

The Rev. Megan Hodgkin, Senior Pastor

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THE MESSENGER

From the Pastor's Desk:

“Marking Time”

As one year ends and another begins, some will say that the transition is arbitrary. Monday, January 1, 2018 is simply another day, just like the one before it. Technically, that's true. Time is continuous. It unfolds at the same rate, with no regard for the labels we have given to days and months and years. Still, I've come to believe that marking time is a valuable, even critical, practice. Milestones, like the 200th anniversary of the church that will be celebrated this year, are most significant because they provide these opportunities for reflection, new discoveries, healing, and celebration.

(See more information about the 200th Anniversary on page 6.)

When the calendar page turns, if I do not seize the opportunity to mark the passage of time intentionally, I can quickly start making lists of all of the things I failed to complete or accomplish as yet another year passes. Each year, I try to remind myself to embrace the peace of Christ, to remember that “grace is sufficient” for all things, and that my identity is in Christ, not in my resume (2 Cor. 12:9).

Technically, all of that is also true. And, it can be difficult to really believe it and surrender our disappointments and discouragement.

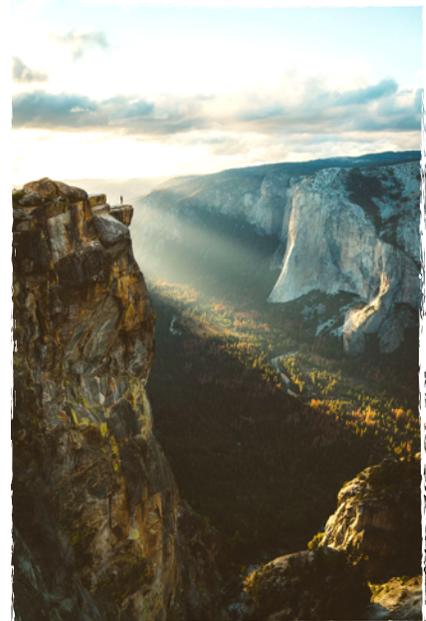
Last year, I tried something new to confront these year-end pressures. I reviewed the photos I had taken in 2016. On my smartphone, they happen to be organized by month, so I chose one photo to represent God's faithfulness in each and every month of the year. 12 photos in all. When I put them all together, they told a pretty powerful story. A story of God at work in big and small ways, in people, in creation, in progress made, and in failures that birthed new learning.

I plan to do the same for 2017. Would you like to join me? Review your photos, your social media posts, your journals, or any other tool you use to record moments in your life. Choose one moment from each month that represents a way God was at work in you and/or in the world around you. Then put them all together and step back (literally or figuratively) and admire the work of God.

We don't have to pretend that any year was perfect or easy or without struggle. A practice like this one simply helps us see the light that has shone in the darkness all along, a light that promises to shine no matter what may lie ahead because no darkness can defeat it (John 1:5).

The Lord (and Light) be with you!

~ Pastor Megan



Snow Closing Policy: What happens when there is a heavy snow? Our policy is to hold worship whenever possible. However, if the Scotia or Glenville Police Departments declare a Snow Emergency and ask citizens to keep off the streets, we will comply and cancel our Sunday morning schedule or day and evening programs. If we do cancel our Sunday morning schedule, we will make every effort to announce our closing through the school closings network. Check the TV and radio stations to find out if worship is canceled if you are unsure.



A Special Note of Thanks: We would like to thank Bobbie Nelson, who has been serving as our Financial Secretary. She began serving in this role to complete an unfinished term, graciously chose to complete another full term, and has served two years of a third term. As of December 31, 2017, Bobbie has chosen to conclude her service in this role due to changing family circumstances. We are deeply grateful to her for her great attention detail, her care and her leadership. Please share your thanks with Bobbie when you have the opportunity!

Beginning January 1, 2018, we will welcome Laura Bull, who has been serving as the Assistant Financial Secretary, into the role of Financial Secretary. The Financial Secretary is primarily responsible accurate record-keeping of congregational giving and supervision of those who count the weekly offering. We are so grateful for Laura's willingness to serve. Please offer Laura your words of encouragement and your prayers as she enters this new responsibility.

Offering Envelopes: Boxes of offering envelopes for 2018 are arranged for pick up on tables across from the church office. Please pick yours up soon. Offering envelopes help us be systematic givers -- an important part of Christian life.

Please use your offering envelopes. They simplify the work of Financial Secretary Laura Bull and our counters, and help your church insure that your giving is accurately recorded. If you do not have envelopes and would like them, call Church Admin. Assistant Kristen Shave, (518) 370-4751.

Inside each box there are several different kinds of color-coded envelopes:

- **White:** There are white envelopes for every Sunday of the year. Gifts offered in these envelopes are used for the general operating and budgeted mission expenses of the church.
- **Communion:** This envelope appears each Sunday we celebrate the Lord's Supper, and are for the Communion Thanksgiving offerings we receive those days. Our Missions Council designates each of these offerings for some special mission. Watch the bulletin to see what they are.
- **Mission of Month:** Gifts offered in these are given to a specially designated Mission of the Month. Read about these Missions of the Month in every issue of *The Messenger*.
- **Holiday:** There are three of these: Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Gifts offered in these envelopes are used for some special mission or outreach. Read about what that will be in the bulletins or in *The Messenger*.

Children's Offering Envelopes: We offer our Sunday school children and youth their own special boxes of offering envelopes as a way to encourage regular giving. Sunday school students select a mission to support with their giving each term. Parents: these boxes of offering envelopes are an opportunity for you to teach your child the discipline of systematically giving to their church. Please speak with your child's teacher or Coordinator of Christian Living Kristin Bodden, if you'd like a box.

In 2017, our children's offerings were used to provide 30 backpacks for the local backpack food program. Thank you for all of the continued support as our children help other children near and far.

Kids Hope USA News: January is National Mentoring Month! Now in its 23rd year, the Kids Hope USA program continues to grow throughout the nation with over 2,000 elementary schools benefiting from this type of church/school mentoring model. Over 2,500 elementary schools wait and hope that a church willing to partner with them will answer their request for a Kids Hope program. As First Reformed Church of Scotia and Sacandaga Elementary School partner in the eighth year of Kids Hope mentoring, it is beneficial to consider the multiple ‘gifts’ mentors offer their Sacandaga students on a regular basis. Children have often suggested these types of ‘gifts’ meant more to them than the multiple items they may have found under the Christmas tree. (With thanks for thoughts from Karen Nerney.)

A love of reading. All mentors try to include reading in some form during every mentoring session. Some students find a mentor’s reading so soothing, it is not uncommon to have a majority of the hour spent doing simply that.

Curiosity about the world around them. The mentors are very thoughtful about introducing simple experiences the students wouldn’t normally have. Building birdhouses, bringing in a ‘retired’ musical instrument, crocheting, simple experiments as well as beloved treasures from a mentor’s youth can all be shared during mentor time.

Acknowledgement of their individuality. Mentors’ presence introduces all Sacandaga children to different members of their community. Each one of us represents a different age group, career, socioeconomic level and background. We in turn learn the unique and special qualities each child possesses.

Encouragement. Psychologist Rudolf Dreier once said, “Children need encouragement like a plant needs water.” Enough said.

Affirmation. Every single school week our mentors show up on the same day, same time. If they can’t make it, they secure a substitute. This shows students we care about and value them.

Laughter. The mentors regularly write about laughing with their students. What a wonderful release from the stress of the day (for both!) and a wonderful way to bond.

Time. Mentors don’t give gifts at any time during the mentoring relationship. Their time is the most significant gift they can give!

In recognition of National Mentoring Month and the New Year, new prayer partners will participate in an orientation to Kids Hope USA and the prayer partner role on January 7. Mentors and prayer partners will tentatively come together for their next in-service event on Sunday, January 28. Lynn Makrin will lead an information session on what a new (returning) teacher faces in today’s classroom and with today’s students.

Thank you to all our volunteers!

January Mission of the Month: The Deacons’ Fund enables us to respond to local emergency needs as they arise. At the close of each year we use the balance of the Deacons’ Fund for the Christmas appeals of our local mission partners. The Deacons’ Fund also enables our pastors and Board of Deacons to respond to the emergency needs of people connected to our congregation.

Contribute to our Mission of the Month either by using your specially marked envelope in your box of offering envelopes or by writing “Mission of the Month” on the memo line of your check to First Reformed Church. Last year this offering raised \$879. Can we raise more to offer even more help this year?

Music for Choir: Some of the anthems that our Sanctuary Choir sings in worship have been purchased by special donations. Often they are purchased in honor or in memory of some special person or special event. Would you like to purchase a piece of new music for one of our choirs or ensembles? You may, and here’s how:

Call Barret Germain, our Director of Music, at (518) 312-8644 or music@firstreformedscotia.org and arrange for a time to meet with him. A piece of new music can cost anywhere from \$125 to \$200.

Fowler Events: 2018 Registration is open! Choose your week today. Campers grades 3-12 have many exciting experiences waiting for them! The mountains are calling. Register today at www.campfowler.org. Did you know... If you would like to be a counselor and bring your mini camper with you, Fowler has a program called Tag-a-long campers. Your child must be 5 years old or greater and same sex as parent. Check out the website for more information on retreats and camp options.

Apart from summer programming for kids, Fowler's last week is Family Camp. And it's for just that: Families! This means mom, dad and children get to come to camp together. Activities are built around strengths and interests of the families at camp. This camp week starts on Monday and ends on Friday. Cabin sharing among families and friends is encouraged. A limited number of rooms in Chi Rho lodge are available (a fee applies). Consider this very popular week for you and your children: the memories created last a lifetime. (www.campfowler.org)

Interested in "S.W.i.M." Lessons? Students Working in Ministry is a leadership-training program offered by our Fowler Camp and Retreat Center for about 20 high school students who have completed at least the 10th grade. These students receive a weekend of training before the summer camp begins. In return they volunteer for two weeks at Fowler during the summer. They get hands-on experience in ministry. If you are interested, don't wait. Register as a camper in the training week, LEAD. Contact the Fowler office, 631-6789, for an application. Or go online to the Fowler website at <http://www.campfowler.org/swims>. The deadline for applications is this April, so start the process today!

Winter Camp: February 19-21, 2018, grades 6-12

In the dead of winter, summer seems so far away, doesn't it? It's cold and dark and we often find ourselves day dreaming about the sunshine and warm weather - and about camp, always about camp. But what if we didn't have to wait for the summer to come to camp... Come to Winter Camp--just like camp, but in the snow! Based out of the Chi Rho House (It is fully heated! Not like your summer cabins!) Winter Camp will have you doing all your favorite activities, but with a slight twist.



Valentine Luncheon: Calling all Seniors!! SOUPS ON!. To keep up the warmth of love and care for our elders this Valentine's Season, the youth of FRCS would like to invite you to a Valentines Luncheon. Our families will prepare and serve a variety of soups and treats as we join in fellowship through the generations. The Luncheon will be held on **Sunday, February 17 at 12:00 in Brink Hall.** Look for a sign up later this month!



Youth and Families, look for sign up opportunities on the bulletin board, to be involved with this fun intergenerational event!

FRCS Men's Fowler Retreat: As announced in early December, we have reserved Pine Lodge for our annual retreat February 9-11. The space available is limited to 20 men, so do not hesitate and place your name on the sign-up sheet outside Pastor Megan's office. The cost, including food (five meals) and lodge, will be \$50. More details regarding meals and program will be provided soon. This is a great time for men's fellowship. If you wish to contribute ideas or volunteer for anything that may enhance our event, please contact Bob Baldwin at 518-374-9276 or at baldyone@nycap.rr.com.

Tom Falcon and Bob Baldwin will be co-coordinators for this event. If you see either one of us in the halls or in Brink Hall, don't hesitate to speak with us about the event.

Pageant Thanks:

Bravo to all who participated in this year's program. We had excellent actors, singers, pianist, parent helpers and audience. If you'd like to assist with planning, casting, production or costumes for next year, please see Kristin Bodden.

Youth Fellowship: In November and December we gathered for a few different events to support our community. Maddie, Nick, Zach, Belle, and Shannon supported those in need by collecting money at Crossgates Mall for the Regional Food Bank's "Holiday Hunger Appeal." It's always tough to ask people for money, but the students faced their fears and did a great job during their time slot. In just a couple hours they raised around \$220 to help the Food Bank feed families this holiday season. In December Grace and Ayanna went to the Regional Food Bank warehouse where they sorted holiday toys and decorations, school supplies, and many animal treats and food. It was great to see the two of them have fun as they gave their time to help others.

Also in December, a group of us gathered to go caroling to some of the folks from our church who can't make it out for many church services or to hear music. We split into two groups and were able to visit in the village of Scotia and Glenville. The folks visited said it's always one of their favorite days of the year. All involved are grateful for this tradition, so clear your schedules for next year!

In the new year we're looking to start a confirmation class, and we'll get a schedule of some social activities and service opportunities for the spring. Happy New Year!

-Pastor Jason

Congregational Meeting Report: On Sunday, December 10 the congregation met after the 10:00 worship service to offer advice to the Consistory on the proposed 2018 Ministry Spending Plan, and to call two Elders and one Deacon to serve on our consistory. We are so grateful to all those who were able to attend and participate in these important decisions that impact our congregation and our service to the community and the world.

On behalf of Consistory and Treasurer Tom Lansing, Elder Vice-President Richard Doyle presented a balanced General Fund income and expense budget of \$480,010.00. This plan is designed to cover the expenses of the two full-time clergy that have been called and installed by the congregation, as well as limiting the use of Reserve Funds. Seventy five members offered their advice on the spending plan; 96% advising that the consistory adopt the plan as proposed, and 4% advising slight modifications. The Consistory then adopted the proposed budget at the December regularly scheduled meeting.

The congregation also affirmed the election of the following people to the Consistory: Karen Faulkner (elder, first term); Lynn Makrin (elder, first term); Tom Falcon (deacon, first term); and Erin Parker (deacon, second term). These four will be installed into their offices during 10:00 worship on January 21. Please keep them and the rest of your Consistory in prayer in the coming year.

Please also make a point of thanking Laurie Cooper, Russ Garrison, and Karen Trbovich, who are completing their service on Consistory. They have served faithfully and well, and exercised effective leadership in our congregation. They will certainly be missed.

Storytelling Night: On Sunday evening, January 28, from 6:00-8:00, in Brink Hall join us for a great evening of entertainment, and dessert. Stories of a World of Wonder, Three Spirits: Kent Busman, Alden (Joe) Doolittle, and Harlan Ratmeyer with moderator Rev. Daniel Carlson and special guest Creation Steward, Gay Doolittle. Pie a'la mode from Smith's Orchard Bakery and beverage at intermission. Come listen to three delightful storytellers who are doing just that. A Freewill offering will be collected for the Caring for Creation Campaign, Schenectady Classis and Camp Fowler. **Reservations really helpful.** Call Joe Doolittle at (518) 588-2801 or e-mail: aldenjoe@nycap.rr.com.

Flowers: If you would like to sponsor chancel flowers in 2018, call the office. The normal cost of the two arrangements is \$50, but negotiations are possible. Larger arrangements are also possible through the florist.



200th Anniversary: The year 2018 is an exciting crossroad in our Church journey. We are celebrating our 200th anniversary! The road behind us is a 200-year path of faithful worship, strengthened by congregations and pastors who exclaimed service to the Lord. Our present path is blessed by the streetlight of the Lord's word as we welcome new pastors to lead our active congregation. The future is a road full of hope and promise.

We began our life as a congregation as the North Branch of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Schenectady – quite a mouthful of words! What started as a series of prayer meetings in 1814, became a congregation who laid the cornerstone of the first church building on July 4, 1817. On November 21, 1818, the church was formally incorporated with a membership of 33 individuals. We recognize that date as our official birthday.

We have been preparing for this celebration for a few months! The theme of our celebration is the foundational hymn "Now Thank We All Our God." The 200th Anniversary Committee has built a schedule of events that will kick off on Sunday, January 21. Over the months ahead, we will celebrate our past, count the wondrous blessings of the present, and carry our hopes into the future. The year will culminate with a formal rededication worship service on Sunday, November 18.

City Mission Meal Service for 2018: Would you like to be a part of an important and rewarding mission? We'll be serving meals to our Schenectady neighbors at the City Mission this year and we'd love for you to join us! Can't make it? We also need volunteers to bake desserts for us to distribute after the meal. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the Pastor's office.

We will sign up for a few dates this year, but City Mission would like all volunteers to register with their agency as a volunteer before we schedule any dates. Please see Kristin Bodden or visit this link to get started!

<https://citymissionofscheneectady.volunteerhub.com/events/index> to created an account.

Look for more ways to get involved with City Mission outreach and assistance! We'll be creating opportunities for all ages to be a part of creating peace and joy right here in our own community. We'll post service dates by the end of January.

Pastoral Needs: If you or someone you know in the church is hospitalized or has emergent needs, please let Pastor Megan know. We have a strong web of care here at First Reformed, and it's important to us to know how we can support you as your church. It is far better to let us know multiple times, than for us to miss an opportunity to provide prayer and support. You may call the office at (518) 370-4751 or send email to pastormegan@firstreformedscotia.org.



Fowler Spaghetti Supper & Cake Auction: Save The Date: Saturday March 24 from 4-7, as we embark on the 29th year for our famous Spaghetti Supper and Cake Auction. This year we will introduce a "cupcake bar" where you can purchase cupcakes to take home. Great for those who's household is too small to support Camp Fowler by purchasing a whole cake!

So bakers, please consider baking some cupcakes in the same flavor and likeness of your auction cakes.

Morning Bells: Morning Bells is a hand bell choir that rehearse in the Bell Room on Thursday mornings from 9:00-10:00. They are a bell choir with a mission. They prepare an extensive program of sacred and secular music for local nursing homes, thereby proving meaningful and enjoyable programs for the residents. They performed several times this fall and Christmas season, and have more programs scheduled this spring. New ringers are always welcome. Contact Director John Lehman at (518) 355-5301, to learn more.

Backpack Program Update: We have exciting news to share! Our volunteers are currently packing 55 (Yes, 55!) bags of food each Wednesday for delivery to schools on Thursdays to be sent home with students on Fridays. Our congregation pays for 30 bags of food at \$183.00 a year for each child, and the additional 25 bags are covered through a grant. We also distributed free turkeys and extra food for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations to over 30 families participating in the program, thanks to help from the S-G School District staff.

Thanks also to Kristen Shave, the Westervelt family and Linda Willoughby who served hot chocolate during Holiday on the Avenue and collected a free-will offering of an additional \$141.00, that was used to purchase fresh fruits and extra food. The families were extremely grateful since vacations are challenging for those experiencing "food insecurity," especially at the end of the month.



The first annual Cookie Walk was a resounding success, raising over \$1200.00 for the BP program. Thanks to Kristen Shave, Sue Pitts, and Laura Bull for organizing this event and to all the bakers, helpers, and customers. We hope this will be an annual event, providing one more opportunity to invite the community to join us in supporting this worthy program.



A HUGE thank you (even if it is belated) goes to Kristen Bodden and the children in our congregation, who decided to use their offerings from last year to purchase 25 "regular" backpacks for the food we pack each week. Having a regular backpack reduces the stigma of taking the food home, especially for Middle School students. The food also fits more easily in the bags, reducing some of the (squished) bread problems. The school staff have also commented on how nice the new bags are so, again, thank you. The Regional Food Bank has now changed to more traditional backpacks also.

Watch for more news in the future as we look forward to discussing the possible start of a Food Pantry at the high school in the new year. Please pray that we find a way to make this happen. None of this would be possible without the compassionate support of both your time and financial contributions. Thank you.



Giving:

Each month we report our giving.
Here is how we gave so far this year:

(as of December 24, 2017)			
	Budget	Income	Difference
Congregational Giving	\$348,700	\$327,567	-\$21,133
Other Giving	\$127,400	\$96,403	-\$30,997
Total Income	\$476,100	\$423,970	-\$52,130
Total Expense	\$476,100	\$432,404	-\$43,696

Our giving went down this year, but our expenses did not. This year your consistory asks you to consider increasing your giving. How much? We will meet this year's operating expenses if the average increase in our weekly giving is \$2.50. Some can do this easily and will, and even do more. Others can do this, but it will be a sacrifice. For some it's not possible. Thank you for giving this important part of following Christ your prayerful thought and attention.

December Attendance:

*These numbers do not include the 5:30pm and 10:00pm Christmas Eve services.

(as of December 24, 2017)			
	2017	2016	Difference
MONTHLY AVERAGE*	210	177	33
YTD AVERAGE*	187	194	-7

Health & Wellness Note:

Each New Year many of us make resolutions, but many are broken by the third week of January because we didn't make a plan. The plan, or Smart Goals as known in healthcare, helps us to take steps to get closer to our long-term goal. This can even work with children! Here are some tips to setting realistic goals that can lead to a healthier lifestyle and improved self-esteem:

- **Be specific.** Be as exact as possible. Instead of saying I want to save money, set a specific amount to save each week. For example, "I will save \$20 per week."
- **Put it in writing.** Writing down exactly what you want to achieve and posting it in a place where you will see it everyday reminds you what you're working toward. So instead of saying "I will not eat junk food", you would write "I will snack on fruit and vegetables."
- **Set realistic goals.** Goals should be reachable keeping in mind your finances, schedule and other personal matters. Don't try to make a lot of big changes at the same time. Exercising every day may not be reasonable with your work and family schedule, but three times a week will fit in.
- **Develop an action plan.** Create a timeline with steps toward your goal and deadlines for each step. Crossing them off as you go can be motivating.
- **Believe in yourself.** Stay positive about your progress and realize that sometimes you may not meet a goal one day, like exercising twice one week, but the next week you are able to fit in four times.
- **Be flexible.** Sometimes set backs happen. Don't get discouraged and give up. (It takes the average person 5 times to quit smoking!)
- **Ask for help.** Sometimes it's helpful to find a support group to help you with your goals.
- **Reward yourself.** Be proud of reaching a goal. Having clear goals and a plan can bring your family together and help you be healthier all year. Every positive change makes a difference!
- See www.FamilySAMSHSA.gov for more details.

Giving Tree Report:

Thank you so very much for your contributions to those in need this Christmas. As a congregation we gave generously to:

Salvation Army through our Mitten Tree: 39 books, 46 pair of gloves, 21 pairs of mittens, 12 scarves and 84 hats! We thank Sue Pitts for delivering this year's Mitten Tree donations.

The Scotia Mansion. Missions and the Election Day bake sale supplied gifts, toiletries and much needed winter hats and gloves, for 20 women and 20 men. A group of church members, as well as Pastor Jason, also attended a Christmas party for the residents, singing carols and spreading cheer.

Our Christmas Caroling group of 15 visited 9 homes and delivered goodies from the congregation and of course they spread great Christmas cheer.

The Sunday School youth gave their offerings of over \$300 toward The Weekend Backpack Program. Many thanks to all!

The Christmas offering of \$3,037 was received for the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern NY, which put our offering into accounts for the Scotia Food Pantry, the SICM Food Pantry, Bethesda House, the Salvation Army and City Mission.

Thank you for your generous contributions and gifts for our many Christmas mission projects.

January



Jim Light	1	Alexandra Bicknell	13
Jane Corby	2	Connor Kilgallen	16
John DeBrita	3	Sunny Baldwin	17
June Coryer	5	Karen Pirigy	17
Bradford Faubion	5	Todd Vaccaro	17
Jacob Crisci	6	Tom Lansing	18
Jessica Crisci	6	Benton North	18
Mary Lynne Davidson	6	Sue Pitts	18
Naomi Faulkner	6	David Gonyea	20
Don Schermerhorn	7	Dick Haight	20
Laura Willoughby	9	Erv Grant	22
Heather Landry	10	Lucy Trbovich	22
Dorothy Kinch	12	Bradley Coryer	23
Brittney Schaefer	12	Carol Haight	24
		Cindy Taft	25
		Jessica Goodspeed	26
		Claudia Garrison	26
		Duane VanPatten, Jr.	26
		Tom Bodden	28
		Jim Davidson	30
		Joseph Gibson	30



Joe and Cathy Deamer	1
Wayne and Susan Penn	15
Bub and Janet Bekkering	21
Mike and Susan Torelli	22
Kirk and Linda Willoughby	30

Please note: We list the birthdays and anniversaries of our church's local active members and friends. If we missed yours, please call the church office, (518) 370-4751. Thank you.

January Food Pantry Needs:

Every week our bulletin lists the food most needed for the Scotia Food Pantry. Below are the items for January. Please place your donations in the container in the narthex or in the one outside Brink Hall. What a great offering we would give if **everyone** brought in an item weekly!

There is **always** a need for bags and for monetary donations. Donations are used to purchase milk certificates and other items available at the Regional Food Bank for just 16 cents a pound. Make out your check to the First Reformed Church of Scotia and put "Food Pantry" on the memo line. Here are this month's theme:

"Dinner is Served"

- Canned Soup / Beef Stew
- Pork & Beans
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Mac & Cheese
- Pasta & Sauce
- Canned Meat



January Calendar:

MO Jan 1: **Happy New Year!**
- OFFICE CLOSED -

TU Jan 2: 7:00 **Health & Wellness**

F-SU Jan 5-7: **Women's Retreat - Camp Fowler**

SU Jan 7: **Communion**
 11:15 **Kid's Hope-
 Prayer Partner Training**

MO Jan 8: 11:30 **Caregivers**
 7:15 **Admin Council**

TU Jan 9 : 7:00 **200th Anniv. Committee**
 7:15 **Caring Ministers**

W Jan 10: 10:00 **Caring Ministers**

SU Jan 14: 4:00 **Installation of
 Rev. Jason White**

MO Jan 15: **- OFFICE CLOSED - MLK Day**
 7:15 **Consistory Meeting**

W Jan 17: 1:30 **Sharing & Caring**

SU Jan 21: 8:30 **200th Anniv. Kick-off
 Breakfast**

MO Jan 22: 7:15 **Care Team**

TU Jan 23: 1:00 **Scotia Home Hureau**
 7:00 **Health & Wellness**
 7:15 **Buildings & Grounds**

SU Jan 25: 11:30 **Kid's Hope In-Service**
 6:00 **Storytelling Night**

EVERY WEDNESDAY:
 8:30 **Time of Prayer**

EVERY THURSDAY:
 9:00 **Mission Bells**
 7:15 **Choir Rehearsal**

EVERY SUNDAY:
 8:00 & 10:00 **Worship**

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