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FROM THE PASTOR - REV. RICHARD G. REED-July 21, 2021

My newsletter article for the middle of July is about our new ministry – the Tuesday Senior Luncheons. Prior to the pandemic, PEACE, Inc sent meals from their Syracuse hub to our building for senior lunch. About 30 seniors gathered to eat, to chat, to catch up on the "local news" and to support one another. But the pandemic stopped that, like it stopped way too many important things. Now since there are so many vaccinated, New York has opened up the restrictions and folks are able to gather again. But PEACE, Inc has not yet started the luncheons back up again. What's to do but pitch in and start them up ourselves! And that is just what we have done!

I am so grateful for the support of this congregation to this new ministry. Folks have volunteered to help prepare and/or serve meals, and donate supplies. My special thanks to David Fraser, whom I refer to as the Kitchen Manager (a new promotion) who has committed to being present every Tuesday to cook, serve and clean up, and to Mary Thompson, our Coordinator, who has committed to lining up each week's people to help out in the kitchen and to do "housekeeping" tasks.

The first week we served 17 meals. Yesterday (July 20) we served 25. And like the Loaves and Fishes, there was plenty, and everyone was filled and there was food left over! And more than the food – the fellowship is what they all missed and craved and what means the most to them when they gather. When we are faithful with the resources that God gives us and use them for ministry and service to others instead of hoarding them for ourselves, God gives the increase and God is glorified! It's a simple formula, yet we need to be reminded occasionally how it all works.

Well, the rest of how it all works is this:

Anyone can come have a meal. If you are a first-timer, let us know you are coming.

60+ \$3.50 <60 \$4.50

No one is turned away for being unable to pay.

A limited number of lunches are available for those who are home-bound.

Come for the food, stay for the fellowship!

Peace,

Pastor Rick +

Tully United Community Church Tuesday Senior Lunch Menus July 27, 2021 August 3, 2021 Tuna Salad Sandwich Southwest Chicken, Corn and Black Bean Rotini Pasta Salad Salad w/Avocado Lime Dressing Chips Mini Cheese Quesadillas Cookies Ice Cream Sandwiches August 10, 2021 August 17, 2021 Mini Turkey and Ham Subs Chicken Salad on Croissant Potato Salad Cucumber, Cherry Tomato and Feta Cheese Veggies and Ranch Dip Salad Cookies Brownies August 24, 2021 August 31, 2021 Chicken Parmesan Sliders or pork BBQ Cobb Salad (Ham, Turkey, Hard Boiled Egg, Side Salad with Italian Dressing Cheese, Tomatoes Chips Ice cream cups Cookies

And beginning in September... SOUPS!

September 7, 2021 Tomato Basil with tortellini Grilled Cheese Sticks Jello

Menu is subject to change.

Moderator Message

The Congregation of TUCC conducts election for Church Officers and Board Members each year at the Annual Meeting. This year's meeting is scheduled for August 15th. The Church Council and Boards are responsible for developing and presenting a slate of candidates for consideration. Currently, we are looking for congregation members who might have an interest in any of the Officer positions or Board roles.

Please review the information about roles and boards presented below and let any Church Council member know if you need more information or are interested in being added to the slate. Candidates must be identified before July 30th.

Church Officers

Moderator: The Church Moderator serves as the lay leader of the Church. The Moderator presides as chairperson of all Church and Church Council Meetings and is an ex-officio member of the Church Boards.

Church Clerk: The Church Clerk acts as secretary to the Annual and Special Meetings of the Church and to the meetings of the Church Council. The Church Clerk maintains records of the proceedings of these meetings and ensures the maintenance of the official church membership rolls.

Church Treasurer: The Church Treasurer is the fiscal officer of the Church, receives and disperses the funds of the Church and works with church leadership to develop and manage the annual budget.

Assistant Treasurer: The Assistant Treasurer works with the Treasurer to maintain current procedures for recording and reporting on financial matters should substitute work be necessary.

The Financial Secretary: The Financial Secretary maintains records of the amounts pledged and received for the financial support of the Church's work.

Assistant Financial Secretary: The assistant Financial Secretary works with the Financial Secretary to maintain current recording procedures should substitute work be necessary.

Boards

The Board of Trustees is responsible for maintenance and capital improvement of all Church Property and manages janitorial services and insurance coverage.

The Board of Deacons works with the Pastore ensure an effective and spiritual atmosphere for the Worship Services and other programs of this Church including supporting the music program, beautifying the environment, managing support roles, and sponsoring Fellowship time.

The Board of Christian Education prepares and administers programs approved by the Church Council that will effectively provide Christian Education at all age levels.

The Board of Stewards provides for the annual financial campaign to raise member pledges, seeks to link the time and talents of members with church need and oversees memorial bequests.

The Personnel Relations Board fosters constructive communications between the congregation and its pastoral leadership and supports the management and evaluation of all church personnel.

The Board of Mission and Outreach manages all mission giving, supports the Church work in the larger community, supports visitation to sick and needy, promotes new church membership and maintains Church Membership Rolls.

Saturday, July 31st Ride and Run for the Rescue 2021

We have a team in the Syracuse Rescue Mission annual fundraising event called, Ride and Run for the Rescue 2021. This is the 15th year of the event, and the 7th year we have participated as the, TUCC Team. The event is on July 31st. The Rescue Mission in the center of Syracuse has been providing emergency shelter, clothing and food for unfortunate people since 1887. This summer they expect to serve 70,000 meals. The Rescue Mission has many programs that help people become independent after hopeless periods in their lives. There are offices in Auburn and Binghamton. Please consider donating or joining our team.

The members of our TUCC Team are:

Ed and Janet Hillenbrand, Jim and Kay Butkus, Mary Huntington, Laura Rankin, Jaci Colombo, Team Captain

To donate or join our team talk to any of the participants or go to the Rescue Mission link <u>Donation - 2021 Ride and Run for the Rescue (akaraisin.com)</u> Or ask any of the participants about it.

Thanks, Team Captain- Jaci 315-708-8718.



******A request of MINI LOAVES of SWEET Bread******

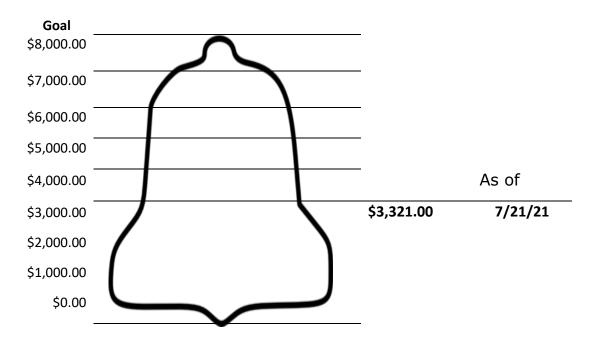
A request for mini loaves of sweet bread to be donated each **Tuesday in August**. **The bread HAS to be made at the TUCC kitchen.** See Nancy Chawgo or Janet Hillenbrand. Also help needed to set up/take down tent, tables and chairs each Tuesday in August at 3:45 and at 7 pm.

Baby Blankets can be made/donated to the Labor of Love Program through the Syracuse Healthy Start. A basket is in the church entrance to drop off.

Request for diapers: Barbara Kohberger, Coordinator, CPE
PEACE is asking for size 4 diapers. Any kind BUT LUVS. .
PEACE Inc., County South Family Resource Center, 12 Clinton Street, PO Box 312, Tully, NY 13159

Fund Raiser

The bells are available in silver or gold, are engraved to commemorate TUCC's 50th anniversary and cost \$10 each. The funds raised will support repair of our outdoor bells carillon.



Birthdays and Anniversaries



BIRTHDAYS:

July 21st – Morgan (Bartholomew) Usherwood, July 22nd – Sarah Goodfellow, Kim Guttendorf, July 23rd – Jill Northrup, July 24th – Laura Zobel, July 24th – Laura Zobel, July 27th – Trevor Dewey, Eric Bickelhaupt, July 30th – Ben Wayne, July 31st – Patricia Hayes, Del Wayne, Jackie St. Germain, Julian Finn Moore, August 1st – Amberle Brown

ANNIVERSARIES:

July 24th - Tom & Michelle Mott Kohberger; July 29th - Mark & Kim Guttendorf; August 2nd - Don & Sue Bickelhaupt

<u>CHURCH ATTENDANCE</u> Total

Sunday, July 11 47 Sunday, July 18 33

CONTRIBUTIONS (Sunday Offering and Loose Offering) for Sunday

Total

Sunday, July 11 \$1, 052.50 Sunday, July 18 \$1,120.00

Prayer and Praise

Prayer Requests:

Sonya Sheppard requested prayers for Tom Hackett, Sally Green's neighbor at the lake has stage 4 pancreatic cancer (Jim Crispian). Mary Thompson's cancer has <u>NOT</u> progressed in a year's time. The Swan family lost their oldest son.



Continue prayers for:

the following individuals who we hope are all getting better and staying healthy: Betty Fairchild and her son Zachary, Laura Rankin's stepdaughter's cousin, Tommy Andico, Art Berg, Linda Cottrell, Sally's cousin Linda, Jay Vania, friend of Kay and Jim Butkus, Dawn Cox requests prayers for Fred, Sue Bickelhaupt, Joe Puccia, Charlene Gale's daughter-in-law and granddaughter; Jim Canole friend of Pamela Poulin; Mary Thompson, Hugh Reed's mother- in- law, Barbara Stanley; Nancy Foster's daughter, Breanna; Kay and Jim Butkus' daughter Pam Falge; Brenda Millis, and Edie Cook.

Joys Shared:

Betty Ketcham is happy to have her daughter, Christina here from Georgia and family all together. Sr. Lunches started Tuesday. David Fraser was in charge of the kitchen. There were many happy faces. They were glad to be in the company of others again.

The TUCC received a **Thank you card** from Carmin Chawgo (Nancy Chawgo's granddaughter) it said: "Thank you Tully United Community Church for all your kind words of congratulations and encouragement. I loved the notebook and it meant a lot to receive it. Love,

Enjoy FREE Music in Cornerstop Park, Sundays July 11 – August 8 6:30-8:00 pm

Date	Artist
25- Jul	The Neighbors & Sundrop Rise
1-Aug	Bob Cooper & TUCC Hand Bell Choir
8-Aug	Mark Zane and Janiya

Alternate venue in case of rain will be the Tully United Community Church!

Church Activities

Fund Raiser Bell Sale – On going. There are still a few anniversary bells that have the carillon printed on them and there is a plan to sell unprinted bells later in the year. Any other ideas?

Outdoor Summer Worship

July 11 – September 5

Bring your lawn chair, a blanket, or use a folding church chair.

Every Tuesday at Noon our church sponsored **Senior Luncheon**. This is meant to keep the place of the PEACE Nutrition Program senior lunch until they are able to return. All are welcome – price is \$3.50 for 60+, \$4.50 for under 60 and no one is denied if unable to pay.

July 27th menu: Tuna Salad Sandwich, Rotini Pasta Salad, chips, cookies and beverage.

August 3rd menu: Southwest Chicken, Corn and Black Bean Salad w/Avocado Lime Dressing, Mini Cheese Quesadillas, Ice Cream Sandwiches

*Menu is subject to change.

Board Presentations During Worship: Stewards – July 25

Monday July 26 at 7:00 pm -Prayer Shawl Meetings-**Are beginning again!** Their first meeting will be Monday July 26 at 7:00 pm. Requests are being taken. Shawl makers will be knitting and crocheting at the Church. Finished shawls can be left at the church office. If you have any questions, please call Sandy Burgett at 315-696-5197. The next Meeting will be Monday, August 13rd.

Wednesday, July 28- 9:00 am – 10:30 am Peter's Weeders

Saturday, July 31st -Ride and Run for the Rescue 2021

Tuesdays in August -Beginning August 3rd. A request for mini loaves of sweet bread to be donated each **Tuesday in August**. **The bread HAS to be made at the TUCC kitchen.** See Nancy Chawgo or Janet Hillenbrand.

Annual Meeting - Meeting will be at 10:45 in the sanctuary.

August 15

50th Anniversary Kick-off and 20th Anniversary of 9/11

September 12

Let's all rally together and have as many of our members and attendees as possible present to **begin** a **week of celebrating 50 years together** as the Tully United Community Church! During this service we will remember and honor those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. This service will mark the **return of the Chancel Choir! NOTE**: Our week-long 50th Anniversary Celebration begins on **Sunday, September 12, and culminates on Sunday, September 19!**

Stewardship Consecration Sunday

October 17

The Board of Stewards has been busy working on a **new program of stewardship promotion**. For now, you will want to put this date on your calendar – it involves food and you don't have to cook! ©

TUCC Mask Guidelines- June, 2021

*Vaccinated attendees do not need to wear masks.

*Adults who are not vaccinated should continue to wear masks. *People who have any health concerns should feel free to wear masks in any or all situations.

Church Members - there is a board in the Office.

"All the Saints. Who From their Labor Rest "

We wish to remember all of our loved ones that have passed since Nov 1st, 2020

We request:

- 1. the name of the individual who has passed
- 2. when did they pass (month, day) if known
- 3. their relationship to you

Ways to Support Your Church and Community

Ministries come in many forms. Some take time, some take money, and some take both! Here are some suggestions for giving to others:

- 1. Offerings to TUCC mail or drop off at church; use the PayPal link on the church website or pay through the electronic bill payment process of your bank.
- 2. St. Leo's Food Pantry and Outreach, POB 574, Tully, 13159. Attn: Cheryl Paccia. Pantry needs monetary donations for fresh produce, meat, and dairy
- 3. Donate sauce, tuna, canned veggies, PB, jelly, toiletries, paper products, etc., for the Food Pantry. A donation box is at the church or they can be left just inside St. Leo's hall between 9am 2pm or just outside the door.
- 4. Shop *smile.amazon.com* and select TUCC as your non-profit. A percentage is returned to the church!
- Contact the Pastor, any Board chair or the Moderator to offer your ideas, time or talent. A vibrant church is built around the passions and talents of the congregation.

Meditation and Sunday Service in our Sanctuary

Our sanctuary is open daytimes for prayer or meditation. Hand sanitizer is provided by the door. Homemade masks are available for you to wear <u>and take</u> for added protection during COVID19.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87556610214?pwd=WE9kMnhaK2ISS3dFSk51WTI4MVVQZz09

Meeting ID: 875 5661 0214

YouTube service: Please watch your emails, our website and TUCC Facebook for the update.

TUCC INDOOR WORSHIP GUIDELINES are on our bulletin board and website tullychurch.org.

*Remember: Wash your hands. If you are not fully vaccinated, wear your mask in

public. Stay home if you are ill.

^{*}Singing without masks is also allowable.