

September 4, 2023

***THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 WORSHIP 10:00 AM
It's a sign-up-palooza!
Fall Potluck, Church in the World, Chicken Barbecue!
More info below.**

IN OUR HOUSE

***September 17**

Join us for the **HARVEST POTLUCK**

Sign up on the hallway poster!

Main or Side Casseroles

Fruit Plates/Veggie Trays/Salads

Desserts

Join the fun and bring a friend!

Or call Marti (315-637-5845) to sign up



***Sunday, September 24 Mission Sunday**



While it is true there will be great smells coming from the parking lot on Sept 24th preparing for the Chicken BBQ there will be equally great things happening IN Church that Sunday. John Tumino from In My Father's Kitchen will be our guest preacher. John gave up

being a restaurateur about 10 years ago to begin ministering to the homeless in Syracuse. He formed In My Father's Kitchen and has been growing this outreach street ministry since. It now includes a medical van that does "house" calls to this underserved population. He is a leading advocate and spokesperson for the Homeless in Syracuse. Check out the Front Page of last Sunday's paper (8/27/23) about how this ministry saved a homeless man's life recently. UCF has been a regular supporter of this ministry. John has had amazing results and experiences to share and these stories can educate us. John who lives his passion for Christ through this ministry of love will be here to "preach". He is not someone who preaches at you, just humbly tells the stories of his journey with the homeless. You really won't want to miss this. Please plan on being in worship Sept. 24th.

***UCF Chicken BBQ Fundraiser**

Chicken Barbecue fundraiser - noon until the food is gone (~ 2 hrs).

How you can help:

- * Attend - buy advance tickets for \$15 each
- * Spread the word: encourage friends, family, and coworkers; put up flyers at places you frequent; share our Facebook event.
- * Help set up the tent and tables prior to the service
- * Donate bottled water: *Lend coolers
- * Help assemble the meals on the day of the sale after service.

Please look for the sign-up sheets or reach out to Andrea Lowell at 315-415-6023 or LowellEverAfter@gmail.com for more information.



***Sunday, October 1** World Communion Sunday

***Sunday, October 8** Church in the World Sunday Peacemaking Offering Received

WELCOME OUR NEW OFFICE MANAGER

Mary Karen Stark was born and raised in Buffalo, NY, where she earned her Mortuary Science degree and became a licensed funeral director. She then attended Canisius College and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English. Mary Karen moved to Syracuse with her husband and raised three children here. She also worked as a licensed stockbroker at Tuttle Securities and as a Senior Analyst at National Grid. She enjoys going out to lunch with friends and is an enthusiastic Buffalo Bills fan!



Mary Karen will be in the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30AM -12:30PM. Be sure to stop and introduce yourselves.

***Response to Our Summer of Thanks from Lynn and Doug Scharbach**

Enclosed is a favorite quote and we dedicate it to Dr. Even and members of the congregation who have dedicated themselves to Christ's work within our walls and in the world.

Gratitude

"Life is a great teacher of all things despite the fact that the vast majority of us are reluctant students. One of the most important things life has taught me is that of appreciation. Not just the big moments – those milestones of life – but the small signposts that often go uncelebrated. Those are the moments I have learned to value. Those snatches of time spent in some mundane but meaningful way that might otherwise be forgotten."

From Outsider by Linda Castillo

UCF IN THE WORLD

***A letter from Haiti-from Serge** Remember that our outreach program is in northeast Haiti to the east of Cape Haitian and not in the capital, Port-au-Prince, where all the gangs are...

Dear Haiti Education Mission (HEM)

The weeks continue, but the news from Haiti doesn't give us a feeling of wanting to live! There is no longer hope in the areas around Port-au-Prince where people are taken hostage by the armed gangs. There are crimes, rapes and violence... We remain in Paulette. The opening date of classes is now September 11. At FEED we are getting ready to make sure our children will go to class in good fashion. All is almost normal. Our feeding program is working well. It is sad to see how eating has become a luxury for the children and elderly who wait around here for two hours before the meal is even ready each day! Please continue to pray for our people who suffer and who swim in uncertainty each day. My heart is heavy. I am angry!

Thank you again to the whole M & M committee that supports the children, youth and the elderly in Paulette. The good Lord sees all!

Your friend Serge

***Church In the World Sunday, October 8, 2023 Sign up sheets on poster in the hallway**

Diaper Drive Bundling

We will meet in Women's Lounge following the service to bundle diapers we collect or purchase with your donations into larger units. The CNY Diaper Bank provides plastic wrap so we may wrap a week's worth of diapers into one bundle at a time. All hands-on deck makes this a fun time, standing or sitting. These will then be taken to the CNY Diaper Bank for distribution.



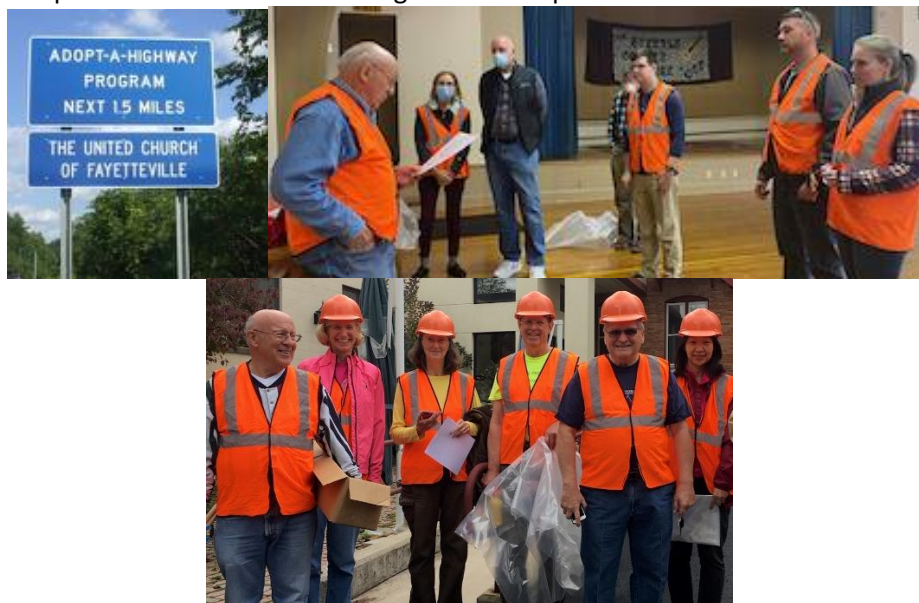
Samaritan Center Cooking

Join the team preparing Sunday dinner at the Samaritan Center Food Kitchen in downtown Syracuse from 9:00 to noon. We prepare the meal under the center's direction. All that is needed is provided. We will be standing for most of the time, but not all jobs require that. There is a lot of camaraderie in a beautiful space, providing a much needed, and a much appreciated, service.



Adopt A Highway Clean Up

We will collect trash along our designated length of Route 5, east of Fayetteville following the Service. We will meet in Fellowship Hall to get vests and supplies, then drive out to our spot. At least 9 volunteers are needed to help care for our small place on our precious earth. Working alongside a partner makes this a meaningful fellowship time.



More About the Diaper Drive and How you Can Help Beforehand

The CNY Diaper Bank is a volunteer-run organization dedicated to supporting families who use Diapers, which are not included in government safety net programs. The average cost of diapers for a toddler is \$2.50 a day. Buying single units can cost up to \$100 a month. Buying in bulk reduces the cost to about \$70-\$80 a month. One in three families have to choose between diapers and food. Unopened boxes of diapers can be placed in the labeled bin in the hallway outside Beard Lounge. The greatest need is for size 6. You may provide a monetary donation which we will use to purchase diapers. Checks should be made payable to the United Church of Fayetteville, with the words "Diaper Drive" in the memo section. Cash donations can be placed in the UCF envelopes in the pews with "Diaper drive" noted on the outside of the envelope. Cash and checks can be placed in the offering plates. (Checks can also be mailed.) Monetary donations need to be received by October 1.