

Wednesday, November 27 7:30PM

We Gather Together to Ask The Lord's Blessing



As the holiday season begins, we gather together to thank God for all the blessings we have been given. This special worship service features simple meal of cheese, bread, grapes and cider shared around a table of friends. We reflect on God's unlimited love and grace over the past year and God's never ending presence in this changing world.

Sign-up sheets for specific food donations will be available after Sunday services.

All are welcome.

In the spirit of thankful giving please bring a non-perishable food item for our pantry basket.

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Our annual Angel Tree collection will begin **Sunday**, **November 24** with unwrapped gifts to be returned by **December 15**th.

This year's gifts will be collected for the Schuyler Inn after school program, Colonie Outreach Center, and Things of My Very Own.

This is the first year we are partnering with Things of My Very Own. When a child is removed from an abusive or dangerous situation, they may only possess the clothing they are wearing at that moment.

This agency, which serves the Capital District, provides the children with clothes, bedding, supplies – and even toys. This gives them "things of my very own" and helps them transition through those initial difficult days. For more information about this agency, go to www.thingsofmyveryown.org

Thank you for your support.



In case you missed it.....

Elder/Deacon Installation - Marvin Helf (Deacon/Finance), Linda Murphy (Elder/Stewarship), Marissa Lombardo (Elder/Worship), Ellen Buono (Elder/Youth Enrichment)





Blessing of the Backpacks



Break Bread, Share Bread

The Community Outreach team has come up with a way to help fill our food pantry basket with items that are in high demand.

Please bring your donations with you to Sunday Worship. Thank you in advance for helping those in need.

November Individual packaged shacks (fruit snacks, cheese & crackers, peanut butter

crackers, pop tarts, pretzels, chips, granola bars) microwave popcorn

December Instant or canned potatoes

January Condiments (mayo, ketchup, mustard, relish, jelly) small sizes

February Microwave rice – all different kinds/varieties

March Hearty protein based soup (Chunky, Progresso, Dinty Moore)

April Canned Tuna, chicken, Spam, Vienna sausage

May Jarred sauces - red or white

June individual packaged shacks (fruit snacks, cheese & crackers, peanut butter

crackers, pop tarts, pretzels, chips, granola bars) microwave popcorn

July Instant or canned potatoes

August Microwave rice – all different kinds/varieties

November Mission of the Month

Women's & Children's Homeless Shelter of Upstate New York

For over 30 years W.C.H.S has been accepting women and children regardless of their financial situation and provide them with the resources and support they need for a better quality of life.

Some of the services they provide include housing homeless women and children, or women being relocated due to domestic violence, assisting them finding employment, permanent housing, recovery programs and so much more.

Your tax-deductible contribution is a way you can help those who are unable to help themselves by funding these critical programs, housing and staffing costs.

Donations are tax deductible and can be made by mail at:

P.O. Box 12395 Albany, NY 12212-2783

For questions, please contact Tina Bottini at 518-281-5452 (mobile)

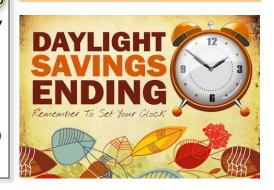
Overflow Shelter Dinners

This month's dinners are to be delivered on November 13th and 27th to the First Lutheran Church at 181 Western Avenue in Albany.

If you would like to provide a complete meal for 22 residents you may deliver your meal directly to the shelter by 6PM or arrange for Tina Bottini to pick up the meal at CRCC by 5:30PM.

Any questions, please refer to the October newsletter or reach out to:

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Worship Hours

We invite you to join us for worship and fellowship every Sunday at 10 AM

Outdoor Services are also available in the Summer every Sunday at 8 AM

Holiday and Special Services will be announced on our website and this newsletter

> Colonie Community Day Care Center

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Christmas Eve Bulletin Covers

CRCC Youth are invited to design bulletin covers for our Christmas Eve services.

Please only submit one illustration per person. All covers should be done in portrait orientation (paper should be tall not wide) to properly fit our bulletins.

Covers are due by Sunday, December 8th. They may be given directly to Sarah Huiest or placed in her mailbox in the church office. Please see or email Sarah with any questions to 2by2sarah@gmail.com.

Merry Christmas!!



The Women's Bible Study will meet on **Saturday**, **November 9**th, from **9:30 – 11:30 am**, in the Gathering Room. The topic will be "Ready For God's Grace, Ruth and Naomi's Redemption"; taken from the book "Women of God". The Scripture Reading will be from Ruth, Chapters 1 and 4.

The next Women's Bible Study will be held on **Saturday**, **December 7**th. The topic is to be announced.

All women are invited to attend.

Doris Neese

Dear God:

Thank you for preparing this table before us.

Thank you for the bounty of the earth,

which nourishes our bodies.

Thank you for the abundance of your goodness, which sustains our lives,

strengthening us to serve you more effectively.

Thank you for the hands that prepared this meal and for the joy of being able to share it.

For all we have received and all that is yet to come, God,

We are thankful!

We are grateful!

We are fulfilled!

In Jesus name,

Amen

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Articles are due by the 15th of the month and can be submitted to jimandbethcolbert@gmail.com or given to Beth Colbert.