



# Ministry Matters



Welcome to Ballston Spa United Methodist Church! We are glad you are here!

September 1, 2019



## Stephen Mitchell

We want to welcome Stephen Mitchell this morning and thank him for leading our worship in Pastor Kelly's absence. He is a member of the Round Lake UMC. He lives with his wife and son in Grenville and works at the Saratoga Center for Rehab and Nursing (formerly Maplewood Manor).



## Pastor Kelly On Vacation

Pastor Kelly will be on vacation from through September 7th. Glenn Harrison will be on call for any pastoral emergencies at 518-461-1295.



## National Food Bank Day September 6<sup>th</sup>

More than 47 million Americans use food banks for some or all their meals. Take the time to donate to our Food Pantry. In addition to nonperishable food items, they also need toiletries, diapers, and wipes. Donations may be left in the red baskets at the back of the sanctuary.

## Audio/Video News

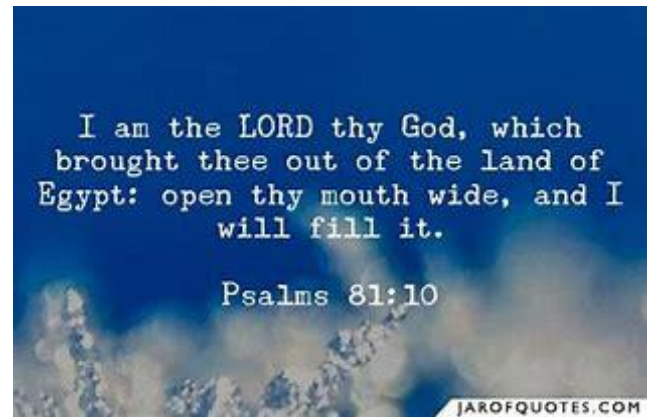
The new audio/video system will be installed soon. The company is waiting for a part to come. This will cost approximately \$20,000. Thanks to your generous giving, we now have almost \$3,000. We are making progress toward reaching our goal. Please help support this, you can mark your envelope to reflect your donation to the audio/video campaign. See Mark Warner with any questions.



## Falling Leaves 5K Race & Kids Fun Run -- October 12, 2019

September is here and the 5K Committee is gearing up for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Falling Leaves 5K Run on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Many volunteers are needed to make the run a success and we thank everyone who has worked on the 5K in some capacity in prior years. We ask church members and friends to help in making the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Run a success again this year by either participating in the Run or volunteering to work on October 12<sup>th</sup>. Beginning on either Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will have sign-up sheets available for members and friends to volunteer for the October 12<sup>th</sup> Falling Leaves 5K. Traffic Safety, food preparation and distribution, race registrations, t-shirt distribution and making baked goods are just some of the areas that you can help with.

Please promote our run to your friends and relatives as a community and family event on a scenic course through the beautiful Village of Ballston Spa with many gift certificates given out after the run. Last year local businesses donated over \$1,500 in gift certificates for the participants. **Our charity of choice again this year is the Veterans and Community Housing Coalition, with the funds earmarked for the two houses for homeless veterans in Ballston Spa.** Over the past three years we have been able to give back over \$22,000 to this charity. Registration by October 9<sup>th</sup> is \$25, and day of race is \$30. The Run begins and ends at Kelley Park near the Village Pool. Registrations can be made on Active.com or by sending a check to the Ballston Spa United Methodist Church at 101 Milton Ave., Ballston Spa, NY 12020. More information and registration forms can be accessed at [www.ballstonspaumchurch.org/falling-leaves-5k-run.html](http://www.ballstonspaumchurch.org/falling-leaves-5k-run.html)



Sun., Sept. 1 – No Communion  
Sept. 6-8 – Mission U @ Silver Bay  
Sept. 7 – Certified Lay Ministry course 9 am – 3 pm  
Sun., Sept. 8 – Holy Communion, Grandparents Day  
Sept. 10 – Church Council meeting @ 7 pm (CC)  
Sept. 11 – Nominations at 6:30 pm (CH)  
Sept. 15 – Sunday School Starts, Homecoming Sunday, Fair Trade Sale  
Sept. 18 – Trustees at 6:30 (CH), Prayer Shawl at 6:30 (CC)  
Sept. 24 – Finance meeting with all committee chairs  
Sept. 26 – 29 – Pastor Kelly on retreat at Skye Farm  
Oct. 5 - CLM course 9 am – 3 pm  
Oct. 12 – Falling Leaves 5K Run  
Oct. 13 – Annual Church Conference at 11 am  
Oct. 19 – Rummage Sale 8 am – 3 pm  
Oct. 20 – Laity Sunday  
Oct. 27 – Bishop Web preaching



#### **Our Weekly Ministry:**

**Thrift Shop** – Tuesday, 9:30 – 12:00 (CH)  
**Food Pantry** – Wednesday, 9:30 – 12:00 (CH)

#### **Please Note:**

**Pastor Kelly** is available Tuesday - Thursday, her e-mail: [bsumcpastor@albany.twcbc.com](mailto:bsumcpastor@albany.twcbc.com)

**Church Office Hours:** Tuesday - Thursday, 10:00-2:00 PM, phone: **518-885-6886**.

All news and information items are to be sent to the Church Office Email:

[bsumc@albany.twcbc.com](mailto:bsumc@albany.twcbc.com)

**Weekly Announcements:** by Wednesday, 12 PM.

**Tidings Newsletter:** by the 20<sup>th</sup> each month.



***Have a blessed week.  
We look forward to seeing you  
next Sunday.***