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# CAMDEN UMC NEWSLETTER

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Secretary: Leslie Coe

November 2018

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## Future Newsletters

Starting with the January 2019 newsletter we will be emailing the newsletter to those that we have an email address for. An email version will start with the December 2018 Newsletter. If you would like to receive the email version please email the church at: [camdenumc@centralny.twcbc.com](mailto:camdenumc@centralny.twcbc.com)

For those that we do not have an email address for we will continue to mail them the newsletter. The newsletter will also be available on the church website ([www.camdenny-umc.org](http://www.camdenny-umc.org)) in the news section.

## Rotary basket sign-up

November 14: North Bay Town Hall, November 15-17: Camden UMC Headstart classrooms. Wednesday through Friday 4-7, Saturday 9-12.

## Daylight Savings Time

Remember to turn your clocks back on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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## Church Office News

The church office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 1-3pm. The secretary is not in the office on Thursday. The Pastor will be in the office most Wednesdays. You may call the office at 315-245-2600 or e-mail the office at: [camdenumc@centralny.twcbc.com](mailto:camdenumc@centralny.twcbc.com). If you need to reach someone immediately you can call the church cell phone at 315-225-6259, if no one answers leave a message and we will call you back (we can receive text messages as well). Please use the side door across from the office and ring the bell to the right, so I can let you in as our building is locked.

If you would like to dedicate our worship bulletins to loved ones please check with the office to book the date. **Current dates available are November 11, 18, & 25 December 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30.** The minimum suggested donation is \$6.60 a Sunday. If you would like to dedicate a hymn to loved ones for one of our worship services, for a donation, please check with the office for the date and to pick the hymn.

The deadline for the **December** newsletter is Wednesday, **November 7, 2018**. If your group has news for the newsletter, please let the office know.

## Prayer Tree

If you have a prayer request please contact the office, so that it can be shared with people. Please give the name the request is for and the need. You may share as little or as much information as you would like. Call 315-245-2600 or call or text 315-225-6259 (Church's cell, please provide your name), email the church: [camdenumc@centralny.twcbc.com](mailto:camdenumc@centralny.twcbc.com) or Leslie: [lac@twcny.rr.com](mailto:lac@twcny.rr.com).

## **Pennies for Mission**

We added \$15.18 for a total of \$89.54 towards our 93<sup>rd</sup> \$100 in September. Keep those “pennies” coming! (Any amount of money is welcome)

Each time we gather \$100 we send that money to a mission local as well as global. We sent our 92<sup>nd</sup> \$100 to the Croad family who had a devastating fire this past year, in which three of their children died. If you have a suggestion for a mission let Barb Conniff know.

Thank you!

## **Christmas Bazaar News**

The 2018 Camden United Methodist Christmas Bazaar will take place on Saturday November 17 from 10:00-4:00. It is sponsored by the Ladies Fellowship.

This year in addition to a beautiful quilt handmade by Carolyn Graham, we will also be raffling off two handsome lamps, crafted and donated by Dick Duerr.

The bake sale is always well received! Anyone wishing to donate to the bake sale, or to work at the bazaar, should see Karleen Yager.

Be sure to come to the Christmas bazaar on November 17<sup>th</sup>- you are guaranteed to find a large variety of wonderful items to get your Christmas shopping started!

Thank you for your help. As always, all proceeds from the Christmas Bazaar support our church and our community.

## **Student Day Sunday special offering November 25<sup>th</sup>**

Your gift enriches ministry and connects students to their faith. Your gift supports United Methodist Student Day Scholarships, administered by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

## **Harvest Dinner News**

Our Harvest dinner was a great success again. Stay tuned for an update.

## **American Red Cross Bloodmobile News**

The next Bloodmobile will be **November 5, 2018 from 1:00-6:00pm** in our fellowship hall. Come out and help to meet or exceed the goal of 31 pints!

Our September Blood drive registered 30 donors and collected 26 pints of blood. We also had 4 first time donors! The need is great throughout the year. Please make an appointment to give today.

Rapid Pass allows you to complete the reading material and the questions the day of your donation, but before you arrive. This will allow for more donors by speeding up your registration process. Visit [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) to learn more.

Please help by sharing the gift of life, the need is always present. The cost to you is about one hour of your time.

## **Adult Study News**

### **Sunday Morning:**

SEEKERS adult study group meets on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:40 in the Library Lounge. All are invited to join us on our journey through life via the Bible.

### **Loaves & Fishes (Wednesday evening)**

We are working through the “Get Their Name” study. This is helping us to meet people where they are and form relationships with them. We are learning simple ways to reach people.

## **2019 Volunteer schedules**

If you are the head of a volunteer group please touch base with all of your volunteers to be sure they want to continue. If you think of someone who might like to be a volunteer, invite them to help. The secretary does not do this for you.

Please get your volunteer list to the office by the first week of December, so we can distribute them.

## **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES**

### COUNTER SCHEDULE

November 4- Bob & Barb Conniff  
November 11- Karl Keil  
November 18- Debbie Leach  
November 25- Dan Coe & Janice Alvord  
December 2- Mike Waterman

### ACOLYTES

November 4- Carter Keller  
November 11- Bella Keller  
November 18- Annaka Stauring  
November 25- Carter Keller  
December 2- Bella Keller

### BIBLE READERS

November 4-  
November 11-  
November 18-  
November 25-  
December 2-  
(If you would like to read we have openings. The signup sheet is on the table by the front of the sanctuary, the readings for the rest of the year are there. I will let you know what the reading is the week scheduled. The slip has the possible readings for each service.)

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

November 4-  
November 11-  
November 18-  
November 25-  
December 2-

### USHER SCHEDULE

November 4- Janice Alvord, Bonnie LaRock,  
Lorraine Storey, Shelley DeLosh  
or Carrie Pulizzi  
November 11- Bill & Jan Bickford,  
Charles & Jeri Norton  
November 18- Dan & Leslie Coe,  
Leo Seaton & Todd Alvord  
November 25- Steve & Racheal Keller,  
Carol Stauring & Bernice Flagg  
December 2- Karl & Judy Keil,  
Joanne Karboski, Morgan Comins

## **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES *Cont.***

### COMMUNION STEWARDS

November 4- Charles & Jeri Norton  
& Janice Alvord  
December 2- Terry Bailey, Karl & Judy Keil  
(If you would like to help with Communion, please see Leslie Coe. Each team takes care of communion about 4 times a year)

## **Food Pantry News for September**

Dear Church Family,

Once again we had a big amount of families in need of food for the month of September.

We served 113 families, consisting of 378 individuals and gave out 5,670 meals.

We still got lots of produce, although things are winding down in the gardens. Green beans, cucumbers and tomatoes topped the list with Swiss chard and onions close behind. We received apples towards the end of the month and naturally gave out yogurt again, this time strawberry. We also gave out cookies and town house crackers. Our clients always leave happy.

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Our church donations for September was \$106 and 122 items.

Thank you for sharing your lives with us by always giving so generously.

All of us at the food pantry, staff and clients, are truly grateful for your donations, thank you.

The Camden Area Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 12:30 pm, and Tuesday evenings from 6-7 pm.  
Phone (315) 245-5788.

## **Pastor's News**

On Sunday October 21 in our worship service I opened for questions and discussion the subject of The Way Forward for the United Methodist church. I explained that The Way Forward was an initiative by the bishops of our denomination to address the long discussed subject of human sexuality in the life of our church. There were questions about process asked and members made respectful statements about their beliefs as they understood them based on long held interpretation of scripture.

That is exactly what I had expected from our congregation. Each person spoke respectfully to each other and about those with whom they disagreed in interpretation of God's Holy Word passed down to us through the millennia. It was made clear that all persons regardless of their sexuality were welcome in our church and that would never change.

Later that evening three of us attended an information session at Liverpool UMC presented by Bishop Mark Webb where he, in some detail, presented the three plans that have been submitted to the 864 elected delegates to General Conference. Two of these delegates come from our conference. In addition to the three submitted plans there have also been submitted some 51 other petitions which are described to be in harmony with the intended purpose of the conference, in harmony means that they are relative to the single legislative item on the agenda. How the United Methodist Church will deal with the issues of same gender marriages in our churches and the ordination of LGBTQ+ persons in our denomination.

I cannot in the short context of this article clearly articulate the nature of the three submitted plans but would highly recommend that you go to [UMC.org](http://UMC.org) to read the details.

It is important to understand that there will not be a sudden change in our churches. There is much yet to be done following the February 2019 conference before any change takes place but the important thing for all of us to do is to pray fervently that God will take charge of this and He will lead us forward.

Blessings,  
Pastor Steve

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30 Cub Scouts 6-7		December Newsletter deadline Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm	All Saints Day		AA- 9:30 am Ladies Fellowship 10:00 Turn clocks back
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 Daylight Savings ends All Saints Sunday Charge Conference	Bloodmobile 1-6pm Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30 Cub Scouts 6-7	Office Closed	Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm Villagers 11am- 4pm			AA- 9:30 am
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 Last day for shoebox items	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30 Cub Scouts 6-7		Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm Rotary basket sign ups in North Bay 4-7	Rotary basket sign ups Headstart classrooms 4-7	Rotary basket sign ups Headstart classrooms 4-7	AA- 9:30 am Christmas Bazaar 10-4 Rotary basket sign ups Headstart classrooms 9-12
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 Shoebox packing Worship Planning	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30 Cub Scouts 6-7		Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm	Thanksgiving		AA- 9:30 am
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 SP Offering UM Student day	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30 Cub Scouts 6-7		Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm Halloween			AA- 9:30 am
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 First Sunday of Advent	Weight Watchers 5:30- 7:30 Bloodmobile 1:00-6:00 Cub Scouts 6-7		January Newsletter deadline Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm			AA- 9:30 am

## Prayer List: Names remain on list for one month, unless requested to keep on the list.

For those who are mourning the loss of a loved one. For those who are learning how to cope with a new health condition and their caregivers. For those who are preparing for their final life journey. For those who need to hear of God's love for them. For those who are looking for work. For those who are in need of shelter. For those who are in need of food. For those who answer the call for help and need, the first responders. For those who are dealing with an ongoing health condition and their caregivers. For peace and patience in times of strife, when hurt and when upset. Give us hearts that love all people, not just the easy ones we know. For those suffering in body, mind, or spirit. For those who are teaching, learning, driving & helping with schools. For those battling addictions. Joseph Wiggins; Aaron Keville; Destinee Sobles; Tom Young; Paul Horn; Skyla; Liborio Barbagallo; Jack Estrella; Susane Lewchanin; Terry Polini & family; Marcia Bogle; Lillian; Brayden Hughes; Bob Smith; Daniel Dunn; Coramae Mikitin; Mike Riley; Derek Holmes & family; Rev. Janet (Gibbs) Bently; Helen Flinchum & family; Owen Cogswell & family; Judy Bacus' family; Grace Waterman; Pam Yerdon; Gary Card; Cassie Vargas; Daniel Tyo's family; Wade Bond; Robert Geiger; Don Mathews; Peg Biscomb's family.

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