

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

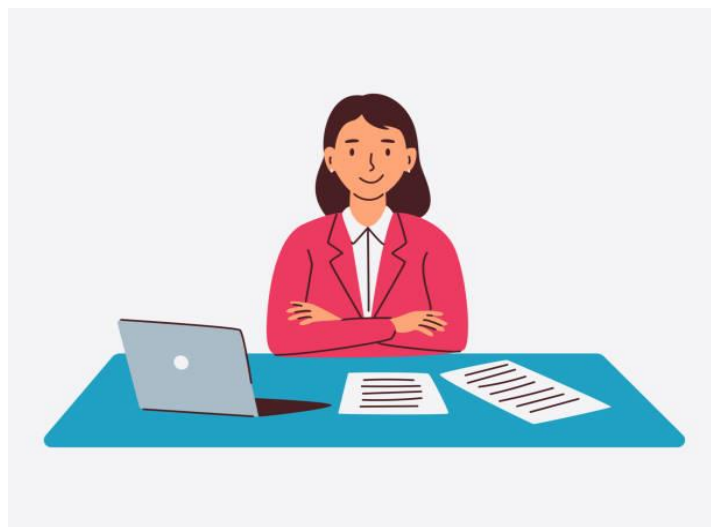
Welcome to November, a month that reminds us to be thankful for all the things that our Lord has provided us with. Harrisena has many things to be thankful for – most of all our members and friends, and a beautiful place to worship together.

Last month **we began a new adventure with the pulpit being filled with a guest minister each Sunday.** Each of them has brought us a meaningful message. We are very thankful to have them available to us as we look for part-time pastor.

We are **so grateful to Melissa Ferrie-Healy for providing us with these ministers each week. She and Noreen Szmul** are doing a great job assisting each week to make our worship services complete.

Hope all of you, and your families, have a Happy Thanksgiving!

*Susan Ogden,
President*



MISSION'S REPORT

The Mission Committee continues in the month of November to match your donations. This money will go to **Family Services** for their *Christmas Program*.

We also continue to support three children through **Plan International**. Starting this month, and continuing through to March 2026, we will donate \$100 to **Open Door** to support their *Code Blue Program*.

Thank you all for your donations.

The Mission Committee: *Mary Alice Clickner, Pat Zacharias, Susan Ogden.*

PULPIT COMMITTEE UPDATE – 10-23-25

To date the Pulpit Committee has posted ads for a part- time pastor with Union Theological Seminary, National Association of Congregational Christian Churches and Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School (Rev. Robinson's alma mater). **We also posted an ad in The Chronicle that will run four months.**

There has been one serious inquiry from NACCC and three email contacts only, one of which was a serious inquiry.

The Committee Members: *Shelley Durkee, Pam Loeb, Susan Ogden, Doris O'Rourke, Bonnie Nadig, and Ed Szmul* welcome your ideas, comments and suggestions.



MEMBERSHIP - November

Membership is still filling new Welcome Bags. This only means one bag goes to each new person OR couple. AND, at least 1-4 new guests come to church every Sunday. EVERY. Sunday! Isn't that fantastic?!

Last Sunday, the day following the funeral service of Lionel Barthold - (*an Oak of Harrisena*- Peter Aust stated that)- many very familiar faces from many years ago attended. Quite a few had been our choir members; which only added to the beautifulness of our songs in praise. Our attendance , Sept. 19 , was the most we've had for years. Joyful, for sure. **PLEASE LET'S KEEP IT UP.** And for you who attended again, WILL YOU PLEASE CONSIDER COMING IN AGAIN & again? !

We love you .

Lastly, I'm in initial talks with Mac Petriquin to see if we may host a **Bluegrass Night** in the Hall. We had great times at those fun musical nights. Will certainly keep you updated as I get new info.

Delightfully serving you & the Lord,
Christine Burke



TREASURER'S REPORT

It is that time of year again when we need to do some self-reflection on how important Harrisena Community Church is to us. **It is Stewardship season, a time when we ask our congregation to pledge their financial support.** Once again, we are asking volunteers to stand up for a short time during our Sunday service to share thoughts on Harrisena and what it means to them personally. If you would like to volunteer for this during a Sunday service, please let us know. If you do not like public speaking, but would love to share your thoughts, please let me or Ed Szmul know and we will get someone to read them for you. **Sunday dates we are looking to fill are 11/2, 11/9, and 11/16.**

Our church is embarking on a new chapter as we seek a part time pastor.

Congregational support, both through volunteering and giving financially, is more important than ever. It is obvious many of us think Harrisena is special and needs to continue into the future. **Pledge cards will be available in the coming weeks.** Please start giving prayerful thought on how you can help. Pledges help us to make a reasonable budget which will also be available in the coming weeks and voted on in November.

Thank you and God Bless.

Bonnie Nadig, Treasurer

“Joy in the Act of Giving” (devotional from “60 days of prayer”)

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

(2 Corinthians 9:7 [NIV]).

“Every act of giving, no matter how small connects you to God’s abundance. Make it a habit to give generously with an open heart, believing that in giving, you bless others and reflect the heart of a God who delights in providing for His people. And as you give, trust that God sees your generosity and will always meet your needs. He is the ultimate provider, sustaining you with His endless grace.” The Finance Committee would like you to see in which category you fall and make an

attempt to move up a category. There are also **many other ways we can challenge ourselves to help our Church**: bring a friend to church; help with our many fundraisers; join a committee; offer a suggestion; share your talents;

Everyone is special in God's eyes and we need you!

Faithfully,
Bonnie Nadig (nadig@aol.com)

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE FORM 2025

Harrisena Community Church
1616 Ridge Road
Queensbury, NY 12804

With a grateful heart for God's boundless generosity and as an expression of my Christian Stewardship, I make this commitment for Harrisena Church and the ministry of the congregation.

MY/OUR Commitment is:

WEEKLY \$ _____ **MONTHLY \$** _____ **ANNUALLY \$** _____
OTHER \$ _____

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

_____ This is a first-time pledge
_____ I am also interested in pledging time and skills
_____ This represents an increase in pledge over last year

***Do you wish to have Pledge Envelopes?** Yes, _____ NO _____

WORSHIP COMMITTEE - NOVEMBER

Submitted by Melissa Ferrie-Healy

Grateful...

We are grateful for your PATIENCE as we continue to modify our weekly “*order of worship*.” **We are grateful for your LOVE** as we have welcomed guest pastors to our pulpit throughout the month of October. **We are grateful for the spirit of HOPE** that continues to grow as we embrace and navigate change. **We are grateful for the MINISTRY** of our various guest pastors, **as well as volunteers within the congregation** who have assisted with worship. But we are most grateful for the comforting, guiding **presence of GOD**, who lies at the very heart of Harrisena Community Church.

We gratefully welcome the following guest pastors for the month of November:

- November 2nd - Communion Sunday: Rev. Patti Girard
- November 9th - Rev. Don Shuler
- November 17th - Rev. Don Shuler
- November 23rd - Thanksgiving Sunday: Rev. Bill Church
- November 30th - First Sunday of Advent: Michael Barron

The Worship Committee can ALWAYS USE HELP:

- Ushering/Greeting
- Transporting the “*Light of Christ*”
- Reading Scripture
- Presenting a Children’s Story
- Sharing fresh flowers
- Sharing special music
- Serving as an active member of the Worship Committee
- Helping plan for the Advent/Christmas Season?!

** Christine Burke has graciously offered to help anyone with a desire to approach the lectern with CONFIDENCE and SKILL. We would love to hear God’s word spoken with YOUR voice!*

Sign-up sheets are in the Education Building, outside Robinson Hall.

2025-26 Worship Committee Members: *Melissa Ferrie-Healy and Diane Henderson; Doris O'Rourke- Flowers.* We welcome and encourage your constructive suggestions.

TECH/SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE – Website Update

Submitted by Melissa Ferrie-Healy, Website Coordinator

Please continue to share!

We now have an active link to our amazing new Face Book page (Harrisena Community Church 2025). **Thanks to Noreen Szmul** for her steady stream of engaging posts. Please “like” and FOLLOW us on FB!

We have also updated our website with photos from the Apple Fest and the Women’s Association trip to Hick’s Orchard. We would like to continue adding photos of Harrisena Community Church IN ACTION, but we can only do so with your help. Please continue to send church-related photos, important announcements, additions/updates to our calendar, and further suggestions to our website coordinator, Melissa Ferrie-Healy, at mlfmusic@yahoo.com. Thank you!



WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION REPORT

Women's Association will meet on WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12th.

We have changed the day and week of the month for our future meetings and some of us need a reminder! **In December we will be hosting the Annual Christmas Communion brunch on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6.** We begin at 10 A.M. with a social time, followed by a pot-luck buffet, and close with our *Candlelight Communion Service*. Guests are welcomed. More detailed information is underway.

Submitted by Doris O'Rourke

P.S. Please see Poinsettia ORDER FORM on next page.



TIME TO ORDER YOUR POINSETTIA FOR CHRISTMAS!!

I would like to ORDER ____ Poinsettia(s) at \$15 each. Please list as follows:

IN MEMORY of _____
_____ OR

IN HONOR of _____

Name _____

Phone # _____/Cell # _____

**Please make all checks payable to *HARRISENA FLOWER FUND*,
c/o Harrisena Community Church, 1616 Ridge Road, Queensbury, NY 12804**

ALL Orders must be into the office by Monday, December 15th!



NOVEMBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 All Saints Day
2 <i>All Saints Sunday</i> Worship @9:30	3 5:30 am Prayer	4 5:30 am Prayer; 9-Oneida Bible Study; 1-Conversation	5 5:30 am Prayer AA @7:30	6 5:30 am Prayer: 9-4: Kingdom Co-op	7 5:30 am Prayer: 9-4: Kingdom Co-op	8 5:30 am Prayer
9 5:30 am Prayer Worship @ 9:30 –	10 5:30 am Prayer	11 9-Oneida Bible Study; 1-Conversation Council @7	12 5:30 am Prayer 12-Women's Assoc. AA @7:30	13 5:30 am Prayer: 9-4: Kingdom Co-op	14 5:30 am Prayer. 9-4: Kingdom Co-op	15 5:30 am Prayer 11-3- Oneida Baby Shower
16 5:30 am Prayer Worship @9:30	17 5:30 am Prayer	18 5:30 am Prayer; 9-Oneida Bible Study; 1-Conversation	19 5:30 am Prayer; LGGC AA @7:30	20 5:30 am Prayer: 9-4: Kingdom Co-op	21 5:30 am Prayer: 9-4: Kingdom Co-op	22 5:30 am Prayer
23 5:30 am Prayer Worship @ 9:30	24 5:30 am Prayer	25 5:30 am Prayer; 9-Oneida Bible Study; 1-Conversation	26 5:30 am Prayer; AA @7:30	27 5:30 am Prayer Thanksgiving Day	28 5:30 am Prayer:	29 5:30 am Prayer
30 1st Sunday of Advent Worship @9:30 am						

**Our SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE will continue at 9:30 AM on Facebook Live and by Conference CALL-IN at: 1) Dial+1 (313) 209-8800;
2) Enter Conference ID 796-8500 and press the pound key.**

WE ARE THE CHURCH!

*The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple,
the church is not a resting place; the church is a people.*

November Birthdays: 7) Laura Avent, Kristen Shahay-Mootz; 11) Carl Avent, Peter Pepe; 12) Sydney Parry; 20) Danielle Brown, Rachel Straut, Lynn Bishop; 23) Jeffrey Cartier, Patrick Resse; 24) Timothy Gusek; 29) Kristi Helffrich-Chen.

Long-Term Prayer Requests – November 2025

Please remember the following members and friends who need our prayers of love and encouragement.

In Facilities

Pat Dallas – River Mead

Colleen Donohue – Fort Hudson Health Center

Manu Malkani – Fort Hudson Health Center

Marilyn Somerville – The Terrace

At Home

Laura Avent – Member of Harrisena

Walda Blanchard – Harrisena Church Member

Kathleen Dumont – Niece of Brandy Madon

Rev. Patti Girard – Friend of Harrisena

Randy Huber – Husband of member Cindy Huber

Douglas Jones – Son-in-law of Art Norton

Ann Malkani – Neighbor of Joanne Beck

Lyndsey Robinson – Wife of member Sean Robinson

Gay & Roger Smith – Members of Harrisena

Robert Straut, Jr. – Son of Phyllis & Bob Straut

Fran Tucker – Mother of Robert Tucker



MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Please update the status of anyone you know on this list as soon as information is available.

Andrew Bigelow (Army), son of Karen Bigelow—serving stateside

Derek Dumas—stateside

Joseph Hubbard (Army) – stateside

Wes McQueen, nephew of Dodi/Rev. Robinson- serving stateside

Kaleb Parker (Army), grandson of Rev. Dr. Wimberly – serving in Germany

Griffith Parry (Army), nephew of Griffith Parry- serving in Poland

James Pearson (USAF)

Daniel Urband (USAF), grandson of Alice Urband—serving stateside

Mark Wilson (Army Spcl Forces/Reserves), husband of Andrea—serving stateside

Braden Stormer – serving stateside

