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Message from our Pastor

I am happy to announce the newest member of our UPC community. Peg Kovach began this week as our congregation's Administrative Assistant. Peg is a native of Tonawanda, NY, a graduate of Kenmore West high school, and a life-long member of Kenmore United Church of Christ.

Peg worked for 14 years as the Parish Administrator for Church of the Advent, an Episcopal congregation in Kenmore. Most recently, she worked as the Administrative Coordinator for 12 years at Parent Network, an organization serving all 8 counties in WNY in assisting parents and professionals who work with children with disabilities.

She has three adult children: Jennifer who teaches math and science at a regional charter school, Jessica who works at Southeast Works here in Western New York, and Jeffery who serves as a pastor in New Jersey. She is also the grandmother to 7 grandchildren, ranging in ages from 5 to 18.

In her spare time, Peg likes to basket weave, knit, and counted cross-stitch.

I hope you will find a time to stop by or call to welcome Peg to our congregation.

Shalom,

Tracy

Worship Column ~

October 7, 2018—20th Sunday after Pentecost 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Proper 22 Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Ps. 26; Heb. 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-6

October 14, 2018 – 21st Sunday after Pentecost 28th Sunday in Ordinary/Time/Proper 23 Job 23:1-9; 16-17; Ps. 22:1-15; Heb. 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

October 21, 2018—22nd Sunday after Pentecost 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Proper 24 Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Ps. 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Heb. 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

October 28, 2018—23rd Sunday after Pentecost 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Proper 25 Job 42:1-6; 10-17; Ps. 34:1-8 (19-22); Heb 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52



Happy Birthday to our members and young adults celebrating an October birthday. Please join members and friends in the Holzwarth Room for cake on October 14th at 12:00 pm.

Pat Cookfair Casseri

Bill Yockey

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October 2	Tuesday	12-4 pm	Food Pantry is open
October 4	Thursday	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
October 5	Friday	5:30 pm	Taize'
October 6	Saturday	11:30 am	Geri Grisante Memorial Service
October 7	Sunday	9:00 am	World Communion Day—Peace & Global Witness Offering Worship Service with Communion
		10:00 am	Education Hour
		11:00 am	Worship Service with Communion
		12:15 pm	Bible Study with Gladys Gifford
October 9	Tuesday	12:00 pm	Food Pantry is open
October 11	Thursday	12:00 pm	Food Pantry is open
		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
October 14	Sunday		(28th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
		9:00 am	Worship Service with Communion
		10:00 am	Education Hour
		11:00 am	Worship Service with Communion
		12:00 pm	Coffee Hour—October Birthday Celebration
		12:15 pm	Bible Study with Gladys Gifford
October 16	Tuesday	12:00 pm	Food Pantry is open
October 17	Wednesday	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
October 18	Thursday	12:00 pm	Food Pantry is open
October 21	Sunday		(29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
		9:00 am	Worship Service with Communion
		10:00 am	Education Hour
		11:00 am	Worship Service with Communion
		12:00 pm	Coffee Hour
		12:15 pm	Bible Study with Gladys Gifford
October 23	Tuesday	12:00 pm	Food Pantry is open
October 25	Thursday	12:00 pm	Food Pantry is open

October 2017 Calendar Continued ...

October 28 Sunday (30th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

9:00 am Worship Service with Communion-Deacons Soup & Pie

10:00 am Education Hour

11:00 am Worship Service with Communion- Deacons Soup & Pie

12:00 pm Coffee Hour

12:15 pm Bible Study with Gladys Gifford

October 29 Tuesday 12:00 pm Food Pantry is open



October/November Bible Study Begins...

Surely we all know that God is with us, every moment of every day. And we are familiar with stories of the Bible when God speaks to a person and says: "I am with you." What more could be said?

Yes, much more can be said and experienced through studying these stories thoroughly to see how God, the promise-maker does keep God's promises! It is God's faithfulness that keeps us in God's care, not our own efforts.

Amy Poling Sutherlun has written nine lessons: stories of Isaac and Jacob, Moses and Gideon, Joshua and Haggai and Solomon and Jehoshaphat. Plus Israel in exile and on to Immanuel and the Comforter.

The lessons take us into the scripture both as reflections on the context for each story and as meditations, guided by contemplation of the companion art.

Yes, we can rely on God's promise to be with us. Can God rely on us to trust God?

Join with UPC students and friends, as we sample these lessons in four sessions: October 14 and 21, November 4 and 18. Led by Gladys Gifford, we will meet in the choir room upstairs after church, 12:15-12:45 pm.

Soup & Pie!

Please mark October 28th, the Sunday before Halloween, on your calendar for the Deacons Soup & Pie Fundraiser. As in the past, we have tried to pick a Sunday when the Bills aren't playing ... this year the Bills are playing the dreaded Patriots on Monday night. You can have soup & pie with us on Sunday and take a soup home for the game Monday night!

This year the event will be in the gym because of the construction in the auditorium. You will still be able to get soup & pie for \$5. 100% of the proceeds benefit the Deacons Fund, so please come to our combination tailgate & trick or treat event after the 11 a.m. service. Take-outs will be available after the 1st service.

Adult Education Class

The Adult Education Class meets at 10 am in the gym. All adults, students, and youth are welcome to attend this class.

Upcoming classes:

October 7: No class due to the Columbus Day holiday

October 14 and 21: "Meet John Calvin" Presbyterians are among the branch of Christianity that grew out of the teachings of this famous reformer. Tracy will lead an exploration of what Calvin taught and how it has shaped our reformed understanding of the faith.

November 4, 11, 18: "Hope for the Future" Conversations about the "End Times," usually scare us. Can we find anything hope-filled in concepts like Judgment Day, Armageddon, The Second Coming, the apocalypse, or even our own individual deaths? Yes, there is hope and plenty of good news. Come find out as we dispel the myths, the misunderstandings, and the distortions that have dominated such topics and instead discover the good news God has for humanity's future.

Family Promise Fundraiser:

Family Promise of WNY's 4th annual Choctoberfest fundraiser Saturday, October 20th from 6:00-9:00pm

Resurgence Brewing Company

1250 Niagara Street, Buffalo.

Early bird tickets are \$25 or \$30 at the door.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at:

https://fpwny.org/ choctoberfest-tickets

Family Promise is an organization helping homeless children and their families find stability. UPC supports this organization with volunteers and financial donations.

A Festival of Faiths

The Network of Religious Communities invites you to learn about your neighbor's religious tradition. Presentations include Baha'i, Buddhism, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim, Sikh and more. Choose two. Join us on Sunday October 28 at 4:00 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 6339 Hamm Road, Lockport.

For information call 716-882-4793 ext 201, email nrc@religiousnet.net, or see Marietta Bratton.

Youth Group Events:

Sunday, October 7: Apple Picking at Becker Farms, meet at North Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m.

October 12-14: Duffield Fall Youth Conference

Sunday, October 28: Youth Group night at Kenmore Presbyterian Church 4-6 p.m.

Sunday, November 11: Lock-in at North Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.—8 a.m.

Let Mack know if you plan to attend any of these events.

University Students and Friends:

Consider joining us for the following events:

Sunday, October 7 12 noon—12:30 p.m.
Bible Study with Gladys Gifford, at UPC

Saturday, October 20, 1 p.m.

Movie and discussion at the Rev. Tracy Daub's home

Sunday, October 28, 12:15 p.m.

complementary soup and pie luncheon at UPC

Saturday, November 3, 7 –9 p.m.

Games and snacks at the Rev. Tracy Daub's home



Too many of us lead hectic lives.

Our communities are filled with violence and suffering.

Our personal pain and struggles can overwhelm us.

How do we respond? How can we cope?

University Presbyterian Church welcomes Christians from all traditions to unite in a special contemplative worship experience as we seek spiritual strength for the living of our days. Based on the style of worship practiced in the Taizé Christian community in France, these services offered on the First Friday of each month provide an oasis at the end of the week for all who are weary, troubled, or rushed. Special music from guest musicians, meditative songs, prayers, candles, and scripture readings allow each of us to find a quiet place of prayer and spiritual centering.

Please join us on Friday, October 5th from 5:30 to 6:00 PM.

A Taizé Service of Prayer, Music, and Meditation www.upcbuffalo.org

(The Taize' Service in November is scheduled for Friday, November 2, 2018)