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EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH-664-5204

September 2009



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Worship in September

- Sept 6 - Last week of Summer
worship w/Mechanicville UMC**
**Sept 13- Sunday School and Fall
worship schedule begins**
Sept 20- Mission Trip presentation
Sept 27 - TBA

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*From your Temporary
Shepherd.....*

Goodbye, Summer!

Summer has never been my favorite season. It's often too hot, too humid, too buggy, too muggy, and there's no real sense of routine by which to center my days and weeks. Of course, there are also nice things - such as vacation, beach, ocean, lobster and out-of-town friends. But for the most part, I could skip summer.

Many churches have a "down" time during the summer, which is another reason for not liking it. I don't think I've ever seen one that scatters as much as this one does. But one of the things that make the separation worthwhile is coming back together again in the fall. You've heard me say before that September is more of a "new year" for me than January. It is filled with new energy and new focus as all sorts of things begin again. It is indeed my favorite season.

As we gather for worship on Sunday, after more than a month away from the building, we return knowing that it is not quite the same. It has been repaired and cleaned, but even if it hadn't, there would be a sense of newness, or beginning, as we come back to our own sacred space.

I don't know how long we will be together, none of us does. But whether I am here or not, there is much to do as the new church year begins. It will be a time of significant decisions, not only about new leadership, but also building space,

Church Ministries

Education Ministries

Sunday school begins at 9:45 on Sunday, September 13th. Our classes are:

Laurie Bobear & Becky Dixon grades 5-8
Mary Beth Fusco grades 9-12.

We encourage you to join our classes. We are looking for volunteers for Children's Church. We are also looking for substitute Sunday school teachers to fill in when our teachers are unavailable; if interested, please let our teachers know you can be called upon

Youth News

Youth Group Schedule:

Sun., Sept. 6: **Church Clean-up.** Meet at Emmanuel United immediately following the morning service (9:30 –10:30 a.m.) at the Methodist Church. Bring crappy clothes, as we will be dusting down and vacuuming the sanctuary. We should be approximately 2-3 hours, tops. Lunch information to follow.

Service

Sun., Sept. 13: **Organizational Meeting & Pizza Party.** Meet in the Round Room immediately following the service (back at Emmanuel – 11:00 a.m. service). Pizza and soda will be provided, and we will be talking about the new school year – some old favorites return with a few new (hopefully for the better!) changes. **Social**

Sun., Sept. 20: **#1. Missions Trip Sunday.**

If you attended the Summer Missions Trip, please plan to be in attendance for this. John Fusco, Jr. will lead a Power Point Presentation on the trip, and you will be asked to say a few words about the trip and what it meant to you. See John for further information. **Other**

#2. Movie. Meet in the Round Room at 1:00 p.m. Lunch is beforehand and on your own. We will watch the movie and discuss next month. We should be approximately two hours. **Study**

Youth Group Schedule. Cont.

Sat., Sept. 26: **Mechanicville City-Wide Yard Sale & Bake Sale.** Bring any items your family no longer needs but that are still usable, as well as a baked good for the bake sale. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the church, rain or shine, and set up outside or in the Round Room (in case of rain). We will pack up at 1:00 p.m. Bring money for lunch. **Fundraiser**

Dates To Remember:

The Town-Wide Yard Sale is on Sat., Sept. 26. The youth group will once again have a booth at church, and it's not too early to hoe out and put things aside for the sale. Also, let Vera know if you can help that day. (Set-up and take-down is when help is most needed.)

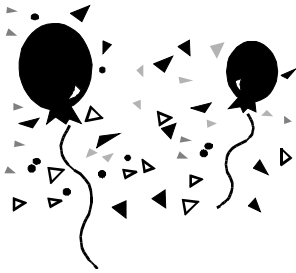
Fall Road Trip to Springbrook – We have tentatively scheduled a trip to Springbrook (formerly the Upstate Home) in Oneonta, for Sat., Oct. 24. Springbrook is a residential home for severely handicapped children and adults, and we're hoping that people of all ages can attend. It is well worth the trip, especially if you haven't been there in awhile. We will stop at Brooks for world famous barbeque chicken on the way home, We need to know how many are attending before we can confirm the date. If you are planning on it, please let Vera Petronis, Laurie Salmon, or Pastor Jerrie know. If you would like to go, but the date isn't good, let us know that too.



Church Growth and Care Ministries

Please send in articles for the October newsletter **by September 24th**. You can leave them in the office or E-mail them to: eucmech@yahoo.com. Thank you!

September Milestones

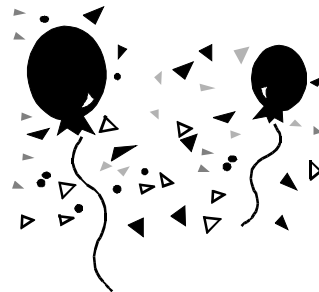


Birthdays

1-Laurie Salmon
2-Phil Dixon
4-Darlene Salmon
9-Tammy Panetta
9-Olive Sommer
10-Bob Salmon
26-Charles Sommer
29-Becky Dixon

Anniversaries

7-Stacy & Daniel Mack



“Special Thanks”

A thank you to **Kevin McCormack** and his work crew on fixing the church wall and ceiling.
(Helper # 1 Jim Salmon)

Also From the Trustees: Keep your eyes open for an upcoming work day. Date TBA

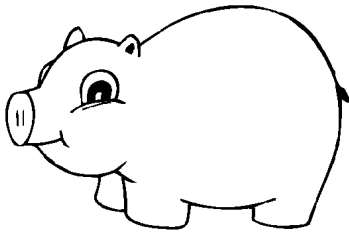
A late, but heartfelt thank you to **Phil and Becky Dixon** for donating a new paper shredder to the church office. The old one was coughing its way through single sheets of paper. If you need to shred something, it is located next to the office desk.



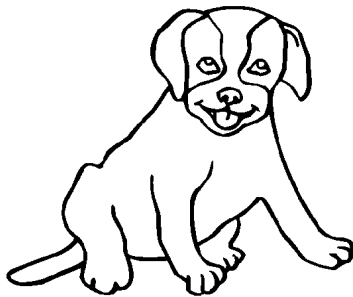
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Animals

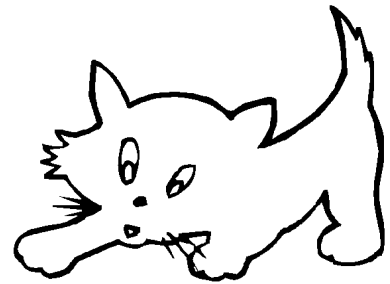
All parents try to teach their children. Animals teach their babies. Unscramble the words to find the names of these baby animals.



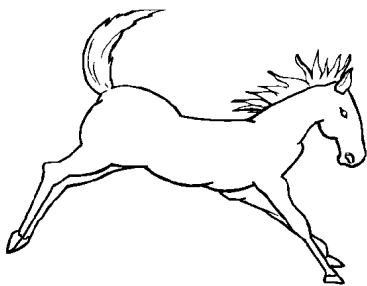
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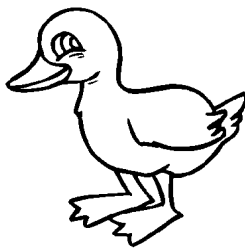
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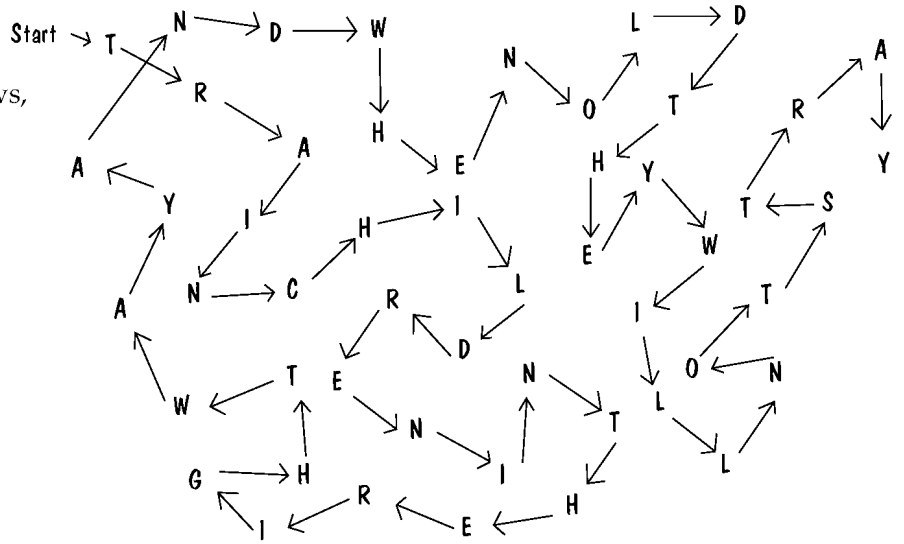


N B U Y N

Answer: Piglet, puppy, kitten, foal, duckling, bunny

Hidden Message

Start with T and, following the arrows, write each letter in the blanks.



Answer: Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray.

Proverbs 22:6

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 <i>Youth Group mini work Day</i>	7	8	9	10 <i>7:00 Choir</i>	11	12
13 <i>Fall Schedule and Sunday School Resumes</i>	14	15	16	17 <i>7:00 Choir</i>	18	19
20 <i>Youth Missions Trip Sunday Movie and Discussion</i>	21	22	23	24 <i>7:00 Choir</i>	25	26 <i>City Wide Garage Sale</i>
27	28	29	30	<p>Pastor Jerrie Away Sept. 25-27 Kris' wedding</p> 		
				<p>Fall Worship Schedule 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship</p>		