## PRESBYTERIAN CHIMES

#### SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER Volume 15, Issue 9 United Presbyterian Church of Randolph



Dear Church Family,

What a joy it has been for me this past month as I have begun to get acquainted with you and serve as your pastor. I have rapidly come to know that you are indeed a loving congregation with willingness to serve. I have to admit I was a little nervous starting as your pastor, knowing that you have kept the church running for nearly three years without a leader. I was afraid that there might not be room for me. But my fears were completely unfounded! I have come to know your openness and acceptance immediately.

It was a great blessing for me to be able to be a part of the mortgage burning ceremony this past Sunday. I felt like I jumped on just as the ride was ending. You are all to be congratulated on the hard work that has gone into this building project. What a

wonderful time to start as your pastor with open doors to the future of United Presbyterian Church of Randolph!

Now it is time to look ahead to see where God is leading us. We have an opportunity and responsibility to reach out to this community, nation and world. Coming up on Sunday October 7<sup>th</sup>, we will have a time of dreaming, talking, praying and goal setting over a tureen lunch after the worship service. This will be a very important day in the life of this congregation as together we seek the direction that God is leading. I ask you to begin this discernment process by dreaming, talking and praying with others before this date. Please don't limit your conversations just to other church members. Talk to people you meet in this community. Take a chance and talk to someone in the grocery line or sitting at another table at R&M, see what needs they have. Find out what it is that the unchurched in our community are looking for. See if you can find the questions others are asking and how we can offer opportunities for people to find answers to life's questions. Being a shy introvert by nature, I know how frightening it can be to step out of your comfort zone. Just take one step and let God open the door. People are hungry for God in their lives. You may be surprised at what surfaces in these conversations as we discern the direction God is leading us. I am looking forward to being your pastor in the many ongoing ministries and in the new endeavors that are about to emerge.

Here is a verse that will help us remember what we are about.

If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; But when they attend to what he reveals, they are most blessed. (Proverbs 29:18 The Message)

Now just a couple of nuts and bolts. I have been hired as a ½ time pastor. This means that hours I work on a regular basis will be limited. However, don't think that I am only available part time. If you have an urgent need, please don't hesitate to call me. I will regularly be in the office on Tuesdays with the exception of an occasional funeral or other necessary obligation. Please stop just to chat any Tuesday morning or if you would like, make an appointment for another time. I will also be in town other days of the week, but this will fluctuate according the various other needs. I am enjoying getting to know you all.

With peace and hope,

Pastor Molly



#### WORSHIP TEAMS FOR SEPTEMBER

September 2—

Liturgist— Barry Shields Greeters/Ushers—Bethany & Howard VanRensselaer Sound— Mary Myers

#### September 9— RALLY DAY

Leader— Louise Boutwell Message– Children from VBS Greeters/Ushers— Tammy & Moses Miller, Rosie Swan, Jan Eccles

Sound– Mary Myers

#### September 16— MISSION SUNDAY

Liturgist— Stacy Halla Greeters/Ushers— Reg Boutwell, Bob Whitney, Dan Pihlblad Sound— Mary Myers

#### September 23—

Liturgist— Dan Pihlblad Greeters/Ushers — Bethany & Howard VanRensselaer; Sound– Mike Frame

September 30— Liturgist— Ruth Wahl Greeters/Ushers— Tammy & Moses Miller, Rosie Swan, Jan Eccles

Sound– Mike Frame

#### LOOKING AHEAD TO OCTOBER

#### October 1 - WORLD COMMUNION

Liturgist—Connie Lockwood Greeters/Ushers— Reg Boutwell, Bob Whitney, Dan Pihlblad Sound— Mary Myers Communion Servers– Dick Chubon, Jim Roberts, Rosie Swan, Ruth Wahl

DEACONS FOR SEPTEMBER

Louise Boutwell (358-4848) & Jim Ashdown If you know of anyone in our church family who needs support or help, please contact one of them.

Deadline for October Newsletter is September 19

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR SEPTEMBER CELEBRANTS

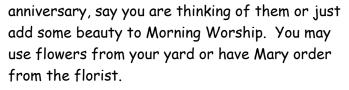
September 1	Autumn Hill	
September 2	Kara (McLaughlin) Benson	
September 6	Marta Johnson	
September 11	Donna Chubon	
September 13	Ezra Zollinger	
	Iris Zollinger	
September 14	Dayshia Ashdown	
September 20	Jeff Greeley	
	Reagan Lewis	
September 22	Chelsea Connor	
September 23	Alan Johnson	

#### SUNDAY MORNING FLOWERS

If you or your family would like to share the beauty of God's handy work some Sunday call Mary Myers (499-0356) or the church office

(358-4255) to set up a date to provide fresh flowers for morning worship.

What a wonderful way to wish someone a happy birthday,



#### like UPCR ON FACEBOOK!



CALLING ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS RANDOLPH UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, JOIN US FOR OUR FALL KICK OFF!!





8:30 a.m. you are invited to join in prayer time. 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice 9:00 a.m. the Adult Bible class

10:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP THE CHILDREN FROM VBS (with Mrs. Boutwell's help) WILL SHARE THE MESSAGE AND MUSIC FROM THEIR WEEK AT VBS.

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE THERE WILL BE A HOT DOG / HAMBURGER TUREEN LUNCH WITH ICE CREAM SUNDAES FOR DESSERT You are asked to bring a dish to share (salad, beans, etc.) for the meal. Hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages and dessert provided.





#### BROWN BAG LUNCHES ON A BIG SCALE!

For eight Mondays this summer UPCR had teams of three or more volunteers working at St. Susan's Center in Jamestown. They assisted in the preparation of brown bag lunches that were provided to needy children attending summer programs in Jamestown. For some of the children the brown bag lunch was their main or only meal of the day. A total of about eighteen UPCR volunteers participated over the eight Mondays. The number of lunches prepared each Monday ranged from three hundred eighty to almost five hundred. These photos show:

- \* Three of our volunteers at work.
- What 160 brown bags waiting to be packed look like.
- \* Finished lunches ready for transportation and distribution.

This was another of our UPCR Outreach projects.



#### **Emergency Preparedness**

<u>September is Emergency Preparedness Month</u>. Disaster can strike anyone, anywhere at any time. Natural disasters such as floods, hurricanes, tornados, blizzards, ice storms and earthquakes often wreak havoc on large areas. Man-made disasters such as chemical spills, explosions and plane crashes affect smaller areas but often require emergency evacuations that can last a week or more.

Sadly, experience shows that when disaster strikes, many households are totally unprepared for either being without utilities and services, or, an emergency evacuation for multiple days.

#### Being unprepared means, at the very least,

#### risking considerable discomfort for multiple days, and at the very worst,

#### risking your health and even death.

Emergency officials urge that every household should at least be prepared for:

- 1. Being stranded at home without utilities for 3 to 5 days.
- 2. Having to evacuate within 5 minutes and not return for at least 72 hours.
- 3. Being stranded overnight in a vehicle.

Guidelines and checklists for emergency plans and emergency kits are available from a number of sources such as:

#### www.ready.gov.home

#### www.redcross.org/prepare

Be sure your household has plans and kits for coping with emergencies. BE PREPARED!

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### COVENANT SUNDAY













#### Lectionary for Sundays

#### SEPTEMBER

---September 2, 2018 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time / Proper 17 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 9 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time / Proper 18 Proverbs 22:1–2, 8–9, 22–23 Psalm 125 James 2:1–10 (11–13) 14–17 Mark 7:24–37

-September 16 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Proper 19 Proverbs 1:20–33 Psalm 19 James 3:1–12 Mark 8:27–38

--September 23 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Proper 20 Proverbs 31:10–31 Psalm 1 James 3:13–4:3, 7–8a Mark 9:30–37

-September 30 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Proper 21 Esther 7:1–6, 9–10; 9:20–22 Psalm 124 James 5:13–20 Mark 9:38–50



#### OUR ONGOING ASSIGNMENT

Growing up, parents Handed out the assignments: Make your bed, Pick up your room, Mow the lawn, Help do the dishes.

In school, teachers Did the honors: Read Chapters 1 through 4, Do all of the word problems, Write an essay, Submit a book report.

When we 're grown, Others give assignments: Don 't tell my secret, Recycle and reuse, Register your vehicle, Pay your bills.

Though we 've completed Scores of assignments, From the beginning There is one ongoing Assigned by God Himself: LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

We have our work Cut out for us, ' C ause some people Are hard to love But with God' s help We will succeed.

Ann Dahl Luce 2018

# VBS 2018



#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

#### The "I Don't Need This Training, Training"

It is time for the annual sexual misconduct training. Our church's "Sexual Misconduct Policy" requires that all employees and volunteers participate in this training. We can be pretty sure that no one in this congregation needs this training. However, unfortunately there are people in this world who look for opportunities to find vulnerable children and adults who are easily available for them to prey upon.

This is why it is so important that we all know, understand and put into practice all the precautions in our excellent policy. This makes it much more difficult for a predator to find victims. As long as we follow our own prevention policy it will be highly unlikely that we will ever have an incident of sexual misconduct in our church. Predators simply will look someplace else. So, while we can agree that there is little need for anyone in this church to be trained, it is extremely important that everyone come and participate because we love our children and vulnerable adults. We can never undo something that has happened, but we can practice prevention that will never allow misconduct!

The training will be held after worship on Sunday, September 16. The concise training session will last approximately 25 to 30 minutes and will be followed by a luncheon for participants.

All employees and volunteer workers will be required to sign a form verifying that they have attended the training, have received the training materials and agree to abide by UPCR's policy and procedures related to the prevention of sexual misconduct. The signed forms will be kept on file in the office.

Ask a Session member if you have questions about this topic. A make-up training session will be scheduled if needed to accommodate anyone who did not attend this session.

#### **ADDRESS UPDATES NEEDED**

Our "kids" are heading back to school. Some are just down the street while others have packed up and gone off to college.

If yours are away please be sure to let the office know their new/school address AND/OR EMAIL

We want to make sure that we can stay in touch with them while they are away. Also if they have an e-mail address we would be glad to add that to our news list also.



Calling all the song birds of our church family



#### THE CHOIR IS BACK! SUNDAY PRACTICE AT 9 a.m.

#### FOLLOW UPCR ON FACEBOOK!

You don't need a personal Facebook account to follow UPCR on Facebook. All you need to do is go to <u>www.facebook.com/upcrandolphny</u> to keep up with the latest posts about what's happening and upcoming events at UPCR. It's an easy way to stay current about important UPCR events. Try it – you might like it! Olean Rotary Club

17th Annual Mum Sale!

Plants are \$15.00 each.

To Place an order call the church office 358-4255 or see Mary Myers.

Colors-:

Red, , white, yellow, purple, bronze,

Sale Ends September 9th

<u>Delivery will be on September 15th</u>

Project supports youth programs in Cattaraugus County.

Thanks for your support

Tony Evans

#### Annual

#### LORD'S ACRE

The harvest is in and now it is time to bring your produce and other items to Lord's Acre on September 22.



The sale goes from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lots of homemade bake goods and of course lots and lots of fresh produce

from local gardens and our own community garden.

Remember to invite your friends to come with you.

See you there, Saturday, September 22.



DICK CHUBON PRESENTS BARRY SHIELDS WITH A SPECIAL BROWN BAG LUNCH AS A THANK YOU FOR HELPING AT ST. SUSAN'S CENTER

#### MILITARY PERSONNEL MEN AND WOMEN

Remember them with a card or note though-out the year.						
Mike Fleischmann:	Major Michael C. & Candy Fleischmann					
	3801 Barbed Wire Drive					
	Killeen, TX 76549-3955					
Aaron Wellman	Major Aaron & Jacki Wellman					
	350 Princeton Circle					
	Belle Chasse, LA 70037					
Nate Booker	Jeffrey Clauson					
Capt. Erin Connor	Erik Connor					
Austin Schaffer	Haden Brooks					

Who are we missing from the list? We need to keep updating addresses for our service personnel. Please call Mary at the office 358-4255 or her home 358-9405 with the information. Thanks

#### NOTE:

If you've not attended church for a while, when you do you're in for a treat! Our new pastor, Molly Golando, is here. We've been enjoying her biblical sermons as she relates them to everyday life with enthusiasm and a sense of humor. Molly is mission-minded, just as our church has always been. At this time she is in the process of learning everyone's name, so come to church and she'll learn your name too!

#### ADL

#### PRAYERCONCERNS

Health: Dick J Alan J Donna C Alice F Eileen N Anita C Gabriel Betty B Howard M BetteAnn P James B cancer Bob S Jan C Bob & Sandy C Jan T Carl B June B Carrie C Judy S Carol S Jason Carol friend of Michelle Katherine Catherine S Keith A Keith G Cindy H cancer Chloe C Karrie B Lisa O Cody H Dan B hospital Logan Dan E Laurel P cancer David R. M Martha B David S Madison Debbie M Mel L Debbie (Jims mom) Noralyn B Derek M leukemia Pat (Jill's stepmom) Dick A Paul H



#### WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 8

The ladies of Grace Episcopal will be the hostesses for the Women's Breakfast this month. It will be on Saturday, September 8 from <u>8:00</u> till 9:00 a.m. Please plan to attend and share the fellowship.



UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF RANDOLPH



# SEPTEMBER 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>2</b> 8:30 Prayer Time 9:00 Choir 10:00 Morning Worship	<b>3</b> LABOR DAY 8:00 pm AA	<b>4</b> PASTOR 9—NOON	5	6	7	<b>8</b> 8:00 am Women's Community Prayer at Grace Epic
<b>9</b> <b>RALLY DAY</b> 8:30 Prayer Time 9 am Choir Adult Class 10:00 Morning Worship Tureen	<b>10</b> 8:00 pm AA	11 PASTOR 9–NOON 7 pm Session	12	13	14	15
16 MISSION SUN 8:30 Prayer Time 9 am Choir Adult Class 10:00 Morning Worship TRAINING & LUNCH	<b>17</b> 8:00 pm AA	<b>18</b> PASTOR 9—NOON	19	20	21	<b>22</b> Lord's Acre 9:00-1:00
23 8:30 Prayer Time 9 am Choir Adult Class 10:00 Morning Worship Junior Church 11:15 Adult Class	<b>24</b> 8:00 pm AA	<b>25</b> PASTOR 9—NOON	26	27	28	29
<b>30</b> 8:30 Prayer Time 9 am Choir Adult Class 10:00 Morning Worship Junior Church 11:15 Adult Class						



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#### September 2018



# CHURCH LEADERS

PASTOR

Rev. Molly T. Golando

# **CORPORATION OFFICERS**

President-Reg Boutwell V. President- Kay Wade Treasurer-Rosie Swan

# CLERK OF SESSION

Mary Myers

MODORATOR Rev. Dr. Bruce Levine

## ELDERS

**CLASS OF 2018** 

Reg Boutwell

Dick Chubon

 CLASS OF 2019
 CLASS OF 2020

 Jim Roberts
 Dan Pihlblad

 Andrew Pihlblad
 Mike Frame

## Rosie Swan DEACONS

**CLASS OF 2019** Connie Lockwood Bettie Alexander

**CLASS OF 2020** James Ashdown Louise Boutwell

## STAFF

MUSIC MINISTRY—Carol Brown, choir director/organist CHURCH SECRETARY—Mary Myers CUSTODIANS—-Susan Ashdown & Jim Ashdown the church phone number is 358-4255 e-mail address is mary@upcrandolph.org WEB PAGE : upcrandolph.org

# **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

To celebrate and continue the work of Christ by ministering to all people, supporting each other as a loving family, and working together in Christian service.

# **VISION STATEMENT**

"To develop, live into, and nurture a new beginning for the United Presbyterian Church of Randolph that enables us to serve our church family and the greater community in whatever ways our resources (time, people, funds) allows us."

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Jan Eccles

Donna Chubon

**Barry Shields** 

**CLASS OF 2018**