

The Fonda Reformed Church

Newsletter

Fonda Reformed Church

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LIFT UP YOUR HANDS TO HIM IN PRAYER

Loving God, I pray that you will comfort those that are suffering, lend skill to the hands of their healers, and bless the means used for their cure. Give them such confidence in the power of your grace, that even when they are afraid, they may put their whole trust in you; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen

If you would like to add or remove someone on the prayer list please let the church office know (518)853-3621 or fondareformedchurch@yahoo.com Thank you!!

Please continue to pray for those who grieve.

Please pray for our missions:

The Ford family as they retire from the mission field and settle into their new home in Virginia Haven of Hope Farm & Residence

Other prayer requests:

Our Shut-ins Students Ministries of our church Government leaders Our service men and women, and their families Family & friends separated from Jesus Christ Those who are struggling through hardships.

Willie E. Baker (C. Henry) Paula Frasier Bobilin Wayne Bobilin Ruthie Burke Lois Brockey (K. Patterson) Cherie Craig (M. White) Jaye Evangelista Frances Filanova (B.Kruger) Rebecca Finn (G. Kimball) Bryan Finn, SR (G. Kimball) Laurie Fischer Carrie Fonda (G. Kimball) Charlene Fonda (G. Kimball) Joan Francisco Vernon Francisco, Jr. Carla Goodwin (Tina Belfance) Jay Hine Gus Joyce (B. Marshall) Mary Kansfield Sue Sammons Kennedy Stacy Kimball Peter Klock (S. Emery) Megan Kucel Lisa Knapp (Pete Perez) Sebastian Lasher (Rob Garren) Bob Langdon Rosanne Lybolt Tara Nimmo (D. Klim) Al Mancini Art Marshall Anas Mashhadi Kaden McRedmond Pat Mosher Carol Y Persse (N. Langdon) Andrea Rogers Hunter Rose Wendy Sargalis (C. Bruno) Robert Smith (L Huth) Deana Smith (B. Guiffre) James Santangelo (B. Guiffre) Cheyanne Sawyer (G. Kimball) Sue Swanson Helen Tarvin (C. Henry) Steve Urbanczyk (Blackwood) Bob VanAlstyne (M Francisco) Carolyn Whipple Bill Whipple Lu Wilmot Judy Wilson Sarah Woodcock Albert Zierak (N. Sheldon)

WORSHIP IN THE MONTH OF November

November 3 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost: All Saints' Sunday 10:30 FRC Worship: Communion Mark 12:28-34 "Gifts of Love: The Greatest Commandment"

> November 10 Twenty-firth Sunday after Pentecost Deb Silvernail preaching

> November 17 Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost Hebrews 10:11-25 "Gifts of Love: A Community of Love"

November 24 Christ the King Sunday Revelation 1:4b-8 "Gifts of Love: The King of Love"

Zoom meeting information

Our worship information is the same each week Please feel free to save this sheet with the log in information! **Topic:** Fonda Reformed Church Sunday Worship **Meeting ID:** 481 802 235 **Password:** 233126 **Topic:** Fonda Reformed Church Sunday Worship

Telephone audio: 929-205-6099 (New York)

We are also on Facebook Live—you can watch live or catch up with the recording later.

www.facebook.com/fondareformedchurch

Consistory Consistory meets on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 pm

> Elders Bob Kruger Jill Perez

Deacons

Judy Ferguson Rob Garren Tom Hoefs





NOVEMBER Birthdays

 2 Joyce Tarshis
 3 Cindy Mitchell
 4 Kathie LaBarge
 6 James Mokay
 7 Bradley Coons
 8 Mark Nare
 9 Jennie Wadsworth Daniel Patterson
 12 Scott Woodcock Justin LaBarge
 13 Anne Hine
 15 Ryley Myers Emma Smith

- 16 Craig LaBarge
 17 Ashleigh Coons
 18 Gloria Kimball
 21 Kitty Adams
 22 Lauren Carpenter
 23 Eve Butler
 24 Sharon Carpenter Cindy Mulvaney
 25 Judd Kirschman
- 25 Judd Kirschman Brooke Bellinger Jacob Perez Taylor Perez
- 26 Tom Hoefs Kari Channell 27 Melissa Livingstone

NOVEMBER Anniversaries

4 Larry and Denise Hayes 5 Paul and Bonnie Jo Kruger 6 Bill and Sherrie Gray

18 Peter and Jennifer Carelli25 Tony and Gloria Bruno

NOTE About PRAYER LIST, Birthday and Anniversary List:

If you have any additions or removals from any of these lists, please let us know. There is a printout of all lists on the table as you enter the sanctuary where you can edit information or you can let Cindy in the office know by email: fondareformedchurch@yahoo.com

We apologize if we missed your birthday or anniversary. If we did, it probably means we don't have it. Please let the Church Office know of birthdays or anniversaries to be included, or if any of the information needs to be corrected.

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Between small groups, serving our church or serving the community we want to encourage you to find what fits you the best and get involved!

Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study

Ladies Bible Study meets on Tuesday nights at 7pm. Please come and join us. We are a fun-loving group of women from different churches who gather to discuss God's Word. For more information you may contact Sherri Gray (518)332-2512 or Gretchen Subik (518)848-2682

Wednesday Evenings Praise Practice

If you're musically gifted, and Praise Practice is continuing give Karen Patterson a shout. We meet Wednesdays at 7pm and on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am before service

Saturday Morning Early Risers!

There is an early-morning ONLINE prayer group for you early risers! Join us at 6:00 am to start your day in a wonderful way! For more information or assistance setting up Zoom please contact Debbie Silvernail. dsilvernail@ffcsd.org

Sunday school (following the FCSD Schedule)

*If teaching is your passion we would love to have you join our Sunday School teachers /and get in on the rotation to teach a Sunday School Class. Sunday school is at 9:30, before the church service each week.

Volunteer for Worship

There are also opportunities to get involved in the worship service. Have you considered reading scripture, lighting candles or hosting a coffee hour?

Sign-ups can be found on the table in the upstairs atrium.

Interested in exploring a deeper connection to Christ by joining the church?

Please speak with Pastor Linda if you are interested in church membership

The Food Pantry is always looking for reliable, dedicated volunteers to help feed our community. From picking up food, organizing shelves, cleaning the pantry to working a Wednesday time slot... there is a space for you! Contact Steve Cook 518-853-3513

If you have ideas on how to help our community we would love to hear them so please let us know! We would love to team up and do awesome things!

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	Church Office	518-853-3621	BI	DIE
Pastor	Linda Gold	518-853-2130		DLE
Treasurer	Doug Hall	518-848-9557	Quick reference guide	EMERGENCY NUN
Music Director	Karen Patterson	518-684-0321	Upset Weak	John 14 Psalm 18:1-29
Custodian	Ronnie Pollock	518-853-3296	Lonely	Psalm 23
Sunday School Director	Cindy Mitchell	518-853-3712	Sinned Worried	Psalm 51 Matthew 8:19-3
Finance Ministry	Nancy Langdon	518-853-1224	Anxious Unhappy	Philippians 4:4-9 Colossians 3:12-
Worship Ministry	Bonnie Kruger	518-853-4398	In danger	Psalm 91
Prayer Chain	Peg LaBarge	518-853-4318	Depressed Lack of Faith	Psalm 27 Exodus 14
•	0 0		Need Courage Need Direction	Joshua 1 Psalm 73: 21-26
Building & Property	Peter Perez	518-774-0585	Seeking Peace	Matthew 11:25-3
Hospitality Ministry	Gretchen Subik	518-853-3678	Leaving on a trip	Psalm 121
Outreach Ministry		518-853-3621	Struggling with loss Struggling Financially	Luke 15 Psalm 37
Fonda Food Pantry	Steve Cook	518-853-3513	Discouraged with wor	Psalm 126 ERVICE NOT REQUIRED

November, 2024

Dear Friends,

In 1992, author Gary Chapman wrote his bestselling book, "The Five Love Languages: How to Express Heartfelt Commitment to Your Mate." In the book, Chapman shares five primary ways that romantic partners give and receive love, explaining that everyone has one way that they speak clearer and understand better. The list of physical touch, quality time, acts of service, words of affirmation, and gift giving are not exclusive, but the book is a good tool to understand that everyone expresses love differently. We can know this, but it is often hard to "hear" another person's love when it is not "spoken" in the same way that you would say it.

Of all of the languages, gifts is often the most misunderstood. It might seem greedy or materialistic. But the size of the gift isn't what is important, the sentiment behind it is. The message of the gifts is, "I saw this and I thought of you. You are always on my mind." So it's not so much about giving a huge diamond ring as bringing home a bag of the chips that your partner loves.

Our God shows love by the gifts showered down on God's people. God sees what it is that we need and gives it to us. We are always on God's mind and God is always looking for things that will make us happy, make us content, make us complete.

This November, we will be looking at the gifts of Love that God has given us, the Gifts of Love that we are called to give to God. The things we do and give because God is always on our mind, and we are always looking for ways to show our love for him.

The Swiss theologian Hans Urs Von Balthasar wrote, "What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God."

May we take everything that God has given us as a gift and use it to make a gift to God that brings God joy.

Shalom,

Pastor Linda

November

Pastor Linda's working days are Monday, Thursday and Sunday. Please call if you'd like to make an appointment

Friday	1	6:15 am 8:30am-11am	Men's Bible Study Mom's Morning Out	
Saturday	2	6am 11am-1pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting	
Sunday	3	9:30am 10:30 am 11:30am	Praise Practice & Sunday School Worship: All Saints' Sunday with Communion After-service Coffee Hour	
Monday	4	8:30-11am	Mom's Morning Out	
Tuesday	5	10:30-1pm 7pm	Glen-Mohawk Seniors Ladies Bible Study	
Wednesday	6	8:30am-11am 2:30-4:30pm 7pm	Mom's Morning Out Food Pantry Praise Practice	
Thursday	7	12pm	Pastor Linda Facebook LIVE	
Friday	8	6:15am 8:30-11am	Men's Bible Study Mom's Morning Out	
Saturday	9	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting	
Sunday	10	9:30am 10:30am 11:30am	Praise Practice & Sunday School Worship After-Service Coffee Hour	
Monday	11			
Tuesday	12	10:30am-1pm 7pm	Glen-Mohawk Seniors Ladies Bible Study	
Wednesday	13	8:30am-11am 2:30-4:30pm 7pm	Mom's Morning Out Food Pantry Praise Practice	
Thursday	14	12pm	Pastor Linda Facebook LIVE	
Friday	15	6:15am 8:30-11am	Men's Bible Study Mom's Morning Out	
Saturday	16	6am 12:30-2:30pm 2pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting Douglas Wedding	

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Sunday	17	9:30am 10:30 am 11:30am	Praise Practice & Sunday School Worship After-service Coffee Hour
Monday	18	8:30am	Mom's Morning Out
Tuesday	19	10:30am-1pm 7pm	Glen-Mohawk Seniors Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	20	8:30am-11am 2:30-4:30pm 6:30pm 7pm	Mom's Morning Out Food Pantry Consistory Meeting Praise Practice
Thursday	21	12pm	Pastor Linda Facebook LIVE
Friday	22	6:15am 8:30-11am	Men's Bible Study Mom's Morning Out
Saturday	23	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting
Sunday	24	9:30am 10:30am 11:30am	Praise Practice & Sunday School Worship: Christ the King Sunday After-Service Coffee Hour
Monday	25	8:30am-11am	Mom's Morning Out
Tuesday	26	10:20am-1pm 7pm	Glen-Mohawk Seniors Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	27	2:30-4:30	Food Pantry
Thursday	28		Office Closed: Happy Thanksgiving!
Friday	29	6:15am	Men's Bible Study
Saturday	30	6am 12:30-2:30pm	Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer Group AA Meeting

December/January Newsletter

Our next newsletter will be a combined December '24/January '25. If there is any event happening in either December or January that you'd like us to include in the newsletter, please have your info to us by **Tuesday, November 19th**. Enjoy the beautiful season, there truly is so much to be thankful for!



Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Shoe Boxes

We will be packing shoeboxes again this year. These shoeboxes are flown to countries where missionaries

are working. We have seen our shoeboxes go to the country Togo in Western Africa, where voodoo is the #1 religion. Last year our church sent over 40 boxes. There are several ways you can contribute:

- **Pack a Shoebox**. If you have a child or grandchild, have them pack a box for a child their age.
- Contribute to the shipping cost. Each box costs \$10 for freight. You can contribute directly or add \$10 to your church offering. Just write "Samaritan's Purse" under 'other' on your church offertory envelope.
- Bring items to fill a shoebox. Shoeboxes need to be back here to the church by Sunday, November 24th.

If you have any questions, please ask Barb Smith, Sharon Carpenter or Gretchen Subik.



Thanksgiving Baskets

It is time to assemble baskets for families in our community over the

Thanksgiving break. We have a large amount of pasta and cereal from our weekly donations from Dollar General. We are asking if everyone could bring in jars of sauce and cartons of shelf-stable milk between now and **November 17th.**

The Colors of the World

Inspirational Speaker: Sherri Strickland Monday, **November 11**, 2024 at 11:30am At the Holiday Inn, Johnstown (\$19.50 pay at the door) Roasted Chicken Quarters, mashed potatoes and mixed vegetables (or) Turkey Sandwich with lettuce & mayo on wheat bread w/cheddar broccoli soup Dessert: Boston Crème Pie <u>Jewelry Exchange:</u> Bring in any amount of jewelry that you don't want for pieces you love! For reservations: Patti 518-842-1997

Or email womentoconnect@gmail.com (childcare is available upon time of reservation)



FFCSD Backpack Program

We will be collecting food for the Fonda Fultonville School Back Pack Program. This program provides food for those families who rely on school lunches during the week and allows them to feed their children over the weekends and school holidays. There is a

box in the atrium outside the sanctuary for you to leave your donations. We are glad to continue to serve the 'least of these in Jesus' name' in this small way. Items needed: canned soup, canned pasta, Jelly (plastic jars), single serve cereal, oatmeal packets, packets of mini muffins snack packs, crackers, cookies, fruit snacks, boxed pasta, mac & cheese, peanut butter, tuna fish and granola bars.



Glen-Mohawk Seniors

The Glen-Mohawk Senior Citizens Group meets every **Tuesday at 10:30 am** at the Fonda Reformed Church Hall. Anyone over the age of 55 is welcome to attend a meeting and see what we are about. Our meetings usually last about an hour and light refreshments are served. We are a very active group and we would welcome new

members. We go on trips together and also have \$6 Senior Movie Days at Johnstown Movieplex each month and includes popcorn & a drink! And a Free movie each month at the Johnstown Holiday Inn. If you are interested, please contact President Joe Mancini at 518-853-4875 or Vice President Gloria Kimball at 518-853-3126.



The Library is more than just books!

The Frothingham Library in Fonda has an amazing array of books, e-books, audio books and more for all ages, but did you know that they also offer enriching activities for children, toddlers-to-teens as well as adults! They offer a children's story hour every Tuesday, teen's Game Design

program, a Garden Club and special events: **Taste of Chocolate, November 2, 6-7:30pm** \$5 admission for ten homemade chocolate treats. Raffle baskets are available for viewing. 518-853-3016 or visit the library website



Soup for Iowa

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our Soup for Iowa Fundraiser. We were able to raise \$133 by raffles and **\$905 total!**

Winners of the raffle baskets are as follows, congratulations:Quilt: Penny PollockMassage: Linda JacobsSmith Orchard Certificate: Sherrie GrayChristmas Cheer: Gloria KimballCandy/Skeleton: Natalie WempleCandy Ghost Pail: Sherrie GrayFall Basket: Penny PollockWine Basket: Sharon CarpenterFall Basket: Penny Pollock

Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

SAVE THE DATE: December 1, 2024 The Village of Fonda will be holding it's annual tree lighting celebration. Watch Facebook and the bulletin for information as it becomes available





ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

On December 1st following worship, we will be holding our annual meeting following worship in the Sanctuary. At this time we will elect those to serve on the Consistory. We will also reflect on the year past and plan and prepare for the year to come. All members should plan to attend this important meeting.