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The Stepping Stone AUGUST 2020













SERVICE STARTS AT 10:00 AM

Arrive by 9:45 am, parking attendants will direct you to a parking spot.

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FAITH JOURNEY UMC 8396 MORGAN RD. CLAY, NY 13041

















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!

C&B 2.0 & Mission Central Campus Update

A lot of blessings have happened since we opened our doors on November 8, 2019. We have been blessed in so many ways; it is hard to count them all. The biggest blessing we have had is YOU! Without your faith-filled support of time, talents, and financial resources, we wouldn't be here. WE ARE GRATEFUL! Thank you! When we reopened the doors of the Mission Central Campus and the C&B 2.0 store in June, we were unsure of what would happen. All of our volunteers have come back to work; we have even gained a few new volunteers. The store is safe, clean, and prepared to receive customers. All of our volunteers are compliant with the new procedures given the COVID-19 pandemic. They arrive to work ready for a new day. They ensure safety and create a positive shopping and working experience for all. We have made new relationships in the community and have had record-breaking daily and weekly sales since the store reopened.

WE ARE ON THE MOVE!

The 'house' side has been through a massive renovation this month as well. If you have driven by, you'll notice the front porch is being rebuilt. This upgrades the appearance of the building incredibly. We are still in the midst of summer, but there is hope that we can be ready to 'open' Mission Central (house-side) close to the time when we celebrate one year of C&B 2.0 in November 2020. This will be a space where we build faith-based relations with the community and share in ministries of FJUMC.

For this to be accomplished, we certainly need your continued support. The following is a list of projects and their (soft) costs to bring to completion. Your financial assistance would be welcomed at this time as we are undertaking this project with limited funding.

The total to complete the renovation is \$5720.

Indoor:

Bathroom: \$450.

Kitchenette: \$200. (our 'thrifty shoppers' were able to purchase a countertop and backsplash; cabinets are being re-

purposed by our talented crew)

Plumbing / Hot Water Heater: \$1200 (\$830 satisfied by a Bequest and work is being done already)

Insulation: \$950 (satisfied by chicken BBQ funds)

Sheetrock ceiling, finish sheetrock, prime and paint (walls and ceiling): \$1100

Baseboard, Window / Door Trim: \$250.

Flooring: \$1200

Outdoor:

Porch: \$500 (to finish - work is being done on it already)

Siding: \$1000.

Back Deck, stairs and ADA ramp / railings: \$650

HVAC (heating & cooling system) not included in this estimate

This building has been built on faith and miracles. We can do this! We are almost there! Let's do this together in faith for the Glory of God. This is where 'faith and life intersect.' God Bless, and thank you again for your faith, hope, and love.

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What's Happening



August:

August 2nd - Communion

August 7th - Drive-in Movie Night, arrive by 8:15pm @ FJUMC

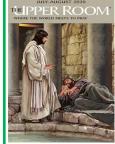
August 8th - Chicken BBQ Drive-Thru, 11am -till sold out @ FJUMC

August 14th - Drive-in Movie Night, Arrive by 8:15 pm @ FJUMC,

August 17th - Ministries Council Meeting, 6:30 pm @ FJUMC

August 21st - Drive-in Movie Night, Arrive by 8:15 pm @ FJUMC

August 28th - Drive-in Movie Night, Arrive by 8:15 pm @ FJUMC



NEW UPPER ROOM AVAILABLE!

If you are interested in the new July/August edition, they can be delivered to your car at Sunday Drive-in Worship Service or you can pick one up at church on Fridays from 9 am to 12 pm

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 info.

MARY CIRCLE

Mary Circle will resume meeting on September 10th @ 1:00 pm

Also, we want to send a special thank you to all the members of Mary Circle for donating \$500 to the church. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!



SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH - AUGUST - "AN ACT OF COMPASSION"

"In humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."
- Philippians 2:3-4





AUGUST

The heatwaves in July were intense, I'm hoping August is a little less humid! I hope you all are enjoying your summer and have been able to make the best of it! I know plans and trips have probably been cancelled but we still count our blessings and there's always next year! A lot of plans have been put on hold for now, but I'm grateful everyday to be here and so beyond blessed to be a part of the FJUMC family. As hard as 2020 has been so far, I wouldn't have gotten through this tough time without the support, friendship and love shown to me by all of you, I'm forever thankful for your grace and kindness. Please stay safe and healthy throughout the rest of summer as we navigate what's next moving forward.



One thing my husband and I always do during the summer months and can still enjoy now while maintaining social distance is pack a lunch or stop and pick up some local food near a beautiful park to enjoy a picnic date. Here is a list of 15 scenic spots to picnic with family, friends or your special someone!

15 Scenic Picnic Places in Upstate NY

- Falls View Park (Cohoes, Albany County)
- Chittenango Falls State Park (Cazenovia, Madison County)
- Clark Reservation State Park (Jamesville, Onondaga County)
- Green Lakes State Park (Fayetteville, Onondaga County)
- Pratts Falls Park (Manlius, Onondaga County)
- Oneida Shores Park (Brewerton, Onondaga County)
- Buttermilk Falls State Park (Ithaca, Tompkins County)
- Durand Eastman Park (Rochester, Monroe County)
- Letchworth State Park (Castile, Wyoming County)
- ◆ OK Slip Falls (Indian Lake, Hamilton County)
- Mendon Ponds Park (Honeoye Falls, Monroe County)
- Clermont State Historic Site (Germantown, Columbia County)
- Fingerlakes National Forest (Hector, Schuyler County)
- Watkins Glen State Park (Watkins Glen, Schuyler County)
- Niagara Falls State Park (Niagara Falls, Niagara County)

BIBLE TRIVIA

The Biblical Greenhouse Pt. II

- 1. What kind of tree did the weary Elijah sit under?
- **2.** What is the only book of the Bible to mention the apple tree?
- 3. What kind of tree did Zacchaeus climb in order to see Jesus?
- **4.** What miraculous event was the eating of bitter herbs supposed to commemorate?
- **5.** What grain did not suffer from the plague of hail in Egypt because it had not grown enough?
- **6.** What kind of tree does Psalms compare a wicked man to?
- **7.** What kind of trees did the exiled Jews hang their harps upon?
- **8.** What kind of flowers were supposed to be carved into the sacred lampstands?
- 9. What plant was used to purify lepers?
- 10. What two herbs does Jesus say the Pharisees would tithe?
- **11.** What tree's fruit was symbolically represented on the clothing of Israel's high priest?
- **12.** What flower were the capitals on the temple columns shaped like?
- ⇒ Answers are located on the bottom of **Page 9**

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&

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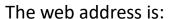
Unable to attend Sunday Service?

Good News!

Sunday Service Sermons are available to!

vimeo

To make the gospel more accessible, we have launched a Vimeo channel. Vimeo is a video sharing service on the internet, it will have all of our worship videos, sermons and music that appears each week on Facebook in one place and you will be able to access whenever you want. Please share this resource with family and friends. It is our desire to put the word of God into the hands of as many as possible.



https://www.vimeo.com/channels/fjumc



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AUGUST SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

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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 - Deuteronomy 31:6,8

Day 2 - 2 Samuel 10:12

Day 3 - 1 Chronicles 17:25

Day 4 - 2 Chronicles 15:7

Day 5 - Ezra 7:27-28

Day 6 - Psalm 27:1-3

Day 7 - Psalm 27:14

Day 8 - Psalm 56:3-4

Day 9 - Psalm 62:6-8

Day 10 - Psalm 118:6

Day 11 - Proverbs 14:26

Day 12 - Proverbs 18:11

Day 13 - Proverbs 28:1

Day 14 - Isaiah 35:4

Day 15 - Isaiah 40:26

Day 16 - Isaiah 40:29

Day 17 - Isaiah 41:13

Day 18 - Matthew 10:28

Day 19 - Mark 5:36

Day 20 - Acts 4:29-31

Day 21 - 1 Corinthians 16:13

Day 22 - 2 Corinthians 10:1-2

Day 23 - Ephesians 3:8-13

Day 24 - Ephesians 6:10

Day 25 - Philippians 1:20

Day 26 - Colossians 1:11

Day 27 - 2 Timothy 1:7

Day 28 - Hebrews 13:6

Day 29 - James 5:8

Day 30 - 1 Peter 3:5-6

Day 31 - Revelation 2:10

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





Now testing blood donations for COVID-19 antibodies



Community Blood Drives

St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church – Gym – Sponsor Code - STM 3493 State Route 31 - Baldwinsville

Tues 8/4 – 1pm - 7pm --- Wed 8/5 – 8am - 2pm ---- Fri 8/7 – 1pm – 6pm Tues 8/11 – 1pm – 7pm --- Wed 8/12 – 8am – 2pm Wed 8/19 – 1pm -7pm --- Fri 8/21 – 1pm – 7pm Wed 8/26 - 1pm - 7pm

> Vineyard Church - Sponsor Code - Vineyard 8262 Brewerton Road - Cicero Thurs 8/6 – 1pm -6pm

St Francis of Assisi Church – Parish Center - Sponsor Code – St Francis 7820 Bridgeport Minoa Rd - Bridgeport Fri 8/7 – 2pm -7pm

> **Drivers Village – Center Court – Sponsor Code – DV** 5885 E. Circle Drive - Cicero Wed 8/19 - 1pm - 6pm

Syracuse Hancock International Airport – John Walsh Conference Room – **Sponsor Code - DeltaSYR** 1000 Col Eileen Collins Blvd – Syracuse – Parking in Garage is validated Wed 8/19 - 10am - 4pm

> St Margaret's Church - School Gym - Sponsor Code - STM 201 Roxboro Rd - Mattydale Thurs 8/20 – 11am – 4pm

All presenting donors will receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card* by email. *rcblood.org/together For an appointment, please visit www.redcrossblood.org and use listed Sponsor Code Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

In addition to the donor giveaways listed above, all donors in August will also be automatically be entered to win a custom State of Decay 2: Juggernaut Edition-themed Xbox One X console, thanks to Undead Labs!



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



Peach Crescent Dumplings

Recipe From: Pillsbury



INGREDIENTS

- 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/3 cup plus 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 1/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 6 tablespoons butter
- 16 frozen peach slices, thawed (from 10oz bag)
- 1 can (8 oz) Pillsbury refrigerated crescent rolls
- Vanilla ice cream, if desired

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Heat oven to 350F. Spray 8-inch square (2-quart) baking dish with cooking spray.
- 2. In a small bowl, mix 1/2 teaspoon of the cinnamon, 1/3 cup of the granulated sugar and the brown sugar until well mixed. Cut 4 tablespoons of the butter into small pieces and add to bowl; cut into mixture, using pastry blender or fork, until mixture is crumbly.
- 3. Separate crescent dough into 8 triangles. Place 2 peaches on widest end of each triangle. Spoon about 1/2 teaspoon sugar mixture onto each peach slice. Roll crescent to opposite point; arrange in baking dish. Sprinkle any remaining sugar mixture in dish around crescents.
- 4. In a small microwavable bowl, heat remaining 2 tablespoons butter uncovered on High 20 to 30 seconds or until melted. Brush tops of crescents with melted butter. In small bowl, mix remaining 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon and remaining 1 tablespoon granulated sugar. Sprinkle on top of crescents.
- 5. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until deep golden brown and baked through. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream.

Prep Time: 20 mins. Total Time: 60 mins. Servings: 8







<u>Bible Trivia Answers</u>: 1. A broom tree, 2. Song of Solomon, 3. A sycamore, 4. The Passover, 5. Rye, 6. A green bay tree, 7. Willows, 8. Almond blossoms, 9. Hyssop, 10. Mint and rue, 11. The pomegranates, 12. Lilies

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30	31	Online Worship Service:				
Drive-in Worship Service, 10 am		Live-Streaming Available Every Sunday at 10am on Facebook www.facebook.com/faithjourneyumcclaynorthsyracuse Sermons also available on:				

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For the month of August,

This school year will be different for many kids, some will be learning virtually, while others will be doing a hybrid model and teachers have been working harder than ever, let's show support for our local schools and food pantries by providing them with the supplies they need to adjust to the new year ahead.

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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.



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



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



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