# THE TOWER TIE

#### The Newsletter of the First Presbyterian Church of Goshen

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thanksgiving is upon us already! But ready or not, we are entering the home stretch of our calendar year and the beginning of our Christian year. With such big beginnings and endings, it's a good time to ask ourselves, "Where are we in our spiritual lives?"

Like most of you, I find that time between now and Christmas seems to double in speed. Suddenly, fun things to do and things I need to get done blossom before my eyes. Before we know it, this time for reflection on God's presence in our lives blips past, and we all collapse in an exhausted heap at the "finish line" on December 26. Most of us don't plan for this to happen; in fact, most of us tell ourselves that this year will be different, that we'll find time to slow down and savor the small wonders of this beautiful time of year. But then we say yes to "this" and go to "that," and suddenly, we've done it again!

What's interesting about these next weeks is that they are really a microcosm of how we live the rest of the year. These few weeks, though, are so intense that we see it more clearly than all the rest of the year. In truth, we are very busy people all year round. One reason we're so busy is that we associate our actions with who we are. For instance, when someone gets to know you, they usually ask what you do, what your action is in life. The mistake we so often make is believing that our actions are all that we are.

This is when the message of Jesus can help us so profoundly. He asks us, just as he asked Martha, "Why are you doing what you are doing?" "What is the real reason for all your activity?" Jesus doesn't condemn activity; he asks us to see how what we do is the warp and weft of our life of faith. A life of faith is rooted in God's Spirit; it is fully alive and present to the moment, enjoying the gift of life, even in its smallest joys. When our activities are so relentless that our minds are filled with anxiety about whether or not we will get everything done, then we've lost our connection to the present moment, to each other, and to our awareness of God's Spirit.

Jesus doesn't tell us that life is either action or contemplation, either busyness or quietness. Jesus tells us that we need to be mindful about what we do and why we are doing it. We need to be present in the moment as we do things so the presence of God's Spirit is alive in us. This, then, is how we practice living faithfully every day. This is how others begin to perceive that our lives are different because of our faith. This is how we, as a community of faith, can be present to one another and develop a bond of deep friendship and trust.

So friends, as we enter The Race to the Finish, **walk.** Be alive and present. Smile. Enjoy the small wonders and beauties of these days. Listen to the Spirit within you and within others. Do with joy the things that need to be done. For all of it is living our faith, every moment.

Peace be in you, Pastor Kingsley Dear Sisters and Brothers:

A problem has come up, and I want to share with you my thoughts and the steps I have taken to resolve the situation.

Trucks and cars have been driven on the sidewalk that leads to Fellowship Hall. Over the years, this has caused the portion of the sidewalk toward the parking lot to sink down below the level of the parking lot, and this area now collects a large pool of water every time it rains. There is also a dry well under that sidewalk, and it could be damaged by the weight of the vehicles.

As you are well aware, we just completed a retaining wall along the outside edge of the Memorial Garden. Yesterday, someone hit it and dismantled the end portion of the wall. This will be repaired soon, and bollards will be put in place to protect against further damage. Of course, no one came forward to admit that he or she had struck the wall.

The solution is quite simple. No trucks or vehicles are to be permitted to back up to Fellowship Hall. I have sent a letter to inform the Ecumenical Food Bank, since they have brought the largest trucks onto the sidewalk. However, **no one** should drive in this area.

#### WORSHIP AND MUSIC

The addition of an early service to our method of worship creates more opportunities for members to give their services back to the church. The Worship and Music Committee coordinates volunteers in the following areas:

- **Greeters**—(needed for both the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services) A greeter/Greeters can be an individual, two individuals, a couple, or an entire family. The tasks include arriving fifteen to twenty minutes early, standing in the narrhex (preferably with name tags), and welcoming arriving worshipers.
- Lay reader—(needed for the 10:30 a.m. service) The task is to read selected parts of the service. The church secretary, Pat Schwetje, will make your text available (by e-mail or pick-up), usually by the Wednesday prior to your reading.
- **Acolytes**—Acolytes are members of our church family in the third grade or older.
- **Elders**—Elders are needed to serve Communion on the first Sunday of every month, during Advent and Lent by intinction, and every Sunday during July and August (this year).
- **Lighting the Advent wreath candles**—As we progress through the season of Advent, usually a family will participate in a short section of the worship service, reading a short text and lighting the candle(s) on the Advent wreath.
- **Good Friday service**—Eight men are needed to read roles in a Passion play.

Sounds simple—and all the tasks are actually quite easy. If you add them up, there are nearly **five hundred** vital tasks that are filled by volunteers each year. Nearly ten volunteers are needed each week. Please help. Use the sign-up board in the narthex for greeting and reading, or contact Bruce Crandall (651-1483 / bcran12@earthlink.net) if you would give the gifts of your time and talent.

#### NOVEMBER BRINGS THE CHURCH YEAR TO A CLOSE



In November, we can feel the darkness and cold of winter setting in. The rhythm of life continues its incessant cycle. I find comfort in observing the rhythm of our lives—it brings order; it can restore our souls; it is something we can always depend on in times of trouble or crisis. No matter what happens, the world continues to turn, seasons change, and holidays come and go. Every Sunday morning, people are rising to prepare to go to church for worship, teaching, prayer, and song. Even our worship service has an ordered rhythm that ties everything together. I invite you to reflect on the rhythm in your own life. Is it an orderly one, punctuated by meaningful events of your

choosing? If not, look how you might introduce a more regular sense of rhythm to what you do each day, each week, each Sunday. It can be very centering for your soul.

It is in this month that we, as a nation, give thanks for our blessings on Thanksgiving Thursday. On Sunday, November 23, we come together to offer our corporate thanks to God for his blessings. We are all blessed in many ways, and yet, we do not often stop to take stock of the many blessings in our lives. Daily, we experience the beauty of nature, nurturing relationships, our ability to earn a living, good food, music, the sun that rises each new day, the fact that we wake up in the morning, and the fact that we still have our wits about us. We get a fresh start each day to improve our lives and love more in our relationships and interactions with others. Isn't that what it is all about? Let us come together to offer praise, worship, and thanksgiving to our God, who has so richly blessed us.

For each new morning with its light, For rest and shelter of the night, For health and food, for love and friends, For everything Thy goodness sends.

~Ralph Waldo Emerson

Advent I begins our new church year on Sunday, November 30. As an appropriate beginning to this new liturgical year, the choir will be singing "Peace Canon," which follows the melody of Pachelbel's famous "Canon in D."



Robert Clooney Ministry of Music

If the only prayer you said in your whole life was, "thank you," that would suffice. ~Meister Eckhart

#### SAVE THE DATE – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6 – 6:00 P.M.

#### PROGRESSIVE DINNER

**Appetizers** will be at the home of Barbara Skyer, the **main course** at Jack and Loretta Richner's and **dessert** at Cliff and Darlene Bartley's. The first course will begin at 6:00 p.m. E-mail Darlene at <a href="mailto:bartley51@yahoo.com">bartley51@yahoo.com</a> and let her know if you will be attending and your choice of what you will bring. Everyone is welcome!

#### "A CHURCH STILL BUILDING"

## SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH HOME 2008 CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The 2008 Operating Budget consists of operating revenues and expenses only, not capital expenses needed to maintain and improve our church home and grounds. The Operating Budget consists of income and expenses anticipated for the day-to-day operation of the church facilities and programs.

The Finance and Administration Committee has prepared a Capital Budget for prioritized capital expenses to maintain and improve our church home and grounds. The plan is to <u>fund the Capital Budget through an annual Capital Fund Campaign</u> targeted specifically for need-based projects.

The Finance and Administration Committee and the Property Management Committee will work collectively to fund and complete the following 2008 prioritized projects:

#### 2008 Capital Fund Budget

- Continue church and Fellowship Hall masonry repairs that are needed desperately (the small towers on either side of the rear Tiffany window are pulling away from the wall)—approximate cost: \$18K
- 2. Church Park drainage (the Village of Goshen DPW has already asked permission from First Presbyterian Church to install a catch basin)—approximate cost: \$5K
- 3. Repair one church sanctuary window—approximate cost: \$2K

The above costs are estimates, and all projects will move forward after several bids are received and evaluated.

Our church home needs your financial support for the 2008 Capital Campaign—an amount you agree to pledge over and above any 2008 pledge you already made toward our 2008 Operating Budget. You can pay the Capital Campaign pledge in periodic increments or in a lump sum between now and the end of the year.

	•	your	2008	Capital	Fund	Campaign	contribution	prayerfully,	and	complete	the
form be	elow:										

#### THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CAPITAL FUND CAMPAIGN

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I/We intend to contribute a total of \$	in 2008.
I/We will be providing it at \$pe	erweek ormonth
Signature	Date

### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (PW) NEWS

We met on October 6 in the parlor of the church. Remember, all women of our church are considered members of PW. Our numbers are declining, and we need some input on how to keep us afloat. Please fill out the survey at the bottom of the page and give us your ideas.

The end of the year is approaching, which means it is time for our annual Christmas party. This year, it will be just across the street at LeBaron Restaurant on Sunday afternoon, December 7, at 3:00 p.m. We hope that all the women in the church will join us. The cost is \$25 for a buffet dinner with all the trimmings. We are asking that each person bring a wrapped ornament for an exchange. Please fill out the reservation form in the *Tower Tie* or the bulletin and give it to President Barbara vonPentz or leave it in the church office. Space is limited, so don't wait—reservations must be in by November 30. The honoree will be chosen very soon.

As the year ends, we are looking for some new officers. Won't you step up and volunteer your services? Please contact Toni Neidel if you are willing to help. Our next meeting is on Monday, December 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the parlor. Please come.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Lee Paffenroth

PW Secretary

PW Survey:

Day of the week best for our meeting:

Best time (circle one): 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

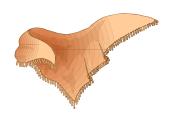
Or would a Sunday meeting after church be preferred? Yes No

If you cannot come to the meetings, may we put your name on a list to call when we need bake sale items, Great American Weekend help, baked goods for after a funeral, or other help?

Name and phone number:

(Please drop off at church office, give to Barbara vonPentz, or place in offering plate. Thank you for your help.)

Please describe any ideas you have to help our organization.



#### **Prayer Shawl Ministry (PSM) News**

Shawls continue to be sent from our church, and the blessings continue to flow back to us. This month, we delivered twelve shawls, twelve baby shawls, and two baby blankets to the maternity ward at Orange Regional Medical Center in Middletown. Others also went out with church members. The maternity ward will use them when needed. Many will wrap the shoulders of mothers who have stillborn babies, children with Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, or children with birth defects. Wendy and Darlene met with the nurses and volunteers, who were most appreciative. We also left a copy of the Debbie Macomber book that inspired us. They said they would pass it around to the members of their staff, and each person will sign the book after it is read. We hope that there isn't much need for our shawls, but we are glad we could help them when the need does arise.

Barbara Hankins gave us a pattern to make triangle shawls, which are made quickly and come out beautifully. These are perfect as the three corners are a reminder of the Trinity. We continue to give a folder of prayers with each gift. Several of these prayers, along with the name of our church as being one with a PSM, have been posted at www.shawlministry.com.

Our newest prayer is as follows:

#### **Comforting Prayer**

#### Dear God,

Like a ship sailing on the oceans of the world, our lives move up and down like the waves. Help us to acknowledge the joys when they come our way, and when the dark, low days come, remind us that good ones will again appear. Help us to overcome the lonely nights and realize that with the dawn comes new hopes and dreams. Remind us that you never give up on us and that we shouldn't give up either. Grant us the understanding to handle the trying times. Let us feel your warm hand of love, and hug us with your care. Guide us daily to take the steps to face what comes our way. Restore our faith. Bless our loved ones and keep them close. Thank you for listening. God's blessings on you.

Several people to whom we have given this prayer have commented that the shawl and this prayer helped them during some low times. We are overwhelmed in learning that our hugs have helped so much, and we will continue to make them. Please join us or donate some yarn to our cause. We meet after the 10:30 a.m. service in the parlor or sanctuary.

Wendy Lee Paffenroth PSM Journal Keeper

#### **Attention Senior Youth**

Our first youth group trips had small turnouts, but we did enjoy the Bodies Exhibition in New York City on October 5, and we survived the Forest of Fear on October 12. We are eager to plan trips and activities that YOU want to do, so please e-mail Barbara Lippert or Liese Boese with ideas. We do not have plans for November yet but can reach you by e-mail if you want to get involved.

We will be adding youth group information to the church's Web page. The information will include things that we've done and things we hope to do in the future. We plan on going to New York City again to visit a museum and to see the tree in Rockefeller Center. We don't have the date set, but it will be the first or second weekend in December. Please watch for more information about that trip.



#### Presbyterian Women (PW) Christmas Dinner

The PW Christmas Dinner has been planned for Sunday, December 7, at 3:00 p.m. The dinner will be held at *LeBaron Restaurant* at 40 Park Place in Goshen.

This will be a buffet dinner with many choices for everyone. Seating is limited, so get your reservation in soon. The honoree for the evening will be announced in the future. The price is \$25 per person. Each person is asked to bring a Christmas ornament for an ornament exchange.

Checks should be given to President Barbara vonPentz or left with the church secretary, Pat, by November 30, 2008. If you have questions, call Barbara at 294-5730.

Thank you.	
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(Please fill out a reservation for each person attending.)	
NAME:	
PHONE:	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED:	



#### **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

- Saturday December 6, 2008
- The First Presbyterian Church in Goshen 33 Park Place - Goshen NY 10924
- **Seatings-** 8:30 & 10:00 AM
- Tickets- \$6.00 Per Person <u>PAID IN ADVANCE</u>-Each child's ticket includes - pancake breakfast, face painting & shopping for a special gift in the North Pole Gift Shoppe for that special someone.

### PROFESSIONAL – QUALITY PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CAPTURE THAT SPECIAL MOMENT ON SANTA'S LAP.

Pictures are \$6.00 and to be paid at the time of service.

Seating is Limited! <u>Reservations required</u> and accepted on a first come – first served basis through November 20, 2008.

Mail reservations or stop by the church office (294-7991) – Office hours are from 9 a.m. to Noon and 1-4p.m. Monday through Friday.

#### SANTA BREAKFAST RESERVATION FORM

Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
E-Mail Address:		
Number Attending:	Adults:	Children:
Seating Preference:		10:00:
		or check preferred seating time. Thanks)

Return to: First Presbyterian Church – 33 Park Place- Goshen NY 10924

Attention: **Santa Breakfast** 

Make Checks Payable to: First Presbyterian Church





### 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 AhrensCynthia AtterburyJefferson and Rich BillingsHaley BuckleySarah BurrowsCheryl Campbell and Family

Mary CarrBarbara CarusoSusan CaslickBrandy CharlesGrace CookEthan CoxJean CrandallPhyllis CummingsRichard DamianiSylvester DamianiMary DeFreeceBob Dennis

Amy DePew Joshua DePew Everyone serving in the Military

Pat FarleySteve FischbeinBen FisherMary FulfordAlbert GabellaFran GenoveseThe George FamilyAnn GrahamMary Gray Griffith

Barbara and George Hankins Kevin and Sara Hankins Pete Howell

Walter Jensen Jessica Alan and Glynnis Jorgensen

Merriebeth Kennedy Kim Evelyn Kingsley

Lyndsay Krutki Laura Marni Lewis and Michael

BA LongMargaretta MacicaHelen MatthewsAnita McCarthyLouise McCutcheonEvelyn MercadoJeff MonroeLisa MontalbanoBarbara Morgiewicz

Richard Mudrick and Family Eileen Myslinski Richard Nash Robert Neil Amy (Thompson) Nguyen Patty Northrup

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Amy PembertonPeterPhil PinesThe Family of Ed RedfieldJack RichnerTrudi RoachRobynDorothy RoseKevin Ross

Ted Sandstrom Dorothy Rose Kevin Ross

Kevin Schuler Fred Schwarz

Barbara Scott and Family Valerie Simonian Ken Skyer and Family

Sandy Soons Walter and Louise Spencer Peggy Srirach

Bill and Jean Strong Judy Thompson Fannie and George Tietze

Bill and Susie Stenson Lori Turner's friend Jen Vitho

Kim Valentini and Family Isiah Warren and Family Wendy Bynum-Wade and Family

Jean Wade Eugene Walters 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.)

#### 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.

#### 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.** 

The upcoming schedule for the Christian issues classes, which are held in either Fellowship Hall or the Bradner Room, is listed below.

Date	Topic	Speaker
	The Hunger Project—a global, strategic organization	John Coonrod
	committed to the sustainable end of world hunger	(VP strategy & impact)
Nov 2	(check out the Web site to see what they are doing:	Carol Coonrod
	www.thp.org)	(Regional director for
		U.S. funding)
	"80/20 Really Is In Balance"—work to balance all	Gloria Esch
Nov 9	aspects of your life through the holidays and into the new year	(Life balance coach)
		Shawn Dell Joyce
	"Eating Local"—a thirty-minute presentation about the	(Sustainability advocate
Nov 16	single most important thing you can do to curb climate	and artist; nationally-
	change in our region	syndicated newspaper
		columnist; Wallkill River
		School founder)
Nov 23	Feminism—come and share some history, your views	Open discussion
	and experience	
Nov 30	No Class	No class
	Read <i>The Shack</i> , a book by William P. Young, and join	
	us for discussion (Book summary: "Mackenzie Allen	
	Philips' youngest daughter, Missy, has been abducted	
	during a family vacation, and evidence that she may	Discussion
	have been brutally murdered is found in an abandoned	
Dec 7	shack deep in the Oregon wilderness. Four years later, in	Books will be available for
Dec 14	the midst of his great sadness, Mack receives a	purchase during coffee hour
Dec 21?	suspicious note, apparently from God, inviting him back	and in the church office by
	to that shack for a weekend. Against his better	November 2.
	judgment, he arrives at the shack one wintry afternoon	
	and walks back into his darkest nightmare. What he	
	finds there will change his life forever.")	

Also, an ongoing Bible study is being held in the parlor through December. Both classes run from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings. You are welcome to attend either of these classes at any time. Feel free to bring a neighbor or friend!

#### ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

### The Board of Deacons is sponsoring their Annual Holiday Craft Fair on

Saturday, November 22

From 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

There will be many vendors with a variety of crafts, jewelry and holiday items available. The Presbyterian Women will also have their bake sale in the lobby and new this year, beautiful quilts will be displayed in the sanctuary.

If you have any questions, please contact Edith Bush @ 695-1763.

### TIDBITS FROM THE TOWER

#### HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS TO:

2	Darcy McDowell	19	Emma Boardman
3	Emily Conley		Beth Laskoski
8	Kathy Stringer		Julie Turi
9	Michael Knoblock	24	Kathy Alevras
10	Jeff Totton		Amy Fontana
14	Ria Chionchio	26	Jon Hourahan
17	Taylor Knoblock	28	Anthony Chionchio
18	Phyllis Cummings		Danielle Diglio
	David Kingsley	30	Robert Kingsley
	Bob Montalbano		Sue Stenson

#### **HAPPY NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES TO:**

- 11 Craig and Arlete Shaeffer
- 23 Jack and Susan Pierce



If you are also celebrating a special day, we wish you much happiness.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

- Our newest members, Tyler and Audra Cox, Michael and Karen Brooks, Joan Schaeffer, Beth Chevalier, and Samantha Martin who joined the church on September 28.
- Robert Kingsley and Samantha Martin on their recent engagement.

#### STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

"The favrile iridescent stained glass windows which form the background of the pulpit were made possible by a contribution to the church by a former member, Gates W. McGarrah in 1925. The windows were designed by Louis Comfort Tiffany of Tiffany Studios and memorialized John Wallace, Mrs. McCarrah's father, and her uncle, Charles Goodrich Elliot, who were both elders, twenty six years and thirty seven years, respectively.

The stained glass windows depict The Resurrection – the kneeling women with the reassuring angel before the vacant sepulcher (tomb or chamber often carved out of a hillside) – in three gothic panels and are acknowledged by Louis Tiffany as his finest work.

These gifts, both small and large, are treasured by the church."

Mildred Parker Seese, *The Tower of the Lord* (Orange County, New York: 1945) p. 135

# FELLOWSHIP DINNER CLUB BLACK FOREST MILL RESTAURANT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

We will meet at 6:45 p.m. Dinner is at 7:00 p.m.

The restaurant is located at 716 Rt. 32 in Highland Mills. No money will be collected ahead of time. You will order off the menu and everyone will pay their own. If you need a ride, contact Orra Wood at 374-6611. Let Orra know if you are coming so the restaurant has an idea of how many to expect. Please join us!

#### **POT LUCK LUNCHEON**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

### FOLLOWING THE 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

If you plan to attend the luncheon, please fill out below and place in the collection plate, drop off in the church office or call Orra Wood at 374-6611.

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	NAME: _	
	# ATTEN	DING:
	LAST NA	AME:
	A - H	Bring a Casserole or Meat Item
	I - P	Bring a Dessert
	$\mathbf{Q} - \mathbf{Z}$	8
	If you can Please not	a also help set-up or clean-up te below:
		Saturday 11/29 @ 10:00 a.m. – set-up in Fellowship Hall
		Sunday 11/30 after the luncheon clean-up
		in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall



The North Pole Gift Shop at the Santa Breakfast needs gifts. Each child at the Santa Breakfast gets to shop in the North Pole Gift Shop for a present to give. We need donations of small items that children could give to parents, grandparents, siblings, etc. Items should be new and valued at \$10 or less. In the past, we have had items such as men's wallets, candles, books, and note cards.

Items are needed by the set-up date, which is December 5. Also needed are tape, ribbons, wrapping paper, and/or small holiday gift bags. Please leave items at the church office with the name "Mrs. Santa" (Michele White) on them—or make a note that says, "For North Pole Gift Shop." The children love to shop. We are counting on you and appreciate the support. Thanks!

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#### **QUILTS OF THE CONGREGATION**

<u>CALLING ALL QUILTS....</u> (Please fill out and place in the offering plate or drop off at the church office)

#### I HAVE A QUILT I WOULD DONATE FOR DISPLAY AT THE CRAFT FAIR ON NOVEMBER 22

NAME:	
ADDRESS:	
PHONE NUMBER:	
HOW MANY QUILTS?	
TYPE OF QUILT: (Description – ex. queen size hand pieced, child's quilt, etc.)	
Quilts to be brought to the church on Friday, November 21 between 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. and picked of the Craft Fair on November 22.	d up at the end
I would be willing to volunteer as a quilt sitter during the Craft Fair.	
Thank you.	

Thank you. Wendy Paffenroth 258-4826

#### **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**

<b>Class of 2009</b>	<b>Class of 2010</b>	<b>Class of 2011</b>
<b>Bruce Crandall</b>	Loretta Richner	John Bruno
Bill Keller	Scott Roper	Linda Clark
Karen Magee	Barbara Skyer	Geri Corey
Tom McDowell	Doug Wade	<b>Dominick Fontana</b>
Cathy Wade	Rob Warner	Bill Hodges

**Kathy Stringer** 

Clerk of Session: Sue Varden

Orra Wood

#### **BOARD OF DEACONS**

Class of 2009	Class of 2010	Class of 2011
Richard Ayres	Diana Bowe	David Castellano
Linda Boardman	Andrea Branson- Snook	Jean Crandall
Carolyn Keller	Deb Hourahan	<b>Patrick Farley</b>
John Knox	Jon Hourahan	Helen Gardellis
<b>Denise Quinn</b>	Lisa Montalbano	Kelly Grob
Ray Ruckdeschel	Lori Turner	Barbara Lippert
John Snook	Cheryl Zis	Ken Skyer

**Moderator of Deacons:** Richard Ayres

**Michele White** 

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