

Ilion Presbyterian News

January 2022

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Happy New Year!!!! If you hear it once you will hear it a hundred times, in fact we hear it so often that it feels like it loses its meaning in some fundamental way. What is a happy new year anyway? Why doesn't anyone wish us this after the first of the year? It is time to rethink things if you ask me.

So, this year, I want to wish you something different. I want to wish you today. And if you wonder what today is let me tell you.

It is the moment of light surrounded on all sides by darkness and oblivion. In the entire history of the universe, let alone in your own history, there has never been another day just like it and there will never be another day just like it again. It is the point to which all your yesterdays have been leading since the hour of your birth. It is the point from which all your tomorrows will proceed until the hour of your death. If you were aware of how precious it is, you could hardly live through it. Unless you are aware of how precious it is, you can hardly be said to be living at all.

"This is the day which the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it". Or weep and be sad in it for that matter. The point is to see it for what it is, because it will be gone before you know it. If you waste it, it is your life that you're wasting. If you look the other way, it may well be the very moment you've been waiting for forever that you will be missing.

All other days have either disappeared into darkness and oblivion or not yet emerged from it. Today is the only day there is.

May all of your todays be blessed with the presence of the God who created you, loves you, saves you, and will never leave you or forsake you.

God's blessings to you all for today.

Pastor Rick

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

Our Annual Meeting will be held on January 16, 2022 after church.

All committee reports should be in to the office by Jan. 10, if possible.

**Prayer List:**

Men and women who protect us and our freedoms.



Tom Backus (Lynn's son) Brianna Nicole (Christine's daughter) Allan Dickinson Barry Doolen Virginia Emrich (Don Unsinn's MIL) Linda Emrich Flandera (Virginia's daughter) Betty Foor Loren Hughes Julie Hulser & granddaughter, Jocelyn Dr. Aimee (Lesa's friend) Alyssa Jones Anna LaBella Christine Lawrence Barbara Maley Joe Maneen John & Linda Manser (Denise G) Marty March Joan Matteson Laureen Mitchell Anne Montalone Arthur & Judith Pearson (Kim Bigelow's Folks) Sue Riggle Patricia Ruller Mia Sherman (Judy Nudo) Marian Skinner (Donna Pritchard's mother) Ted & Anita Smith Jane Smithson (Lynne O's mother) Jean Sullivan Sue Thomas Steve Yager

# FREE DINNER



Chicken & Biscuits

Mixed Veggies, Dessert

Thurs. January 13, 2022

5:30 – 6:30

Open to the Community

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Beef Stew

Tossed Salad, Hard Crust Bread, Dessert

Thurs. January 27, 2022

5:30 – 6:30





# FOOD \$ENSE



*A monthly food buying program for anyone who wants to stretch their grocery dollars*

**SIGN-UP: January 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022      Presbyterian Church      10 am. – 11:30 am.**

**PICK UP: January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022      90 Morgan St., Ilion      10 am. – 11:00 am.**

**Reminder - you can order for February when you pick up your January order.**

**We ask that everyone continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing when placing and picking up Food Sense orders. Thank you!**

## January Package (\$20.50)

Italian Meatballs, 1 lb.  
Chicken Drumsticks, 3 lbs. (avg.)  
Breaded Veal Patties, 12 oz.  
Italian Sausage, 1 lb.  
Mozzarella Cheese, 8 oz.  
Spaghetti Sauce, 24 oz.  
Cheese Ravioli, 13 oz.  
Pizza Mac & Cheese, 6.8 oz.  
Diced Tomatoes, 14.5 oz.  
Fruit Cocktail, 15 oz.  
Fresh Produce #1  
Fresh Produce #2

## December Package (\$20.50)

Chicken Breast Portions, 1 lb.  
Corned Beef Hash, 1 lb.  
Breakfast Sausage, 12 oz.  
Salisbury Steak, 12 oz.  
Fresh Eggs, 1 dozen  
Pancake Mix, 32 oz.  
Toasted Oats Cereal, 12 oz.  
Quick Oats, 18 oz.  
Frozen Diced Potatoes, 1 lb.  
Cinnamon Rolls, 17.5 oz.  
Fresh Onions, 2 lbs.  
Fresh Carrots, 1 lb.

## January Specials:

**Stuffed Pork Chops, 2 lbs. for \$8.50:** The pork chops are stuffed with apples and cranberries.

**Meatloaf, 2 lbs. for \$10.50:** The meatloaf is a traditional meatloaf made with 100% ground beef.

**French Fries, 5 lbs. for \$4.00:** The French fries are ready to cook and can be used in the oven or fryer.

**Breaded Shrimp, 3 lbs. for \$14.00:** The breaded shrimp contain 21-25 shrimp per pound.

**American Cheese, 5 lbs. for \$11.25:** The sliced American cheese is not individually wrapped.

**Vegetable Lasagna, 6 lbs for \$17.50:** The vegetable lasagna is family-sized and a Stouffers' product.

**Food \$en\$e Shoppers: Orders must be prepaid with cash or EBT. Please remember that sites cannot hold any packages after the scheduled pick-up time. If you have a conflict, give your receipt to a friend and they may claim the package for you or it will be donated to the Food Pantry across from Catholic Charities. If you have any questions, please speak to the site volunteers when you sign up or call Catholic Charities at 315-894-9917. Thank you.**

**PICK UP DATE: Friday January 21<sup>st</sup>, 10:00am – 11:00am**

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