



The Fonda Reformed Church

# Newsletter

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Prepare  
YOUR



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LIFT UP YOUR HANDS TO  
HIM IN PRAYER

*Loving God, I pray that you will comfort those that are suffering, lend skill to the hands of their healers, and bless the means used for their cure. Give them such confidence in the power of your grace, that even when they are afraid, they may put their whole trust in you; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen*

If you would like to add or remove someone on the prayer list please let the church office know (518)853-3621 or [fondareformedchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:fondareformedchurch@yahoo.com) Thank you!!

***Please continue to pray  
for those who grieve.***

**Please pray for our missions:**

The Ford family as they retire from the mission field and settle into their new home in Virginia  
Haven of Hope Farm & Residence

**Other prayer requests:**

Our Shut-ins  
Students  
Ministries of our church  
Government leaders  
Our service men and women, and their families  
Family & friends separated from Jesus Christ  
Those who are struggling through hardships.

**Individuals with health concerns:**

Willie E. Baker (C. Henry)  
Paula Frasier Bobilin  
Wayne Bobilin  
Lois Brockey (K. Patterson)  
Cherie Craig (M. White)  
Jaye Evangelista  
Rebecca Finn (G. Kimball)  
Bryan Finn, SR (G. Kimball)  
Laurie Fischer  
Joan Francisco  
Vernon Francisco, Jr.  
Carla Goodwin (Tina Belfance)  
Jay Hine  
Gus Joyce (B. Marshall)  
Sue Sammons Kennedy  
Stacy Kimball  
Megan Kucel  
Lisa Knapp (Pete Perez)  
Sebastian Lasher (Rob Garren)  
Bob Langdon  
Rosanne Lybolt  
Tara Nimmo (D. Klim)  
Art Marshall  
Anas Mashhadi  
Kaden McRedmond  
Pat Mosher  
Carol Y Persse (N. Langdon)  
Andrea Rogers  
Hunter Rose  
Wendy Sargalis (C. Bruno)  
Robert Smith (L Huth)  
Deana Smith (B. Guiffre)  
James Santangelo (B. Guiffre)  
Sue Swanson  
Helen Tarvin (C. Henry)  
Steve Urbanczyk (Blackwood)  
Bob VanAlstyne (M Francisco)  
Carolyn Whipple  
Lu Wilmot  
Judy Wilson  
Sarah Woodcock  
Albert Zierak (N. Sheldon)



Dear Friends,

We are beginning a season of food. From the candy of Halloween, through the turkey and stuffing of Thanksgiving, holiday cookies, party munchies and Christmas dinner, we will spend a lot of time eating in the next two months.

But not all of the people in our area will have the luxury of worrying about holiday weight gain. Montgomery County, New York is the second highest county in the state for food insecurity. Feeding America defines food insecurity as, “Food insecurity occurs when a household cannot access enough food due to a lack of money and other essential resources. It is often linked to one or multiple factors that lead to food insecurity, creating a cycle that can be hard to break. These factors can be related to household income, expenses, access to affordable health care, the surrounding social and physical environment, and barriers to opportunity which play a role in preventing some households and communities from being food secure.”

Our county has a poverty rate of 15%, with a childhood poverty rate of 21.4%. If you live elsewhere, the numbers may be lower, but they are growing as programs that help are cut. More and more families will be turning to local programs – such as NOAH, food banks, and school backpack programs – to make sure that they have food on the table, especially for their children.

Hunger has become a political issue, but for those of us who serve Christ, it should be a matter of primary importance.

The Gospel of Matthew has Jesus telling of the coming day of judgement in which he will sort people. And he will tell one group, “‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’”

The confused followers ask when they did these things, as they had no memory of helping Jesus. His reply, “‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”

Brothers and sisters, now is the time for us to step up for the least of these. There are hungry around us, and we are called to help. It can seem overwhelming, but if all of us care, we can help.

So buy the extra canned goods for the food drive. Find a local food pantry and volunteer. Call your school and see if they send home backpacks of food on weekends or have children who can't afford to buy their lunch. Contact government officials and let them know that feeding people is a priority for you and why. Volunteer with an organization that helps seniors or veterans make sure that they have food available. Even if you think there is no hunger in your area, if you look, it is there, and there is someone who is working to help. Or if no one is helping, consider if God is calling you to be that someone.

*“If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk, and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness,” - Isaiah 58:10*

Shalom  
Pastor Linda

## WORSHIP IN THE MONTH of November

November 2

**All Saint's Sunday with Communion**

Disciples Affirm Resurrection Hope—Ephesians 1:11-23

November 9

Disciples Live by Faith—Job 19:23-27a

November 16

Disciples Take their Faith Public—Isaiah 65:17-25

November 23

**Christ the King Sunday**

Disciples Give Ultimate Allegiance to Christ—Colossians 1:11-20

November 30

First Sunday of Advent—Isaiah 2:1-5 & Matthew 24:36-44

Communion

## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP for November

November 2

Abram & Sarai

November 9

Moses & the Burning Bush

November 16

David the Shepherd

November 23

The Temple, a House for God

November 30

Advent 1: The Prophets Show  
The Way to Bethlehem

### Zoom meeting information

Our worship information is the same each week Please feel free to save this sheet with the log in information!

**Topic:** Fonda Reformed Church Sunday Worship

**Meeting ID:** 481 802 235

**Password:** 233126

**Telephone audio:** 929-205-6099 (New York)

We are also on Facebook Live—you can watch live or catch up with the recording later.

[www.facebook.com/fondareformedchurch](https://www.facebook.com/fondareformedchurch)

## **Consistory**

**Consistory meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm**

### **Elders**

Bob Kruger

Dave Patterson

Jill Perez

Deb Silvernail

### **Deacons**

Dave Delaney

Judy Ferguson

Rob Garren

Tom Hoefs

# November Calendar

Saturday	1	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting
Sunday	2	9:30am 10:30am 11:30am	Praise Practice and Sunday School Worship After-Service Coffee Hour
Monday	3	8:30-11am 6:30pm	Mom's Morning Out Girl Scouts
Tuesday	4	10:30am-1pm	Glen-Mohawk Seniors
Wednesday	5	8:30-11am 2:30-4:30pm 7pm	Mom's Morning Out Fonda-Fultonville Food Pantry Praise Practice
Thursday	6	12pm 7pm	Pastor Linda Facebook LIVE Ladies Bible Study
Friday	7	6:15am 8:30-11am	Men's Bible Study Mom's Morning Out
Saturday	8	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting
Sunday	9	9:30am 10:30am 11:30am	Praise Practice and Sunday School Worship After-Service Coffee Hour
Monday	10	8:30-11am 6:30pm	Mom's Morning Out Girl Scouts
Tuesday	11	6:30pm	Consistory Meeting
Wednesday	12	8:30-11am 2:30-4:30pm 7pm	Mom's Morning Out Fonda-Fultonville Food Pantry Praise Practice
Thursday	13	12pm 7pm	Pastor Linda Facebook LIVE Ladies Bible Study
Friday	14	6:15am 8:30-11am	Men's Bible Study Mom's Morning Out
Saturday	15	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting
Sunday	16	9:30am 10:30am 11:30am 12:00 pm	Praise Practice and Sunday School Worship After-Service POTLUCK NOAH

# November Calendar

Monday	17	8:30-11am 6:30pm	Mom's Morning Out Girl Scouts
Tuesday	18	10:30am-1pm 6:30pm	Glen-Mohawk Seniors Girl Scouts
Wednesday	19	8:30-11am 2:30-4:30pm 6:30pm 7pm	Mom's Morning Out Fonda-Fultonville Food Pantry Joint Consistory Meeting with Johnstown (in Fellowship Hall) Praise Practice
Thursday	20	12pm 7pm	Pastor Linda Facebook LIVE Ladies Bible Study
Friday	21	6:15am 8:30-11am	Men's Bible Study Mom's Morning Out
Saturday	22	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting
Sunday	23	9:30am 10:30am 11:30am	Praise Practice and Sunday School Worship After-Service Coffee Hour
Monday	24	8:30-11am 6:30pm	Mom's Morning Out Girl Scouts
Tuesday	25		NO Seniors—Thanksgiving Break
Wednesday	26	2:30-4:30pm 7pm	Pastor Linda away (11/26-28) Fonda-Fultonville Food Pantry Praise Practice
Thursday	27		HAPPY THANKSGIVING! 
Friday	28	6:15am	Men's Bible Study
Saturday	29	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting
Sunday	30	9:30am 10:30am 11:30am	Praise Practice and Sunday School Worship with Communion After-Service Coffee Hour



## NOVEMBER Birthdays

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|----|------------------|----|---------------------|
| 2  | Joyce Tarshis    | 17 | Ashleigh Coons      |
| 3  | Cindy Mitchell   | 18 | Gloria Kimball      |
| 4  | Kathie LaBarge   | 21 | Kitty Adams         |
| 6  | James Mokay      | 22 | Lauren Carpenter    |
| 7  | Bradley Coons    | 23 | Eve Butler          |
| 8  | Mark Nare        | 24 | Sharon Carpenter    |
| 9  | Jennie Wadsworth |    | Roger Wilmot        |
|    | Daniel Patterson | 25 | Judd Kirschman      |
| 12 | Scott Woodcock   |    | Brooke Bellinger    |
|    | Justin LaBarge   |    | Jacob Perez         |
| 13 | Anne Hine        |    | Taylor Perez        |
| 15 | Ryley Myers      | 26 | Tom Hoefs           |
|    | Emma Smith       |    | Kati Channell       |
|    | Craig LaBarge    | 27 | Melissa Livingstone |
|    |                  |    | Julie Burr          |

## NOVEMBER Anniversaries

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|----|----------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 4  | Larry and Denise Hayes     | 25 | Tony and Gloria Bruno |
| 5  | Paul and Bonnie Jo Kruger  |    |                       |
| 6  | Bill and Sherrie Gray      |    |                       |
| 18 | Peter and Jennifer Carelli |    |                       |

Congratulations on your special days!  
May you be blessed this day and every day

**We apologize if we missed your birthday or anniversary.** If we did, it probably means we don't have it. Please let the Church Office know of birthdays or anniversaries to be included, or if any of the information needs to be corrected.

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**Between small groups, serving our church or serving the community we want to encourage you to find what fits you the best and get involved!**

### **Wednesday Evenings Praise Practice**

If you're musically gifted, give Karen Patterson a shout. Practice is on Wednesdays at 7pm and on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am before the church service.

### **Thursday Night Women's Bible Study**

Ladies Bible Study meets on Thursday nights at 7pm. Please come and join us. We are a fun-loving group of women from different churches who gather to discuss God's Word. We are currently studying "Unless We Pray" by Todd Smith.. You may contact Sherri Gray (518)332-2512 or Gretchen Subik (518)848-2682 for more information

### **Friday Men's Bible Study**

On Fridays, 6:15am is the time for men to meet. Contact Dave Patterson if you'd like to join in!

### **Saturday Morning Early Risers!**

There is an early-morning ONLINE prayer group for you early risers! Join us at 6:00 am to start your day in a wonderful way! For more information or assistance setting up Zoom please contact Debbie Silvernail. dsilvernail@ffcsd.org

### **Sunday**

The Sunday school year has begun and meets every Sunday at 9:30am, before the church service each week.

### **Volunteer for Worship**

There are also opportunities to get involved in the worship service. Have you considered reading scripture, lighting candles or hosting a coffee hour?  
Sign-ups can be found on the table in the upstairs atrium.

### **Interested in exploring a deeper connection to Christ by joining the church?**

Please speak to Pastor Linda or one of the Elders.

**The Food Pantry is always looking for reliable, dedicated volunteers to help feed our community. From picking up food, organizing shelves, cleaning the pantry to working a Wednesday time slot... there is a space for you! Contact Steve Cook 518-853-3513**

**If you have ideas on how to help our community we would love to hear them so please let us know!  
We would love to team up and do awesome things!**

	<b>Church Office</b>	<b>518-853-3621</b>
Pastor	Linda Gold	518-853-2130
Treasurer	Doug Hall	518-848-9557
Music Director	Karen Patterson	518-684-0321
Custodian	Ronnie Pollock	518-853-3296
Sunday School Director	Cindy Mitchell	518-853-3712
Finance Ministry	Nancy Langdon	518-853-1224
Worship Ministry	Bonnie Kruger	518-853-4398
Prayer Chain	Peg LaBarge	518-853-4318
Building & Property	Peter Perez	518-774-0585
Hospitality Ministry	Gretchen Subik	518-853-3678
Outreach Ministry		518-853-3621
Fonda Food Pantry	Steve Cook	518-853-3513





## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

We'll be packing shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse again this year. Last year's boxes went to Peru. Shoeboxes & a brochure that explains the program are available to take home. We're also collecting funds for items and shipping the boxes. If you have extra new school supplies, personal care items or small toys, pass them to Barb, Sharon or Gretchen. Let's see if we can send 50 boxes this year!  
(Boxes are due back by November 16th)

### **Thanksgiving Baskets**



### **Thanksgiving Food Baskets**

We are looking for donations for our Thanksgiving food baskets—if you are able to donate either pasta sauce and/or boxed macaroni & cheese, it would be a wonderful and appreciated addition to our baskets! We are also looking for a donation of bread or monetary donation to purchase bread as well. Please contact Bonnie Kruger and have donations in by **November 16th**, thank you!

### **NOAH—Needy or Alone and Hungry**

This program serves a free meal every Sunday to between 60-150 people. FRC has a team that prepares and serves these meals several times throughout the year.

**Our next date, and final of the year is December 8th**

If you are interested in helping next year, please contact Sherri Grey for more information and to sign up



***“Count Your Blessings” with Inspirational Speaker: Julie Seitz***

*Monday, November 10, 2025 \*11:30 a.m.*

*Holiday Inn, Route 30A, N. Comrie Avenue, Johnstown*

*\$19.50 (Pay at the door.)*

**MENU: Panko Baked Haddock with Rice & Peas or Chef Salad**

**Mountain Valley Hospice with Bonnie Orth**

*Complimentary childcare is available upon request at time of reservation.  
For reservations, call Patti 518-842-1997 or [womenTOconnect@gmail.com](mailto:womenTOconnect@gmail.com)*



## Glen-Mohawk Seniors

The Glen-Mohawk Senior Citizens Group meets **every Tuesday at 10:30 am** at the Fonda Reformed Church Hall. Anyone over the age of 55 is welcome to attend a meeting and see what we are about. Our meetings usually last about an hour and light refreshments are served. We are a very active group, go on trips and have interesting guest speakers and entertainment at our meetings! We welcome new members.

**November 13th:** We also have \$8 Senior Movie Days at Johnstown Movieplex which includes popcorn & a drink!

**And a Free movie** each month at the Johnstown Holiday Inn. This month's movie will show on November 24th, 11:30-1:30. "An Old Fashioned Thanksgiving" starring Jacqueline Bisset and based on the short story by Louisa May Alcott, the author of "Little Women". Contact Gloria if attending. If you are interested in joining or have questions, please contact President Joe Mancini at 518-853-4875 or Vice President Gloria Kimball at 518-853-3126.

FYI:

The Seniors are planning a wonderful trip to Wildwood, NJ and want to get the word out early!

Join them on a trip that's sure to be fun and memorable, with a package that includes so much, you won't want to miss it!


**GLEN-MOHAWK SENIORS**


PRESENTS...

# Wildwood, NJ Extravaganza

**May 18- 22, 2026      5 Days & 4 Nights**

**Package Includes:**

- \*Roundtrip Motorcoach Transportation
- \*4 nights deluxe accommodations at an Oceanfront Hotel
- \*4 full breakfasts at your hotel
- \*A Night of Special Entertainment
- \*Pizza luncheon on the Famed Wildwood Boardwalk
- \*Ice Cream social at Cool Scoops Ice Cream
- \*4 sumptuous dinners at fine local restaurants including a Meal Voucher in Atlantic City, NJ
- \*Visit to an Atlantic City Casino with Bonus Package
- \*Sightseeing Dolphin Watch Boat Cruise
- \*A visit to the famed Wildwood Boardwalk
- A visit to Historic Smithville, NJ
- \*A visit to Victorian Cape May, NJ
- \*Visit to Sunset Beach & Cape May Lighthouse
- \*All Taxes, Baggage & Meal Gratuities
- \*Services of the Senior Excursions Staff

**Inclusions are Subject to Change Per Trip**

**Package Price: \$635.00 / pp dbl**  
**Singles Add \$150.00**

**For Information & Reservations Contact**  
**Judy Russo @ 518-401-6008**

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