



# The View From The Park

A Newsletter of Faith & Community

July/August 2024

1st Presbyterian Church on the Park  
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## Pledge Reminder

The Session would like to remind everyone to keep up with their **church pledge** as summer approaches. If possible, try paying ahead. Vacation, family visits and time in the sun means Sundays are missed and church income falls as bills continue to arrive. Help us to **stay current** by remembering your pledge!

## Deacon's Offering

The Deacon's Offering is the **first Sunday** of every month. This is a vital component of our church's work and mission. Please remember to send along a contribution to the Deacons along with your pledge or regular offering. **Thank you!**



## New Church Website

Check out the new and improved web site for the church! You can find us by going to [www.churchon-thepark.org](http://www.churchon-thepark.org) or scan this QR code to see the latest sermon, church calendar, link to our YouTube Channel, photos and much more!



**Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro**..... Pastor  
**Pastor Donna Doig, CLP**..... Associate Pastor  
**Andrea Montgomery**.....Church School Director  
**Kathleen Crecco**.....Director of Music & Pianist  
**Christy Dekay**.....Office Coordinator  
**Emily & Kate Ewy**.....Nursery Care Providers  
**Patience Boswell**..... Sexton  
**Cameron Boswell**.....Stream Master  
**Linda Potter**.....Newsletter Editor

**Office Hours: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tues. & Thursday**

## Summer Sundays

Summer Sundays are **laid-back** and **casual**. Reminder that in **July and August, in-person worship and live-streaming** will start at **9 a.m.** Join us in what way works best for you.



**Rev. Mike** is on vacation from July 22nd through August 4th. **Rev. Vanessa Syvertsen** will be in the pulpit Sunday, **July 28th** and Sunday, **August 4th**.

Children are always welcome at church and though there is no **Church School** or **Nursery** during the summer, adult supervision can be provided (on the playground) so parents can enjoy the service.

You can always watch a recording of the service afterward on our [YouTube channel](#).

For **July** and **August** we will be taking a **break** from our **Zoom Fellowship** time following worship each Sunday. Thanks to **Carolyn O'Connor** and **Betsy Robinson** for both their leadership in this endeavor, and for their stalwart attendance all year!

Also there is **no Communion** in July or August; and there is **no Session** or **Deacons meeting in July** (we will resume in August).

We hope to see you when you are able at summer worship. Please **share photos** of your **summer adventures** with your church family. Send them to **Linda Potter** at [nautilus@twcnj.rr.com](mailto:nautilus@twcnj.rr.com).

## Family News

Congratulations to **Emily Bolton** who was named to the President's List at SUNY Potsdam for the spring semester.

Prayers for **Vern Aldous** facing continued health challenges and receiving further treatments. Cards, communications and visits greatly appreciated; 6171 US Hwy 11, Canton NY 13617.

Prayers for **Barry Walch** who is having a tough go of it medically these days. Though his June 3rd surgery was deemed not necessary at this point (the good news), he had some complications arising from the prep (the bad news). Cards and notes very welcome; 46 Judson St., Canton NY 13517.

Prayers for **J.J. Jockel** rehabbing from an exercise injury, **Mark Erickson** who continues to address health issues, and for **Barb King** recovering from surgery on her foot on June 11th (cards and notes welcome; 22 Pleasant Street, Canton, NY 13617).

Prayers for Paul Catanzaro, brother of **Rev. Mike**, currently undergoing several rounds of serious chemotherapy to treat non-Hodgkins lymphoma.

Prayers for Kim and Lyles Trombly expecting a baby **June 28th**; i.e., *any day now!* and for **Anna** and **James Eller** in their pregnancy (September 9th due Date).

Prayers for **Bill Gollinger** who continues to face health concerns, **Shirley Norton** who continues to heal and recover from a medical procedure (30 Sullivan Drive Apt. 228, Canton NY 13617), our Church School Director, **Andrea Montgomery**, who continues to heal from a medical procedure.

Prayers for **Nick Scelzi**, a resident of the Canton Nursing home. Cards may be sent care of Nick to Maple Wood Nursing Home, Willow 206, 205 State Street Road, Canton NY 13617.

## More Family News

Continued prayers for **Bob Fraser**, **Lew Shepard**, **Bill** and **Karen Parker**, **Marilyn Coir** in their days; **Rich Denison** who continues to face health concerns, **Judy Gibson** facing health challenges, **Christa Lyon** and **Josh Holbrook** facing health challenges; Janet Favro currently residing at Keene Valley Neighborhood House (Attn Janet Favro, P.O. Box 46, Keene Valley, NY 12943); **Colleen Grant** for healing and wholeness, and husband **Dale** in support of her, (55 Bird Street, Canton, NY 13617); Jody Upton, sister of **Susan Akins**, being treated for a recurrence of cancer; **Alice Poole** facing health challenges (2708 Salem Church Road - Apt. 116, Fredericksburg, VA 22407); and, **Roger McBath**, a resident at the Canton Nursing Home.

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**We pray for parents raising children, and children caring for parents.**

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## Oh Baby!

Congratulations to **Sven Syvertsen** and his wife **Madison** on the birth of their son, **Layne Riley Syvertsen**, born 5/30/24, weight 7 pounds. Grandparents **Vicki McLain** and **Martin Syvertsen** are over the moon with joy! (See photos on page 11.)



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## Selleck Room Update

Great thanks to **Joe Montgomery** who spent the recent heatwave framing a new wall in the Selleck Room (sheetrock next)! The painting contractor is set to begin July 8th, and Coakley's will be installing the carpet the week of August 12th!

Huge thanks to **Emily**, **Kate** and **Rob Ewy** who showed up (like a miracle!) to clear out the nursery in preparation for the painting. Exactly what was needed! See photos on page 12.

## J. Mark Erickson Geology Majors Room!

As reported in last month's newsletter, a recent and significant gift has made possible the creation of a student room/lounge in honor of own (Dr.) **Mark Erickson** in recognition of his longstanding commitment to the Geology Department and the students whose education he has fostered throughout his career as professor, mentor, and friend. The state-of-the-art facility will serve as a hub for geology students to collaborate, conduct research, and connect with alumni. The renovated space will provide students with modern equipment and comfortable study spaces, fostering an environment that encourages innovation, exploration, and academic excellence. Thanks to **Sarah and Duncan Melville** who attended the recent dedication and provided the photo on page 10.

### Brick Chapel Worship

Summer worship returns to Brick Chapel Presbyterian Church with services at **10:30 a.m.** in **July** an **August:**

July 7	Rev. Mike Catanzaro
July 14	Rev. Meigs Ross (Communion)
July 21	Mark Shepard
July 28	Rev. Meigs Ross
August 4	Rev. Meigs Ross
August 11	Rev. Mike Catanzaro (Communion & Annual Meeting)
August 18	Mark Shepard
August 25	Mark Shepard

Brick Chapel is located at  
5501 County Route 27, Canton NY

### Summer Calendar

Reminder that worship is at **9 a.m.** in July & August. Session and Deacons take a break in July and resume in August. Find the **church calendar** for the summer at [our website](#).

### Summer Lectionary Readings

#### Sunday, July 7

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10  
Psalm 48  
2 Corinthians 12:2-10  
Mark 6:1-13

#### Sunday, July 14

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19  
Psalm 24  
Ephesians 1:3-14  
Mark 6:14-29

#### Sunday, July 21

2 Samuel 7:1-14a  
Psalm 89:20-37  
Ephesians 2:11-22  
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

#### Sunday, July 28

2 Samuel 11:1-15  
Psalm 14  
Ephesians 3:14-21  
John 6:1-21

#### Sunday, August 4

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a  
Psalm 51:1-12  
Ephesians 4:1-16  
John 6:24-35

#### Sunday, August 11

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33  
Psalm 130  
Ephesians 4:25-5:2  
John 6:35, 41-51

#### Sunday, August 18

1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14  
Psalm 111  
Ephesians 5:15-20  
John 6:51-58

#### Sunday, August 25

1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43  
Psalm 84  
Ephesians 6:10-20  
John 6:56-69



## Church Attendance

	In-Person	Stream	CS
June 2	47	37	10
June 9	40	35	5
June 15	44	38	8

Average In-Person Attendance: 44  
 Average Live-Stream Attendance: 37  
 Average CS Attendance: 8

## Treasurer's Report

	Operating	Mission
May 26	\$5,087.00	\$ 456.00
June 9	\$1,779.00	\$ 50.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$6,866.00</b>	<b>\$ 506.00</b>

## Back-To-School Supplies

This year for the **Church & Community Back-to-School program**, our church has been asked to donate **one-subject, spiral bound notebooks with college ruled paper** which can be purchased at most area stores. Our goal is **100 notebooks by Sunday, August 5th**. Given our generous response to last year's request for pencils, we can surely meet and surpass this goal for notebooks!



You can leave your notebook donation in the box provided in the **church foyer**. You can also purchase [online](#) and have them shipped to the church at 17 Park Street, Canton Ny 13617. Thank you so much for your generous support of this program which provides school supplies to children in need in our community.

## Garden Volunteers

Our church gardeners, **Pat Mace** and **Faye Bartley**, always welcome volunteers to keep things blooming! Contact Pat at [pandrmace@gmail.com](mailto:pandrmace@gmail.com) or Faye at (315) 854-5043 to learn more. See Rev. Mike doing his "shift" on pg. 13.

## Officers & Committees

### Elders On Session

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

Joe Montgomery Patrick LaPierre Rob Ewy  
 Sarah Melville Barry Walch Jim Franklin  
 Anna Eller Heidi Ames Pat McGuire  
 Rich Grayson Michelle Theisen  
 Patricia Mace - Clerk Of Session

### Board of Deacons

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

Christy Dekay Ray Erickson Mark Brackett  
 Susan Akins Jane Cable Ellen Grayson  
 Jean McGuire Bob Duda Stacie Olney-LaPierre  
 Secretary Moderator  
 Ray Erickson, Treasurer

### Committees

### Chairs

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

Facilities Barry Walch, Rich Grayson & Pat McGuire  
 Responsible for the maintenance and use of all church property.

Fellowship Ellen Grayson & Pat Mace  
 Responsible for all fellowship events.

Nominating Jean McGuire, Michelle Theisen, Gordy Theisen, Barb Brown & Sarah Melville  
 Responsible for filling Session, Deacons & Offices.

Church School Anna Eller  
 Responsible for growth, nurturing & learning.

Worship Sarah Melville  
 With pastor, responsible for worship.

Communion Pat Mace & Vicki McLain

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

Mission Michelle Theisen & Rob Ewy  
 Helping our church, community and world.

Treasurer Mary McGreevy

Financial Secretary Barry Walch  
 Asst. Financial Secretary Anna Eller

C&C Program JJ Jockel, Sean Boutin & Michelle Theisen

Personnel Anna Eller, Heidi Ames & Patrick LaPierre

# The Pastor's Report

Sum, sum, sum, sum, sum, sum  
*SUMMER TIME!*

Well folks, summer is upon us and I surely hope that you have lots of fun things planned...or, perhaps, absolutely nothing at all!

Through much of the recent heat wave (WOW was it *HOT!*) I was off from church duties and working on repairing/rebuilding the deck on Linda's She Shack. All the whilst I was digging, busting up granite bedrock with a sledgehammer, nailing, screwing and reattaching, I had one very strange thought running through my head all the while: Freeze Tag.

You *know*, the game many of us played as kids (before smart phones, gaming consoles and the internet) where one person would be "It" and chase after everyone else to touch them and say "FREEZE" and that person would have to stay stock-still for the duration of the game, or until touched by an "unfrozen" person who would then say "UN-FREEZE."

Yes, I know, a very peculiar thing to recollect and on which to be focusing when drenched in sweat during the sweltering heat. Though you might imagine the appeal of feeling a cold chill on a hot day was what triggered the memory, it was actually the opposite which created the allure.

At a time when all of us are feeling the blistering pace of the world, and our own lives, I confess that the idea of a good long "FREEZE" is quite appealing. Wouldn't it be nice to just be still, or frozen if you will, for even a little while so as to simply simply watch the game (or world) go on all around us and marvel?



*Freeze!*

Of course, there is so much at which we might marvel: babies being born, kids growing, learning and exploring the world, new opportunities being ever presented, the joy to be found in life and in sharing our lives with others, the profound impact we can make on people and our world with even the smallest actions and intentions, and the

simple passage of time and the changes it brings to us.

Whereas in the game of Freeze Tag we were always hoping to be unfrozen in order to get *back into* the game, my wish for each of you this summer is that the forces that would FREEZE you might prevail so that you can *step out* of the game to discover a few quite moments to reflect on and enjoy the God-given gift of your life, and this world we share. The game of life is going on around all the time, and eventually we get "tagged" by someone or something and thrust back into the fray. So relish the FREEZE!

*Brrrr*, Rev. Mike

"By the breath of God ice is given; and the broad waters are frozen fast." - Job 37:10

## Women's Circle

Women's Circle will meet on **Wednesday, July 10th at 7 p.m.** at the home of **Mary Christopher** in Hannawa Falls. To join the carpool, contact **Linda Potter** at [nautilus@twcny.rr.com](mailto:nautilus@twcny.rr.com) or 315-229-8886.

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## Evening Book Group

The Evening Book Discussion Group selected their books for the upcoming season. Join us on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in Lorna's Lounge:

**September 24th**

***The Consequence of Anna***

by Kate Birkin and Mark Bornz

Host: Vicki McLain

**October 22nd**

***Remarkably Bright Creatures***

by Shelby Van Pelt

Host: Pat Mace

**November 26th**

***The Frozen River*** by Ariel Lawhon

Host: Christy Dekay

**January 28rd**

***An American Marriage*** by Tayari Jones

Host: Cati Gollinger

**February 25th**

***The Women*** by Kristin Hannah

Host: Ellen Grayson

**March 25th**

***The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store***

by James McBride

Host: Susan Akins

**April 22nd**

***The Day The World Came To Town***

by Jim DeFede

Host: Mary Christopher

**May 27th**

Book: ***The Library Book***

by Susan Orlean

Host: Linda Potter

## Virtual Worship & Fellowship

For live-streaming, fellowship, bulletins, sermons, newsletters, and other resources, **begin by bookmarking the church website:** [www.ChurchOnThePark.org](http://www.ChurchOnThePark.org). "Click" on the relevant link at the top of the page.

A **live-stream** of the worship service is on the church's YouTube Channel. Go to [www.ChurchOnThePark.org](http://www.ChurchOnThePark.org) and click on "YouTube Channel." You can choose to subscribe to our channel or simply go to this link each week.

**Zoom Fellowship** calls happen each Sunday (except July & August) from **11:30 a.m. to Noon** for fellowship only with no format or moderator. If needed, download the ZOOM app ahead of time by clicking on this link (free):

<https://zoom.us/download>. Once you have the Zoom app, go to [www.ChurchOnThePark.org](http://www.ChurchOnThePark.org) and click on "Sunday Zoom Meeting". You will be asked to enter a password which is **3862570** (the phone number of the church). The meeting will automatically begin at 11:30 a.m. & end at 12:45 p.m.

**Worship bulletins** are posted earlier in the week to the church website for those worshipping virtually through the stream on our YouTube channel. This will allow everyone the opportunity to follow the liturgy, and see the announcements and prayer requests. Go to [www.ChurchOnThePark.org](http://www.ChurchOnThePark.org) and click on "Sunday Bulletin."

**Written sermons** continue to be emailed, or snail-mailed, on *Tuesday* to everyone each week; as well as being posted to the church website. Go to [www.ChurchOnThePark.org](http://www.ChurchOnThePark.org) and click on "Written Sermons."

The monthly **Newsletter** will continue to be emailed to most, and snail-mailed to a few; as well as being posted to the church website (click on "Newsletter").

# Birthdays This Summer

## July Birthdays

- 1 Karen Poole, Deb Smith
- 2 Andy Loeffler
- 3 Keli Hollis
- 4 Peggy Andes
- 6 Nancy Brown
- 8 Ella Morter, Aimee LaRue
- 9 Kaitlyn Cryderman
- 10 Arlo Catanzaro
- 11 Bronwyn O'Connor
- 13 Evelyn Eller
- 14 Ellen O'Shaughnessy,  
Christy DeKay
- 16 Cole Ladison, Lincoln Gollinger
- 17 Toby Walch
- 25 Natasha Bell, Shirley Norton
- 26 Justin Brady
- 27 Kim Trombly, Anastasia Kelly
- 29 Chris Grant
- 30 Lew Shepard, Martha Billings,  
Ann Spencer
- 31 Blake Bennett

## August Birthdays

- 1 Calvin Bourdette
- 2 Sven Syvertsen, Jim Franklin
- 3 Joe Montgomery
- 4 Lynn Miller
- 7 Vivienne Casey
- 9 Andrea Potter
- 11 Jeremy Potter
- 12 Cody Ladison, Penelope Brackett
- 13 Vicki McLain
- 14 Stephen Cole, Cameron Boswell,  
Susan Akins
- 15 Harper Rose Elvy
- 16 Whitney Courson
- 17 Leah Rohlfen
- 19 Nick Dekay
- 20 April Rossiter, Daphne LaPierre
- 22 Nathan Walch
- 24 Casey Basford, Julia Basford
- 25 Kristine Potter
- 26 Ashley Ross, Gerald Findley

# Birthdays - continued

- 27 Patrick Ames, Beth Hayes
- 28 Grace Franklin, Beatrice McManus
- 30 Carolyn O'Connor
- 31 Larry Compeau, Paul (P.J.) Miller,  
Donna Doig, Jorge Nsundidi

## Anniversaries This Summer

### July Anniversaries

- 3 Emma Brackett & George Ripicky
- 6 Dave and Ellen MacMaster
- 14 Rich & Ellen Grayson,  
Bob & Corinne Duda
- 21 Olivia & Jeremiah Sullivan
- 28 Philip Elvy & Keli Hollis
- 29 Mark & Nancey Brackett,  
Katie & John Smith

### August Anniversaries

- 7 Dale & Colleen Grant,  
Clifford & April Rossiter,  
Nicole Potter & Chris Melville
- 9 Gordy & Michelle Theisen
- 13 David & Anne Patterson
- 16 Mark & Nancy Brown,  
Elliott & Mary Rodee,  
Erin & Jason Casey
- 19 Kenneth & Carolyn Gibson
- 22 Carl & Mary Colton
- 23 Bob & Betty Fraser

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## Share Your Summer News!

Shout out and share the word about your kids and grandkids with your church family! Tell us about their involvement with **summer activities and camps** and, if you want, **travel plans and photos** as well as anything else you would like to shout out! Send us a **post-card!**

Send in their accomplishments and achievements in the classroom, on the field, and in the community to the church office (315) 386-2570 or [office@Church-OnThePark.org](mailto:office@Church-OnThePark.org).

Contact the church office with your birthday so we can keep our list current!

## Prayer Warriors

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 or **Wanda Renick** at 386-3474.



## Photo Directory

Our Photo Directory is no longer available online through the website. If you would like a copy (print or digital), please contact Rev. Mike or the church office and we'd be happy to send one with you. We endeavor to keep the photo directory as up-to-date as possible. If you find that you have been inadvertently omitted, would like to be included or would like a retake, please contact **Rev. Mike**. Updates easily done.



## Presbyterian Worship

**Partridge Knoll services** are on hiatus until the fall. We will resume in October, and continue through the winter on the **1st Wednesday** of the month at **11:00 a.m.**



## Like Us On Facebook!

The Church On The Park has a **Facebook page** which changes regularly - <https://www.facebook.com/TheFirstPresbyterianChurchonthePark>

## New Church Website Live



Christy and Rev. Mike have finished the NEW Church Website which is brighter and easier to use. We have switched to a different platform which will allow us to keep the site up dated weekly (i.e. calendar)

The Church's email address:

[Office@ChurchOnThePark.org](mailto:Office@ChurchOnThePark.org)

Reverend Mike's email address:

[RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.org](mailto:RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.org)

## Sermons & Services

**Written Sermons** in PDF format are now available for viewing or downloading on Monday at [www.ChurchOnThePark.org](http://www.ChurchOnThePark.org) then click on "Written Sermons."

If you'd like to have a copy of the weekly sermon emailed or snail-mailed to you directly, please contact [RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.Org](mailto:RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.Org).

To view recordings of previous worship services, please subscribe to our [YouTube channel](#).

## Newsletter Deadline Is The 15th Of The Month

We are still sending out the monthly newsletter! Please submit articles (emailed preferably) to the church office, or directly to the Newsletter Editor, Linda Potter, at:

[nautilus@twcny.rr.com](mailto:nautilus@twcny.rr.com)

## Hello, my name is...

Remember - **Name Tag Sunday** is **July 21st & August 18th.**

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



## Be The Church! Send A Card!

There are many friends and folks in our church who don't get out much these days and would *greatly* appreciate receiving a card or note from their church family. Even if you haven't met a person, letting them know they are thought of, prayed for and loved would be a welcomed gift.

**Marilyn Coir**, 125 Dover Road, Millis, MA 02054

**Pastor Donna Doig**, 30 Sullivan Dr. Apt. 110, Canton, NY 13617

**Bob and Betty Fraser**, 30 Sullivan Dr. Unit 114, Canton, NY 13617

**Judy Gibson**, 35 Riverside Dr., Apt. 3G, Canton, NY 13617

**Colleen Grant**, 55 Bird Street, Canton, NY 13617

**Christa Lyon**, 43 Lincoln Street, Canton NY 13617

**Roger McBath**, 130 Ash, Maplewood Nursing Home, 205 State St. Rd. Canton, NY 13617

**Wayne Miller**, 241 Eddy-Pyrites Rd. Canton, NY 13617

**Shirley Norton**, 30 Sullivan Dr. Apt. 228 Canton, NY 13617

**Carolyn O'Connor**, 3 Hillside Circle, Canton NY 13617

**Bill and Karen Parker**, 17 State Street, Canton NY 13617

**Melba Reinke**, 2219 West Oak Street Apt. 218 Bozeman, MT 59718

**Wanda Renick**, 30 Sullivan Dr. Apt. 114A, Canton, NY 13617

**Betsy Robinson**, 69 Riverside Drive, Canton, NY 13617

**Nick Scelzi**, 206 Willow, Maplewood NH, 205 State Street Road, Canton, NY 13617

**Lew Shepard**, 39 Meade Road, Canton, NY 13617

**Janet Stitt**, 30 Sullivan Drive, Apt. 129, Canton, NY 13617

**Jeanne Stone**, 30 Sullivan Drive, Apt. 223, Canton, NY 13617

**Nancy Tuttle**, Legacy K Adult Home, 581 West Road, Hermon NY 13652

## Volunteers Welcome!

A group of volunteers from our church has started assisting the St. Lawrence County Office for the Aging with the **Home Delivered Meals** program. **You can help as well!**

On the **second Tuesday** of the month, we are delivering meals on-site at 35 and 37 Riverside Drive. There are 10 to 15 meals to deliver in these buildings and they are picked up between 10 and 10:15 a.m. at the OFA Canton Nutrition Site located at 37 Riverside Drive. That means the only driving is to 37 Riverside and then making deliveries in those buildings. It takes less than hour of your time and makes someone's day to receive a hello, a smile and a meal.

If more volunteers join in, we can increase the number of days per month that we can help out. To learn more or to volunteer, call or text **Linda Potter** at 315-229-8886 or email her at [nautilus@twcnny.rr.com](mailto:nautilus@twcnny.rr.com). **Together we can make a difference!**

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O gracious God,  
when You open Your hand,  
You satisfy the desires of every living thing.  
Bless the land and waters;  
give the world a plentiful harvest;  
let your spirit go forth  
to renew the face of the earth.  
As You show Your love and kindness  
in the bounty of the land and sea,  
save us from selfish use of Your gifts,  
so that women and men everywhere  
may give You thanks,  
for Jesus' sake. Amen.

# Cause(s) For Celebration



**Congratulations to Mark Erickson** who was honored for a lifetime of research, teaching, and dedication to his students.

**Well Done!**



**Trombly Family Expecting!**



**Happy 86th Birthday to Rich Grayson**



**Rosie Graduates  
Day Care**



**Nico Graduates  
Pre-K**



**Lincoln Graduates  
Pre-K**



**Sven & Madison Syvertsen  
Welcome A Baby Boy!  
Grandparents Vicki McLain  
And Martin Syvertsen**



**Layne Riley Syvertsen, born  
5/30/24, weight 7 pounds.**





## **Selleck Room and Nursery Renovations Underway!**



**Nursery Cleared Out and Ready For Painting (To Begin In July)**



**Thanks to Joe for building the new wall in the Selleck Room, and thanks Kate, Rob and Emily for clearing out the Nursery. Many hands light work!**

# Still MORE Stuff Happening At Church and in the Congregation!



(L) Rev. Mike takes a “shift” in the Garden under Faye’s direction  
(Below) Betsy gets flower surprise from the church  
(Thanks John!)



Cam drives Barry’s (very cool) truck to school  
(Read 6/16/24 Sermon)



Mighty Sebastian at bat!



Jim fixing... something!



Share Vacation & Summer Photos With Your Church Family!

# SIGN(S) OF THE TIMES

At this point in the experience, we're just plain having fun with the new sign. What a delight to share some humor, laud our neighbors, provide information about community events, and let folks know what is happening at our church. If you have a message you'd like to see on the sign on a particular day, or at some point, contact Rev. Mike.

**Worship & Church School  
Begin at 10:00 a.m.**

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**JUN 17**

**6:54 AM**

**65°**

**Happy Father's Day!**

**Celebrating Dads  
& Those Who Have Been  
as Dads To Us**

Thank You For All You Have Done and Do

**Dairy Festival Days**

This Weekend In The Park

**Big Wheel Race** Friday

Followed By **Block Dance**

**Parade** Saturday 1 p.m.

**Canton Free Library  
Summer Reading Program**

with **Miss Val**

**Babies to 12 yrs.**

**Register by June 21st**

**Without Love**

**In The Dream**

**It Will Never**

**Come True**

**We Can Work It Out**

Life is very short  
and there's no time  
for fussing and fighting  
my friends

**Congratulations Canton HS**

**Class of 2024!**

Your folks, family and Community  
are so very PROUD of you  
and all you have accomplished!

**The best is yet to come!**

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Address Service Requested

The Church is charged for every returned Newsletter. If you have moved, or changed a seasonal address, please notify the church office. Thank you.

**Summer Worship - 9 a.m. in July & August**

**Donate Notebooks for C&CP!**



**Summer Worship**

**Family News**

**Selleck Room Update**

**Sign(s) Of The Times**

**Be The Church! Send A Card!**



**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.**













