Blessing Of The Animals: In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis come join us for an Ecumenical Service for the Blessing of the Animals, Sunday afternoon October 5th at 1:00 p.m. on the Village Green, sponsored by the Clinton Area Ministerium. The purpose is to bring awareness to the need of pet food to a food bank, often failing to recognize that many folks living on a fixed income, often

alone, have companion animals that need support as well. If you have any

questions, reach out to Pastor Scott Leonard

The Fair Trade Shoppe: Fall days are fun days. Leaf your worries behind! Leaves are falling, autumn is calling. Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower! Calm your skin and your mind as you wrap yourself in the mild ginger and woodsy scent of our Sandalwood Soap from India. A natural anti-inflammatory and antioxidant with antibacterial properties, turmeric soothes irritated skin and helps create a more even complexion. Keep your favorite canine warm with our adorable Striped Dog Sweater! Knit by loving artisans in Ecuador. These and MANY, MANY MORE uniquely handcrafted gift items from 38 different countries can be found at our FAIR TRADE SHOP, STONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 8 SO. PARK ROW, CLINTON. Our regular hours are 10am to 4pm every Thursday, SECOND SATURDAYS and by appointment by calling 315-853-1070. Purchasing fair trade items ensures artisans and small farmers fair wages and healthy working conditions, providing dignity, sustainable development and hope for marginalized people. LET US BE YOUR GO-TO GIFT SHOP! Visit us at https://buildingstonesshoppe.square.site or www.facebook.com/buildingstonesfairtradeshoppe.

The Country Pantry continues to meet the needs of our community by providing a variety of food. 505 families were provided food at August's distribution plus an additional 70 families by transport volunteers. The pantry is accepting \$10 donations to sponsor a Thanksgiving meal for one family. Checks should state "sponsor a family" and may be left at church or mailed to The Country Pantry at PO Box 76 Clinton. They also are collecting NEW BLANKETS for their December food drive. As always, all unopened food items are appreciated. Help me fill my car on the 3rd Sunday of every month.

**Hope House:** Stone Church has now designated the <u>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday</u> of the month for us to bring in items for Hope House. Their special needs for this month are coffee, sugar, full size shampoo, conditioner & bar soap. Please contact Lora Schilder (315-790-1945) if you have any questions.



## **CALENDAR**



Thursday -10/02/25: 10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

Sunday – **10/05/25:** 9:30 a.m.

Sunday – **10/05/25:** 10:30 a.m.

Sunday – **10/05/25:** 1:00 p.m.

Fair Trade Shoppe
Choir Practice
Worship
Rlessing of the Anima

Blessing of the Animals



Want to see what else is on the calendar? Go to our Web page – stonepres.org & click on the "CALENDAR ICON"

**Greeter & Host:** Judy LaGasse

<u>Prayer Chain:</u> If you would like to add someone to our prayer list or would like to receive the prayer list for daily prayer, please go to our website www.stonepres.org and click on "Prayer Request"

## Members/Friends of the Week:

Pam & Jack Denison Nancy Smith Carol Steele



## **Special Country Pantry Announcement**

October is Hunger Awareness month. We have received a challenge from FEED NORTHEAST 2025. This challenge is to The Clinton Lions (to benefit the Country Pantry) to collect 500 individual food items in the month of October. Once these donations are received, we will take a picture with the Clinton Lions and the pantry has the possibility of receiving \$500.

## **Prayer Request:**

John Stiefvater

Midge Bakos

Mary Ann Stiefvater

Larry Bakos

Helen Leonard

Skip Beardsall & Family

Bev Miller

Sue Max

Peggy Welden

Michael Britton & Julie Milograno

Tom & Ewa Lawrence

Phil Conley

Nancy & Will Eisenhower

Ruth Hughes

Erik Jones

Andrew Bering