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Jesus said:
"...Behold, I say unto you,
'Lift up your eyes,
and look on the fields;
for they are white already to harvest.
And he that reaps receives wages,
and gathers fruit unto life eternal:
that both he that sows
and he that reaps
may rejoice together."
~ Gospel of John 4:35b-36

WELCOME TO THE CHRIST COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER!

Here you will find news of events inside and outside of the church, articles, opinions, testimonies and other interesting tidbits to inspire and amuse.

If you would like to contribute a short article, testimony, encouraging word or quote, or an interesting or funny church sign, please speak to or send to Rose Beaudry. Submissions due at least 3 days before the end of the month for next newsletter. Contact info on back page of newsletter.

~~~~~ *From the Pastor . . .*

Life is filled with milestones and most of them are measured by time. September marked a milestone for Patty and I as we celebrate serving Christ Community Church for five years. That means we've worshiped together roughly 250 times. And we've seen many wonderful blessings here at CCC throughout these five years. We've seen the church grow from roughly 28-30 when we arrived to over 50 on a Sunday morning when everyone is able to attend. We've launched a live-streaming ministry that has reached far beyond the four-walls of the church. We've officiated a couple of weddings and sadly a few more memorial services. We even survived a flood.

One thing I've done personally whenever I reach a five-year milestone is to take stock of things and see where I am, what I should do next, and what do I need to get there. In the case of the ministry work the Lord has called me to here, I've been doing a similar thing. The Lord has been answering my prayer throughout this time and I look forward to what He may have in store.

At this point I am thrilled to announce that we've launched a Young Adults Ministry to foster Christian community and growth. It's an exciting new ministry and I'm thankful that the Lord has made this happen. Be in prayer for this ministry as Andrew and Victoria Papacoda lead and guide this group. I am also excited to share that the men of CCC will be gathering weekly for a time of prayer, fellowship, and discipleship through Bible study and Christian book discussions. Please be praying for this as well!

There will be a few changes in the coming months that the Lord has impressed upon me as well. I am confident that these changes will better position the church for the future in Collinsville. So keep looking forward and stay tuned!

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## October is Pastor (and his Wife!) Appreciation Month!

*Thank you, Pastor Chris and Patty,  
not only for what you do, (and that's a LOT!)  
but for who you are!*

*Let's spend this month blessing  
Chris and Patty in all sorts of ways!*



visioneer evangelist crisis-minister prayer-leader  
preacher CEO mediator  
webmaster CFO custodian prayer-leader personnel-director  
fundraiser ministry-developer supervisor CCO  
Minister-of-Education leader sports-minister worship-leader  
Executive-Pastor IT-technician pastor discipler author  
social-worker property-manager musician writer  
project-manager public-relations-director  
community-organizer leadership-trainer strategy-planner  
moderator media-minister



**PASTOR'S ROUNDTABLE RECAP - 9/28**  
*(Some items covered separately in this newsletter.)*

- ♦ **BUILDING & GROUNDS** - We now have 4 designated Handicapped Parking spots with signs and painted symbols in the spots. The damaged spot has been patched.
  - Concrete outside office door is being replaced now.
  - After concrete replaced we can install new outside doors in Education wing. Then next year we can install a security system.
  - Spring St. sidewalk being repaired. It's a trip hazard.
  - War is being waged on mice. Exterminator came and will return quarterly.
  - AV Tech upgrade: New computer is up and running. Next task is the new video production box and adding another camera for livestream.
- ♦ **NEW YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY** - Will meet one Sunday afternoon a month. See pg. 3.
- ♦ **NEW MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY** - Will meet weekly on Saturday mornings. See pg. 3.
- ♦ **NEW WEEKLY PRAYER HOUR** - Will replace the Tuesday evening Healing Prayer Group. See pg. 3.
- ♦ **UPCOMING EVENTS** -
  - 10/4 @ 9:00 AM, **Men's Discipleship Ministry**. See pg. 3.
  - 10/15 @ 7:00 PM, **What Was He Talking About? Weekly Sermon Discussion** resumes. See pg.3.
  - 10/18 @ 10:00 AM, **Monthly Prayer Meeting**. See pg. 3.
  - 10/19 @ 3:00 PM, **Young Adults Ministry**. See pg. 3.
  - 10/25 - **Halloween Parade Outreach**. We need at least 20 volunteers. All hands on deck! See pg. 4.
  - 10/26 service - **Adult & Teen Challenge**. See pg. 2.
- ♦ **EXALT TEAM** - Robb Storm said the team is involved in corporate and individual worship.
  - Working on possible survey to be distributed around Thanksgiving.
  - Gearing up for Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.
  - Team meets the first Sunday of the month. All are welcome.
  - Pastor Chris is working on Advent sermon series on the Second Coming of Jesus.
  - Chris said the Steinway piano in the corner of the Sanctuary was given to Jay North by his parents years ago and it will replace the current old piano!
- ♦ **PROCLAIM TEAM** -
  - Rally Day event was great. See pg. 6.
  - 10/25 Halloween parade outreach - We need donations of donut holes to give out - we always run out. We also need donations of small water bottles.
  - Advent Breakfast Potluck planning. More info to follow.
  - Discussing Christmas bags for the Canton police department.
  - Next meeting 10/19. All are welcome!
  - Open to ideas for outreach events!

- ♦ **MAKE DISCIPLES TEAM** - Bob DuBois said they're still meeting with Proclaim team planning events. Next meeting is 10/19. All are welcome.
  - Making disciples is a job for every age.
  - Nursery ministry is important,
  - If you or anyone you know are interested in a Believer's Baptism, please let Bob or Pastor Chris know.
- ♦ **DEACONS** - Helping someone out with apartment size washer and dryer.

- ♦ **MISSIONS** - Rachel Salch said that Cyprian and Eve Droma met with the team 2 weeks ago. They are hoping to return to the Middle East next April to work with Sorani Kurds, if they can raise the funds. Eve spoke at CCC's Sunday service on 9/28.  
<https://ripeforharvest.org/ciprian-eve-aram-e-droma/>
  - Robb Storm said missions groups take a % of all donations to missionaries through the organization, so it's more beneficial to the missionaries to receive donations directly.

- The next Zoom team meeting will be on 12/11 at 7:00 PM. Contact: Rachel Salch if you would like to join.



**ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE VISIT**

On October 26, the Adult & Teen Challenge folks will share during the Sunday service. After the service, they will also be selling in Collins Hall the beautifully crafted cutting boards that they make.

The Proclaim Team contacted the ministry to ask what material needs they have. Here's their list. Let's bless them with plenty!

**ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE DONATION LIST**

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                           |
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| <b>Only Items Needed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deodorant</li> <li>• Toothpaste</li> <li>• Bath Towels (New)</li> <li>• Washcloths (New)</li> <li>• Boxers - Sizes Medium, Large, Extra Large, 2X (New)</li> </ul> | <b>Bring in by:</b><br><b>Sunday</b><br><b>October 26</b> |
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**To drop off, see the Proclaim Team or Laura Salch**

## COFFEE VOLUNTEERS

Nan Schleich has been going through the directory and asking for coffee hour treats (store bought is just as wonderful as baked), along



**Church Curmudgeon**  
@ChrchCurmudgeon

**For the beauty of the bean,  
For the pot in which it's brewed,  
For the glory of caffeine,  
In this nectar thus imbued;  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise  
This, our mug of grateful praise.**

with Nan and Chuck bringing in Dunkin Donuts and Kayla Underkoffler bringing Cake Gypsy cupcakes.

- Additional goodies will ALWAYS be welcome without notice!!!



Chuck & Nan will start the coffee, but we need help each week to clean up (except when the gamers are here). Thanks to Nan and Chuck for keeping this organized and going!

## NEW YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY



Andrew and Victoria Papacoda will be leading this new group, which will meet one Sunday a month at 3:00 PM at CCC. The next meeting will be on October 19. All young adults are welcome!

## NEW MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY



This new group will meet on Saturdays at 9:00 AM in Collins Hall, starting on October 4. They will be discussing the book "Twelve Ordinary Men" by John MacArthur. Book is not needed for the first meeting. Bring your own food and drink if you

choose. We will pray and talk about one chapter per week. All guys are welcome. Bring a friend!

## CANTON FOOD BANK NEEDS

*"And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."*

~ 2 Corinthians 9:8 (NIV)



*Current needs include:*

- ♦ Breakfast Cereal, Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Syrup
- ♦ 100% Fruit Juice ♦ Peanut Butter ♦ Jelly
- ♦ Coffee ♦ Tuna ♦ Pasta Sauce

The Canton Food Bank is grateful for ANY nonperishable food items received, but really appreciate:

- ♦ Vegetable, Chicken, or Beef Broth
- ♦ Canned Tuna/Salmon
- ♦ Low sodium canned goods
- ♦ Rice mixes ♦ Low sugar canned fruit
- ♦ Low sugar applesauce

## HEALING PRAYER MEETINGS **END** NEW PRAYER HOUR **BEGINS**

Healing Prayer meetings on Tuesday evenings have ended at the home of Debbie and Buddy Laws. Thank you for all your wonderful hospitality over the years!



A new Prayer Hour will begin at 7:00 PM on Tuesday evenings at CCC. We will meet in the Prayer Room until we outgrow it and move into the Sanctuary. The focus will be prayer for our congregation, its leaders, its ministries, and its mission. Please join us on Tuesday evenings. You may pray silently with us if you don't choose to pray out loud.

In the meantime, if you need healing prayer, it's always available at the end of Sunday services. You may also call the church office to schedule a time of individual prayer ministry from the prayer team.

## MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING

Saturday, October 18  
at 10:00 AM in Collins Hall

CCC has a Monthly Prayer Meeting on the third Saturday of each month. We will also prayer walk the church pews after the meeting. All are welcome!

## "WHAT WAS HE TALKING ABOUT?"



On October 15, the sermon discussion group will resume meeting on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in Room 4. If you cannot make it to the church, we can set up a Zoom Meeting for you to call in and join us! Just contact the church office

to let us know by noon on Wednesday. All are very welcome!

## MEN'S DINNER FELLOWSHIP

At Good Friends Restaurant on Main Street (Rt. 44) New Hartford, CT 06057. (Near the mini mall; formerly Portobello's.) We usually meet the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM. All are welcome!



Men's Fellowship

## SISTERS IN CHRIST

## CREATIVELY PURSUING GOD

Gabby Orcutt's bible journaling group is currently NOT meeting at CCC.



## CCC FREE FOOD PANTRY



It's wonderful that we donate to the Canton Food Bank on the 3rd Sunday of every month, but please remember our Little Free Pantry too. If you happen to go by and see that it's a little empty, feel free to put something in it. OR if you would like to buy something to keep on hand, please let Laura or Patty know, and we can put it out as needed. Thanks!!! ~ Patty Bauer

## LIVESTREAM COMMENTS VIA PATTY

Here are some quotes we have received (spelling/punctuation as they appeared):

8/31

- ♦ Beautiful Keith Green song...and prayer is perfect..
- ♦ SO nice to have Pastor Chris back with us
- ♦ Thank you Lord God....
- ♦ AMEN: so much in such a small letter
- ♦ YES
- ♦ WOW Yes I do

9/7

- ♦ Im glad to see that Bob is on the mend and back with you today.
- ♦ Yes - it's good to have him back. It's been a miraculous recovery! He's far ahead of schedule!
- ♦ Good morning everyone! I have to stop pulling 3AM nights so I can be there in person next week. Hope everyone is having a blessed day!

9/14

After Andrew opened:

- ♦ Amen
- ♦ Bring it Andrew!
- ♦ Andrew is on fire this morning

First song:

- ♦ I'm crying I really needed this song here! Amen

9/21

- ♦ I like this message. Isaac's middle name is Jonathan because God has given me his name.

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## ENCOURAGING WORDS

Some mornings, the weight of the world feels heavier than others. The worries, the noise, the constant pull of life can leave a soul weary before the day even begins.

But take heart—because God's mercies are new every morning. Not recycled, not leftovers from yesterday, but fresh, pure, and overflowing for today.

When you woke up this morning, God already knew the struggles you'd face, the thoughts that would trouble you, and the prayers you'd whisper. And He prepared grace enough to carry you through it all. That's not just hope—that's His promise.

So breathe deep today. Let peace sink in where anxiety has been trying to live. Remember, you're not walking alone. The same God who hung the stars and paints the

sunrise is the One holding you steady.

Be still and know He is God.

Be faithful and know He is near.

Be courageous and

know His strength is enough.

Lift your eyes a little higher this morning. You are loved, you are chosen, and you are not forgotten.

Praying your day is filled with the kind of peace that doesn't make sense to the world, but makes perfect sense in the arms of Christ.

~ Kolby Kyle on Facebook

## HALLOWEEN PARADE OUTREACH

On Saturday, October 25, Collinsville will be having their Halloween parade, which marches right past our front door! We will be reaching out to the public by giving out cider, water and donut holes, as well as tracts, and inviting them into our sanctuary to be exposed to the Gospel. We want to be a shining light in the very dark darkness of that night!

The Proclaim Team is asking for people to volunteer to help with donating donut holes and/or small water bottles. Volunteers will also be needed to hand out snacks, possibly help with parking/security, or be willing to greet people at the front door or pray with any visitors that come into the sanctuary. Volunteers will have to be there between 5:30 - 9:00 PM, but try to come by 3:00 PM before they close the surrounding roads. We will be setting up, and praying around the building. Sign up in Collins Hall!



## MORE THAN WEEDS CLASS, September 2025

Calendula

At the September 2025 More than Weeds class, participants learned about the "Queen of skin care herbs" Calendula. As always, the class was divided into 2 sections.



Part one of the class was lecture followed by questions and answers. Students learned about the uses for Calendula and the different methods for delivery of the healing components of this wonderful plant. Part two of

this class was lab. Students learned about salves, butters, balms, tinctures and liniments. A recipe for creating a Protective Calendula Butter Bar was presented and students watched and participated in creating this skin protecting butter bar just in time for hard working hands that are preparing the gardens for winter and later in the season as a powerful protectant against the harsh and drying winter weather.

Golden Rod

During this time of year many people find their seasonal allergies ramping up. Participants learned to make a tea that may soothe seasonal allergy symptoms.

I have found that many times the plant Golden Rod is blamed for the symptoms that people suffer. However, Golden Rod is usually \*not the culprit, it's most often Ragweed which is blooming around the same time that is responsible for the discomfort. You see, Golden Rod has pollen that is too heavy to be dispersed by the wind and spreading its pollen to other plants. That is one very good reason to not destroy plants like Golden Rod. Our pollinators are dependent on it as a food source.



If you find any of the information here helpful or interesting, please join us on the last Saturday of each month from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. We'd love to have you.

~ Debbie Laws



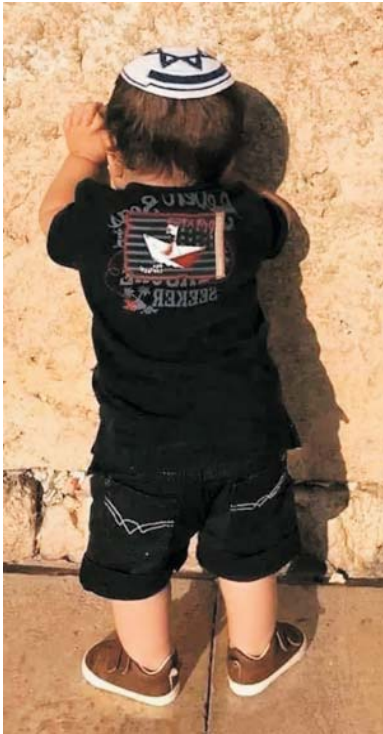
# DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM



## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM - 10/5/2024

There is only one city in the entire world to which God has tied His very Name – the city of Jerusalem. Because it is the geographical center for God's Kingdom, the call to pray fervently for Jerusalem is declared throughout Scripture, until the prayer's completion when Jerusalem becomes a praise in the earth.

*"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
they shall prosper that love thee." Psalm 122:6, KJV*



The following prayers are from Chosen People Ministries:

*A Prayer against Any Antisemitism among Palestinians*

Lord, we thank You for Your love and generosity to people of every nation, having made us all in Your image and offering eternal life in Your Son (Genesis 1:28; John 3:16). Amid the pain and anger caused by the conflict, we fervently pray against any form of antisemitism among Palestinians.

Father, convict the hearts of any who harbor hatred toward

Jewish people and draw those people to repent. We pray for healing from hate and for love and peace between Palestinians and Israelis. May compassion prevail, promoting dialogue and understanding between Israelis and Palestinians. Above all, we pray both groups reconcile to God and one another in the Messiah (Ephesians 2:11–22). Amen.

*A Prayer against Any Anti-Arab Sentiments among Israeli Jewish People*

Lord, we likewise lift our voices in prayer against any anti-Arab sentiments arising among Israeli Jewish people in the midst of this conflict. We pray you replace all hatred or bigotry with love. Bring conviction, repentance, and restoration where needed. May Jewish Israelis come to know the Messiah and embrace His love for all the nations (Acts 10:34–35).

Abba, we ask for forgiveness, reconciliation, and healing conversations. May Your people be the kingdom of priests and holy nation You called them to be (Exodus 19:6). Amen.

## *A Prayer for Those in the Middle East to Know the Messiah*

Father, we pray for all peoples in the Middle East to put their trust in the Messiah Jesus. Lord, open their eyes to reveal who Jesus is and their need for Him. Especially during this crisis, we fervently pray for the people of the Middle East to encounter the transformative love of Jesus, the Messiah.

Amid the turmoil and uncertainty, may individuals on all sides find solace, hope, and eternal salvation in Him. Let the gospel message touch the hearts of Israelis, Palestinians, and all those affected by the conflict.

We pray for a divine outpouring of the Holy Spirit to bring people to faith in Jesus and bring ultimate peace. May He be a source of strength, comfort, and healing to those who are suffering, both in Israel and Gaza. Amen.



*Artwork by our own Carolyn Roberge*

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

"May they prosper who love you.

"May peace be within your walls,  
And prosperity within your palaces."

For the sake of my brothers and my friends,  
I will now say, "May peace be within you."  
For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,  
I will seek your good.

~ Psalm 122:6–8 (NASB)

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If I forget you, O Jerusalem,
May my right hand forget her skill.
May my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth
If I do not remember you,
If I do not exalt Jerusalem
Above my chief joy.
~ Psalm 137:4–6 (NASB)

(Yes, this is a copy of the page from last October's newsletter, except for the date. It's all still true, and we have lots of new attendees who haven't seen it before.)

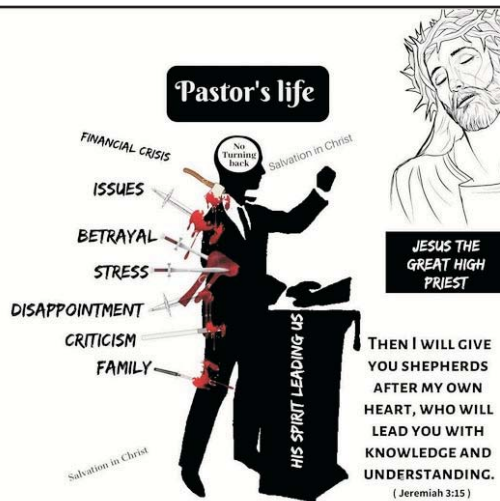
RALLY DAY POTLUCK



Our Rally Day event was wonderful! We had it in Collins Hall, which saved a lot of setup time. Jay North and Kevin and Rachel Salch entertained us with a program of jokes. Lots of laughs and groans. Many thanks to all who brought food and participated.

In honor of our Rev. DOCTOR Chris Bauer, who just received his DOCTORATE this summer, he was presented with a stethoscope and a customized "Dr. So & So" doctor's jacket, embroidered with cross and open bible. Jazzy!

The Rally Day dessert table included tiny prescription bottles filled with candy pills. Gotta love a church with a sense of humor!



Guess who needs lots of prayers...

"I have posted watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night. You who call on the LORD, give yourselves no rest, and give Him no rest till He establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth." ~Isaiah 62:6-7



DEACONS & GREETERS

(Thank you for your faithful service!)

COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Sunday October 5: Caryn Turek
Sunday October 12: Buddy & Debbie Laws
Sunday October 19: Dorene Grace
Sunday October 26: Victoria DuBois



GREETERS SCHEDULE

Sunday October 5: Buddy & Debbie Laws
Sunday October 12: Rev. Chuck & Nan Schleich
Sunday October 19: John & Karen Green
Sunday October 26: Dorene Grace
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### CCC GARDENERS' HANDIWORK

Thanks to those who labor to beautify and upkeep our flower patches! ~ *Hibiscus* grown by Caryn Turek, Photos by John Cudworth



Sunflower



Sunflower

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2025



Operation Christmas Child...here before you know it!

Back to School sales can have great deals on OCC shoebox gifts. Taking advantage of these deals now means we'll have enough for every single box this year—and there can never be too many!

**DID YOU KNOW?** Many people plan/shop for OCC as a year-round ministry. Some have dedicated rooms in their homes to organize boxes and gifts. They craft one of a kind dresses, hats, and toys. They shop clearances, closeouts and bulk offerings. They pray for God's provision of rock-bottom, "Can-you-believe-it?" sales, plus favor with store managers when they tell them about OCC's vision for children... and they often get them. They report finds, ideas, sewing patterns, etc. on social media groups dedicated to OCC. Be inspired, and pray for God's just-right gifts for the kids who will receive the boxes we pack! There are now many, many children and adults who have said YES to Jesus' offer of eternal life as a direct result of a shoebox gift.

~ Laura Salch

<https://samaritanaspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

## EVENTS

(NOTE: Please see weekly bulletins and church emails for cancellations or updates to date, time, and/or location.)

### HOOR OF PRAYER WEEKLY MEETING



Tuesdays, 7:00 PM at CCC. See pg. 3.

### “WHAT WAS HE TALKING ABOUT?”



Sermon discussion meeting. Resumes on October 15!  
Wednesdays, 7:00 PM in Room 4. See pg. 3.

### MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY

Saturdays, 9:00 AM in Collins Hall. See pg. 3.

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PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM

Sunday, October 5, all day. See pg. 5.

EXALT TEAM MEETING

Sunday, October 5, after the service, in Conf. Room.

DEACONS MEETING

Sunday, October 12, after the service, in Conf. Room.

MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING

♫ Saturday, October 18 ♫
10:00 AM in Collins Hall. See pg. 3.

PROCLAIM TEAM MEETING MAKE DISCIPLES TEAM MEETING

Sunday, October 19, after the service, in Room 4.

YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY



Sunday, October 19, at 3:00 PM at CCC. See pg. 3.

HALLOWEEN PARADE OUTREACH



Saturday, October 26, in evening. See pp. 2 and 4.

MEN'S DINNER FELLOWSHIP



Men's Fellowship

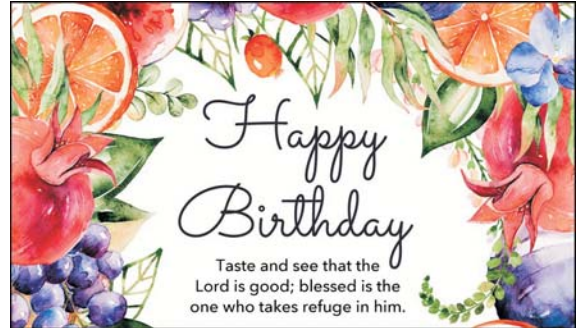
Thursday, October 30, 6:00 PM. See pg. 3.



Celebrating the day God blessed the world with YOU!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Kevin Salch, October 9
Brayden Aitken, October 10
Nan Schleich, October 13
Don Orcutt, October 18
Chuck Schleich, October 21
Zachary Clark, October 23
Caryn Turek, October 23
Dawn Smith, October 25
Marty Tobey, October 28



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Gabby Orcutt, November 2
Rachel Salch, November 5
Robin Cmiel, November 8
Kyra Clark, November 12
Linda Kulick, November 20
Karen Green, November 27
Carol Wilson, November 27

Birthday blessings to everyone!

Please let me know if your birthday is not on this list or is incorrect and I'll fix it. You don't need to be a CCC member to be celebrated! ~ Rose

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