

THE TOWER TIE

The Newsletter of the
First Presbyterian Church of Goshen

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

—2 Samuel 7:8

It has been said that if you want to find out what you worship, consider the question, “When your mind is free to think about anything at all, what does it think about?” King David finally had one of those free moments. There were no enemies at the gate and no wars to fight. David got to thinking about building a house—a temple—for God. Perhaps one of the reasons God considered David “a man after his own heart” was because when David’s mind was free to wander, it wandered back to God.

The 197 words God spoke to David through the prophet, Nathan, form the theological center of the Old Testament, especially for Christians. These words will sustain, enlighten, and encourage Israel through 1,000 years of suffering and exile. They establish David as the founder of the only royal family God will ever install in Israel, and they lay the foundation for the coming Messiah. In these words, God establishes a covenant with David that God promises never to break.

On that quiet, mind-wandering day in David’s palace, God brought to mind all the ways he had been at work in David’s life, and at the center of it all is God’s assurance,

I have been with you wherever you went.

You are familiar with the use of trademarks. A trademark distinguishes the source of goods and services. When something is trademarked, it carries one of several symbols - - ™ © ®. God identifies himself as David’s source. If we could see it, we’d see God’s trademark symbol on every moment of David’s life.

...I took you from the pasture.™

...I have cut off all your enemies.©

...I will make for you a great name.®

This is the essential nature of God’s covenant with humanity—*I am with you*. And not just present with us, but also actively pursuing our best interests.

Then came God’s mind-bending announcement that David would not build God a house, but God would make David a house. God’s temple is not a building; it’s a people. As Paul put it,

Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you?

—1 Corinthians 3:16

You may be familiar with Bev Doolittle’s “camouflage technique” for painting where certain details of her art can be seen in more than one way. Wikipedia says, “Perhaps her most impressive work is a twenty-four set

collection of paintings of dark-brown horses set against light brown rocks and white snow, which from a distance and arranged in order, spells out the words “hide and seek.”

Everything that happens to us in life is part of God’s game of hide-and-seek. May God bless you with a wandering mind—a mind that wanders into the discovery of God’s presence with you.

Pastor Kingsley

Dear Rev. David Kingsley and Friends in the Goshen Presbyterian Congregation,

It was such an honor and delight to be with you for the dedication of the Weeping River Birch remembering my 24 years in ministry with you. It truly honors our 24 years of ministry together. I gave a card to David which said: “He who plants a tree, plants hope.” I truly believe that. Shortly, after learning of this dedication, I found myself behind a car with a sticker saying, “Plant Trees”; as that car came to a red light and I got closer I saw another sticker: “Honk if you want a political revolution.” Perhaps, planting a tree and planting hope is exactly that. John Dominic Crossan suggested that Jesus’ Kingdom of God “did not invite a political revolution but envisioned a social one at the imagination’s most dangerous depths,” aimed at all those distinctions we make between one another. Perhaps, the tree not only bind us together in memories and hopes, but to our Mother Earth in a revolution that might save us from our follies.

I do Tai Chi where posture is so critical, with our head high held by an imaginary string from the crown, touching heaven, and our feet planted on the ground, like the song from *Carousel*, “With his head held high and his feet planted firm on the ground.” We draw our strength from heaven, and from earth. So also with trees, their branches reaching to the sky, their roots deep in the earth. It is a curiosity of nature that trees huddled together in the forest, literally share their nutrients through their roots systems so that all are equally fed; so also the People of the Way.

A few images of trees have come to me. Of course, Joyce Kilmer’s “I think that I shall never see a poem as lovely as a tree.” Another by Lois Levin Roisman:

Every tree carries the snow with its own grace,
bends to the breeze with its own sway,
etches the clouds with its own stroke,
bows to the ice with its own resolve,
rights its trunk clenched by its own roots,
drenches itself in its own desires, and
creates its own spring.”

And of course, I can hear Louis Armstrong singing in his rich special voice:

“I see trees of green, red roses too, I see them bloom, for me and you
And I think to myself What a wonderful world!

I have been reading Peter Wohlleben’s *“The Hidden Life of Trees – What They Feel, How They Communicate.”* Stop by and say Hello to our tree and remember our good times together; and remember that we are all “like trees planted by streams of water” (Psalm 1: 3 NRSV) when we are nourished in communities of faith, hope, and love.

Mark Twain at 70 said: “Praise is good; compliment is good; but affection, that is the greatest reward of all.” Thank you for your love and affection. My friend, Marcia and I were delighted to be with you. We both thank you so much. May God bless us all.

With affection and love,
Dick and Marcia



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Many blessings continue to be sent from the church. Pastor was taking two baby blankets to his twin granddaughters made by Pam Pylant, both in pink and white to snuggle them. Several other baby blankets and many shawls and lap robes have gone out as well in the past month.

A lap robe made by Jo Wolfe was taken to a lady in a nursing home in Pennsylvania by her great granddaughter. Jo used all the little bits of colors she had leftover, and it became an amazing blanket of many colors. Grandma Pink will love it, and we are sure it will be used.

A shawl went to a lady on leave for neck surgery from the Warwick School. She said it will wrap her in healing prayers, and she loved the variations of the blues in it.

This is a poem/prayer that is often sent when we know the person who is receiving the gift. We hope you like it. Often the person receiving the shawl enjoys reading the prayers we add and the list of what each color stands for.

Friendship

Hearts are meant to be open and let the friendship in,
To have a heart not open – would truly be a sin.
Our good Lord gave us friendships - to help us along our way,
He wants us to welcome friendships, each and every day.
You're someone I'll always admire, you're special and dear-
A wonderful blessing to treasure, to have close and near.
And when friends are separated or very far apart-
This shawl will serve as a reminder, of how you've touched our hearts.
As this shawl was being created – thoughts would turn to you,
Your smile, your humor, your caring for others – your friendships that are so true.
The Good Lord has been gracious and been so very kind,
He let our paths in life mingle, if just for a short time.

Amen.

Consider yourself hugged,
God bless you ----

(Composed by: Wendy Lee Paffenroth)

Thank you for continuing to contribute your love and items to the ministry. It keeps us all going. And thank you to those who donated to the ministry in memory of my Mom, Jean Musgrave. When she passed, she had the shawl we sent her on her bed. She truly loved reading about the shawls in the *Tower Tie* each month. God bless each of you and have a blessed Holiday Season with loved ones.

Wendy Lee Paffenroth –
Prayer Shawl Ministry contributor

MidnightRun.org

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE:

Our next Midnight Run will be an evening run on

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10.

As always, the jobs are many; we will need volunteers to:

- Sort/organize clothes for Run
- Pack goodie bags (snacks, chips, juice boxes)
- Pack toiletry bags
- Drive and/or go on the Run. We will leave the church at approximately 8:30 p.m. on December 10.
- Donate clothes (underwear, socks, gently worn sweaters, jeans, coats, hats, gloves, heavy shoes/boots)
- Donate food supplies (see specific list below) and/or donate \$ if you can't help with any of the items listed.

Specifically we will need:

- ✓ Hard Boiled Eggs (12 Dozen)
- ✓ SOUP (homemade or can) enough for 150 servings
- ✓ Coffee 2 lbs
- ✓ Black lawn/leaf bags (39 gal) 150 count
- ✓ Sandwich baggies 300 count
- ✓ Gallon baggies 300 count
- ✓ Plastic spoons 250 count
- ✓ Napkins 250 count
- ✓ Paper towels 3 rolls
- ✓ Styrofoam cups for coffee and soup 300 count
- ✓ Coffee mate (powered cream)
- ✓ Sugar pkts./Sweet 'N Lo pkts.
- ✓ Long white sandwich bread (20 loaves)
- ✓ Peanut butter (2 large, creamy)
- ✓ Jelly (2 large jars)
- ✓ Sliced deli turkey (6 lbs)
- ✓ Sliced deli ham (6 lbs)
- ✓ Sliced deli cheese (5 lbs)
- ✓ Tootsie Rolls (small Halloween size)
- ✓ Other Halloween size candy; individual sized bags of chips, single pkg. juice boxes, trail mix or granola bars (individually bagged or wrapped)
- ✓ Fresh fruit (apples or oranges or boxed raisins (150 count)
- ✓ We will also need travel size toiletries (shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste/toothbrushes, combs, body wash, washcloths, small tissue packs for men and women)

If you can help with any of the above, please leave a note in collection plate or contact Wendy Bynum-Wade at 845-294-0583 or at wendybynumwade@gmail.com; or stop me before or after church.

First Presbyterian membership is NOT a requirement for service; all that is needed is a willing heart to help individuals far less fortunate than any of us. Invite your friends and family members; helping with any of the components of our efforts will satisfy community service hours needed for high school/college (we can provide documentation for any school district). By the way, it's also a great way to have fun while earning a warm and fuzzy feeling for doing something so worthwhile. Members of other churches (or groups within those churches) are welcome and encouraged to join us as well. Why should Presbyterians have all the fun? Many hands will make light work. Please pass the word!

With heartfelt thanks and a grateful heart,

Wendy Bynum-Wade
Midnight Run Coordinator
wendybynumwade@gmail.com
845-294-0583 (home)
845-629-4324 (cell) You can text any time



THANK YOU

On behalf of the Deacon, I would like to extend a huge thank-you to Lori Kilmer for the great job she did organizing the vendors at our Holiday Fair. It's a task that on the surface seems pretty straightforward, but there are a lot of issues that crop up along the way. She handled those problems calmly and diplomatically, making the whole fair both successful and memorable. Thank you again, Lori.

I would also like to thank Diana Bowe for manning the kitchen. Her crew ran the vendors' lunch with great efficiency and cheerfulness. I would also like to thank the Deacons who helped set up and clean up. Because of you, we were able to do it all in record time! Thank you also to Darlene for decorating our lobby and Fellowship Hall. Thank you to Brian for the music. Just stepping into the lobby put everyone in the Christmas Spirit!

On behalf of the PWA, I would like to thank anyone who made a quart (or more) of soup to sell. We had 70 jars! Gina, Jen, and Carolyn made 25 jars of chutney. We were sold out of that by noon! Thank you also to the many bakers. We had pies, cakes, cookies, granola and candy, and every last crumb was sold! Finally, thank you to Glynnis for setting up her "high quality" rummage. She paired baked goods with a pretty plate or dish, and we were able to sell an attractive gift! I think it was a great day all around. I'm really glad, however, that we only do it once a year! Thank you all!

Sincerely,
Carolyn Keller, Moderator of the Deacons



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The November 7th meeting went well, but we would sure love to see some more of our wonderful ladies' faces come out and join us. Please consider coming to a meeting when the New Year starts or in December.

A lovely thank you was read from Nancy Mason in appreciation for the lovely reception put on for her Mom, Dorothy Gott, after the funeral. We will miss Dot, as she was a vital part of the PW Association for many years, and we'll also miss her wonderful cinnamon rolls she always made for our bake sales.

World Day of Prayer information was given to us, and we will be the host for the community churches the first Friday in March. We will need several ladies to do readings at the service, and we will host a reception afterwards for those who attend. More information will be forthcoming in the upcoming *Tower Tie* newsletters, but please mark your calendars for that day and plan to be with your sisters from all the other churches in Goshen.

Cards were sent out to those who needed some cheering, and a discussion about who will need Christmas gift bags was held. If you can think of anyone who needs a little cheering at the holidays, maybe they can't make church to be with us, or are alone, please contact Fran Hoffmann, or leave the name and address with Pat at the church office for us. We would like to see some joy given at the holidays as always. On that note, we will need some bakers to make some cookies to go into the gift packages. Again, if you can bake or if you can supply some nice items to put into the bags, let Fran know or the office. We will be looking for items to add such as, note cards and stamps, lotions, chap sticks, small hand-held games, puzzles, large print books, game books, hard candies, specialty teas, hot cocoa packets, etc. Use your imagination and let's all contribute something. The bags will go out probably by the 15-20th of December.

The pitcher used for communion has been replated and is again being used for Sunday services. Thank you to Carol Gabella for seeing this was done quickly.

By the time this is in your mailbox, the Holiday Fair will be a memory. If you baked for PW or made soup or chili, we thank you. It is because of your generosity we can do these things.

Come join us in December on Monday the 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the parlor.
God bless and a Happy and Healthy Holiday season to you and yours.

Wendy Lee Paffenroth - Secretary



SHARE PAGE

If you have something you want to share -- a recipe, poem, prayer, or something that touched your heart -- email me by the 15th of the month, and we will try to get it into the next newsletter. Email me at: wendypaffenroth@gmail.com

It is holiday time and time to make treats to share. This is a simple but wonderful recipe my sister shared with us many years ago. Enjoy –



LINDA'S FAMOUS TOFFEE (CANDY)

(Given every Christmas in pretty tins)

Ingredients:

- 1 cup chopped (finely chopped) walnuts
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 stick ($\frac{1}{2}$ cup) unsalted butter
- 1/2-3/4 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Butter an 8" square pan. Spread 2/3rds of chopped walnuts in the pan. Heat butter and brown sugar in a 1 qt. saucepan and boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Do this until the mixture darkens and starts to smoke. Takes about 7 minutes. IMMEDIATELY pour over the walnuts and sprinkle with the chocolate chips. Put a cookie sheet over the top of the pan to hold in the heat - not so it touches the chips - (it melts the chips). Then spread the chocolate with a knife. Spread remaining walnuts on top and press into the melted chocolate. Cut into squares while still warm but not hot (use a pizza cutter). Refrigerate and then when cold, break apart into the cut squares. Store in a tin.

Wonderful at Christmas...Always a hit!

Give as gifts - they will want the recipe as well.

Makes 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. of candy (similar to Almond Roca, an expensive candy)

Linda Musgrave Grippe

(Placed in little candy pouches, it also sells well at church fairs)

Have a wonderful Holiday Season. Spread some cheer to your friends and neighbors - do a kindness for someone – and remember the '**REASON FOR THE SEASON**'

Hugs to all...Wendy Paffenroth



**POINSETTIAS to adorn our Sanctuary
ORDERING DEADLINE DECEMBER 5**

In honor of the birth of our Savior and in celebration of this glorious season, please consider helping us to decorate our Sanctuary with beautiful red, white, pink, and marbled poinsettias. They will be placed in the church for Sunday, December 18 and remain for the Christmas Eve candlelight service. One may take them home after the Christmas Eve service.

Kindly consider ordering a plant in honor of or in memory of a special person(s) or loved ones, or simply to the Glory of God and in celebration of Christ's birth. **THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERING IS MONDAY, DECEMBER 5. All orders must be accompanied with a check.** Please complete the form below and submit with your payment of \$12.99 per plant made payable to the First Presbyterian Church in Goshen (put **Poinsettias** in the memo) or call the Church Office (294-7991), Betty Lobb, 294-6344, Carolyn Keller 294-5508 or Carol Gabella 342-4367.

Thank you for helping us honor Christmas with festive flowers!

Yes, I would like to order Christmas poinsettias for the Sanctuary as follows:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Color</u>
_____	Red
_____	White
_____	Pink
_____	Marbled
_____	Total @ \$12.99 each = \$_____ due



Please make checks payable to the First Presbyterian Church in Goshen (put **Poinsettia** in the memo) and place in the offering plate or give to Betty, Carolyn, or Carol

Given by: _____

(Kindly PRINT as you would like it to appear in the bulletin.)

To the Glory of God and:

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

In celebration of: _____

To honor the birth of Jesus Christ: _____

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____



THE SHOPRITE CARD FUNDRAISER IS ON GOING!

When you buy ShopRite gift cards through the church you can help fund our mission trips. The church sells gift cards at full face value, and we receive a 5% discount from ShopRite when the cards are purchased. If you buy groceries at ShopRite, PLEASE purchase gift cards from the church. If you spend \$100, the mission fund will grow by \$5. We all buy groceries so why not help fund our mission trip in the process? See me on Sundays to purchase them or stop by the church office during the week.

Any questions/please feel free to contact me.

Mark Glasse' (845)325-4439 or mpglasse@optonline.net

STEWARDSHIP

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

This year Pastor Kingsley has asked me to chair the Stewardship Committee again. The goal this year is to continue "our commitment giving" progress as we did in 2016. I am pleased to chair the committee and trust that our efforts will be rewarded.

You are aware of the needs of the church and can make your prayerfully-considered commitment to keep God's work moving forward in our church, community, and the world. In addition to your monetary commitment, please make the effort to commit your time and talents as well. To renew Christ's new covenant he made with us at the Last Supper, we are asked to give of ourselves.

We ask you to consider tithing a portion of your income to the church.

We are always best when we are working together for a common cause, especially if that cause is to help our fellow voyagers on this God-created earth.

Sincerely,
William E. Eustance
Stewardship Chair



PLEASE SAVE BOX TOPS FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES

If you do not already save your box tops for anyone, I would appreciate you saving them for me to give to my niece who is trying to get much-needed supplies for her kindergarten classroom in Liberty, or to treat them to an educational program. The box tops can be found on many foods and household supplies such as Progresso soups, Betty Crocker products, Scott paper towels, General Mills cereals, etc. I also will take Campbell soup labels.

I have a box for collection in the back of church by the yarn basket, or you can hand them to me in church.

Thanks so much! Carol Gabella

TIDBITS FROM THE TOWER



HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS TO:

1	<i>Roger Tuthill</i>	15	<i>Rachael Quick</i>
2	<i>Joy Kissane</i>	16	<i>Linda Boardman</i>
3	<i>Craig Benson</i>	18	<i>Barbara Thompson</i>
4	<i>Greg Sitler</i>	19	<i>Joe Pietropaolo</i>
5	<i>Erica Gati</i>	20	<i>Nancy Leech</i>
	<i>Kari Taylor</i>	25	<i>Jennifer Serkes</i>
6	<i>Lisa Montalbano</i>		<i>Wesley Sproul</i>
9	<i>Beryl Yungman</i>		<i>Mal Stewart</i>
	<i>Christopher Misir</i>	27	<i>Kayla Farley</i>
12	<i>Bruce Crandall</i>		<i>Paul Gruber</i>
	<i>Sadie Hankins</i>		<i>Barbara Heiser</i>
14	<i>Rob Dickover</i>	29	<i>Geri Corey</i>
	<i>Elise Frederick</i>		<i>Ethan Cox</i>
	<i>Jeanette McDowell</i>	30	<i>Graham Glasse</i>
	<i>Ken Skyer</i>		

HAPPY DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES TO:

12	<i>Logan and Rachael Quick</i>
17	<i>Robert and Rebecca Boardman</i>
18	<i>Bruce and Jean Crandall</i>
23	<i>Bill and Gina Gruber</i>
28	<i>Jon and Deb Hourahan</i>
29	<i>Tom and Jeanette McDowell</i>
	<i>Greg and Deb Spencer</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.

**Please join us for the
Traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols
December 24 7:00 PM**



I want to give a HUGE THANK YOU to the following people who helped make the Community/Veterans Dinner a big success. So many people donated food, money, time to help set up, serve, prepare and clean up. I hope I do not miss anyone.

Felica Van Doran; Brad McLeland; Wendy Bynum-Wade; Robin Knoblock; Jodi Kopec; David, Mary and Kathleen Kingsley; Brian Meek; Mark Glasse; Diane Church; Barbara and Grover von Pentz; Lisa and Bob Montalbano; Maureen Johnson; Carol Gabella; Deb Hourahan; Bill Hodges; Bill Eustance; Karen Magee;

Francis Hill; Amy and Dom Fontana; Marilyn and Chuck Velzy; Steve Coon; Cliff Bartley; Jen Piller; Joann Kebrdle; and Donna McCormack, a friend of mine.

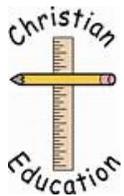
A special THANK YOU to Charlie von Pentz for doing all the dishes, and to Nicolette Englehart and Kaitlyn Gati, two of my confirmands; and Kaitlin's friends, Sam and Sophie Fontana, for helping to serve and help in the kitchen. Awesome job!

We served over 120 people and handed out cards to Veterans as they came in. The cards, given to me by Nancy Warner from her boss, were made by children in the Goshen Intermediate School. The Veterans were very touched by the cards and appreciated everything we did.

We had great fellowship with lots of laughs, hard work, time spent well, and wish we could do this more often. This was truly what a church family does and this is community. I was in such awe; I am so looking forward to doing this again next year and hope that all of you will be there too.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart; you are all truly awesome.

Darlene



Christian Ed Would Like You to Know.....

Breakfast with Santa is on Saturday, December 3. Sign up quick!

December 18 is our pageant, *"Alice in Bethlehem."*

Please come out to support our Sunday school students, including a special appearance of **Teen Voices**.

The Sunday school Christmas project this year reflects our theme of "Connectedness."

The students will be making cheerful craft items to go into the PW Christmas baskets for congregation members who are shut-ins.

Save the Date!

Teen Voices has a fundraiser January 14 at the Applebee's at Woodbury Common – breakfast and possibly raffle baskets!

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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:

*Ron and Kathy Alevras
Sarah Bohling
John Burleson
Suzanne DeBlock
Mary Lee Farris and her sister
The Family of Dorothy Gott
Barbara and George Hankins
Andy Hine
Rosemary Joy
Brenda Kujawski
Kelly Magee Thrush
Evelyn Mercado
Amy (Thompson) Nguye
Josephine Pecoraro
Dakota Ptak
Tom Sawyer
Peggy Srirach
Gary Swinger
The Wade Family
Anne Wood's brother-in-law Dennis
Phyla Wright*

*Ed Berry
Susie Bohling
Sharon Conlon
John DeGroat
Judy Fazio
Matthew Gould
Kevin and Sara Hankins
The Family of Bill Howell
Laura and Tom Kennedy
James Magee
Diana, Riley, and Gavin Martin
Richard Montalbano
Dean Oberg
The Pines Family
Rachel Reeves
Dorothy Sevcik
Sue Stenson
Christopher Tucker
Doris Weinberger
Sandra Wood
Vicki Yost*

*Ann (Strong) Blake
Hannah Boorse
Bruce and Jean Crandall
Everyone serving in the Military
Esther Glasse
Mary Gray Griffith
Edith Hausmann
Susan Johnson
Jeff Kott and Wendy Henson-Kott
Karen Magee
The McCloud Family
Eileen Myslinski
Dave and Wendy Paffenroth
William John Pink
Maritya Reyes
Kendra and Tim Schust
Elmer Stevens
Cindy Vanderplaat
Jo Wolfe
Orra 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.)

PRAYER HOTLINE – Continuous Prayers When You Need Them

If you have a sudden need for prayer – an emergency, an accident, an illness, a fear – start a prayer chain by calling:

Fran Hoffmann – 294-6470
Louise Spencer – 615-0983
Mary Gray Griffith – 294-9288
Orra Wood – 374-6611



Prayer contacts will begin immediately.

Maney-Hawkins Meditation Garden

DECEMBER UPDATE

Special thanks to all the congregational members who helped make the benefit dinner and concert a success! Thanks also to those who came out to attend the event! Because of people like YOU, we were able to raise \$1,168 towards the maintenance of YOUR GARDEN!

Memorial Pavers

Place your orders for a memorial paver to honor or remember a loved one. Five NEW paver orders have been placed. We will order engraving after we have ten orders on hand.

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.

8 Niches Remain Available 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)

“Stewards of Our Garden”

Special thanks to our dedicated Stewards for keeping the garden neat!

The DECEMBER and early JANUARY Steward’s Schedule:

Bill Eustance, Jen and Gregg Piller:	December 1 – December 15
Beryl Yungman:	December 16 – December 31
Barbara and George Hankins:	January 1 – January 15

Anyone can be a Steward of Our Garden any day of the week! 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 too can help keep our garden beautiful! Contact Pat in the church office to sign up and be added to our schedule.

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 2017

**Darlene Bartley
Deborah Hourahan
Robin Knoblock
Karen Magee
Grover vonPentz
Rob Warner**

Class of 2018

**Kathleen Alevras
Mark Glasse
Bill Hodges
Elizabeth Long
Scott Roper
Orra Wood**

Class of 2019

**Adam Boese
William Eustance
Brad McLeland
Brian Meek
Thomas Sawyer
Malcolm Stewart**

Clerk of Session: Sue Varden

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2017

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

Class of 2018

**Wendy Bynum-Wade
Laura Colacci
Ian Depew
Wendy Donohue
Paty Glasse
Gregg Piller
Jenn Piller**

Class of 2019

**Liese Boese
Margaret Dickover
Jon Hourahan
Carolyn Keller
Jody Kopec
Logan Quick
Felicia Van Doran**

**Moderator of Deacons: Carolyn Keller
Presbyterian Women:**

STAFF

**Jonathan Hall, Minister of Music
Patricia Schwetje, Church Secretary
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