



The View From The Park

A Newsletter of Faith & Community

June 2007

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Sundays In June

• **Worship Begins At 10:00 a.m.** •

• **June 3rd** •

9 a.m. - Adult Study Class

Trinity Sunday

Communion

Deacon's & Food Offering



• **June 10th** •

• **June 17th** •

Father's Day

8:15 a.m. - Fathers & Families Breakfast

Name Tag Sunday

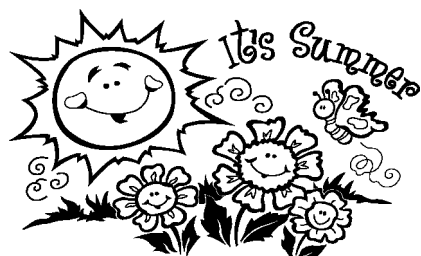
Make & Take Sunday

No Coffee Hour

• **June 24th** •

9 a.m. - Adult Study Class

Rev. Mike On Vacation



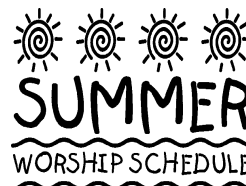
Fathers & Families Breakfast

The WILD (Wondrous In Love & Devotion) Women are hosting a **Father's Day Breakfast** on **Sunday, June 18th at 8:15 a.m.** in Fellowship Hall. **Fathers, their families, and all others are invited.** Plan **NOW** to join the fun 'n fellowship. Be sure to sign up on the sheet on the table in the foyer.

A smorgasbord of **egg dishes, meats, fruit, bagels, and muffins** will be offered for your enjoyment. Sign up to attend and ladies - sign up to donate food!

Summer Worship

During June, our worship service will be held at its usual time of 10 a.m. In July and August, we will move worship to 9 a.m. to give you more time in your garden, on the beach or just to relax on the porch on those lazy summer days. **Please note this on your calendars!**



Church Staff

Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro.....Pastor
Cheryl Young.....Church Secretary
Dr. Michael Koon & Dr. Kathleen Allen.....Co-Directors Of Music
Marylou Scott.....Organist
Andy Loeffler.....Sexton
Linda Potter.....Newsletter Editor

**The Church Office Hours are
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

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Student News

Congratulations to **Madeleine Koon** who was part of the cast of this year's Dessert Theatre at Canton High. Way to good Madeleine.

Congratulations to **Pat Davis**, son of **Meg and Jeffery Davis**, who is a member of Canton High's Academic Top 10! Pat also received a \$500/year scholarship from the NYS Academic Excellence competition.

Help Our Flower Fund Grow

In response to last month's article in the newsletter, a family from our church has **offered a \$500 challenge grant** to help bolster the **Erickson Flower Fund!** This family, which seeks to remain **anonymous**, will **match all other donations to the fund up to a total of \$500!**

As you know, the Erickson Flower Fund is the sole means we have of providing **beautiful fresh cut arrangements** in our sanctuary on Sundays throughout the year when we aren't able to glean from our own gardens. If you think you would like to help, please send a gift to the church along with a note saying "**Erickson Flower Fund Challenge Grant.**" We will total the gifts and pass that amount on to be **matched and doubled!** **And thank to all of you for caring!**

Book Discussion

The book discussion group is taking a break from meeting this summer but we still look forward to our **summer reading!** Pull up a beach chair and join us in reading our September selection, **Birdsong** by Sebastian Faulks. Discussion will be held on **Tuesday, September 25** at 7:30 p.m. at the manse (2 Park Place) with **Linda Potter** as host.

CARE Committee

The CARE Committee has been **assisting Linda** during Rev. Mike's sabbatical with **meal preparation** and **child care**. Now that we are preparing for Rev. Mike's return, the Committee would like to share some thoughts about pastoral care.

Each month we will submit **one idea of how to minister to our minister**. Rev. Mike needs our support and encouragement. Being a spiritual leader can be a tough job. Often the hours are long, and the criticism is considerable and constant. It can lead to feelings of disappointment, discouragement and defeat.

A compliment spoken is always welcome, but one received in writing can be read over and over again. **So when you hear a sermon that is especially helpful to you or when you see an act of compassion and caring from Rev. Mike, write a note expressing your appreciation.** More next month.

Nursery Notes

The Nursery is clean! Toys and equipment are sanitized and books are sorted. Thanks to **Rebecca Pickens, Katrina Hebb** and **Marilyn Rodee**.

We are very fortunate to have a very dependable **Laura Syvertsen** working in the Nursery and **Jessica Laspina** willing to assist her. We extend our heartfelt thanks to both girls for always being there for our little people ages from birth to 3 years.



Numbers are increasing and it is time for **volunteers to consider taking a turn** to help in the nursery. There is a sign-up calendar on the end of the wooden coat rack for your convenience. Please mark up the next Sundays! **What an opportunity to make a difference in the life of our church children!**

Presbyterian Women

• Postscript •

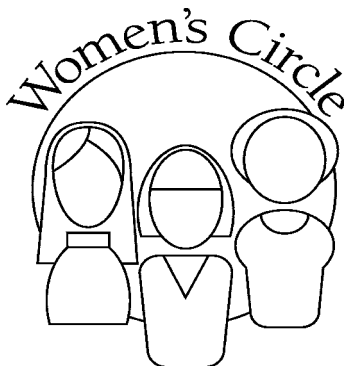
Postscript met on Monday, May 14 at the home of **Barb McCoy**. Our program was the Alaskan Trip. Presenters were **Mary Colton, Shirley Norton, Wanda Renick & Georgia Vose**.

Our next meeting will be **Monday, June 11** at Mulligan's for dinner at 6:00 p.m. Thanks to **Janet Favro** for setting it up. Devotions will be led by **Alice Poole**. The program will be **our summer plans**.

• Women's Circle •

Women's Circle meets the **2nd Wednesday** of the month at **7:30 p.m.** All women of the church are invited to join the circle for **connection and conversation**.

The next Women's Circle will be on **Wednesday, June 13th** with a potluck dinner at Linda and Rev. Mike's cottage at Trout Lake at **6:30 p.m.** We will be sharing what we would love to do this summer. **If you need directions to the cottage**, contact Linda at 386-4364 or nautilus@twcny.rr.com.



Office Clean-Up

Our church secretary, **Cheryl Young**, will be cleaning out the **storage room** next to the church office soon. She is unsure of what needs to be kept and what can be thrown away. If you know of anything **belonging to you or your organization** that may be in that room, please contact Cheryl at 386-2570. **Thanks for your help!**

Check It Out!

Books are being added to our church library. Stop by and pick up a favorite read. Librarian, **Holly Capuro**, has processed the following books recently and added them to the library shelves:

Dinner With A Perfect Stranger (An Invitation Worth Considering) by David Gregory (2 copies)

The Ha-Ha by Dave King

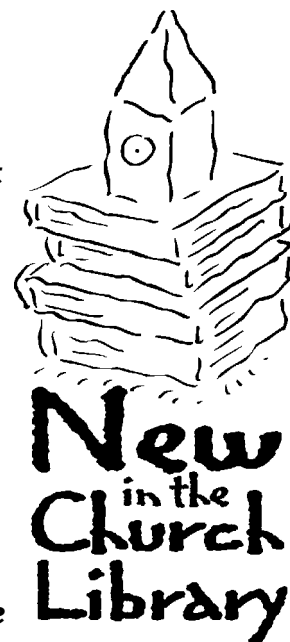
From the Center of the Earth (Stories Out of the Peace Corps)
Edited by Geraldine Kennedy

Islamic Imperialism, A History by Efraim Karsh

My Utmost for His Highest by Oswald Chambers

Because of Winn-Dixie
by Kate DiCamillo

West Bank Diary by Jerry Levin (2 copies)



Feeding God's Children

I'd like to thank the following men of our church that helped with the Mother's Day breakfast.

Mahalo (Thank You!) to **Tom Dildine, Bob Duda, Mark Erickson, Rich Grayson, Andy Loeffler, Fred Pollard, Dave Nelson, and Gene Seeley**.

Thanks again guys, I know everyone enjoyed the breakfast.

Aloha, Voss



Church Attendance

	Worship	SS
April 15	65	10
April 22	96	16
April	85	12
May 13	94	14

Average Worship Attendance 87

Average SS Attendance 13

Treasurer's Report

Regular Offering

April 22	\$1,614.51
April 29	\$1,528.00
May 6	\$2,907.00
May 13	\$1,821.75
Total	\$7,925.26

Mission Offering

April 22	\$157.00
April 29	\$212.00
May 6	\$395.00
May 13	\$ 78.00
Total	\$842.00

Attention!!!!

You can volunteer to be a **greeter** or a **coffee hour host** by calling the church office 386-2570. **It's a great way to help your church!**

June Greeters

June 3	Diane & Cody Ladison
June 10	Linda Potter & Children
June 17	Ellen Compeau
June 24	Armond & Ann Spencer

June

Coffee Hour Hosts

June 3	Chris Lyon & Diane Ladison
June 10	Helen Randi & Ellen Compeau
June 17	No Coffee Hour
June 24	Gene & Shirley Seeley

Officers & Committees

Elders

To strengthen and nurture the faith and the life of the congregation.

Wanda Renick (Clerk)	Voss Fernandes	Brent Bartley
Mark Erickson	Mike Frazer	Donna Doig
John Witherhead	Colleen Grant	Marilyn Rodee
Patti Cryderman	Martha Cole	Jack Miller
Tom Dildine	Dave Nelson	Katrina Hebb

Deacons

Ministering to the sick, those in need, the friendless, and those in distress.

Shirley Norton	Sev Brown	Lew Shepard
Barb McCoy	Harry King	Robert Duda
Ellen Compeau	Vicki McLain	Chris Sweeney
Jane Fernandes	Matilda Larson	

Treasurer

Diane Ladison

Assistant Treasurers - Bill & Lorna Webb

Financial Secretary

Mike Frazer

Committees

Chairs

Resources

Mike Frazer & Fred Pollard

Responsible for managing and dispensing funds to fulfill the mission & ministry of our church.

Facilities

Voss Fernandes

Responsible for the maintenance and use of all church property.

Fellowship

Ellen Grayson,

Liaison - Wanda Renick

Responsible for all fellowship events,

Sunday School

Paula Brady & Martha Cole

Responsible for all aspects of growth, nurture & learning.

Youth Group

Patti Cryderman

Worship

Bob Duda, Liaison - Mark Erickson

With pastor, responsible for worship.

Communion

Tyke Miller

Liaison - Jack Miller

C.A.R.E.

Marilyn Rodee

Care, Attention, Renewal & Evangelism.

Adult Education

Katrina Hebb

Stewardship

Responsible for securing resources and energy to fulfill the mission & ministry of our church.

Mission

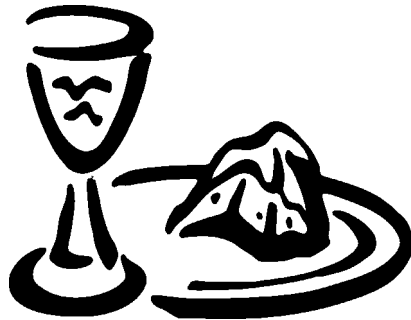
John Witherhead & Dave Nelson

Helping our church, community & world.

Communion Committee

The Elders and Deacons who served Communion on Sunday, May 6, 2007 were: **Voss & Jane Fernandes, Tom Dildine, Mark Erickson, Fred Pollard, and Mike Frazer.**

Pat Mace and the **Communion Committee** set up and cleaned up in Tyke's absence. **Donna Doig** was able to conduct the communion service including the breaking of bread and pouring the grape juice. Donna has not quite finished all of her studies to become a **Lay Pastor**. When she finishes the last few courses, she will have studied everything an ordained minister studies except the languages.



Session applied to Presbytery to enable her to celebrate the sacrament while Rev. Mike is on Sabbatical Leave. Donna has been caring for the Congregation **during Rev. Mike's sabbatical leave**. I am sure she must be finding his shoes are large indeed to fill!

The Worship Committee under **Bob Duda's** leadership is grateful to the congregation for the way members have stepped up to continue to have inspiring Sunday Services. Most find it interesting to get to know more of our members as they lead us in worship. Rev. Mike has taught us well and led us in the path to be true **"Brothers and Sisters in Christ."**

We have done well in his absence but I am sure we will all be glad to welcome him back with a greater sense of thankfulness for **what he does for his "flock."**

Communion will be served next on Sunday, June 3, 2007.

Under God's Roof

I'd like to acknowledge and say a special thank you to all that came on May 5th and helped with this year's **spring cleaning** of our facilities.

Mahalo (Thank You!) to **Arvilla Aldous, Charles Alexander, Richard Cassara, Ruth Chisholm, Jane Fernandes, Dale Grant, Rich & Ellen Grayson, Ken & Katrina Hebb, Andy Loeffler, Patricia Mace, Rebecca Pickens, Wanda Renick, Marilyn Rodee, and Barry Walch.**



The responsibility of the **care and repair of our facilities** lies with us all. It takes **time, money and talents** to perform the work, but it takes **faith, compassion, and commitment** to embrace the responsibility.

Your help with the care of our church through your time and talents or fanatical contributions is always welcomed and blessed by God.

Aloha, **Voss Fernandes**

Pledge Reminder!

Summer had finally arrived in the North Country and plans are being made for weekends away. Remember as you travel to take time to **keep up on your church pledge**. Our expenses continue all summer, even if you are not here. Have a great summer and remember to place your pledge on your list of **"things to do"** before you leave on vacation.



Family News

Congratulations to **Kelly** (nee **Miller**) & Scott Mass on their marriage on May 4th in the Pittsford Presbyterian Church outside of Rochester. Kelly is the daughter of **Holly Capuro**, and the granddaughter of **Tyke & Jack Miller**.

Congratulations to **Ken Hebb** who graduated from Clarkson University with his Masters in Business Administration! **Ken** will be putting his M.B.A. to use right away and he and **Katrina** prepare to open their new business, The Black Bird Cafe this summer.

Congratulations to **Emma Brackett** who graduated from Hobart and William Smith College.

Congratulations to **Marti MacArthur**, daughter of **Harry and Willie King**, who was recognized for her years of loyalty and dedication to SUNY Canton through the receipt of the college's Honorary Alumna Award at the 99th Commencement Ceremony.

Congratulations to **Larry Compeau**, associate professor of consumer and organizational studies in Clarkson University's School of Business, who was recognized at this year's commencement with the Distinguished Teaching Award!

Congratulations to **Heather Cole**, daughter of Steve and Martha Cole, on her marriage to Neil Perry last month in Utah!

Prayers for **David Gibson** who is recovering well from his second hip replacement surgery. **Ruth Chisholm** recovering from surgery. **Neil Coir** at United Helpers Canton, and Marilyn Coir caring from him. **Carolyn O'Connor** recovering from knee replacement surgery. **Betty Irish** who has a new pace maker. **Ginny Witherhead** continuing treatment. **Mabel Pritchard** at St. Joe's Nursing home in Ogdensburg. **Tyke Miller** recovering from an infection in her eye. **Lynn Miller** being treated for infection.

Birthdays This Month

Birthdays - June

- 2 David Gibson, Scott Sutherland,
Rita Ostrander
- 5 Megan McAuliffe, Steven Russell
- 7 Adam Compeau
- 8 Vanessa Syvertsen
- 9 Tim Abplanalp
- 13 Kathryn Dean
- 15 Joyce Bell, Kelly Mass,
Carolyn Gibson
- 16 Rich Grayson
- 17 Jessa Davis, Joseph McAuliffe
- 19 Barbara Gaines
- 22 Wyatt Fisher
- 23 Terri Knuth, Marilyn Rodee
- 24 Sharon Chase
- 25 Bob Reinke
- 26 Cheryl Squires
- 28 Shirley Wells
- 30 Ryan Ross

Anniversaries This Month

Anniversaries - June

- 3 Joseph & Karen McAuliffe,
David Hornung & Susan Ward
- 6 Clancy Gratto & Colleen Livingston
- 8 Larry & Ellen Compeau
- 9 Charles & Sue Dean
- 10 John & Barbara Klemens
- 12 Daniel & Mary Grace Gordon
- 14 John & Ginny Witherhead
- 15 Bill & Lorna Webb
- 16 David & Lora Gibson
- 17 Richard & Sandra Fisher
- 18 James & Kathy Gibson
- 22 Al & Rita Ostrander
- 23 Clint & Barbara McCoy
- 24 Dan & Carolyn O'Connor
- 26 Robert & Ruth Leslie
- 28 James & Joanne Danehy,
Don & Donna Doig,
Harry & Willie King



B.A.D. Guys

Our B.A.D. Guys' breakfast (**B**reakfast **A**nd **D**evotions) **will take a summer break.** We would like to thank all who attend this year's breakfasts, those who provided the great food and those who gave meaningful devotions at our gatherings. Special thanks to **Ken Hebb** for organizing the breakfasts. **B.A.D. Guys will resume in the fall.**



Congregational Resources

Please remember that the monthly copies of **"These Day"** and **"Alive"** are available to you on the table outside of sanctuary in the Narthex. Please feel free to pick up a copy for yourself or family. Copies of the **Revised Common Lectionary**, on which we base our Liturgy are in the monthly newsletter. Also, the latest editions of **"Horizons"** and **"Presbyterian Today"** can at times be found in the Narthex. Please take a look and return them when you are done so others may enjoy them.

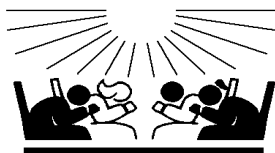
Presbyterian Worship

In addition to Sunday worship, our church also conducts services in the Canton Community:

Partridge Knoll services are on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 11:00 a.m. during the winter months.

The next service at the **senior highrise apartments**, 35 Riverside Drive, will be on **June 26th** at 2:00 p.m. There are no services in July & August. Services will resume on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in September.

Everyone is invited to attend!



Church Web Page

Keep checking the web and stay in touch.

Tom Dildine

Webmaster

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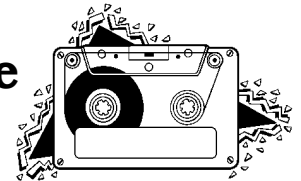
The Church's email Address:
office@churchonthepark.org

Rev Mike's email Address:
revmike@churchonthepark.org

Newsletter Deadline Is The 15th Of The Month

Please submit articles to Linda Potter, Newsletter Editor, at church office or newsletter@churchonthepark.org

Deacons Tape Ministry



The Deacons tape ministry **provides our homebound friends & members with an audio tape of each week's worship service.** Cassettes are then delivered to homes on Wednesday, and cassette players are provided if necessary.

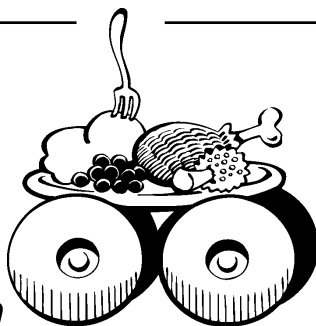
If **you'd like to receive a tape** of the service, or if you'd like to help deliver tapes, or if you'd like to learn more about the tape ministry, please call Ellen Compeau (386-8369).

Hello, my name is...

Remember - **Name Tag Sunday** is **June 17th.**

Come early to church and make your own name tag.
Get to know your neighbor.

Makers And Takers Need You!



During the past year the Board of Deacon's established a system to supply an occasional meal to families who have serious illness or other emergency. We call this service "**Makers and Takers.**" We really need the **whole congregation to assist** in this service. **Our current list of volunteers is small** and needs to be updated. A sign up sheet will be placed in the foyer for this purpose. If you need more information about this, please call **Shirley Norton** at 386-3974.

Join The Chain Gang

Would you like to help your neighbor, stretch spiritually and be a part of the mystical movement of the church? We are always looking for new prayer warriors to join **the church Prayer Chain** to offer prayers for folks who are ill, troubled or in need. If you want to learn more about the prayer chain, call **Rev. Mike** at 386-2570.

To put yourself or anyone on the chain for prayers, contact any member: **Willie King** 386-8665 (Summer 393-3484); **Wanda Renick** 386-3474; **Nona Fisher** 386-3247; **Shirley Seeley** 386-5213 (snowbird); **Marilyn Rodee** 386-8447 (January snowbird); **Joyce Bell** 386-8789; **Betty Irish** 386-2921; **Jane Fernandes** 386-1563; **Suzanne Lepke** 379-0207; **Helen Pletcher** 323-6466; **Sandy Pollard** 386-3916; **Ellen Compeau** 386-8369; **Bev Findley** 323-2064 & **Thelma Rodee** 379-0924.



Session Report

The session met on the last Monday in April for our normal monthly meeting to discuss the **life and direction of our church.** Twelve elders were present with **Donna Doig** presiding in Reverend Mike's absence. Our treasurer **Diane Ladison** was kind enough to join us this month to give us personal report on the state of our finances. (*Barely enough money in the checking account to pay the bills, but as people make their regular contributions we should be okay.*)

Donna gave us a brief report on how her time as **substitute pastor** is going, and **Bob Duda** had a report delivered saying how pleased he is with how the church is stepping up and filling in during this period without Rev. Mike.

We also discussed the new planned method of government for the Presbytery of NNY, switching to a **Deanery model.** Our meeting was a quiet meeting, with all of the committees reporting on their activities. **All in all we left the meeting feeling that our church is well cared for and heading in a great direction.**

Church Directory Update

We will be updating the Directory! We need any and all addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses. Certainly any **NEW** ones or any changes to the old ones. **We do not want to miss anyone,** so please get this information to Cheryl at the Church Office as soon as possible. You can call with information 386-2570, or mail it to 17 Park St. Canton, NY 13617, or e-mail Cheryl at office@churchonthepark.org.



Thanks for sending your new information and updates! This a a great way to stay in touch with your church family.

June

Lectionary Readings

Trinity Sunday

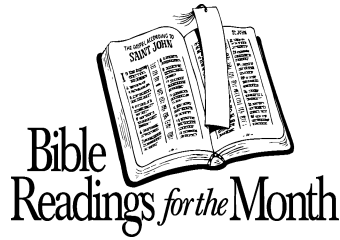
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Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalms 8

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15



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I Kings 17:8-16, (17-24)

or

I Kings 17:17-24

Psalms 146 or Psalm 30

Galatians 1:11-24

Luke 7:11-17

June 17, 2007

I Kings 21:1-10, (11-14), 15-21a

or

II Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15

Psalms 5:1-8 or Psalm 32

Galatians 2:15-21

Luke 7:36-8:3

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I Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a

or

Isaiah 65:1-9

Psalms 42 and 43 or Psalm 22:19-28

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26-39

Grace Of The Month

*Thank you for the wind and rain
and sun and pleasant weather,
thank you for this our food
and that we are together.*

-Mennonite Blessing

A **View From The Park** feature,
a different grace every month
for you and your family to use.

Holy Ground

This is **Holy Ground**,
we're standing on Holy Ground;
For the Lord is present
and where He is, is Holy

This is Holy Ground,
we're standing on Holy Ground;
For the Lord is present
and where He is, is Holy.

These are **Holy Hands**,
He's given us Holy Hands;
He works through these hands
and so these hands are Holy

These are Holy Hands,
He's given us Holy Hands;
He works through these hands,
and so these hands are Holy.

These are **Holy Lips**,
He has given us Holy Lips;
He speaks through these lips
and so these lips are Holy.

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He's given us Holy Lips;
He speaks through these lips
and so these lips are Holy.

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Church Cookbook

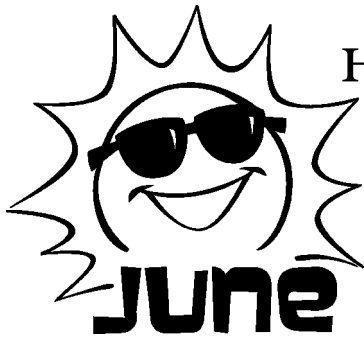
We are still looking for **your recipe** to include in the upcoming **church cookbook**. Go through your files and find those gems you want to share. Place copies of your recipes in the **gold-covered box** in the foyer and include your **name and phone number**. Recipes can also be mailed to the church. **We want everyone to part of this effort!**



The Mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Canton to reach out to all people and welcome them in celebrating truly the joys, freedoms and responsibilities that come with our faith in God, Christ's unconditional love for us, and the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our world.
Through this nurturing Christian Community we will fully recognize the value of each believer, humbly forgive ourselves and others, and lovingly embrace God's Grace.

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