

Dryden Presbyterian Church Newsletter

July-August 2022



Hi There and Hello!

If we haven't met, my name is Nancy, or if you want to get fancy about it, "Pastor Nancy." If we've already met, hey there! You know me! I know you! Let's chat.

My email is pastor.nancy@drydenpres.com. I'm on Facebook about once a week at the most. Don't try to contact me through FB, but feel free to send me a friend request. Also, email me if I don't respond to your FB request within a week or so. Email is usually checked daily.

The BEST way to reach me is calling or texting my mobile number **304-941-9659**. You are welcome to call or text during normal business hours. (I am not an early morning person.) Emergency calls are welcomed 24/7. Please note: this phone number may change to a more local number.

Office hours are still a little iffy, but we'll start with: Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays 10-2. Wednesdays will hopefully be visitation/community days when I will be out and about. If needed, I'll add some late afternoon or evening hours later.

Friday and Saturday are days off for me. Fridays act as my Sabbath since I usually work on Sundays. :o)

I have an open-door policy when I'm in the office, so feel free to stop in. I also honor appointments if you would like to come, call, or zoom at another time.

One of my goals for my first 12 months is to get to know everyone in the congregation. So please invite me into your comfort zone whether it is stopping by the office, meeting up for coffee, or having me over to your place. I figure it will take me awhile to get around to everyone, but I'm sure I'd like to know *you*.

In the next newsletter, I'll give you some bio stuff about me. In the meantime, peace be with you!

-Nancy



This first month in New York has been a challenge for my mom, Hellon, and me. As most of you are aware, we were quarantined with COVID our first couple weeks here. In addition, we had to wait several weeks for our moving truck to arrive from West Virginia.

A BIG THANK YOU to all the folks who fixed us meals, cleaned and temporarily furnished our home, and checked on us regularly throughout our sickness. You all have been a true blessing to us!



We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, feed the hungry, welcome the stranger and love our neighbors as ourselves.

Information for the **September newsletter** should be in the church office by Monday August 22, 2022.

Church Contacts
The church office is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to noon.
Nancy Didway, Pastor
pastor.nancy@drydenpres.com
Phone: 304-941-9659
Clerk of Session: John Scott (844-9206)
The Church Office Administrator is Arlene Krebs; she can be reached at 844-8321 or by email: *drydenpresoffice@gmail.com*
Chair of Deacons: Connie Walker

Covid Policy
We are updating our Covid restrictions to conform with state and county regulations. The use of a mask for services is a personal choice. Adjustments will be made as conditions demand.

Federal privacy regulations prevent hospitals from giving out the names of people who have been admitted. That means that the Pastor may not be aware that someone in our church family is in the hospital and would like a visit. Please call the church office (844-8321) and let us know if a church member or friend been hospitalized.



Go Green!
Sign up to receive the newsletter delivered electronically by e-mail. Simply e-mail the church at *drydenpresoffice@gmail.com* . Be sure to provide your name and the e-mail you want delivery made to.



Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Do you have a special celebration coming up or one that took place recently that can be announced in a future newsletter? Please call (844-8321) or e-mail (*drydenpresoffice@gmail.com*) the church office, so your church family can share in the celebration.



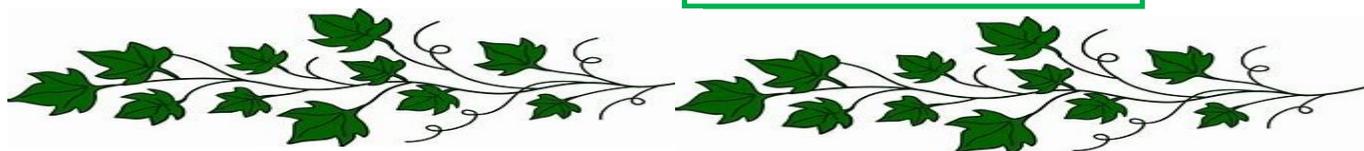
Welcome to Our Church



August 7, 2022
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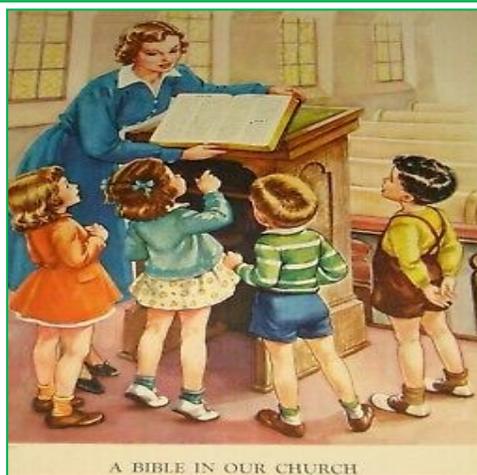


Pastor Nancy Didway



Happy 94th birthday, Millie Tull. Jeanine and Joan represented the congregation with a "sweet treat and flowers" representing hugs to our oldest "sweet and beautiful" member.
- - -Jeanine





Back to Bible School Summer Sermon Series June 26 – August 28, 2022

How well do you remember the Old Testament stories taught to you as a small child in Sunday School and Vacation Bible School? This summer, join us as we return to the stories of Noah, Samson, Abigail, Daniel, and others. How was God present in the world then and now?

Did You Know...?

On the church calendar, the time between Pentecost Sunday in May/June and Christ the King Sunday in November is now called Ordinary Time, and the liturgical color is green. Originally though, this season was split in two.

First was the Season of Pentecost which went through the end of August, colored red. Focus was placed on how God's presence and power comes down into to the Church to form and equip it. It was followed by the Season of Kingdomtide, colored green. From Labor Day through Thanksgiving, focus was on building God's kingdom as the Church responded to the provisions of God's Spirit.

Keep your ears and eyes open. We are going more Pentecost than Ordinary as we look to build the Kingdom this year.



Dryden Area Intergenerational Band & Chorus

Whether you are a student just starting out, a skilled professional, or someone who hasn't sung or touched an instrument in years-everyone is welcome, as long as you are able to attend rehearsal in Dryden, NY. All you need is the desire to make music. Join the band, the chorus, or both!

Rehearsals:

Chorus- Mondays 7-9 pm, June 27-August 1 Dryden Methodist Church
Band- Wednesdays 7-9 pm, June 29-August 3 Dryden High School Auditorium

Concerts: Friday, August 5 at 7:30 pm Dryden High School
Sunday, August 7, at 3:00 pm Dryden High School



Just a Note

Men and women of the Old Testament have been prominent figures in the world of opera. To be fair, their stories usually have all the necessary elements for operatic treatment: tragedy, death, betrayal, redemption, more tragedy, love, war, still more tragedy, and so on. The Old Testament, being full of these features of the human saga, has been fertile soil for composers and librettists and audiences have also been attracted to these stories. Perhaps a match made in heaven? Sometimes yes and other times maybe not so much, I'll leave that up to you. Here's just a few:

Elijah

Elijah – by Felix Mendelssohn – oratorio

Joshua

Joshua – by G. F. Handel – oratorio

Joshua – by Franz Waxman – oratorio

Josue – by Marc-Antoine Charpentier – oratorio

Noah

Il diluvio universal – by Gaetano Donizetti – opera

Le Déluge – by Camille Saint-Saëns – oratorio

Noé – by Fromental Halévy – opera

Noye's Fludde – by Benjamin Britten – opera

The Flood – by Igor Stravinsky – “a musical play”

Two by Two – by Peter Stone, Martin Charnin & Richard Rodgers – musical play

Abraham

Sacrificim Abrahæ – by Marc-Antoine Charpentier – oratorio

Abraham – by Sebastien de Brossard – cantate

The Cave – by Steve Reich – opera

Samson (& Delilah)

Samson – by G. F. Handel – oratorio

Samson and Delilah – by Camille Saint-Saëns – opera

David

Saul – by G. F. Handel – oratorio

Le Roi David – by Arthur Honegger – oratorio

David – by Darius Milhaud – opera

King David – Tim Rice and Alan Menken – musical theater

Daniel

The Oratorio of Daniel – by George F. Bristow – oratorio

Daniel: An Oratorio – Dan Montez – oratorio

Esther

Esther – by G. F. Handel – oratorio

Historia Esther – by Marc-Antoine Charpentier – solo work

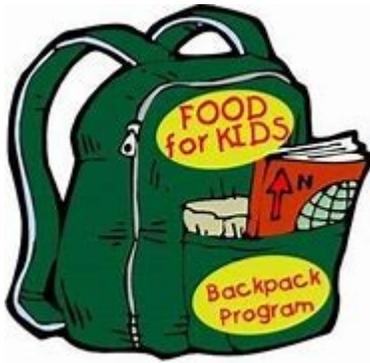
Esther – Jacquet de la Guerre – solo work

This is an impressive and daunting list with works by some musical giants of both the distant and recent past. I always enjoy Handel but I'm now curious about King David. Tim Rice and Alan Menken have teamed up in the past for Walt Disney's stage production of Beauty and the Beast. Speaking of Tim Rice, We can add one more to the list and it's on the lighter side, making for a fun evening:

Joseph

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat – by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice – musical theater

- - - Scott Miller



WEB (Weekend Back Pack)

The WEB program delivers approximately 50 bags of food to students in the Dryden School District who are food insufficient. Please donate **pudding cups** for the month of July. There is a basket in the administrative wing that is labeled WEB for your donations.



 * Flowers *
 * Providing flowers for the sanctuary during the worship service is another way to
 * celebrate happy times or to honor/remember a loved one. If your flowers mark a
 * special occasion that you wish to share with your church family, be sure to note that
 * down on the flower calendar. Artificial flowers are a nice choice that can be used for
 * more than one Sunday.
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The Dryden Clothing Shed

Please check your closets for those pants, blouses, and light jackets that you never wear. You can easily donate them here. The shed is open during the same time as the Kitchen Cupboard. If you would like to volunteer hanging and folding clothes, please contact Phyllis Byrn. 607-844-6139.



Ushers

Please think about being an usher. July and August offers many opportunities to serve. These are important ministries in the life of the church. An usher may be the first person a newcomer meets and can do a great deal to make that newcomer feel welcome. Please sign up to help!



Dryden Kitchen Cupboard

If you know of anyone who needs food, please refer that person to the Dryden Kitchen Cupboard. The cupboard is open Monday and Friday 11am to noon, Wednesday 5-6 pm. The last Saturday of the month the cupboard is open 11 am to noon.





Dryden Garden Club

The Dryden Garden Club is sponsoring the Dryden Open Gate Garden and Art Tour on Saturday, June 25, 9 a.m.-2.p.m. Tour 4 beautiful gardens in the area for just \$5 and view artwork which will be for sale. Pre-sale tickets will be available at Dryden Agway, Arnolds, Dedrick's and Daisy Hollow Farm. On the day of the tour, tickets will be sold at the municipal parking lot on George Street, Dryden, and at each garden.

Thank-You

A HUGE thank-you to everyone who helped make the rummage sale and the Dairy Day brownie booth a success!

We made \$1004 on the rummage sale and \$228.50 on the brownie booth.

All donations of time and goods were greatly appreciated.



*Lord,
Hear Our
Prayer*

In Prayer

*Dave Gross, Bob Sincerbeaux,
Christopher DuPree, William Merrill
Margaret Weems, sister of Mary Hicks,
Connie Walker on passing of her sister.*



Finance & Facilities Report

January through May Operating Results	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2022 Budget
Pledge Receipts	\$ 33,411	\$ 46,363	\$ 42,104
Non-Pledge & Plate Contributions	3,152	4,847	3,333
Interest, Dividends & Misc Income	2,586	2,884	2,917
Expenses	(41,641)	(45,491)	(45,889)
To Capital, Copier & Piano/Organ Reserves	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)
From Reserves for Video Equipment	-	1,798	-
Net Operating Income	<u>\$ (3,992)</u>	<u>\$ 8,901</u>	<u>\$ 965</u>

() denotes reduction to Income.

Income...

Year-to-date contributions are 40% above last year and 13% above the budget. The major portion of the increase compared to budget appears to be that one or more annual pledges were fulfilled early. If that is the case, Income should come closer to budget by the end of the year.

Expenses...

In accordance with Presbytery guidelines, we paid Pastor Jim for his un-used vacation at the end of his tenure. While that amount was not in the budget, most of it was offset by lower expenditures in other Preaching the Word budget categories. Expenses are higher than last year due to the timing of our payment to Presbyterian Missions and the cost of the two new projectors in the Sanctuary. Since the projectors were not in the budget, the \$1,798 cost was covered by a few dollars remaining in the Staying Connected Grant and by contributions received from our congregation last year for video equipment. *Thanks everyone for your support.*

Updated 2022 Budget...

The 2022 budget presented at the Annual Meeting was based on Pastor Jim's 1/2-time contract pay rate and associated costs for the entire year. Based on those amounts, the budget balanced. The estimated additional amounts that would be needed to cover the annual costs for either a full-time or 1/2-time permanent pastor were also noted. Now that we have our permanent pastor, the budget has been updated for June through December based on Pastor Nancy's Terms of Call. No other changes have been made to the budget. This update shows that approximately \$30,000 in additional funds would be needed to balance the budget for 2022. *Any help that you can offer to close this gap would be sincerely appreciated.* Below is an excerpt of the line items that have changed in the budget.

<u>Terms of Call</u>	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Updated Budget</u>
Pastor's Salary	\$ 25,738	\$ 5,053	\$ 30,791
Housing Allowance	-	12,600	12,600
Social Security Offset	1,969	1,350	3,319
Pension	2,831	1,125	3,956
Major Medical	-	8,820	8,820
Death & Disability Insurance	257	340	597
Business & Travel	1,250	554	1,804
Books & Subscriptions	-	117	117
Continuing Education	500	292	792
Total Terms of Call	<u>\$ 32,546</u>	<u>\$ 30,251</u>	<u>\$ 62,796</u>

If you would like a copy of the entire updated budget or want to discuss anything in the budget, please call Ernie Walker at (607) 227-4969.



in July

Congratulations

Bob and Fran Sincerbeaux
July 5

Brian and Julie Cooper
July 12, 1997

in August

Ernie and Connie Walker
August 15

Jack and Jeanine Scott
August 26

Gale and John Conway
August 31

in July

Peggy Parsons – July 2
Mary Jane Uttech – July 3
Brenda Armitage – July 10
Julie Cooper - July 10
Ben Taylor - July 11
Sara Ashman – July 11
Brenda Carpenter – July 19
Chris Armitage -July 19
Gretchen Gross -July 23
Gabe Carpenter – July 20
Carol Robinson - July 24
Dave Gross – July 29
Bryon Newbury – July 31

in August

Cate Hicks – August 1
Tena McHerron – August 2
Shelly Taylor – August 4
Liam Riggs – August 5
Bill Maddren – August 9
Joyce Day – August 10
Arlene Krebs – August 10
Merle Negus – August 12
Joan Watros – August 15
Spenser Dodds – August 16
John Scott – August 16
Kai Riggs – August 17
Bob Watros – August 17
Bob Sincerbeaux – August 19
Julie Maddren – August 22
Day Armitage – August 23
Dan Carpenter – August 26
Danielle Perkins – August 26
Jan Shay – August 28
Olivia Barton – August 29
Ernie Walker – August 30
Fran Sincerbeaux – August 31

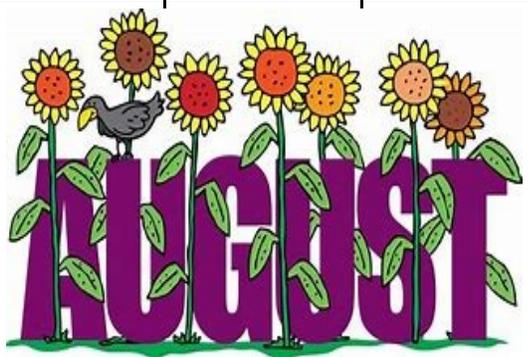
The Flowers God Created!

How lovely the flowers God created!
Was making them, I wonder, fun?
Did perhaps the Father smile
As He made them one by one?
I'm sure He fashioned each with care,
As He thought of us the while;
So even on the darkest days
They seem to mirror the Father's smile!
I know they make me smile a bit
When I pick a choice bouquet.
It could never be so lovely a world
If God had skipped His "flower making" day!

Lynn Fenimore Nuzzi



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Church office closed KC 11-12	2
3 Worship 10:00 In-person and Zoom	4 Church Office Closed KC Closed 	5	6 Bulletin items due KC 5-6	7 Choir 7:00 p.m.	8 Church office closed KC 11-12	9
10 Worship 10:00 In-person and Zoom	11 KC 11-12	12 Quilters 10:00	13 Bulletin items due KC 5-6	14 Choir 7:00 p.m.	15 Church office closed KC 11-12	16
17 Joint Worship Service with Dryden Methodist Church invited here. Worship 10:00 In-person and Zoom	18 KC 11-12	19	20 Bulletin items due KC 5-6	21 Choir 7:00 p.m.	22 Church office closed KC 11-12	23
24 Worship 10:00 In-person and Zoom	25 KC 11-12 Pastor Nancy Didway on vacation	26 Quilters 10:00	27 Bulletin items due KC 5-6	28 Choir 7:00 p.m.	29 Church office closed KC 11-12	30 KC 11-12
31 Worship 10:00 In-person and Zoom →						KC = Kitchen Cupboard

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Bulletin items due	4 Choir 7:00 p.m.	5 Church office closed KC 11-12	6
7 Worship 10:00 In-person church service. or join us on Zoom Installation of Pastor Nancy Didway 3 PM	8 KC 11-12	9 Quilters 10:00	10 Bulletin items due KC 5-6	11 C Choir 7:00 p.m.	12 Church office closed KC 11-12	13
14 Worship 10:00 In-person church service. or join us on Zoom	15 KC 11-12	16	17 Bulletin items due	18 Choir 7:00 p.m.	19 Church office closed KC 11-12	20
21 Joint worship Service at the Dryden Methodist Church Worship 9:30 In-person	22 KC 11-12 September newsletter information due	23 Quilters 10:00	24 Bulletin items due KC 5-6	25 Choir 7:00 p.m.	26 Church office closed KC 11-12	27 KC 11-12
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