

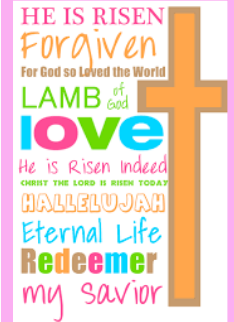
April 2022



THE BELL TOWER



The First Congregational Church, Spencerport UCC
65 Church Street Spencerport, NY 14559



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

“We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”

~Saint Paul (Romans 6:4)

Pastor Michael L. Sloan:

As we look forward to the 2022 Easter season, I want to encourage you to also look forward to *new life*. Easter is one of the most important holidays on the Christian calendar. It is a time when we celebrate the resurrection of Christ. What would be a better time for us to also celebrate our own personal resurrections? There are times in our own lives when we must close the door to our past and open the door to our future. There are times when we must end one chapter and then turn the page to begin another. New beginnings are filled with excitement, joy, and passion. However, new beginnings are oftentimes the result of something being lost; something dying; or maybe even something not working out the way

we originally planned. While great losses stimulate great mourning; they also have a way of leading us to a new beginning or a new path. Let us take time out to reflect on and celebrate the new life that we have in Christ. Let us take time out to reflect on and celebrate our own personal “new beginnings.” And let us take time out to reflect on and celebrate our own personal resurrections.

Finally, we may have experienced a lot of loss over the past two years due to the global pandemic; however, let us look forward to a new start as we begin Spring 2022.

Pastor Michael L. Sloan

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Holy Week and Easter Services



Come Worship With Us!

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, April 10th, 10 am Worship: in- person at FCC, Facebook Live and Zoom

**Maundy Thursday, April 14th, Tenebrae Service of Extinguishing Light, 7 pm at Ogden Presbyterian Church
2400 S Union St, Spencerport, NY 14559**

- We have been invited by OPC for the service, They are asking for 1 more volunteer to help with readings during the service.

**Please contact the FCC office at
(585)352-3448 if you can help. Thank You!**

**Good Friday, April 15th, Good Friday Service, 3 p.m.
at Adams Basin UMC
4296 Canal Road Spencerport, New York 14559**

**-Our church will be joining Adams Basin UMC for Good Friday Service this year. The Pastor is Jack Laskowski.
The contact phone number is 585-815-5433.**

**Easter Sunday, April 17th, Easter Celebration, Christ is Risen!
in-person at FCC, Facebook Live and Zoom**



COUNCIL AND BOARDS MEETINGS

April 19th @ 6:30 PM Via Zoom



ZOOM FINANCE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, April 13th @ 7:00 PM



2022 LENTEN PROGRAM

**Here is the date for the last Lenten Program:
Wednesday, April 6th, 2022; The Anointing of Jesus
– Led by Jessilou**

**A deeper discussion of the sermon topic from the
previous Sunday.**

Reminder and Zoom link will be sent out prior!

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**MAY NEWSLETTER
DEADLINE**

If you would like to submit an article for the MAY Newsletter, A big hello to our friend Laurie Neubaurer, please email the church office at admin@spencerportucc.org



WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING
Saturday, April 9th at 9:15 am

BREAKFAST CLUB

Please join us every Tuesday!

Hope to see you there!

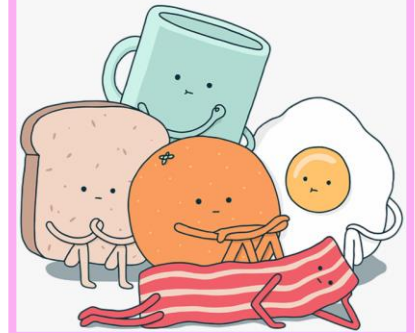
April 5th – Slayton Place
(26 Slayton Ave. Spencerport)

April 12th – Panorama
(730 Elmgrove Rd.)

April 19th – Theo's Restaurant
(1174 Brooks Ave. Across from the Airport)

April 26th – Johnny d's Restaurant
(2139 North Union St. Spencerport)

THE
BREAKFAST
CLUB



**APRIL
COLORED PENCILS & MARKERS
MONTH**

The Board of Christian Education launching a new program for 2022 to support the needs of local migrant families with school aged children. We are collecting school supplies throughout the next several months with the intent to fill as many backpacks as possible to give to needy kids.

Each month from February to August, we will be collecting specific school supplies to fill backpacks and then distribute these much-needed supplies in new backpacks to students before the 2022-2023 school year begins.

April will be "**Colored Pencils & Markers**" month. Please consider donating Glue Sticks and Scissors and place them in the designated box downstairs. Once these backpacks are filled, they will be blessed by Pastor Michael and given to those in need.

Thank you, from the members of the Board of Christian Education

THESE DAYS

Daily Devotions for Living by Faith

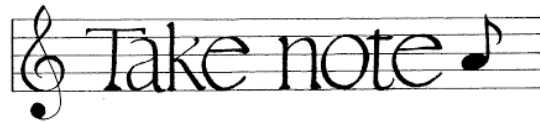
THESE DAYS

"These Days" Daily Devotional Booklets for April/May/June are available on the First Floor outside the Elevator and in the back of the sanctuary. If you would like one sent to you, please call the office at (585)352-3448.

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Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAYS @ 7PM
& SUNDAYS @ 9AM



TO ALL PRESENT AND PAST CHOIR MEMBERS:

On June 26th, 2022, present and past choir members will be recognized for their years of service singing in the choir. Each person will be given a certificate and other special events are planned during the service and during coffee hour to honor those who have served the church with their vocal talent.

Please pass the word along to all past choir members about this event or pass along their contact information so that they can be contacted directly with an invitation. Music is such a vital part of our church service, and a heartfelt thanks will spotlight those that have given of their time for this service. Make plans to join in the fun on June 26th!

CHRISTIAN ACTION

Spencerport Ecumenical Food Shelf

Thank you for your continuing and generous support to the Spencerport Ecumenical Food Shelf.

This month the following items are especially needed: Rice, Canned Fruit, Soup, Muffin Mix, Hamburger Helper, Hot Cereal, Crackers, Cookies, Toilet Paper, and Bar Soap.

Cash donations are always welcome and contribute to the Tops gift cards provided to clients to purchase perishable items such as produce and meat. Cash donations can be sent to Dick Gallagher, the Food Shelf Treasurer at: 425 Ogden Parma Townline Road, Spencerport, NY, 14559.

A bin is available in the Fellowship Hall to drop off your donations.

If you know of anyone residing in the Spencerport School District, in need of food, they can call 397-0290.

Questions or concerns: contact Melanie Ippolito at 352-3891



Please call or email the office if you would like to include any information, special news, or occasions into the weekly FlockNote or our monthly newsletter. Thank You!



MONDAY – FRIDAY
9 AM – 2 PM

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APRIL
MINISTRY SCHEDULE

GREETERS:

3 – Betty Ann Riley
10 – Pat Witt
17 – Ginny & Lyn Worden
24 – Karen Eysaman

LAY READERS:

3 – Gwendolyn Tappenden
10 – **TBD**
17 – **TBD**
24 – Gwendolyn Tappenden

USHERS:

3 – Ebony Sloan
10 – Karen Eysaman
17 – Karen Eysaman
24 – Betty Ann Riley

HELPING HANDS:

3 – **TBD**
10 – **TBD**
17 – **TBD**
24 – **TBD**

COFFEE HOUR:

3 – Frank & Sue Nichols
10 – Bunny Tubbs
17 – **TBD**
24 – **TBD**

**USHERS, GREETERS, LAY READERS,
HELPING HANDS AND COFFEE HOUR
HELP NEEDED:**

**If you are interested in volunteering your
time, there is a sign-up sheet on the
bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or you
can call the office at 352-3448.
Thank You!**

NEWSLETTER CHALLENGE UPDATE!!!!

One of our winners, Melva Owens, contacted the office for her prize in March. Thank you so much Melva!

APRIL NEWSLETTER CHALLENGE

For April we will continue our challenge with 2 more winners. Remember to read everything! If you find **your** name **[A big hello to our friend (Your Name Here)]**, Please contact the office, (585) 352-3448 or

admin@spencerportucc.org. 😊

LOOKING AHEAD

May 1 st	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship/ Communion/ Penny Jar
May 3 rd	9:00 am	Breakfast Club- TBA
May 5 th	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
May 7 th	10:00 am	Women's Guild Practice
May 8 th	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship/ Women's Sunday
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!		
May 10 th	9:00 am	Breakfast Club- TBA
May 12 th	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
May 15 th	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship
May 17 th	9:00 am	Breakfast Club- TBA
	6:30 pm	Council/Boards Meetings
May 18 th	JUNE/ JULY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	
May 19 th	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
May 22 nd	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship
May 24 th	9:00 am	Breakfast Club- TBA
May 26 th	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
May 29 th	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship
May 30 th	MEMORIAL DAY – OFFICE CLOSED	
May 31 st	9:00 am	Breakfast Club- TBA

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CE DIRECTOR JESSILOU IS AVAILABLE!

.... In person or by phone or email as needed:

church office 585-352-3448

cell phone or text: 585-397-8766

office hours by appointment

email: christianeducation@spencerportucc.org



SUNDAY'S COOL LEARNS TO DRAW!

Our resident professional artist, Leonard Ippolito will host a drawing lesson for our Sunday's Cool kids! They will learn the step by step process of drawing a lion! Please join us in Sunday's Cool for this fun opportunity!



SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR BACKPACKS!

The Board of Christian Ed has a program to support the needs of local migrant families with school aged children. We are collecting school supplies throughout the next several months with the intent to fill as many backpacks as possible to give to needy kids. A big hello to our friend Karissa Jackson! February was pens and pencils. March was scissors and glue sticks. **April is Colored Pencils and Markers.** There is a box in the Fellowship Hall for these donations if you feel inspired to help. Thank you in advance!

MAILINGS & ZOOM RESURRECTED for LENT

Jessilou is hosting a Lenten zoom program for our Teens on Thursday evenings at 7pm. The weekly online gatherings will explore the five senses of the Lenten journey: smell, touch, taste, sight and sound. On March 17th we explored SMELL by examining spikenard oil. On March 24th we explored TOUCH by examining Thorns. On March 30th we will be examining TASTE by trying vinegar. In April we will talk about Sight & Sound. Each of these elements can be found in the story of Christ's days before his crucifixion. For more information, please contact Jessilou.



PENNY JAR NEWS

In March we accepted donations for homeless animals. This was a cause that the children wanted to support. Due to the recent influx of animals to Lollypop Farm, we will divert our collected funds to them. In April, we are asking for contributions to **Cameron Community Ministries.** Thank you in advance for your continued support!



CHILDREN'S CHOIR FOR EASTER SUNDAY!

As we have in previous years, the Sunday's Cool children will be sharing a special song with the congregation on Easter. We will have practices during Sunday's Cool. Children who attend the Easter service will receive a basket of goodies!

PLASTIC LAKES PROJECT 2022!

In May, we will once again host the annual PLP Lake Clean up! Several churches have already expressed an interest in participating in this important event. Watch for more information!

SPPT COMMUNITY TEEN PROGRAM (SYM)

The Board of Christian Education has contacted local churches to create a combined Spencerport Youth Group. So far, 3 churches have responded. We will meet monthly starting on April 30th to start planning. Contact Jessilou for more information!

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**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,
SPENCERPORT UCC
APRIL 2022**



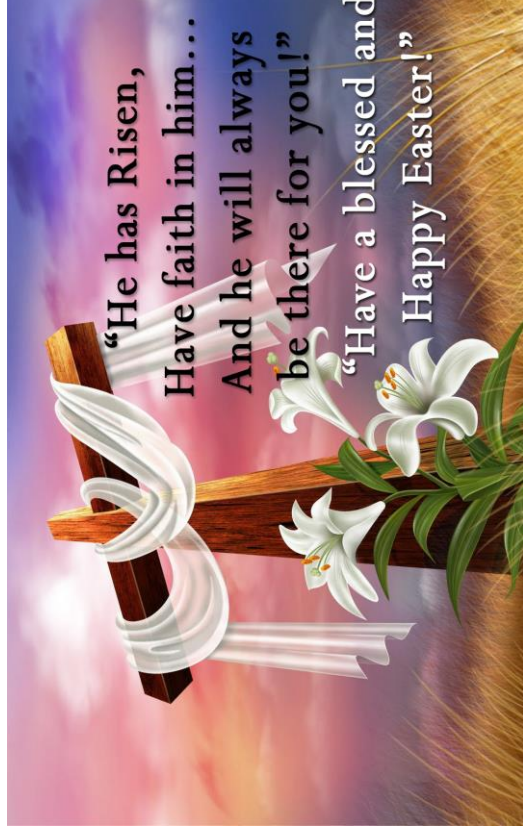
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9:00 Choir Rehearsal 10:00 -Worship/ Penny Jar		9:00 – Breakfast Club @ Slayton Place (26 Slayton Ave)	7:00 pm Lenten Zoom Program	Noon CE Board Meeting 7:00 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Teen Zoom Series: 5 Senses of Lent: TASTE		9;15 – Women’s Guild Meeting
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
65 Church Street
Spencerport, NY 14559-1311**

Newsletter

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****LOOK INSIDE FOR DETAILS****



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**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Sunday Worship: 10:00 am

Telephone: (585) 352-3448

Web site: www.spencerportucc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/SpencerportUCC

Pastor: Rev. Michael Sloan (1-309-262-6543 - cell)

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