

# THE TOWER TIE

The Newsletter of the  
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## Striving and Stillness

*...judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgment  
(James 2:13)*

Tyler Wigg-Stevenson is the author of *The World is Not Ours to Save: Finding the Freedom to Do Good*. I'm intrigued by the book's provocative title.

Skimming the opening pages, I came across a sentence that seems to capture the intent of the book and the meaning of the title. Wigg-Stevenson argues that the spirit of activism that pervades much of contemporary Christianity "engages issues in such a way that presupposes that, or at least acts as if, the human condition can be changed through human effort — that the world is ours to save. This is a problem" (p. 12).

### The 'Yes' and the 'No'

Notice how the title combines a negation and an affirmation. On one hand, we are not meant to be the world's saviors. That's not our job. And yet, positively, we eagerly strive to do good in this world. We are called to engage the world in its most broken places. We do so freely, not begrudgingly. The author fears that we are headed for "cause fatigue" unless we sink the roots of our well-doing into some rich theological soil.

This week I've been thinking about what it means to "love mercy." I looked at Jesus' well-known story of the Good Samaritan, told only by Luke (Luke 10:25–37). In order to get a full picture of what mercy is and how we are to love our neighbor, we need to keep reading. Luke shares another story with us right on the heels of the Good Samaritan — a story about sitting still and listening to the words of Jesus.

### Mercy from a Full Heart

Professor Charles Talbert of Baylor University observes that these two stories are strategically placed side by side. The stories of the Good Samaritan on the Jericho road and Mary seated at Jesus' feet are both designed to show us what it means to live out the great commandment: to love God and love neighbor.

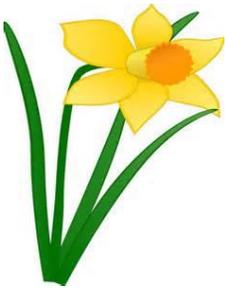
If we refuse to sit still and be attentive to the words of Jesus, we will exhaust ourselves in doing mercy. And, if we never move with compassion toward what is broken, we have not truly heard the words of Jesus.

There is good for you to do as you move into this day. There are people who need compassionate acts of kindness and mercy, and God sends you into this world to mirror who He is as you love your neighbor. But, before you rush headlong into whatever this day holds for you, be still. Let your mercy flow from a full heart.

Pastor Kingsley

## **APRIL – HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

We began our Lenten Journey at the end of February, we moved into Palm Sunday and Holy Week at the end of March, and now we arrive at Easter Sunday and a glorious celebration of the resurrection. We enter the sanctuary in darkness and silence, the first fire of Easter is lit, the choir sings an Easter acclamation, then -- the black curtains are pulled from the windows, the Easter lilies are revealed, and we join in our processional hymn, *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!* The choir will be presenting an Easter anthem, *Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!*, and Mary Lee Farris will be singing, *The Holy City*. Easter Sunday is always a joyous occasion in word and song as we celebrate the foundation of our Christian faith – the Resurrection of Our Lord.



At this time the world around us is awakening from winter slumber, we sense our inner being becoming more alive, we feel the longing to get outside and soak up the warmth. Yet we also pause weekly to recharge and reenergize as we come together to worship and fellowship with one another. I find that our weekly coming together provides the stability, the structure, and the renewal that we need to face whatever may confront us in our daily lives. As we listen to the joys and concerns each week, we learn that out of the clear blue sky any number of things can happen to us when we least expect it. If we are vigilant in the practice of our faith, we can be better prepared for life's unexpected events.

The "Soul Food" we so desperately need is right before us -- prayer, readings from scripture, reminders of our fellow Christians in need of prayer and healing, hymns of faith, and words of wisdom from the sermon. Our services are deep wells from which we can drink, and we follow Jesus' command and take communion for our hungry souls to nourish us spiritually for the week ahead.

As we allow the Holy Spirit to indwell us and open our hearts, we are promised in Galatians 5:22-23:

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance . . .*

Robert Clooney  
Director of Ministry of Music

### **PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

**PALM SUNDAY – MARCH 29 – 9:30 A.M.**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP AND COMMUNION SERVICE – APRIL 2 - 7:30 P.M.**

**SERVICE OF DARKNESS - GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 3 – 7:30 P.M.**

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE – APRIL 5 – 7:00 A.M.**

**EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP – APRIL 5 – 9:30 A.M.**



## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thank you to everyone who placed yarn into our bin in the narthex during the February yarn drive! Every time a few skeins of yarn go into the bin, another gift can go out. I read recently that a shawl ministry in the south asks each member of the congregation to donate one skein of any kind to their shawl ministry each year. They place a huge basket on the chancel, and when everyone comes forward for communion, they place the yarn in the basket. The basket overflows with the colors, and it is a joy they look forward to each year. By the end of the service, they had amassed over 200 skeins of all types and colors. The ladies then create some of the most beautiful gifts – like the shepherd Joseph’s “coat of many colors” given to him by his father, Jacob (*Genesis 37*). With the abundance of yarn skeins, they have to use their talents to come up with some very unique and unusual shawls. This is a wonderful idea for the future. Any takers?

My daughter was invited to a crochet /knitting group at a Methodist church in Tennessee where she has been attending. During the meeting, she told them about our PSM, and they were very interested. She asked if she could share our prayers and poems with them along with some of the articles we have had in the paper and in our *Tower Tie*. I immediately put a box together and also added the book that got us started in 2007 for them to share. It will be interesting to see what the feedback is from them.

We received the following notes of thanks;

- To the ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry: “Thank you for the gift of the prayer shawl and for your prayers. I will use it when I pray. It was very thoughtful of you. God bless you, Rose Marciante” (Mark Glasse’s 104 year old grandma).
- Dear PSM,” Sorry I took so long to respond, but I thank you for the beautiful prayer shawl. It certainly has been a comfort to me in many ways. I thank everyone who took part in making the shawl. I will offer my prayers to all of you. Sincerely, Madeline Porpiglia, Milton, NY.”

Also, two shawls were sent to Salisbury, MD for a mother and daughter. Mom, Jackie, and daughter Katie were surprised by and welcoming of the hugs we sent. Katie was recently diagnosed with a brain tumor and is 28 years old. A former neighbor of mine told me about her, and said it was so kind of our church to reach out to this family.

Lori Kilmer also gave out several of our shawls to friends going through tough times. Thanks Lori for reaching out. We sure hope it helps each of them.

Thank you to all in the congregation for helping us keep this outreach going. God bless each of you and consider yourselves HUGGED!

Wendy Lee Paffenroth –  
Prayer Shawl Ministry Secretary



## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

On a chilly, early March night, a group of ladies met in the parlor to discuss the coming events of the year for PW. We went over the calendar, made adjustments, and changed some dates - a list of these dates is included in this month's *Tower Tie*. Please write the dates on your calendar so you don't miss anything. We also celebrated Betty and Wendy's upcoming "21<sup>st</sup>" (again) birthdays. Thanks ladies!

Next month the ladies will host the first coffee hour in May. We will be celebrating horses - and Derby Day. All women of the church are asked to wear a fancy hat and to contribute a dish to share. We will have some great and easy recipes for you, so ask around and pick a recipe to make. We want a great variety of treats - so please, all ladies, how about helping us out?

On Great American Weekend, July 4 & 5, the ladies will again have the coffee and tea tent under the steeple. We again are counting on you to pitch in an hour or two and help us. It is a great way to meet new people and to share some fellowship with others. We will also be volunteering to help with outreach and church tours. Take it from me - "It was a thrill to share our church history with so many people from all over last year." We hope we can expand it this GAW, too. Come to the April meeting and bring some ideas to the table.

We received the following note from Gertrude Cox's family:

*"Thank you for coordinating the luncheon for Gertrude on Saturday. Your caring was evident in the friendliness and efficiency of all of you. It was such a relief not to have to worry about this during a stressful time. Jane Tiller"*

Here are just a few excerpts from some of the lovely notes about the Christmas boxes we distributed to those unable to join the congregation for various reasons:

*"I am thinking of the sharing and caring and good times we have learned. The goodies you sent for Christmas are down to the crumbs. I have wonderful memories of the 55 years we have been together. Phyla Wright"*

*"Thank you for the nice gift. I can't get over how nice it was of you to send it to me. How thoughtful you are! God bless you. Rose Marciante" (Mark Glasse's 104 year old grandmother)*

*"Thank you so much for the Christmas box of goodies. We are enjoying all the goodies, especially the lap blanket. I am always touched beyond words for the prayers, concerns, and support we have received from our church family in recent years. It is a wonderful feeling knowing you haven't been forgotten. We hope to rejoin you soon. Wendy Bynum-Wade"*

*"Your wonderful bag of Christmas goodies was overwhelming. I would personally like to thank the lady who made the beautiful shades of green blanket. It was definitely a work of art. Needless to say, I could go on and on about all that was included. What I recognize most was how fortunate our church is to have such wonderful Christian women so giving of themselves - time, talents, and treasures. God bless you all, Beryl Yungman"*

As you can see, all the Christmas bags we delivered were welcomed and enjoyed. Those who worked on the project should have that warm feeling in their hearts that we touched our members at a special time of year. Blessings on all of you!

Please join us on April 6 in the parlor. It is the day after Easter and time to get on with our spring ideas. Hope to see many of you there.

Fondly,  
Wendy Paffenroth - PW secretary

Presbyterian Women's Association

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015**

*(Subject to changes as determined by meetings)*

Meetings will be in the parlor, unless otherwise stated, and are set to begin at approximately 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter. Thank you.

- Monday, April 6 – Monthly Meeting
- Sunday, May 3 – Women's coffee hour after church - Derby Day – dress accordingly with *BIG HATS* (special menu)
- Monday, May 4 – Monthly Meeting
- Friday, May 29 – Memorial Day Bake Sale
- Monday, June 1 – Monthly Meeting
- Sat/Sun, July 4 & 5 – Great American Weekend –  
coffee/tea tent; help with church tours;  
set up Friday night
- August – Summer – No meeting unless group decides
- September – Honoree Luncheon- date to be announced
- Monday, September 14 – Monthly Meeting (week late due to Labor Day the week before)
- Monday, October 5 – Monthly Meeting
- Monday, November 2 - Monthly Meeting
- Saturday, November 21 - bake / soup / chili sale during Holiday Fair
- Monday, December 7- Monthly Meeting
- December? – send out care boxes

***Presbyterian Women also help with Rummage Sale, funeral receptions, alter flowers, and other functions of the church. Watch the bulletin for events when we are needed.***

***All women in the congregation are considered members of the PWA***



Many thanks to the volunteers who helped at the Deacons' spaghetti dinner as well as those who supported our event by coming and enjoying the meal.

With gratitude, The Board of Deacons

## ***TRICKY TRAY EVENT***

***When –Friday, April 10, 2015***

***Where – First Presbyterian Church***

***33 Park Place, Goshen***

***Time – Doors open at 6:30 p.m.***

***Calling at 7:30 p.m.***

***There will be lots of baskets and gift certificates***

***Baskets are valued at \$25.00 and there will be a sweepstakes table with higher valued baskets, and a 50/50.***

***Tickets are \$4.00 per sheet for regular baskets, \$2.00 for sweepstakes and \$5.00 for 50/50***

***There will be door prizes for adults and children***

***Refreshments will be available for purchase***

***Proceeds will benefit this years' mission trip to Nicaragua***

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Friday, April 10 Tricky Tray**

**Doors open at 6:30 p.m. calling at 7:30 p.m.**

Refreshments will be served. We are hoping for 100 baskets. There will be a 50/50 and a sweepstakes table as well. It would be appreciated if you could donate a themed wrapped basket for the event. The baskets should contain new items and be a value of at least \$25.00. They can be dropped off on Thursday evening.

#### **Saturday, April 18 - Community Yard Sale**

Jeanette McDowell will be hosting this event so look for that information coming up. If you need to clean out for the spring, please put your items aside and come to the Community Yard Sale....

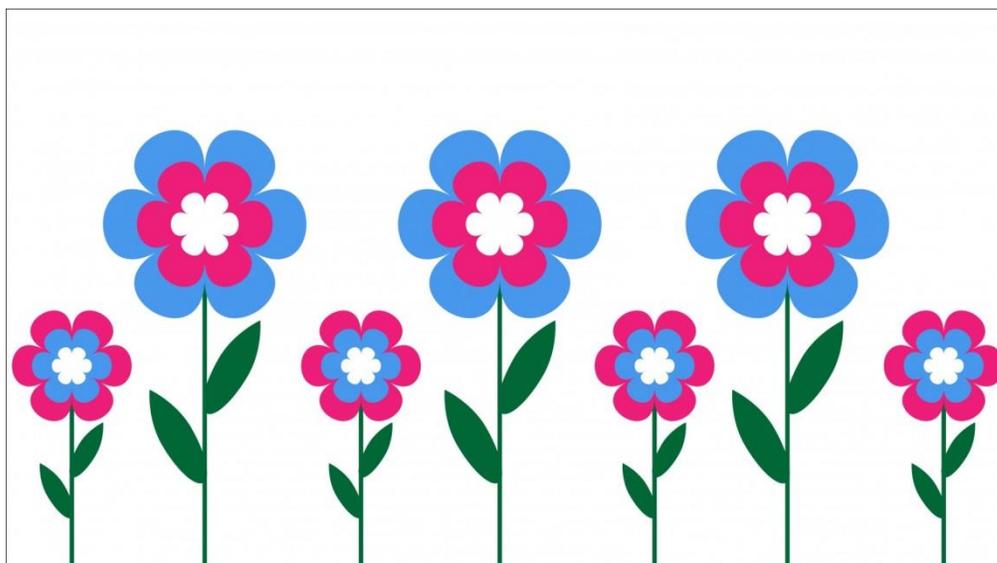
#### **Sunday, April 26 - Accessory After The Fact**

**12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

If you are looking for something special for Mothers Day, a birthday gift, or just for yourself you will want to come to this event. Come and check the beautiful scarfs, jewelry, hand bags and much more. The prices are reasonable and I know you will walk away with more than one item...

# Spring Celebration & Mother's Day Boutique

## Sunday, April 26 from 12-4



Fundraiser for FPC's Mission to  
build low-income housing in Nicaragua this summer!

### *Accessory After The Fact*

*(...because boring attire is a crime)*

Brings Its *Boutique On The Run*

On April 26 to Fellowship Hall of First Presbyterian Church  
33 Park Place, Goshen

Featuring Handbags, Scarves, Jewelry & Other Gift Items

Gift Wrapping Available

Raffles – Door Prizes

Refreshments Available for Purchase

Checks & Credit Cards Accepted for Gift items

Information: Donna Silver-McCormack \* Cell 347-729-9997



## SHARE PAGE

If you have something you want to share, a recipe, poem, prayer, something that touched your heart - just email me by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month and we will try to get it into the next newsletter. Email me at: [wendypaffenroth@gmail.com](mailto:wendypaffenroth@gmail.com) Thank you, Wendy Lee Paffenroth.

### **Everyone seemed to enjoy some "church humor" – so here are a few more.**

- ❖ A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table she turned to her 6 year old daughter and said "Would you like to say the blessing?" "I wouldn't know what to say," replied the daughter. "Just say what you hear Mommy say," the mother responded. The little girl bowed her head and said: *"Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"*
- ❖ The Pope died on the same day that a lawyer did. St. Peter met them at the gate and asked which one would want to go to his new home first. The pope, being a generous man, told Peter to show the lawyer to his place first. The lawyer's place was better than the Taj Mahal. So when the pope was given a mere condo he asked, "St. Peter, don't you know that I was the pope?" St. Peter replied, *"We have plenty of popes here- but he is the first lawyer!"*
- ❖ A kindergarten teacher was walking around observing her classroom of children while they were drawing pictures. As she got to one little girl, she noticed how diligently she was working. She asked what the drawing was of. The little girl looked up and said, "Why it is a picture of GOD!" The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." Without hesitation the little girl said - *"They will in a minute."*
- ❖ *One Easter Sunday morning the Pastor was preaching the children's sermon. He always had a bag of props with him and reached into the bag and pulled out an egg. He pointed to the egg and asked the children, "What is in here?" "I know, I know, I know," said a little guy. Then exclaimed for the whole church to hear "PANTYHOSE."*

After explaining the commandment to honor your father and mother, a Sunday school teacher asked her class if there was a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and our sisters. One boy, the oldest in his family, immediately answered…… *"Thou shalt not kill."*

**FROM THE CHRISTIAN ED. COMMITTEE**

Thank you all for supporting our Stone Soup Luncheon!

**The Christian Ed. Committee plans the 2015 VBS for the week of July 6th.**

We will need lots of adult and teen volunteers to:

- Help with decorations (courtesy of the Meeks) set-up in the sanctuary Sunday, July 5th in the afternoon
- Help with decorations clean-up Friday, July 10th!
- Help with pre-cutting some of the fabulous crafts Carolyn Keller designs for us
- Help with collecting various food and snacks for the week (list to come!)
- And stuff we haven't even thought of yet!

Please contact Linda Boardman (469-6063) or BA Long (343-7571).

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***WON'T YOU WALK WITH US?***

We are walking for our church and PresbyBuild in the:

**2015 Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newburgh Walk for Housing**

**Sunday, April 26**

We hope you will join us as we walk past Habitat-built homes on a three-mile route that winds along the beautiful Hudson River and through The Heights neighborhood. The Walk kicks off at 1:00 p.m. at Washington's Headquarters where we will meet up with members of other Presbyterian churches for a **PresbyBuild photo-op!**

PresbyBuild has been partnering with Habitat for the past 11 years and begins construction of its seventh house in late April. Members of the fourteen Presbyterian churches who make up PresbyBuild contribute with prayer, financial contributions and/or labor. The Walk is one way we have of raising the \$75,000 needed for construction.

Faith communities have sponsored nearly one-half of the 76 homes built by Habitat Newburgh. We believe, as does Habitat, that we are putting *God's love into action!*

Our Walk team leaders are **Carolyn Keller** and **Lori Kilmer**. Please tell them you'd like to walk with us. There is also a sign-up sheet on the Mission bulletin board in the John Knox Building.



## **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>Gregg Piller</i>
	<i>Jackie Quinn</i>		<i>Mark O'Hern</i>
6	<i>Marge Chasen</i>	25	<i>Barbara Bruno</i>
8	<i>Ryan Fitzpatrick</i>		<i>Tina McCloud</i>
	<i>Stephen Quinn</i>	26	<i>Emmanuel Phillips</i>
9	<i>Jackson Diglio</i>		<i>Moses Ukejjanya</i>
11	<i>Bob Weinberger</i>	27	<i>Blayne Gibbons</i>
14	<i>Gabby Donohue</i>	29	<i>Elizabeth Sproul</i>
15	<i>Rebecca Zis</i>		

### **HAPPY APRIL ANNIVERSARIES TO:**

4	<i>Gene and Myrna Tucker</i>
13	<i>Brian and Michele Meek</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:**

- *Kate Laskoski and Darcy McDowell whose Goshen High School's Odyssey of the Mind team took first place in their division at the competition. They will advance to the State Competition on April 11 at the State University of New York at Binghamton. Beth Laskoski was one of their coaches.*
- *Kierstin Holt and Sarah McDowell whose C.J. Hooker's Odyssey of the Mind team placed third in their division at the competition. Jeanette McDowell was one to their coaches.*

### **NEW ADDRESS**

Cheryl Maturana and Janet Hinckley  
59 Country Club Drive  
Florida, NY 10921

## **PLEASE PAY YOUR PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT FOR 2015**

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 **345** and **our assessment per member** (not per family) **for 2015 is \$31.00**, which is a total of **\$10,695.00** 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.

## **JOYFUL VOICES FROM AFRICA**

Next month, our church will be filled with joyful voices from Africa! The Watoto Children's Choir will be performing at FP Goshen on Friday, May 22 at 7:30 p.m. The choir is from Uganda and they "sing for their supper" and the roofs over their heads! The Watoto choir will tour the U.S. in order to raise money to support their villages in Uganda.

There is no charge to attend the concert; a free will offering will be collected. We need host families willing to house two children and one adult overnight. This is a unique cultural opportunity! If you have an interest in being a host family, please contact Mark and Paty Glasse at 845-986-1460 or [mpglasse@optonline.net](mailto:mpglasse@optonline.net)

## **COFFEE HOUR**

Beginning in April, the first Sunday of every month will be a "congregation coffee hour." Please donate a food item and bring to the kitchen by 8:30 a.m. Please contact Robin Knoblock at 845-313-1319 with any questions or if you want to sign up to host a coffee hour.

Thank you.

## **SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS FOR SALE**

Would you like to help support our church's upcoming mission trip? Do you buy groceries at ShopRite? Then we have an easy solution for you! Purchase ShopRite gift cards from FP Goshen at full face value. The church receives 5% back from ShopRite. You can buy \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50, or \$100 gift cards. Cards are available during coffee hour on Sundays and during office hours at the church office during the week. Ask your relatives, friends, and co-workers. The more we sell, the more money we raise! Contact Mark or Paty Glasse with questions at 845-986-1460 or [mpglasse@optonline.net](mailto:mpglasse@optonline.net)



## 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  
Ed Berry  
Mary Carr  
Steve and Carol Coon  
Joe Destefano  
Everyone serving in the Military  
Ben Fisher  
Dorothy Gott  
The Family of Don Hoffmann  
Susan Johnson  
Laura and Tom Kennedy  
Robert Lobb  
Gavin Martin  
The McCloud Family  
Joseph Montalbano  
Richard Nash  
Amy (Thompson) Nguyen  
Velma Peters  
Tim Richardson  
Fred Schwarz  
Matt Skyer and Family  
David Paul Spradlin  
Elmer Stevens  
Butch Turley  
Kenya VanZandt  
Nancy Warner  
Anne Wood's brother-in-law  
Phyla Wright

Rosa B.  
Sarah Burrows  
Eric Carsanty  
Bruce and Jean Crandall  
Sally Dorritie  
Evie and Family  
Norm and Sharon Frelinger  
Barbara and George Hankins  
Carol Hoffman  
Rosemary Joy  
Roberta Kinnamon  
James Magee  
Riley Martin  
Evelyn Mercado  
Jude Monteleone  
Nina and Jason  
Alice Paffenroth  
The Ptak Family  
Loretta Richner  
Bryan Scott and Family  
The Smith Family  
Jackson Spradlin  
Bill and Jean Strong  
Kim Valentini and Family  
The Wade Family  
The Weinberger Family  
Orra Wood

The Family of Virginia Bennett  
Anthony Capaccio  
Jean Chang  
Suzanne DeBlock  
David Dzierzek  
Mary Lee Farris' sister  
Kate Goodspeed  
Kevin and Sara Hankins  
Bill Howell  
Carolyn Keller's father  
Jeff Knox  
Kelly Magee Thrush  
Andy Marussich  
Jeff Monroe  
Eileen Myslinski  
Nick K.  
Dave and Wendy Paffenroth  
Rachel Reeves  
Tom Sawyer  
Dorothy Sevcik  
Louise Spencer  
Peggy Srirach  
Jean Stukey  
Cindy Vanderplatt  
Molly Wanat  
Jo Wolfe  
Sharon Worden

***(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.)***

# Maney-Hawkins Meditation Garden

## APRIL UPDATE

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### Memorial Pavers

To order a memorial paver to honor or remember a loved one, please see Pat in the church office. The cost of each paver is only \$100. **We now have nine orders on-hand.** We will place another order when we reach a total of ten. Get your order in now!

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### 13 Niches Remain for Purchase in the Memorial Columbarium

Each niche allows for double or single interment with four purchase options:

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)

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### “Stewards of Our Garden”

*Thank you to our dedicated Stewards for keeping the garden neat!*

#### The MARCH and early APRIL Steward's Schedule:

Barbara and George Hankins: April 1 – April 15

Jen and Gregg Piller: April 16 – April 30

Beryl Yungman and Karen Bende: May 1 – May 15

*It takes only a few minutes of your time to pick up any litter, pull a weed, or sweep a few pavers clean, and you can help keep our garden beautiful! Contact Pat in the church office to sign up.*

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Call the church office (845-294-7991), Rev. Kingsley, or Wayne George (914-213-4093)  
For any information you may need about The Maney-Hawkins Meditation Garden.

## **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 2015**

Kathy Alevras  
Wendy Bynum-Wade  
Elizabeth (BA) Long  
Louise Spencer  
Sue Varden  
Orra Wood

### **Class of 2016**

Cliff Bartley  
Geri Corey  
John Redman  
Tom Sawyer  
Mal Stewart  
Jo Wolfe

### **Class of 2017**

Robin Knoblock  
Karen Magee  
Anne Tuthill  
Grover vonPentz  
Rob Warner

Clerk of Session: Sue Varden

## **BOARD OF DEACONS**

### **Class of 2015**

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Tina McCloud  
Gregg Piller  
Jennifer Piller  
Nancy Smith  
Hannah Warner

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Bill Eustance  
Gina Gruber  
John Gruber  
Carolyn Keller  
Kathleen Kingsley  
Lisa Montalbano

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Diane Church  
Lori Kilmer  
Mary Kingsley  
Charlie vonPentz  
Nancy Warner  
Cheryl Zis

Moderators of Deacons: Carolyn Keller and Carol Gabella  
Presbyterian Women:

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