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Consecration Sunday Is Coming

Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our congregation's finance committee has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. New Consecration Sunday encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

During morning worship on Consecration Sunday, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

Ann Sedore

Jeff Phelps

Moderator Board of Stewards Consecration Sunday Chairperson,

Moderator Message

My morning devotions for the last few weeks have focused on the book of Acts. I have been fascinated by how Christ's followers worked side-by-side to support one another and to invite others to love and serve a risen Jesus. All who joined the newly founded church willingly devoted their talents and resources to spreading the gospel and serving the community.

Fast forward over 1900 years and find TUCC doing the same thing. We serve a risen savior and depend on our members for the talent and resources needed to do this daily.

Did you know that the church depends on the unique talents of each of its members? You many not consider yourself particularly unique or talented. Rick Warren, however, in his book *The Purpose Driven Life* assures us that God created each of us for a purpose in life, He wired us in a specific way so that we can live out that purpose and serve Him faithfully.

Dr Warren tells us that God shaped each of us with:

Spiritual gifts: these are God-empowered abilities for serving him that are given only to believers. For instance, some gifts motivate you for ministry—like serving, teaching, encouraging, leading, giving, showing mercy, or offering biblical insight.

Heart: this is the bundle of desires, hopes, interests, ambitions, dreams, and affections you have. It's what you love to do and what you care about most.

Abilities: these are your natural talents you were born with. God wants you to do what you're able to do.

Personality: this is the way you bring energy and love into the world. It affects *how* and *where* you use your spiritual gifts and abilities. You'll use your gifts in different ways from anybody else.

Experiences: this is the years of day-to-day encounters with joy, love, suffering, and grief. Experiences bring you maturity and unique insights and help you minister to others going through similar experiences.

Spend some time thanking God for your SHAPE and then share it generously with your fellow Christian serving God through TUCC.

Mother's Day is May, 8th

The Deacons would like to share pictures of Moms. If you have any Pictures (paper or digital) of your Mom or individuals you felt were like your Mom and would like to have them displayed during Church this Sunday May 8th, please bring them to the office before 12:30 or to worship on Sunday - or you can send digital copies to the church through email: tullyunitedcc@gmail.com and we will display them on the wall during worship.

Board of Mission & Outreach

Ukraine: During Lent our board sold handmade wooden crosses draped with the Ukrainian colors to raise money for the people of Ukraine ravaged by war. In addition, "fees" were collected for desserts at the soup suppers. The money raised was given to the Ukrainian Fund. We also collected non-perishable goods to send to Ukraine. The collected total of **\$1,474.00** will be sent to aid the Ukrainian people. We thank everyone for your generosity and caring during a very trying time for many innocent people.

Godspell: We are helping to put on a meal for the **Godspell Reunion on Memorial Day weekend**. We will also help with refreshment time after the reunion. The reunion will be for the teenagers who participated in the several productions of Godspell and who are now all young adults.

Mother's Day, Blanket Sunday: This Sunday, Mother's Day, has traditionally been the last of the Mission Board's fundraisers for the year. It is called Blanket Sunday and all donations will go to help buy blankets for victims of disasters around the world. We hope you will help us in this yearly effort. Checks can be made out to TUCC with "Blanket Sunday" in the memo line. Special envelops will also be provided.



Funeral for Fran Fishlock

On **Saturday, May 7** receiving will begin at 11:00 am, Service will be at 1:00 pm with a meal after.

The family has asked everyone to wear a mask.

Location: Tully United Community Church, 5872 Meetinghouse Road, Tully, NY 13159

If you are not able to attend in person a LINK has been provided. Worship Service Link for Saturday's Service 5-07-22 at 1:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86421159081?pwd=ZUxROVIKQ1BhTklEOVhIYzVoRHIoUT09

Meeting ID: 864 2115 9081

Smilers and Bakers Needed for Sunday Morning Services

If you love to smile and welcome folks to our church, please sign up to be a greeter or usher. The job is simply one of ensuring that <u>everyone</u> who attends feels our TUCC warmth. This is particularly important as we move into special services for baby baptisms and outdoor worship.

Perhaps you want to avoid smiling and talking. Consider baking your mom's favorite cookies or gramma's old fashion coffee cake to share during the weekly coffee hour. There is a sign-up sheet on the refreshment table, so that you can pick a convenient date. The TUCC social hour after services blesses so many and you can help make it special.

The 24/7 Pantry Box

The 24/7 Pantry Box in the TUCC parking lot needs food items.

Christian Ed Spring workday will be Saturday, May 14

Starting time is 9 a.m. we're cleaning out the Youth Room and the room next to the children's library. Just a quick Church clean up throwing out some things for the Tully dump day.

Trustees Spring workday will be Sunday, May 15 after church.

The Trustees are planning a work day for Sunday, May 15 after church service. These tasks include kitchen clean up, window washing, she'd organizing, betc. Jobs will be posted and can also be completed at times convenient to your schedule.

Thanks, from the Trustees.

Rotary Schedule Manpower Schedule Set up time is 4:30 p.m. Start 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 25 – Sally & Ray Green Wednesday, June 8 – Karen Prince & Trudy Krewson

TULLY UNITED COMMUNITY CHURCH

TUESDAY SENIOR LUNCH MENU May 2022

- May 10 Happy Belated Mother's Day French Dip au jus, Deviled Eggs, Broccoli Salad, Dessert
- May 17 Creamy Potato and Ham Soup, Cornbread and Butter, Jell-O Salad, Dessert
- May 24 Tomato Soup, Toasted Cheese Sticks, Fruit, Dessert

 May 31 – We Remember Memorial Day - BBQ Pork Sandwiches, Macaroni Salad, Cole Slaw, Ice Cream Sandwiches

Menu subject to change

CURBSIDE PICKUP AVAILABLE - 12:00-12:40 Or call the church 315-696-8066 to arrange delivery

Birthdays and Anniversaries



BIRTHDAYS:

May 4th – Michelle Mott Kohberger, May 6th – Abbey Dewey, May 9th - Carrie Burgett, May 11th – Chris Kruth, May 13th – Mary Thompson, Michael Rankin, May 16th – Jillian Kublick, Rose Edinger, May 18th – Joe Martin, May 19th – Sharon Trerise, May 22nd- Sandra Burgett, May 23rd – Mark Masler, May 26th- Diane Dewey, May 29th – Jeff Phelps, May 31st – Teri Krom

June 2nd – Staci MacCrea, June 6th – Alexa Pebbles

ANNIVERSARIES:

May 11th – Brian & Cindy Bartholomew, May 20th – Cleave & Laurie Snow, May 27th – Tom Brown & Lydia Aris Brown, Brad & Beth Ann Smith, May 28th – Chris & Robin Miller, May 29th - Joe & Marcia Martin

June 7th – Jeff Phelps & Sharon Trerise

<u>CHURCH ATTENDANCE</u>		Total
Sunday, April 10 th Sunday, April 17 th	(Sunrise and 9:30)	44 15 & 67
Sunday, April 24 th	(Samise and Siss)	41
Sunday, May 1st		54

CONTRIBUTIONS (Sunday Offering and Loose Offering) for Sunday

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Sunday, April 10 th	\$ 791.00
Sunday, April 17th	\$2,146.00
Sunday, April 24th	\$1,545.00
Sunday, May 1 st	\$1,435.00

Prayer and Praise

Prayer Requests:

Sue Bickelhaupt's family her Aunt Mary Tchir passed away at 105. Sam Colombo caught COVID.

Nancy LaJoie: Temporary Address

The Wilmont Cancer Institute 601 Elmwood Ave 6th Floor Suite 12 Rochester, NY 14642

Continue prayers for:

Ray Welsh, Mackenzie, Arthur Berg, Jake Greiner, Rowena McAdoo, Brenda Burns, Pam Falge, Paul Kanar, Jolie Spaulding, Beth Lattimer, Mary Thompson, Linda Cottrell, Ed Hillenbrand, Leslie (Cornue) Sanderson, Betty Ketcham, Betty Brady- Jacqueline Franke's mom, and the people of Ukraine

Joys Shared:

Welcome to: Beckham Robert born to Erica & Jon King, 4/7, Columbus, Ohio. Great Grandparents Ed & Janet Hillenbrand

*Upcoming TLC Recipients are:

Lura Rouse, Linda Cottrell, Betty Fairchild, Paul & Elease Kanar

LOOKING AHEAD→

CHURCH CALENDAR

We are currently experimenting with developing a monthly calendar to include in the Stepping Stone outlining the services and programs of the congregation along with some of the regular meetings of outside organizations in our building. Please make sure the church office knows of your upcoming meeting so that it can be on the official office calendar and so we can put it on the monthly calendars in the newsletter.

Click on the attachment for the calendars for April & May.

Church Activities

Bell Sales – On going. There are still a few anniversary bells that have the carillon printed on them for \$10.00. Holiday bells are on sale for \$15.00. If you are interested in purchasing a bell, please contact Pamela Poulin (607-749-3474).

May - Prayer Shawl Meetings — There will be no prayer shawl meetings until further notice. Requests are still being taken. Shawl makers will be knitting and crocheting at home. Finished shawls can be left at the church office. If you have any questions, please call Sandy Burgett at 315-696-5197

Tuesdays at 12:00– Senior Luncheon Dinning (Curbside Pickup is also available from 12:00 -12:40) or call the church 315-696-8066 to arrange delivery)

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm Bell Choir. No experience is necessary.

Wednesdays at 7:30p.m. Choir meets.

Saturday, May 7 – In honor of Fran Fishlock, receiving will begin at 11:00 a.m., the Funeral will start at 1:00 p.m. with a meal to follow.



Sunday, May 8th – Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 10rd 12:00– Senior Luncheon Happy Belated Mother's Day
This week's menu – French Dip au jus, Deviled Eggs, Broccoli Salad, Dessert

Saturday, May 14th – 9:00 a.m. Christian Ed Spring workday

Saturday, May 14th 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Town of Tully Spring Clean-Up Day (Only for Village and Town residents) Village Treatment Plant, Community Drive, Tully (for more information see the TULLY NEWS April, 2022 issue)

Sunday, May 15th – after Church Spring Workday at TUCC

Saturday, Jun 4th 9:00 am to Noon -Free Shredding Event for Tully Residents Town Hall Parking Lot on Meeting House Road (for more information see the TULLY NEWS March, 2022 issue)

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!
- 5. 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. 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=WE9kMnhaK2lSS3dFSk51WTI4MVVQzz09

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.