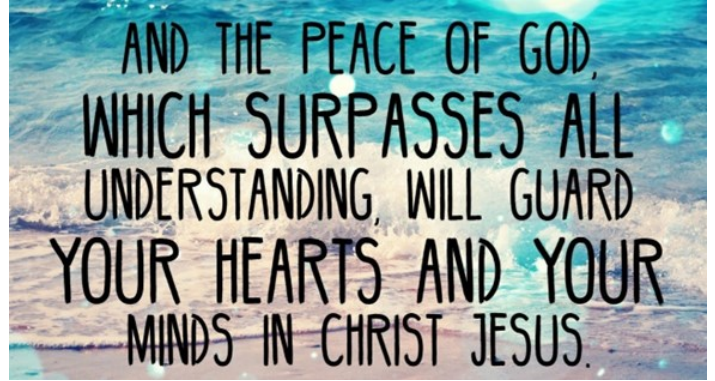




Pastor's
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This summer has been a time of rest and peace. It has been a time of learning and growing. One of the things that I have been learning is just to “be still.” It is not as easy as it sounds. It takes time and intentionality. Since my strokes I have been forced to make many changes that I have previously avoided. My diet has had to change. My level of activity had to increase, and I needed to let go of all that I fear to lose.



When I think of the disciples that were sent out to do the work that Jesus gave them, they were instructed to take nothing but the clothes on their back. They weren't to take food or money. They were to fully rely on God and the generosity of others.

This summer I have had to rely on God and the generosity and faith of this congregation. You have helped carry me in so many ways and for that I am grateful.

As I look towards the end of summer and the coming of Fall am excited for what lies ahead. It is an unknown time, but I know God will never let us walk alone. We are all in this together and I believe we will continue to see the glory of God.

Seven years ago, God called me to be your pastor, and this has truly been a faith journey. I am honored to continue to walk with you as you have walked with me. This partnership is beautiful, and I can see the hand of God at work in the life of this church. In scripture 365 times it says, “fear not.” That's what brings the peace that passes all understanding.

The future has not been written but rest assured that God has already paved the road. We just need to keep “seeking, sharing, God with others,”

I love you all, thank you for loving me.

In Christ,

Rev. Daniel J. Bradley

What's Happening

AUGUST:

August 1st-10th—Summer Merchandise Sale @ C&B, 50% off all summer wear

August 10th— Chicken BBQ Drive-Thru, 11am @ FJUMC

August 17th— Pancake Breakfast, 9am @ FJUMC

August 18th—Local Author Showcase at Clay Historical Association, 1-3pm

August 24th-31st- 'Labor-of-a-day' Bucket sale @ C&B

September 6th—Syracuse Mets Baseball Game, 6:35PM



Chicken BBQ



CHICKEN BBQ DRIVE-THRU

THE SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

We begin selling at 11:00 AM till sold out!

August 10, 2024

September 14, 2024

\$7.00—1/2 Chicken and roll

\$11.00—1/2 Chicken, salt potatoes, baked beans and roll

Faith Journey United Methodist Church
8396 Morgan Rd. Clay, NY 13041



The sales this month are:

Thursday 8/1 - Saturday 8/10: **50% off all summer-wear** (shorts, capris, sleeveless tops / tank tops, bathing suits, summer dresses and sandals).



Fall and back to school clothing will be replacing summer-wear when we reopen on Tuesday 8/13, so come grab last minute summer outfits and accessories before it's gone!

Saturday 8/24 - Saturday 8/31 will be a '**Labor-of-a-day' Bucket Sale** to help thin out the merchandise.

Cradle & Beyond 2.0
7778 Brewerton Rd.
Syracuse, NY 13212

Pancake Breakfast



Join us for a delicious Pancake Breakfast at Faith Journey UMC on the 3rd Saturday of every month.

The next date is:

Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 9:00 am



Cradle & Beyond 2.0

7778 Brewerton Road

Store hours:

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

Contact Information:

Phone: (315) 980-8004
 Email: Cradleandbeyond2@gmail.com
 7778 Brewerton Rd. Syracuse, NY 13212



It's August!!

Hope you're having a great summer making memories and doing fun things. In July, we celebrated our customers with complimentary crafts and hotdog lunches - having so much fun!



August is one of my favorite times of the year - especially at Cradle and Beyond! Last year we gave-a-way 105 backpacks and school supplies and hope to do even more this year. Starting Thursday 8/1, every student (pre-k through graduate school) will receive a backpack when they come into the store (one backpack per person and students must be present).



UPDATE: we are still waiting for our architect to come through with the plans - therefore everything is still 'on hold'. We have been in contact with him many times but, as with so many professions, there is more work than there are workers to do the work. Because of the uncertainty of the pricing of things we are being good stewards of our funds and holding off on unnecessary spending. Please know that everything that you do is appreciated - C&B is so blessed to have each and everyone of you as a member of our family and we will recognize / celebrate all that YOU do as soon as we can.



SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH - AUGUST - "JUMPING THE HURDLES"

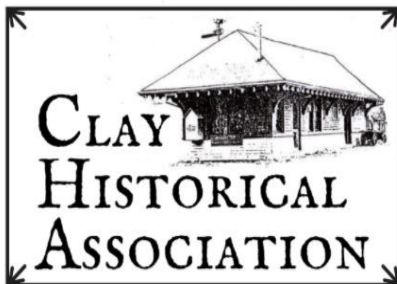
"Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize." - 1 Corinthians 9:24



AUGUST

It's the last month of Summer 2024! I hope you are able to make the most of it and enjoy local activities, events, or some take trips while the beautiful weather is still here.

I have some important news to share with you all. In September, my mom, Kate, is having hip replacement surgery and I will be assisting with the recovery for a few weeks. I will still continue to work, but my days and hours will vary and be less consistent until she is healed. It should be just a few weeks before I return to normal office hours and attendance. I appreciate your understanding and patience during this time while I help my mom recover and heal from major surgery.



Check out this wonderful event showcasing local authors!

Local Author Showcase

Clay Historical Association is hosting a "Meet the Authors" at our next open house Sunday, August 18th from 1-3 pm @ the Clay Historical Park, 4939 State Route 31, Clay. There will be 25 local authors there with a wide variety of books available for purchase.

FYI: we do not benefit from this financially at all. It is just another opportunity to have people come to see our park.

BRANSON MISSOURI BUS TRIP

September 30th—October 6, 2024

Trip includes transportation and lodging, with six breakfasts, minimum of four shows, Branson Bell show boat lunch cruise, driver gratuity, and much more!

Cost is \$1500 per double person
 \$1947.00 single person
 \$300 deposit needed ASAP



The trip is sponsored by Cicero United Methodist Church Caring Support Group. For more information, contact Mary Alice Scheel at (315) 699-7181

Don't miss out on this fantastic trip!

BIBLE TRIVIA

Across the Biblical Spectrum Pt. 2

1. What book speaks of an industrious wife who wears clothes of fine purple linen?
2. What prophet saw a drought end when the sky grew black?
3. What book mentions people who had worn purple pawing through the garbage of Jerusalem?
4. What servant of a prophet had his skin turned white as snow?
5. What color were the fabrics used inside Solomon's temple?
6. Which of Jesus' parables mentions a rich man dressed in purple robes?
7. What insect invasion made the Egyptian ground black?
8. Who prayed that the day he was born would be covered with blackness?
9. Who had a vision of horsemen with breastplates that were yellow like sulfur?
10. How many times does the Bible mention brown?
11. What book mentions an immoral woman covering her bed with colored sheets from Egypt?
12. What prophet saw a multicolored eagle carrying off the top of a cedar tree?
13. What disease was considered to be healed if healthy black hair was growing on the skin?
14. What creature eliminated every green thing from the land of Egypt?
15. In Revelation, what did the rider on the red horse bring to the earth?
16. What kind of pastures are mentioned in Psalm 23?
17. According to Proverbs, what kind of person thrives like a green leaf?
18. What prophet says that God is like a green tree giving shelter to those who trust him?
19. In Revelation, what caused the green grass on earth to be burned up?
20. What color do the armies of heaven, in Revelations, wear?
21. What color cord was the harlot Rahab supposed to tie to her window so the Israelites would recognize her home?
22. In Revelation, what did the rider on the black horse bring to the earth?
23. What book mentions a woman with lips like scarlet ribbon?
24. What color was the horse in Revelation that carried a rider with a pair of scales in his hands?
25. According to Job, what animal searches for green things to eat in the mountains?

⇒ *Answers are located on the bottom of Page 9*

Syracuse Baseball Game

Syracuse Mets VS. Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders

**Friday, September 6, 2024 at
6:35 PM**

Join us for our annual 'A Night at the Ballpark' alongside University United Methodist Church. We have patio seating similar to last year. Please sign-up for tickets at Faith Journey or email fjoffice@fjumc.org to reserve your tickets. Sign-up sheet is located in the lobby/café area. Make checks payable to Daniel Bradley or give payment directly to Pastor Bradley. Payment for tickets must be made by 8/20/24.

**Tickets: Adults \$50, Kids \$25
Children 2 & under are FREE
(meal & drinks are included in
ticket price)**



**NBT Bank Stadium
1 Tex Simone Dr.
Syracuse, NY 13208**



ON FARM FEST

**Saturday, September 21, 2024
at 10AM**

On Saturday, Sept. 21st, 12-Syracuse-area farms will open for free, family-friendly tours! Meet farm animals, from cows to horses- even alpacas! Enjoy live music, activities for kids, demos and interactive exhibits, giveaways and food/drinks available for purchase!

Visit any of the farms you'd like in any order! Visit **www.onfarmfest.com** to plan your day and get directions.

AUGUST SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN



Finding Your Purpose

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 - Philippians 2:12-13

Day 2 - Romans 8:28

Day 3 - Psalm 37:4

Day 4 - 2 Timothy 1:9

Day 5 - Proverbs 3:5-6

Day 6 - Romans 12:1-12

Day 7 - Jeremiah 1:4-5

Day 8 - Matthew 6:33

Day 9 - Hebrews 11:8-9

Day 10 - Psalm 32:8

Day 11 - Luke 16:10

Day 12 - Acts 9:6

Day 13 - Isaiah 43:7

Day 14 - Acts 1:8

Day 15 - Isaiah 6:8

Day 16 - Proverbs 16:9

Day 17 - Proverbs 11:14

Day 18 - Hebrews 10:24-25

Day 19 - Jeremiah 29:11

Day 20 - Proverbs 16:3

Day 21 - Ephesians 2:10

Day 22 - Exodus 9:16

Day 23 - Esther 4:14

Day 24 - Romans 12:3-8

Day 25 - 1 Corin. 12:4-11

Day 26 - 1 Peter 4:10-11

Day 27 - Ephesians 4:11-12

Day 28 - Genesis 50:20

Day 29 - 2 Samuel 22:29-31

Day 30 - James 1:5

Day 31 - Your Choice

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.





RecipeCorner

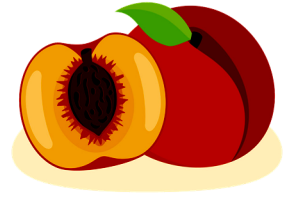


Fresh Peach Cake

"This cake is delicious, light and fluffy! It's similar to a more moist and lighter version of a coffee cake but with peaches! Done in around 45 minutes, it's the perfect dish to make at home or bring to a gathering!"

Recipe by: Ina Garten

<https://www.foodnetwork.com/fresh-peach-cake>



AUGUST IS
NATIONAL
PEACH
MONTH

INGREDIENTS

- 1/4 pound (1 stick) unsalted butter, *at room temperature*
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 2 extra-large eggs, *at room temperature*
- 1 cup sour cream, *at room temperature*
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 3 large ripe peaches (for 8x8 pan) or 6 large ripe peaches (for 9x13 pan), *peeled, pitted and sliced*
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 8x8 inch pan or 9x13 inch pan.
2. In the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, beat the butter and 1 cup of the sugar for 3 to 5 minutes on medium-high speed, until light and fluffy.
3. With the mixer on low, add the eggs, one at a time, then the sour cream and vanilla, and mix until the batter is smooth.
4. In a separate bowl, sift together the flour, baking soda, baking powder and salt. With the mixer on low, slowly add the dry ingredients to the batter and mix until combined.
5. In a small bowl, combine the remaining 1/2 cup sugar and the cinnamon.
6. Spread half of the batter evenly in the pan. Top with half of the peaches, then sprinkle with two-thirds of sugar mixture. Spread the remaining batter on top, arrange the remaining peaches on top and sprinkle with the remaining sugar mixture and the pecans.
7. Bake the cake for 45 to 55 minutes, until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Prep Time: 20 mins.

Cook Time: 55 mins.

Total Time: 1 hr. 15 mins

Yields: 8-16 servings

RECIPE



Guatemalan Event July 2024

Through its official networks, the Guatemalan Foreign Ministry reported:

"In the first half of 2024, Minex has strengthened access to consular services, providing 631,682 documentation services and 427,516 consular assistance to Guatemalans abroad."

FJUMC assisted up to 750 Guatemalan immigrants in gaining access to identification cards and passports and with some, beginning the process of becoming legal citizens.

We need to recognize our FJUMC family members who assisted in hosting the multiple day, abundantly successful event, we couldn't have done this without you: Mike Jordan, Beth Jordan, Minnie Jordan, Linda Raulli, Steve Pierce, Bill Clement, Cindi Clement, Chelsea Foley, Beth Schnipp, Mary Jo Porter, Diane Foraker, Ann Reed, Duane Simmons, Dan Williams, Sara Mertz and anyone else who stopped in or provided prayers of support. This event took months of planning and hours of being at the church the week before and of the event.

We have received rave reviews on how organized the event planners were and how nice and respectful those present on the church property were.

If you get a chance, we encourage you to reach out to one or more of the volunteers to ask about the impression that was made on them - they have great stories to share :) We would love to have the opportunity to do this again!



Bible Trivia Answers: 1. Proverbs, 2. Elijah, 3. Lamentations, 4. Gehazi—Elisha's servant, 5. Blue, red, and purple, 6. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus, 7. Locusts, 8. Job, 9. John, 10. Once (the color of a horse), 11. Proverbs, 12. Ezekiel, 13. Leprosy, 14. The locusts, 15. War, 16. Green pastures, 17. A righteous person, 18. Hosea, 19. Hail, fire and blood poured on the earth, 20. White, 21. Scarlet, 22. Famine, 23. Song of Solomon, 24. Black, 25. Wild donkeys



AUGUST 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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18 Local Author Showcase @ Clay Historical Association, 1-3pm	19 PSC Group, 10-2	20	21 9:30 AM - Prayer & Holy communion in Pastor's Office	22 9AM - 12PM - Workday @ New Building	23 PSC Group, 1:30-4	24 'Labor-of-a-day' Bucket Sale @ C&B, 10am-2pm
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For the month of **AUGUST**, we will be collecting **Back-to-School Supplies** for *Roxboro Middle School*.



Items Include:

- ◆ Pencils, pens, crayons, markers
 - ◆ Erasers, scissors, glue
 - ◆ Folders, binders
- ◆ Notebooks, loose leaf paper
 - ◆ Rulers, calculators
 - ◆ Backpacks

Seek

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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.

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.

God With Others

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Clay NY 13041

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