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September



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## Flea Market 9/21 from 10am to 4pm

**WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP TO MAKE THIS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR**

### Donations

Along with vendors we will also be having a garage sale of sorts

We **need** donations for:

Housewares, clothing, sporting equipment, books, seasonal holiday items, games & toys and baked goods.

**NO ELECTRONICS OR COMPUTER EQUIPMENT**

Small working kitchen appliances are acceptable

These items can be dropped off at the shed outside after the worship service on 9/15 and every night of the week thereafter from 6:30-8:00pm. **WE CAN NOT ACCEPT DONATIONS OUTSIDE OF THESE TIME FRAMES. PLEASE DO NOT DROP DONATIONS OFF INSIDE THE CHURCH. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE STORED IN THE OUTSIDE SHED.**

### Volunteers

Throughout the week and the date of the event we will be looking for volunteers to sort the donations as well as sell them on the day of the Flea Market.

Please see signup sheets in the back of the sanctuary.

We encourage everyone to get involved!!!

**We made over \$4000 last year on this event! If we all work together this can be an even bigger success!!**

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### Upcoming Events

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# Thanks for your Generosity

Thank you to all who generously donated in July to the Mission of the Month, the local chapter of the Christ Child Society.

Loads of diapers, bottles, toys, clothing, and other infant necessities, as well as financial donations, were delivered recently to their Albany office.

Your donations will go to newborns and infants of the greater Capital District whose families are in need.

Your generosity will make a huge difference to so many. **Thank You.**



**Your generosity was shown with a variety of baby essentials**



**A typical layette pack includes clothing, diapers, a blanket or quilt, a toy, educational materials in English and Spanish, and a picture book.**

**"USE**

**EVERYTHING  
YOU HAVE TO  
POINT OTHERS  
TO GOD AND TO  
ADVANCE GOD'S  
KINGDOM."**

**ART RAINER**

## OUTDOOR SERVICE



**CAN BE  
HAZARDOUS  
TO YOUR  
CAR**

**THE CRCC  
PIT CREW  
JUMPED  
INTO ACTION**





# BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS and MORE

## BOOKS, CD's, DVD's, Video games...



The CRCC Book Group is again collecting used books and other media for sale at the Church Flea Market coming up on September 21.

Look through your book shelf and set aside your used soft-cover or hard-cover books to donate to our sale.

We are happy to accept most types of books. Please **no textbooks**, nor anything with content inappropriate for sale at church.

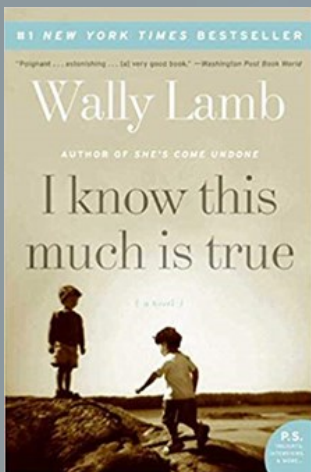


Drop Off times are **Sunday September 15** after church, **Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm**, and **Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm**.

If you would like to help with sorting, setting up, selling, or cleanup, please see Lou Ann Connelly or sign up on the sheets at the back of the sanctuary.

**Thank you so much for your generosity.**

## Book Group News



***On the afternoon of October 12, 1990, my twin brother, Thomas, entered the Three Rivers, Connecticut, public library, retreated to one of the rear study carrels, and prayed to God the sacrifice he was about to commit would be deemed acceptable . . ."***

So begins the acclaimed novel, ***I Know This Much is True***, by Wally Lamb, The Book Group's selection for this month.

Thomas and Dominick are identical twins, one born on December 31st and the other born on January 1<sup>st</sup>, straddling the two halves of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Their unmarried mother, Connie, raised by her strict Italian father, is a timid and ineffectual woman. The boys are never told who their biological father is, and both have a very contentious relationship with Ray, their volatile and often brutal stepfather.

Thomas is a paranoid schizophrenic. Dominick has spent his life defending him from school yard bullies, his stepfather, and the impersonal and institutionalized mental health system. The story begins with Thomas's sacrifice, so gruesome and horrific that it is difficult to envision, but it is really Dominick's story of learning to face his own demons and forgive himself.

September's Book Group meeting is set for **Tuesday, September 24, at 7:00 pm**, at the home of **Maggie George**. Please contact **Karen Reynolds** if you would like to participate or if you need more information

# The Asah Project

**Asah** means "to create from something" in Hebrew. It is used throughout the Bible when something is created from something else. God has charged us to be stewards of our many blessings, including protecting all

that he has created. As consumerism leads to increasing pollution and global devastation, we need to find creative uses for items after their primary purpose has been served. **The Asah Project** collects items that would normally end up in landfills and gives them a new purpose or recycles them. Collected items are distributed to a number of different organizations.

Please consider donating any of these items that are no longer of use to you:

♥ **Dried up markers or bingo daubers**

♥ **Broken crayons**

♥ **Mascara wands (donate either in tube or baggie)**

♥ **Used contact lenses and bubble cases new lenses come in**

♥ **Prescription or OTC medication bottles**

**(NO remaining medication - please try to remove label if possible)**

♥ **Broken/discarded bras (with hook closure only)**

♥ **New or used candles**

♥ **Broken instrument strings**

All donations can be left in the marked box in the narthex.

Please contact **Sarah Huiest** with any questions: [crccsarah@gmail.com](mailto:crccsarah@gmail.com).



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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

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# Sunday School

Sunday school for young people age 4 through 6th grade will begin on **Sunday, September 15th, at 8:50AM** in the gathering room. Fall packets should be hitting email inboxes and home mailboxes shortly. If you are new to the program, please email or see **Sarah Huiest**. There will not be a parent orientation this year. Sarah will be available to answer any questions pertaining to youth programming after worship on **September 8th**. You may also email her at **crccsarah@gmail.com**.

## Handing Down of Bibles

**Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**, will be a very special day at CRCC. At the **10:00 worship service**, children entering third grade will receive their first Bible.

The Bible is an ancient text that has been handed down from generation to generation.

As a symbol of this, we encourage parents, as well as grandparents, to be at the service to pass on the Word of God.

If you have a child entering third grade, please be sure to contact **Sarah Huiest**.

## Blessing of the Backpacks

On **Sunday, September 8th**, CRCC will have a Blessing of the Backpacks during the **10:00 worship service**.

All students and educators are invited to bring their school bag to worship with them and receive a blessing for the new school year.

It's a brief moment where we ask God specifically to guide and protect us throughout the year ahead.

Please see **Sarah Huiest** with any questions.

## Youth Group News

CRCC will be offering youth group for young people in **grades 5-12** this year. Youth Group will meet approximately one day a month (**usually Sunday**) and participate in various mission work throughout the area. The Schuyler Inn, Saratoga County Animal Shelter, and the Regional Food Bank are just a few of the sites we will be visiting. We also have a fun afternoon at Airdrenaline in Albany planned. For a schedule and more information, please see **Deb Desnoyers** or **Sarah Huiest**.

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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.