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NEWSLETTER JUNE 2011

COOKBOOK!!

Caroline Valley Community Church, in cooperation with the Caroline Food Pantry, is sponsoring a cookbook based on the foods routinely distributed through the Caroline Valley Food Pantry. It is almost completed now, and we hope to begin distribution in July. The goal is to provide a FREE copy to each household participating in the Food Pantry.



The following report on the UCC Annual Women's Retreat was submitted by Martha Phillips, who attended along with Kathy Storck and Elaine Sapp.

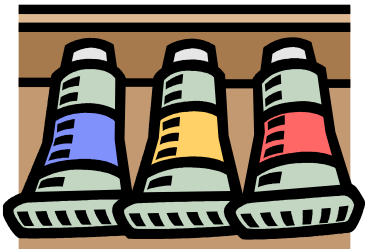


May 4, 2011

The annual Women's Retreat of the UCC was inspiring and it was good to fellowship with people we have met in past years. We are gratified that even though our church is small we are able to contribute significantly to the Pennies for People and the Disaster Relief Programs. We also became aware that the Susquehanna Association tries to have meetings throughout the year but are in need of churches to host the meetings. We would like our church to consider doing this at least one time. It would consist of a meeting and serving lunch and possibly a craft.

The highlight of the conference was Rev/Dr Jan Tomaine's workshop and messages on Benedictine Spirituality. She specifically spoke on the how Saint Benedict found the sacred in everyday life. When we live only for God whatever work we do whether it is washing dishes or attending a board meeting it is sacred not only is the work sacred but the tools we use to do our work are also sacred. She addressed the need for Christians to adopt a simpler life style. We need to free ourselves of clutter or "stuff". By not focusing on possessions we become spiritually open and our lives become more peaceful. There is a difference between needs and wants. When we receive something new we should in turn give something away to someone in need. We need to simplify our time as well. Not doing enough is laziness but doing too much blocks us from living the spiritual life. Simplicity also involves having reasonable expectations of others and ourselves. We need to be more attentive to those around us, listening more and talking less. We can do this by living in the present. Preoccupation with the past or the future weighs us down with burdens we do not need to carry. The message of simplicity speaks to our society today. Our goal should be to live the sacred way every day.

respectfully submitted,
Martha Phillips



Let's Do Art Together!

Join us at

Caroline Valley Community Church
Art Day Camp

Aug 22-26, 2011

9am-12pm (Lunch Included) **Grades K-6**

painting drawing collage sculpture

music stories creative writing

Come and bring your friends.

There is a \$25 per family RESERVATION fee, which will be refunded to all who complete the camp. Pre-register by calling Martha Phillips at (607) 319-5179 or return the registration form to:

CVCC

Box 95,

569 Valley Dr

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(If you are interested in supporting this effort, either through your own participation with the children or by preparing food and supplies, tell either Martha Phillips or Bonita Ferguson.)



We will be PICNICING June the 19th! After the morning service on that Father's Day Sunday, we will have a church picnic in the area behind the church. Please join us for this family fun event!

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAYS: Worship Service – 11am

Adult Bible Study: will resume in September

Bible Club for children 3 through 13 – 9:45am

TUESDAYS: Bell Choir practice – 6:30pm

THURSDAYS: Willing Workers - 9am

NOTE: During the months of July and August, our Sunday Worship service will start at 10am, as we will not be having Bible Club or Adult Bible Study.

CALENDAR

June 19: Church Picnic, 12 noon, at the church

June 26: Graduation Recognition, 11am

July 6: Church Council meeting, 7pm

PRAYER LIST

Please contact Elaine Sapp at 347-9830 or esapp@twcny.rr.com if you have information about someone who is ill, hospitalized, or in need of prayer.

Dr. Mary Tinker

Marge Tilton

Karen Barden

Stella Phillips

Don Kennell

Allen and Joyce Wilson

Hal Morris

Crispell family

Bill and Roberta Schoch

Rick Eggleston

Smalt Family

Genevieve O'Loughlin

Helen Almandinger

All Members of the Armed Forces

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