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CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATES

1. Our sanctuary copper roof has finally been repaired by Rieben Roofing. It was actually damaged by the wind from last summer's tornado, but there was no leaking, so this job did not have high priority compared to so many other roofs in the area that were heavily damaged. But, nevertheless, we are glad to have it repaired at last!
2. We were happy to host a group of freshman students from Hamilton College in August, as we did last summer. They enjoyed our comfortable lounge, kitchen, and Fellowship Hall for five days while they got acquainted with each other and did projects around the area. One morning they did a service project where we paired with 1st Presbyterian Church to pack school supply bags for Church World Service. They were very polite and respectful of our building!
3. We are sad to say that Cassie Rouillier has resigned from her position as Housekeeper, a job she had held for ten years. But, understandably, since she has a full time job in her degree field and lives 30 minutes away, she realized it was time to let it go. At this time, Mike Klepadlo has requested to take on the extra tasks as well as his usual Custodian duties, since he is not working at the job he had before his Mom and then DeeAmbra became ill.
4. Cassie would like to also be relieved of her Tech/Zoom duties on Sunday mornings. If you are someone who would be willing and able to take over this paid job we would be very appreciative! It is just from 9:45–11:00, and only involves running the Power Point on the computer and TV. I'm sure Cassie would be willing to train a replacement!
5. Our tomatoes are finally ripening on our huge plants! We have been putting out a variety of vegetables on our "Free Vegetables" stand all of August. Many people have stopped and taken them each day. Our goal was to help out the community, and also bring attention to our church in a positive light. :)

As always, contact any Council member with questions or suggestions.

Kathy Wood, Sue Gatley, Sarah Barcomb,
Gerry Nelson, Dick Kekis, May Klepadlo,
Danielle Klepadlo

Photos from Honor America Days Parade





Photos of Trinity Church Annual Picnic

Photos from Welcoming Tea Event



Pastor Karen's Korner September 2025

"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness." 2 Cor. 9:10

These words from Corinthians say so much about who provides for us, God who created the world and continues to take care of us, providing and increasing the yield. We in turn need to be thankful for what God does for us and the world. We need to be patient as we begin this season, patient as things slowly change and our life goes on.

Several weeks ago, we had a tea here and we invited many different pastors and assistants from many churches. My hope was to bring people together in the community. To talk about what we do in our churches to outreach to the community. To begin to realize that we can help each other with the services we provide. And at this meeting people began to talk to each other and realize that there were services they can do together. At this time I want to thank, Melody, Cindy and Cindy for all the help they did to make this day a great success. Edwina and I will now be the co-chairs of what will be called Rome Churches United and we hope to find other ways of everyone working together.

As I am writing this and the cooler air is beginning to blow through our windows I remember that one way to help the world is to leave some leaves for the insects to bury themselves in for the winter, for certain bees that will stay alive in the piles that we leave.

Well September has come bringing cooler weather and a change in the world. The trees will soon change color to the bright colors of autumn. The cool air brings with it the smells of the season, apples that have been growing, the smell of cinnamon as it is mixed with sugar and apples in a pie. Pumpkins will adorn the steps of houses, sitting next to mums of burgundy. I love autumn and the colors and smells and walks with my four-legged friend, Marley.

Here is a poem for September

Sweater weather just beginning
Early sunsets glowing golden.
Pumpkins appearing on porches
Tea steaming on favorite mugs
Ember evenings by the fire
Morning crisp with cool air
Baskets of apples and pears
Echoes of summer fading softly
Rustling leaves underfoot.

By Billie Petty Jean

The poem says it all, and I hope you liked it.

There are many activities this month that will be taking place at church, starting with potluck, lessons on how to take great pictures with your cell phone, a movie and a painting party. All the activities are on the calendar, and you can always call the office to ask when they will take place. I want to now turn to a serious matter.

As school begins my thoughts are with the students as they prepare to begin another year. I pray that they are safe and there is not another school shooting, yet it seems that shootings have increased. My heart goes out to parents of school age children. The stress of sending a child to school has got to be terrible after the shooting that has already taken place this year on the first day of school. A time when the children were in church praying before school. It is terrible but we all need to pray for the students, teachers and all who work with the students.

Photo of a bee covered in pollen in my garden.



Blessings,
Pastor Karen

Trinity Tidbits for September 2025

The Tea Party to welcome Pastor Robbin Harris, was a glorious day and I am sharing the events. The purpose of the day was two-fold. First to welcome Pastor Robbin Harris from Rome First United Methodist Church and Delta Methodist where she began serving the two congregations in July.

Secondly, Pastor Karen brought together Rome First United Methodist, Delta Methodist, First Baptist, First Presbyterian, Rome Alliance and Sacred Heart Churches for a meeting of the newly formed Rome Churches United group that is being co-chaired by Karen and Edwina, the pastor from First Presbyterian Church. The meeting included the clergy from each church along with committee leaders and administrative staff of their churches.

Sacred Heart Parish is the new name for the combined St. Peter's, St. Paul's, St. Johns and St. Joseph's in Lee Center churches.

The purpose of the group is to collaborate and work collectively to provide the most advantageous opportunities for the needs of our community through the churches.

Several ideas were shared about both existing programs and possible upcoming programs that through combined efforts would be available to the community.

Updated contact lists were formed and will be distributed to the participants, to help facilitate cooperation between all members of the faith community in Rome.

Other churches are welcome and encouraged to join the group. Information about the group or to become involved can be found by contacting Pastor Karen Marshall at Trinity Church at 315 336-2833 or Pastor Edwina Landry from First Presbyterian Church at 315-336-1380.

Melody Milewski Activites Director

Booth at Canal Fest



Hamilton's Best Buddies Orientation Group



Community Event

Chicken BBQ at Lee Community Church
4731 NYS Route 69(Rome-Taberg Rd) Taberg, NY
September 13th- 12:00pm- until gone
\$15 for half chicken, baked beans, mac salas, roll &
brownie.

Order ahead by calling 315-336-7069
\$5 for extra sides if you pre-order.