



Fall of
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When Autumn Leaves Begin to Fall

When autumn leaves begin to fall
I think of Him most of all
Colors bursting with the sun
Rays shine down on everyone.

There is a leafy autumn smell
I walk on softness where they fell
Floating gently to the ground
Touching down without a sound.

Animal are scurrying to and fro
Instinctively the creatures know
The leaves scattered everywhere
Beautifies a place once bare.

Rising up to the bluest sky
A tree looks down, creaks a sigh
Nestled in her hollowed place
Life will wait through winter's race.

When the trees at last have shed
Sturdy branches though not dead
Beneath the earth roots hold tight
Tall and stately through the night.

When autumn leaves begin to fall
The Father orchestrates it all
Blooms in waiting seem to say
He is coming back someday.

Again dressed in a formal gown
Branches filled and hanging down
See the miracle of God once more
Birds leap from her branch to soar.

Here I stand in wonder of this
A soft wind blows to me a kiss
My spirit tells my mind to hush
Peace abounds in Christ for us.

The seasons change, come and go
But this is what I truly know
When autumn leaves begin to fall
I think of Him most of all.

By Kathleen Higham



FALL CALENDAR

September 4 - Trustees, 7:00 PM

September 6 - U.M.W., 10:30 AM

Bag Luncheon

September 10 - Church Council, 7:00 PM

September 12 - Missions, 6:30 PM

September 16th - Rally Day

September 17 - S.P.R.C., 6:30 PM

September 25 WIC, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

October 2 - Trustees, 7:00 PM

October 4 - U.M.W., 10:30 AM

Bag Luncheon

October 8 - Church Council, 7:00 PM

October 20 - Charge Conference, 3:15

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Perfect time to check out the Windmill!

U.M.W. LUNCHEON

Mark Thursday, September 6th on your calendars for the United Methodist Women's brown bag luncheon . We will be meeting at 10:30 am in the fellowship hall.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday school will be starting on Sunday, September 16th for Rally Day. All children are welcome back to the classroom to celebrate our first day of Sunday School. We will be catching up with each other on summer adventures and checking in on how the new school year has started. There will be a back-to-school barbecue coffee hour following the service with games. We look forward in seeing you.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

September - Lunch box items

October - Packages of cookies

November - Household cleaning items

Sunday School Schedule for the year:
Our nursery will be open every Sunday welcoming our littlest Christians from infants to pre-k children.

The elementary children (kindergarten through fourth grade) will have Sunday school the first and third Sunday of the month. Craft Sunday will be on the second Sunday of the month for the elementary children.

The youth group (fifth grade through twelfth grade) will have Sunday school the second and fourth Sunday of the month.

Vacation Bible Camp: We had a great VBC this summer. With 41 children attending, we hosted our largest VBC to date. Thank you to Katelin Olson and her team of faithful leaders in making this experience wonderful for all the treasure hunters. Our time together included dinner, bible stories, music, crafts, games and mission projects.

Prayer: With the new school year starting, we ask for prayers not only for teachers, parents and our children but for all those who work with them as well. We ask for the Good Lord to watch over the bus drivers, monitors, aides, custodians, cafeteria workers and support staff. We ask God to provide guidance to the administration of our schools. May we all work together for the betterment of all children in our community. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





PRAYER REQUESTS



Terry & Mary Cole's daughter Lindsey
 The Shardlow's son Mark, and grandson
 Ed & Marcia Pepke
 Jeff Harris
 Bill Eisenhardt
 Bill Housworth
 Lynn Rich's brother Ray

Stevens family
 Bill Carlisle Jr.
 Jeanette Foster
 Kristin Perry
 Mary Coats
 Family of Mary Barkman
 Those in Lodi, NY and Troy, PA floods

A MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

We will be meeting on Sept 12 to plan our fall and Advent (believe it or not!) projects. We have two kinds of kid's kits that were completed at VBC, one craft kit for kids who aren't feeling well at the hospital, and a bigger one with personal items and toiletries. We will probably distribute those in a variety of places, yet to be decided. We truly appreciate the VBC leaders making missions projects front and center for our children and youth to remind them how important it is to think of others.

In this late summer, we have been reminded about how difficult it is to figure out how to help in disaster situations, lately the flooding in Seneca County. We have boxes in church for donations and know that some have helped individually. If you know of individuals or organizations who need help, please let one of us know.

Amy Moe, Lynn Rich and I happily welcome Cassie Besemer and Maddy Brainard to our committee. We truly love what we do. Beth Cutter Hickman

Update from Beth: I took our donations to the Lodi Fire Hall on Monday. They were especially happy with the little first aid kits, hydrogen peroxide, vinegar.

The woman I spoke with also mentioned pet food and good pet snacks.

**THEY ARE OPEN DAILY FROM 9-3
 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE YOUR
 OWN DONATIONS.**

To volunteer with clean up, you can call Roger(585-857-3140) or Donna (585-737-5239) Cullen, Volunteers In Mission with the Upper NY Conference. Nice to see the United Methodist Church/UMCOR coordinating the clean up from the fire hall.

New requests:

- Buckets
- Tarps
- Heavy garbage bags (construction type)
- Box fans

Most requested items:

- Paper towels
- Bleach
- Vinegar (I assume white)
- Hydrogen Peroxide

Other items:

- First aid kits and/or First aid supplies
- Extension cords
- Dehumidifiers and Fans
- Nonperishable foods

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CROP WALK COORDINATOR NEEDED

Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 2:00PM—Start and Finish at T-Burg Methodist Church.

Responsibilities include; publicity (pamphlets, bulletin inserts, posters are provided; you just have to get them out); recruit walkers, distribute envelopes to walkers; attend the crop walk to register walkers and collect envelopes.

See Beth Cutter Hickman !



The OVID COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE is requesting NEW UNOPENED underwear, socks, tee shirts/undershirts-all sizes. We will collect those items too. On Sunday, we will have tubs in church for each place. Your donations are welcome; we will deliver them. We will continue to update needs and help as long as we can.

Thank you.