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Prayer for Back to School

Almighty God,
We give you our school.
We give you all the teachers and staff who work here.
We give you all the children who study here.
We pray our school would be a place of great discovery, adventure,
and creativity.
May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love.
A place where everyone is respected and all are deeply valued.
We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen



Volunteer with the Food Pantry

The JCUMC has the responsibility to provide volunteers to help distribute foods at the Trumansburg Food Pantry September 13th & 26th and October 11th & 25th. We are in pretty good shape for September with a couple of morning positions available. There are multiple positions available for the October distributions. Please sign up at church or contact Jeff Jacobs (jmj9@cornell.edu or 387-7708) if interested in helping.

A Moment for Missions

The main news regarding mission outreach continues to be the blue Mutual Aid Food Cabinet under the direction of Maddy Brainard. The cabinet is going strong. We have regular donations from people we don't even know as well as church members, friends, and community members. We received a carload of food that had to be cleared out while the Trumansburg School is under construction. We have benefitted from excess CSA vegetables as well. There are about a dozen people who check cabinets during the week to fill them with supplies from the church as well as with items they purchase themselves. We clean the cabinet and cooler, add ice, and refill both. The cabinet is a work in progress, but it is working well. As I am writing this, there is a note in the cabinet: "God bless you for what you do." Hopefully our committee will be able to meet this month to explore new mission opportunities for the fall. Beth Hickman, chair





Remembering September 11

A reflection from Don Shardlow:

On the morning of 9/11/2001, Alice and I were headed west on the Mid Cape Highway, returning from 2 wonderful weeks on Cape Cod. It was a beautiful day, and it surely seemed that all was right with the world. And then, we heard on the car radio that a plane had struck one of the towers of the World Trade Center. Shortly thereafter, the newscaster said that a second plane had struck the tower. Thinking that we might be at war, I pulled into the next service area to fill the gas tank and be assured that we had enough fuel to make it home. After filling the tank, we went inside to pay the bill. A group had gathered around a TV set, and we joined them, watching as the first tower collapsed. It was terrifying!!! We had no idea who the enemy was, or where they might strike next. I think each of us spent much of the remainder of that trip praying for our kids and hoping that they would be safe. Regrettably, the Father-In-Law of one of my colleagues, a New York City Fireman, was one of the First Responders, and was killed in the collapse of the second tower. Fortunately, we arrived home safely, but it was a terrifying day, one that will live in our hearts forever.

JUMC Women Update

The Jacksonville United Methodist Women have enjoyed picnics at the Jacksonville Community Park this summer and plan on resuming our regularly scheduled monthly meeting in October.

Our UMW members meet in the Fellowship Hall on the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 am. We start off with a brief business meeting, short program and shared or bad lunch.

We are a supportive group and participate local missions. If the Jacksonville UMW sounds like something you might enjoy, please join us on October 7th.

Our 2021 - 2022 officers are :

President - Rachel Boyer

Vice President - Marion Stevens

Treasure - Carol Wilson

Secretary - Linda Murphy

Family Fun

This summer, Jacksonville families came together for a tie dye and sand art craft nights. Thank you to Sarah Brainard and Katelin Olson for organizing!

