

THE TOWER TIE

The Newsletter of the
First Presbyterian Church of Goshen

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Though you may feel that time is standing still and that winter will never move out, church time *is* moving. The moon is cycling and the earth revolving, and thus we have been in Lent for nearly a month as we make our way toward Easter. Though it's freezing right now, the first place Lent takes us is into the desert. Hot! Warm! Sunny! We go into the desert, of course, to follow Jesus. Scripture tells us that the first thing Jesus did after he was baptized was go into the desert where he fasted for forty days and then he was tested to the depths of his weary and hungry soul. It's interesting that the first tremendous test of his call and his faith came to him through his body. Through hunger, pain, loneliness, cold, and heat, Jesus was pushed to the limit about what he really believed. Jesus in the desert is the first adult image that we have of the incarnation: of God in human flesh struggling with the body and with faith.

At First Church, we started our Lenten journey with the imposition of ashes. This reminds us that these bodies of ours are but dust of the earth. We engage our bodies in order to move more deeply into faith. On Maundy Thursday, there will be washing of hands as we come together to remember that last night Jesus shared with his disciples. Of course, we wash hands based upon the story of Jesus washing the disciples' feet. Like many modern people, we have become so uncomfortable with our bodies that we choose to wash hands instead, believing that even in hands, we can learn about incarnation.

This physical engagement in our faith reminds us that our bodies are necessary to faith no matter how much we wish they were different shapes, had better parts, or were much younger. Seeing our bodies as connected to this incarnate God reminds us of how much we ignore or even disregard our bodies, often pummeling them into submission as if they were machines to do our bidding. We forget that they are gifts of incarnation, places where the Holy Spirit dwells. Remembering the incarnation through our own bodies is a wonderful practice of faith during Lent. As Barbara Brown Taylor reminds us in her book, An Altar in the World, "...our bodies remain God's best way of getting to us."

This idea of our bodies as God's pathway to us is both an individual reality and a communal one. Look at Communion. There we are, eating and drinking, feeding our bodies with the manna of Christ. We do this in community, in Communion and in-carnation. Here is one of the most profound ways that we know our faith is not an act of the individual will alone or a celebration of the purely physical. Here is the great mystery border land between body and soul where we are met by God. We may not be able to explain it, but we can feel the bread in our hands and taste its coarseness; we can lift the cup and feel the juice's sweetness on our tongues. In our bodies lives Christ's body. This is true for you as well as your neighbor.

This year during Lent, I invite us to practice being aware of our bodies as God's sacred gifts. Take time to ponder the many stories in scripture where Jesus touches, heals, lifts up, feeds, and brings to life the bodies of those who came to him. This daily practice doesn't require any special gear, degrees, or gym memberships. As God lived in Christ, becoming flesh and blood, so God dwells in us: flesh and blood. How cool is that?! Barbara

Brown Taylor says this far better: "Why else did Jesus spend his last night on earth teaching his disciples to wash feet and share supper? With all the conceptual truths of the universe at his disposal, he did not give them something to think about together when he was gone. Instead, he gave them concrete things to do - specific ways of being together in their bodies - that would go on teaching them what they needed to know when he was no longer around to teach them himself..." The disciples were going to need something warm and near that they could bump into on a regular basis, something so real that they would not be able to intellectualize it and so essentially untidy that there was no way they could ever gain control over it. So Jesus gave them things they could get their hands on, things that would require them to get close enough to touch one another. In the case of the meal, he gave them things they could smell and taste and swallow. In the case of the feet, he gave them things to wash that were attached to real human beings, so that they could not bend over them without being drawn into one another's lives.

Peace is in you,

Pastor Kingsley

JOIN US FOR THE HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP AND COMMUNION SERVICE - APRIL 21 - 7:30 P.M.

SERVICE OF DARKNESS - GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 22 - 7:30 P.M.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE - APRIL 24 - 7:00 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP - APRIL 24 - 9:30 A.M.

MIDNIGHT RUN

The Midnight Run will be on May 29. This run will be what is called a "Brunch Run," meaning that it will be held during breakfast hours at a park or similar venue in New York City. We are going to need people to drive, make and distribute the food and coffee, pack the clothing and tables into the cars, etc. If you can help in any way, please contact Lori Baird after service any Sunday, at home (845-200-5640) or via e-mail (monkeybusinesslori@gmail.com). A list of needed items is on the desk in the church office, and I will also have some copies of the list in the sanctuary on Sunday. Thank you. Lori

April Moves Us from Lent to Easter



On March 22, I had the wonderful opportunity of observing and playing for a meeting of the Presbytery of the Hudson Valley. Pastors and elders came from the eighty-two churches in our presbytery. It was a day of conducting business and participating in a unique worship service based on the Taize model. The Taize Community was started by Brother Roger in Taize, France, and draws thousands yearly to worship, pray, and sing together in community. Our chancel was set with tables of different heights and many lit candles in votives, floating in vases, and on pillars. A long, purple cloth was draped over the Communion table and trailed down and out over the floor.

With the lights dimmed and all the candles flickering, the service began in silence. Slowly and quietly began the singing, which was accompanied by cello, organ, and piano. Then the volume became stronger as the chants were repeated over and over until they died away. After a chant, scripture was read and prayers were offered. It was a moving experience. During the prayers, opportunity was given to speak aloud a prayer concern for disasters, genocide, suffering, war, guidance, support for grieving, pain, and illness - in short, the whole of our human condition. Often on a Sunday, we glibly go through the service paying lip service to prayer; however, I was reminded of the need to delve deeper in our prayer lives, remembering the pain and suffering of all who cross our paths or who are brought to our consciousness.

I was renewed and revived to continue Lent with the reading of scripture and the spending of time in prayer. Many other Christians are beyond our walls and are doing the same thing. Join them and become part of the worldwide “worshiping throng” who are praying for one another. We can’t stop disasters, but we can pray for support and comfort and do what we can to alleviate pain and loss.

Lent IV and V begin our April Sundays, followed by Palm Sunday and the start of Holy Week, which leads us to Easter, or *Resurrection Sunday* as it is called by some. The choir will continue singing and offering music to support our Lenten journeys. I encourage you to attend a service during Holy Week; the services are short but meaningful times for reflection and remembering the suffering of Jesus, who has endured the cross for our sins.



Pray, read, and reflect on your life this Lenten season. It can be a powerful awakening to the need to change your own life and to reach out to others, our brothers and sisters, for we are all related.

Robert Clooney



ANNUAL SPRING RUMMAGE SALE
May 27 and 28, Friday and Saturday
(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 28, in the afternoon.

Remember, items can be brought in from the evening of Monday, May 23 through Thursday, May 26. **We need saleable items, no junk.** Please do not bring us things just because you don't want to throw them away. 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.

Watch the bulletin for any last minute information about the rummage sale. 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 23 – 28.

Sale set-up: May 23 – 26.....5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Sale: May 27.....8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

May 28.....8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Clean –up: May 28.....2:00 p.m. - ? (more hands make light work)

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



Hug Happenings

News of the Prayer Shawl Ministry (PSM)

Dear Members and Friends of the Church,

Each month, it seems that the shawl ministry receives more blessings than the month before, and this keeps our fingers working and sending out more “hugs” to those who need a little extra lovin’. We so appreciate your support of this endeavor.

Again, we thank those who not only donated yarn, but also those who gave monetary donations to our cause. I must admit, I had great fun going to the yarn suppliers and picking out some beautiful colors that our group will use to make great shawls, lap robes, and baby baptismal blankets. On a Sunday in March, we picked through the yarns (each choosing the ones that we liked) and went home to make our unique creations. I am afraid some of us have become “yarn junkies” and didn’t meet a skein we didn’t like or didn’t have an idea on how to use it. Thank you for keeping our fingers nimble.

We again received some wonderful thank-you notes that I would like to share with each of you.

- *Dear Prayer Shawl Ladies, Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer shawl you gave my mother. She loved it! When she is not wearing it, it is on the bed next to her. I truly appreciate your thoughtfulness and so does Mom. Sincerely, Johnna (Rockland County, NY)*
- *Dear Ladies: A very belated but heartfelt thank-you for the beautiful prayer shawls you gave to me and my daughter when my mother passed away. We snuggle up on the couch with them and share stories of “Babci.” When I read the prayers and poems and think about all the work that went into these gifts, I get all choked up. I miss my mother so much, and there is a hole in my heart, but your shawls help to remind us of her love and affection she gave us when we were together. Thank you again. With love and friendship, Barbara (Arlington, VA)*
- *My Dear Friends, Wow!! How do you do it? Thank you so very much for the lovely and cozy shawl that I was given when I was so very ill and in the hospital. I believe the love and prayers you put into it helped me to get back on my feet. You are an amazing group and God has given you ladies a special talent. Thank you to everyone at the First Presbyterian Church for your kindness and your beautiful gift of love. I will always remember you. Love, Maureen K. (Warwick, NY)*
- *Dear Ministry of the Goshen Presbyterian Church, Thank you so very much for the prayer shawl. I feel so blessed to be on the receiving end of such a beautiful and loving gift. It makes me want to fight this cancer so much harder as I know you are all pulling for me. Please remember me in your prayers. Fondly, Sue A. (Warwick, NY)*
- *Hello dear hearts, I send you my deepest appreciation for the wonderful prayer shawl I received and for my stepdaughters at the loss of our love in our life. Your love and friendship has greatly helped me as I have entered into widowhood. With best wishes that you will continue this wonderful program. Sincerely, Dori A. (Washingtonville, NY)*

So once again, as you see, our gifts are going far and wide, and our love is going with them. Joan Butensky recently took a number of lap robes to the residents at Valley View. I am sure they were appreciated by those who received them. I recently sent copies of our prayers and poems, along with our history, to a friend in Utah who thinks her church may want to start a ministry. Also, a collection was mailed off to a friend in Illinois for the same purpose.

Continue to remember us and the work we do, and if we can help you give a gift of love, let us know. We are working hard to keep the supply up and ready in case a need arrives.

God bless each of you.

Consider yourselves hugged & until next month...

Wendy Lee Paffenroth

PSM Secretary

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S MEETING – MARCH 7

Fran Hoffmann reported that the Blanket/Tool Drive was again a resounding success! Thanks to all who generously gave to the cause.

Several lovely thank-you notes from the recipients of the Christmas baskets were shared with the group.

May 1 was chosen as the date for the Spring Fling Luncheon. Specific details will be announced as they unfold.

The annual Memorial Day bake sale will be on Friday, May 27 (one has some time to try out some new recipes).

Gina, Betty, and Karen's birthdays were acknowledged and celebrated with a surprise birthday cake. Carolyn was congratulated on her and Bill's thirty-sixth wedding anniversary.

All Presbyterian women of the church are invited to join in at the next meeting on April 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the church parlor. We would love to see some new faces as well as the oldies but goodies.

REMINDER: ORDERS FOR EASTER LILIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY PALM SUNDAY.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEES

The Stone Soup Luncheon on March 6 was a wonderful success! We raised \$316, which will be used for the expenses of the youth's trip to Nicaragua this summer. We wholeheartedly thank Greg and Deborah Spencer for making the soup for us again this year! Thanks also to the following people: those members of the Christian Education Committee who served the food and provided breads and baked goods, the confirmation class who set up the tables and took the money at the door, and all those who attended the event and enjoyed the soup!

The next event is the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny, which will take place on Saturday, April 16. Beth Laskoski, Jeanette McDowell, and John Bruno have been planning this event, which will undoubtedly be a fun time for those who attend it!

Loretta Richner
Committee Chair

**COME JOIN US!
EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE
PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST**
Sponsored by the Deacons

APRIL 17, 2011

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

(Non-early risers, please
join us for Coffee Hour after the 9:30 service)



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 17, 2011. 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

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

WHEN: SATURDAY, April 16, 2011

TIME: 8:30 - 10:00 A.M. **OR** 10:00 - 11:30 A.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 tickets for crafts, games, and activities (for children of all ages), and an 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 April 12.

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

RESERVATION FORM for "Breakfast with the Easter Bunny"

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Preferred Seating Time:
on **Saturday, April 16**

_____ 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 egg hunt. Please bring your own baskets.)

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

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:

Vince Ahrens	Dedra Altizer	Fran Backofen
Lori Baird	Dennis Baker and daughter	Emily Barry and Family
Mary Lee and Ted Berry	Gabriel Bittner	Lorraine Boardman
Karen, Michael, and Paige Brooks	Haley Buckley	Our brothers and sisters in Haiti & Chile
Sarah Burrows	Winnie Bynum	Mary Carr
Grace Cook	Bruce and Jean Crandall	Wesley Cudrow
Phyllis Cummings	Shannon Decker	Mary Jane DeFreece
Bob Dennis	Joe Destefano	Everyone serving in the Military
Molly Farley	Pat Farley	Kevin Fenner
Ben Fisher	Norm and Sharon Frelinger	Gabby
Fran Genovese	The George Family	Barbara and George Hankins
Kevin and Sara Hankins	David Jacks	Our brothers and sisters in Japan
Robert Jensen	Carolyn Keller's parents	Kim
Don and Ella Kimble	The Kingsley Family	Roberta and Larry Kinnamon
Lyndsay Krutki	Grace and Jerry Lanuti	B.A. Long
Grace, Frank and Fran Leva	Charles Li	Robert Lobb
Margaretta Macica	The Family of Melissa Martucci	Andy Marussich
The Family of Anita McCarthy	Evelyn Mercado	Jeff Monroe
Heather Mustavs	Eileen Myslinski	Richard Nash
Steven Neil	Nina and Jason	Amy (Thompson) Nguyen
Ann Ott	Leon Paffenroth	Amy Pemberton
The Family of Marina Petersen	Jack Richner	Trudi Roach
Ted Sandstrom	Tom Sawyer	Kevin Schuler
Fred Schwarz	Bryan Scott and Family	Dorothy Sevcik
Marguerite Shaw	Sara Simas	Walter and Louise Spencer
Peggy Srirach	The Smith Family	Bill and Jean Strong
Shawn Thatcher	Judy Thompson	George Tietz
Brenda Travers	Kim Valentini and Family	Kenya VanZandt
Ashley Wade	Wendy-Bynum Wade	Jean Wade
Molly Wanat	The Weinberger Family	John Wildschut
Jo Wolfe	Anne Wood	Orra and Dale Wood
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.)

PLEASE PAY YOUR PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT FOR 2011

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 **341** and ***our assessment per member*** (not per family)

for 2011 is \$28.00, which is a total of ***\$9,548.00*** 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.

Maney-Hawkins Meditation Garden

SPRING UPDATE

Last Chance To Order Memorial Pavers This Season...

A new order for memorial pavers will be placed in April and installed in late spring. To order a memorial paver to remember or honor a loved one, see Pat in the church office. The cost of each paver is \$100.

“Stewards of the Garden”

Allegro Landscaping will begin maintenance work at the garden in April with a “spring clean-up,” adding mulch, removal of the dead tree and planting of a new Stellar Pink Dogwood.

The April/early May schedule is below for our Stewards.

SCHEDULE:	George and Barbara Hankins:	April 1 – April 15
	Beryl Yungman and Sue Varden:	April 16 – April 30
	Loretta and Jack Richner:	May 1 – May 15

This schedule will be posted outside the church office.

If you are interested in becoming a “Steward of the Garden”, see Pat in the church office.

Niches AVAILABLE FOR SALE in the Memorial Columbarium

Each niche is 11¼ inches cubed, allowing for double or single interment.

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 additional information you may need about the Maney-Hawkins Meditation Garden.

BENEFIT CONCERT

FOR THE MANEY-HAWKINS MEDITATION GARDEN



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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN GOSHEN

SATURDAY, APRIL 9th - 7 PM

Doors open 6PM - ADMISSION \$10 Adults / \$8 Seniors/Students / Under 6 Free

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

TIDBITS FROM THE TOWER



HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS TO:

2	<i>Carol Coon</i>	15	<i>Rebecca Zis</i>
	<i>Ingrid Warner</i>	16	<i>Kaitlyn Gati</i>
4	<i>Heather Case</i>	17	<i>Emma Hourahan</i>
	<i>James Magee</i>	18	<i>Mark O'Hern</i>
	<i>Jackie Quinn</i>	19	<i>Ian Chevalier</i>
7	<i>Cathy Wade</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 Ukejanya</i>
11	<i>Bob Weinberger</i>	27	<i>Blayne Gibbons</i>
14	<i>Gabby Donohue</i>	29	<i>Liz Sproul</i>

HAPPY APRIL ANNIVERSARIES TO:

4	<i>Gene and Myrna Tucker</i>
13	<i>Dale and Orra Wood</i>
25	<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.

Spring Fling Luncheon



May 1, 2011
at Glen Arden

Please save the date to join in the celebration of the Presbyterian Women's Honoree(s) of the year. As the date gets closer, watch for announcements in the bulletin and via e-mail.



ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY PLANT SALE

Where can I get the best plants, hanging baskets, garden vegetables and herbs?

Why at the ***ANNUAL FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*** Mother's Day Plant Sale, of course.

FRIDAY THROUGH SUNDAY, MAY 6, 7, AND 8

Friday & Saturday – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 8:00 a.m. – Noon

On the Church Lawn – Rain or Shine



A FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Tickets are being sold for the art raffle. With the sale of two hundred tickets, we will take in \$20,000, half of which is ours for the restoration of the church windows. Any money brought in beyond the sale of two hundred tickets will stay with us and be added to the window restoration monies. If you have not yet purchased a ticket, you may do so in the church office. Pat will be there to take care of you.

It is time to get the Tiffany Ball Committee organized and moving. If you would like to help with this upcoming project, please call me (294-8206), see me at church, or e-mail me at richner9@frontiernet.net. The date and time for the dinner dance is October 1 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. It will again be held at The Hall of Fame of the Trotter, and the dinner will be catered by Catherine's.

I am also thinking ahead to Great American Weekend, which is creeping up on us quickly. Again, please let me know if you can be on hand to sell French fries, help with the coffee and bagels, or work in the ticket booth for the rides. Many people are needed for this event! The dates are July 2 and 3, though the rides will also be open on Friday evening, July 1. Wendy and Dave Paffenroth are overseeing the rides for us this year, and Geri Corey is chairing the antique table again. I'll be sending out an e-mail appeal for help with the fries, but don't be shy about letting me know now if I can count on you during those days! ☺

Loretta Richner, Fundraising Chair



2nd Annual Community Yard Sale

The First Presbyterian Church is holding the second annual community yard sale. Bring your stuff and set up and we will do the advertising.....

Saturday - May 7, 2011 8AM-4PM

(SET UP AT 7AM)

12' X 12' Space = \$25.00

There is also a fee of \$25.00 that will be refunded when your space is cleaned up. Please send 2 checks for \$25.00 each. We also can have tables for rent for your items for \$5.00 each.

Proceeds from the sale will go for a Youth Mission Trip to Nicaragua - August 2011

Please return the bottom portion with your checks by May 1st

First Presbyterian Church, 33 Park Place, Goshen, NY 10924

Questions call 294-7991 or Jeanette McDowell at 294-8334.

Name _____

Address _____

of Spaces _____ # of Tables _____ Check Amount: \$ _____

- **Note- There will also be a plant sale going on that day.**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR DINNER AT
WARD'S BRIDGE INN
Montgomery, New York

- DATE:** Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.
\$27 includes tax and gratuity
Cash bar
- CHOICE OF APPETIZERS:** Mozzarella Cheese & Tomatoes
Fried Calamari
French Onion Soup

Salad and Dinner Bread
- CHOICE OF ENTREES:** Sweet Potato Encrusted Salmon
New York Strip Steak
Chicken Marsala
Pasta Dish – Chicken, Sausage, Broccoli Rabe over Rigatoni
- CHOICE OF DESSERT:** Apple Crisp
Chocolate Mousse Cake

Coffee, Tea, Soda

(soda and bar drinks extra)

Please call Linda Clark (294-7488) or Jo Wolfe (294-6652) for reservations by May 8, 2011.

NEW OPPORTUNITY!

My name is Barbara Hankins, and I am looking for some people to join me for fun and fellowship in a new organization called the Chancel Guild. Our goal is to, among other things, assist the Deacons in their duties relating to the chancel and to communion, baptism, and chancel art! As time goes on, we will learn what things need to be done and the best way to do them. At the same time, we will enjoy each other's company. You can see me at coffee hour or call me at 294-8410. Thank you.



The Harriman Fountain

The Good Old Days in Goshen, New York

Anyone who has ever lived in Goshen, or even just visited, will be nostalgic about the perspective of life in Goshen at the beginning of the twentieth century. Back then, the First Presbyterian Church, with its surrounding park, was the focal point and defining structure of the Goshen “villagescape.” Now, First Presbyterian Church in Goshen, in conjunction with The Bethlehem Art Gallery, will be giving you a chance to take home the original painting by renowned artist John Gould. What a wonderful slice of Goshen for your home, not to mention a great investment. Close your eyes and think of your time in Goshen. Whether you’re a third-generation resident or a visitor, the image you’ll see in your mind will be very similar to the one above, with perhaps a lot more traffic in the Village Square! Don’t miss out on your chance to own your piece of Goshen history. Fill out the order form below and return to:

First Presbyterian Church
33 Park Place
Goshen, New York 10924

If you have any questions, call the church office at 845-294-7991

Gould’s View of Goshen Raffle Tickets *** \$100 each

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE (day) _____ (eve) _____ (cell) _____

EMAIL _____

Total tickets _____

Total enclosed _____

Please make checks payable to “First Presbyterian Church in Goshen” and write “Gould raffle tickets” in the memo area.)

Tickets may be purchased during coffee hour or at the church office during the week.

the new **Church Photo Directory**

Sign up on-line Starting February 27th

<https://www.securedata-trans14.com/ap/firstpresbyterianchurch47/index.php?page=10>

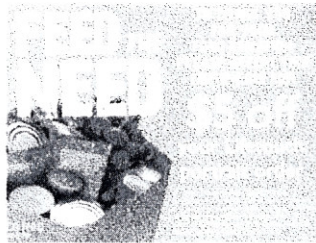
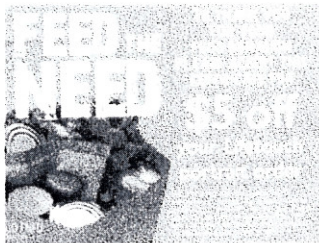
Sign ups Dates

March 20 th	Before Church	&	at Coffee Hour
March 27 th	Before Church	&	at Coffee Hour
April 3 rd	Before Church	&	at Coffee Hour
April 10 th	Before Church	&	at Coffee Hour
April 17 th	Before Church	&	at Coffee Hour

Picture Dates

Thursday	April 28 th	2:30 pm -	8:50 pm
Friday	April 29 th	2:30 pm-	8:50 pm
Saturday	April 30 th	10:00 am-	5:00 pm

- * Refreshments will be available while you are waiting.
- * A slide presentation of past church events will also be available.
- * *You will be asked to participate in a very brief "Your Special Gifts" skills questionnaire.*



A \$5 off certificate applicable towards your portrait order (if you choose to participate) will be issued to families bringing food items for the Food Pantry at the time of their appointment.

Questions for the Directory Committee can be directed to:

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Linda Boardman	845-469-6063	lindajayneboardman@yahoo.com
Linda Clark	845-283-2122	clarks03@earthlink.net
Cecile Ayres	845-294-7524	crayres@frontiernet.net

Note: Friends, relatives, neighbors and anyone in the community is invited to have a family portrait and can be scheduled to use this service. They will not be included in the church directory and will not receive the complimentary 8 x 10 portrait.

Dear Members & Friends,

We need you to make our new family album complete

Help us put faces with names. Our Directory Committee has chosen Lifetouch to help us connect our members and tell our story.



Each family will receive a *Complimentary 8x10 portrait & directory* for participating.

Convenient

Lifetouch sets up their photography studio at our location.

In your one-hour session you will:

- Check-in
- Be professionally photographed: **No sitting Fees**
- Immediately view your portraits
- Have an opportunity to purchase additional portraits

When was the last time you or your family had a professional portrait taken?

Your portraits are sure to become valued family keepsakes. You will have the opportunity to schedule your portrait session soon. Watch for your **Portrait Guide** or visit www.lifetouch.com for tips on how to prepare for your portrait session.

We look forward to seeing you in our new family album,

Your Directory Committee



Greeting cards available in many design choices.

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.

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Bill Keller
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