willing to give us a hand, please contact Debbie (ce@canandaiguachurch.org) to get on the list. We look forward to sharing the annual picnic once again!

Congratulations, Class of 2021 Graduates!

We are so proud of our seniors who are graduating from Canandaigua Academy this month! Our hearts are with each of them, as their senior year has not turned out to be what anyone expected. But their strength of character is carrying them through, and will serve them well as they forge ahead, traveling along life's journey. And so, with joy, let us

recognize **Griffin Bond, Grady Francis, Kailee Lupton, and Hannah Weeden**. We believe in you! Go forth knowing you have the support of your entire church family! May God bless you with the riches of love, peace, and joy in the years to come.





From top left: Griffin Bond, Grady Francis & Hannah Weeden (and friend!)

Memorial Service for John Paul

You are invited to gather at the church on Saturday June 19 at 10 am to celebrate the life of John Paul. This Memorial Service will both commemorate his life and give people the opportunity to celebrate the gift he has been to this church community, to Canandaigua and to the world.

Family Promise Bed Race



The 5th Annual FPOC's Amazing virtual Bedrace
You and your friends can create
your own virtual bed at our GIVEGAB online page.

Log onto
www.givegab.com/campaigns/amazingbedrace

All event proceeds will fund FPOC to provide housing, case management and support families attain sustainable, safe housing.

New This year...



**Night
Without
a Bed**

**Sleep any where *but* your bed!
Take photos - win prizes!**

Family Promise of Ontario County Inc. is a 501c3 Federal tax-exempt charity. Donations are deductible as allowed by law. NYS Charity number is EIN# 81-4353748. NYS Charities Bureau #46-21-43: a copy of the most recent financial report can be requested from the Charities Bureau Registry on the NY Attorney General's (www.charitiesnys.com) or by contacting them at 212-416-8401. NYS Attorney General's Office, 28 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10005

Any donations can be made directly on the
www.givegab.com?campaigns/amazingbedrace
or you can send a check to Family Promise directly.
(185 North Main St., Canandaigua)
Please list Bed Race in the memo line.

Calendar

June 2021

Tues. June 1 - Men's Grp 8:00; Rughooking 10:00

Wed. June 2 - TOPS 10:00

Thurs. June 3 – Parking Lot Sealing – **No One on Lot till June 6!!**

Sunday June 6 – Worship In Person & Live stream 10:30; hybrid Sunday School

Mon. June 7 – What If Display TBD; SCR Planning Team Picnic at Brooks'

Tues. June 8 - Men's Grp 8:00; Rughookers 10:00; SCR Grp A 10:30 Zoom; SCR Grp C 1:00
Zoom

Wed. June 9 - TOPS 10:00

Thursday June 10 - SCR Grp B 10:30 Zoom; Staff Meeting 4:00; SCR Grp D 7:00 Zoom

Sunday June 13 – Church Picnic at Sauter's 10:30

Monday June 14- Trustees 4:00 In Person

Tues. June 15 - Men's Grp 8:00; Rughookers 10:00; Main Street Clergy Lunch 12:00;
Council 7:00 Zoom

Wed. June 16 - TOPS 10:00

Thurs June 17 – Dawn participating in Clergy Boundary Awareness Training 10 – 3

Saturday June 19 – Memorial Service – John Paul 10:00

Sunday June 20 – Graduation Sunday and Father's Day Worship In Person & Live Stream 10:30;
hybrid Sunday School; Congregational Life 11:45 In Person

Monday June 21 - Sat, June 26 - Dawn on vacation

Tues June 22 – Men's Grp 8:00; Rughookers 10:00

Wed. June 23 - TOPS 10:00

Fri. June 25 – Prayer Shawl 2:00

Sunday June 27 – Worship at 9:30 begins - In Person & Live Stream

Tues. June 29 – Men's Grp 8:00; Rughookers 10:00

Wed. June 30 – TOPS 10:00