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OCTOBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

Elders Communion	Bread	Cup
October 4	Ken Ozzimo	Brett Kofod
October 11	Becky Wilson	Barb Wokersien
October 18	Nancy Golba	Ed Wokersien
October 25	Bob Link	Bill Wolcott



Deaconess Schedule – October (4 Sundays)
Prepare – Nancy Golba Clean Up - TBA
***Please see Sandy Lange to sign up or use the clipboard in the back of the church.*

OUTREACH AND MISSION:

There is a new outreach I announced to the congregation Sunday Sept 20th called Northtown Care Connection (nccwny.org, please look up website) . They are very much in need of volunteers for a variety of tasks but their main outreach is selling clothes to whomever comes to their "store" in Kenmore Alliance Church's gym at extremely low prices. It has very limited hours: the 2nd Sat of each month from 8 to 11 am and the 4th Friday of each month from 6 to 730 pm. I am meeting with Matt George from Kenmore Alliance Church at 175 Bonnet Ave in Tonawanda on Tuesday Oct 13 at 3 pm to see the lay of the land of NCC and learn exactly what volunteer work is needed. Matt reached out via email to churches for this volunteer need. Information about this was in the September newsletter under "Outreach and Mission" provided by Nancy Golba. I will provide more detailed information to the congregation in the November newsletter and will also announce more information to the congregation Sunday October 18th after meeting with Mr. George." Blessings, Nancy Mueller

New Handicap Parking spaces have been painted:





UPCOMING EVENTS:

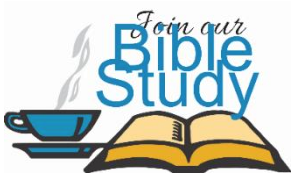
On Saturday October 10, 2026 There is an Honor Flight to Washington D.C.

Honor flight is a Program that takes Veterans to see the memorials there. Each Veteran is accompanied by what is termed a Guardian. It could be a friend or a member of the Veteran's family. However, Spouses are not allowed. There is no fee for the Veteran but there is a fee for the Guardian.

October 10th, Bob Link is going with his son, and Ed Wokersien is also going as a Guardian with a friend who is a Veteran.

Some of the highlights of the Monuments are: WWII, Vietnam, Arlington National Cemetery, Tomb of The Unknown Soldier, and others. *Also on the **afternoon of October 11th** when the veterans arrive back home there is an opportunity to greet them at the Buffalo Airport. Anyone is welcome to do that. The flight is scheduled to arrive around 8:30.*

Saturday, October 10th at 11 am: **BIBLE STUDY**



Join us for next Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome. We hope this can help you get the Word out of the Book and into your bones!



Sunday, November 1st: **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

Remembering members who have died in the last 12 months, as well as our loved ones from recent years. Please bring a photograph of your loved one for our Remembrance Table.

Sun. Nov 22nd at 4:00 pm: ***Formal Installation ceremony for Pastor Hope featuring Regional DOC Minister Rev. Dr. Thaddaeus Allen.***

OFFICE UPDATES:



The Chiavetta's chicken BBQ fundraiser on September 26th was another great success for PACC!! We raised $2,729.

We have so many volunteers to thank for helping to pull this event off:

Nancy Golba for her meticulous planning, and for making sure we have all of the utensils, pots, oven mits, table cloths, hats, gloves, and more that we need.

Our dessert bakers: Brenda Doucette, Bob Wilson, Brett Kofod, Espy, Amina, and King Altamar, Heather Ozzimo, Nancy Golba, Brandon Kofod, Jessica Stuewe, and Jeanne Abbot.

Our wonderful team who packages up the roll and butter with the dessert and cutlery packets: Nancy Golba, Lisa Geraci, Shelley Wilson, Kate McCormack, and Kate's team from YALT in Lockport.

Espy Altamar for printing out flyers and sign-up sheets, and for spreading the word via email. Brett and Brandon Kofod for hanging signs all around town to advertise the event.

Shirley Jayne who comes early to turn the lights on, make coffee, and whatever else she can.

Josh from Chiavetta's who cooked the chickens perfectly, and was so helpful in doing the heavy lifting.

Our team outside in the roundabout who greeted each customer and worked the flow of traffic efficiently: Andy Krull, Brandon Kofod, Keith Kofod, Jessica Stuewe, Ken Ozzimo, Brett Kofod, Erik Hodge, and Pastor Hope for handing out inspirational messages.

Ed and Barb Wokersien for overseeing the business side of the event and for keeping our hourly counts.

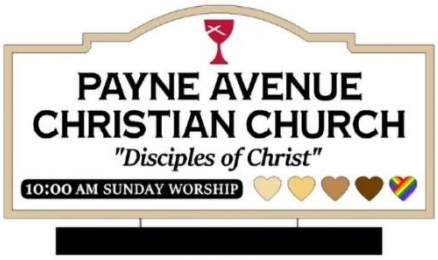
Zander Hodge for playing the role of our chicken

Our incredible team inside doing all of the work necessary to assemble and bag the meals: Bill Wolcott, Dave Evans, Vern Ortel, Kimmarie Brown, Shelley Wilson, Sandy Lange, Brenda Doucette, Kate McCormack, Jean Ortel, Martha Scheda, Heather Ozzimo, Lisa Geraci, and Ken Ozzimo.

Everyone that stayed afterwards to help clean up, wipe tables down, do dishes, vacuum, and gather the garbage and recycling.

Everyone who supported the event by buying a meal or making a donation. We couldn't do this without support from our congregation, friends, and the community who always come through for us.

Our last BBQ of the year will be held on Saturday December 5th, 2026 from 12-4pm.



TREASURER'S REPORT

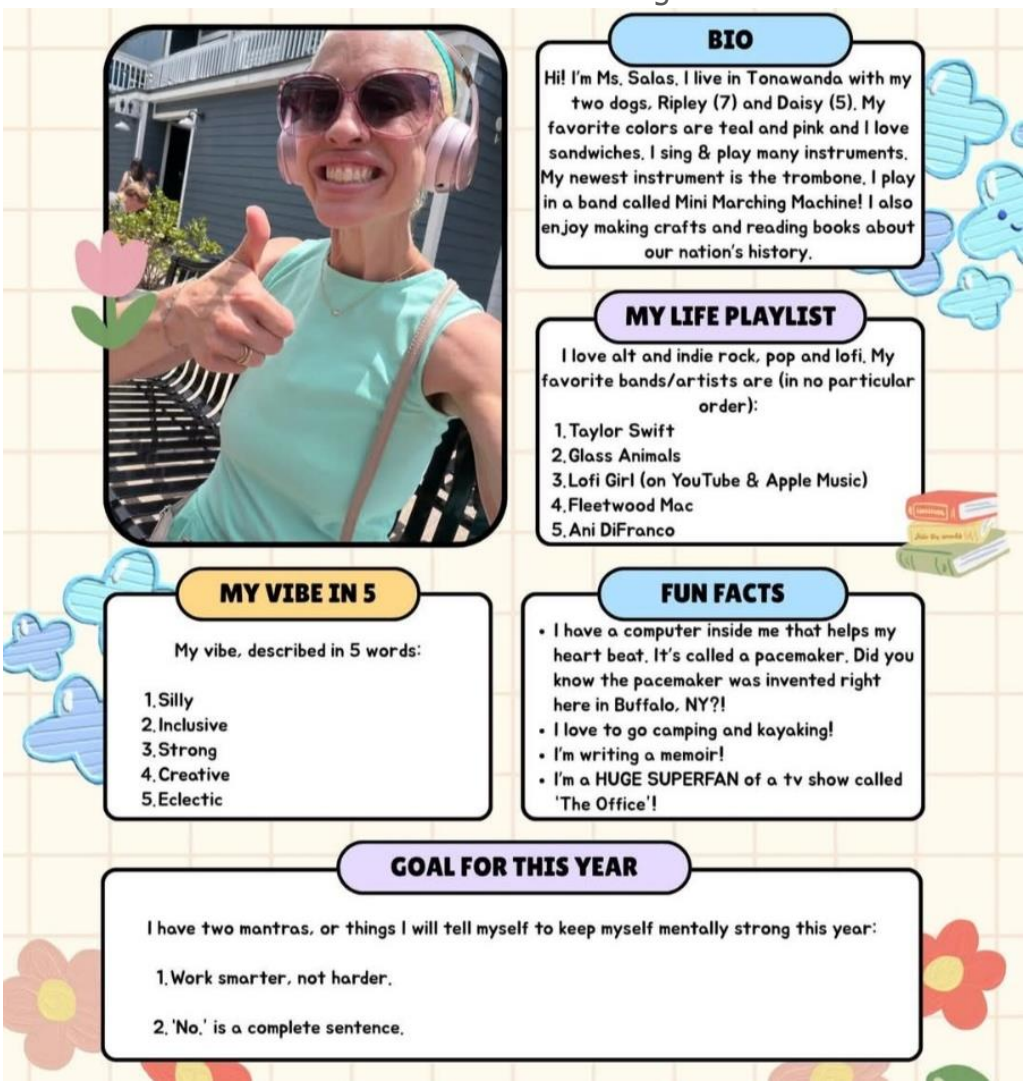
Since the launch of the capital campaign, we have raised $5,830.00. The estimate from Ulrich is $7,995.00, plus ~$105.00 for each additional hanging sign to advertise our special services and BBQs. We can list our current sign for sale and use the profit toward the balance.
At the last Board Meeting, the sign project was approved. The sign will measure 8 ft x 4 ft.

Good News: The Board also voted to hire Kelly Salas as the new Music Director!

OFFERING PLATE GIVING:

We have been falling behind on our weekly giving to our church this year. We need $1440 per week to meet our budget (in addition to our barbeques, rental and capital gifts for the new signs). Thank you for your past generosity.

Please give as you are so moved.



MEMORIALS

Thank you for all the ways in which we honor and remember our loved ones. Here is a list of the wonderful and generous donations given in honor of our members since August 2026

Marcy Di Pasquale	In Honor of Mary Caldwell
Douglas and Jennifer Caldwell	In Honor of Mary Caldwell
Brett Kofod	In Memory of Heather Raggi
Brett Kofod	In Memory of Beverly DiBernardo
Brett Kofod	In Memory of Patricia Lange



Prayers of Healing and Caring:

Kay (Sister of Mary Caldwell)
Devon Compton, (Nephew of Paul White & Nancy Mueller)
Summer Cook
Rev. Dr. Arthur Davis,
Nita Doucette
Mary Dzik
AshLynn Dzik
Deborah Evans
Lisa Geraci
Don Golba
Linda Harle-Mould
Jaime Hodge
Shirley Jayne
Brandon Kofod
Karen Lawrence and her daughter Ronda
Bob Link's Daughter Shelly and Grandson William
Autumn Lee
Matt Lipinczyk (Nephew of Paul White & Nancy Mueller)
Harry Madrid
Carol McBride
Burton Merriam
Ruth Misko, daughter of Leah Benton
Diane Misner (Bob Link's daughter)
David Misner (Son-in-law of Bob Link)
Family of Heather Ozzimo – Carter
Sherry Ostwald
Cynthia Pullman
Joan Shamrock
Karen Smith (Friend of Marcy's)
Family of Madeline Mock (Friends of Marcy's)
Janith Tooke's Sister-in-law Ronni
Sharon Weiss (friend of Karen Lawrence)
Bob and Becky Wilson and nephew Billy Wilson
Bill Wolcott
Jim Wokersien

***There will be copies of this list printed and located on the Deacons tables. Please be sure to take one home to continue your prayers. *Please note, after a 6 week period names will be removed unless a special request is received in the office.**

To add to the **Prayer Chain** call **Sherry Ostwald 716-471-6842** (before 9pm). **Thank you.**

Communion for the Homebound

"IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT"
If anyone needs to be placed on the Communion to Shut-Ins list - please be sure to contact Becky Wilson at 716-998-9052

Thinking of You!

Please remember our members that are unable to be in their homes any longer… send a card to help them know we care! Thank you!
Cynthia D. Pullman, (daughter of Gabe DiBernardo) Room 254, Comfort Care at Our Lady of Peace Skilled Nursing, 5285 Lewiston Road, Lewiston, NY 14092
Also, some members cannot attend weekly, send a card and show they are remembered:
Karen Lawrence, Sherry Ostwald, and Janet Holt (all addresses in Church Directory).

Let's Celebrate! Birthdays and Anniversaries:

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

8 Barb Wokersien
9 Felicia Gane
16 Phillip Ozzimo
18 Kate McCormack
22 Brenda Sass
24 Ed Wokersien
25 Alex Krull
27 Ken Ozzimo
28 Linda Harle-Mould



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Sonya DiNardo
4 Marcy DiPasquale
9 Paul Wright
11 Brenda Doucette
16 Butch Milliron
26 Bob Link
26 Brandon Kofod
27 Mitch Valente
29 Brian Wilson
29 Debbie Evans



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

20 Ed and Barb Wokersien
22 Andy and Suzanne Krull

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

15 Dave and Debbie Evans
20 Mitch and Debbie Valente

**I would like to update the birthdays and anniversary dates so please be sure I have this information for all members of your family so they can be included each month.*

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This Church Affirms You

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

A quiet room is available for families with small children, in the back of the church.

WiFi is available in the church building and grounds

Visit us on the Web: http://www.PayneAvenue.org
All upcoming Events are in the Newsletter which is always posted on the website!

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