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**“We are HIS hands and feet,
to serve those in need.”**

2023 YEARBOOK

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2023 Church Directory

Temporary Pastor: Tammy Lathan	969-0695
Administrative Coord.: Marlene Loomis	493-2968
Custodian: Brooke VanEpps	689-7473
Pianist & Music Director: Barbara Meyer	322-7396
Worship Technology Team:	
• Charles Miller	237-3958
• J. Thomas Reagan	786-8681
• Steve & Barbara Meyer	322-7396
• Jeffery Mattingly	493-2764
• Ron Lathan	703-5286
• James Loomis	493-2968
• Tyler King	750-0016

Church Officers:

Moderator: Dennis Miller	233-8933
Vice-Moderator: Charles Miller	237-3958
Church Clerk: Marlene Loomis	493-2968
Church Treasurer: Beth Pond	493-5619
Asst. Treasurer: Mark Barber	259-9421
Financial Secretary: Cindy Feroletto	493-2696
Asst. Financial Secretary: Nancy Gebauer	493-5594
Mission's Comm. Treasurer: Mary Reagan	786-8681
Supt. of Buildings & Grounds: Greg VanSlyke	493-5874
Asst. Supt.: James Loomis	493-2968
Church Historian: Jacob Klein	567-8204

Church Representatives:

UCC NY Conf. Delegate: Mary Reagan	786-8681
GVA Delegate: Barbara Meyer	322-7396
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Clyde Embling	493-5694

2023 Board of Elders

2026	Bonnie Miller- Chairperson	237-3958
2024	Suanne Redden- Vice-Chair	409-0356
2025	Mary Reagan- Co-Secretary	786-8681
2026	Lisa Gunn- Co-Secretary	507-1299
2024	Charles Klein	567-8204
2025	Jacob Klein	969-1191

The Pastor, in conjunction with the Board of Elders oversees the spiritual life of the congregation. Together we extend a warm welcome all to join us as we worship God together.

Worship Technology Team

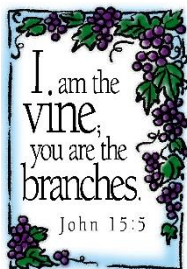
Charles Miller- Chairperson

The purpose of the Worship Technology Team is to work in conjunction with the Pastor, Board of Elders, and Director of Music to “enhance” the overall worship service, other special services, and church events.

Communion Stewards

Coordinator: Marlene Loomis- 493-2968

In celebration of the Last Supper and in remembrance of Christ’s body & blood broken for us we offer Holy Communion. All are welcome at the Table.



Colleen Bean	Debbie Beeman	Sally Bliss
Joan Coffey	Cindy Feroletto	Patrick Feroletto
Sandy Graham	Tony Harper	Roseanne Lindsey
Steve & Tracy Miller	Mary Reagan	Suanne Redden
Brooke VanEpps	Jenifer Wallace	

2023 Board of Trustees

2026	Scott Chamberlain- Chairperson	752-3454
2024	Quinn Bellamy- Vice-Chair	739-4607
2025	Jenifer Wallace- Secretary	455-4897
2024	Larry Rogers	298-1721
2025	Colleen Bean	465-0602
2026	Ronald Lathan	703-5286

The duty of this board is to oversee the finances, property and maintenance of the church and oversee the Perpetual Fund. The Perpetual Fund is a special effort to set aside funds for future needs.

Supt. of Buildings & Grounds: Greg VanSlyke- 493-5874

Asst. Supt. of Buildings & Grounds: James Loomis- 493-2968

Personnel Relations & Evaluation Committee

2024	Scott Chamberlain	237-2485
2025	Bonnie Miller	237-3958
2026	Larry Rogers	298-1721

The purpose of the Personnel Relations and Evaluation Committee is to be a sounding board for, and confidential sharing of, concerns or problems that need addressing. This committee is also responsible for the evaluation of all staff on a yearly basis.

2023 Stewardship Committee

2025	Marlene Loomis- Chairperson	493-2968
2024	Tracy Miller- Vice-Chair	492-0189
2026	Kathy Spencer- Secretary	493-2696

The duty of this committee is to encourage Stewardship year-round and conduct the annual Christian Enlistment of its member's time, talent and treasure.

2023 Music Staff

Music Director	Barbara Meyer	322-7396
Church Choir Director	Barbara Meyer	322-7396
Hand Bell Choir Director	J. Thomas Reagan	786-8681

Pianists: Barbara Meyer, Lisa Gunn & Sally Bliss

Rehearsal times are:

Church Choir (10th grade - adult)	Sunday 9:00 AM
Hand Bell Choir	Sunday 11:15 AM

2023 Music Committee

2026	Debbie Beeman- Chairperson	493-3019
2025	Linda Little- Vice-Chair	493-2992
2024	Lisa Gunn- Secretary	507-1299

Ex-Officio: Barbara Meyer, Music Director

It is the duty of the Music Committee to work in conjunction with the Pastor & Board of Elders to provide Christian Music for all church related services.

2023 Board of Christian Education

2024	Barbara Bellamy	739-4607
2024	MeLynda King	750-0016
2025	Amie Feroletto	330-3946
2025	Jacob Klein	969-1191
2026	<i>Position available</i>	
2026	<i>Position available</i>	

It is the duty of the Christian Education committee to work in conjunction with the Pastor to develop Christian Educational programs, and to teach and promote Spiritual growth.

Sunday School

Our Sunday School is held during the 10:00 AM Worship Service from September thru June.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School (for children ages 3 thru 6th grade) is held during the summer in an effort to share the teachings of the Bible and give our children an opportunity to share the gospel of Christ with others in an interesting and engaging manner.

Confirmation Classes

Our Confirmation classes are designed to help our potential confirmands examine the various aspects of their Christian Faith. As baptized believers, they will then become members of the Castile United Church of Christ. The Confirmation classes are held based upon interest and demand.



2023 Board of Christian Missions

2024	Debbie Beeman- Chairperson	493-3019
2025	Marcy VanZandt- Vice-Chair	493-2119
2026	Bonnie Miller- Secretary	237-3958
	Mary Reagan- Missions & SERRV Treasurer	

It is the duty of this committee to seek to cultivate a Christ like concern for people of every race and nation, and a joyous participation in the mission to the entire world.



Special Mission Offerings:

One Great Hour of Sharing – March 19

Supports international & domestic disaster preparedness & response; works with international partners to provide clean water, food, education, health care, emergency relief, etc.

Strengthen the Church – May 28

Supports leadership for new churches, programs for youth & young adults and supports church growth work.

Neighbors in Need – October 1

Supports ministries of justice and compassions, helps support UCC's Council for American Indian Ministries, and Justice & Witness Ministries.

The Christmas Fund – December 17

Helps provide pensions and health premium supplements to low-income retirees, emergency assistance to clergy in need.

SERRV

The name SERRV is an acronym for Sales Exchange for Refugee Rehabilitation and Vocation. It is an alternative trading organization operating in the United States, Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Castile UCC Food Pantry

The Castile UCC Emergency Food Pantry helps local families who live in the Town of Castile. Clients are eligible once a month. All of our donations come through a variety of local food drives and the generosity of our church family. The Food Pantry is currently accessed by appointments only.

Coordinator: Sally Bliss – 493-5853

Castile UCC Women's Fellowship

Our Mission Statement:



“Through the belief in our Living God, our mission is to reach out and support families and individuals in need, by sharing ideas and creativity, using our time and talents to strengthen ties in the community.”

Meetings are the 2nd Monday of each month at 11:00 AM

2023 Co-Chairpersons: Dawn Miller & Judy Goodenow

Co-Secretaries: Mary Reagan & Marlene Loomis

Correspondence: Carol Becker

Treasurer: Cindy Feroletto

Women's Fellowship Outreaches

'Meals & Missions'

This is a monthly community outreach of our Women's Fellowship. Our monthly meeting is held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 12:00 PM. All are welcome for this time of food, fellowship & outreach! Please bring a dish to pass if able.

Comfort Quilts

A Comfort quilt is approximately 4 ft. by 5 ft.. They can be sewn, crocheted, knitted, etc. They are then donated to hospitals or given out by the Pastor as needed.

Home Touch Newsletter

This is a monthly newsletter filled with scriptures, puzzles, Bible stories, interesting and uplifting facts that are mailed out to homebound individuals. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please contact the church office at 585-493-2840.

'Snack Pak for Kids' Program

As an outreach to the local community, the Women's Fellowship Group is participating in the Wyoming County Community Action, Angel Action's, 'Snack Pack for Kids' program. This program helps to provide nutritious food items for children's weekend meals and snacks of low-income families identified by the local school district.

Coordinators: Marcy VanZandt & Tyler King

2022 Births

Haevyn Lynn-Grace Weaver – May 30

Parents: Weston & Samantha Weaver

Charles William Meyer – July 30

Parents: Christopher & Jen Meyer



2022 Weddings

Gidget Bannister & Carl Tallman – July 2

2022 Deaths

(† - Castile UCC Member)

† Suzanne VanArsdale (2/20)

† Duane Pond (2/16)

† Lettie Yates (5/10)

Max Fisher (5/1)

† Carol Casselberry (8/27)

Clair "Dub" Swyers (11/3)

Altar Flowers

February

- 5- Carol Becker (In memory of Carol's mother)
- 12- Beth Pond (In memory of Butch Pond)
- 19- Barbara Meyer (In memory of Edna Meyer & William Unrath)
- 26- Marcy VanZandt

March

- 5- Sandy Graham
- 12- Tammy Lathan
- 19- Marlene Loomis (In memory of John M. Kenyon)
- 26- Cindy Feroletto (In memory of Jared P. Bush)

April

- 2- **Palm Sunday**
- 9- **Easter Lilies**
- 16- **Easter Lilies**
- 23- Joan Maddison, Christopher, Carolyn, Johnathan & Rachel Schofield (In memory of Raymond Maddison)
- 30- Mary Reagan

May

- 7- Jenifer Wallace
- 14- Tracy Miller
- 21- Bonnie Miller
- 28- Colleen Bean

June

- 4- Debbie Beeman (In memory of Glenda Beeman)
- 11- **Castile Village Park Service**
- 18- Tammy Lathan
- 25- Sally Bliss (In memory of Georgiana VanArsdale)

July

- 2- Bonnie Miller
- 9- Sandy Sickles
- 16- Barbara Meyer (In memory of Bob Knipe & Jean Hedges)
- 23- Cheryl Fagan (In memory of Barbara Fagan & Louella Howden)
- 30- Amie Feroletto

August

- 6- Larry Rogers
- 13- Rebecca Vasile (In memory of Alfred Loomis)
- 20- Sue Barber
- 27- Sandy Graham

September

- 3- Kathy Spencer (In memory of Max & Dorothy Stoffer)
- 10- **Castile Village Park Service**
- 17- Marcy VanZandt
- 24- Lisa Gunn

October

- 1- Debbie Beeman (In memory of Ron Page)
- 8- Connie VanSlyke
- 15- Jody Skinner
- 22- Betsy DeGross
- 29- Marlene Loomis

November

- 5- Jackie Swaby
- 12- **Harvest Display**
- 19- **Harvest Display**
- 26- **Advent Display**

December - Advent Display

January, 2024

- 7- **Advent Display**
- 14- Marlene Loomis
- 21- Jen Griesbaum (In memory of Joan Varkoly)
- 28- Jody Skinner



2023 Brunches

In Christian fellowship and outreach, the Castile United Church of Christ hosts a monthly brunch following our 10:00 AM Sunday Worship Service. We encourage everyone take time to fellowship with one another and spread the love of God.

February 12 - Tammy Lathan, Bonnie Miller, Marlene Loomis,
& Suanne Redden

March 12 - Bd. of Christian Education

April 9 - No Brunch planned for Easter Sunday

May 21 - Castile UCC Women's Fellowship

June 11 - Castile Village Park Service - Bd. of Elders

No Brunches held in July & August

Sept. 10 - Castile Village Park Service - Bd. of Trustees

October 8 - Nominating & Stewardship Committees

November 12 - Music Comm. & Music Staff

December 17 - Mission's Committee



Our Church Covenant

"We covenant and bind ourselves to strive to know the will of God, and to walk in the ways of the Lord made known to us by to exalt the worship of the one true God, and to proclaim the Gospel to all mankind. To work and pray for progress and knowledge, the promotion of justice, the reign of peace, and the realization of human brotherhood. Amen."

Our Local Background

On January 1, 1825 at a cost of \$325.75 the Castile Grange Hall, which was located on West Mill Street in Castile, was purchased as our first church home. On September 22, 1834, there was formed, in Castile, a Presbyterian Church. They wanted to operate the congregational way but the Presbytery refused the request. So, from 1835 to 1870, they called themselves Congregational, but they did report to the Presbytery each year. In 1837, the Colonial Church was built and in 1893 it burned down. Nine months later, a new church was erected. Our present church stands on the site of the Colonial Church. On April 1, 1962 the decision was made to build a new sanctuary and downstairs classrooms. The addition was dedicated October 20, 1963.

The United Church of Christ

The United Church of Christ was duly constituted on June 25, 1957 by the regularly chosen representatives of the Congregational Christian Churches and of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, in a Uniting General Synod held in Cleveland, Ohio.

The creation of the UCC brought together these four unique traditions from the rich and diverse history of Christian experience. In December 1960 we became affiliated with the United Church of Christ and newly named the Castile United Church of Christ.

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Ministers

Presbyterian

J.B. Wilcox (1834-1835)

Congregational

John F. Bliss (1835-1836)

Joseph M. Ladd (1836-1839)

W.W. Backus (1839-1841)

O.W. Horton (1841-1842)

E.M. Toof (1842-1851)

A. Allen (1851-1853)

R.L. Hurlburt (1853-1854)

Milton Buttolph (1854-1856)

L. Machin (1856-1859)

Thomas Lightbody (1859-1861)

J.B. Steele (1861-1865)

P.J. Bumham (1865-1867)

Presbyterian

P.S. Jenkins (1869-1871)

J. Hunter Clark (1873-1874)

W.D. McKinley (1874-1876)

Charles Anderson (1877-1878)

J.C. Long (1878-1893)

A.W.A. Luckey (1893-1900)

Louise A. Pierson (1900-1915)

C.E. Struebel (1916-1917)

John Evans (1918-1922)

Frank C. Putnam (1922-1929)

Community Church

Henry Stevens (Baptist) (1930-1941)
Harry Dunlap (United Lutheran) (1941-1945)
Loren Burch (Congregational) (1946-1948)
Ernest Bittner (Evangelical) (1948-1953)
Willis Stackhouse (Methodist) (1953-1960)
David deMeza (1960-1963)

Castile United Church of Christ

Clyde H. Embling (1963-1997)
Esther C. Dake, Lay Minister (1988-2010)
Elizabeth Meacham, Assoc. Pastor (1995-1998)
Jacqueline Sullivan, Interim Minister (1997-1998)
Steven Slakovits (1998-2000)
Scott McNaney, Interim Minister (2000-2005)
Gary D. Witte (2005-2011)
Kathryn Bindig, Interim Minister (2011-2015)
Harrison W. Putnam (2015-2018)
Timothy McMullen, Temporary Pastor (2018-2021)
Tammy Lathan, Temporary Pastor (2021-

CHURCH MEMBERS

Anderson, Karen	Chamberlain, Michelle	Drouhard, Katrina	Graham, Sandy	Little, James Little, Linda	Miller, Sally
Andrews, Sarah	Chamberlain, Gavin	Edwards, Maurice Edwards, Beverly	Granger, Annette	Little, Melissa	Miller, Dennis Miller, Dawn
Backer, Roxanna	Clark, Colleen	Edwards, Mya	Griesbaum, Jen	Lockwood, Greg Lockwood, Heidi	Miller, Timothy
Barber, Mark	Close, Shauna	Embling, Clyde	Gunn, Lisa	Lockwood, Donald	Miller, Charles Miller, Bonnie
Becker, Carol	Coffey, Joan	Embling, Audrey	Hance, Kenneth Hance, Joyce	Loomis, James Loomis, Marlene	Miller, Melinda
Beeman, Debbie	Connolly, Tracey	Everingham, Joyce	Huntz, Darla	Luczak, Kathryn	Miller, Steven Miller, Tracy
Bellamy, Barbara	Connolly, Joseph	Fagan, Betty	Hurd, David Hurd, Vera	Lunn, Deloris	Miller, Elizabeth
Beyer, Robert Beyer, Nancy	Cox, Frances	Feroletto, Amie	Ikeler, Ronald Ikeler, Darcie	Maddison, Joan	Miller, Braydon
Bliss, Sarah	Dake, Esther	Feroletto, Anthony	Ikeler, Chloe	McAllister, Makenzie	Norton, Winifred
Bowles, Chyra	Dake, William Dake, Melissa	Ferris, Susan	Illerbrun, Judy	McCallum, Marjorie	Patridge, Pamela
Boyd, Nicholas	Dake, Zachary	Folts, Dawn	Keif, Elaine	McLaughlin, Kelly	Piridy, Carol
Brandes, Daniel Brandes, Sheri	Dake, Brianna	Fox, Shelley	King, Tyler King, MeLynda	McMullen, Timothy McMullen, Marcia	Piridy, Valerie
Broughton, Christine	Davis, Gordon	Fuller, Alanna	Klein, Charles Klein, Dolores	McNamara, Lynn	Pitts, Kathy
Brown, David Brown, Barbara	DeGroff, Leslie DeGroff, Elizabeth	Gebauer, Nancy	Klein, Jacob	McNamara, Ian	Pond, Beth
Buckel, Lindsay	Dennis, Jennifer	Gelser, John	Gillett, David Gillett, Sue	Meyer, Steven Meyer, Barbara	Pope, Marcia Powell, Barbara
Chamberlain, William	Diver, Donna	Goodenow, Roger Goodenow, Judy	Lathan, Tammy	Meyer, Christopher	Reagan, Mary
Chamberlain, Scott	Donlon-Bergeron, R. J.				

Reagan, Colin
Reagan, Emily

Rogers, Larry

Rice, Karin

Scott, Clifton
Scott, Carol

Scott, Paul
Scott, Abbey

Scott, Thomas
Scott, Bonnie

Scott, Nathan

Sears, Brandi

Seymour, Marian

Seymour, Michael

Seymour, Donald

Shappy, Kimberly

Sickles, Sandra

Sickles, Scott

Skinner, Jody

Smith, Janet

Soble, Jeana

Soto, Meghan

Spencer, Donald
Spencer, Kathy

Spencer, Michael

Spencer, Matthew

Stenshorn, Bonita

Swarthout, Michael

Tallman, Gidget

Totsline, Renae

VanArsdale, Peter

VanDorn, Rebecca

VanEpps, Brooke

VanSlyke, Gregory

VanSlyke, Connie

VanValkenburg, Jeff

VanZandt, C. Edward
VanZandt, Marcy

VanZandt, Mark

VanZandt, Chris

VanZandt, Casey

Vasile, Rebecca

Wallace, Jenifer

Weaver, Weston

Wilcox, Anne

York, Peter

York, Mary Jane

INACTIVE LIST

Bannister, Kathy
Beardsley, Ethan
Coakley, Claudia
Cooley, Chris
Cooley, Daniel
Ferris, Jeffery
Ferris, Linda
Helmer, Travis
Janora, Jessica
Marley, Rebecca
Meyer, Jamie
Miller, Joan
Olin, Michaela
Pitts, Jessica
Pitts, Emma
Sickles, Brandie
Smith, Lauren
Seymour, Caitlin
Smith, Roberta
VanDorn, Jennifer
Velez, Erin