



The Carillon

Scotia United Methodist Church

SEPTEMBER 2024

I am so excited that Homecoming Sunday is coming up shortly. On September 8th we will be welcoming back our Sunday School, looking forward to seeing the faces of those who have been away over the summer and celebrating a new season for Scotia UMC with the annual Homecoming cookout!

Let's all pray for great weather that day.

As I think about this new season for Scotia UMC, I have also been receiving reminders about the annual tasks that all churches in our connection face in the coming month. Things like nominations for our various church leadership positions, and for our various teams and committees that are such an important part of the life of any church. In the days and weeks ahead, I encourage each of you to consider how your skills and gifts might be used to help in our tasks and ministries. It is important to recognize that all of us have gifts of some sort, even if we are not fully aware of them ourselves.

Several passages in Scripture talk about these gifts which are given so that together we may form one body in Christ. Among these is Romans 12 where Paul wrote:

*⁴ For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function,
⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.
⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith;
⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.*

So many of you are already taking part in one of our teams, but others have expressed that they are not sure how they can help, or what each "team" actually does. I am hopeful that in the months ahead the various teams and committees will provide information for the newsletter – not just on what they have accomplished in the past week, or plan for the days ahead, but also information on how what they understand as their reason for existing, their purpose and goals. For now, let me name a number of teams that those who are interested may seek to learn more about and participate in:

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| Christian Education (Sunday School) | Church Council | Finance |
| Fundraising | Missions/Outreach | Nominations |
| Staff/Pastor/Parish Relations | Trustees | Worship and Welcoming |

I hope to see you all soon as we celebrate what God has in store for us in the days ahead!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are sponsoring an **American Red Cross Blood Drive** on Thursday, October 3rd from 12 PM to 6 PM. To schedule an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or go to www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: Scotia UMC

Alplaus UMC will be offering a **Bible Study** - "Romans". The 6 week study starting 9/16 (not 10/14) expecting to end 10/28. Mondays at 1:30. All are invited - no initial homework to get started. Current plan is to meet downstairs in the Fellowship Hall at Alplaus UMC. Elevator available from the Front door entrance. Call or text pastor Kristi to let her know you are interested 838-200-8601.

We are hosting another **District Day**,
"Informed to Transform," on
Saturday, Sept. 28 at the Saratoga Springs UMC
175 Fifth Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY

The day will open with registration from 8:15 AM to 8:45 AM, followed by worship, and then three rounds of workshops, each lasting 75 minutes. Lunch is included. There is no charge for this event, but you must register.

[Click here](#) to view workshop descriptions

[Click here](#) for the registration page

We are offering 20 workshops this year with many new offerings and some old favorites!! We would love to see you on the 28th. If you can't make all three sessions, that is fine; sign up for one, two or three workshops.

Deadline to register is Sept. 17, but please register as early as possible, as it helps immensely with our planning. You can send your registration via email attachment, snail mail, or you can call Carrie.

If you have questions, or if you'd like flyers to distribute at your church, please be in touch with Carrie at the District Office, (518) 608-1246 or carrieboyer@unyumc.org

OFFICE NOTE: If you would like a printed copy of the church directory please send a request to the office email: scotiaumoffice@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: The 20th of the previous month. Next deadline is September 20th.



Meetings & Events

Sunday Communion Sept. 1st

**Homecoming Sunday Sept. 8th - Sunday School resumes
(Potluck & BBQ after service)**

Finance Meeting Sept. 24th at 6:30 pm

Admin. Council Meeting Sept. 24th at 7:00 pm

Community Breakfast Sept. 28th

September Birthdays

9/2 Timothy Keegan

9/3 Belinda Wagner

9/4 Shannon Cooper

9/7 Ron Potter

9/9 Norma Burns

9/15 Mikaela Potter

9/24 Eileen Quick

9/26 Louie Powell

9/28 Ken Handy

9/29 Chad Spence



Wesley's Wisdom

“I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ alone for my salvation: and an assurance was given me that He had taken away my sins, even mine and saved me from the law of sin and death.”





Church Treasurer's Report
07/31/2024

	<u>YTD</u> <u>Jul-24</u>
Operating Income	
Individual Contributions	\$66,467
Investment Income	\$27
Building Use/ Rent	\$3,730
Fund Raising	\$2,669
Miscellaneous Income	\$916
Total Operating Income	\$73,809
Operating Expenses	
Wages	\$31,122
Pastor Salary	
Supplements	\$7,721
Employment Taxes & Insurance	\$1,888
Church Operations	\$3,665
Church Program	\$454
Parsonage	(\$2,568)
Church Building	\$20,665
Apportionments	\$6,632
Benevolences	\$158
Total Operating Expenses	\$69,737
Surplus	\$4,072



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Handcrafted polished black walnut hall table made and donated by Bob Van Vorst in honor and memory of his good friend, Clarence Mosher.



YAY! WE WON!

We were thrilled to win third place in the Golden Scrolls contest for our book ***Aging Fabulously***. The award was recently presented at the Advanced Writers and Speakers Association conference in Fort Wayne IN.

Thank you to all those who have supported my writing through the years and to the Women’s Group for purchasing our book! - Cynthia

