

Prayers, Joys & Concerns

- Office manager, Colleen, as she prepares for surgery next week
- Sam, son of Barb and Dave Andrews, recovering from surgery
- Carol LaBatte
- The Monaghan and Reohr families, for the passing of Peter Monaghan.
- Karen Van Epps and family, for the passing of her brother Peter Weldon
- Sharnelle Jones
- Joeanna Brown
- We rejoice with the Bianchine & Cummings families for the wedding of Mark & Emily
- Norma McClement
- Norma Jean Ballou
- For Sara Bonam-Welge and family
- Deborah Paris, daughter of Betty Pierce
- Sam, cousin of Barb Andrews
- For Barb and Dave Andrews as they take on the role of caretakers
- Ken Lucas, friend of Philip Labatte
- Kokese Ballou
- Janie Unright, friend of the Andrews family
- For Jennifer Recene Gallagher
- Ruth and Josue Torres
- For Jim, Rose Hunsberger's father
- Alexis Parry, niece of Cheryl Gowie
- Gail Santimaw, friend of Judith Utley-Suess
- John Utley, brother of Judith Utley-Suess
- Judith Utley-Suess, for strength
- Harold Bushnel
- Alex Bliss
- Mary Weijola
- Cheryl Gowie
- Ralph McNeil, brother of Norma Jean Ballou
- Anthony, of the Brown Family
- Donna Schultz
- Olivia Gaydushek
- Clergy, staff and leaders of the First Church in Albany
- Prayers for all areas of conflict across the globe. May we all remember to lead with love.
- For an end to gun violence here in Albany, in the U.S., and around the world.





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ALBANY SYMPHONY



It's July 25, and that means one thing at the Albany Symphony: **Christmas in July!** It might be a little early to deck the halls, but it's never too early to start your holiday shopping. [Order now](#) to receive a special 10% discount, and get a head start on your list. 🎁

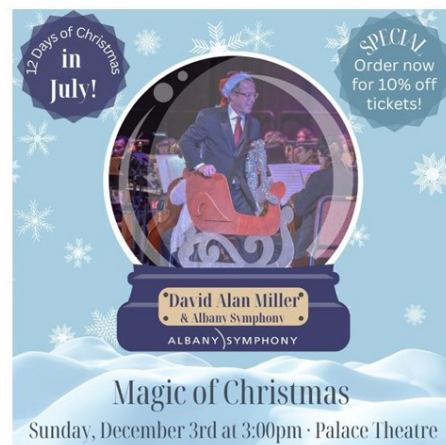
Magic of Christmas

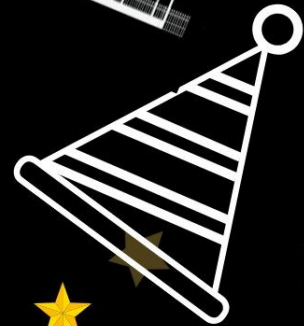
Sunday, December 3 at 3:00pm 📍 Palace Theatre

David Alan Miller, conductor

Make the Albany Symphony your home for the holidays and celebrate the season with family and friends at the **Capital Region's most beloved holiday**

And check out the Albany Symphony on Facebook and Instagram, where we'll be revisiting 12 of our favorite Magic of Christmas moments.





LET US
CELEBRATE AS

***THE FIRST
CHURCH IN
ALBANY
TURNS 381!***

We're kicking the
Lemonade Lull up a notch!
Enjoy some special refreshments

**AUGUST 13, 2023
AFTER
10AM WORSHIP**

Communion in Clee Park after the service.





**ALOHA ATTIRE
COMPETITION**

Travel to
HAWAII

**Sunday,
August
20th**

**COME DRESSED IN
YOUR ALOHA
BEST!**



THE FIRST CHURCH IN ALBANY

SUMMER EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 6 - FOCUS SUNDAY, TRINITY UNITED METHODIST, **NO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH**
- 13 - FIRST CHURCH BIRTHDAY BASH #381! ENJOY SOME SPECIAL REFRESHMENTS AFTER WORSHIP
- 20 - ALOHA ATTIRE COMPETITION. COME DRESSED IN YOUR ALOHA BEST!
- 27 - SPECIAL COMMUNION IN CLEE PARK AFTER WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER

- 3 - FOCUS SUNDAY, EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, **NO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH**
- 4 - (MONDAY) OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
- 17 - LAST DRIVE-IN SERVICE
- 24 - BACK TO **IN-DOOR SERVICE**, BLESSINGS OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS

REMINDER: THIS IS JUST THE CALENDAR OF SPECIAL SUNDAYS, HOLIDAYS, AND EVENTS. KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR ANY MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS.

SUMMER 2023

Listen Along with Me, Rev. Trey



Are you not a "reader"? Do you wish you had something other than music or the news to listen to during your regular commutes or time alone? Would you prefer listening to content rather than watching it?

If you resonate with any of these questions or find them intriguing, I'd like to encourage you to explore the world of podcasts with me! Personally, I always have a podcast going in the background, and if that's new to you, I would be delighted to introduce podcasts.

I also thought it would be a great idea to share some of my favorite summer podcasts and invite you to join me in listening to them! Each week, look for the next episode of the podcast in the e-blast, and listen along with me, Rev. Trey.

Next week, I will start to listen to *The Sum of Us* by Heather McGhee. Here's what it's about:

On the heels of her bestselling book ***The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together***, Heather McGhee embarks on a road trip across America, unearthing stories of American solidarity and hope in a time of great division and peril for our democracy. Join her as she travels from rural Maine to the California coast and everywhere in between, meeting extraordinary Americans who are crossing demographic, cultural, and political lines to build a better future for all of us.

Let me know if you'll come listen along with me!

Hot Dog

THURSDAY

IS BACK!

Join us each Thursday,
from 11:30am-1:00pm
in Clee Park
for a free Hot Dog lunch



Please Share and Come to Help Out!



Pantry Hours

**Monday and
Wednesday**

9am - 11:30am

The pantry entrance is on Orange St.

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