



The View From The Park

A Newsletter of Faith & Community

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Worship With Us

In-person worship continues with **masks** being worn and **no singing** in light of the continued rise of COVID cases in our county. **Live-streaming** of the service is always available (see **page 7** for details) and we welcome you to join us in whichever way works for you. Though this road through the pandemic is longer than any of us thought, we are managing it together with love and support.

World Communion Sunday

The **first Sunday** in **October** is designated as World Communion Sunday which celebrates our **oneness in Christ** with all our **brothers** and **sisters** around the world. Join us on **October 3rd** for the celebration.



eNewsletter?

If you received a hard copy of this newsletter in the mail but have an email address to which it could be sent, please contact RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.org

- Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro..... Pastor
- Donna Doig, CLP..... Associate Pastor
- Karen Bailey..... Office Coordinator
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- Bob Duda..... Assistant Choir Director
- Jarrett Larson..... Organist
- Michael Walters..... Handbell Choir Director
- TBD..... Director of Christian Education
- Mary McGreevy..... Treasurer
- Patience Boswell..... Sexton
- Linda Potter..... Newsletter Editor

Church Office Hrs: 1 - 4 p.m., Mon., Tues. & Thur.

Fall Fundraising Plans

With regret, and erring on the side of caution, the annual **Fall Bazaar** planned for October has been **cancelled**. We hope that this Fall tradition will return in 2022.

We can look forward to the **3rd Annual Ham Dinner** with take-out meals available on **Sunday, November 7th**. A meal of ham, macaroni & cheese, coleslaw, apple-cranberry sauce and a piece of pie will be offered for **\$12**. Sign-up sheets for food donations will be in the foyer soon as well as a call for pie bakers and volunteers to help in the kitchen on Saturday, November 6th. Thanks to **Beth Hayes** for heading up this effort!

Cabbage Sale Report

Thanks to all who donated food, money and baked pies for the recent Cabbage Roll Sale as well as all those who purchased a meal! Big thanks to the kitchen helpers: **Patience & Aubrey Boswell, Martha Cole, Pat Mace, Liam Rodee, Amelia Rodee, Whitney & Sophia Smalling** and, head cook, **Beth Hayes**. **\$1,395** was raised for the church! Great job!



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Family News

Prayers for **Dave** and **Ellen McMaster**, his brother and their families on the death of his mother Marie.

Prayers for the family of Anthony Kunczt, cousin of **Bill Parker**, on his death due to COVID.

We are deeply saddened to learn of the sudden and tragic death of **Barb McCoy** and her husband Phil (married June 21st) in a motor vehicle accident near their home in Florida in early September. Prayers for her daughter Erin and son Paul, and their families.

Prayers for **Christa Lyon** recovering from surgery in the beginning of September. Thanks to Rich and Ellen Grayson who welcomed her into their home to convalesce, and to all those who provided meals, sent cards and held her in prayer; 43 Lincoln Street, Canton, NY 13617.

Prayers for **Betsy Robinson** recovering from cataract surgery, as the healing process is not going as expected. Betsy is also healing from a cracked rib (unrelated); 69 Riverside Drive, Canton NY 13617.

Continued prayers for **Jean McGuire** and her husband **Pat** as Jean has completed treatment and awaiting scan results and, similarly, for **Galen Pletcher** and his wife **Helen** who is nearing the end of treatments and will be awaiting scan results.

Prayers for the **children** and **young families** of our church (and community) as they continue to contend with learn, live and grow against the backdrop of COVID.

Prayers for **Bill** and **Karen Parker** as they continue to recover from their in-house deluge and as they care for each other.



Family News - cont.

Prayers for **Pastor Donna Doig** who will be having cataract surgery this month and next; and **Jorge Nsundidi** as he continues his job search after having moved to Buffalo, NY this summer; 49 Johnson Park Apt. 5, Buffalo, NY 14201.

Continued prayers for **Gordy** and **Michelle Theisen** as they grieve the death of their daughter, Emily; 905 Farnes Road, Canton, NY 13617.

Prayers of comfort and healing for **Mary** and **Elliot Rodee**, and the Basford/Rodee families. Let us continue to hold this family in love; 8 Meade Rd., Canton, NY 13617.

Continued prayers for **Sean Boutin** and **Kristine McKie** facing medical challenges.

Renewed prayers for Glenn Erickson (**Ray's** twin, and **Mark's** brother) facing continued health challenges.

Mission Treasurer Needed

After many years of service as our **Mission Treasurer, Diane Ladison**, will be retiring at the end of the year and we will need to fill her shoes. If you've got an eye for numbers and would like to offer a small amount of time to the church in this capacity (the job is **very limited** in scope) we'd be thrilled to welcome new leadership into this role.

If interested, please speak to **Rev. Mike**.



Website Help

The church is looking for someone to help maintain their website. Must be familiar with **WordPress** web hosting. If you are interested, please see **Rev. Mike**.

Holiday Grief Support

Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley is offering **three** opportunities for **recently bereaved** community members to attend a new 3-part **Holiday Grief Support workshop** between October 2021 and January 2022. The Holiday Grief Support Groups will provide support and education for those coping with grief during the **holiday season** and **winter months**.



BEREAVEMENT
group

The Groups are open to **all adults** in St. Lawrence County over the age of 18 who have experienced a death of a loved one within the past year. Ideally, participants will have already started addressing their grief to provide a foundation for the materials and topics discussed in Group sessions.

Interested individuals have **three options** to participate in this workshop:

Group 1 - Oct. 28, Nov. 11 & 18;
2-3 p.m.

Group 2 - Dec. 2, 9 & 16; 2 - 3 p.m.

Group 3 - Jan. 13, 20 & 27; 2 - 3 p.m.

All group sessions will be held **via Zoom**. To receive the meeting link, participants must **pre-register** by the week prior to the start of each Group.

For more information and to register, contact Hospice's Bereavement Coordinator, **Kate Favaro** at 315-265-3105 or kfavaro@hospiceslv.org. Please note that due to COVID concerns and restrictions, these groups will be held exclusively via Zoom. Participants must have a valid email address and access to a computer with a webcam, smartphone or tablet to participate.

Women's Circle

Women's Circle will meet on **Wednesday, October 13th at 7 p.m.** in the **Conference Room** at the church. All women of the church are welcome to join in for conversation and connection. If you are able to attend, contact **Linda Potter** at nautilus@twcny.rr.com.

Evening Book Group

The Evening Book Group will meet on **Tuesday, October 26th at 7 p.m.** in the Conference Room at the church. All are welcome! The October book is The Bookshop On The Corner, and for November The Midnight Library. Confirm your attendance by contacting **Linda Potter** at nautilus@twcny.rr.com or text her at 315-229-8886.



Selleck Land

In **2019**, the family of **Fred and Helen Selleck** donated to the church **80 acres** of land in **Pierrepont**, worth about **\$40,000**. Most of the land is swampy but **two lots** could be sold for houses. We've needed to **maintain ownership** of the land for a period of three years, which we will reach next fall.

The **Session** would like to invite any **creative ideas** (wild space/sanctuary, Habit For Humanity building lot, recreational site, etc.) about the possible use of this property **prior** to the three year mark as an alternative to listing it for sale. Currently, we do pay school and county taxes on the property as it not being used for religious purposes. This endeavor would benefit from a person looking to take on a **"project."** If interested in learning more, please speak to **Rev. Mike**.

Church Attendance

	In-Person	Live Stream
August 22	18	14
August 29	30	27
September 5	25	17

Average In-Person Attendance: 24
Average Live-Stream Attendance: 19

Treasurer's Report

	Operating	Mission
September 3	\$ 3,628.00	\$173.00
September 10	\$ 9,380.00	\$190.00
September 22	\$ 3,988.00	\$ 55.00
Total:	\$16,996.00	\$418.00

Thank you for your generous support of this church and its mission.

Deacons' Offering

A reminder that though most folks are worshipping via the live-stream, we are still receiving the Deacons' Offering 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!**



Communion Cups

Self-contained **communion cups** are available for you to pick up anytime in the **foyer**.

Vaccine Sites

All New Yorkers **age 12 and older** are now eligible for the vaccine and [the CDC recommends booster shots](#) of the Pfizer vaccine for certain groups including people age 65 and older. St. Lawrence County Public Health holds [vaccine clinics](#) at several locations and local pharmacies also offer the vaccine. If you need help signing up or help with a ride, please contact **Rev. Mike**.

Officers & Committees

Elders On Session

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

Rich Grayson	Patrick LaPierre	Martha Cole
Pat Mace	Barry Walch	Ellen MacMaster
Beth Hayes	Gordy Theisen	Pat McGuire
Michelle Quinelle-Gayle		Bill Parker
Janet Stitt - Clerk Of Session		

Board of Deacons

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

Christa Lyon	Georgia Vose	Marilyn Coir
Nancy Brown	Bob Duda	Michelle Theisen
Jane Cable	Stacie Olney-LaPierre	
Jean McGuire	Susan Akins	Ellen Grayson
Secretary		Moderator
Ray Erickson, Treasurer <i>Ex Officio</i>		

Committees

Chairs

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

Facilities Barry Walch & Beth Hayes
Responsible for the maintenance and use of all church property.

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

Nominating Pat Mace, Ellen Grayson, Martha Cole, Rob Ewy & Barb Brown
Responsible for filling Session, Deacons & Offices.

Education Beth Hayes
Responsible for growth, nurturing & learning.

Worship Michelle Quinelle-Gayle
With pastor, responsible for worship.

Communion Pat Mace & Vicki McLain

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

Mission Martha Cole
Helping our church, community & world.

Treasurer Mary McGreevy

Financial Secretary Barry Walch

C&C Program JJ Jockel & Sean Boutin

Personnel Pat Mace, Gordy Theisen & Michelle Quinelle-Gayle

The Pastor's Report

Howdy folks. I trust that these words find you all well and, more than just “surviving” are making strides toward to “thriving.” Fall is fully upon us, the colors are changing and there is quite a little nip in the air these days.

Feels a little crazy to me that we've got Halloween on the horizon, but there it is. Actually, there is an awful lot that feels a little crazy these days, doesn't it? We've certainly found new meaning to Paul Simon's song, “Still Crazy After All These Years.” Though, not necessarily in the best of ways.

Linda and I very much enjoyed our extended time off, with much relaxing, reflection and rest taking place. I did get over a big hump with the “She Shack” (no, it isn't *done*) but progress is certainly being made (slow and steady wins the race). We also enjoyed a fabulous weekend at New Jersey's Long Beach Island, with terrific weather, delicious food and a great deal of love shared and long-standing friendships strengthened. I even managed to get Linda out of bed to watch the sunrise over the Atlantic Ocean; quite a treat.

Though I was certainly ready to return to work with a renewed vigor (and I have) I must confess to being a little frustrated at the realization that things are *still* not how I wish them to be. Of course, this isn't necessarily a shock. It seems, though, that a few weeks away cleared my vision as to just how far we still have to go to get past COVID and the unfortunate changes and compromises it has brought to each of us and our world.

I'm sure I'm not telling anybody anything new, especially if you are the parent of school-aged children. It is beyond my ability to comprehend the terrible burden this has placed on folks, just putting kids on the bus or dropping them off at school each day. Frankly, I truly fear for our kids regarding the stress they are living under and the opportunities and normal childhood experiences which are being thwarted or delayed. I am profoundly missing seeing the children of our church,

“Each year, the Great Pumpkin rises out of the pumpkin patch that he thinks is the most sincere. He's gotta pick this one. He's got to. I don't see how a pumpkin patch can be more sincere than this one. You can look around and there's not a sign of hypocrisy. Nothing but sincerity as far as the eye can see.” - Linus VanPelt

and having the privilege of being even a small part of their lives.

Such is the context out of which I write this month's Pastor's report. I've been made to consider life's gains and losses and how either/both of these come to define us and our lives. Certainly in terms of our experience of COVID, but in a more comprehensive manner especially.

Frankly, I'd like to see the glass half full on this, and certainly we can and should do so. There is much we have learned about ourselves, our families and our church these past two years as we've picked ourselves up and dusted ourselves off time and time again. There is also much we learn about life in the big picture when we suffer loss. But, my Lord, these are difficult and unwanted lessons to learn in spite of the good gains that can, and often do, result from such experiences.

I share this to remind you (and myself) that though we cannot necessarily always control the gains and losses, we do hold sway over the lessons they teach us, the impact they have on us and the responses we offer in return.

As you will see in this newsletter, we are undertaking a **Great Pumpkin Parade** later this month in conjunction with our Fall Food for Fellowship event. While an admittedly modest endeavor, one small candle(s) in the dark as it were, such an undertaking is both an act of defiance against that which would seek to overwhelm us, and a celebration of who and what we remain to be and dream of always becoming: a community of faith determined to move past fear and frustration to claim celebration and joy as the means to carry us through these dark and scary times. So, pick up your pumpkin and get to carving out a place for your light to shine upon the world, those you love and, especially, yourself.

Discovering the treat is always the trick,
Rev. Mike



OCTOBER Birthdays

- 1 Andrew Loettler,
Armond Spencer
- 2 Mark St. Hilaire,
Patience Boswell
- 4 Diane Ladison,
Tiffany Conn-Soricelli
- 5 Daniel Norrell
- 12 Josh Holbrook, Kevin Bailey
- 13 Charles Dean
- 14 Aggrey Wasike, Maria Franklin,

Frederick James McManus
- 15 Bonnie Russell,
Steven DeSantis
- 16 Janice Reynolds
- 17 Jeanne Stone, Maggie Smith
- 18 Emma Mousaw
- 23 Meagan Brady, Al Ostrander
- 25 Darcy Aldous, Cati Gollinger,
Mary Kelly
- 26 Kelly Davis
- 29 Marcy Bennett

OCTOBER Anniversaries

- 1 Vernon & Arvilla Aldous
- 7 Stephen & Martha Cole,
Bill & Cati Gollinger
- 8 Scott & Chris Sutherland
- 9 Patrick & Heidi Ames

Jean & Pat “Ring The Bell”

What a joyous occasion on September 3rd when Jean and Pat McGuire commenced to “Ring The Bell” signaling the completion of chemotherapy treatments which have stretched through the summer. Congratulations!



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

Food For Fellowship Returns

With the arrival of fall and COVID still making life difficult, we thought it was time for another Food for Fellowship soup meal. A gift of coziness from your church family. Here’s the deal - we provide a soup meal for **anyone** in the church who wants one. In return, we ask that you **“pay it forward”** and send greetings to a church friend with a notecard that we supply with your meal.

Food For Fellowship will be on Thursday, October 28th. A meal of soup, homemade bread/muffins, and dessert will be available with gluten-free options for each menu item. It can be **picked up** at the church or **delivered** to your home. Along with the meal, you will receive a **notecard** with an addressed, stamped envelope for another member of your church family. Write a quick note of fellowship and pop it in the mail. Food For Fellowship.

The soups offered will be **Chicken Noodle Soup** and **Curried Coconut Tomato Soup** (gluten and dairy free). There also is the choice of **Italian Bread** or **gluten-free Corn Muffins** along with **regular cookies** or **gluten-free cookies**. You can place an order for the number of **quarts of soup** that you would like (you can try both) and the type of **bread** and **cookies** for your meal by contacting **Linda Potter** at nautilus@twcny.rr.com or texting her at 315-229-8886. She also will be contacting families with children directly.

Volunteers are needed! If you are interested in baking loaves of **bread** to accompany the soup or making homemade nut-free **brownies** or **cookies** for the dessert or can help **deliver** meals on **October 28th**, contact Linda.

Food for Families * Fellowship With Your Church Family

October Lectionary Readings

Sunday, October 3

Job 1:1; 2:1-10, Psalm 26
Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12, Mark 10:2-16

Sunday, October 10

Job 23:1-9; 16-17
Psalm 22:1-15
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31



Sunday, October 17

Job 38:1-7 (34-41)
Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c
Hebrews 5:1-10, Mark 10:35-45

Sunday, October 24

Job 42:1-6, 10-17, Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22)
Hebrews 7:23-28, Mark 10:46-52

Sunday, October 31

Ruth 1:1-18, Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:11-14, Mark 12:28-34



Hospice Tastes of Autumn

Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley is holding its **Taste of Autumn fundraiser** with local chefs preparing meals for you to bake at home along with salad and dessert provided. Choices include Chicken Cacciatore, Bacon-Wrapped Meatloaf, Violi's Shrimp Veneziana and Fall Vegetable Primavera. All entrees are \$25 and orders must be placed by **October 15th** with pick-up on **Sunday, October 24th** from 3 - 5 p.m. at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Learning Farm. More details at <https://hospices-lv.org/tastes-of-autumn-2021/>.



Virtual Worship & Fellowship

For live-streaming, fellowship, bulletins, sermons newsletter and other resources, **begin by bookmarking the church website:** 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 and click on "YouTube Channel." You can choose to subscribe to our channel or simply go to this link each week.

Zoom Fellowship calls each Sunday 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 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 and click on "Sunday Bulletin."

Written sermons will continue to be emailed, or snail-mailed, on *Monday* to everyone each week; as well as being posted to the church website. Go to 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").

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.

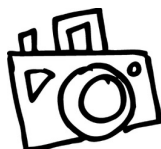
If you want to learn more about the prayer chain, call **Rev. Mike** at 386-2570 or **Wanda Renick** at 386-3474.



Photo Directory

Due to recent "shenanigans," we have made a decision to no longer offer our Photo Directory 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** or **Keli Hollis**. Updates easily done.



Presbyterian Worship

The monthly service at Partridge Knoll will resume on **Wednesday October 6th at 11 a.m.** However, due to COVID it will be for residents only. Please continue to keep our friends there in your prayers and, perhaps, stop by for a visit (with a mask) or pick up the phone to say hi. Wanda, Shirley, Janet, Jeanne and Donna would love to hear from you.

Like Us On Facebook!

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

Church Website



Our Website is updated each month and is a great way to stay a part of the life of the church. If you have questions about, or contributions for the website please email Rev. Mike or the church office.

The Church's email address: office@ChurchOnThePark.org

Reverend Mike's email address: RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.org

Sermons & Services

Written Sermons in PDF format are now available for viewing or downloading on Monday at 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.

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 News letter Editor, Linda Potter, at:

nautilus@twcny.rr.com

Hello, my name is...

Name Tag Sunday is on hold for now but you can still get to know your church friends.

Use the **church Photo Directory** and send a note to say **hello!**

Park Update

Having completed the **restoration** of the **fountain**, we are now moving on to the the long overdue **tree work** in the park. Funded by a **NYS DEC grant** and a match by the **Town of Canton**, work will soon begin to remove **dead** and **dying trees**, as well as the **pruning** and care of remaining trees.

We will also be treating one of the **Ash trees** in the park (rather than preemptively removing) to fend off **Emerald Ash Borer infestation** (recently discovered in nearby Potsdam); as well as establishing a **funded plan** with the Village of Canton to carry out the work for the next **30 years**.

This work should be completed by the **end of October**, though all trees will be **aerated** and **fertilized** (and Ash tree inoculated) in the spring as is the **best practice**. Once the trees have been pruned or removed/stumped, during the first week of November, **St. Lawrence County Soil and Water** and the Village of Canton will cooperatively plant **13 new trees** (there was a thought to do more, but the decision was reached to maintain some open/sunlit spaces instead). New species will include “**Cucumber**” tree (in the Magnolia family), **White Oak**, **Coffeetree**, **Hackberry**, **Northern Catalpa** and **Black Gum**.



Pledge Sunday

Fall means it's time to think about our **Annual Stewardship Drive**. Pledge Sunday will be on **November 7th**. On that day, we ask each person/family to prayerfully consider how the church supports **you, your community** and the **world** and how you, in turn, can **support** the church. Within the month, you will receive an **appeal letter** and a **pledge card** in the mail. As you consider your pledge, feel free to contact **Rev. Mike** or any member of the **Session** with any questions about pledges, how the church operates or the budget process.



The church is especially **grateful** for your **generous support** during the ongoing pandemic which has allowed us to pay salaries, keep the lights on and be a home on the park for so many.

Could It Be You?

We are still on the lookout for a new **Christian Education Director**. Though the program is on hold because of COVID restrictions, we are looking forward to the day when we return with a **vibrant, creative** Christian Ed program and hear the sounds of little feet thundering out of the sanctuary on their way to the classroom.

It could be **you** or a **team of people** leading this effort. There is lots of great curriculum available to guide you. This is a **vital part** of our church and if you are interested in exploring it, see **Rev. Mike**.



Great Pumpkin Parade!

The Great Gathering Of Pumpkins taking place at our church this Halloween isn't just for the young, but for the **YOUNG AT HEART** as well. *Everyone* is encouraged to go out and get a pumpkin, carve it, and bring it to the church by Sunday October 31st (or contact Rev. Mike and he'll pick it up) so we can add it to our Great Pumpkin Parade. *Everyone* is doing it! Join in the fun. **Let's put some WHEEEE in Halloween this year!**



Halloween!

Halloween falls on a **Sunday** this year! Because it is **Rev. Mike's** favorite holiday and because we all could use a **smile**, we encourage **everyone** - the young and the young at heart - to **wear a costume** that day. Even if you are watching on the livestream. Life has been **tricky** enough lately. We all could use a **treat!**



Saving Grace

Lord of harvest, all is Thine;
The rains that fall, the sun that shines,
The seed once hidden in the ground,
The skill that makes our fruits abound:
New every year, Thy gifts appear;
New praises from our lips shall sound.

- John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862)

Welcome Great Pumpkin



Starting Wednesday October 6 a Plethora of Plump Pumpkins will be available In the church foyer, along with a carving kit, for every family with school-aged children. Each family is invited to carve and contribute a creation to add to this year's Great Pumpkin Parade! Please bring your carved pumpkin with you to the church when you pick up your Food For Fellowship Meal On Thursday October 28th. (Or any other time, or we will pick it up when we deliver your meal). Halloween falls on a Sunday this year, and the pumpkins

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

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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.