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**July 5 - August 30**  
**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,**  
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*Note: Cheri Oakley, our Parish Coordinator, will be working from home on Wednesdays and can be reached by email that day.*

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**UNITED  
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*First Congregational of Norwich, NY*

# From the Pastor

## Rev. James K. Boodley

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### Summer Gardens



(tiger lily)

*“Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

*“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble. (Matthew 6:28b-34)*

Here in central New York, one of the iconic flowers of summer is now in bloom: the tiger lily. Its bright orange flowers seem to be everywhere at once: roadsides, gardens, open fields. Wherever there’s a patch of sunlight, you’ll probably find tiger lilies in bloom. An interesting quality about the plant is each of its flowers last only one day. Each day, a new flower blooms, fades away, then is replaced by another flower the next day. It only seems as if a lily patch is always in bloom because it keeps producing new flowers to replace the flowers that bloomed yesterday. Each flower is unique and as Jesus noted, more splendid than the robes of King Solomon, even if – and perhaps because – its beauty is fleeting. It’s also worth noting Jesus reminds his followers it’s the Gentiles (ie. non-Jews, that is, us), who are constantly worried about what they’ll eat, drink, or wear. He then reminds them God is aware of their needs and will provide for them accordingly. Instead of worrying about today or tomorrow, “seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness.” “Oh, you of little faith.”

In one of my previous sermons, I shared another image of the kingdom of God: the gardens of God. In a sense, each of us is growing our own little garden of God. Likewise, a faith community is growing a community garden, a collective effort to nurture what’s needed to be of benefit to the larger community in which it finds itself. Too often, though, as individuals and as communities of faith, we get distracted by the “busy work” of gardening to the point of forgetting to appreciate what we’re growing. Yes, it’s important to be mindful of the weeds, slugs, and other annoyances that find their way into any garden, but it’s also important to remember *why* we planted the garden in the first place as well as *what* it is we’re growing. It takes just as much effort to nurture a hurt or grudge or ongoing bad relationship as it does to learn from previous experience then focus on a new planting with new leaves and new buds ready to flower. Yes, those slugs were annoying, but get some slug treatment so they don’t come back, then get back to helping your garden thrive.

Here in upstate New York, the growing season is relatively short. The same is true in life. So then, what are you growing in your garden of God this summer? And what are we as a community of faith growing that will be of benefit to the community around us this summer and beyond?

In faith – and in hope,  
J.K.



# Message from the Moderator

Pete Williams

With summer now upon us, I am sure people are thinking about enjoying the warm weather, taking vacations, visiting families, having picnics, playing golf, and enjoying parties. With all these wonderful thoughts and plans for the summer I would also like to remind you that the work of the church does not just stop for the summer. We have taken some important actions to get us from what I call “lost”, to now “under control”. This looks like having a person to regularly perform the worship message on Sunday mornings, adjustments to the by-laws adjusting our leadership structure to better match our active membership, and having a plan for this structure with action committees for addressing the behind the scenes work of keeping the church functioning and meeting the commitments and obligations to our faith community as well as the greater community (our neighbors).

As I look forward to the next couple of months, I see the need to continue on the path of searching for and selecting our next settled pastor. What does that really look like you say? Well, the leadership has been discussing this path forward and with some support from the Association, have decided to accept support from Joanne Ferguson, M.S., C.A.S., Family Counselor and Licensed Lay Minister to help guide us through the process of understanding and acceptance of the resignation of Pastor Jason and to help us realize our opportunities and potential as a small congregation. This work is intended to involve the whole congregation in a session of discussion where people can express concerns and questions needed to reconcile the circumstances of the past 6-12 months. In addition, it is intended to also help us all understand our capability and possibilities as a small congregation who really does want to share the message for God. You will hear more about all of this in the coming weeks.

As moderator, I look forward to these coming weeks/months with both concern and excitement. I do feel that the next 6-12 months in the church have the capability to re-energize our faith community and become a place people want to be a part of and be willing to come to because we offer something that makes them feel good, not just because it is a family tradition or expectation. The concern part of my feelings come from the undemonstrated process of the leadership structure. This structure requires a variety of action committees, linked to the Executive Council, who will be supporting the work behind the scenes. The Executive Council will not be the only folks doing the work but will rely on many other people for support with these tasks. So with that thought, I am requesting we all keep an open mind on how we can be involved with the action committees to do a small part of completing the whole picture. Like I have said in previous communications “many hands make light work”. Currently, we are pulling together a Transition Committee for evaluating our current profile. We have five people identified and are looking for an additional two to fill this committee. Following this work, a Search Committee will need to be established and we are currently asking for anyone interested in getting involved in that process to let me or someone on the leadership team know your interest.

We as a Church are fortunate to have a strong financial foundation which will support the work we choose to do. Unlike other churches who spend much effort in fundraising, we can direct our effort towards the actions and directives to make a difference in people’s lives. There are many challenges within our community, some with no easy fixes. As I think about this I remember the joke about how to eat an elephant,...one bite at a time. We can make a difference. Just like a snowball rolling downhill, it is likely to grow bigger and gain speed. Who knows what it will become.



## Church Treasurer, Janet Johnson, Steps Down

Janet Johnson has resigned her position as Church Treasurer as of June 30, 2024. Janet has faithfully served as treasurer for over six years, since February 2018.

Many heartfelt thanks to Janet - we have been blessed by her expertise and dedication and she will be missed in this role.



## Recognition of Members in Longstanding



Pictured: Pat Burke, Chair of the Deacons, Ed Tucker and Jane Prime.

Since 1998, on the date of the June Annual Meeting, we have honored those who have been members of our congregation for 40, 45, and 50 or more years. On June 23, we recognized the dedication of our long-term members and lift up with gratitude their years of commitment and service as disciples of Jesus Christ. Each one was given a certificate acknowledging the length of their membership, a gift card to Dunkin' Donuts, and a small dish garden. Those that were not in attendance will receive the certificate and the gift card by mail. Well done, good and faithful servants!

Ed Tucker	73 years
David Hall	72 years
Patricia Whitmore	68 years
Jane Prime	64 years
Allan Sawyer	58 years



## New Executive Council Members

At the 210<sup>th</sup> June Annual Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday June 23, 2024 the Executive Council members for the 2024-2025 year were voted on and approved.

### 2024-25 Executive Council (one-year terms)

**Moderator**- Pete Williams (2<sup>nd</sup> term)

**Vice Moderator** – Deb Phelps (1<sup>st</sup> term)

**Immediate Past Moderator** – John Kolb (1<sup>st</sup> term)

**Members at Large**

- Pat Burke (1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Miranda Hunter (1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Norma Kinney (1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Bob Oehme (1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Jane Prime (1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Chris McSweeney (1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Jessica Strough (1<sup>st</sup> term)

**Church Clerk** (3 year term) - Mary Williams (2<sup>nd</sup> year)



**COMMUNITY DINNERS**  
**TAKE OUT ONLY**  
 4:30 - 6:00 P.M.

**SUNDAY, JULY 21<sup>st</sup>**

**MENU:** *chicken spiedies, coleslaw, watergate salad, and cookies*

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>th</sup>**

**MENU:** Baked chicken, watermelon, corn on the cob and brownies.

**LOCATION:** Broad St. Methodist Church, 74 North Broad St. (Next to YMCA)

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME !**

# Pride Sunday June 16, 2024

We had a wonderful service celebrating 24 years of being an Open and Affirming Congregation and fully welcoming and loving our LGBTQ+ sisters and brothers in Christ. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here!



Elspeth and Miranda



Pastor J.K.



Ericka, Kendra, Jacks



Ericka



Pat



Chris and Jessica



Mya



Jacks, Kendra, Ericka



Mya's rainbow socks!

# From the Deacons

Pat Burke, Chair

Temperatures soaring near 100 degrees in June presented many challenges, and it made me look for the good that could come from it. The warm weather made the plants take off and grow in abundance when the rain came down in multiple showers day after day. The garden delivered – flowers galore and strawberries and other tiny plants gave a treat for our vegetable patches.

I give thanks to our Triune God, for all the gifts he has blessed us with, including the ability to adjust our thinking and plans. In June I, like others, learned to think out of the box, which brought us to the point where we know that with God all things are possible.

There has been a stability in attendance and outstanding musical presentations, increase in livestreaming, and the continued ability to respond to needs of those who request help financially and otherwise. We have had prayer requests from outside the church family - from next door to out of state, Mexico and Jamaica, to name a few. We have also been able to serve with financial help to other churches as requested.

Since the last newsletter, the Deacons Fund has been used to:

- Help with a past due electric bill
- Joined with another church and another organization to help pay part of a large past-due account at NYSEG
- Supported the LGBTQ+ booth at the NYS Fair through FAIRNY (see below for details)
- Paid for a gas test to get a home re-connected to gas service after a fire.

## FAIRNY at the NYS Fair

FAIRNY (Fairness Alliance and Information Resource of New York, Inc.) hosts an LGBTQ Booth at the NYS Fair in Syracuse and coordinates community participation in the annual Pride Day at the Fair. The booth provides information and resources on issues ranging from bullying of LGBTQ youth, discrimination facing members of the LGBTQ community in employment, housing and health issues, GENDA, marriage equality and protection of LGBTQ families. The booth is a highly visible space that welcomes the general public as well as members of the LGBTQ community, as we work to promote inclusion and diversity.

Volunteers are also needed to staff the booth, the resource fair, and the new family/youth space on Pride Day as well as setting up and tearing down.

**The 2024 New York State Fair will run from Wednesday August 21 to Monday September 2.**

**Pride Day will be Friday August 23rd.** Other special days at LGBTQ Booth are:

Sunday August 25 - Faith Day

Monday August 26 - Senior Day

Tuesday August 27 - Ally Day

Wednesday August 28 - Health Day

Thursday August 29 - Family Day

Saturday, August 30 - Student Day

Sunday September 1 - Faith Day

Saturday August 31 - TRANS/GNC/NB DAY

More information can be found at their website: <https://fairny.org>

### FREE STATE FAIR ADMISSION TICKETS ON PRIDE DAY

FAIRNY has generously offered free admission tickets to our congregation for **Pride Day at the NYS Fair on August 23**. Pride Day begins with the Progress Flag Raising Ceremony, followed by a resource fair in the Chevy Court Pavilion, special entertainment in the Empire Theater in the Art and Home Center, Pride Day Ceremony and the Daily Parade. In addition the LGBTQ Booth in the Center of Progress Building is open from 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. **Let Cheri in the church office know you want tickets no later than July 18<sup>th</sup>.**



# Children and Family Ministries

Ericka Tyler, Director

Happy summer! Our Sunday School and *Free 2B Me* youth group both finished up on Pride Sunday, June 16. Stay tuned this summer for announcements and updates regarding start dates in the fall!

The tentative start date for our Sunday school curriculum in the fall is 9/15/24. However, there will be a welcome back/end of summer game day on Sunday 9/8/24. We will share ice cream treats and play games in the youth room during our Sunday School time together! Hope to see you there!

Our *Free 2B Me* Youth Group will be holding a summer “reunion” party (tentatively) on Sunday August 4! Watch your inbox and/or text messages for updates and a flyer! Can’t wait to see you all in August!

Looking for more fun this summer? **Norwich Vacation Bible Camp** is sure to be a hit! This year’s theme will be *Seasons in the Sun* and will again be held under the tent behind the Christ Lutheran church **on August 11 through August 14**. The participating churches are Broad Street UMC, Christ Lutheran Church, First Baptist Church (and United Church in Christ). Each evening will begin with a kid-friendly meal followed by music, an object lesson, crafts, games, and more food.

If you are interested in helping, **volunteers are still needed!** All that is required is a desire to be with youth and the completion of the Safe Sanctuary class that will be offered online on Aug 3. There is also a meeting date of July 31, 6:00 p.m. at the Christ Lutheran Church for all the volunteers.

Please contact Ericka for any questions regarding Sunday School or Youth Group! God Bless and have a wonderful summer!!!

## Music Lesson Scholarship Recipients



Pictured are Conant Family members: Meena, Rose, Chad, Jay, Neil, Kyle, and Williams Family members: Teddy, Danny, Maggie, Margaret, Sarah

The UCC Music Lesson Scholarship Program sponsored six piano students during the 2023-2024 school year. Jay, Neil and Kyle Conant studied with Anita Humer. Maggie, Danny and Teddy Williams studied with Jenni Larchar. Each student performed selections from their lesson books at Coffee Hour after church on Sunday June 16, 2024. Congratulations to the students, their families, and their teachers!



Dear UCC:

*Thank you for paying for my piano lessons, because piano is awesome!*

*Love, Neil*

*Thank you for my piano lessons because I love taking lessons from our teacher.*

*Love, Jay*

*I love that I get to play songs on the piano!*

*Love, Kyle*

## The Place Golf Tournament

*The Place* (The Christian Neighborhood Center of Norwich) hosted their second annual golf tournament at Canasawacta Country Club on Wednesday June 19, 2024 (Juneteenth). *The Place* is a fully licensed, community-based youth service organization focused on empowering the children of Chenango County. It is one of the local missions that our church supports.



Pete Williams (Church Moderator) gets ready to tee off hole #9 at the Canasawacta Country Club.



Participants in *The Place* Golf Tournament: Sharon and Doug Wilson, Pete and Mary Williams

## North Guilford Church Update

It has been quite some time without any updates on the North Guilford Church. COVID did a number on the summer services and it seems we have been in a bit of a slumber since. Rest assured the march is on to get the church open and welcome visitors once again.

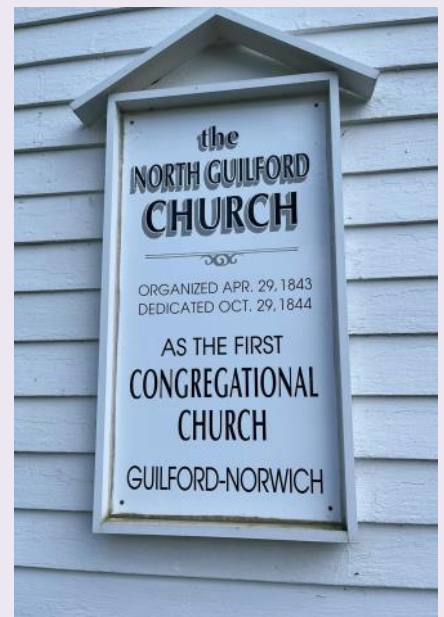


With that said, there is work to be done on the front porch before we can safely get people inside. The interior has weathered well, and just needs a good cleaning.

Generous people thru fundraising and donations, 7 years ago, raised enough money to get the exterior painted and the windows started.

In the near future, the church will begin an aggressive fund raising campaign to redo the front porch and steps. This will be phase 1. Phase two down the road will assess/address the foundation. She has stood tall for 200 years and needs some work.

Please stay tuned for coming updates, and hopefully a gathering at the church towards the end of the summer!





## Congratulations Scholarship Recipients

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the following scholarship awards for the 2024-25 Academic Year.

### Alice and Alex Neill Scholarship

Elspeth Hunter

### Theodore P. Dolgos Scholarship

Shea Breese

Samantha Gage

### UCC Norwich Church Scholarships

Shea Breese

Samantha Gage

Elspeth Hunter

Galen Morehead

Josiah Tyler

## Letters - Emails - Notes

Dear UCC,

We recently received your donation. We are now completing a rehab project at 17 Conkey Ave. in Norwich. Our next project will be a whole house renovation on Railroad Street in the Village of New Berlin. Donations such as yours make these kinds of efforts to help God's people in need possible. Thank you for your generosity.

Robert Davis, Vice-President

Chenango County Habitat for Humanity

Dear Scholarship Committee,

I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude for being awarded a scholarship and I want to convey my sincere thanks for your generous support.

As an adult learner returning to higher education, this scholarship holds tremendous significance for me. It not only provides financial relief but also serves as a powerful affirmation of my academic pursuits and dedication to advancing my education. Balancing studies with other responsibilities can be challenging, but your support alleviates some of these pressures and enables me to focus more on my academic and personal growth.

Once again, thank you for your generosity. I am immensely grateful for the support that this scholarship provides, and I am eager to continue my educational journey with renewed vigor and determination!

Galen Morehead

Dear Friends,

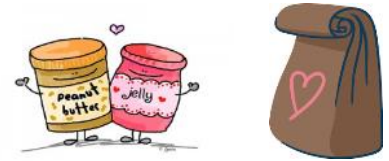
Thank you so much for your generous grant funding for The Center for Racial Justice! These funds will help us continue the work of educating, empowering and connecting both UCCers and their community stakeholders to eliminate racial injustices throughout our Conference. Your generosity will also help us build and expand UCC-NY Project JEDI [Justice, Equity, Diversity Inclusion], "which will seek to engage several hundred church members to work on 3 to 4 grassroots issues in communities around NYS during the first year (2024-25). That means we will be able to seek systemic change on both racial and other vital justice issues (Think warming shelters like are hoped for in Norwich). I will make sure to keep you informed of our work and progress!

Again, thank you so much for making a huge difference in NYS!

Rev. Gary Smith

## Summer PB&J Bag Lunches

The Broad St. United Methodist Church is offering a free Summer PB&J Bag Lunch Program, **starting on Tuesday, July 2, 2024, and continuing every Tuesday throughout July and August, from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm.** This initiative aims to provide nourishing PB&J bag lunches to anyone in need, regardless of age.



This nine-week program relies on the generous support of church members and the community. **Donations of the following items will be needed throughout the summer:** cases of mini water bottles, creamy peanut butter, fruit jelly, cups of applesauce, store-bought cookies, small bags of chips, zip-lock bags for packaging.

Additionally, **volunteers are sought to help prepare and distribute these lunches.** If you're interested in lending a hand, please contact Deb Root at 607-316-2578.

A heartfelt thank you to all donors and volunteers for their incredible support! Your contributions make a meaningful difference.



## The New York Conference, UCC Service Project Announced

This information is taken from an article by Rev. Barbara Toll, Associate Conference Minister, New York Conference, United Church of Christ in the UCCNY *Happenings* email.



Last year's period pack project taught us just how much good we can accomplish when churches work together on one purpose across the conference. After quadrupling our initial goal, it seems it is time for our next project. So this year we are asking churches across the NY Conference to create pollinator gardens.

I am hopeful that this project is a chance for inter-generational mission. It may be a great opportunity to reconnect with the created world while working for Creation Justice. One out of every three bites of food we eat depends on pollinators. Unfortunately, pollinator populations are declining because of habitat loss, pesticides, and climate change. We can provide pollinators with more of the habitat they desperately need by planting pollinator gardens at our churches.

A pollinator garden is a haven for creatures like bees, butterflies, and birds. It is a place where native plants provide food and shelter for these vital pollinators. For us, it can be a place where our children learn about nature, science, and stewardship while working in community on a common mission. It can be a place where we remind ourselves of humankind's first mission as described in our Sacred Story - tending the garden.

The pollinator gardens created by our churches are sure to be as varied as our churches are. Some churches will have the space and people power to create large gardens. Others will have space for a container garden on the steps of the church building. Every little bit helps for struggling pollinators. Every little bit is a faithful act of Creation Justice.

I know this is more involved than last year's period pack project. Gardens are not a one-and-done event. They are an on-going creative endeavor. It would be great to see 20 churches establish new pollinator gardens by our next Annual Meeting in 2025. Since we cannot exactly bring the gardens to Annual Meeting, we are going to need photos to celebrate our work together. Please send photos of the gardens as you are working on them to [pollinator@uccny.org](mailto:pollinator@uccny.org). This is also a great place to share creative ideas related to pollinator gardens that we can share with other churches. I am excited to see what you come up with.

If you need a little help getting started, follow the QR code or visit [fws.gov/story/how-build-pollinator-garden](https://fws.gov/story/how-build-pollinator-garden). It will take you to a U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service website that provides step-by-step instructions for how to build your pollinator garden. Let us use this year to make our world a little greener, a little more vibrant, and a lot more alive!



# Prayer Concerns

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## Let us keep in our prayers the following concerns:

- families, families that may be going through particularly difficult times, families seeking God's guidance;
- those who are moving because of their work, those looking for work, and those looking for meaning in their work.
- those who are ill, who are recovering from illness or surgery, or who anticipate going to the hospital.
- those who grieve over the death of someone they love.
- our church, that it might be faithful to its calling, our pastor, all staff members and committees.
- peace in the world.
- gay, lesbian and bisexual and transgendered persons, and all those who feel isolated and alone.
- the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Gaza



## Celebrations

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1 JoAnn Sprout  
6 Galen Morehead  
11 Lilit Danielyan  
Melodie Posner  
12 Jason Handy  
13 Jeff Johnson  
George Prime  
15 Meena Conant  
Alan Ingraham  
16 Elissa Sawyer  
22 Terri Ingraham



4 Pat Sternberg  
7 Donna Wood Craig  
Allan Sawyer  
26 Chris McSweeney



Alan and Terri Ingraham 07/22/1975  
Michael and Donna Moren 7/23/1994  
Peter and Mary Williams 07/27/2013



Jason Handy and Brad Morrison 8/6/2022  
Tim and Mary Carson 8/20/1988  
Steve and Donna Craig 8/23/1980  
Jessica and Justin Posner 8/25/2007



**Our Daily Bread Food Pantry**  
located in Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
37 West Main St (across from Greater Opportunities)  
**Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10a.m. – 12p.m.**

**Roots & Wings Food Pantry**  
105 Leiliani Way (off of East River Road)  
**Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
(closed 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.)

**Blue Food Cabinet**  
at Broad St. United Methodist Church 75 N Broad St.  
(next to the YMCA)  
**Food items free to anyone in need.**

**Helping Hands Give-away**  
Personal Care Items, Food, Clothing  
At the Norwich YMCA  
**Third Thursday 6:00 p.m.**

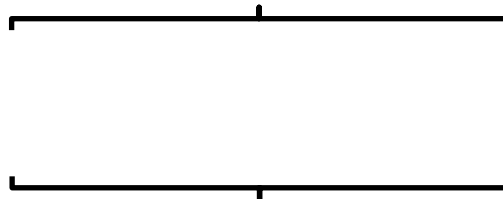
**Diaper Give-away**  
at First Baptist Church West Park Place, Norwich  
**Fourth Saturday - 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Norwich Community Soup Kitchen Dinner**  
St. Bartholomew's Parish Center (81 East Main St.)  
**Every Tuesday - Doors open at 4:00 p.m., Service starts at 5:15 p.m.**

**Free Bag Lunch**  
(July – August)  
At Broad St. United Methodist, 74 N Broad St. (Next to the YMCA)  
**Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Soul Kitchen Free Lunch**  
(June – August)  
located in Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
37 West Main St. (across from Greater Opportunities)  
Hot Dog, Chips and a Bottle of Water  
**Every Wednesday - 11:30 a.m. until they run out.**

**Laundry Love**  
Laundry Assistance  
Byrne Dairy Laundry, East Main St., Norwich  
**Third Wednesday - 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**  
*Sign in prior to loading the washer.*



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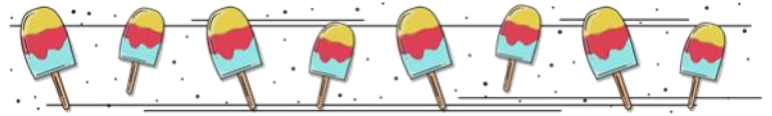
# JULY 2024



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7 9:00am Nursery 10:00am Worship/Communion 11:00am Coffee Hour	8 10:00am Knitting, Kitchen 11:00am S. Van Vorst Rehearsal, Nave 3:00pm Tai Chi, Founders Rm.	9 11:00am Free Bag Lunch, BSUMC 1:00pm Piecemakers Circle, kitchen 4:00pm Soup Kitchen at St. Bart's 5:00pm Pride Alliance Mtg., Founders Rm. 7:00pm Executive Council Mtg., Chapel	10 10:00am Prayer Circle on Zoom 11:00am Free Lunch at Emmanuel Episcopal	11 1:00 p.m. Picemakers Monthly Meeting, Founders Rm., Kitchen	12 	13
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The Muslim Community meets daily at 9:00 p.m. and Friday afternoons for prayer.

# AUGUST 2024



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4 9:00am Nursery 10:00am Worship/ Communion, Nave 11:00am Coffee Hour 12:30pm Youth Group Gathering (tentative)	5 3:00pm Tai Chi, Founders Rm.	6 11:00am Free Bag Lunch, BSUMC 1:00pm Piecemakers Circle, Kitchen 4:00pm Soup Kitchen, St. Bart's	7 10:00am Prayer Circle, Zoom 11:00am Free Lunch at Emmanuel Episcopal	8 1:00pm Piecemakers Monthly Meeting, Founders Rm., Kitchen	9	10
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>Nave Carpet Installation August 5 - 9</b> </div>						
11 9:00am Nursery 10:00am Worship/ Nave 11:00am Coffee Hour	12 3:00pm Tai Chi, Founders Rm.	13 11:00am Free Bag Lunch, BSUMC 1:00pm Piecemakers Circle, Kitchen 4:00pm Soup Kitchen, St. Bart's 5:00pm Pride Alliance Mtg., Founders Rm.	14 10:00am Prayer Circle, Zoom 11:00am Free Lunch at Emmanuel Episcopal	15 6:00pm Helping Hands Give-away at the YMCA	16	17
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>Hallway Carpet Installation August 12 - 13</b> </div>						
18 9:00am Nursery 10:00am Worship/ Nave 11:00am Coffee Hour  	19 10:00am Knitting, Kitchen 3:00pm Tai Chi, Founders Rm.	20 11:00am Free Bag Lunch, BSUMC 1:00pm Piecemakers Circle, Kitchen 4:00pm Soup Kitchen, St. Bart's	21 10:00am Prayer Circle on Zoom 11:00am Free Lunch at Emmanuel Episcopal 4:00pm Laundry Love at Byrne Dairy 6:10pm Democratic Committee, Founders Rm.	22	23 Pride Day at the NYS Fair in Syracuse. Free admission tickets available. See p. 6.	24 9:00am Fourth Saturday Diaper Give-away, First Baptist Church  2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Chenango Pride Fest, Boname Park, Oxford
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>Mayflower Carpet Installation August 19 &amp; 21</b> </div>		<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>Mayflower Carpet Installation August 19 &amp; 21</b> </div>				
25 9:00am Nursery 10:00am Worship/ Nave 11:00am Coffee Hour	26 3:00pm Tai Chi, Founders Rm.	27 11:00am Free Bag Lunch, BSUMC 1:00pm Piecemakers Circle, Kitchen 4:00pm Soup Kitchen, St. Bart's	28 10:00am Prayer Circle, Zoom 11:00am Free Lunch at Emmanuel Episcopal	29	30	31
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>Chapel Carpet Installation August 26 - 27</b> </div>						

The Muslim Community meets daily at 9:00 p.m. and Friday afternoons for prayer.