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From the Pastor...

By now, kids everywhere are back to school and settling in to their new routines. For some kids, going back to school is an exciting time. They get to see friends they haven't seen all summer. They get shiny new school supplies, trendy clothes, and brand-new pens, pencils, and notebooks. For others, the back to school grind is harder. They are scared about new classes and assignments. They feel like they don't quite fit in anywhere.

One thing is true for all of them, however, they will learn new things and grow up a bit more as the year progresses. Every one will gain new knowledge and skills before the year is out.

Perhaps as adults, we've forgotten what it means to be in school. I was lucky to have been a relatively good student back in the day, but there were still times I struggled. (You all know that math isn't one of my strong suits!) Through college and seminary, I had to use the knowledge I gained and build on it so that I could apply my lessons to my life and work. Even now, I continue to read and

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South Montrose Community Church

Located on Route 29 in South Montrose
Right next to Robinson's Market

Sunday Worship	9:30am
Nursery Care and Junior Church available	
Sunday School for all ages	10:45am
Senior Choir practice	7:00pm, Sundays

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Calendar of Events

September 6	Holy Communion
September 13	Sunday School Kickoff
September 13	Senior Choir rehearsal resumes
September 17	PPRC meeting
September 19	Fall Festival
September 20	Worship at Gracious Living, 3pm
September 22	Church Board meeting
September 27	Invite-a-Friend Sunday

Wyoming Conference Events

September 9/10	Clergy Abuse Training
September 12	Volunteers in Mission Training
September 19	Green Church Forum, Oneonta



study so that I learn new things.

Next on my reading list is “The Gospel According to Bruce Springsteen: Rock and Redemption”.

As believers, we should never stop learning. It’s easy to sit back and just attend church every Sunday and think that’s sufficient. But we also need to let our faith grow stronger and deeper. We do that by reading and studying God’s Word, through prayer, and by participating in groups that challenge our ways of thinking and believing. We can also spend time reading books about faith and practice. We must not let our faith get soft because we don’t use it.

So I challenge everyone to keep learning. Go back to school yourselves. Experience something new. I promise you will be blessed for it!

Pastor Margie



Sunday School News

Sunday School will resume on Sunday, September 13. We will have a very special event for all ages beginning at 10:45am. Join us for our own version of “Jeopardy!” and test your Bible knowledge. All ages are welcome for this fun event. prizes will be awarded to our winners.

Regular classes will begin on September 20. We have classes from Preschool through Adults.

The Adults class will begin a study on World Religions on September 20. We will be learning more about many different faith practices around the world.

September 20	Introduction
September 27	Judaism
October 4	Islamic Religions
October 11	Hinduism
October 18	Buddhism
October 25	Scientology
November 1	Wicca
November 8	New Age Spirituality
November 15	Wrap-up



Fall Festival

Come out and join us for our Annual Fall Festival and Pig Roast on Saturday, September 20. You can bring home some delicious baked goods and have a meal of freshly-cooked Pork BBQ. Make sure you get there early...BBQ often sells out before 2pm.

September Celebrations

- 4 Alice Porter
- 9 Sherry Weller
- 15 Nic Remington
- 21 Matthew Hinds
- 30 John McCarty
- 30 Cassy Salsman
- 21 Rick and Dawn Arnold
- 24 Mike and Mary Hinds

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