

# Collamer United Church Circuit Rider

## January 2023



**John Oswald (and Merle too) – SPECIAL PRAYERS PLEASE-** 7832 Bull St., Bridgeport, NY 13030

**Linda Oswald** – at home, 8701 Knowledge Lane, Apt 116, Cicero, NY 13039 – **SPECIAL PRAYERS PLEASE!**

**Shirley Soergel - SPECIAL PRAYERS PLEASE -**  
100 Flume Road, Apt. 106, Manlius, NY 13104.

**Helen Fischer** - at home, 139 Dormar Drive, North Syracuse, NY 13212

**Jim Reese (and Carol too)** – at home  
4809 Flower Lane, Alexandria, VA 22310

**Keith Brignall (and Grace too)** – at home -  
5514 N. Manlius Street, Fayetteville, NY 13066

**Carol Burleigh** – at home - 102 Watertree Drive,  
East Syracuse, NY 13057

**Savanna Colabufo and Courtney Clark** – at home -  
4296 Seeber Road, Canastota, NY 13032

**Maryjane and Joe Molina** - 502 Oot Lane, Apt. 2  
Kirkville, NY 13082

**Ryan Hill** – 19-year-old son of Dennis and Nicole Hill  
and grandson of Rev. Steve and Pam Deckard.  
Diagnosed with Ewing Sarcoma. At home – 7060  
Cattleman’s Crossing Road, Cicero NY 13039

**Wayne Fellows** – (Carol Warner’s husband) – 102  
Seitz Drive, Camillus, NY 13031

**Patti Monday** – Sedgwick Heights, 1100 James  
Street, Room 230, Syracuse, NY 13203

**Karen Brignall (and Wayne too)** – recovering from  
hip replacement surgery – 326 Highbridge Street,  
Fayetteville, NY 13066

**Joanne Tongue** –at home recovering from spinal  
surgery – 2 Sacketts Road, Central Square, NY 13036

**David Krak** – at home recuperating from heart  
procedures – 7894 Kirkville Road, Kirkville, NY 13082

**Emeline McShane and family** - 7626 Totman  
Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

**Doug Kliphon (and Sheri too)** - 7088 Ferstler Road,  
Kirkville, NY 13082

**Kristen Vollmer Adydan** – 522 Woodbine Avenue,  
Syracuse, NY 13206

**Please reach out by card, phone, or email to our  
friends on the Prayer List.**

**Sun. 01 Morning Worship** – Rev. Lauren Swanson  
*Happy New Year!*

**Mon. 02 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.**

**Tues. 03 Blood Drive - First United Church  
of E. Syracuse 1:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

**Sun. 08 Morning Worship** – Rev. Lauren Swanson  
- Communion

**Mon. 09 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.**

**Wed. 11 Senior Luncheon - Bridgeport  
UMC - 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Sun. 15 Morning Worship** – The Holbrooks

**Mon. 16 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.**

**Wed. 18 CUC Board 6:00 p.m.**

**Sun. 22 Morning Worship** – Elder Bill Porter

**Mon. 23 Al-Anon 7:30 p.m.**

**Sun. 22 Morning Worship** – Rev. Lauren Swanson  
*Annual Congregational Meeting*



07 - Jeffrey Clark

08 - Mike Breclaw

08 - Wayne Brignall

18 - Monique Laroche Kocienski

20 - Keith Brignall

24- Dick Gilkey

26 - Shirley Soergel

26 - Jessica Vollmer

## **A Note from Rev. Lauren Swanson**



This is an exciting time. It is the beginning of a brand-new year. Some people like to make New Year's resolutions or promises to themselves about what they plan to accomplish in the new year. The number one resolution that people make is, "I am going to lose weight." I don't think too many people succeed, since it seems to be the number one resolution year after year. I know that it usually makes my top ten list of things I would like to accomplish in the new year. Even if you don't make any New Year's resolutions, this is an exciting time. It is a time that we can forget our past mistakes and look forward to new opportunities that lie ahead of us. It is a time for new beginnings.

John Wesley put forward some "Resolutions" for the people called Methodists to follow. Here they are:

*First: We will not listen to or willingly inquire after any ill concerning each other.*

*Second: If we do hear any ill of each other, we will not be forward to believe it.*

*Third: As soon as possible, we will communicate what we hear, by writing or speaking, to the person concerned.*

*Fourth: That, till we have done this, we will not write or speak a syllable of it to any other person whatever.*

*Fifth: That neither will we mention it after we have done this, to any other person.*

*Sixth: That we will not make any exception to any of these rules unless we think ourselves absolutely obligated in conscience to do so.*

These seem like good principles to obey. Imagine how much more peaceful our lives would be if we lived accordingly. How much less gossip would spread its poison.

## **- A Note from Rev. Swanson Continued -**

We all need correcting from time to time, and sometimes we need someone to point out our failings. That should not be a public event leading to anger and humiliation.

Matthew 18:15-17:

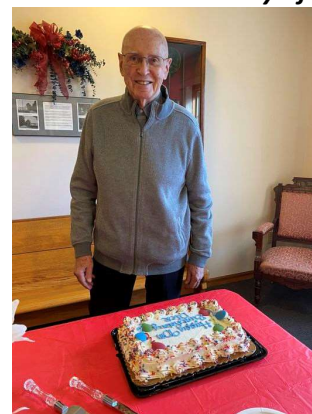
<sup>15</sup> "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. <sup>16</sup> But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup> If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

The church has an important role in reminding us of our need to regularly re-vision our lives. It defines a space in our schedules, supplies the motivation we need, and provides the guidance that is so critical to our progress.

Let's resolve in this new year to help one another to move toward perfection. Let us be open to suggestions for improvement and offer our observations in humility and love.

Have a happy and fulfilling new year!  
Rev. Lauren Swanson

***On Sunday, December 4, after the worship service, we celebrated the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Dick Way.***



***Happy Birthday Dick!***

## December 2022 Worship Report



*Christmas Morning service*

We welcomed Rev. Lauren Swanson back to CUC for Advent and are grateful for his gifts of music, song, humor, spirit-filled messages, and the theme of “Anxious Anticipation”. Thank you to those who participated in the readings and lighting of the Advent candles! We sang our communion service on December 4th, and 26 took communion. This beautiful, meaningful part of the service touched me deeply.

On December 21, 13 met in the First United of East Syracuse’s chapel for a “Longest Night” service. Many came to their sanctuary on Christmas Eve. The combined choirs added to the joy of this holy night. CUC hosted Christmas morning, with Lauren and Shawn’s musical talents as part of the service. (Next year CUC will host Christmas Eve).

Epiphany will be celebrated January 8th, then John Holbrook and wife, Jo-Ann, will share his testimony January 15th. (Old timers may fondly remember them from when this building was under construction.) On January 22 we look forward to the return of Elder Bill Porter to our pulpit. Rev. Swanson will be with us on January 29, and will also lead the Annual Meeting for our members immediately following.

Thank you for helping make this season of Advent special. Hope to see you in church in the New Year!

Respectfully submitted,  
Connie Oliver

## Monthly Senior Luncheon



Bridgeport United Methodist hosted the monthly senior luncheon Wednesday, December 14 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Besides an announcement during the December 11 service, Leslie sent an email invitation, too.

Fran and Al Lurette, Leslie DuMond, and Connie Oliver attended from CUC. As we entered, Diane Taylor provided a cute activity to do in our neighborhoods. A Love Offering canister was nearby for those able to help defray the cost. Hot cocoa (with a side dish of marshmallows!), tea, coffee, holiday punch and bottled water were waiting. Pastor Omar Hall led a Christmas hymn sing along, then shared a wonderful meditation on Luke 2. So much JOY! We mingled as a group to play the “Left/Right” game, receiving a gift bag as a prize. Pastor Omar blessed our lunch, then piping hot bowls of homemade chicken noodle soup were brought to each seat. They served sandwiches and fruit cup buffet style, and had a nice selection of Christmas cookies. You won’t go away hungry! After the meal we took a tour of the church, peeking into the Blessing Room and the sewing room. The opportunity to play a game, color, or make a Christmas card was available in the fellowship hall, where you could also shop at their craft fair of goods sold at the summer market.

The next senior luncheon is **Wednesday, January 11th**. Please call Bridgeport UM Church at 315-633-9745 by Monday, January 9th to let them know the number of people in your group. Come check it out!

Respectfully submitted,  
Connie Oliver





by Merle Oswald  
**December Missions**



We purchased Christmas gifts for a large family with children attending local schools. We also donated and purchased gifts for a college bound East Syracuse-Minoa high school student. On Wednesday, December 14, the children's gifts were picked up at our church by the school counselor.



Mission Sunday was December 18, 2022. After the worship service, we packaged lots of cookies and candies for 12 homebound members and friends. Cookies and candies were donated by Ginnie Busco, Leslie DuMond, Sheri Kliphon, Judi McCallops, Connie Oliver, Judi Parker, Pat Pease, Lorraine Vollmer, and Valerie Warfield. We also had a fellowship celebration with refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. The cookies were delivered by various members of our congregation.

**Hats, Mittens, Scarves and Socks**

We are collected several hats and mittens to be donated to the Rescue Mission as well as hats, mittens, scarfs, and socks for the Upstate Adult Medical Center which collects items for the underserved population. They were blessed by Rev. Swanson on Christmas Day.

## January Mission



Our mission for January will be to collect items to be included in hygiene kits for distribution to the homeless population in our area. We will collect the following items:

- Socks
- Wash Cloths
- Bottled Water
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste \*
- Deodorant \*
- Shampoo \*
- Conditioner \*
- Granola/Protein Bars
- Hats
- Gloves
- Hand Warmers

\*These items should be travel size.

The items will be placed in one gallon storage bags. A date will be set to put the kits together and they will then be available for distribution in early February. The deadline for collection of items is January 29, 2023. There will be a collection box in the Narthex.

## St. Matthews Food Pantry



We are continuing to collect donations of nonperishable food items to be delivered to St. Matthews Food Pantry. We will not collect egg cartons until further notice.



On Sunday, December 11, 2022, after the worship service, some of our members and friends cleaned the kitchen. I would like to thank the following individuals for all of their help: Wayne Brignall, Ginnie Busco, Shawn and Jaden Ellis, and Susan O'Neill. This was a big job! I would especially like to thank Grace and Keith Brignall for cleaning the oven and trays under the oven.

More cleaning to come in the near- future! Stay tuned!

Respectfully submitted,  
Jerome O'Neill, Building & Grounds Chair

### **New Monitor**



A new 82" monitor has been purchased and installed on the back wall of the sanctuary. This will be a great enhancement for the pastor, liturgist, and the choir during our services. We are so grateful and thankful to Merle Oswald for providing the funds for the purchase and installation of this monitor. It will add significantly to the presentation of our services. Thanks to Mike Breclaw, Michael Breclaw, Judd DuMond, Gill Laroche, Victor Oliver, and Jerome O'Neill for the installation of the monitor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judi Parker, Technology & Media Chair



At the last minute we decided to hold a craft sale in our narthex. We quickly put it together and people brought in their donated craft items. Shopping started on Sunday, Dec. 11 after our service. On Saturday, Dec. 17 we opened to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and in conjunction with First United's Cookie Walk, each church handed out flyers promoting the others sale. With such short notice we were very successful and managed to pull in \$879!



Thanks to everyone who donated their crafts! A special thank you to Gill Laroche, (whose idea this was!), for the beautiful birdhouses and stained-glass ornaments.

Submitted by Judi Parker

### **Serenity Garden Update**



We will be placing another brick order in March. It is our plan to dedicate the new bricks on Mother's Day. Please place your order(s) at <https://4everbricks.com/donors/collamer>. If you need assistance, please reach out to Connie Oliver.



## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CUC BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 26, 2022

This regular meeting of the Board of the Collamer United Church was called to order on October 26, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the lounge. Elder Leslie DuMond opened the meeting with prayer and served as Moderator.

A motion was properly made by Elder Judith Parker and seconded by Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver to approve the regular Session minutes of September 28, 2022, as amended.

Elder Pamela Laroche reviewed the financial reports of the church. A motion was made by Elder Leslie DuMond and seconded by Elder Jerome O'Neill to accept the Treasurer's Report for September 2022.

**BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE:** Elder Jerome O'Neill reported the fire suppression inspection was completed on September 29, 2022. We passed inspection. He changed the light bulbs in the Fellowship Hall. Gill and Pam Laroche cut back the ornamental grasses in the gardens. Judd DuMond weed whacked and edged the property. Gannon Pest Control sprayed for wasps. Dave Vollmer and his employees have continued to mow this month. Gill Laroche adjusted the timers on the lights. Jerome O'Neill will be setting mouse traps. Wayne Brignall will be changing the light bulb over the oven in the kitchen. Leslie and Judd DuMond put the hoses away.

**MEMBERSHIP AND EVANGELISM:** Elder Susan O'Neill reported calls and cards to shut-ins are continuing.

**MISSIONS:** Elder Merle Oswald reported concerning the following mission projects:

**St. Matthews Food Pantry:** In October, we collected 5 boxes of food and 4 small egg cartons. They were delivered to St. Matthews by Wayne Brignall.

**Crop Walk:** Our September – October mission was to collect money for and Walk in the Crop Walk. The Crop Walk took place on Sunday, October 2. Judi Parker and Leslie DuMond participated in the walk. A total of \$430 was raised.

**School Supplies.** Supplies were delivered to East Syracuse Elementary School, Woodland Elementary School, and Pine Grove Middle School. Because the supplies are split equally between those three schools, there were several items left over. Those additional school supplies were delivered to

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Minoa Elementary School by Pat Pease on September 27, 2022.

**Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.:** On October 8, 2022, Merle Oswald and Pat Pease drove to the Waterloo Outlet Center to meet with the Blue Star Mothers' representatives to deliver the items and monetary donation collected during our May mission project.

**Adopt-A-Highway:** On Sunday, October 30, 2022, following the worship service we will, once again, be picking up trash along Fly Road from Route 298 to the Thruway bridge.

**November Mission: Honoring Veterans.** We will honor our veterans during the worship service on Sunday, November 6, 2022. After the service, we will place flags on graves in Collamer Cemetery.

**December Mission:** We will once again be purchasing Christmas gifts for three families – one from each of the local schools, East Syracuse Elementary, Pine Grove Middle School and Woodland Elementary school. Elder Merle Oswald has reached out to the schools' counselor to arrange this and awaits a response. It is anticipated that the gift lists will be posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex in early November. The deadline for collection of gifts is December 13, 2022.

We will also be preparing and packaging cookies for our shut-ins. December 18, 2022 is Mission Sunday. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service to package cookies.

Once again, we will be collecting hats and mittens to be donated to the Rescue Mission. We will also be collecting hats, mittens, scarfs, and socks for the underserved population through the Upstate Adult Medicine Clinic. Please leave them under/on the tree in the Narthex. The deadline for collection is Mission Sunday, December 18 2022.

Elder Merle Oswald is happy to shop for anyone who cannot do so themselves.

**PASTOR/PARISH RELATIONS:** Elder Leslie DuMond reported the PNC had two Zoom meetings with a potential pastor candidate. Conversations with this individual are continuing. The PNC is scheduled to have a Zoom interview with an additional candidate on November 1. Other potential candidates from a recent new match are under review.



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STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE: Elder Leslie DuMond reported the 2023 pledge request letter is ready to be sent out shortly.

WORSHIP: Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reported as follows: Pulpit Supply: All 5 Sundays in October - Pastor Ed Veaudry. November 6 & 20 - Elder Bill Porter. November 13 - Rev. Betty Morey (communion). November 27 through January 8 - Rev. Lauren Swanson (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany). Communion: Sunday, October 2 - served 24 by intinction, plus 1 homebound, for a total of 25. Combined CUC/1st United Worship team meeting took place on Sunday, October 23, 11:30am @ First United. All Saint's Day - Sunday, October 30.

OLD BUSINESS: Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reported Christy Knowlton has requested to take off the following Sundays: November 20 and December 25. Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reached out to Katie Miller to see if she could fill in when Christy is away but she has accepted a position at Fulton and is no longer available. She also reached out to Jane Lorraine again specifically for Christmas Day, but she is not yet able to commit since she is unsure if Minoa Methodist will need her to play backup.

Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reached out to the Cornell Cooperative Extension to ask for assistance with winterizing the garden and to ask if they may still be interested in utilizing the Fellowship Hall for meetings.

Elder Merle Oswald has completed the application for the Presbytery of Cayuga Syracuse Benevolent Care Grant Fund. It will be returned by the November 1 deadline.

NEW BUSINESS: Elder Leslie DuMond reported the Adirondack Mountain Club has requested use of the Fellowship Hall for a meeting on April 1, 2023. The dinner committee has advised that this should not interfere with the spring dinners which are tentatively set for April 15 and May 13. A motion was made by Elder Leslie DuMond and seconded by Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver to allow the Adirondack Mountain Club to use the Fellowship Hall on April 1, 2023. Motion passed.

Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reported as follows: Poinsettia orders are due November 13. The price is \$8 per plant (cash only). Church decorating for Advent will take place the last week of November. A joint Longest Night / Blue Christmas service is being offered in the First United Church of East Syracuse chapel, Wednesday, December 21 at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Swanson will play the music on guitar. Invitations to those grieving a recent loss will be sent early in December. We will also announce this special service on All Saint's Sunday, October 30. A joint Christmas Eve service will take place at First United Church of East Syracuse, December 24, at 7:00 p.m. A joint Christmas Day service will take place at CUC on Sunday, December 25 at 9:00

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a.m. In December 2023, the locations will reverse for these services.

Elder Judith Parker suggested we put a flyer advertising these upcoming church events in the take-out bags at the November church dinner.

Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reported First United Church of East Syracuse will be holding a blood drive on Tuesday, November 1. Blood drives are held the first Tuesday of each month.

The next meeting of the CUC Board will be November 30, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.



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NOVEMBER 30, 2022**

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Elder Pamela Laroche reviewed the financial reports of the church. A motion was made by Elder Leslie DuMond and seconded by Elder Jerome O'Neill to accept the Treasurer's Report for October 2022.

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE: Elder Jerome O'Neill reported Dave Vollmer set up the Christmas tree. Gill Laroche set up the wind barrier at the entrance and turned off the exterior water. Gill and Pam Laroche set up the outdoor nativity.

MEMBERSHIP AND EVANGELISM: Elder Susan O'Neill reported calls and cards to shut-ins are continuing.

MISSIONS: Elder Merle Oswald reported concerning the following mission projects:

St. Matthews Food Pantry: In November, we collected 6 boxes and one bag of food and 14 egg cartons. The donations were delivered by Wayne Brignall.

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following individuals for participating in this project. Merle Oswald, Connie Oliver, Pat Pease and Devin DeForest, Jerome O'Neill, Ginnie and Ed Busco and Mike Breclaw. They filled 5 bags and found some strange things!

Adopt-a-Highway - On Sunday, October 30, following the worship service, several of our members and friends picked up garbage from the corner of Route 298 and Fly Road up to the Thruway Bridge. We would like to thank the

November Mission – Our Mission for November was to recognize our veterans, both those who have served in the past and those who are currently serving. We collected names and information concerning veterans that our congregation and friends wished to recognize. On Sunday, November 6, 2022, we recognized the veterans with Victor Oliver reading each name and branch of service. After the service Janet Krak, Dave Vollmer, Pat Pease, Judy McCallops, Merle Oswald and Shawn and Jaden Ellis placed flags on graves of veterans in the Collamer Cemetery. Pat Pease said a prayer over the graves.

December Missions – This year we will be purchasing Christmas gifts for a large family with children attending local schools. We will also collect gifts for a college bound East Syracuse-Minoa high school student. The gift lists are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The deadline for collection of gifts is December 13, 2022.

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Merle is happy to shop for anyone who cannot do so themselves.

Chicken & Biscuit Leftovers – Leftovers from our recent Chicken & Biscuit dinner were delivered to Ronald McDonald House by Elder Merle Oswald and Pat Pease. Leftovers were also delivered to Brown Memorial UMC by Elder Leslie DuMond and Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver.

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January Mission – We will be preparing kits for the homeless for our January mission.

A thank you card was sent from Ronald McDonald House.

PASTOR/PARISH RELATIONS: Elder Leslie DuMond reported the PNC had an interview with another potential candidate who subsequently declined to pursue conversations concerning serving our churches. Inquiries have been sent to additional potential candidates and we received another match. We are currently reviewing the PIFs for 7 new matches. In response to our most recent inquiries, to date, one individual has expressed interest. We will be setting up a Zoom meeting with that person.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE: Elder Leslie DuMond reported the 2023 pledge request letter was sent out in late October 2022. We have received several completed pledge cards. The Finance Committee will be holding a budget meeting in December.

WORSHIP: Elder Connie Heidt-Oliver reported as follows: Pulpit Supply: Nov. 27 - Jan. 8 - Rev. Lauren Swanson (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany). Communion: Sunday, November 13 - served 27 by intinction. Music: Jane Lorraine filled in when Christy Knowlton was away on November 20. Rev. Lauren Swanson will accompany us on guitar Christmas Day, if Jane Lorraine is not available.

OLD BUSINESS: Elder Jerome O'Neill reported he will meet with Gill Laroche about installation of the LED screen in the sanctuary next week.

Elder Susan O'Neill reported the Membership Committee recommends that we reach out to members who are not engaged or attending worship services. A letter will be sent out after the holidays. Another letter will be put together touting the benefits of membership to invite new attendees to join the church.

NEW BUSINESS: Elder Jerome O'Neill reported the grease trap and septic tank will need to be pumped and cleaned in the spring.

Elder Jerome O'Neill reported that we need people to deep clean the church kitchen. It was decided this will take place on Sunday, December 11, after the worship service.

Elder Judith Parker suggested we set up a craft sale in the Narthex to run for our congregation from December 11 until December 18. Members of the congregation will be invited to donate items for the sale.



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Elder Susan O'Neill reported a birthday cake and reception will be held after the worship service on December 4 to celebrate Dick Way's 90th birthday.

Elder Leslie DuMond reported Valerie Warfield sent a letter asking to be reinstated as an active member. She had been placed on the inactive list as of August 26, 2020 at her request. A motion was properly made by Elder Leslie DuMond and seconded by Elder Merle Oswald to reinstate Valerie Warfield as an active member. Motion passed.

Elder Leslie DuMond reported the Annual Meeting will be January 29, 2023. Rev. Lauren Swanson has agreed to serve as moderator. This must be announced from the pulpit on January 15, 2023 and January 22, 2023. Discussion took place regarding the deadlines and distribution of reports related to the Annual Meeting. The nominating committee has been given their instructions.

The next meeting of the CUC Board will be December 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.



We continue to be in need of liturgists, ushers, and people to do general cleaning at the church. Please sign up on the sheets posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex or contact the church office to volunteer.



The deadline for any items for the upcoming Circuit Rider is January 25, 2023. Thank you for your cooperation in meeting this deadline.

**Church Secretary/Notary Services**



Reminder

I am generally in the Church Office Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Other times vary. When I am not in the office, I monitor the Church e-mail regularly. I am also available to provide notary services.

Leslie DuMond

[CollamerUnitedChurch@verizon.net](mailto:CollamerUnitedChurch@verizon.net)

**Fellowship Hall Rental**



Our church fellowship hall is available for rent for special occasions and meetings. Maximum capacity is 140. Please contact the church office for information.

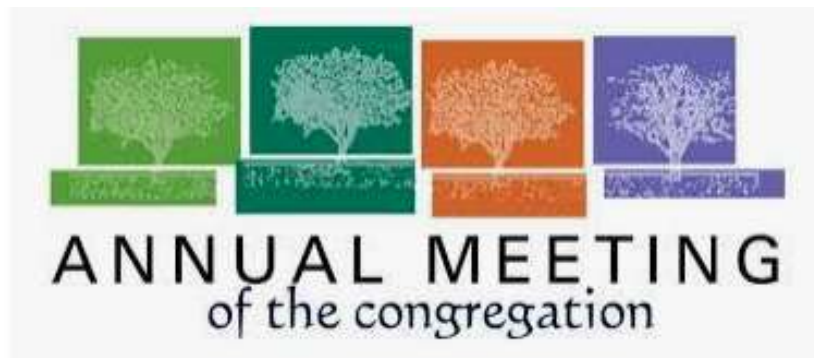
**BOTTLES & CANS**



The East Syracuse Bottle & Can Return, located in the Plaza next to the Thrifty Shopper in the Village of East Syracuse, provides our Church the redemption money from the returns. You may also put your bottles and cans in the container in the lower entrance to the church.



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The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 29, 2023, immediately following the worship service. Rev. Lauren Swanson will moderate the meeting. The deadline for submission of reports for the meeting is January 8, 2023.