



Investing in Ourselves

How long has it been since we've had new paint on the walls? Well, aside from the orange in the office. It's amazing what a new coat of paint can do! Or updated lighting, or updating any number of places we've gotten used to over the years.

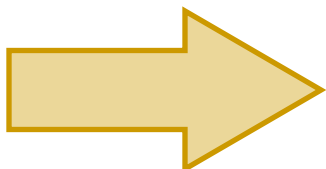
With new energy, we've started to dream again. We've invested in a figurative haircut, manicure, and pedicure for our old building. Have you seen the office suite now? Have you seen the "Peanut Butter Hallway?"

These are signs of life in our church, showing that we are a growing and thriving worship community, and that we care.

We care about having safe front steps, which is why the crumbling steps have been demolished. No patch job was going to fix them, but removal and replacement will. We care about good lighting in the hallways. We care about removing tripping hazards. We care about being hospitable to visitors.

So thank you for investing in us, and stop in to check out our makeover!

Special Worship Service



September 8 at 11 AM: A joint service to welcome and hear from Ngamije and our mission projects in Uganda.

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OFFICE SCHEDULE

Monday–Friday..... 9am - 2pm
Fellowship..... 12 PM

WORSHIP

Sundays..... 11 AM
Fellowship..... 12 PM

Communion Services are the first Sunday of each month.



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Kathy Salisbury, *Congregational Life*

Dave Valenza, *Finance*

Susan Scott, *Mission*

Vacant, *Nominating*

Cindy Clift, *Personnel*

Jayson Dussee, *Property*

Mary Browne, *Worship & Music*

Worship Services & Volunteers

Liturgy	Liturgist	Trustees	Ushers
September 1			
Jeremiah 2:4-13 <i>Psalm 81:1, 10-16</i> Hebrews: 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14	FCC UCC	J Novado D Nielsen	J Hughes E Hughes
Communion Servers: TBD, TBD, TBD, TBD, TBD			
September 8: Visit from Ngamije			
Jeremiah 18:1-11 <i>Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18</i> Philem 1-21 Luke 14:25-33	C Goodison	J Dusse J Brown	A Stafford N Falcone
September 15: Choir Returns to Worship			
*Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 <i>Psalm 14</i> 1 Timothy 1:12-17 *Luke 15:1-10	G Weaver	C Clift, TBD	L Miller TBD
September 22			
*Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 <i>Psalm 79:1-9</i> 1 Timothy 2:1-7 *Luke 16:1-13	J Brown	T Jones J Browne	A McIndoe J Ragland
September 29			
Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; <i>Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16</i> *1 Timothy 6:6-19 *Luke 16:19-31	M Browne	C Goodison D Valenza	D Reeve P Reeve



What's your vision for 2020?

How can you help make it a reality?

Think about it.

Meetings & Activities

MONTHLY MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES

09/01	<i>Last Summer Worship</i>	10 am
09/02	Labor Day	Office Closed
09/03	Congregational Life	2:00 pm
09/04	Deacons	4:30 pm
09/05	Choir Rehearsals Resume	7:30 pm
09/08	<i>Joint Worship at 11 AM</i>	11 am
09/08	Blood Pressure Check	12 pm
09/16	Dave's Cookin'	12:00 pm
06/16	Finance	6:30 pm
09/18	Breakfast Club	9:30 am
09/18	Mission	6:30 pm
09/22	Blood Pressure Check	11 am (APR)
09/24	Session	6:30 pm (AL)

WEEKLY MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES

Sunday	Worship	11 am
Sunday	Fellowship	12 pm
Monday	Bible Study	1:30 pm
Tuesday	Line Dancing	1 pm & 2pm
Wednesday	Quilting	1pm–3pm
Thursday	Choir	7:30 pm
Friday	Music & Chairs	10 am

Watch Worship Live!

If you can't join us in person, we have a new resource so you can join us online! Simply visit our website:
www.robinsonelmwood.com
and click on our "watch live" link.



The camera is set to turn on about 5 minutes before Worship begins (about 10:55AM). When the camera isn't on, the link will say "This Camera Is Missing in Action"

Remember to turn up the volume on your computer or phone so you can hear us better!



ADDRESS UPDATES

Please get out your directories, and add the following updates:

Chuck and Dottie Reiner are now at:

216 Summerfield Village Lane
Syracuse, NY 13215
Phone number is the same!

Charlie Umbrecht has moved to the Nottingham. We'll get his room number soon.

Linda Jaquay has moved to Loretto. We'll get her contact information soon.

If you don't have a directory with hand-prints on the front, contact Liz to get a new one!

SAVE THESE DATES



We've got a lot going on this fall!

- **September 8:** Visit from Ngamije from Uganda
- **September 15:** Choir returns to worship
- **October 6:** Spaghetti Dinner to benefit Blessings in a Backpack
- **October 27:** Heritage Sunday and Harvest Supper
- **November 26 & 27:** Thanksgiving Pie and Soup Sale
- **December 1:** Greening of the Church
- **December 14:** Craft & Cookie Sale.

Mark your calendars!

July 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 LABOR DAY	3	4	5	6	7
10 AM Joint Worship 11 AM Fellowship 	OFFICE CLOSED 7 PM NA <i>Pat Mersfelder</i>	1PM Line Dancing I 2PM Line Dancing II <i>Jake Munger</i>	1PM-3PM Quilting	1 PM FCC Recovery 7:30 Choir <i>Nancy Wilson</i>	10 AM Music & Chairs 7 PM NA/NarAnon	<i>Charlotte Goodison</i>
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
11 AM Joint Worship 12 PM Fellowship 12 PM BP Checks <i>Elizabeth Forrest</i>		1PM Line Dancing I 2PM Line Dancing II	12PM PCS Clergy 1PM-3PM Quilting 4:30 PM Deacons	1 PM FCC Recovery 7:30 Choir	10 AM Music & Chairs 7 PM NA/NarAnon	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
11 AM Joint Worship 12 PM Fellowship	12 PM Dave's Cookin' 7 PM NA	1 PM Line Dancing I 2 PM Line Dancing II 6 PM Finance <i>Kathy Salsbury</i>	9:30 AM Breakfast Club 1PM-3PM Quilting 5 PM Exodus III Ministries 6:30 PM Mission  <i>Ken Wolfe</i>	1 PM FCC Recovery 7:30 Choir <i>Dick & Barb Bratt Anniversary</i>	10 AM Music & Chairs 7 PM NA/NarAnon	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
11 AM Joint Worship 12 PM Fellowship 12 PM BP Checks	7 PM NA	12:30 PM PCS-SOS 1 PM Line Dancing I 2 PM Line Dancing II <i>Cali Ascioti</i>	1PM-3PM Quilting 6 PM SAME <i>Ginny Cominsky</i>	10 AM FCC Book Club 1 PM FCC Recovery 5 PM Geddes Seniors 7:30 Choir	10 AM Music & Chairs 7 PM NA/NarAnon <i>Linda Otis Andrew Paganelli</i>	
29	30					
11 AM Joint Worship 12 PM Fellowship <i>Vivian Novado Ann & Lon Stafford Anniversary</i>	7 PM NA					

Minute for Mission

The Mission Committee offers opportunities for anyone to pitch in and help those who are homeless, hungry or in need. We are a fired-up, dynamic committee and hold meetings each month. We welcome new members anytime!

Our Ongoing Missions include:

- ◆ **Blessings in a Backpack** is a national campaign to assist with feeding needy school children on the weekends. Our local program through Bellevue Heights UMC is partnered with the Delaware School on South Geddes St. Just \$100 will feed a child on the weekends for the entire school year, but any donation is gladly accepted.
- ◆ **Communion Fund: Missio Church** benefits from non-perishable food items and communion donations on the *first Sunday of every month*. They took over the area food pantry from Isaiah's Table.
- ◆ **The September Fund** will support the **Blessings In A Backpack** since September 16-20 is Blessings In a Backpack week!



SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

As we work to share Christ's peace with one another, let's share that peace with those beyond our doors, beyond our communities and beyond our borders.

**Peace is active, not passive
Peace is doing, not waiting**

This Special Offering builds on the Presbyterian Commitment to Peacemaking established in 1980. The Peace and Global Witness Offering encourages the church to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and division, and embrace our reconciling God's mission to those around the corner and around the world. This year's Season of Peace extends from September 1 to October 6, 2019 which is World Communion Sunday. The offering is split between a 25% local share, 25% mid-council share, and 50% to PCUSA.

This year our local share has been designated for **Hopeprint in Syracuse**. Originally started in North Syracuse, the organization now has three locations: Syracuse, Kansas City, and Ghana Africa and a mission of unifying diverse communities rich in culture and connectedness to prosper in place. Hopeprint provides programs for children from Birth through Grade 12, women through the *Her Village* program, adults and families through the *Steps to Thrive* program as well as many Advocacy programs in the area.

Visit their site at www.hopeprint.org for more information.

On A Roll!

WE DID IT (AND THEN SOME)!

Initially we had set a lofty goal of collecting 1,000 rolls of toilet paper from the end of June through Labor Day 2019. The previous two years, we reached close to 800 rolls each summer, so it was a stretch. We were off to a good start in July, but Fairmount UCC challenged us to increase the goal to 2000 rolls.

The two congregations and friends rose to the occasion. We collected 1,716 rolls by September 1 with word from REUC member Dan DeBrucker-Cota that Union Seminary, where he is attending, has pledged close to 300 rolls from their pennies collection!

***We did it! We met the challenge!
Congratulations and thank you to
all who donated so generously.***

Our original 1,000-roll pledge was earmarked to be split between Sarah's Guest House and Exodus 3 Ministries. We planned to split the 2,00 rolls between both organizations, but Sarah's Guest House does not have storage for 1,000 rolls. The REUC Mission Committee added the Missio Food Pantry as a recipient of the 500 rolls Sarah's Guest House could not take.

Our final split is:

1,000 rolls	Exodus 3 Ministries
500 Rolls	Sara's Guest House
500 Rolls	Missio Food Pantry

Once again: ***Thank you!***



DAVE'S COOKIN'

We host a monthly luncheon with speakers when we can get them and socialization when we can't. Generally, it's on the **third Monday of the month at noon** in Fellowship Hall (except when that Monday is a holiday). **Only \$6.00 per meal!**

Next lunch: September 16

Program: TBD. Liz is working on finding programs.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Our team of nurses will check your blood pressure the **second and fourth Sunday of each month at 12 noon** in our All-Purpose Room.

Next checks: September 8 and 22

FREE EXERCISE CLASSES

Line dancing is on Tuesdays! 1PM for Beginners, and 2PM for experienced dancers!

Music & Chairs is on Fridays at 10AM. The class is designed to work on balance.

For both, drop-ins are welcome and the cost is FREE!

ELMWOOD QUILTERS

Our quilting guild meets **Wednesdays from 1pm to 3 pm** in our **dedicated Quilting Room** (off of Fellowship Hall). For beginners or experienced quilters alike—we have everything you need to get started. You can also bring other crafts and be social.

FAIRMOUNT BOOK CLUB

Fairmount Community Church (UCC) hosts a monthly book club in our All Purpose Room the **last Thursday of each month at 10AM**. Contact Lindy Black at 315-488-9685 for information.

Next Meeting: September 26

FOR GENERAL QUESTIONS

Contact Liz at 315-468-2509

Sharing Our Gratitude

We're sharing the gratitude of Jayson Dusse, Chair of the Property Committee, for people who helped with the office suite and hallway refurbishing.

- **Session** for approval of funds to pay for the facelift.
- **Pastor Stephanie** for her vision to update the office suite area.
- **Kathy Salisbury & Betty Green** as design consultants to tie all the design components together.
- **Justin Biggs** and his cousin for removal of the hallway carpet and VCT (vinyl composite tile) flooring in the hallway and offices
- **Demetri Ascioti** for helping remove the carpet in the former Pastor's office, and for helping move heavy office furniture out of the offices and then back into the offices after the carpet was installed.
- **Jacob Jones and his painting partner** for painting of the hallway ceiling and walls in a timely manner.
- **Liz Martin** for organizing the move of office items out of and then back into the office after the carpet was installed.
- **George Weaver** for painting of the offices, installing new lights in the hallway, correcting lighting in the offices, and much more.
- **Charlie Brown** for his IT assistance to bring the office quickly back on line after the carpet installation.

Do you know of someone you think needs a thank you? Please let us know!

Spaghetti Dinner October 6

September 16-20th is National Blessings in a Backpack week and September 19th is National Blessings in a Backpack Day! But the program needs support all year.

To that end REUC is hosting a **spaghetti dinner on October 6**, with proceeds going to Blessings in a Backpack. **The dinner will start at 12PM at \$11 per meal.**

Our contributions to Blessings in a Backpack benefit the Delaware School in the Syracuse City School District. Through the combined efforts of our church and other donors, we support all 540 students at the school with weekend and school break food.

Your contributions matter and make a huge difference! We have pledged to support the children at Delaware School for three years at \$100.00 per child per year.

Special Prayers

THOSE IN NEED OF STRENGTH & HEALING

Frank B (Ali Brink's friend)
Fred Banks
Ruth Boschart's Daughter
Helen Campolito
Jesse Chatfield
Cheryl (Ali Brink's friend)
Nicholas Cupp (recovery)
Raymond Demperio (friend
of Charlotte Tooley)
Kathy & Tony Eisele (Judy
Lincoln's friend)s
Dick Ference
Gordon Goodison
Beryl Hammarstrom
Jean Harrison
Dan Hooge
Janice Horn (Turissa
Campbell's Sister)
Jimmy (Allie Brink's friend)
Diana Jones's sister-in-law
Judy (Ali Brink's friend)
Karen (Carol Olson's friend)
Kevin (Marge Sapka's son)
Henry Miller
Martha Parry (Liz Martin's
grandmother)
Carol Olson
Chris Pitts
Darlene Pyer
Kathy S (Carol Olson's
friend)
Lynn Morgan Schuster
(friend of Kathy Salisbury)
Jim Smith (Dorene Smith's
son)
David Scott, recovering
Rita Valenza
Jean Yale
Maureen Young

THOSE WHO COULD USE CARDS AND CALLS

Kathy Davis
Judy Lincoln
Virginia McClemens
Ruth Melchior
Barb Wachob

THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES

The Family of Mary Ellen
Brzozowski who passed
away June 6
The Family of Charlie
Valenza, Dave Valenza's
brother, who passed away
recently
The Family of Fran
Hunter's Sister who
passed away recently
The Family of Paul, Susan
Scott's Father, who
passed away April 17.

THOSE AWAY AT SCHOOL

James Biggs
Morgan Glielmi
Jacob Jones
Sarah Jones
Nick Paganelli
Maddy Smith
Holden White
Caleb Smith
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*Please contact us if you
would like your address
printed for cards.*

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Rome, NY 13440

Joan Cole
Elderwood
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Liverpool NY 13088
(315) 913-4273

Sally Cooper
Heather Heights #204
160 W Jefferson Rd
Pittsford, NY 14534;
(585) 586-4397

Joan Howland
Iroquois Nursing Home
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Jamesville, NY 13078

Linda Jaquay
Loretto Cunningham
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Syracuse, NY 13205
(315) 469-5570 (main line)

Ron Paxson
The Grand Nursing Home
331 Russell St
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Carolyn Quinlan
Jewish Health and Rehab Center
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Charlotte Tooley
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Fayetteville, NY 13066
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Charlie Umbrecht
The Nottingham
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or 315-468-2509 to add or remove someone from the
prayer list.*

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