

THE TOWER TIE

The Newsletter of the
First Presbyterian Church of Goshen

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I used this insurance claim story in one of my sermons a long time ago, and when I reread it, it reminded me of an important theological thought that we tend to overlook time and time again. No doubt the story falls under urban legend, but it does point to something of which we are all guilty from time to time.

Dear Sir:

I am writing to respond to your request for more information concerning Block #11 on the insurance form, which asks for "cause of injuries" wherein I put, "trying to do the job alone." You said that you needed more information, so I trust the following will be sufficient.

I am a bricklayer by trade, and on the date of injuries, I was working alone laying brick around the top of a four-story building when I realized that I had about 500 pounds of brick left over. Rather than carry the bricks down by hand, I decided to put them in a barrel and lower them by a pulley, which was fastened to the top of the building. I secured the end of the rope at ground level, went back up to the top of the building, loaded the brick into a barrel, and swung the barrel out with the bricks in it. I then went down and untied the rope, holding it securely to ensure a slow descent of the 500 pounds of brick. As you will note in Block #6 of the insurance form, I weigh 145 pounds.

Due to my shock at being jerked off the ground so swiftly, I lost my presence of mind and forgot to let go of the rope. Between the second and third floors of the building, I met the barrel coming down. This accounts for the bruised and lacerations on my upper body. Regaining my presence of mind, I did manage to keep hold of the rope. I proceeded up the side of the building, not stopping until my right hand was jammed in the pulley. This accounts for the broken thumb and lacerated fingers. At approximately this same time, the barrel hit the ground and its bottom fell out. Devoid of the bricks, the barrel weighs about 50 pounds. I again refer you to Block #6 and my weight. As you would guess, I began a rapid descent down the side of the building. In the vicinity of the second floor, I met the barrel coming up. This explains the broken ankle and lacerations to my lower body. Slowed only slightly, I continued my descent, landing on the pile of bricks. This accounts for my sprained back and internal injuries.

I am sorry to report, however, that at this point, laying crumpled on that pile of bricks, watching that barrel swinging from the pulley above, I again lost my presence of mind and let go of the rope. The falling barrel accounts for my severe head injuries.

I trust this answers your concerns. Please know that I am through "trying to do the job alone."

"I can do it." "I don't need any help." "No thanks, I'm fine." "If I need help, I'll ask for it." These phrases represent the attitude to which we find ourselves stubbornly clinging day in and day out and right up until the proverbial barrel hits us on the head. We have trouble asking for help; we are uncomfortable seeking advice.

There are many reasons for this, and in the end, we know this is not how it is supposed to be. God's plan from the beginning has been for humanity to be interconnected both with our environment and with each other. It is part of the order of nature; we are designed for community. The ways we structure our homes, our towns, our sports, and our churches all point to this. So, let's not be like the bricklayer. Let's strive for a little more community and a little less, "I can do it by myself, thank you." Let us seek God's natural order and come

together. We should not let our busyness, our stubbornness, our individually, and our determination lead us down a lonely and ultimately flawed path.

*“No man is an island, entire to itself;
every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main.”
-John Donne*

Enjoy these days as we move toward the reawakening of spring—together.

Pastor Kingsley

Dear David,

Thank you and your good people for your hospitality today offered to the Presbytery. The mechanics seemed to go forward without a hitch and I know that took lots of organizational work on your part. From the greeting in the parking lot, to the smooth serving of lunch, we were well cared for.

Your sanctuary is wonderful and the resurrection angel blessed us all day.

You are a good presbyter!

Blessings,
Susan Andrews, General Presbyter
Presbytery of Hudson River

Dear David and Goshen Saints,

Great work! It is a huge job to host a Presbytery meeting, but you all carried it out beautifully! Hospitality abounded. Warm welcomes, helpful volunteers, wonderful food... Thank you so much for everything.

May God's grace and peace continue to guide you.

Sincerely,
Harriet Sandmeier

FEBRUARY USHERS IN THE LENTEN SEASON

Ash Wednesday, February 6, starts us on our Lenten journey of soul-searching. At the 7:00 p.m. service, we come before the Lord to acknowledge that “from dust we are and to dust we shall return.” Receiving ashes is a voluntary act meant only to remind us of our humanity and shortcomings in the eyes of God. We are contrite; we are humble; we bow. We vow to begin anew with self-examination of our lives and what needs to be set right. We live in this spirit through the six Sundays of Lent.



The season of Lent has always provided Christians worldwide the opportunity to participate in a small way in the sufferings endured by our Lord during his forty-day fast in the desert, when he prepared for his ensuing death and resurrection. Some branches of Christianity sacrifice during this time while others take an approach that is more reflective in the search for meaning in life. Whatever approach you may take, consider at least devoting some time each week to reflect upon your life; take stock of where you have been and where you are headed. Does your path feel right for you? Are there changes or adjustments necessary? Pray for discernment, ask for guidance, and express your gratitude for the life you have been given.

During this time, our music will reflect two themes: (1) searching and being contrite and (2) celebrating the hope that God gives us through His Son. Our chancel choir will be reprising some of our favorite anthems, which were uplifting in nature and drew us closer in our relationship with God. I feel it is needed at this time in our lives. We live in uncertainty on a daily basis; we need strength and hope in the future.

Winter Doldrums Prescription



Come to church on Sunday; worship; give yourself over to the music, readings, and sermons; allow your soul to be nurtured by what you find here. By our presence, we minister and lift up others who may need a lift. Sometimes you just feel better by being around people who are singing, laughing at coffee hour, catching up on the week, making committee plans, picking up devotional booklets from the table, speaking kind words—it’s fellowship. We need each other desperately in these times of isolation. Come and connect. Feed your soul for the week ahead. Open up and give of yourself, and you will be blessed in return.

See you in church this Sunday,

Robert Clooney

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

It may be the “bleak mid-winter,” but volunteers are needed to serve as greeters and lay readers. Please sign up on the sheets that are to the right of the center door in the narthex, or call Bruce Crandall at 651-1483. A greeter is responsible for being in the narthex around 9:30 a.m. on Sunday to welcome parishioners as they arrive for the service. A lay reader can usually obtain the materials from Pat by mid-week so that he or she may become familiar with that part in the service and practice the occasional strangely-named place or person from the First Testament.

UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE!

The Youth Group embarked on two new events in 2007: (1) The Headless Horseman's Hay Ride and (2) roller-skating at The Castle on Christian Night. We have had many laughs and screams! The group is an awesome medley of 7th–12th graders, and the oldest teens seem very welcoming to the younger ones. I am very proud of them. We held the Senior Dinner in December, and about fifteen teens served approximately twenty-five senior church members.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Neil Thirkield, Barbara Mitchell, and my husband, Dave, for being so entertaining and fun on the hay ride. We were still running around at midnight! Thanks to Gary Laskoski and Edith Bush for their help in making the skate night a success. Finally, while the students did a fantastic job with the dinner, Elizabeth Sproul and Margaret Dickover ensured that the holiday evening was a hit. I am truly grateful for all this assistance and friendship!

New York City

- **Monday, February 18** (President's Day)

Our annual city excursions have always been a blast! We'll leave from the Middletown train station early in the morning and enjoy a variety of sites, depending on the wishes of the kids. I will do research for museum events happening around town. We are offered free, all-day game cards and a discounted lunch from ESPN ZONE. This Disney-owned, large-scale restaurant in Times Square has an entire floor of electronic, video, and hands-on sporting challenges, as well as large, quality screens for sporting-event viewing. My husband, Dave, is the GM there, enabling the kids to have a safe home base in the city.

Other spring events will be planned as the year progresses. Stay tuned!

Thank you in advance for your support. Please let me know if **any 7th–12th graders** have not been notified of this program. This is a large group, so it is very helpful anytime you call me to let me know that your students want to come. (I do not need a call if they are not participating.)

CALL ANY TIME OF DAY OR NIGHT!

Laura Bryson

Home: (845) 926-3135

Work: (845) 692-7503

Cell: (845) 234-1528

FROM THE DEACONS



You are all invited to the Deacons' annual Valentine's Day coffee hour on February 10.

Keeping with our charge, a service of compassion, we will be collecting food for the Goshen food pantry. Bring a canned good or food item and the Deacons will give you a "kiss." You could also add to our \$200 pledge to the food pantry. See you all on the tenth.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (PW)

<u>Monday, February 4</u>	Council Meeting Parlor	7:30 p.m.
<u>Monday, February 6</u>	Prayer Circle Parlor	12:00 p.m.
<u>Monday, February 18</u>	Nicean Circle Parlor	2:00 p.m.

Presbyterian Women's Association (PW) What's Happening!

The ladies met on January 7. President Barbara von Pentz welcomed thirteen women to the first meeting of the new year.

The women admired the new rug that was installed in the hallway, the stairs, and the parlor, and they will raise money so they can pay to have the rug installed in the church offices. We discussed that we might have a few "cake raffles," either at coffee hour or after a church luncheon. We are still working out the details, but if you are a baker, we would appreciate it if you would consider donating a baked good. Thanks in advance for helping us.

The ladies signed cards for several members in our congregation that needed a boost. We also received some lovely thank-you's from people to whom we sent Christmas boxes. Dorothy Sevcik said that twenty-two boxes were distributed this year. Doris Weinberger was our Christmas-cookie chairperson, and we thank each of them for taking on these tasks. We will continue the tradition in 2008.

The women will also help host the Presbytery meeting at our church on January 22. Several women volunteered to bake, set up, or serve that day. We appreciate your time and energy.

We decided that we will host coffee hour on April 6, have our annual bake sale at the end of May, and take charge of the community dinner in October. Please mark your calendars in advance so you can help us.

Installation of the new officers should be done by the time this is published in the Tower Tie. We ask God to guide and strengthen us as we take on the offices in our association. We also ask that you keep us in your prayers; we hope to grow and prosper in 2008.

Our next meeting is on Monday, February 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the parlor. We extend an invitation to all of the church's women to come and join us. Don't forget, we serve great refreshments and have a night of fellowship. Hope to see you there.

Wendy Lee Paffenroth
Secretary

Presbyterian Women (PW)

**Membership is open to all women
that choose to participate.**

When we meet:

- On the first Monday of each month, for fellowship and the planning of PW programs and events
- For the annual Holiday Fellowship Dinner, summer luncheon, etc.

What we do:

Church World Service

Blanket Fund

Community dinners

Mission

World Day of Prayer

Nicean Circle

Fundraising

Coffee hour

Eleanor Lange Scholarship

Our mission:

We commit ourselves to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study; to support the mission of the church worldwide; to work for justice and peace; and to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the promises of God's kingdom.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has been so busy that I think the yarn stores have trouble keeping supplied. We still meet on Sundays from 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. in the parlor, and we enjoy seeing the fruits of our labor go to so many different individuals. Like a butterfly, each of our creations has wings and winds up hugging someone like the warmth of a cocoon.

Whether they are for illness, bereavement, or tough times, our shawls are comforting to their receivers. Shawls and lap robes have also been given to the babies baptized in our sanctuary. Our extra supply is in the “Gift Room” above the church office. If you would like to give one, by all means, go and pick one out, but please leave us a note with the name of the receiver. We are trying to keep a list of how many lives we have touched with our ministry. There is also a folder with copies of the prayers and color definitions that are meant to be given with the shawls and lap robes.

Recently, one of our crafters received a letter that said, *“Most nights I can be found sitting in my favorite chair reading while wrapped in your gift and enjoying the warmth of my shawl. Every time I wrap the shawl around my shoulders, my memory reaches out to the moment we met at Sloan-Kettering and the sincere kindness and warmth you expressed. You have changed me. Thank you and God bless you, Stella Riordan.”* We are reaching out well beyond the parlor in which we share ideas and look at the beautiful creations we are making.

Remember, you are all invited—beginners, experts, knitters, and crocheters. If you can’t come but want to make shawls or lap robes, we will be glad to give you patterns and copies of prayers. Donations of yarn are also appreciated and can be left in the office.

Thank you.

COME, ENJOY A DINNER OUT...

The Fellowship Dinner Club that meets once a month is again planning a dinner night. In February, we’re going to have the pleasure of trying another—new to us—restaurant.

At 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 9, we’ll be dining at The Log Cabin Inn, which is located at 447 Route 284 in Wantage, New Jersey. The Log Cabin Inn has come highly recommended, and although it’s in Wantage, it’s only about thirty minutes from Goshen. It’s a straight run on Route 284 from Bradley Corners.

Since the restaurant will do separate checks, it’s not necessary to pay beforehand. Meals will be chosen off the menu, so you can order as little or as much food as you wish. **However, it is necessary to give Geri Corey your name and the number of people attending**, so she can notify The Log Cabin Inn of the number of people to expect. **Please give Geri this information before Wednesday, February 6.**

Everyone is invited and encouraged to sign up for this fun night of good food and fellowship. Call Geri at 294-8414 to sign up or for more information.

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

WHEN: SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2008

TIME: 8:30-10 A.M. OR 10-11:30A.M.

WHERE: FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN GOSHEN

COST: \$6.00 PER PERSON, PAID IN ADVANCE



Included in the price of each paying child's reservation will be games, crafts, storytelling, and an outdoor egg hunt.

The Easter Bunny will be on hand to greet everyone.

QUALITY PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CATCH THAT SPECIAL MOMENT ON THE EASTER BUNNY'S LAP!

Pictures will cost \$5 and can be paid for at the time of service.

LIMITED SEATING; DON'T DELAY!

Reservations accepted in the church office through March 10th.

Questions? Call Beth Laskoski 651-3294 or Jeanette McDowell 294-8334

RESERVATION FORM for "Breakfast with the Easter Bunny"

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

E-mail address _____

Preferred Seating Time:

on **Saturday, March 15th** _____ 8:30 to 10:00 **OR** _____ 10:00 to 11:30

Number of adults
and older children _____

Number **AND AGES** of children participating
in breakfast and activities _____

(Activities include an outdoor egg hunt. Please bring your own baskets and dress for the weather.)

TOTAL NUMBER X \$6.00 COST PER PERSON = \$ _____

****Tickets will be available for pick-up at the door on the morning of the event, March 15th.**

Please make checks payable to: First Presbyterian Church, 33 Park Place, Goshen, NY 10924.

Forms and checks can be dropped off or mailed to the church office.



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:

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| Vince Ahrens | Cynthia Atterbury | Haley Buckley |
| Sarah Burrows | Barbara Caruso | Mel Case |
| Susan Caslick | Grace Cook | Jean Crandall |
| Carman Cross | Hannah Crossley | Phyllis Cummings |
| Richard Damiani | Sylvester Damiani | Bob Dennis |
| Amy DePew | Everyone serving in the Military | Pat Farley |
| Molly Farley | Steve Fischbein | Ben Fisher |
| Albert Gabella | Carole Garling | Luke Garofalo-Wade |
| Fran Genovese | The George Family | Barbara and George Hankins |
| Kevin and Sara Hankins | Pete Howell | Walter Jensen |
| Jessica | Alan and Glynnis Jorgensen | The Keller Family |
| Kim | Evelyn Kingsley | Joseph Klugerman |
| Lyndsay Krutki | Rick and Betty Lobb | BA Long |
| Margaretta Macica | Helen Matthews | Evelyn Mercado |
| Jeff Monroe | Barbara Morgiewicz | Eileen Myslinski |
| Robert Neil | Janet Oberg | Claire O'Brien |
| Ann Ott | Bob Pavone | Amy Pemberton |
| Peter | Phil Pines | Jack Richner |
| Trudi Roach | Robyn | Dorothy Rose |
| Kevin Ross | Ted Sandstrom | Kevin Schuler |
| Fred Schwarz | Alice Shadoian | June Siematkowski |
| Valerie Simonian | Walter and Louise Spencer | Peggy Srirach |
| Bill and Jean Strong | Amy Thompson | Judy Thompson |
| Lori Turner | Bob and Florence Tyler | Jim Vande Berg |
| Tim Varden | Ashley Wade and Family | Jean Wade |
| Eugene Walters | Dorothy Weinberger (Bob's sister) | Orra and Dale Wood |
| Becky Wright | Paul and Phyla Wright | |

(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.)

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION

It is that time of year again when the Nominating Committee will be meeting and looking for elders and deacons for the class of 2011. If you would like to be considered, please fill out the bottom of this form, and leave it in the collection plate or the office. Please remember the following: the term is for three years, the deacons meet on the first Wednesday of each month, and the elders meet for session on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Elders also meet with their respective committees once a month. The committees hope that, after accepting these honors, you will be able to attend the meetings and be supportive. It is truly an honor to serve your church.

Name _____ Phone # _____

TIDBITS FROM THE TOWER

HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS TO:

1	<i>Grover von Pentz</i>	14	<i>Doug Wade</i>
3	<i>Kathleen Kingsley</i>		<i>Andrea von Pentz</i>
	<i>Katelyn Bischof</i>	15	<i>Flo Fletcher</i>
4	<i>Arlete Shaeffer</i>		<i>Patrick O'Hern</i>
	<i>Todd Countryman</i>		<i>Colleen Insull</i>
5	<i>Morgan Case</i>	16	<i>Robyn Boardman</i>
	<i>Sarah Gibbons</i>		<i>Cliff Bartley</i>
6	<i>Daniel Esposito</i>	18	<i>Dave Bryson</i>
9	<i>Ruth Masten</i>	20	<i>Nadine Post</i>
10	<i>Linda Clark</i>		<i>Anne Tuthill</i>
13	<i>Alice Kwiecinski</i>	21	<i>Jack Calzaretta</i>
			<i>Kimberly Zis</i>
		24	<i>Mackenzie Sproul</i>

HAPPY FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES TO:

9	<i>Mike and Allison Csernai</i>
14	<i>Sean and Janet Linton</i>



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- *Amy and Dom Fontana on the birth of their son, Samuel Christian, on January 17, 2008.*
- *Our newest members who we welcomed into our church family on January 20: Leslie Faulds, Barbara Heiser, and Jeff and Donna Totton.*

Do you have some good news (a birthday, anniversary, wedding, special accomplishment, etc.) you'd like to share With your church family? If so, just write it down and hand it in at the church office (or call the office at 294-7991) so it can be included in the "Tidbits From The Tower" section of our newsletter.

HELP OUR CHURCH EARN MONEY

A Fundraising Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the parlor to plan activities that can earn money for our church. The first activity that is coming up will be a Murder Mystery Dinner Theater to be held on Saturday, April 19. If you would like to help with this event and plan for other fundraising activities, you are welcome to attend this meeting. Please see Loretta Richner or call her at 294-8206 if you have any questions. Your participation and assistance is welcomed!

Tricky Tray Fundraiser

Our annual Tricky Tray will be held in the afternoon on Sunday, April 13, in Fellowship Hall. Donations of baskets are needed; pick a theme and start gathering items. You can make a basket alone, as a family, or as a group. We will also take larger new items. If you can get them, gift certificates from local restaurants or businesses are also good items for the raffle.

If you will be making a donation, please contact Darlene Bartley or leave your name with Pat in the office. We hope that you will also spread the word so that many people will attend. More details will be in the March Tower Tie. Thank you for your help.



BASKET THEMES FOR TRICKY TRAY

(Each basket or container should hold different items pertaining to the theme. A tag may be attached listing the items. Baskets are preferred wrapped in clear cellophane bags and can be decorated so the items can be seen. The donation should be approximately \$25 or more in value. Baskets should be delivered to the church office by April 11, Friday. Thank you. Tricky Tray Committee)

Here are theme ideas, or you can come up with something different. Use your imagination and surprise us!

- Angels
- Animals (for animals or an animal theme)
- Art supplies
- Baking items
- Beach items
- Birthday items (for a child or adult birthday party)
- Breakfast items (mixes, coffees, jams, etc., for a relaxing breakfast)
- Candles
- Candies
- Car-washing kit
- Children's items (all age appropriate from toddler to teen)
- Coffee
- Comfort items
- Crafting items
- Games and/or puzzles
- Gardening items (everything for that special gardener)
- Gift certificates
- Glassware
- Holiday items (for any holiday)
- Italian or pasta theme (or other type of foods and supplies)
- Kitchenware
- Knitting/crocheting items
- Linen and things
- Lottery tickets (for a "Take a Chance" basket)
- Movie night items (popcorn, big bowl, DVD's)
- Muffins and jams
- Photography items (disposable camera, album, etc.)
- Picnic items
- Pizza night items (everything for a night at home)
- Reading materials
- School supplies
- Sewing items
- Spices
- Spirits
- Sports (pick a sport and make the basket for that special sports nut)
- Stationary supplies
- Tea
- Wine



2008 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Don't forget to pick up your 2008 offering envelopes on the table in the narthex, if you haven't already done so. If you don't find a box with your name and you would like envelopes, contact Nancy Smith at 360-5082.

PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT

Every year the Presbytery of the Hudson Valley charges every member church an assessment according to the current active membership. Our recorded active membership number is currently **337** and *our assessment per member* (not per family) for **2008 is \$26.00**, which is a total of **\$8,762.00** to be taken from our operating budget. Please assist with this expense and write a check for your family assessment and either mail it to the church or place it in the Sunday offering plate. Thanks for doing your share.

(In 2007, the per capita assessment per member was \$19.99 for a total of \$6,436.78 to be taken from the operating budget. \$2,598.69 was received.)

EXTRA MILE GIVING TREE

Our Extra Mile Giving Tree still stands in the Narthex and continues to be a great source of giving opportunity for many of our members and friends. Check out the Giving Tree located on the table by the front entrance and make your donation toward a special project of your choice. There are envelopes beneath the tree and can be used to either mail back to the church or place in the offering plate. Thanks for you support.

GIFT ROOM

The "Gift Room" has been cleaned and organized. Any unwanted, new items you do not want or need may be donated at any time of the year. Gifts might be used for "Sunshine Boxes," "Tricky Tray," or even the Santa "Gift Shop." Thank you.

FIRST CHURCH IS BABY FRIENDLY

You are always welcome to have your infant in worship with you. 98% of us have raised children and, yes, we know that they cry from time to time. That's not a problem! We expect you to comfort your child, so feel free to stand up and walk around with your child.

If this doesn't work, you can take the child to our parlor, out the back and go through two sets of double doors to your left. There is a speaker in the parlor so that you will not miss what is going on in worship. Nursing mothers will find a privacy screen there as well. Any usher will assist you.

In the restroom, first door to the right from the parlor, you will find a baby changing station complete with extra supplies, diapers of all sizes, diaper cream and baby wipes, just in case you have run out of anything or forgotten something.

Need anything else? Just ask anyone of the deacons acting as ushers and they will assist you.

We also have a staffed nursery. It is located in the Sunday school building. Just ask and someone will direct you. If you are going to use the nursery, we just ask that you volunteer and take a turn at watching the children.

Boy Scout Troop 65

FISH & CHIPS DINNER

*Entrée includes: Cole Slaw, Beverage & Dessert
Meals prepared by Tastefully British Catering*

TAKE OUT ORDERS AVAILABLE

Sat. Feb. 16, 2008 - 5 to 7 PM

First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall
33 Park Place, Goshen, New York

Tickets: \$10.00

Portions are large. Meals may be divided in half for children under the age of 11.

All tickets are PRE-Sale and none will be available for sale at the door.

To purchase tickets call:

(845)294-7991

The Presbyterian Church

9 AM to 4 PM, weekdays.

After 4 PM and weekends call:

(845) 294-6474

Grace Skyer

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.

ELDERS

Class of 2008

Cecile Ayres
Darlene Bartley
Geri Corey
Alan Jorgensen
Toni Neidel
Julie Turi

Class of 2009

Bruce Crandall
Bill Keller
Karen Magee
Tom McDowell
Cathy Wade
Michele White

Class of 2010

Loretta Richner
Scott Roper
Barbara Skyer
Doug Wade
Rob Warner
Orra Wood

Clerk of Session: Sue Varden

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2008

Jean Crandall
Mary Kate Dickover
Brendan Donohue
Sue Varden
Grover von Pentz
Ingrid Warner
Anne Wood

Class of 2009

Richard Ayres
Linda Boardman
Carolyn Keller
John Knox
Denise Quinn
Ray Ruckdeschel
John Snook

Class of 2010

Diana Bowe
Andrea Branson- Snook
Jon Hourahan
Lisa Montalbano
Deb Spoor
Lori Turner
Cheryl Zis

Moderator of Deacons:

Richard Ayres

Presbyterian Women:

Barbara von Pentz, President

STAFF

Robert J. Clooney, Director of the Ministry of Music

Pat Schwetje, Church Secretary

Barbara Skyer, Church Treasurer

Nancy Smith, Financial Secretary

February 2008

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					February 1	February 2
					10:00am Tai Chi (FH) 12:00pm NA (B) 4:00pm Girl Scouts (B) 8:00pm AA (B)	9:30am RRP Club (B) 9:30am RRP Club Parents Mtg. (FH) 12:00pm AA (B) 8:00pm AA (B)
3 10:00am Church School 10:00am Worship Service/Communion (S) 11:00am Confirmation Class (P) 11:00am Congregational Mtg./Luncheon (FH) 12:00pm Crochet Group (P)	4 12:00pm NA (B) 7:30pm PW Mtg. (P)	5 9:15am Food Pantry Shelving 12:00pm NA (B) 3:00pm Girl Scouts (B) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH) 6:30pm NA (B) 7:00pm Study Group (P)	6 12:00pm NA (B) 12:00pm Prayer Circle (P) 7:00pm Audubon Society (FH) 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service (S) 7:30pm Deacons (P)	7 8:00am GAPNS Book Fair (B) 12:00pm NA (FH) 3:30pm Brownies (FH) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Hand Bell Choir rehearsal (S) 7:00pm AA (B) 7:00pm Crew (FH) 7:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal (P) 7:30pm Family Anonymous (classroom)	8 8:00am GAPNS Book Fair (B) 10:00am Tai Chi (FH) 12:00pm NA (FH) 4:15pm Girl Scouts (FH) 5:30pm Wedding Rehearsal (S) 8:00pm AA (P)	9 8:00am GAPNS Book Fair (B) 9:30am Food Pantry (FH) 12:00pm AA (FH) 1:00pm Wedding (S) 5:30pm Community Dinner (FH) 6:00pm Dinner at The Log Cabin Inn 8:00pm AA (B)
10 10:00am Church School 10:00am Worship Service (S) 11:00am Deacons Valentine Coffee Hour (FH) 11:00am Special Session Mtg. (P) 12:00pm Crochet Group (P)	11 12:00pm NA (B) 6:15pm Girl Scout Service Unit Mtg. (FH) 7:00pm Fundraising Committee Mtg. (P)	12 9:15am Food Pantry Shelving 10:00am Bible Study (P) 12:00pm NA (B) 3:00pm Girl Scouts (B) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH) 6:30pm NA (B)	13 12:00pm NA (B) 12:00pm MADD (FH) 4:00pm Cub Scouts (B) 6:00pm Cub Scouts (FH) 7:00pm Wednesday at the Well (S) 7:30pm Committees meet	14 12:00pm NA (B) 3:30pm Brownies (FH) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Hand Bell Choir rehearsal (S) 7:00pm AA (B) 7:00pm Crew (FH) 7:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal (P) 7:30pm Family Anonymous (classroom)	15 10:00am Tai Chi (FH) 12:00pm NA (B) 4:00pm Girl Scouts (B) 8:00pm AA (B)	16 9:30am RRP Club (B) 12:00pm AA (B) 5:00pm Boy Scout Fish Dinner (FH) 8:00pm AA (B)
17 Tower Tie articles due 9:00am Christian Ed. Committee Mtg. (B) 10:00am Worship Service/Baptism (S) 11:00am Coffee Hour (FH) 12:00pm Crochet Group (P)	18 Holiday/Office Closed 12:00pm NA (B) 2:00pm Nicean Circle (P)	19 9:15am Food Pantry Shelving 12:00pm NA (B) 3:00pm Girl Scouts (B) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH) 6:30pm NA (B) 7:00pm Study Group (P)	20 12:00pm NA (B) 7:00pm Scout Leaders Meeting (FH) 7:00pm Wednesday at the Well (S) 8:00pm Mothers and More (B)	21 12:00pm NA (B) 3:30pm Brownies (FH) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Hand Bell Choir rehearsal (S) 7:00pm AA (B) 7:00pm Crew (FH) 7:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal (P) 7:30pm Family Anonymous (classroom)	22 10:00am Tai Chi (FH) 12:00pm NA (B) 4:15pm Girl Scouts (B) 8:00pm AA (B)	23 9:30am RRP Club (B) 12:00pm AA (B) 8:00pm AA (B)
24 10:00am Church School 10:00am Worship Service (S) 11:00am Coffee Hour (FH) 12:00pm Crochet Group (P)	25 12:00pm NA (B) 7:00pm Lyme Support Group (B)	26 9:15am Food Pantry Shelving 10:00am Bible Study (P) 12:00pm NA (B) 3:00pm Girl Scouts (B) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH) 6:30pm NA (B)	27 12:00pm NA (B) 12:00pm MADD (FH) 6:00pm Cub Scouts (FH) 7:00pm Wednesday at the Well (S) 7:30pm Session (P)	28 12:00pm NA (B) 3:30pm Brownies (FH) 5:30pm Tai Chi (FH) 6:30pm Hand Bell Choir rehearsal (S) 7:00pm AA (B) 7:00pm Crew (FH) 7:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal (P) 7:30pm Family Anonymous (classroom)	29 10:00am Tai Chi (FH) 12:00pm NA (B) 4:00pm Girl Scouts (B) 8:00pm AA (B)	