

The Herald

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PASTA SUPPER AND AUCTION

September 14, 2019

\$10

Dinner & Silent Auction at 6 pm

Live Auction at 7 pm

Enjoy the fellowship of an Italian meal followed by the excitement of an auction.

Pasta with vegan sauce, meatball, salad, roll, and dessert. Gluten Free pasta available upon request.

Credit cards are accepted.

<http://www.rockumchurch.com/events-2/>



Dear Rockville family,

I hope you enjoyed a good summer season wherever you have been. I just returned from my two-weeks-vacation. It's short but good enough to refresh my body and soul! I want to let you know that this vacation might be a very memorial one to me. What did I do? I went deep sea fishing and caught a large fish. It was my first deep sea fishing and also my first catch of a big fish! Honestly, I am still tempted to go back there to catch more!



But I must not stay in this fun memory as I know the church will get busier with the fall programs. Here at Rockville, we are excited about the things we are going to do in our worship and ministry:

- ◆ On September 8th, we will welcome our children back as Sunday School begins along with the annual Rally Sunday picnic. "Grove Street Music" band will start their first rehearsal on September 1st.
- ◆ On September 14th, we will have another dinner together. Before the fundraising committee organized this dinner campaign, Eileen already suggested that she would have "Pasta Supper" with "Silence Auction. Along with you, I give thanks to her that she starts a new ministry for the church.
- ◆ On September 15th, we will also resume our pick-up choir for our worship service. On Thursdays, the choir members will prepare for the Leap of Faith concert; the first rehearsal is on Saturday 5th. This year, I am planning to sing with them for the concert. I will have a voice test, and Karen will let me know if I am a bass or tenor.
- ◆ All the committees will be meeting this month. We need to prepare for the Church Conference on October 22. Especially the Nomination committee would be busy every week as they will search and suggest people for each committee. The way you can bring your talents and gifts to the church is to serve a committee you want to serve.
- ◆ I will resume our weekly prayer meetings and start a study group in September. During my vacation, I read several books for our study group. I will begin a study class focused on "how to form unity in our community" as we study the early church from the book of Acts in the New Testament. I hope this prayer-study group will deepen our spiritual lives individually and as a family in the church and strengthen our team-ministry for the rest of this year.

As we move into fall with all those exciting programs in this month, one might think that the church has been quiet during the summer vacation. That was not true! It was actually a busy summer with lots of activities including the "VBS," "Youth Mission Week," "Car-Wash," and "Peach Festival with Bake Sale." I thank everyone for your efforts during the summer; we couldn't have accomplished nearly as much without all of your help! As I know your faithfulness for Christ's given ministry, I am looking forward to what God has in store for us in the days ahead.

May God continue to bless us and our worship and ministry as we all come together for our fall activities!

Many blessings!
Pastor Cheol

Welcome Back everyone to the start of 2019-2029 program year!!

Sunday school classes resume Sept 8, Rally Sunday.

Right now we will have 2 classes- 1st--5th gr meeting in the second room on the right; 6th and up meeting in the last classroom on the right.



Please take a minute to stop in and look at the new, improved older/youth classroom. Michelle and Anna Gerow have worked many hours over the summer: painting, cleaning, a new large TV and a "coffee/hot chocolate" area for the upper ages. This classroom will also be used for our youth group meetings when we need to work on video and DVD lessons. A huge thanks to them.

In January we will offer a 3yrs-5yrs classroom, for our nursery ages children who are turning 3yrs this fall. (We will need 2 teachers for this class too)

To continue our Sunday school classes, we need teachers. We need an immediate spot filled for the 1st-5th grade class. Carol Macri is half the team, please consider filling in the other half. A schedule is worked out between the teachers, curriculum/lesson are provided.

Please contact Linda - necsvga@aol.com, 860-871-9164 or Pastor if you are able to fill this teaching spot.

Rally Sunday- come to church and get an update of what we have been doing this summer with VBS, and Mission week. You will feel, as I did, a sense of pride for our youth. Rally Sunday is the day we all bring in our favorite potluck casserole, dessert or salad. We provide the burgers and hot dogs. A cake is being provided for the congregation to celebrate Mary Rose's and Sylvia's birthday, so if you would like to bring in brownies or another type of dessert it would be appreciated. Remember what we have to eat all depends on what you bring in. Pot lucks are a fun way to bring us together and sample the different foods that bring families together.

Youth Group (4th gr and up)- will be starting soon- please update me (Linda) if you have changed your email address or are new to our church. We want to keep you posted on what is going on.

Director of Christian Education is Linda Shivers.

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Youth Community Service Projects Supported Karma for Cara Foundation: Microgrant Program

Karma for Cara Foundation's Microgrant Program supports youth volunteerism and community service efforts throughout the United States. Youth 18 years of age or younger may apply for grants ranging from \$250 to \$1,000 to complete service projects in their communities. Funded projects include turning a vacant lot into a community garden, rebuilding a school playground, and helping senior citizens get their homes ready for winter. It is the Foundation's intent that grants fund the nuts and bolts of projects so stipends, facility rentals, and transportation costs are not funded. Application deadlines are quarterly throughout the year, and the remaining **deadline October 1, 2019**. Visit Karma for Cara Foundation's website to apply online.

<https://karmaforcara.org/apply-for-a-microgrant>

Check Out the Changes in the Sunday School Wing

Don't forget to visit the Sunday School Wing to see all the changes made over the summer.

The Vernon Adult Ed have purged old toys and rearranged Classroom 2 and the Nursery to provide an improved learning environment for the preschool kids in their program.

Michelle Gerow took on the challenge of renovating Classrooms 3 and 4. Together Michelle, Anna Gerow, and Steve Yoder put in over a hundred hours of work on the two rooms, providing new paint, white boards, TV, and accessories.

Classroom 3 is now for our younger (2 and 3 year olds) learners. It has a table for lessons and a play area with age appropriate toys.

Classroom 4 is now the teen room for Sunday school and meetings. Divided into a formal and informal work area, the inviting room with scripture quotes on the walls will inspire learning and discussion.

Linda Shivers has also moved. Her office is now in the old library off of the sanctuary. Linda's old office in Room 5 will be used for storage.

The changes to the Sunday School Wing are amazing. They are sure to inspire a successful new school year.



Lawn Mowing Fund

Honor or remember someone special and help the church pay for our lawn care. The church pays \$100 per mowing. Please help us by donating at least \$25.00 toward the bill. Fill out the form and drop it in the offering plate, or send to the office with your check.

In Honor or Memory of: _____

Given by: _____

ADOPT-A-CHILD FOR BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHES 2019

Thank you to all who contributed to this year's program. This year we purchased items for a 7 year old girl and a 5 year old boy.

The following items were purchased for the boy:

- winter coat
- light fall jacket
- 5 pairs pants
- 3 short-sleeved shirts
- 3 long -sleeved shirts
- 2 pairs shorts
- socks
- briefs
- backpack

The following items were purchased for the girl:

- winter coat
- light fall jacket
- 3 pairs jeans
- 2 pairs leggings
- 2 short-sleeved shirts
- 4 long-sleeved shirts
- 2 pairs shorts
- socks
- underwear
- dress
- sweater
- backpack

A \$25 gift card to CVS for school supplies was given to each child.

The staff of Vernon Social Services is always very appreciative of our efforts. This program serves local needs and we can be proud to be part of it.

~The Mission Committee

Can and Bottle Collection



Three years ago, the Marri family from Syria were refugees in a United Nations Camp in Turkey. On June 21st this year, Mohamed got his driver's license, and in July he borrowed some money and bought a Honda Odyssey Minivan so he wouldn't have to depend on everyone for a ride. This means he can easily carry cans and bottles to get them redeemed. The last time, we went to Stop and Shop, he brought back \$30. It all adds up. We have a container in the front entry of our church which I will empty every week and take to Mohamed. I hope it will always be filled. Thanks ahead of time for helping.

~Stan Culy

CHECK OUT OUR FUNDRAISING BOARD

To help close the \$8000 shortfall in the first half of our 2019 income, the Fundraising Committee has outlined some planned fundraisers throughout the coming year. Some are new and some are tried and true favorites.

These fundraisers will only be successful with your help! Please check out our Fundraising Bulletin Board in Fellowship Hall to see where you can help.

Our July and August events raised \$3,922; thank you for your help.

Please sign up to help at one or more of these fundraisers:

September 14, 2019	Pasta Dinner & Auction
October 19, 2019	Harvest Supper
November 16, 2019	Holiday Bazaar

Please join us at our Paint Social Art fundraiser (\$35 per person): (for adults and children 8 and older)

September 22, 2019	We will have soup and salad during fellowship. Keep an eye out soon for the link to sign up on their website : https://www.paintsocialart.com/
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Dates to be determined for the following:

January 2020	Afternoon Tea
February 2020	Chocolate Event
March 2020	Irish Dinner
April 2020	Town Wide Tag Sale
May 2020	Pig Roast
June 2020	Strawberry Festival
July 2020	Highway Coffee Stop

We will also be hosting these multi-day fundraisers:

October 13 to November 5, 2019	Cookie and Cake Fundraiser
March 1 to March 22, 2020	Cookie and Braided Pastry Fundraiser
Dates to be determined	Savers Fundraiser

I found two other events, but I can't schedule them until we have collected payments from everyone attending. The sign up sheets are on the Stewardship and Fundraising bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. I must collect the money for the two fundraiser by September 30th, or I will not be able to book them. Children must be at least 13 years old to attend.

November 24, 2019 Flower Workshop (\$69 per person). Make a centerpiece for your Thanksgiving table.

December 8, 2019 Candle Maker Workshop (\$55 per person). Make a candle to fill your home with Christmas cheer.

PEACH SUPPER UPDATE

We raised **\$2063** at our Peach Supper and **\$326** from the bake sale.

Thank you to everyone who attended or worked the event. A special thank you goes to the very generous people who donated the food for the dinner and bake sale; thanks to their generosity, almost all of the money raised at the Peach Supper is staying with the church.



CAR WASH UPDATE

We raised **\$450** at our July Car Wash and, thanks to a generous \$500 donation, **\$1,083.50** at our August Car Wash.

Thank you to everyone who donated the supplies, worked the events, or pulled in with a dirty car.

September 1

Jeremiah 2: 4-13
Psalm 81: 1, 10-16 (UMH)
Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16
Luke 14: 1, 7-14

September 8

Jeremiah 18: 1-11
Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18 (UMH)
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14: 25-33

September 15

Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-29
Psalm 14 (UMH)
1 Timothy 1: 12-17
Luke 15: 1-10

September 22

Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1
Psalm 79: 1-9 or Psalm 4 (UMH)
1 Timothy 2: 1-7
Luke 16: 1-13

September 29

Jeremiah 32: 1-3, 6-15
Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16 (UMH)
1 Timothy 6: 6-19
Luke 16: 19-31



Quote of the Month

“Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.”

~Chinese Proverb

Volunteer Opportunities

Through the Church:

Pasta Dinner & Silent Auction Workers: Sign up sheets are on the bulletin boards for the workers at our Pasta Dinner. We also need people to help recruit Silent Auction items and work the Silent Auction on September 14, 2019.

Worship Attendants: There are many opportunities to serve the church on Sundays: greeters, ushers, liturgists, hosting fellowship, or bringing the food donations to the pantry. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

Church Maintenance: The GOM's need your help! Since our Grumpy Old Men are getting even older there are many things they did without fanfare on Wednesday mornings that they can no longer do. We will start posting in the bulletin, on Facebook, and on the website activities where we need help; these are activities octogenarians should no longer be doing. Please keep an eye out for these opportunities, and help where you can.

Refugee Program: Please talk to Steve Yoder if you would like to help the Marri family. Transportation and English lessons/practice are two of the opportunities available.

Prayer Chain: If anyone is interested in joining the prayer chain and would prefer contact via telephone, please call Phyllis King at (860) 454-5127

Food Collection: Volunteers are needed to bring the nonperishable food items in our donation box to one of the food pantries in town. The sign up sheet is on the volunteer bulletin board.

Volunteers
Making an Impact

If you noticed the gardens by the church entrance had been cleaned, thank a GOM. The men give their time to the church every Wednesday morning and quietly get things done. You may not realize what they do, but you will definitely notice if they stopped doing it.



PASTA SUPPER AND AUCTION September 14, 2019

Please consider donating an item or service to our auction.

Workers are needed for the supper and auction. Sign up sheets are on the Volunteer and Fundraiser Bulletin Boards.

ROCKVILLE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Our Holiday Bazaar is on Saturday, November 16 from 9am to 2 pm. Candy Sunderland is coordinating the bazaar this year. We will have some outside vendors at the bazaar this year, and are looking to add new and interesting displays. This is a project of RUMW but it benefits our church and our community. Please consider helping us out with one of the following ways.

The BAKED GOODS AND CANDY TABLE will accept candies jams, jellies, relish, pickles, and any baked goods except cookies. We don't want to compete with the Fancy Cookie Tables.

BOOKS, PUZZLES, ETC. - Books, DVD's, puzzles, etc.

HOLIDAY CRAFTS – Expect a beautiful presentation of all types of Christmas and Thanksgiving items—hand painted shutters, swags, centerpieces, ornaments, decorated candle holders, etc. Donated items as well as materials are greatly appreciated; monetary donations are always welcome.

HANDCRAFTED ITEMS Do you knit, crochet, make scrubbies, whatever?

FANCY COOKIE TABLES – Always a great hit!! Help us by donating popular ingredients or volunteering to bake or work at the table.

GRANDMA'S ATTIC – Please save your new or used items for us. You would be surprised at what great values can be found and given to us by cleaning your attic or basement!

JEWELRY TABLES – Good, clean usable jewelry is needed. Love jewelry? Volunteer to help at the table on the day of the bazaar.

LUNCHEON – Monetary donations are welcome. People are needed to help prep the food on Friday and serve on Saturday.

SILENT AUCTION – Donations are accepted for our silent auction. Unusual items are very popular. People are needed to work the auction.

We will also need volunteers for the following:

Help set up: Wednesday, November 13 and Thursday, November 14.

Time to be announced in the November newsletter. (put skirts on tables, etc.).

Work the day of Bazaar: November 16, 8:30 to 2

Clean up after the Bazaar: after 2 pm on the 16th

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Leap of Faith Rehearsal
September 5, 2019**

**Rally Sunday
September 8, 2019**

**Life Line Screening
September 9, 2019**

**Spaghetti Dinner &
Silent Auction
September 14, 2019**

**Youth Group Overnight
September 20, 2019
7 pm to 8 am**

**Paint Art Social Fundraiser
September 22, 2019
12:30 pm**

**Harvest Supper
October 19, 2019**

**2019 Charge Conference
October 22, 2019**

**Dr. Belinda Forbes
Lecture & Pot Luck
October 30, 2019**

**Holiday Bazaar
November 16, 2019**

Do you know an organization that could benefit from a Savers Fund-raiser? RUMC can receive a bonus if we refer them. Please email the office the name of the organization:

RockvilleUMC@outlook.com.



**Leap of Faith Concert
Sunday 10 am
November 3, 2019**
Rehearsals begin 7pm on
September 5, 2019
Dress Rehearsal:
November 2, 2019.



**Have you made your will?
Have you remembered
your church?**

We collected a total of **64** food items this summer. So far we have donated **532** food items in 2019. The food was distributed to the Cornerstone Food Pantry and the Hockanum Valley Food Pantry. Thank you for helping your local community.



Special Needs

Nick - medical
Madison Kanneman - emotional support & medical recovery
Kate and family and all displaced by natural disasters
Colin Thorn - medical
Vetta - family tragedy
Bob Hornbecker
Rob Cook—medical
Domanik—healing
Anonymous— sobriety
Betty Ann Oppelt—medical & spiritual
Tami Rizner—medical
Linda Jerome—bereavement
Staci Rizner - medical
Diane Yentes - medical
Lois Wood - medical



Our Church Family

Marie Pierce—medical
Lucy Maupin - medical
Norine Veal—medical
Finn Halladay—medical
Linda Thouin—medical
Ginny Hickton—medical
Judy Wilkie—medical
Ray Clark—medical
Carol Ross - medical
Jane Thomas - medical

Those in nursing homes, Assisted Living and with limited mobility

Esther Harris-home
Eleanor Schreiber-Crestfield Manor
Shirley Edwards-Brookdale SW
Vita Aiello-Fox Hill
Pat Brandt—Pennsylvania
Kay Lyke - Crestfield Manor
Irene Surette—home
Harry Thomas - Woodlake
Janet McKercher—White Oaks
Norine Veal—Woodlake
Phyllis King—home
Ray Clark - home
Jane Thomas-Hebrew Health

Those in Christian Service

Dr. Belinda Forbes
Accion Medica Christiana,
Managua, Nicaragua
Pastor Kristin White,
Green Street UMC,
Augusta, ME

The Church Council Minutes are now on our website.
<https://www.rockumchurch.com/church-council-reports/>



Tami Rizner	September 4	Rose Goldich	September 12
Sylvia Lanz-Matthews	September 4	Andalaysia Cortes	September 16
Janet McKercher	September 6	Kristin White	September 17
Nicolas Velsaquez	September 6	Sharon Robbins	September 24
Andrew Velasquez	September 6	Giada Shivers	September 25
Emma Parnell	September 8	Elyse Nordell	September 25
Mary Rose Rushton	September 8	Freya Kravitz	September 26
Finn Halladay	September 8	Jacob Gerow	September 26
Caleb McPeck	September 10	Phyllis King	September 29
Allison Corne	September 10	Lucas Britney	September 30

Return Service

Requested

Rockville United Methodist Church



Adult Study — 9:00 am
Sunday School 10:00 am
Worship Service 10:00 am



Coffee & Fellowship follow the worship service
Nursery Care is available for children 4 and under.

Office Hours 10am-2pm Tuesday-Friday

To update address information or to be removed from the mailing list, please call or e-mail the church office.

Our Mission Statement

Rockville United Methodist Church is a people seeking to be faithful to God; by reaching out to all, inviting each to a relationship with God, nurturing each in the love of Jesus Christ and sending everyone back into the world to minister in God's name.



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