

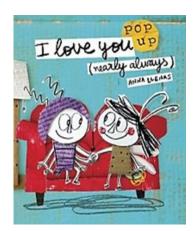
Pastor's Page



Dear Church Family,

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

Last week in church for children's time, I read a book called, "I love you (almost always) by Anna Llenas. It was a story about two friends: Ralph and Rita. They knew that they were different, and that is why they liked one another. Then one day, Rita and Ralph had some differences. They began to annoy each other, and suddenly their friendship looked doomed. Rita and Ralph began to compromise and soften their attitudes. They stayed friends and were able to...well, I don't want to give the whole story away, but you get the point.



Compromise, love, friendship, and fellowship are essential in life as they are in a Church. When we work together for a common goal, we can affect the most change in our communities. Think for a moment about all that has been accomplished. The opening of our Mission Central Campus and the opening of the C&B 2.0 store are two major milestones. It took hard work, compromise, love, and the fellowship of the saints to pull this off. It is a miracle in the making.

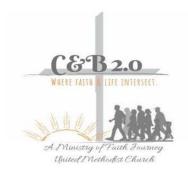
This week beginning on March 4th at 4:30, we engage the community with sewing classes led by Chad Dollar. We are filled to capacity! This is exciting stuff! On March 18th at the Mission Central Campus (7778 Brewerton Rd, Cicero, NY), we will be hosting the Office of Substance Abuse and Addiction Services in an Opioid Overdose Prevention Seminar. Come get trained and get free Narcan. You never know the life you may save, maybe a friend or family member. The training begins at 6:30 so please plan to attend!

If you have any questions about these programs or would like to get involved as a volunteer, please call 315-652-9186, or you can e-mail the church office at fjoffice@fjumc.org.

Thank you for being a part of the Faith Journey miracle. You are the BEST! And I am proud to serve as your pastor. I pray that God would pour out God's blessing on you this day, now and forever. Go with God and be blessed.

In Christ, Rev. Daniel I Gudlig

Rev. Daniel J. Bradley



Cradle & Beyond 2.0 7778 Brewerton Road

Location:

7778 Brewerton Rd.
Cicero, NY 13039
(Across from the Coppertop

and next to Dunkin Donuts)

Store hours:

Tuesday 4 pm - 7 pm Wednesday 10 am - 4 pm Thursday 10 am - 4 pm Saturday 10 am - 2 pm

Donation Drop-off days/times:

Donations are accepted Tuesdays from 9 am - 11 am And anytime the store is open!

Beginning this week we will be offering Upcycled T-shirt bags for only \$.25! Customers for C&B are encouraged to bring their own reusable bag or purchased one of these for \$.25. (what a steal!!)

This will be one of our projects for the sewing classes that are also beginning this week and meeting every Wednesday at 4:30, please email **fjoffice@fjumc.org** or call **315-652-9186** if you'd like to reserve a spot.













www.Facebook.com/Cradle&Beyond

Our C&B Facebook page is running a contest, if we can get 500 likes by April 1st, one lucky winner will be selected to have a 500 second shopping spree in our store! We need only about 100 more likes. So, tell your family and tell your friends and if you haven't "liked" us yet, please do so you don't miss out on an opportunity to be selected for this great shopping spree!!







The United Methodist Committee on Relief, or UMCOR, is the humanitarian relief and development agency of the United Methodist Church operating under the guidance of the General Board of Global Ministries.

UMCOR's staff works globally to alleviate suffering and advance hope and healing.

March:

March 4th - Sewing Workshop begins, 4:30-5:30pm

March 4th - SSHP meeting, 12:30 pm @ Gino & Joe's at 4160 State Rt. 31 Clay, NY 13041

March 5th - Trustees Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Clay

March 8th - Daylight Savings time, Spring forward 1 hour

March 8th - Worship Planning, 6:30 pm @ Clay

March 10th - Drum Circle, 6pm @ Clay

March 12th - Mary Circle, 1pm @ Clay

March 17th - St. Patrick's Day

March 18th - Opioid Overdose Training Class, 6:30 pm @ Mission Central, 7778 Brewerton Rd. Cicero, NY 13039

March 19th - First day of Spring

March 22nd - UMCOR Sunday

March 26th - Pastor Daniel Bradley's Birthday



Do you want to sing or play an instrument?

We are welcoming anyone interested in singing or playing an instrument to join the

worship team during 9:30 service. Practice is every Sunday morning at 9:00am in the sanctuary. Please contact Jake Melnyk at roadoutofhere@gmail.com for information.

MARY CIRCLE

Mary Circle is returning on Thursday, March 12th at 1 pm at Clay



Fill a 4 gallon bucket for just \$5

Blowout Bucket Sale

Wednesday, April 1st from 10 am - 7 pm &

Thursday, April 2nd from 10 am - 4 pm

C&B 2.0 7778 Brewerton Rd. Cicero, NY 13039



Forty Days - Forty Items

Wednesday, February 26th was the first day of Lent. I have a challenge for you! Each day of Lent, remove one item from your closet that you no longer wear or need and put it into a trash bag.

At the end of the forty days, donate these items to a place that can share them with someone who can really use them!



The **Southern Sudan Health Projects** is trying to collect enough over the counter medications to send 2 suitcases full on the next trip.

They are collecting donations of iron supplements, multi-vitamins, anti-diarrheal and Tylenol/Ibuprofen medications. Donations can be left at the church.

Thank you for your support!



SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH - MARCH - "FLOURISH AGAIN"

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful."

- John 15:1-2





March - Happy Spring!!

March is my favorite month of the year, not only is it my birth-day month, but the weather will slowly be getting nicer! Say goodbye to the snow, shovels and bitter cold and hello to fresh air, active wildlife and blooming flowers! Don't forget to move your clocks forward 1 hour on March 8th for Daylight Savings Time! While reading up on the season of Spring, I found some interesting and fun facts to share with you, listed below is some of my favorite facts about the season of Spring!

Interesting & Fun Facts about Spring

- ♦ The first day of spring can fall on March 19th, 20th or 21st, this year the first day falls on March 19th in the Northern Hemisphere.
- ◆ The first day of spring in the Southern Hemisphere (from August until November) is the first day of fall for the Northern Hemisphere
- ◆ The Earth's axis is tilted toward the sun during spring, which results in longer daylight hours and brings warmer weather.
- ◆ The first person to propose daylight savings time was Benjamin Franklin in 1784, but it wasn't actually implemented until the end of the Second World War.

- ◆ According to a study done by Facebook, early spring is the time when most couple's break-up.
- ♦ Children grow faster during spring months more than any other time of the year.
- ◆ Spring used to be called "Lent" in Old English.
- ◆ According to the National Association of Realtors, spring is the most popular season to buy and sell a house.
- ◆ Multiple Sclerosis relapses are more likely to occur during spring and are least common in the fall.

- ◆ The early Egyptians built the Great Sphinx so that it points directly toward the rising sun on the spring equinox.
- ◆ According to Greek Mythology, the return of spring coincides with the return of Persephone, the daughter of Demeter, who is the goddess of plants and fertility.
- ◆ Every year on the first day of spring in Poland, people gather to burn an effigy and throw it into the river to bid winter farewell.
- ♦ Honeybees swarming in the spring are very docile and the friendliest they will ever be all year all.

MARCH 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
*COMMUNION		7:30 PM - Prayer & Holy communion in sanctuary.	SSHP meeting, 12:30 pm @ Gino & Joe's - 4160 Rt. 31 Clay, NY 13041 C&B 2.0 Sewing Work- shop, 4:30-5:30pm @ 7778 Brewerton Rd.	Trustees Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Clay 9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building	World Day of Prayer 7PM -Gambler's Anonymous @ Clay	9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building
Daylight Savings Time, set clock forward 1 hr. Worship planning, 6:30 pm @ Clay	9	Drum Circle - 6 pm @ Clay 7:30PM - Prayer & Holy communion in sanctuary.	11 Sewing Workshop - 4:30-5:30 pm @ C&B 2.0, 7778 Brewerton Rd. Cicero, NY 13039	12 Mary Circle - 1 pm @ Clay 9AM-12PM - Workday @ New Building	13 7PM - Gambler's Anonymous @ Clay Campus	14 9AM - 12 PM - Workday New Building
15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 7:30PM - Prayer & Holy communion in sanctuary.	28 Sewing Workshop, 4:30-5:30pm @ 7778 Brewerton Rd. Opioid Overdose Training, 6:30 pm - 8pm@ 7778 Brewer- ton Rd.	19 First Day of Spring 9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building	PM - Gambler's Anonymous @ Clay	9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building
22 UMCOR SUNDAY	23	7:30PM - Prayer & Holy communion in sanctuary	25 Sewing Workshop - 4:30-5:30 pm @ C&B 2.0, 7778 Brewerton Rd. Cicero, NY 13039	26 Pastor Bradley's Birthday 9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building	27 7PM - Gambler's Anonymous @ Clay Campus	28 9AM - 12PM - Workday © New Building
29	30	7:30PM - Prayer & Holy communion in sanctuary				

Services Schedule

9:30 AM - Contemporary Worship @ Clay

Sunday School/Christian Ed for children held during 9:30 am worship

11AM & 12:30 PM - Traditional Worship @ Clay

MARCH SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

MARCH

Scripture Writing Plan



Each of the scriptures below takes ten minutes or less to copy out. Commit to spending ten minutes each day listening to God's voice and Connect with the word!

Day 1 - Joel 2:12-14

Day 2 - Joshua 1:5-9

Day 3 - James 1:2-8

Day 4 - James 1:9-12

Day 5 - James 1:13-18

Day 6 - Ephesians 2:4-10

Day 7 - Ephesians 4:22-28

Day 8 - Ephesians 4:29-32

Day 9 - Romans 15:1-6

Day 10 - Psalm 91:1-4

Day 11 - Psalm 91:5-8

Day 12 - Psalm 91:9-13

Day 13 - Psalm 91:14-16

Day 14 - Galatians 5:13-15

Day 15 - Galatians 6:1-6

Day 16 - Galatians 6:7-10

Day 17 - Psalm 62:1-5

Day 18 - Psalm 62:6-10

Day 19 - Psalm 20:1-5

Day 20 - Psalm 61:1-5

Day 21 - Isaiah 43:1-7

Day 22 - Hebrews 6:13-16

Day 23 - Hebrews 6:17-20

Day 24 - Matthew 5:13-16

Day 25 - 1 Thessalonians 5:12-15

Day 26 - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-22

Day 27 - 1 Thessalonians 5:23-28

Day 28 - Matthew 21:21-22

Day 29 - James 3:13-15

Day 30 - James 3:16-18

Day 31 - Choose your own verse

What are Scripture
Writing Plans?

Scripture Writing plans are something you can do every day and it will help you in your journey with God. Get your bible out and write out the scripture for that day. It is a proven fact that when you write something down is resonates more fully than just reading it. So, write it out and speak those words into reality, this will also help with memorization of the word of God and your daily walk with Him.

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.

- Psalm 119:18





Do you have any recipes to share? I would love to feature your recipes in the monthly newsletter! Leave a recipe on my desk, in the offering plate or email the office at fjoffice@fjumc.org



<u>Chili Cornbread</u> Salad

COOKBOOK D

Recipe From: Taste of Home

INGREDIENTS

- 1 package (8-1/2 ounces) cornbread/muffin mix
- 1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chiles, undrained
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/8 teaspoon dried oregano
- Pinch rubbed sage
- 1 cup of mayonnaise
- 1 cup of sour cream
- 1 envelope ranch salad dressing mix
- 2 cans (15 ounces each) pinto beans, rinsed and drained
- 2 cans (15-1/4 ounces each)
 whole kernel corn, drained
- 3 medium tomatoes, chopped
- 1 cup chopped green pepper
- 1 cup chopped green onions
- 10 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled
- 2 cups of shredded cheddar cheese

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Prepare cornbread batter according to package directions. Stir in chiles, cumin, oregano and sage.
- 2. Spread in a greased 8-in. square baking pan.
- 3. Bake at 400 degrees until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 20-25 minutes. Let cool.
- 4. In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, sour cream and dressing mix; set aside.
- 5. Crumble half of the cornbread into a 13x9 in. dish.
- 6. Layer with half of the beans, mayonnaise mixture, corn, tomatoes, green pepper, onions, bacon and cheese.
- 7. Repeat layers (dish will be very full).
- 8. Cover and refrigerate for 2 hours.

Prep Time: 20 min. + chilling

Bake Time: 20 min + cooling

Total Time: 40 minutes

Serving: 15 servings



BIBLE TRIVIA

Opening Windows

- 1. Who died after falling out of a window during Paul's sermon?
- 2. What prophet ordered a king to shoot arrows out of a window?
- **3.** What king looked out of his window and saw Isaac and Rebekah wooing?
- **4.** What wicked queen was thrown out of a window by her servants?
- **5.** Who knelt towards Jerusalem and prayed looking out of his eastern window in Babylon?
- **6.** Who let birds fly out of his ship's window?
- **7.** Who let spies escape through a window by using a rope?
- **8.** Who looked out her window and was ashamed to see her husband dancing in the street?
- **9.** In what city did Paul escape a plot by going through a window in the city wall?
- **10.** According to Malachi, what windows would be opened for people who tithed?
- **11.** Whose wife helped him escape from Saul by letting him down through a window?
- ⇒ Answers are located on the bottom of Page 10

Faith Journey UMC Podcast:

Intersections of Life & Faith
Featuring Pastor Daniel Bradley
&
Brian Doolittle

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Unable to attend Sunday Service?

Good News!

Sunday Service Sermons are now available for listening as well!



Have you ever lost something while attending Sunday Service?

Come in during office hours and check out our box of lost & found items, maybe you will be reunited with an old pair of glasses, gloves, backpack or other miscellaneous items!



Are **YOU** prepared to respond to an opioid overdose?



Training Description:

Naloxone has been fundamental in the efforts to decrease rates of fatal overdoses. This training teaches first responders, likely opioid overdose witnesses and community members to understand, recognize, respond to and reverse suspected opioid overdoses using naloxone. Participants will learn ways to obtain free or low-cost naloxone for personal use. This training is modeled after the evidence-based SAMHSA Opioid Overdose Prevention Toolkit.

Who Should Attend:

This interactive training is tailored for first responders or other likely witnesses to an opioid overdose.

Why Attend:

- to become part of the solution to solving the opioid issue in the community
 - to learn how to save a life during an overdose situation
- to receive education on crucial information related to opioids and the surrounding community

Wednesday, March 18, 2020

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Mission Central / C&B 2.0

7778 Brewerton Rd. Cicero, NY 13039

For more information and to register today, please contact:

Sara at Faith Journey UMC - (315) 652-9186

<u>Bible Trivia Answers</u>: 1. Jacob and Esau, 2. Joab, 3. Hosea, 4. David, 5. David, 6. Samuel, 7. Isaac (who kissed Jacob instead of Esau) 8. Jethro (his father-in-law) 9. Joseph, 10. Naomi, 11. Absalom, 12. Jonathan, 13. Aaron, 14. Joseph



For the month of March, we will be collecting Diapers and wipes for families in need.



Seek

We seek God's presence in our lives, to help others in their relationship with God, and to strive to see God's work through all people.

Serve

We serve God through missions, encourage everyone on their spiritual journey, and follow the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Share

We create opportunities for all to share their gifts and talents, and demonstrate openness, acceptance, and hospitality.

God With Others

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