

MACEDON CENTER AND SOUTH PERINTON

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Pastoral letter:

Dear Friends,

This fall your children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews, neighbors, colleagues, and you begin a very different year. I pray that some part of this prayer might be meaningful for you. I am praying for you.

God our help in ages past and hope for years to come,

We approach the beginning of this cycle of formal education with all the typical emotions:

excitement, uncertainty, disappointment at the end of summer, grief about the passage of time.

This year, though, that's not all.

Over this summer the Covid-19 infection rate has trended up.

So schools and school systems have pivoted and planned to the best of their abilities for the education and safety of their students.

So parents have debated the educational options and second-guessed their choices for their children.

So faculty and staff have asked hard, important questions – many of which remain unanswered – about adequate access to cleaning supplies and protocols if someone gets sick.

Now here we are on the precipice, hoping for the best but terrified to send our loved ones into potential outbreak incubators.

It is too much.

It is too much to ask of our educational institutions that they meet so many community needs that kids' attendance at them becomes essential for some families.

It is too much to ask of parents to give up income and calling to stay home with virtual learners to decrease exposure.

It is too much to ask of faculty and staff to overhaul their teaching approach or risk their lives (and potentially those of their loved ones) for not enough pay or respect.

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And so we pray, fervently.

For good health, above all.

For peace with our hard-wrought decisions, whatever they are.

For compassion toward all, recognizing we're all doing the best we can.

For enough for those scraping by with less income.

For flexibility and resilience, which we'll all have opportunities to deepen.

For learning, whether or not it's of the "academic" variety.

For connection across the cloud and across physical distancing restrictions.

For an increased awareness of the struggles of those around us and ways we can safely help one another.

For a long-term commitment to change systems that don't serve us all equitably. May we remember that you go with us wherever we go – or don't go.

May we grow our dependence on you through this time;

And may we yet wrestle a blessing out of this terrible mess, leaving us changed for the better.

We pray these tings in the name of the Christ who hurts with us and by the power of the Spirit who gives us courage.

Amen.

Written by Rev. Laura Stephens-Reed

Blessings to each of you! See you in person or online.

Pastor Kim

MACEDON CENTER UMC

Our Vision: "To be a place where ALL people are fed and God's love shines."

SATURDAYS: 5:00 PM, *WORSHIP Service* in the Fellowship Hall at MC Ch.

SUNDAY: CASUAL COFFEE is served in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday following the worship service.

<u>The 2nd Sunday</u> of the month is CASUAL COFFEE HOUR AND SUNDAY BRUNCH in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service. Bring a dish to share. Come join the fellowship together.

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SUN., SEPT. 6: HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated.

MON., SEPT. 7: LABOR DAY

<u>TUES., SEPT. 8</u>: 6:30 PM, **FINANCE Mtg.,** Macedon Center UMC. 7:00 PM, **CHURCH COUNCIL Mtg.,** Macedon Center UMC.

SUN., SEPT. 13: NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY

SAT., SEPT. 19: 9:00 AM, DAY QUILTERS Meeting in the Fellowship Hall at the South Perinton UMC. Everyone is welcome, \$15 each Day. Come join us! To register or questions email Sue Parisi at: dayquilters@gmail.com or call Sue at 585-223-8544.

MON., SEPT. 21: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

TUES., SEPT. 22: FIRST DAY of FALL

SUN., SEPT. 27: FOOD DONATION SUNDAY

(Food Cupboard in need of donations)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those in SEPTEMBER: 9/2 Angela Kemp; 9/3 Beulah Yazel;
9/4 Beth Robinson; 9/5 Deb Johnston Rawdon; 9/7 Kerry Smith; 9/11 Matthew Eaton;
9/13 Preston Hung; 9/14 Mary Ann Allen, Scott Allen; 9/18 Ed Sidler;
9/19 Fristen Flower, Alex Hunt; 9/20 Sandi Hunt; 9/21 Jessica Kemp;
9/22 Rachel Johnston; 9/23 Shari Ostrowsky; 9/26 Eileen Packard; 9/28 Cathy Stengel

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Ralph & Helen Kommer 9/3
Ken & Kathy Blazey 9/15
Gerald & Lynnette Smith 9/24

Hi, this is Laurie Packard an Independent Pampered Chef Consultant. I have a fundraiser going on to help raise some funds for the church. Please read below for the details. Please feel free to pass the link below to friends and family. All orders due by 8/12 Questions, please email me at lauriescooking0919@gmail.com. Thank you.

Are you cooking at home?

Need some ideas or cool tools to make it easier?

Get what you need and help me fundraise to support Macedon Center United Methodist Church, I have attended this church for many years. In recent months, they had to cancel their major fundraiser, the Lumberjack Festival, which they depend on for operating expenses. I want to help raise some of those missing funds.

Also, do you have a graduate heading to college? Watch for posts, on the group page, for some great ideas to create great dishes in their microwave. Let's teach them how to do some cooking.

Place an order and get a gift from me. Place an \$80 order and get a gift from Pampered Chef too.

Pampered Chef will donate 10-15% of sales to the church. THANK YOU.

Your order will be shipped directly to you.

Please click this link to get to the website https://www.pamperedchef.com/party/yellowsteeplepeople

<u>DATES & ARTICLES of interest to both</u> <u>Macedon Center & South Perinton</u>

REMEMBER the church bills continue to come during the summer months while we take a vacation OR are shut-in do to a pandemic. **PLEASE** keep up your weekly offering envelopes as much as possible, it would be greatly appreciated and helpful.

SOUTH PERINTON UMC

SAT., SEPT. 5: *Quigley Family* using the SP Fellowship Hall.

SUN., SEPT. 6: HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated.

11:00 AM, Church is continuing at the South Perinton UMC. Weather permitting we will be outside, otherwise in doors. Come join us!

MON., SEPT. 7: LABOR DAY

SUN., SEPT. 13: NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY

MON., SEPT. 14: 9:00 AM, CHURCH QUILTERS Mtg. in the Fellowship Hall at the South Perinton UMC.

SAT. SEPT. 19: 9:00 AM, DAY QUILTERS Mtg. at the South Perinton UM Church. Everyone is welcome, \$15.00 for each day. Come join us! To register or questions email Sue Parisi at dayquilters@gmail.com or call Sue at 585-223-8544.

MON., SEPT. 21: INTERNATIONAL DAY of PEACE

TUES., SEPT. 22: FIRST DAY of FALL

SUN., SEPT. 27: 4th Sunday – FOOD DONATION SUNDAY (Food Cupboard at MC Church in need of donations.)

MON., SEPT. 28: 9:00 AM, CHURCH QUILTERS Mtg. in the Fellowship Hall at the South Perinton UMC.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those in SEPTEMBER: 9/2 Greg Knapp; 9/6 Jeanette Morris;
9/12 Molly Bogart; 9/18 Dawn Knapp, Marilee Waterstraat; 9/19 Claire Bogart;
9/20 Dick Long, Kevin Quigley; 9/21 Judy Zanin; 9/22 Connie Jensen;
9/23 Arnie Pechler; 9/25 Laura Phelps, Mitchell Haefele;
9/26 John Bartholomew, Karrie Jensen Cooley; 9/28 Tyler Stadt, Cathy Stengel

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Michael & Sue Parisi 9/8
Ken & Barb Gippe 9/20
Sonny & Mary Ellsworth 9/28

<u>BAPTISM</u> – Sunday, August 9, 2020 little Ellie Jillian Clark was baptized at the South Perinton UMC. Ellie Jillian is the daughter of William and Susan Clark.