

OUR MISSION

**A WELCOMING FAMILY OF
GOD REACHING OUT TO ALL
IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST**

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Tom Osborne.

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Vashta Osborne, Regina
Einbeck, Courtney & Patrick
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Helen Gydesen

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October 2025 Newsletter

Pastor Elizabeth's Effervescent Elaborations

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,^[a]
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

² Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;
worship the LORD in holy splendor.

Psalm 29:1-2

Worship. That word came to mind as I began to understand coming down the steps off of the plane in Longyearbyen, Svalbard that I was actually at the top of the world. Well, close enough for government work anyway at 78 degrees north latitude. All I could do was praise God! All I could do was *worship*! Again, as I sat and listened to the church choir warm up in the northern most church in the world, I could only *worship*! Once more, as we travelled to Ny-Alesund at 79 degrees north latitude, the northern most community in the world, and as I gazed in wonder at the glaciers that encompassed my view, and witnessed the reindeer that came into town to graze on the moss upon the soft ground, as well as witness the arctic fox cub that almost ran over my feet, all I could do was *worship*! We continued travelling to 83 degrees north latitude and embarked into zodiac boats to explore the sea ice that surrounded us. I lost my phone in the Arctic Ocean while stepping onto a piece of sea ice and all I could do was *worship*! I was as close as I was ever going to get to the North Pole. I was at the top of the world and felt very

close to God! Later that afternoon while continuing to traverse the sea ice we saw our first

polar bear at 400 meters out in front of the ship. She was a curious one and decided to come over and investigate this large funny looking piece of ice that had invaded her territory. She came to within 50 feet of the ship and as most of us took pictures all I could do was be amazed without my camera that was on my phone in the Arctic Ocean and *worship!* So many other adventures we had, stunning panoramic views we witnessed, and amazing animals encountered and the best I could do was **worship!**

Many blessings and much love,

Pastor Elizabeth



Deacons Meeting Highlights

- Mary will purchase Walmart and Stewarts gift cards for reserve.
- Received a Thank You note from Port Leyden Food Pantry for our donation.
- A copy of the minutes are in Kathy's office.

Forest Friends (Women's Association) Highlights

- It was voted the thrift store be closed for donations from September 20th thru October 13th, for some needed cleaning and organizing.
- The free community coat giveaway will be October 11th from 9am to 6:00pm One day only.
- THE FALL BAZAAR WILL BE NOVEMBER 1st. 10 TO 2:00PM.
- We held our election of officers: President-Susan Stratton, Vice President-Vashta Osborne, Secretary-Pat Houck, Treasurer-Katie Liendecker.
- It was voted Forest Friends will purchase a new TV for the sanctuary; the screen is broken we used with the projector.
- A copy of the minutes are in Kathy's office.
- Our next meeting is October 13th at Bertha Dorrity's.

Forest Finds Highlights

- Forest Finds made \$3,327.52 in August.
- Barb has been busy putting baskets together for the Bazaar.
- Forest Finds held our Holiday Sale on the 27th. It was a huge success. Our remaining items are being donated to the Church in Forestport.
- We have many winter items for our free coat giveaway in October.



**OUR ANNUAL FREE COAT GIVEAWAY IS
OCTOBER 11, 2025 ONE DAY ONLY!!
9 AM – 6 PM
JACKETS, BOOTS, SNOWPANTS, MITTENS,
HATS, SCARVES.
TELL EVERYONE!**

PRAYER CONCERNS: PRAYER CONCERNS: Louise Fox, Darlene Leaf, Julia Sweet, Pat Houck's niece, Kevin Ward, Bob Teal, Erica Montemayor (Lois' niece) and Rich Mayo (Lois' nephew), Michael Stanford, Susie Kranbuhl, Peg Pitcher, Sarah Durst, John Hazard, Neil Austin, Regina Einbeck, Jennifer Lemberger, Shawn Fitzgerald, Sue Levesque, Marta Louvet, Courtney Adriance, Shela Luther, Sherry Mathis, Nancy Newton, Janet Gydesen, Jerry Duink, Laurie Rutan, Tim Kranbuhl, Chris Broadbent, Jim Wilcox, Marie Duink, Bob Jones, Ginny Fitzgerald, Ron Perini, Carol Kunkel, George Gydesen, Sue Busch, Linda Duncan & nephew Gregory, Those who have lost loved ones, our church, session, deacons, and pastoral leadership.



We pray for our members of the Armed Forces: Jason Beadore, Steven Potter, Bryan Monnat, Travis Post, Caleb Post, and Dustin Post.

Here is a thought provoking saying; being shared from Tricia

**When you pray--God Listens
When you listen--God speaks
When you believe--God works**

SVALBARD

The Final Frontier

October 19, 2025

11:15am - 12:30pm

(After church)

All are invited to take a journey to the Arctic and witness its beauty and power as seen through the eyes of Pastor Elizabeth.



Village Information:

NOTICE:

****TRASH PICKUP FOR VILLAGE RESIDENTS****

Monday, Oct 6, 2025. the following streets will be picked up: Park Place, Laura Street, Franklin Street, High Street, South Street, Gorham Street and Fulton Street.

Tuesday, October 7, 2025. the following streets will be picked up: Center Street, Lower McAlpine (includes the three residences below the Community Bank only), Edgewood Drive and Markham Street.

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 the following streets will be picked up: Dock Street, Charlotte Street, New Street, Continental Circle, Belmont Street, Cherry Street, Samson Terrace and Upper McAlpine Street (this includes all other residences located on Mc Alpine Street) and Route 12.

PLEASE HAVE YOUR TRASH OUT ON THE DATE SPECIFIED FOR YOUR STREET BY 7am. The DPW will not be making a second pass.

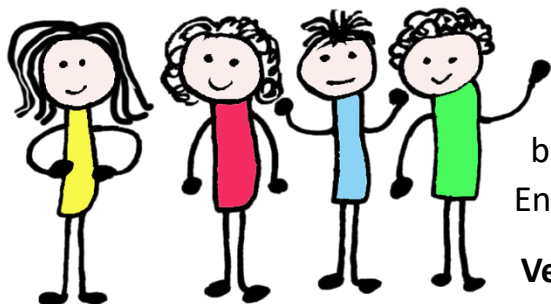
No appliances, furniture, mattresses, paint cans, construction debris, glass, tires or tire tubes, liquid batteries or batteries of any type and liquids of any type will NOT be picked up.

Trash pickup is for Village residents only!

Please help us to continue this valuable service for our residents. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

All loose trash must be bagged. Wood must be cut in 4' lengths and tied in 12" diameter bundles and must not exceed 60 LBS in weight. Trash will not be picked up if it's loose or dumped in piles, The exception being that all electronics: including televisions, radios, computers, ect must be placed in a separate pile away from trash.

****We will no longer be picking up leaves after October 24th.****



Forest Friends Annual Bazaar

Saturday, November 1, 10 am to 2 pm. Forest Finds will be closed that day. Enter the Bazaar at the Center Street Entrance.

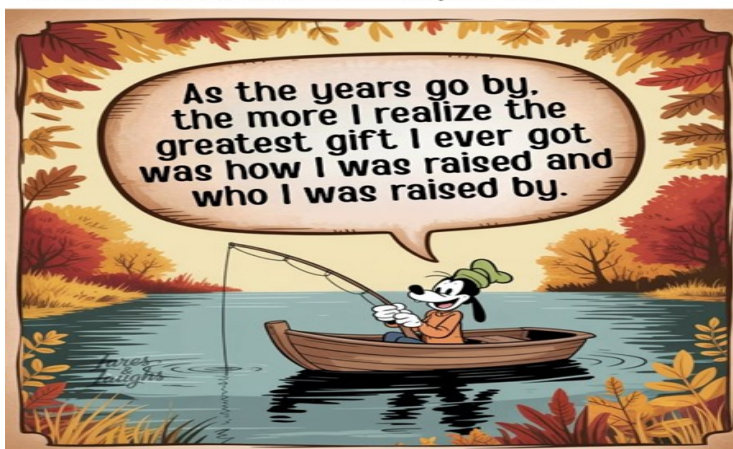
Vendors this year will be down stairs in the Fellowship Hall.

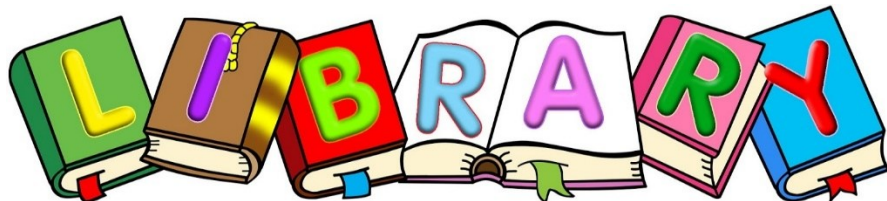
The **bake sale** will have our delicious home made goodies. If you'd like to contribute baked goods please contact Pat Houck, 315-397-2710. I understand Shela Luther's famous baked beans will be one of the many items.

The café will have soups and sandwiches. You are welcome to sit and enjoy or request take outs.

Barb Oeschger will be creating **numerous baskets for the basket auction**. The auction ends at 1:30 pm, so get your tickets early.

Grateful for the roots that shaped me.





Saturday, October 4th, Lego Club 10AM - Noon

Saturday, October 18th, Fall Festival w/ a visit from the Utica

ZooMobile - Family-friendly party with games and activities from 10AM to Noon, the ZooMobile presentation begins promptly at 10:30AM in the library community room

Wednesday, October 22nd, Lego Club 5 - 7PM

Saturday, October 25th, The Monster of Lyons Falls Local Author Visit and Kids' Drawing Activity 10AM w/ Anee Huntress

Tuesday, October 28th, Open Mic Jam 5-7PM

SANTA FOR SENIORS PROGRAM 2025

The Lewis County Santa for Seniors program is gearing up for the 2025 holiday season.

Lewis County Office for the Aging will once again be taking the lead for this program under the umbrella of the Lowville Food Pantry. The goal of this program is to provide a Christmas gift to area older adults over 60 who would otherwise not receive one.

Last year we provided gifts for over 100 older adults in Lewis County. For this ever-growing program to be successful, we rely heavily on volunteers as well as contributions. If you are interested in being part of the Santa for Seniors Program, please call the Santa Hotline at Lewis County Office for the Aging.

Santa for Seniors Needed Contributions

- New, unopened rolls of Christmas wrapping paper
- New, unopened tissue paper
- New Christmas gift bags
- Sugar-free hard candy/Whitman samplers
- New Cat/Dog treats & toys
- New Dish towels/dish cloths
- Unused crossword and word search books (large print)
- Unused personal care products & cleaning supplies
- Walmart, TOPS, Kinney Drugs or Dollar General gift cards

Santa for Seniors Volunteer Opportunities

- Individuals needed to wrap gifts (first 2 weeks in December).
- Drivers needed to deliver Santa for Seniors gifts and/or Christmas sharing food packages on Monday, December 15th.

Remember to listen to 99.3 (The Moose) or call the Santa Hotline starting the week of November 24th if you are interested in adopting an older adult this holiday season!

Contribution drop-off and volunteering location will be the Human Services building at 5274 Outer Stowe Street in Lowville. Please call the **Santa Hotline** to arrange drop off or to ask about volunteering.

SANTA HOTLINE: (315) 377-2077



Steel Dreams: The Unfinished Railroad Line from Rome to Carthage

ALL ABOARD! October 8

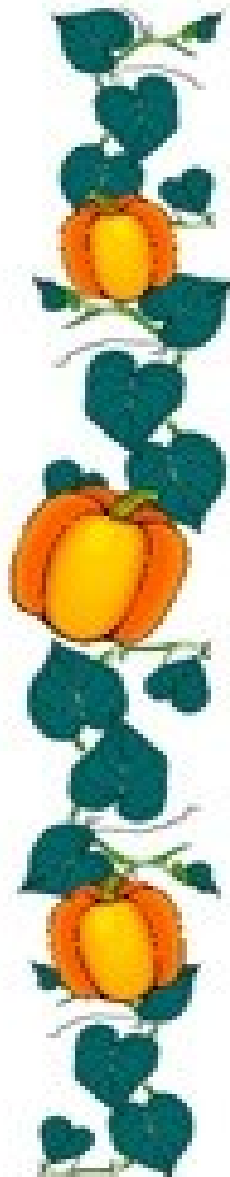
COME HEAR LOCAL SOUTH LEWIS TEACHER ANDREW REID DISCUSS HIS RESEARCH ON THE RAILROAD THAT WAS NEVER COMPLETED. LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORY AS WELL AS THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INTRIGUE SURROUNDING THIS PROJECT



TRAIN TICKET FREE to the public

Lewis County Historical Society
7552 S. State Street
Lowville NY 13367
315-376-8957

7:30 p.m.

*OCTOBER WORD SEARCH***OCTOBER**

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BATS
BLACK CAT
CANDY
COSTUME

CREEPY
FULL MOON
HAUNTED HOUSE
JACK-O-LANTERN

NIGHT
ORANGE
PARTY
POTION



PUMPKINS
SCARED
SEEDS
TRICK OR TREAT

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October

2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Birthday Bruce Rounds Izabelle Liendecker Paige Ward	2	3	4 Birthday Blair Sandri
5	6	7 Anniversary Steve & Terri Ripp	8	9	10 Birthday Ben Carver	11 9am-6pm Forestr Finds 
12 Birthday Marilyn Armfield Guest Speaker Tanya Roy ACC Rehearsal	13 Forest Friends Lunch 	14	15	16	17	18
19 Birthday Aiden Sampson Elizabeth's Arctic Vacation ACC Rehearsal	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Adult Bible Study ACC Rehearsal	27	28	29 Birthday Shela Mathis	30 Birthday Floyd Houck	31 	

Liturgist

10/5 Steve
Kennison
10/12 Marj
Hughes
10/19 Peg
Pitcher
10/26 Trica
Kennison

**Usher/
Greeter**

10/5 Teresa
Bauer
10/12 Susan
Stratton
10/19 Tom
Osborne
10/26 Peter
Stratton

Coffee Hour

10/5 Teresa
Bauer
10/12 Marj
Hughes
10/19 Peg
Pitcher
10/26 Katie
Liendecker

AA Meeting
Wednesday
Nights
7:pm**Paint Classes**
Thursday
9:00am

**FOREST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
4019 CENTER ST. LYONS FALLS NY
OUR ANNUAL**



**ONE DAY ONLY
OCTOBER 11, 2025 9 AM – 6 PM**

**WE HAVE AN ABUNDANCE OF OUTER
WEAR TO GIVE AWAY THIS YEAR.**

ALL SIZES.

**INFANTS TO MEN, WOMEN AND
CHILDREN**

**COATS, JACKETS, BOOTS, HATS,
MITTENS, SCRAVES ETC.**

October 11th:



October 22nd:



~ LEWIS COUNTY ANNUAL ROSARY RALLY ~

SATURDAY ~ OCTOBER 11, 2025
NOON

FATIMA GARDEN AT SPIRIT WALK
WEST MAIN STREET, TURIN, NY

COME PRAY THE ROSARY FOR A HURTING WORLD
PROGRAM LASTS AN HOUR

CHAPEL OF PEACE WILL BE OPEN ALONG WITH STATIONS
OF CROSS WALKWAY

HELD RAIN, SHINE OR SNOW ~ BRING A LAWN CHAIR

ALL ARE WELCOME

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

(315) 272-6168

Spirit Walk

10:56 66°

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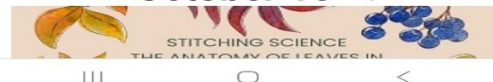
October 11th:



October 12th:



October 15th:



October 25th:



St. Hedwig's Society Annual Theme Basket Raffle

St. Hedwig's Church, 5432 State Rt. 26, Turin/Houseville, NY
Raffle to support church restoration and community outreach

Raffle Baskets will be on display

And

Tickets will be available for purchase

AFTER 11:00 a.m. MASS

Noon - 1:00 p.m.

In St. Hedwig's Church Hall

Sunday, October 12, 19, & 26, 2025

Ticket price: \$1.00 per ticket or 6 for \$5.00

Drawings will be at approximately 1:00

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Bake Sale and Kielbasa Luncheon

Sunday, October 26, 2025, Noon until drawings are completed.

Donations are appreciated! Themed Baskets, Baked Goods, and Monetary Contributions are needed.

Please Contact:

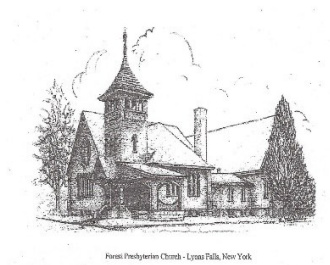
Elaine 315-486-5532; Mary Ann 315-348-6260

Lydia 315-286-8462

October 18th:



Forest Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 326
Lyons Falls, NY 13368



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