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## **Sunday School is Back!**

We are back in session with Sunday school classes which will be on the first and third Sunday of every month starting in November. Craft Sundays will start December 12th and will be on the second Sunday of the month. Katelin and Amy will be leading the pageant this year. They will be offering the pageant on Sunday, December 19th, and at the Christmas Eve service. Dust off the angel wings and get out the manger. They will be seeking wise men and asking shepherds to guide the sheep. Will Mary and Joseph find a place to rest? Stay tuned for more details.



#### **Mark Your Calendars**

Christian Education is excited to offer programming outside of our Sunday school class. Please mark your calendars with these fun events.

- Congregation Gingerbread House Decorating: Saturday, December 11 at 5:30 pm Come decorate a gingerbread house. Pizza will be provided for those who have hungry bellies. All are welcome from our congregation.
- Youth Group Outing for Christmas shopping December 12th after services It is time to get out the gift wrap and bows as we go Christmas shopping.
- Family Movie Night: 6 pm on Saturday, January 22 (snow date Jane 29) Kids are invited to watch a movie and have pizza. Parents are welcome to stay and catch up or have a date night.
- Congregation Love Supper Night: Saturday, February 12th at 5:30 This is a night out for some soup and fellowship with our congregation. The youth group is looking forward to cooking up a delicious meal.

We are looking forward to a great year!

## Stewardship Reminder

If you haven't already done so, please complete the Estimate of Giving Survey and Time and Talent Survey that was emailed out on November 2nd. If you need the information again, please contact Mike May at MMay@lgtlegal.com to receive the letter and links to the surveys. Thank you!

#### **Moment for Missions**

The Mission committee met in early November to discuss plans for fall and Advent. Of course there will be more details as we move forward, but here are the highlights.

We have changed a few noisy offering recipients for the upcoming year, as follows:

Mutual Aid Food Cabinet (Start up supplies for 2022)

Advocacy Center (Support for victims of domestic and sexual violence)

Cancer Resource Center

Ulysses Philomathic Library

Children's Choice

Don Shardlow has begun and continues his outreach to members of our congregation in need.

Our fall and winter activities include assisting Enfield and Trumansburg schools with extra personal needs items, warm outerwear for children in both schools, warm adult clothing through the Enfield Food Pantry, and socks wherever in need. We are currently adding socks to the Mutual Aid Cabinet. PLEASE NOTE THE RED ROTARY BINS AROUND TOWN FOR DONATIONS TO CATHOLIC CHARITIES WINTERWEAR COLLECTIONS AS WELL.

Advent Activities include supporting the youth group in shopping for children in need. Amy Moe from missions will coordinate this with Christian Education. If you would like to personally support this effort, you can make out a check to the church with "youth shopping" in the memo.

We will send a check to the Ulysses Christmas Bureau. We will continue to collect and donate socks. Coordinated by Lynn Rich, we will put together snack/fruit baskets for the Cayuga Medical Center Emergency Room staff, Trumansburg Fire Department, and Cayuga Ridge staff. These will be delivered shortly before Christmas.

Our Advent Offering and pre offering will be for Katina Dean and family. This is Lynette Brainard's sister. For those of you who are not aware, the family recently lost everything in a tragic fire. Please see separate article for details.

#### Thank You

Thank you to everyone who participated in the September and October food distributions. Jeff Jacobs, Jacksonville Food Pantry Coordinator

# Advent and pre-Advent Offering



The Mission committee has decided that the Advent offering will benefit Lynette Brainard's sister, Katina Dean and family who recently lost everything in a fire at their home. The family includes Katina Dean and Chase McCoy, Christina (high school senior) and Kaden (high school sophomore). People from all corners of the community have stepped up to help. You can help through Jacksonville Church in two ways. First, you can make a donation by check to JCUMC with Katina Dean's name or Advent offering in the memo. If you would like a check to go to one of the children, you may write that name in the memo. Or, you can donate a gift card in the

offering plate or by mail, noting on the envelope that it should go to the Dean family. You can also designate one of the children if you wish. Anything not otherwise designated will go to the whole family to rebuild their lives. We appreciate your caring at this difficult time for the family.

### Jacksonville Attic News

The Attic and all of those associated with it, shoppers and sellers alike, have had a happy and successful season. We have our regulars who follow our Facebook posts and often come in on the dot of 9:00 to grab the perfect item that was posted. Last week, we were told, "I love that I can buy beautiful and affordable gifts for my family." We have friends who come by every Saturday, to browse, say hello and most always find something they need.

We have been blessed with many donations for reuse, and we are most grateful to the Trustees for providing us with our large donation shed. We can't imagine how we functioned without it.

Our Monday morning group meets every week to sort, hang, replace, and rearrange items for the next week; it is fun to guess what our shoppers will like. They love the way we set up and decorate. We have a dedicated Saturday crew from 9—1 who greet visitors and sell items.

There is something for EVERYONE. If you have not been in and do not follow us on Facebook, we are attaching a few photos to encourage you to visit before we close for winter. It is hard to believe, but now it is November and we are open for about six more Saturdays, including the Bazaar.





## Food Cabinet Update

With winter around the corner, the items needed for our mutual aid cabinet are different. These products can withstand the temperatures decreasing in our day. We are collecting the following items during the month of November to keep our cupboard filled. Please consider making a donation of any of the following items or a financial donation with mutual aid cupboard in the memo section of a check. When the snow does start to fall, we will pack up our cupboard for the winter and await spring days to reopen. Thank you for your support!

Items that can safely be stocked in Mutual Aid food cabinets in winter

Bread / other baked goods

Potato flakes Cereal

Dry pasta, rice, quinoa

Pasta sauce in a plastic jar

Dry beans

Cereal bars Gummy snacks

Oatmeal

Raisins/dried fruit

Nuts Coffee

Powdered milk

Crackers

Applesauce in plastic jars

Plastic jars of jam, peanut butter,

and almond butter

Falafel mix

Toilet paper Diapers

Feminine products Cleaning wipes Garbage bags

Ziploc bags/containers

Hand sanitizer (+60% alcohol)

Paper towels

Tissues Soap

Deodorant Toothbrush

Warm clothing such as:

Gloves Scarves Hats

Hand warmers

Socks

## Holiday Bazaar

Our Jacksonville Church Holiday Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 27, 2021 from 9:00am-1:00pm in the Church and The Attic. After a pandemic break last year, we are changing things up a bit. This important annual event is our church's largest fundraiser, and many hands are needed to make it a success.

In addition to new and returning vendors who will be in the Fellowship Hall, there will be a Holiday Crafts and Gift Shoppe in the Hearth Room, and we will also have a Coffee and Bake Shoppe. We need donations of crafts, and items for the bake table. We also need help with set up, clean up and volunteers to work as cashiers. Please contact Becky Jackson to volunteer.

JCUMC CRAFTS IN THE HEARTH ROOM! Christmas will glow in the Hearth Room again this year which will be overflowing with items from our creative JCUMC crafters as well as unique gifts that have been donated by community members. If you aren't feeling crafty (even after checking out Pinterest for holiday ideas for various skill levels), how about putting together a gift basket? We ask that the baskets have an approximate value of at least \$25 and will be priced at the sale. Here are some basket ideas:

- \* Taste of Italy basket
- \* Car care basket
- \* Legos basket
- \* Dolls basket
- \* Movie basket
- \* Relaxation basket
- \* Coffee basket
- \* Sports (tickets) basket
- \* Bookworm basket
- \* Fur baby basket
- \* Chocolate basket
- \* Night on the Town basket
- \* Great Outdoor basket
- \* Golf Basket
- \* Breakfast basket
- \* Taco basket
- \* Flower/plant/bulb basket

For those of you making crafts or gift baskets, please make sure that you price them and get them to Eileen Jacobs or Joyce Basilius before Thanksgiving if you are able.

After church on 11/21 we will be re-arranging all furniture to make room for the bazaar. Many hands and strong backs make light work. Shouldn't take more than an hour.

We are hoping for a very successful holiday bazaar. Your participation is valued!

