

WEEKDAY WORDS

Thursday, August 22, 2024

SATURDAY IS PREP

Beginning at 9 AM, 350 bags will be distributed to young people preparing to return to school. In the process, our church, supported by the community of Homer, will ease the lives of at least **152 families**. They will receive:

- New sneakers, socks, and underwear
- A new toothbrush (donated by area dentists) along with some toothpaste.
- A new washcloth, soap, and 2-in-1 shampoo/conditioner.
- An age-appropriate gently used book.
- Information about area support services.
- And a family bag of back-to-school snacks, including applesauce cups, granola packets, fruit cups and goldfish crackers.

We are so grateful for area sponsors. Some of the organizations that have supplied either funding or materials include:

The Breakfast Rotary Club
The Brockway Foundation
The Homer Elks
The Homer Food Pantry
Project Warm
The Wilkins Foundation
United Presbyterian Church in Cortland

THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday we continue the summer series exploring *God in Poetry*. Jack Carr will sing and then preach on the lyrics he wrote: "Safe Shores with You, Lord". Jack teaches public speaking at SUNY Cortland. The reviews are in:

- A genuinely amazing guy who cares about every student he has!
- Awesome Teacher.
- He is one of the teachers who really wants to be teaching students.

A member of HCC, many of us remember Jack's Christmas Eve gift of "O Holy Night" and, during Covid, of the song "Hope". Read Psalm 16 for some background to the lyrics Jack penned. Deacon Samantha Penoyer will guide our worship service. Jan Bertram has our Children's Time and then nursery care will be provided. Stick around for coffee hour hosted by Sheri Saddlemire and Susan Wilson. If you cannot attend in person, find our worship service live stream on Facebook, YouTube or at www.homercc.com

After coffee hour, our Youth Group will gather for food and games and making connections. Everyone in grades 6 – 12 is invited to join in the fun.

NEXT WEEK

Wednesday Office Closed
Summer Music Series: **Fall Creek Brass Band** at 7 PM.

Sunday Rev. Barb Wright will preach and preside on this Communion Sunday.