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# CAMDEN UMC NEWSLETTER

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## Harvest Dinner News

Our Harvest dinner is scheduled for Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, mark your calendars. Tickets available now, \$15 each. See a church member or call 315-245-2600 or 315-245-4696 to get tickets.

If you want to supply pies please see, Janice Alvord (no cream pies please).

Please see Tom fanning to see how you can help!

## Future Newsletters

Starting with the January 2019 newsletter we will be emailing the newsletter to those that we have an email address for. 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.

## 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 October 7, 14, 21, November 4, 11, 18, & 25.** 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 **November** newsletter is Wednesday, **October 3, 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).

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## **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Christian Dance Fellowship Fall Retreat**

October 12-13, 2018 at Shiloh Family Retreat Center, on Hatch Lake, in Eaton, NY, near Morrisville. Friday night will be a dance exchange and open worship. Workshops will take place during the day on Saturday and finish by about 5 PM. Participants may have the option to stay overnight and simple meals will be provided. To register visit [www.bjandcompany.com](http://www.bjandcompany.com) Click on "Dance WKSHP" for registration form and more details. Leaders/dance instructors: Ashley Rollinson from Ballet Magnificat, Nancy Skye, Judith Conway, Barb Field, and Diane Steele and additional guest artist from western Massachusetts to share spirit led expressive praise and worship!

Please contact Michelle Relyea, 315-245-3817 if interested in carpooling.

## **Pennies for Mission**

We added \$35.00 for a total of \$74.36 towards our 93rd \$100 in July. 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. 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 lovely lamps, handmade 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!

## **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.

## **World Communion Sunday**

World Communion Sunday is observed by many Christian denominations throughout the world. This day believers come together to acknowledge that we are connected with one another through Jesus Christ. We partake in communion together in unity.

## **World Communion Sunday special offering October 7th**

Your gift helps promising scholars to become leaders. Your gift supports Ethnic Scholarships and Ethnic In-Service training.

## **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES**

### COUNTER SCHEDULE

October 7- Karl Keil  
October 14- Debbie Leach  
October 21- Dan Coe & Janice Alvord  
October 28- Mike Waterman  
November 4- Bob & Barb Conniff

### ACOLYTES

October 7- Annaka Stauring  
October 14- Carter Keller  
October 21- Bella Keller  
October 28- Annaka Stauring  
November 4- Carter Keller  
October 7- Annaka Stauring

### BIBLE READERS

October 7-  
October 14- Carrie Pulizzi  
October 21- Lorraine Storey  
October 28- Jeri Norton  
November 4-  
October 7-  
(If you would like to read we have openings. The sign-up 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

October 7-  
October 14-  
October 21-  
October 28-  
November 4-

### USHER SCHEDULE

October 7- Karl & Judy Keil;  
Joanne Karboski; Morgan Comins  
October 14- Chuck & Linda Bewley;  
Margaret Smith; Michelle Relyea  
October 21- Bob & Barb Conniff;  
Darrell & Kathy Flinchum  
October 28- Norm & Debbie Leach;  
Mike & Deb Waterman  
November 4- Janice Alvord; Bonnie LaRock;  
Lorraine Storey; Shelley DeLosh  
or Carrie Pulizzi

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

### COMMUNION STEWARDS

October 7- Dan & Leslie Coe & Kathy Posner  
November 4- Charles & Jeri Norton  
& Janice Alvord

(If you would like to help with Communion, please see Leslie Coe. Each team takes care of communion about 4 times a year)

### **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.

### **Food Pantry News for August**

Dear Church Family,

We had 103 families, 357 individuals, and gave out 5,355 meals.

Once again, our produce has been outstanding. Community gardens, Ruth Norton, and other local farmers have shared their crops, making us feel so special. Tomatoes have come in by the bushel, cucumbers, all kinds of squash, greens and even leeks, plus beets and peppers. It's hard for our patrons to take their eyes away from the beautiful display.

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Thank you church family for your generous donations of 107 items and \$105.00. The Food pantry is very grateful for your faithful donations.

The staff and patrons of our Camden Area Food Pantry

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.

## Visioning Documents 2018

### Mission Statement:

We seek to provide a welcoming, nurturing, and caring environment while teaching young growing Christians, both churched and unchurched, to foster a love of Christ and a yearning after God, while reinforcing a connectedness to our congregation.

### Values:

1. We will be a class where newcomers and returning students feel equally welcome.
2. We will maintain an atmosphere of friendship.
3. We will be appreciative of our volunteers.
4. We will adhere to the Safe Sanctuaries Code of Ethics.

### Goals:

1. Increase student attendance to allow two Sunday School classes- younger/older.
2. Increase connectedness to congregation through Prayer Partners/Mentors, etc.
3. Increase student participation during worship service- acolyte participation (3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up), scripture reader and usher participation (7<sup>th</sup> grade and up), skits, pageants, dance, special music, etc.
4. Incorporate field trips pertinent to special events throughout the year (i.e. Food Pantry, Forest Park, etc).
5. Retain 75% youth participation through middle school via prayer buddies, birthday recognition, Prayer Partners/Mentors, etc.

## Calendar of Events 2018

September 9	12:00	Sunday School Kick-Off Party!
October 21	11:30	Hop-A-Thon for Food Pantry
November 18	11:30	Shoe Box Ministries
December 23	10:30	Christmas Pageant
March 3	11:00	Heifer International
March 17	12:00	VBS Planning Session #1
April 14	10:30	Palm Sunday Participation
April 21	11:30	Easter Egg Hunt
May 19	12:00	VBS Planning Session #2
June 23	11:00	Second Gr. Bible Presentation and End-of-Year Family Picnic
Summer	TBD	Vacation Bible School



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 SPRC after church AED training	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30		November Newsletter deadline Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm			AA- 9:30 am
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 World Communion & Special offering Ad Council	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30		Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm Villagers 11am-4pm			AA- 9:30 am
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 Potluck dinner after church	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30		Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm	Harvest Dinner 4-?		AA- 9:30 am
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
Seekers Study 9:45-10:40 Laity Sunday Hop-a-Thon	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30		Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm			AA- 9:30 am
<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 Reformation Sunday	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30		Loaves & Fishes 6:00-8pm Halloween	All Saints Day		AA- 9:30 am
<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 Charge Conference 2:00-4:00	Weight Watchers 5:30-7:30 Bloodmobile 1:00-6:00		December 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. 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; Judy Bacus; Aaron Davis; Tina Noble Plumley; For those who have lost loved ones on and related to 9/11; Stephen Carpenter; Starting a new job; Ventura family; those impacted by natural disasters; Wade Bond; Nancy Halstead's family; Elizabeth Barling's family.

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