

Welcome Back - Rev. Victor McKusick



**The Women’s Association** will be holding a DRIVE-THRU PIE SALE from 10am to 2pm on Saturday, October 3rd, 2026. Also, we are hoping for donations of pies and help (baking and selling) from our congregation. There are sign-up sheets in the back of the sanctuary. Apple pies seem to be the most requested at this time of year, but all kinds are welcome. The proceeds from this sale will go to the various mission organizations that we support annually. For more information, please contact Ceil Gilbert (315-853-8289), ceilgilbert@yahoo.com or Donna Goodfriend (315-749-4085).

**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 4<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 p.m. on the Village Green by the gazebo. This is 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.

**The Fair Trade Shoppe:** A woman and her daughter were discussing going shopping. The daughter asked, “Where should we go?” The mother replied, “I know where the best gift shop in the area is.” The daughter said, “Where is that?”. The mother answered, “The Fair Trade Shop at the Stone Presbyterian Church, 8 So. Park Row, Clinton.” The daughter exclaimed, “I’m ready, let’s go.” Our regular hours are 10am to 4pm every Thursday, second Saturdays.

**Country Pantry** is gearing up for the fall season. They would like applesauce, cranberry sauce, gravy packets (no glass), peanut butter and jelly. Other donations are always welcome. Please help me fill my car on the **3rd Sunday of every month**. Blessed are those who give!! Thank you!

**Hope House** continues to serve the unhoused and needy of Utica with three meals a day and as a place for daytime shelter. We at Stone Church join their mission once a month by sending three volunteers to serve dinner there. As you know, we have also designated **the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month** as an opportunity to bring in items for Hope House and their guests. Their needs for this month continue to be sugar and coffee, as well as full-sized personal items like shampoo, conditioner, and bar soap. We’re always looking for more people willing to spend a couple of hours (3-5 p.m.) with us on the **4th Monday of the month** serving dinner at Hope House.



CALENDAR



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| Sunday – 09/27/26:   | Worship                | Guest Preacher-Victor McKusick |
| Monday-09/28/26:     | 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  | Hope House                     |
| Thursday – 10/01/26: | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Fair Trade Shoppe              |
| Saturday – 10/03/26: | 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.  | Pie Sale                       |
| Sunday – 10/04/26:   | 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Choir Practice                 |
| Sunday – 10/04/26:   | 10:30 a.m.             | Worship                        |
| Sunday – 10/04/26:   | 1:00 p.m.              | Blessing of the Animals        |



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**Greeter & Host:** Linda Rance

**Members/Friends of the Week:**

Linda Rance  
David & Colleen Geer  
Budge & Anne Gere



**Prayer Request:**

Lee Kelso  
Ryan  
Midge Bakos  
Grace & Frank Whittemore  
Mary Ann Stiefvater  
Tom & Ewa Lawrence  
Ruth Hughes  
Andrew Bering  
The Coordinating Council of the  
Presbytery of Utica