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*Good bye summer.
Hello autumn.*

**Special points of
interest:**

- Adult Crafts Sep-
tember 1st 10am—2
pm
- Articles for the
ALIVE! Are due in
no later than Sep-
tember 23rd
- 4 Cents a Meal Col-
lection September
23rd
- Fifth Sunday Cele-
bration September
30th
- Session Mtg Sep-
tember 11th
- Movie Afternoon
September 9th
- Annual Pig Roast
September 22nd

Session Notes

Session Highlights

Our August meeting was devoted to a review of our portfolio with representatives from Glens Falls National Bank. We have needed to transfer funds from the portfolio to meet budgeted expenses.

We are keeping the congregation aware of our financial status through the weekly Sunday bulletins.

We reviewed our church insurance coverage. Our policy year runs from September 5 of each year.

The August lakeside service will be a time for 3 baptisms.

We are continuing to find ways to improve storage in order to keep our facility neat, and easier to keep clean.

The session has been overseeing the counting of Sunday offering in order to develop a procedure that brings us into compliance with good accounting practices and within Presbytery guidelines. We will need to develop a larger group of people, trained in the procedures. Consider being a part of this process. Counting will be done in church, after/during coffee hour. A few people available to help will make the process easier and faster. We NEED some people willing to assist.

The foundation work that was due to begin in July has been delayed, but will start 8/27. This work will be accomplished this year, and we anticipate painting the exterior of our buildings in 2019.

The Pig Roast will be on September 22.

Movies will be scheduled for the second Sunday of each month starting in September. Watch the Sunday bulletins for movie titles and time.

Marie Bell

Submitted by Marie Bell
Clerk of Session

Announcements

SUNDAY AFTERNOON MOVIE

Family movie on Sunday, September 09, 3:00 PM. "CRY THE BE-LOVED COUNTRY" - set during the trying apartheid times in South Africa. - starring James Earl Jones and Richard Harris. Popcorn and beverages provided. Save the afternoon of each second Sunday from September thru December for a family movie.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Please get the information for any and all of the exciting activities that will occur in the month of September to Holly Keys (holly.keys@aol.com or call 854-3975 before 8 pm or drop something in her box in the business office at the church (just let her know its there)) by Sunday, September 23rd, sharp!!!!

Thank you!!!

Mission Team

Just a note from Mission Team

After a little restructuring, looks like our Mission Team is back on track! Donations for our Salem School Supply Drive came pouring in, overflowing the bins we had in the narthex. Supplies were delivered to the school August 29th along with a \$100 check to the cafeteria for children who may need help purchasing their breakfast or lunch. Many thanks to all who contributed to the drive and to 4 Cents A Meal, the fund from which we were able to donate the \$100.

We are also looking ahead to our Annual Pig Roast, slated for Sat. Sept. 22nd from 5-6:30. As always we are looking for volunteers to help the day of the roast, as well as donations of baked beans, coleslaw, potato salad (potatoes already supplied, just need to be picked up in the church kitchen on Sept. 16th), applesauce and of course, desserts! Anyone willing to donate, please sign up on the sheet in the chapel on the calendar table. A donation jar will also be set-up the day of the roast for Tina Rowland. As many of you know, Tina is battling cancer. She has been unable to work since late winter due to her chemo treatments. A benefit dinner/basket raffle is being held in her honor at the firehouse on Sept. 29th. We are setting up a jar for those who may not be able to attend the benefit but would still like to donate. Our church has donated \$500 to Tina thus far, through mission and the deacons. Thank you all so much!

Dolores has been busy creating photo books to supply to area nursing homes. While staying at The Pines for some physical therapy, Dolores, along with her sister, had a great idea of creating these albums full of beautiful pictures, short articles and funny cartoons for other elderly members of the community who might just need a little lift. So far, albums have been delivered to The Mansion in Cambridge and a nursing home in Brattleboro, VT. There are more albums in the chapel for those who may be stopping in at area nursing homes and would like to deliver something special.

Before you know it, it'll be Christmas! Until then, pray on other ways we can be the hands and feet of Christ. We look forward to hearing ideas!

Submitted by Amy Thetford

Birthdays/Anniversaries

September Birthday's

1st Elsie Jackson
7th Valerie Roche
8th John Rea
13th Clara Thetford
18th Jessica Barrett

September Anniversaries

23rd Scott & Amy Thetford

If you would like a birthday or anniversary published in the Alive!, Please contact the church office at 854-9471 or holly.keys@aol.com.

Prayer Requests

If you need a prayer or wish to place someone on the prayer list, please complete this form, or one found in the Narthex, and give it to an usher or deacon.

Name of Prayer recipient: _____

Cause for joy or concern: _____

You name (optional): _____

Scriptures

September Scripture Readings

The Scripture readings you will hear August will come from the following readings:

September 2nd Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9
James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

September 9th Proverbs 22:1-2,8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125:1-5
James 2:1-10 (11-13) 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

September 16th Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19:1-14
James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

September 23rd Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 1
James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

September 30th Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22; Psalm 124:1-8
James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50

Pastor's Schedule

Pastor Donna's Schedule ... To better serve the congregation, please note the days and times Pastor Donna dedicates to First United. She is also editor of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s magazine and is currently moderating the Welsh Presbyterian Church in Poultney, Vermont. She is with First United 16 hours a week and, as per Albany's Committee on Ministry, she preaches two-three Sundays a month with us. The other Sundays she is preaching at various churches in Albany Presbytery.

Her email is pastordonna1@gmail.com. Her phone number is 518-232-6295. Unless it is an emergency, she will respond within 24 hours. For pastoral care, please contact the Deacons and/or the Rev. Dr. David Simmons.

Pastor's Schedule

Sundays—7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (sermon prep, preaching, pastoral visits)

Mondays—8 a.m. to 11 a.m. (sermon prep, bulletin, calls, emails, prayer and planning)

Tuesdays—3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (office/community time, scheduled meetings, Presbytery work)

Saturdays—8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. (sermon prep)

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Worship 10am	3 LABOR DAY Cub Scouts 6pm Boy Scouts 7pm	4 Wash Cty Band	5 Bible Study 8:30 am	6 Line Dancing 9:30am	7	8 Adult Crafts 10-2
9 Rev Rupert Harris Worship 10am Movie Afternoon 3:00 pm	10 Cub Scouts 6pm Boy Scouts 7pm	11 Wash Cty Band Session 7pm	12 Bible Study 8:30 am	13 Line Dancing 9:30am Mission Mtg 7:00 pm	14	15
16 Worship 10 am Worship & Music 11:30am	17 Cub Scouts 6pm Boy Scouts 7pm	18 Wash Cty Band	19 Bible Study 8:30 am	20 Line Dancing 9:30am	21	22 Annual Pig Roast 5:00 pm
23 Worship 10am 4 Cents a Meal Collection ALIVE Deadline	24 Cub Scouts 6pm Boy Scouts 7pm	25 Wash Cty Band	26 Bible Study 8:30 am	27 Line Dancing 9:30am	28	29
30 Fifth Sunday Celebration						

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At First United Presbyterian Church:

We believe that God calls everyone to serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ!

Join us on Sunday's for worship, music, and fellowship!

Service begins at 10 AM

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Service Schedule for September 2018

Sunday, September 2nd

Reader: Jane Barron

Coffee Time: Kay Tomasi
Jane & Tom Keys

Sunday, September 9th

Rev. Rupert Harris

Reader: Nancy Bardwell
Coffee Time: Mary Van De Water
Amy Thetford

Sunday, September 16th

Reader: Diane Jilek
Coffee Time: Marilyn Hanby
David & Helen Simmons

Sunday, September 23rd

Reader: Sylvia Graham
Coffee Time: Nancy Bardwell
Neal Rea

Sunday, September 30th

Reader: Nancy Rountree
Coffee Time:
Fifth Sunday Celebration