

THE TOWER TIE

The Newsletter of the
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Already the birds have started their early spring songs, breaking the long winter silence, and the morning light is strong by 7:00 a.m. These are small but vibrant signs that the promise of new life is about to happen. We're so fortunate in this part of the world to have the natural movement of the earth to remind us of what is also happening in our Christian journey.

This Lent and Easter are perfectly timed to connect us with the metaphors of winter, reminding us that our growth in faith is often subtle and hidden from our eyes. Then, as spring begins to burst forth, we are reminded once again of the promise of new life and resurrection. It is a wonderful circle and worth entering into.

The first step of this circle journey was begun by us on the night of Ash Wednesday. Together, we chose to enter into the Lenten awareness, which asks us to journey more deeply with God, that we might become more fully the people of God. Yet, however you enter, I encourage you to take the time to journey more deeply with God, to listen for the word of God to you, and to find specific and concrete ways in your daily life for letting go of darkness and letting in God's light.

Once, long ago, our ancestors fled Egypt, a symbol of bondage, slavery, and separation from God, and entered the desert journey to faith. This long journey (forty years we are told) formed and shaped our ancestors into people of God. These people knew that, no matter what, God was with them, had called them forth, and was guiding them. To this day, we recognize that all who follow God must enter the desert journey during which we learn to trust, depend upon, and rejoice in God our savior. Lent had one day for every year of our ancestors' desert journey. In those forty days, we are invited to rediscover our faith, renew our faith, or, even, come to faith. Lent is a special time when we recognize that we, too, carry a bit of Egypt in ourselves: those places where we are bound, blind, caught up, and separated from God.

So this Lent, let us remember that we are leaving Egypt in order to become more fully the people of God. Remember also that this journey is one that Jesus walked. He, in fact, has blazed a trail for us through the desert, and all we need do is follow. In all of this, we can take heart from the words of Hebrews 12:1-2: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God."

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Kingsley

APRIL STARTS WITH HOLY WEEK LEADING US TO EASTER



We begin the month of April with Palm Sunday, when we recall the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Our service on that Sunday begins with the procession of the palms as they are distributed by the youth. We take a turn midway through the service as we look toward the events of Holy Week. The choir is singing Cesar Franck's famous "Panis Angelicus," a very fitting Holy Week anthem.

Our services for Holy Week will be on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. I would encourage you to attend the services during Holy Week; they are short but meaningful times for reflecting and for remembering the suffering of Jesus, who endured the cross for our sins.

April 8 brings us to a glorious celebration of the resurrection on **Easter Sunday**. We enter in darkness and quiet; the first fire of Easter is lit; the black curtains are pulled from the windows; and we join in singing, "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today." The choir's anthem will be "Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!" and we are hoping to close with "The Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's *Messiah*.



Come out and join us!

Robert Clooney

JOIN US FOR THE HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP AND COMMUNION SERVICE - APRIL 5 - 7:30 P.M.

SERVICE OF DARKNESS - GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 6 - 7:30 P.M.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE - APRIL 8 - 7:00 A.M.

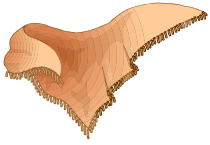
EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP - APRIL 8 - 9:30 A.M.

**COME JOIN US!
FOR THE DEACONS**

**PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST
APRIL 1, 2012**

SERVING FROM 7:45 to 9:00 A.M.

Join us for coffee hour too!



HUG HAPPENINGS – News of the Prayer Shawl Ministry (PSM)

This has been a month of “sharing the love” from our church. Excuse me if this seems quite lengthy, but several stories need sharing with all of you. Have a cup of tea and take a trip down the path of our shawls.

In March, we sent out many more shawls than we have during some other months. I think the farthest recipient was a family in Oklahoma, to whom Darlene Bartley sent two shawls because their child had undergone serious surgery. Another two were sent to North Carolina.

My daughter called me from Tennessee and explained that her high school friend, Meg, who is married and has a two-year-old, was expecting a son, Christian, this spring. Unfortunately, this was not to be, as she lost her child. Apparently, no one really knew how to comfort her, and she did a blog of her experiences. My daughter called to see if our church could send her a shawl, which we immediately did. We sent not just a shawl, but also a blanket for little Claire who was to be the big sister. I understand Meg loves her shawl and the folder of prayers, and she is grateful for the love that came with it as she heals from her loss. We also included several of the trinity pocket shawls in the gift.

Speaking of the mini shawls, they are also becoming a “hit.” I was asked for four of them recently. They were given to my friend’s girlfriend, who lives in another state and who is going through a very hard divorce. A mother with three elementary children, she was desperate for something to hold them together. Her children were afraid that Mom would be leaving, too. From what I am told, this mom has put a small basket on the kitchen table that holds all four pocket shawls. Each morning, Mom and each child picks theirs out. They keep them with them during the day, and if they feel anxious or scared, they bring them out. (The school they attend is aware of what they use them for.) When they return home each day, each person lays a pocket shawl on the table until they have made a complete square and then the shawls go back into the basket. The children no longer fear that Mom won’t be home at night, as she has to bring her pocket shawl home and put it with theirs. Within ten days, the children no longer needed to see the school therapist and are much happier and content. The mom is very thankful to us for such a simple solution to making her kids happier again.

Jo Wolfe has been busy making lap robes for Glen Arden and also for some of the residents at Orra Wood’s nursing facility. Josephine Bartley, Joan Butensky, Carol Coon, Barbara Hankins, and Joan Howell have kept the supply up so that we can fulfill a need when it arises. Kathy Stringer has also been busy and, along with a friend, helped to bring our supply back to where it needed to be. There are others busy with the crochet hooks as well, and the love we are sharing is known throughout the region. Although the tubs in the shawl room may seem full, we prefer them that way than empty, as sometimes a need will come up and we need several in a hurry. This has occurred more times than we can remember.

I would like to share several notes that came to us in the past few weeks:

Dear Shawl Ministry: I cannot express how grateful I am for my wonderful and cozy shawl. Going through cancer is very difficult, but you have made me the hit of the chemo treatment room. All of the technicians, nurses, staff, and doctors admire my shawl as I wear it when I receive my treatment every other week. I also thank you for the lovely books you included, and after I finished them, I gave them to other people to help them pass the time while getting infusions. God bless each of you for your gift of love to me. Donna V., Sussex, NJ

To The Shawl Makers at Goshen First Presbyterian Church, My family and I cannot thank you enough for the gift of your shawl to me and the lap robe for my husband. My arthritis has been so bad this winter that the shawl is warm and hugs me while I read in my chair. When my husband came home from having his hip replaced, he loved the large and warm lap robe he uses in his recliner as he watches TV each night. You are truly a blessing to many, and we sincerely thank you. Fondly, Gabriel and Steve, Wallkill, NY

Dear PSM, How very lucky I am to be the receiver of one of your gifts. I am amazed at the workmanship in the shawl I was given and know that there were many hours of dedication put into it besides the love and prayers. When I was told I had to have open heart surgery, I was scared to death. As I recovered and received your gift and the lovely folder of special caring prayers, I knew I was not alone and, besides my family, I had other people who cared that I get better. Thank you so much.

It is good to be home from the city and getting stronger each day. Your shawl will always be out where it will be seen and the story behind it told to many. God bless each of you. Rosie W., Monroe, NY

These are just several of the lovely notes we continue to receive for the love we are sending. One friend told me that she went to see her daughter who was married about eighteen months ago. She was a receiver of a wedding shawl from us. When Joan N. got to Jennifer's house in Oswego, New York, she said the first thing she noted was the shawl spread over the back of the couch. Jennifer told her mom that it has special meaning to her as she knows it started with a ball of yarn and was made into something beautiful as it grew from the crochet hook. She said that her marriage is like the shawl and growing beautifully each and every day. Joan is now so impressed that she is learning to crochet so she can possibly start a ministry in her own church.

Again, we thank the congregation for the continued support of this ministry. We, too, would like to grow, so if anyone wants a lesson in crocheting (and it isn't that hard, ladies), let us know and we would be glad to teach you.

God bless each of you.

Consider yourselves hugged and continue to spread the love,

Wendy Lee Paffenroth

PSM Secretary

Presbyterian Women's Association (PW) News Notes

Our monthly meetings have begun again, and we met on March 5 in the church parlor. Ten members were in attendance, and Fran Hoffmann again moderated a very successful meeting. We signed greeting cards for members of our church who would appreciate some cheer, and we also celebrated two March birthdays with cheesecake.

On March 2, five ladies attended this year's World Day of Prayer at St. John's Roman Catholic Church. Our church will host this next March.

May looks to be a busy month for PW. On May 4 at 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, we will hold the spring tea, which is attended by women from all the Goshen churches. We may need help from several of our strong men to set up Fellowship Hall the night before. Please watch for information about this in the bulletin a week or two prior to the event. We will also need our bakers to help with the refreshments for the tea. Jean Strong has volunteered to do the decorations, which we know will be spectacular. Flyers about this event will be mailed to other churches shortly.

On May 25 is the Memorial Day bake sale, which is hosted by our ladies. We ask that you mark your calendars and bake your specialties for us to sell. If you can donate a few hours of your time, we would love to have you join us. We are in the process of finding out if the farmers' market will be moving back to Church Park this year.

Since May is busy, our honoree event may move to June. Several of the ladies are checking into locations and will report back at an upcoming meeting. Please watch the bulletin as to when the former honorees will vote for the person we plan to celebrate this year.

A discussion was held about whether or not to sell coffee, hard rolls, and bagels at Great American Weekend. We tabled this until the April meeting and are looking for more input from our members. Please give us your thoughts on this fundraiser.

The next meeting is on April 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the parlor. Please come out and join us.

Wendy Lee Paffenroth
Former Secretary, PW

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS ARE NEEDED

Coffee Hour after Sunday church services is a great opportunity for fellowship and getting to know our members. But **WE NEED HOSTS!** Please sign up on the sheet provided on the bulletin board in the lobby of Fellowship Hall so we can continue this well attended and favored fellowship opportunity. If you have any questions, you can contact Sue Varden at 649-7830.

LAY READERS NEEDED

The Lay Reader assists Reverend Kingsley in the worship service by reading some of the service segments and the First Testament reading or the Gospel reading. The readings are available in the church office on the Tuesday preceding the service or it can be e-mailed directly to you. Please sign up on the sheet provided in the narthex or speak with Karen Magee.

PLEASE PAY YOUR PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT FOR 2012

Every year, the Presbytery of the Hudson River charges every member church an assessment according to the current active membership. Our recorded active membership is currently **340** and **our assessment per member** (not per family) **for 2012 is \$29.25**, which is a total of **\$9,945.00** to be taken from our operating budget. Please assist with this expense and write a check for your family assessment, if you haven't already done so, and either mail it to the church or place it in the Sunday offering plate. Thanks for doing your share.

THANK YOU FROM LORETTA AND JACK

We arrived in Chattanooga safely on Saturday, March 10, in time to see Matthew and Christopher in their school's talent show. The trip went well, though it was tiring for Jack and me! K.C. (the cat) and Nutmeg (the dog) fared quite well in spite of the long car trip and staying in three motels. We closed on the new house on March 12 and moved in what we brought with us that day. The moving van arrived on March 13, and so from then on we are working daily at getting settled. I am so pleased to be able to find my way around at this point, though I have not yet ventured into the city of Chattanooga. The house is lovely and perfect for us. Slowly we are meeting neighbors, and then the search for a church will begin. It will be hard to find a church that compares to ours!

Thank you all so much for the coffee hour in our honor, the written good wishes in the wonderful memory book, the cards and gifts that came our way, and the care and gratitude displayed on our last Sunday there! The Litany of Good-bye was hard but so very touching! Thank you, Dom, for putting "Dearest Friend" on the church's Web site! First Presbyterian Church in Goshen will always be my "home" church, as, even though I was raised in Iowa, Goshen became my hometown. Both Jack and I appreciate the prayers for our safe arrival to Tennessee and the sincere parting words expressed by so many. God bless all of you! We will see you when we come to visit!

Sincerely,
Loretta :)

TRICKY TRAY UPDATE

On May 5, the Deacons will be holding a Tricky Tray at the First Presbyterian Church to raise funds for the Minister's Discretionary Fund. All monies raised go toward helping church members and local community residents in times of financial hardship. There will be a sweepstakes table, door prizes, bake sale, and much more! The Tricky Tray will be open to the public, of course, so bring your family and friends for a fun afternoon and hopefully take home a lovely basket!

The Deacons will also be hosting a bake sale during the Tricky Tray and are in need of some volunteers to help. We will need some of our First Presbyterian bakers to donate some of their fine creations, as well as a few people to man the table of goodies.

The Deacons are in need of the following items for the Tricky Tray: clear basket wrap, basket filler (shreds), baskets, and ribbon. We are also looking for items to fill the baskets. Each basket will have a theme (such as BBQ, spa, perfume, food, stationary, art, etc.), so any **NEW** item that you would like to donate to a basket would be greatly appreciated! Cash, a completed themed basket, a door prize item, restaurant/cash/movie gift cards, or even a sweepstakes table item (special table item with a value of \$50 or more), would also be appreciated.

If you would like to help with this fundraiser in any way, please e-mail Lori Baird at monkeybusinesslori@gmail.com, call 200-5640, or see Lori after service on Sunday.

Thank you in advance for whatever you can do!

BENEFIT FOR ASHLEY WADE

Sponsored by the Cataract Engine & Hose

AND

Kelley Jean's Restaurant

145 North Church Street in Goshen

ON

Saturday, April 7, 2012

From 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Proceeds will help Ashley Wade and family

Ashley is 16 years old and is currently undergoing treatment for Ewing Sarcoma, a rare bone cancer, at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital.

\$25.00 per person gets you appetizers, beverage, and admission.

Cash accepted at door or checks can be made out to:

Cataract Engine & Hose Company #1 c/o "Ashley Wade"

Check can be mailed to Cataracts, P.O. Box 944, Goshen, NY 10924

For more information contact: Rory Brady (914-469-2550) or
Ken Sincerbox (845-649-7545)

BENEFIT CONCERT
To Help Maintain
THE MANEY-HAWKINS MEDITATION GARDEN
Welcome Back to Goshen in their 16th year...



An all new, magical, musical tribute to the music of The Beatles!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN GOSHEN

SATURDAY, APRIL 21st - 7PM

Doors open 6:30PM - ADMISSION \$15 Adults / \$10 Seniors & Students / Under 10
Free!

33 Park Place, Goshen, NY - For Information : 845-294-7991

WADE FAMILY SHARES JOY DURING THIS EASTER SEASON

First, we would like to extend a tremendous thank-you to our church community at large. The cards, notes, offers of help, fundraising efforts, transportation, and, of course, never-ending prayers, have made this journey more navigable for the entire family. Ashley's surgery (and amputation) is now behind her, and her progress in rehab is nothing short of amazing. She's walking with the help of a walker until her prosthetic arrives sometime in the next few weeks. As you can imagine, she oscillates from one emotion to another within the course of a day/week, but for the most part, her attitude is very positive, and she looks forward to returning to all of the activities that have defined Ashley. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for taking this journey with us; we could not do it alone.

Second, in addition to the joy of having Ashley on the road to recovery, we do have another joy to celebrate this month. We would like to cordially invite the congregation to witness the marriage of our son Luke to Heather Bolsenbroek in our sanctuary on Saturday, April 28, at 3:00 p.m. Although his current duties in the fire department and ambulance corps have kept him away from services in recent months, Luke grew up at First Presbyterian Church in Goshen as an active member of the children's choir, chancel and bell choirs, and Sunday school, and he served as a Deacon for three years. His fiancé, Heather, is a tenured teacher for the deaf and hearing impaired in the Florida School District. She is also the JV volleyball coach at Goshen High School, and we couldn't be happier to welcome her into our family. They have recently closed on their first house; they will be moving into Loretta and Jack Richner's home. In some small way, their purchase will keep Loretta and Jack close to us for years to come. We hope you will join us in congratulating Luke and Heather on April 28.

God bless,
Wendy and Doug

FROM EMILY ENRIGHT (CONLEY). . . .

The boxes of socks just keep arriving at our office, and each one seems bigger and heavier than the last. My colleagues cannot believe the amount of mail that I have received over the past couple of weeks, and they are even more bewildered when I tell them that none of it is actually for me—it is all for us to distribute in our local community. I guess that most of the people that are out here do not come from a place like Goshen or have a church community like First Presbyterian Church because they are shocked that so many socks could come from one place. The response that you all provided has been truly overwhelming—I'm now scrambling to come up with a plan to distribute all of the socks that you sent because the amount is amazing.

Thus far, I have brought socks to a women's shelter in town and to a few orphans—including one four-year-old who was in the hospital receiving treatment for burns after she lost her whole family in a house fire. Next week I am traveling to a neighboring province and have already told my colleague that I will be bringing in tow a few bags of socks so she needs to come up with some places where they can be distributed. Whenever I give people the socks, I explain how they were collected by my mother and her friends and then shipped all of the way from the United States.

I spend all of my time spending United States government money on libraries and training programs, but none of them seem to have the same impact as a single pair of these socks. It is one thing when a government gives to another country, but it is an entirely more significant gift when people know that someone in America thought about them and sent them something to improve their lives. Giving one pair of socks is a relatively small thing, but when those socks are combined with hundreds of others, the message that they send of love and compassion to a people in need a world away is incredible.

Receiving all of your socks and good will from the USA, I cannot help but think of one of my mom's favorite stories—"Stone Soup." When people bring what they can to the pot, you end up with a wonderful dinner. In this case, when everyone brought what they could, we ended up with over one hundred pounds of socks. Now it is time for me to do my part and make sure that all of these socks end up in good homes, warming cold toes.



ANNUAL SPRING RUMMAGE SALE
Friday and Saturday, May 25 and 26
(Mark your calendars now!)

It is that time again—with spring cleaning starting, I am sure many of you are putting away items to donate to the annual church rummage sale. It is possible that maybe your neighbors or co-workers have items they would like to donate as well. The chairperson for the event is again Glynnis Jorgensen. Glynnis would be grateful to anyone who can help with this annual event, as many hands are needed to set up during the week of the sale and also to clean up on Saturday, May 26, in the afternoon.

Remember, items can be brought in from the evening of Monday, May 21 through Thursday, May 24. **Please do not put anything on the stage before May 21. There is going to be two events in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, May 19 in which the stage is going to be used.**

We need saleable items, no junk. Items brought in should be **CLEAN**, not broken. We cannot sell chipped glassware, toys with missing parts, books without covers, items with missing pieces, or items with frayed electrical cords. We also cannot sell used computers or exercise equipment.

The better the items look, the more money we can get for them, so run those excess dishes through a wash cycle before you donate them, and try to pack items that are similar in the same boxes. This makes it so much easier for those setting up. In the past, we noticed that the jewelry table does well, so clear out that costume jewelry from your jewelry boxes. New and usable items are always welcome as well. We accept toys with all the parts and furniture that is still in good condition.

Please offer a few hours of your time to this good fundraiser for your church. All church members should be able to donate an hour or two to help. Don't wait for a personal invitation to come. Remember that **All HELP** is greatly appreciated, and you can bring a friend or coworker, too. Come out and share this fellowship with other church members.

Thank you again.

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED TO HELP WITH SET-UP, SALE & CLEAN-UP

Please mark your calendars now for the week of May 21 – 26.

Sale set-up: May 21 – 24.....5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Sale: May 25.....8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

May 26.....8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Clean –up: May 26.....2:00 p.m. - ? (more hands make light work)

Please call Glynnis Jorgensen (914-804-5476) and let her know when you can help.

PRAYER CORNER

The following members or friends are going through a time in which they have asked for prayer by the church. Please keep the following people in your prayers:



Vince Ahrens
Emily Barry and Family
Gabriel Bittner
Sarah Burrows
Jessica Chasen
Bruce and Jean Crandall
Bob Dennis
Everyone serving in the Military
Mary Lee Farris' brother-in-law
Gabby
Michael Green
The Hartzel Family
Laura and Tom Kennedy
Roberta Kinnamon
Charles Li
Margaretta Macica
Kelly Magee Thrush
Evelyn Mercado
Heather Mustavs
Steven Neil
Randy Oberg
Leon Paffenroth
Jack Richner
Tom Sawyer
Bryan Scott and Family
Megan Slasinski
Peggy Srirach
Shawn Thatcher
Brenda Travers
Kenya VanZandt
Jean Wade
Jo Wolfe
Paul and Phyla Wright

Dedra Altizer
JoAnna Becerril
Brandy Bond
Winnie Bynum
Grace Cook
Shannon Decker
Amy Depew
Evie and Family
Ben Fisher
Fran Genovese
Barbara and George Hankins
Martin Johnson and Joy Johnson
Kim
Lyndsay Krutki
Robert Lobb
Kerry Maddlone
The Family of Melissa Martucci
Jeff Monroe
Eileen Myslinski
Nina and Jason
Oretsky Family
Amy Pemberton
Trudi Roach
Kevin Schuler
Dorothy Sevcik
Gloria Spradlin and Jimmy
The Smith Family
Judy Thompson
Kim Valentini and Family
Ashley Wade
Molly Wanat
Anne Wood

Lori Baird
Mary Lee and Ted Berry
Haley Buckley
Mary Carr
Rev. Edwin Coon
Mary Jane DeFreece
Joe Destefano
Mary Lee Farris' sister
Norm and Sharon Frelinger
The George Family
Kevin and Sara Hankins
Carolyn Keller's parents
Ella Kimble
Grace, Frank and Fran Leva
Steven Longobardo
James Magee
Andy Marussich
Jean Musgrave
Richard Nash
Amy (Thompson) Nguyen
Ann Ott
The Family of Marina Petersen
Ted Sandstrom
Fred Schwarz
Sara Simas
The Family of Walter Spencer
Bill and Jean Strong
George Tietz
Joe and Mark VanZandt
Wendy-Bynum Wade
The Weinberger Family
Orra and Dale Wood

(If you or someone you know would like to be on this list or if you would like to take a name off the list, please call the church office and the name(s) will be included/omitted next month.)

Again we want to thank you for your very faithful and ongoing concern for us, your cards and well wishes and prayers. Judy has had a minor set back with recurring pain, but now has been put on a newly approved prescription which hopefully will ease the pain and allow the new stem cells to continue their healing of her myelofibrosis. It is a long, hard journey, but made easier your love and your journeying with us in your prayers.

*Love,
Dick and Judy Thompson*

Maney-Hawkins Meditation Garden

APRIL UPDATE

TWIST & SHOUT ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, APRIL 21 AT 7:00 P.M.

Please join Twist & Shout for a fun-filled evening and a magical, musical tribute to the music of the Beatles. One hundred percent of the proceeds will be used to maintain the garden.

The annual cost to keep the garden beautiful with monthly landscaping, spring and fall clean-ups, fertilization, irrigation, and lighting is approximately \$1,600. The garden was created and has been maintained with 100 percent of the funds coming from outside the church's operating budget, making this concert the garden's key annual fundraiser!

"Stewards of the Garden"

New volunteers are needed to lend a hand in keeping the garden neat. It only takes a couple minutes each month to pick up any litter, pull a weed, and maybe sweep a few pavers clean. You can even do it after a church service! See Pat in the church office if you can find a moment to help out. Thanks!

The April schedule for our Stewards:

Beryl Yungman and Sue Varden: April 1 – April 15
Barbara and George Hankins: April 16 – April 30

This schedule will be posted outside the church office.

Memorial Pavers

Are you interested in purchasing a memorial paver to honor or remember a loved one? If you are interested, please see Pat in the church office. The cost of each paver is \$100, and a new order will be placed late in the late spring.

Niches Available for Purchase in the Memorial Columbarium

Each niche allows for double or single interment, and the following four purchase options are available:

Payment in Full = \$2,500
12-Month Payment Option = \$250 / month for 12 months (\$3,000)
24-Month Payment Option = \$130 / month for 24 months (\$3,120)
36-Month Payment Option = \$ 90 / month for 36 months (\$3,240)

Please call the church office (845-294-7991), Pastor Kingsley, or Wayne George (914-213-4093) for any information you need about the Maney-Hawkins Meditation Garden.

The Orange County Classic Choral Society & Orchestra

Presents

2012 SPRING CONCERT

Franz Schubert **TANTUM ERGO** (D. 750)

Franz Schubert **STABAT MATER** ("The Little") (D. 175)

W.A. Mozart **TE DEUM** (K. 141/66B)

Luigi Cherubini **REQUIEM IN C MINOR**

Saturday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church in Goshen

FREE ADMISSION

The Orange County Classic Choral Society, a chorus of more than 60 voices, has sung in Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center, as well as provided free concerts to the residents of Orange County for more than 50 years. For more info call 845-928-6462 or visit the website at www.classicchoralsociety.org



Easter Lilies

*If you are interested in ordering an Easter lily for the sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one, please do so by Palm Sunday, April 1, 2012. Just fill out the form below and give it to Betty Lobb, Carolyn Keller, or Carol Gabella, or place it in the offering plate. The price for each plant is \$12.99 and they can be taken home after the Easter morning service. **If you do not plan to take the plant, please indicate that on the order form so that we may pass it on to a shut in or leave it to continue to beautify the sanctuary for a few more Sundays.** Checks should be written to "First Presbyterian Church" with the words "Easter Lilies" in the memo.*

Thank you,

Betty, Carolyn, and Carol, co-chairs

Name: _____

Number of plants ordered: _____

Text to be printed in the bulletin

TIDBITS FROM THE TOWER



HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS TO:

2	<i>Carol Coon</i>	16	<i>Kaitlyn Gati</i>
	<i>Ingrid Warner</i>	17	<i>Ian Depew</i>
4	<i>Heather Case</i>		<i>Emma Hourahan</i>
	<i>James Magee</i>	18	<i>Mark O'Hern</i>
	<i>Jackie Quinn</i>	19	<i>Ian Chevalier</i>
8	<i>Ryan Fitzpatrick</i>	25	<i>Barbara Bruno</i>
	<i>Stephen Quinn</i>		<i>Tina McCloud</i>
9	<i>Jackson Diglio</i>	26	<i>Emmanuel Phillips</i>
11	<i>Bob Weinberger</i>		<i>Moses Ukejanya</i>
14	<i>Gabby Donohue</i>	27	<i>Blayne Gibbons</i>
15	<i>Rebecca Zis</i>	29	<i>Elizabeth Sproul</i>

HAPPY APRIL ANNIVERSARIES TO:

4	<i>Gene and Myrna Tucker</i>
13	<i>Brian and Michele Meek</i>
	<i>Dale and Orra Wood</i>
24	<i>Kevin and Sara Hankins</i>
28	<i>Steve and Carol Coon</i>

If you are also celebrating a special day, we wish you much happiness. If you would like your birthday and/or anniversary included, please give your dates to Pat in the church office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- *Our newest members who joined our church family on March 25: Garfield Clark; Laura Colacci; Bill and Carol Eustance; Corinne Greeson; Anne Lavell; and Gregg and Jennifer Piller.*
- *Kate Laskoski, Darcy McDowell and their "Odyssey Angels" team from the C.J. Hooker Middle School in Goshen on winning first-place at the Odyssey of the Mind Regional Competition on March 10. They will compete at the New York State Competition on March 31 at SUNY Binghamton University. Good Luck!*
- *Anne Wood who received her New York State certification in Spanish.*

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Confessing Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we shall seek to use our gifts through worship, ministry, and mission, to gather the Church in from the world, to continue to nurture one another, to serve a world still broken, and to exemplify through common values and purposes Christian discipleship to the greater glory of God.

BOARD OF ELDERS

Class of 2012

Wendy Bynum-Wade
Craig Calzaretta
Tyler Cox
Bill Keller
Tom McDowell
Sue Varden

Class of 2013

Cliff Bartley
Barbara Hankins
John Redman
Loretta Richner
Scott Roper
Rob Warner

Class of 2014

Linda Clark
Dom Fontana
Pat Green
Bill Hodges
Karen Magee
Grover vonPentz

Clerk of Session: Sue Varden

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2012

Linda Boardman
Jessica Bowe
Carol Gabella
Glynnis Jorgensen
Carolyn Keller
Marni Lewis
Rebecca Zis

Class of 2013

Lori Baird
Gina Gruber
John Gruber
Kari Taylor
Moses Ukejianya
Ashley Wade
Anne Wood

Class of 2014

Diana Bowe
Brendan Donohue
Lori Kilmer
Brian Meek
Jude Monteleone
Richard Paulus
Cheryl Zis

Moderator of Deacons: Lori Baird

STAFF

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Anne Wood, CLP – Mission Pastor to Sullivan County