

# MCKOWNVILLE CHURCH NEWS

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**Love God, Follow Jesus,  
And Pass it On**

**Spirit Filled,  
Mission Driven**



**Articles for the November Newsletter are due by October 15th.**

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## Newcomers and Visitors: WELCOME!

**Look inside for interesting articles, church news and updates, youth events, mission opportunities, fun activities and more!**

**“As United Methodist Christians, we are called to make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”**

## Our Church Values

**\*Christ Centered; Our thoughts and actions are centered on God, Christ and the Holy Spirit.**

**\*Love; We love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**\*Integrity; We live to be thankful to God through our actions matching our values.**

# What's New?

## ANNUAL FINANCIAL CAMPAIGN



McKownville UMC's annual financial campaign for pledged support of the church and its ministries and missions will start Sunday, October 19 and conclude on Gratitude Sunday November 16 when pledges will be dedicated. The theme will be on gratitude and giving from one's first fruits (not the leftovers). Your prayers and reflections are invited.

## ADIRONDACK/ALBANY DISTRICT DAY

Adirondack/Albany District Day is a free opportunity for learning and fellowship made possible by Upper New York Conference. This year it is Saturday, October 25 at Saratoga Springs United Methodist Church (175 Fifth Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY).

After opening worship, there are three workshops, chosen from five to seven options for each time. Lunch and snacks are also free of charge. Pre-registration is required by October 17 for planning purposes.

Workshops are on a variety of topics including: Stewardship, Christian Yoga, UMC mission opportunities, clergy and laity partnership, and missional excellence. See the District Day registration form with workshop descriptions at the back of the sanctuary.



## FAMILY PROMISE CELEBRATION/FUNDRAISER



They will be celebrating their 10th year of bringing hope and bright future to families facing homelessness. Join them on Thursday, October 23, 2025, for their annual **"Doors to the Future"** celebration/fundraiser. Visit [www.familypromisecr.org](http://www.familypromisecr.org) or call (518) 650-8895 for more information.

## ANNIVERSARY WISHES!

Carl and Ildra Morse will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary on October 5, 2025! Join us for coffee hour after worship service.



## VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!!



Volunteers are still needed to be pumpkin patch sitters. You can either sign your name on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary or contact Angela Stott.

# What's New?

## ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES



We are very excited that we now have assisted listening devices in the sanctuary that anyone can use. These devices allow people to better hear the service. Each device has a receiver and a set of headphones. Currently located in the back of the sanctuary. You can pick up a receiver from the charging station and a set of headphones from a clean bag. The receivers are already programed so you just need to plug the headphones into the receiver and put the headphones on. If you have your set own of headphones or earbuds that you prefer, you can use them instead. At the end of the service please use the sanitizing wipes to wipe down the headphones and place them in the basket. We currently have 8 sets and will evaluate in the future if we need more. If you have questions, please see Kelly Visker.



## SUNDAY SHOOOL

Sunday School resumed on September 7, 2025. Our first unit is titled "Back to School." We will continue a hands-on learning approach and continue our service monthly by baking/making snacks for the coffee hour. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Keane at: [kimkeane04@gmail.com](mailto:kimkeane04@gmail.com)

## COFFEE HOUR

We are having coffee hour in the back of the sanctuary once again. This is a great time to build fellowship and get to know one another on a more personal level. Currently coffee hour is being run by the different ministry teams at the church, but you can help! If you would like to contribute to coffee hour either by making coffee and tea or bringing food, please let Kelly Visker know and she can hook you up with the team of the month. You can reach Kelly either at church at (518-456-1148) or via text at: (518- 312-6396.)



## **DRIVE-THRU BROOKS' BBQ**



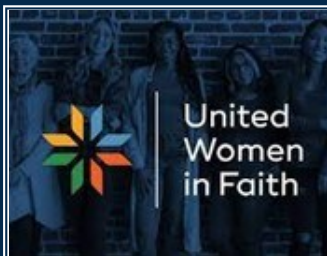
## **A GREAT BIG "THANK YOU!"**

A great big "Thank You" to everyone who helped in any way with our Brooks Chicken BBQ Fundraiser. See you in the spring!!

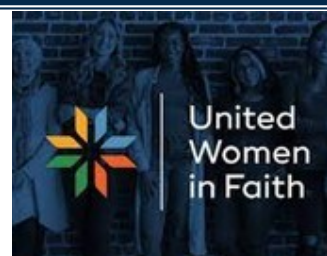
## MOVED TO HEAVEN

Rev. James L. Bowen moved to heaven on September 19, 2025.





## *Women Together*



September 8, 2025

Albany: McKownville UMC  
1565 Western Ave.  
Albany, NY 122023

Dear Darcianne & McKownville UMC,

We sincerely appreciate your generous donation of various hygiene and cleaning kits to the Mission Central Hub. Your support enables us to provide care, compassion, and hope to communities and survivors in need.

Thanks to contributions like yours, the Hub has been actively involved in disaster response efforts right in our own neighborhoods. In the wake of the severe storms and flooding that affected Madison, Oneida, and Tioga counties, we successfully mobilized UMCOR cleaning kits, hygiene supplies, and Early Response Teams to assist families on their path to recovery. Our volunteers offered hands-on help with debris removal, home cleanouts, and a compassionate presence for those who have experienced significant loss.

Your donation plays a crucial role in this ministry. Every dollar received and kit assembled ensures we are prepared to respond during crises and address ongoing needs in our communities. Thank you for partnering with us in this mission.

Together in community,

*Kristina Clark*

Kristina Clark  
UNY Conference Disaster Response Coordinator  
Associate Director of Missional Excellence

## ***PUMPKIN PATCH FUNDRAISER!!***

**SPREAD THE NEWS!!**

- ***PUMPKINS WILL BE FOR SALE DURING THE ENTIRE MONTH OF OCTOBER!***
- ***WE ARE CHANGING THE WORLD ONE PUMPKIN AT A TIME!***

### **DAILY HOURS**

***Monday thru Friday:***

***11:00 am to 7:00 pm***

***Saturday:***

***10:00 am to 7:00 pm***

***Sunday:***

***12:00 pm to 6:00 pm***

### **PAYMENTS ACCEPTED:**

***Cash***

***Check***

***Credit Card***

***Debit Card***

***When you buy your pumpkins from McKownville United Methodist Church, you are supporting our fund for mission trips as well as the Navajo farmers out west who grow them and the independent truck drivers who deliver them.***

***Thank you for helping us change the world one pumpkin at a time!!***

***McKownville United Methodist Church  
1565 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203  
Email: mckownumc@verizon.net  
Phone: 518-456-1148***





**Operation Christmas Child** is again sponsored this year by Samaritan's Purse. It brings one-time *shoebox gifts and Christian literature* to children in more than 170 countries around the world.

Some already wrapped and pre-printed boxes to fill will be available before the end of October at McKownville UMC for pickup or you can decorate your own standard size shoe box.

**National Collection Week is Monday, November 17 – Monday, November 24, 2025.** Details on the local collection will be posted and will be in the November newsletter. (I have attached the Operation Christmas Child logo).

Suggestions for what can go in a shoebox can be found at <https://samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/>. Note that SOAP is new to the do-not-pack list (as it is not currently accepted by various countries).

The full **Do NOT include list** is soap; candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items (such as toy guns, knives, or military figures); chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items (such as snow globes or glass containers); aerosol cans.





## *From the Desk of Dom Perfetti...*

### **Back To School**

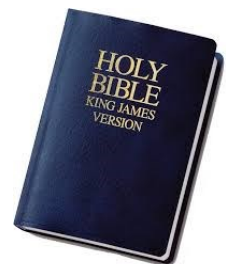


Another summer has flown by. The school bus is back picking up the kids!! *How do the summers go so fast?* Seeing the start of another school year made me think of the days when we would get our class books. *Remember the math and science books?? Algebra? Geometry? Physics?* Some of us may have clicked with these subjects, while many of us may have struggled. And we've all had our classes that we would have preferred not to take at all!!

I often recall a "back to school" example that still sticks with me to this day. Opening my Algebra book to somewhere near the middle of the book was mind boggling. *What is this stuff?? Lots of letters, numbers, symbols, little numbers on top of numbers in parentheses??!!* How in the world will I ever learn this? Then, class by class, day by day and with a lot of studying and guidance from a good teacher, we arrived at that page around mid-year. Lo and behold, It made sense then! I always considered this a good lesson – Things may not make sense on day one, but with a good teacher, a good book and some focused studying, things begin to come together.

How often do we look at situations in our lives and feel like we're in over our heads and start considering all the possible negative outcomes?? It happens often, and sometimes we don't realize that we ALL have a Good Teacher and a good Book, and when we add the ingredient of putting in our study time, we can adopt a completely new perspective on the challenges we face in our daily lives.

Jesus in our Good Teacher and the Holy Bible is our course book. When we open our Book randomly, we can easily get lost and confused. But when we stop and pray to our Lord and read with the intent of truly understanding what God is telling us, we continue to learn and strengthen our relationship with our Lord. And page by page, day by day and prayer by prayer, our Lord gives us direction for our lives and fills us with the peace and understanding of His Holy Spirit.



**Dear Lord we pray** – Our time here on earth is a lifelong journey to get to know You better and understand how You want us to live. We pray that we can always look to You to Teach us Your Ways, and help us to understand your sacred Words. We want to live our lives day by day in the love of your presence. The Bible is our Good Book and you are our Good Teacher.

Enjoy the fall season,  
Dom Perfetti



## Healing Ministry



Welcome everyone to our Ministry of Healing. Prayer is a spiritual communication with God. Everyday some of us will spend time for our personal prayers. Before and after our prayers, some will trust that the Lord Jesus Christ will answer them but some may have doubts. But the Lord Jesus Christ said, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too, am working." (John 5:17). From this scripture, we can understand God is working all the time, without a break or a day off.

In the period of the disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, they pray 9:00am, 3:00 pm, and after sunset. One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer. The scripture says that the disciples went to pray around 3:00 pm. While they were there some people carried a man who was crippled from birth to the Beautiful Gate (Acts 3:2). The beautiful gate was Solomon's Colonnade, which was covered with a porch and columns. As per the scripture, the crippled man had weakness in his feet and ankles and was unable to work. The crippled man would just sit there and ask the people who went to the temple for money

While Peter and John were walking near the crippled man, he asked them for money (This man never knew that within a moment that his life was going to change for the better). Then Peter said, "Look at us." He man looked at them expecting to receive something from them. Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I have I will give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." They took the man by the right hand and helped him up and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk and jump and praise God.

The amazing power of healing touched the crippled man through Peter. How much medical care would be needed today? The crippled man expected help for one day but he received something much better than money. He received permanent healing to walk and work again. His entire life was changed.







## Healing Ministry



Let us read again what Peter said to the crippled man. "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." Immediately the healing power came from the Lord. This displayed the healing mercy and grace of Jesus Christ and the crippled man was healed. So, from now on there is no need to beg for help or money. No more worries.

I remember one of my best teachers in high school say to the students.....

Give Him all your tears, Give Him all your fears, Give Him all your failures that weigh you down, and your questions for your tomorrows. He cares for you more than anybody. Jesus cares for you and He will stand by you more than anybody. Jesus cares for you.

### ***Let us pray.....***

Lord Jesus Christ, author of our lives and healer of all the diseases, we come in Your presence looking at you submitting all our sicknesses, problems, failures, and struggles. We bend our hearts and trust in You.

Lord, we are offering our sincere prayers for the children and adults who are crippled and have no strength in their feet or ankles to walk. Please, Jesus Christ of Nazareth, have mercy and grace over them. Touch them and give them total healing. Lift them in Your right hand and make them walk in their lives forever and forever. Amen. We thank You and praise you in your name. Amen.



*Olive Ezekiel  
Minister for Healing*

## OUR HISTORY



## Upper New York Conference's new *United Methodist Historic Site*



**Harkness United Methodist Church, Peru, NY** in Adirondack District has been assigned **Historic**

**Site number 582** by the United Methodist Church. Its designation was forwarded to GCAH after its May 24, 2025 approval by Upper New York Conference in honor of Dr. Georgia E. Harkness' accomplishments.

**Georgia Elma Harkness** (4/1891 – 8/1974) was born and raised in Harkness, NY, which community was named for her grandfather. She considered the Harkness church her “home church” no matter where she lived.

Dr. Georgia Harkness was ordained in 1926 as a *Local Deacon* in the Methodist Episcopal Church and 12 years later she Became a *Local Elder*. She argued that the Church needed the skills and talents of educated women and pressed the issue for women's ordination at worldwide ecumenical venues. A resolution granting *Full Clergy Rights for Women* in the Methodist Church finally was passed in 1956 by the General Conference.

Georgia influenced the church in other ways such as when in July 1937 she was involved in conversations at the Oxford Conference which laid the groundwork for the *World Council of Churches*.

The People of the Harkness United Methodist Church invite you to join us for

**A SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE  
OF DR. GEORGIA HARKNESS**

**SATURDAY  
AUGUST 14**

Share your memories  
of Georgia -  
Sing her hymns -  
Pray her prayers -  
Enjoy memorabilia  
displays and  
an interpretation of her  
by a special guest

**HARKNESS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
AT THE FOUR CORNERS IN HARKNESS**

**Schedule:**  
12 Noon- Gathering and  
Fellowship  
12:30- Lunch in Church Hall  
1:30 Worship service in Church  
Followed by Trip to Harkness  
Cemetery to place Historic Marker  
at Dr. Harkness' gravesite

Intersection of the Harkness Road  
and Hallock Hill Roads  
780 Hallock Hill Rd.  
(481 Harkness Rd.) Peru

PLEASE CALL 542-6600  
TO RSVP FOR LUNCH, OR FOR  
MORE INFORMATION

*A historic marker was placed at Dr.  
Harkness' gravestone in 2010.*

The full UNY resolution is on *pages 108-109* of the UNY 2025 Pre-Conference Workbook. See [https://issuu.com/uppernewyork/docs/2025\\_uny\\_pre-conference\\_workbook](https://issuu.com/uppernewyork/docs/2025_uny_pre-conference_workbook).

*Adult*  
FORUM

# **Adult Forum**

*Adult*  
FORUM**a**

## **Sessions Held: Monday Evenings at 7:00 pm**

**To join, come at 7:00 P.M. (Non-Holiday) Mondays to the Adult Forum room down the hall.**

The Adult Forum's schedule plan for the September 2025—May 2026 session is completed. Come at 7:00 pm most Monday evenings for some or all.

We resumed our Adult Forum sessions on Monday, September 15th with a series of video studies on Adam Hamilton's Making Sense of the Bible: Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today. These explore what is in the Bible, how to read it, and discusses some confusing and controversial teachings.

The six sessions are: Making Sense of the Old Testament; Making Sense of the New Testament; Questions about the Nature of Scripture; The Bible and Science; Violence, Suffering and other Troubling Issues; and Wrestling with Issues of Sexuality and Relationships.

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Rutenber or Kim Keane.

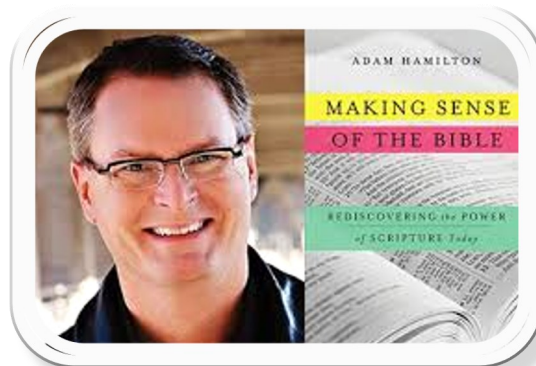
### **The schedule for the month of October is listed below:**

**October 6**— Adam Hamilton's Making Sense of the Bible—4. The Bible and Science

**October 13**—*Columbus/Indigenous People's Day* —**No Meeting**

**October 20**—Making Sense of the Bible—5. Violence, Suffering and Other Troubling Issues

**October 27**—Making Sense of the Bible—6. Wrestling with Issues of Sexuality and Relationships



## MISSION AND OUTREACH CORNER

"Do all the good you can, by all means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can."

### *Conference Mission Opportunities*

#### *Operation: Home Repair – Now Accepting Volunteers*

to experienced  
Flexible scheduling – volunteer one day to full week  
Out-of-town housing available  
All tools and training provided  
Might??

**Volunteer Application:** <https://bit.ly/4aLBPhM> **Questions:** Cobleskill  
UMC  
(518-234-3671) | **Photos/Info:** [www.schoharieregionumc.org](http://www.schoharieregionumc.org)



#### *Prayer blankets, shawls, scarves, etc.*

Given to people who need comfort, love and prayer, to give someone a tangible example of God's love and care.



# MISSION AND OUTREACH CORNER

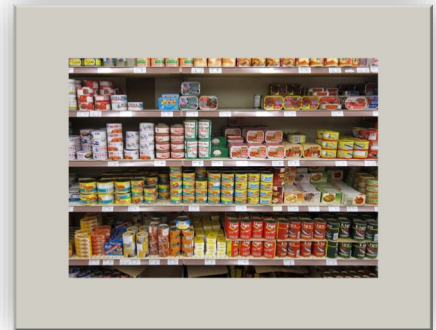
"Do all the good you can, by all means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can."

## **Local Mission Opportunities**

**All items can be left in the mission corner in the back of the sanctuary**

### **Food Donations to the Guilderland Food Pantry**

canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned meat, boxed potatoes,  
And mayonnaise (small jars)



### **Magazine Donations to Albany Medical Center**

Magazines are for the patients entertainment and enjoyment while in the hospital.










# OCTOBER 2025



<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
			<b>1</b> Living Resources 12:00 pm—2:00 pm  Narcotics Anonymous 7:00 pm—8:00 pm (Meet Upstairs)  GA Meeting 7:30 pm—8:30 pm (Meet Downstairs)  	<b>2</b> <i>Top of the Hill</i> <b>10:00 am—11:30 am</b>  Boy Scouts 6:45 pm—8:15 pm  Altamont Sobriety 7:00 pm—8:00 pm  AA Meeting 7:00 pm—8:30 pm	<b>3</b> The Happy Hour Hour (Part of AA) 5:30 pm—6:30 pm  NA: Serenity Group 6:30 pm—8:00 pm	<b>4</b> AA Meetings 8:00 am—9:00 am (Two separate groups meet in the morning.)  NA ABCD Board Meeting 10:30 am—11:30 am (Meet Upstairs)
<b>5</b> <i>Worship Service</i> <b>10:00 am in the church and on Facebook</b>  GA Meeting 6:00 pm—8:30 pm	<b>6</b> Cub Scouts 6:15 pm—8:15 pm	<b>7</b> Living Resources 10:00 am—2:00 pm  Al-Anon 12:00 pm—1:00 pm  AA Meeting 4:30 pm—5:30 pm (Meet Downstairs)  AA Meeting 7:00 pm—8:00 pm (Meet Downstairs)	<b>8</b> Living Resources 12:00 pm—2:00 pm  Narcotics Anonymous 7:00 pm—8:00 pm (Meet Upstairs)  GA Meeting 7:30 pm—8:30 pm (Meet Downstairs)	<b>9</b> <i>Top of the Hill</i> <b>10:00 am—11:30 am</b>  Boy Scouts 6:45 pm—8:15 pm  Altamont Sobriety 7:00 pm—8:00 pm  AA Meeting 7:00 pm—8:30 pm	<b>10</b> The Happy Hour Hour (Part of AA) 5:30 pm—6:30 pm  NA: Serenity Group 6:30 pm—8:00 pm	<b>11</b> AA Meetings 8:00 am—9:00 am (Two separate groups meet in the morning.)
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<b>26</b> <i>Worship Service</i> <b>10:00 am in the church and on Facebook</b>  <b>Trustees Team</b> <b>(Meet after Worship)</b>  GA Meeting 6:00 pm—8:30 pm	<b>27</b> Cub Scouts 6:15 pm—8:15 pm  <b>Adult Forum</b> <b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>28</b> Living Resources 10:00 am—2:00 pm  Al-Anon 12:00 pm—1:00 pm  AA Meeting 4:30 pm—5:30 pm (Meet Downstairs)  AA Meeting 7:00 pm—8:00 pm (Meet Downstairs)  <b>Worship Team</b> <b>7:00 pm—8:00 pm</b>	<b>29</b> Living Resources 12:00 pm—2:00 pm  Narcotics Anonymous 7:00 pm—8:00 pm (Meet Upstairs)  GA Meeting 7:30 pm—8:30 pm (Meet Downstairs)	<b>30</b> <i>Top of the Hill</i> <b>10:00 am—11:30 am</b>  Boy Scouts 6:45 pm—8:15 pm  Altamont Sobriety 7:00 pm—8:00 pm  AA Meeting 7:00 pm—8:30 pm	<b>31</b> The Happy Hour Hour (Part of AA) 5:30 pm—6:30 pm  NA: Serenity Group 6:30 pm—8:00 pm  	



## **OCTOBER DUTIES**



<b><u>DATES</u></b>	<b><u>USHERS/GREETERS</u></b>	<b><u>WORSHIP LEADERS</u></b>
<b>October 5</b>	<b>Persons Needed</b>	<b>Tricia Stott</b>
<b>October 12 (Columbus Weekend)</b>	<b>Persons Needed</b>	<b>Frank D'Ambrosio</b>
<b>October 19</b>	<b>Persons Needed</b>	<b>George Janeczko</b>
<b>October 26</b>	<b>Persons Needed</b>	<b>Henry Walter</b>

Currently there is no bulletin. If you are not on the distribution list for the emailed worship service outline, I (or some else) will forward it to you.

If you find your date inconvenient, please attempt to switch with someone else and then let the church know (518-456-1148 or email [mckownumc@verizon.net](mailto:mckownumc@verizon.net)) as well as myself (518-456-0412 or email at: [nancy\\_e\\_rutenber@yahoo.com](mailto:nancy_e_rutenber@yahoo.com)).

As Worship Leaders, you help set the tone that prepares the congregation for worship. Worship leader notes with service guidelines are in the attached document. (If you cannot open, let me know.)

One copy of the Worship Leader Reference is kept in the pulpit/lectern. The pastor or guest speaker can inform you if there are any changes.

### Aids to being Worship Leader:

Service outline and scripture: Look at a copy or email of the worship outline to familiarize yourself with the service for which you will be Lay Worship Leader. This includes the church policy about wearing masks.

**Be early and get ready:** On Sunday, please arrive at the church fifteen minutes prior to the service for which you are serving and check up front.

The microphone will be turned on; if you are tall or short, you may need to move it closer to your mouth. The visuals team started a 5-minute timer on the monitors to help get the services started on time. The worship leader can begin the greetings to the congregation after the timer counts down to zero and the organist/pianist is seated. In the fall, the Pastor may start handling this and announcements again.

Remember that worship is to God. Thank you for helping the congregants worship.

Nancy Rutenber, Worship Leader Coordinator  
"May your life sing." - NR

### **Please Note...**

**Greeters/Ushers & Acolyte Coordinator: Stephanie DeVall at (518) 925-0160**

**Lay Worship Leader Coordinator: Nancy Rutenber at (518) 456-0412**

**Please Note that Greeter and Ushers duties are now combined.**



**OCTOBER**  
**ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS**



**OCTOBER**  
**ANNIVERSARIES**

8	Carl & Ildra Morse
19	George & Kimberly Janeczko

**OCTOBER**  
**BIRTHDAYS**

6	Alan Longshore
7	Kristin Waters
8	Ellen Swanson
12	David Wells
13	George Janeczko
15	Nancy Rutenber
17	Bill Tureby
23	Jane Collins
24	Sarah Spencer
25	Denise Reed
26	Lynne Daly
29	Patricia Arnott



## **MONTHLY TEAM MEETING**

### **SCHEDULE**

Finance Team  
Leadership  
Mission/Outreach Team  
Faith Journey Group  
Trustees Team  
Worship Team

Second Tuesday at 5:30 pm  
Third Tuesday at 7:00 pm  
Fourth Thursday at 7:00 pm  
First Wednesday at 6:30 pm  
Fourth Sunday after Worship Service  
Fourth Tuesday at 7:00 pm

***Please Note the Following***  
***(Some of our monthly church meetings are being held using ZOOM)***



- Sunday worship services are held at 10:00 am.
- The first Sunday of every month is Communion Sunday.
- Everyone is welcome to worship with us in person, or watch the service on Facebook or YouTube.

JOIN US FOR OUR  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
@ 10.00 AM

We will continue to broadcast worship live on Facebook for you to participate from the comfort and safety of your own home. Follow these instructions for watching worship – even if you do not have a Facebook account! Facebook will keep the recording of the livestream posted so that you can watch anytime and share as you wish even if you cannot join us on Sundays at 10:00 am. Worship is also posted on YouTube if you have trouble viewing on Facebook (but it is posted after live stream has ended).

**INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO FIND  
THE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ON FACEBOOK**

**Step 1:** Go to McKownville UMC's website at: <http://www.mckownvillechurch.com>

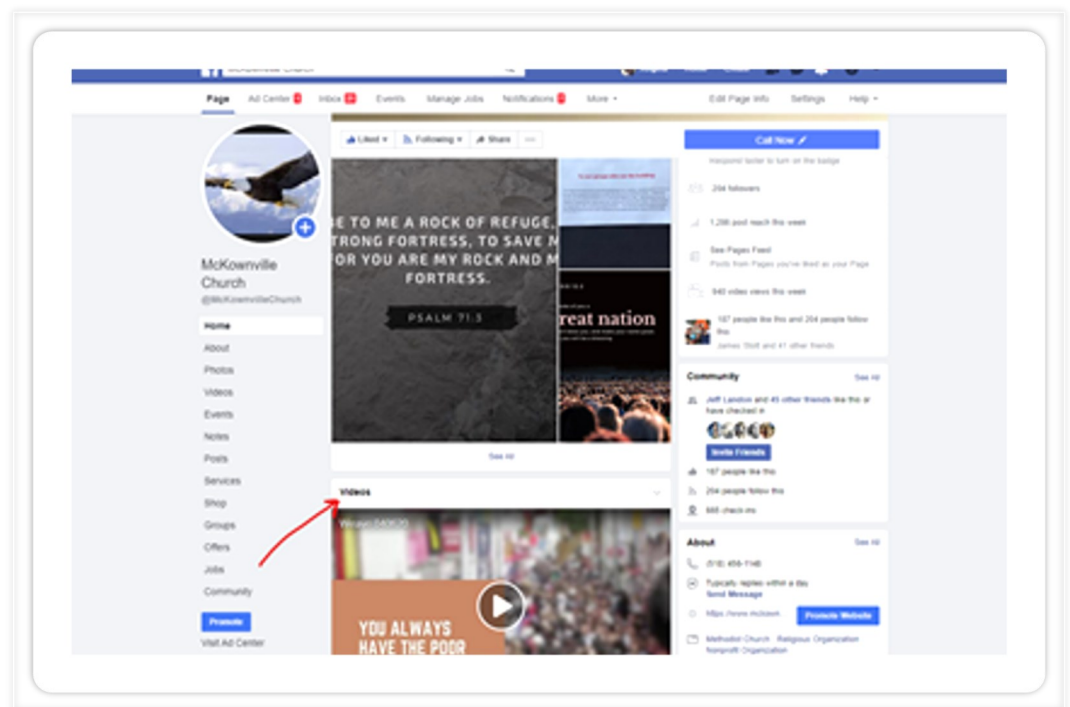
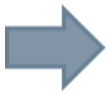
**Step 2:** On the bottom of the home page you will see the following Facebook link:

Watch sermons live here!

**Step 3:** Click on the word here!

**Step 4:** Once you are on our Facebook page, scroll down and click on the most recent video on the page.  
(see orange arrow)

**\*\*Please note: You do not need to log in or create an account to view the live steam.**

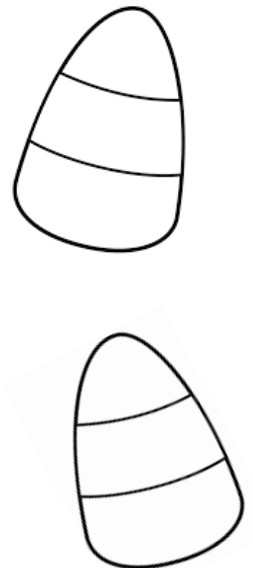
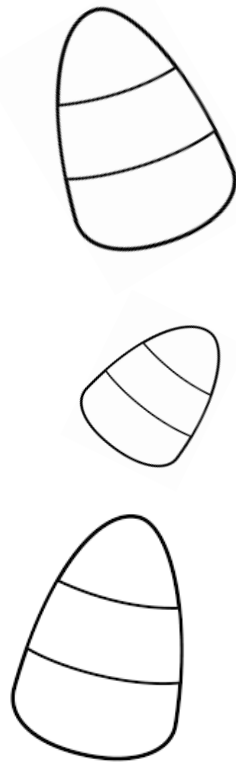


**Step 5:** Enjoy the Worship service.

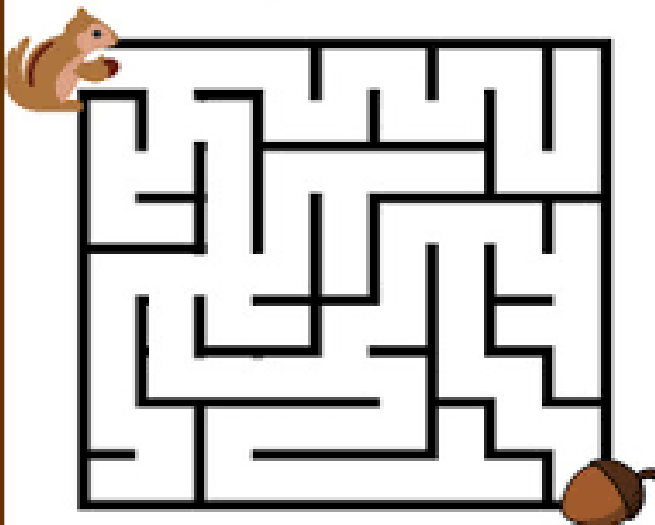




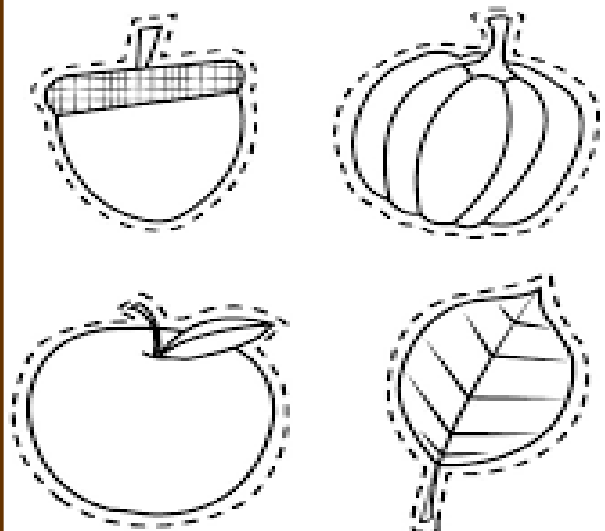
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Monday—Friday: 9:30 am to 1:30pm  
Christine Gould, Church Secretary

## Ministry and Team Leaders of the McKownville United Methodist Church

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<b><u>Chair &amp; Sexton Liaison:</u></b>	James Stott
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### **Ministry Teams:**

**Leadership Council:** Paul Krekeler, Team Leader

**Staff/Parish Relations:** Pat Beauregard, Frank  
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Spencer, Cathy Wells and Nancy Rutenber

**Finance:** Team Leader—Ashley Weil  
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Finance Secretary: Tom Myers

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**Evangelism through Outreach:** Darcianne Leizer,  
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