

## **Tower Chimer Group**

The enthusiasm of the chimers who climb the four flights of stairs and play the tower bells every week is impressive. Only extremely uncomfortable weather conditions or far distant travel will keep them away. Chimers for 2023 have been Kris Dimmick, Peggy Morgia, Betse Murphy, Betsy Regan, Lizz and Tim Smith, Ray Spahn, Dick and Patti Stephens, and Carmen Zumbach. Bells ring out most days 5:45-6:00 pm and Sunday before 10:00 am worship.

Special music commemorated community events: June 23<sup>rd</sup>, following Sackets Harbor High School graduation, the *Alma Mater*; July 15<sup>th</sup>, for the start of the Can-Am parade, *Oh Canada* and *My Country 'Tis of Thee*; and September 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7 am, for the start of the Sackets Harbor Marathon and Half Marathon, *Theme from Chariots of Fire* and *Rocky*.

## **Hand Chimers**

On March sixth, people were invited to try out our hand chimes, with the option to join a reorganized group. Practices continued, with a changing group, each Monday, 6:30-7:30 pm throughout the spring and picked up again in September.

The group was asked to play during Sackets Harbor Historical Society's holiday reception in the Old Stone Chapel on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and as part of the Community Christmas Concert on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Our music included simple carols, but it was well received. We appreciate the support from the community as we learn this new skill.

Hand chimers during 2023 were Heike Brazie, Eileen Edwards, Hanna Kenney, Peggy Morgia, Karen Reid, Summer Sattora, Dick Stephens, Patti Stephens, Jim Wilson, and Carmen Zumbach.