

Pastor's Page



"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven. 6:38 Give, and it will be given to you: A good measure pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be poured into your lap. For the measure you use will be the measure you receive." Luke 6:37-38

October 29, 2020

Dear Friends.

It is in Jesus's name that I greet you this evening. I trust that you have been blessed this week by the power of God and the ministry of the Holy Spirit. I pray God blesses you always as you live a holy life and set apart for God's purposes. Grace & Peace be with you.

In the flash of a lightning bolt, October has disappeared. The day has given way tonight, the leaves are falling, and the frost of the fall air is at our back. Time goes by too quickly these days. I remember my daughter taking her first steps; it seems like yesterday. Today before my eyes is a mature thirteen-year-old whose wisdom grows more resonant with each passing moment. I am proud of the woman that my daughter is becoming. It gives Kiah's mom and me great pleasure to know we are raising a young woman who loves the Lord and wants to be in service to her church and community. This summer, Kiah spent at the Cradle & Beyond Store as a volunteer and helped serve at the Chicken BBQ's and the Roast Beef Dinner. She loves working with the other volunteers and does it with a smile on her face. I hope that she will be confirmed Christ in the Spring of 2021.

Our children are reflections of us. They show us our strengths and weaknesses. They bring us our tears and joys. They lead us in paths of righteousness when we have lost our way. God gives us children that we may look at the world with awe and wonder. Children bring out the best in each of us. We are forever to be in their debt. I recall my childhood playing in the sandbox with the neighborhood kids. We had shovels, pails, tractors, trucks, and bulldozers. We played for hours, and inevitably someone would always get their feelings hurt because they didn't have a turn with a specific toy. Mrs. Dolan would come out of the house and comfort the child and encourage us to take turns. We would hug one another, forgive one another, and we would play in the sandbox of life.

Giving and forgiving go hand in hand. You can't have one without the other. We are to give of ourselves to God, but also forgive one another when we are harmed. We are not to hold grudges or commit malice acts against another human being. We are called to this sacred time as a time of giving life and extending mercy. What good does it do to hold a grudge? What good does it do to have hate in your heart for your fellow brother or sister in Christ? It burdens you! It keeps you back from God's blessing. When you harbor anger, bitterness, pain, and suffering, you hurt and destroy your spirit. Forgiving is a tough thing to do when the wounds are deep and traumatic. Forgiving is a process of working through the pain that the other person caused you.

We are to live in an attitude of forgiveness so that we might receive forgiveness for our sins from God. When we give life with our words, actions, and deeds, we glorify God. When we don't, we bring sin and shame. We have a choice to make. We can choose to live fully under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, or we can become sin's slave. It's your choice. This time is your moment to make the most of your relationship with God.

"Give, and it will be given to you: A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be poured into your lap. For the measure you use will be the measure you receive."

This fall, we started over. We re-entered our sanctuary, and we have averaged 47 in-person worshipers each week. Our Facebook Live video continues to gain viewers. We average about 150 views a week. We also have our worship videos on our own vimeo.com site. The web address is www.vimeo.com/channels/fjumc. Check us out! All of our worship from March and on is accessible.

- November 17 7:00 pm Charge Conference only Members of the Ministries Council are to be present. Next year we will be holding a Church Conference in which the whole of our members will be welcome.
- On November 24 at 7:00 pm, we will have a Thanksgiving Worship service. I encourage you to attend with your family and friends. We
 will break bread and celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. There is no better way to start Thanksgiving week than in praise to
 almighty God. Come and be blessed.

I hope that you and your family will be blessed this month and that you will continue to serve God faithfully as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Go forth in the knowledge and grace of God at this moment to love and serve God.

In Christ.

Rev. Daniel J. Bradley

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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!

For October we are so blessed to share that we had record weekly sales in addition to our Bucket Blowout Bonanza in which we sold 112 buckets = 448 gallons of merchandise!! Our volunteers are the best:) Please let one of the C&B committee members: Beth Jordan, Judy Bylsma, Cathy Bryant, Stefanie Osburn, Kathy Snyder or Mike Jordan if you're interested in becoming a volunteer and being part of such an amazing ministry for FJUMC.

The siding installation is progressing well!











Faith Journey's Thanksgiving Bag Challenge:

In each bag, we are asking the congregation to put items for families in need this holiday season, so they too can have a Thanksgiving meal with their family.

Please Fill a Bag with the Following Items: (at least enough for a family of four)

- Boxed Potatoes
 - Stuffing Mix
- Canned Vegetables
 - Canned Fruit
 - Dessert Mix
 - Juice
- Donation for Meat (\$10 placed in envelope)

Please return the bags by **Sunday, November 15th** so they can be given to families in our community before Thanksgiving Day.

Thank You!!

Drop off location/times:



Faith Journey UMC 8396 Morgan Rd. Clay, NY 13041 MON - FRI, 8am-12pm

November:

November 1st - All Saints Day, Daylight saving time ends

November 3rd - Election Day

November 4th - SPRC meeting, 9am @ FJUMC

November 11th - Veterans Day November 1st-15th - Red Bird Mission

Shoebox donations, drop off at FJUMC(M-F, 8am-12pm)

November 1st-15th - Thanksgiving Bags, drop off at FJUMC (M-F, 8am-12pm) November 17th - Charge conference,

FJUMC @ 7pm

November 24th - Thanksgiving Worship

Service, FJUMC @ 7pm

November 26th- Thanksgiving Day



Betty Donvito wanted to extend her appreciation for all of the cards, packages and gifts she has received. She is very grateful for all of

the thoughts and prayers sent her way.

We are praying for a speedy recovery for Betty and Ethel! Get well soon!



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 <u>roadoutofhere@gmail.com</u> for info.

MARY CIRCLE

Mary Circle is on hiatus due to COVID-19.

November

SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH - NOVEMBER - "ALWAYS GRATEFUL"

"One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him."

- Luke 17:15-16



November- Happy Thanksgiving!

I blink and another month has come and gone, I don't know how this year keeps flying by! I know the holiday season won't be the same as years past, but I hope we find alternative ways to safely celebrate with family and friends. My husband and I are planning on doing a Thanksgiving dinner just the two of us. Even if the holidays are different this year, we can always find ways to make it memorable and special nonetheless. My hope is that everybody will follow the recommendations so we can get closer to a solution without more unnecessary loss of life. I remain hopeful that a vaccine will provide some relief and allow us to move forward, but in the meantime, stay safe and continue to use precaution measures to protect yourself and your family.



Lights on the Lake

Starts on Monday, November 16, 2020 until Sunday, January 10, 2021 Open seven days a week from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m.

This year, tickets are available for purchase online in advance only. A limited amount of tickets are available for each day, visit www.lightsonthelake.com to reserve a date and time.

Note changes: There will be NO walk-throughs for people or dogs, drive-through only*

BIBLE TRIVIA

Spreading a Feast

- 1. What king had a feast where a mysterious hand wrote on the wall?
- 2. Who threw a royal feast where his wife disobeyed him?
- **3.** Who spread a meal for some angels at the oaks of Mamre?
- **4.** Who gave a wedding feast and then pulled a trick on his son-in-law?
- **5.** Whose children were killed while attending a feast?
- **6.** Who told a bizarre riddle at his wedding feast?
- 7. What Pharisee had a feast that Jesus attended?
- 8. In Revelation, what holy figure has a wedding feast?
- 9. Where did Jesus have a post-Resurrection fish dinner with seven of his disciples?
- **10.** What dweller in Sodom had a meal prepared for angelic visitors?
- **11.** What Egyptian official had a feast prepared for his kinsmen from back home?
- **12.** What ruler threw a lavish feast where his wife's daughter danced?
- 13. At the last feast mentioned in the Bible, what is to be the gruesome food?
- 14. In what village did Jesus have his first dinner after his Resurrection?
- **15.** What child was given a feast on the day he was weaned?
- ⇒ Answers are located on the bottom of **Page 9**

Faith Journey UMC Podcast:

Intersections of Life & Faith Featuring Pastor Daniel Bradley

Brian Doolittle

Three Ways to Listen:



www.facebook.com/ faithjourneyumcclaynorthsyracuse



www.faithjourneyumc.libsyn.com/



Search "faithjourneyumc" or Pastor Daniel Bradley

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.



The web address is:

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



NOVEMBER SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

NOVEMBER

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 - Psalm 100:1-5

Day 2 - Psalm 107:1-3

Day 3 - Psalm 118:1-4

Day 4 - Psalm 136:1-3

Day 5 - Psalm 136:23-26

Day 6 - 2 Corinthians 2:14-17

Day 7 - 2 Corinthians 9:10-15

Day 8 - Philippians 4:10-12

Day 9 - Colossians 3:14-17

Day 10 - Hebrews 13:15-17

Day 11 - I Thessalonians 5:15-

18

Day 12 - 2 Samuel 22:47-50

Day 13 - | Chronicles 16:7-10

Day 14 - I Chronicles 16:34-36

Day 15 - Psalm 18:46-49

Day 16 - Psalm 30:11-12

Day 17 - Psalm 92:1-4

Day 18 - Luke 22:19-22

Day 19 - I Corinthians 15:56-58

Day 20 - Revelation 11:16-17

Day 21 - Daniel 2:20-23

Day 22 - I Corinthians 1:2-5

Day 23 - I Thessalonians 2:12-13

Day 24 - Philippians 1:2-5

Day 25 - Philemon 1:4-6

Day 26 - Psalm 69:29-33

Day 27 - Isaiah 51:3-4

Day 28 - Jonah 2:7-10

Day 29 - Colossians 4:2-6

Day 30 - Psalm 116:16-19

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





Community Blood Drives

St Augustine's Church – Sponsor Code - STM

7333 O'Brien Road-Baldwinsville

Thurs 11/5 – 1pm – 6pm – Presenting Donor receive a \$5 Amazon Gift Card via email!

Wed 11/11 – 1pm - 6pm

Thurs 11/12 – 1pm – 6pm

Thurs 11/19 - 10am - 4pm

Tues 11/24 – 11am – 4pm

Drivers Village - Center Court - Sponsor Code - DV

5885 E. Circle Drive - Cicero

Thurs 11/5 – 1pm -6pm – Presenting Donor receive a \$5 Amazon Gift Card via email!

Tues 11/24 – 1pm – 6pm

North Syracuse Community Center – Sponsor Code – N. Syracuse

700 South Bay Rd – N. Syracuse

Tues 11/10 - 12pm - 5pm

Tues 11/17 - 12pm - 5pm

Cross of Christ Church - Sponsor Code - Cross

8131 Soule Rd – Liverpool

Sat 11/14 – 8am – 1pm

American Legion Post 787 – Sponsor Code – Cicero Legion

5575 Legionare Drive – Cicero

Mon 11/23 – 1:30pm – 6:30pm

North Area YMCA - Sponsor Code -

4775 Wetzel Rd – Liverpool

Wed 11/25 – 8am -1pm – Presenting Donors receive a Red Cross long-sleeved T-Shirt!

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org and use the listed Sponsor Code

Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)



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



French Onion Pizza

Recipe From: Mary Ellen Pasternak



INGREDIENTS

- ◆ 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 3 medium sweet onions, thinly sliced
- ◆ 1 teaspoon salt
- ◆ 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- ◆ 1/4 cup beef broth
- 2 tablespoons sherry
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 4 fresh thyme sprigs
- 1 (16-ounce) refrigerated pizza dough
- 1 (7-ounce) package sliced Swiss cheese
- 2 cups shredded Gruyere cheese
- 1 grated Parmesan cheese

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees.
- **2.** In a large skillet, heat olive oil and butter over medium-high heat. Stir in onions, salt, pepper and sugar. Cook until onions are caramelized, about 20-25 minutes.
- **3.** Add in beef broth, sherry, Worcestershire sauce and thyme sprigs and cook for 5 minutes or until liquid is evaporated. Remove from heat and set aside.
- **4.** Stretch prepared pizza dough into a round (about 12 inches in diameter) place onto a lightly greased pizza pan. Place slices of Swiss cheese on the dough, leaving 1-inch border for the crust. Distribute the caramelized onion mixture evenly over the cheese slices. Sprinkle with grated Gruyere and Parmesan and bake for 20 minutes.
- **5.** Remove from oven and sprinkle with chopped parsley and thyme sprigs, if desired.
- **6.** Cool 5-10 minutes before slicing and serving.

Prep Time: 45 mins.

Total Time: 1 hr. 5 mins.

Yield: Serves 4







It is that time of year to think about the shoebox mission for the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. I realize that things are tough for a lot of churches, but the Red Bird Mission is still in need of shoeboxes filled with personal hygiene supplies, **new** backpacks filled with school supplies, and **new** sheets, blankets, towels and washcloths. They also are in need of diapers, wipes, and cleaning supplies.

Items needed for the adult shoe boxes (please mark for a man or woman) include a comb/brush, shampoo, hand lotion, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, Chapstick, full-size bar of bath soap, washcloth, disposable razors, shaving cream, nail care supplies, mittens, scarf, hat, socks, and work gloves.

A suggested donation of \$1 is requested per shoebox to help with shipping costs. This monetary donation should not be placed inside the box, rather it should be placed in an envelope and taped to the box.

We are also collecting **gently used** clothing that is packed in cardboard boxes and labeled with Ladies, Men's, Boys, and Girls Clothing. (We are also asking people to label the shoeboxes with Adult Male, Adult Female, Boys and Girls, as this helps in getting them to the proper area once we unload at the Red Bird Mission.)

The team is also looking for **monetary donations** to help cover the cost of the trip to Kentucky. Please **Do Not** put money in the shoeboxes. Checks can be made payable to **Endwell UMC** to be deposited in a dedicated line for this mission. The cost of the truck rentals has gone up this year.

Last year we filled two 26-foot trucks with items for the Red Bird Mission. We appreciate all your support in the past and hope you will consider helping again this year by donating shoeboxes and other items listed above, and by making a monetary donation to support this mission trip. This is such a blessing for the people in Kentucky.

Please bring in adult shoeboxes to the church by **Sunday 11/15** that includes: a comb or brush, shampoo, hand lotion, deodorant, a toothbrush and toothpaste, chap stick, a full size bar of soap, a washcloth, disposable razors, shaving cream, nail care supplies, socks, a pair of work gloves or mittens, and a winter hat or scarf.

MONDAY - FRIDAY / 8am - 12pm Faith Journey UMC - 8396 Morgan Rd. Clay, NY 13041

<u>Bible Trivia Answers</u>: 1. Belshazzar, 2. Ahasuerus, 3. Abraham, 4. Laban, 5. Job's, 6. Samson, 7. Simon, 8. The Lamb, 9. By Lake Tiberias, 10. Lot, 11. Joseph, 12. Herod, 13. The flesh of people and horses, 14. Emmaus, 15. Isaac

NOVEMBER 2020

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 All Saints Day *Daylight Saving Time Ends	2	3 Election Day	4 SPRC meeting, 9 am @ FJUMC	5	6	7
Time Ends			9:00 AM - Prayer & Holy	9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building	7PM - Gambler's Anony- mous @ Clay Campus	9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building.
8	9	10	11 Veterans Day	12	13	14
			9:00 AM - Prayer & Holy	9AM-12PM - Workday @ New Build- ing	7PM - Gambler's Anony- mous @ Clay Campus	9AM - 12 PM - Workday @ New Building
Last day to collect Thanksgiving bags and Red Bird shoebox mission	16	17 Charge conference, 7 pm @ FJUMC	9:00 AM - Prayer & Holy communion in sanctuary.	9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building	20 7PM - Gambler's Anonymous @ Clay	9AM - 12PM - Workday ® New Building
22	23	24 Thanksgiving Worship Service, 7pm @ FJUMC	9:00 AM - Prayer & Holy communion in sanctuary.	26 Thanksgiving Day 9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building	27 7PM - Gambler's Anonymous @ Clay Campus	28 9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building
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	In-Person and Online Worship Service: Join us in-person or watch us live every Sunday at 10 am on Facebook www.facebook.com/faithjourneyumcclaynorthsyracuse Sermons also available on: Faithjourneyumc.libsyn.com or https://www.vimeo.com/channels/fjumc					



For the month of **NOVEMBER** we will be collecting Thanksgiving Bags.



Each bag has a list of items to be purchased, lists are located on the table in the lobby or on **page 10** of this newsletter. Bring filled bags, including \$10 in envelope for turkeys back to church by Sunday **11/15**. Thank you for helping out this holiday season.



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 mission, 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.



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