

May 2018

A NOTE FROM THE PART-TIME PASTOR

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."

ROMANS 15:7

So, what's next? What happens now that Christopher Mergener has accepted a call to pastoral ministry at Park Church and the congregation has affirmed that call?

On May 19, the Presbytery of Geneva will hold their called meeting at Wolcott. At that time, Christopher will be examined by the Presbytery to become a member here. This is the third leg of the three-legged stool you have seen referenced in bulletin inserts (*see "Calling a Pastor" on Page 4*). If the way be clear and they approve him for membership, you have a new pastor! If the way isn't clear and they don't accept him for membership, the call is not affirmed. You can proactively pray for Christopher and the Presbytery meeting that all go well. And any of you who want to attend that Presbytery meeting to support Christopher are invited to do so. I'll have a better idea next month what time that will take place in the meeting and will let you know.

In the meantime: It is time to prepare for a new pastor! How exciting! I will be looking for volunteers to help paint the Christian Educator's office as well as the Pastor's office. There are other odds and ends that could be spruced up to make the church building more attractive, like getting rid of the clutter that seems to have accumulated throughout the building. If you are willing to help, please let me know. Many hands make light work.

Don't forget to get your picture taken for the new pictorial directory! That will be extremely helpful to your new pastor as he learns names and faces.

I am counting on Park Church to pull together and prepare for a new partnership with a new called/installed pastor! If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to pop in the office when I am around (usually Tuesdays and Thursdays) or make an appointment with me. If all goes well, we have a very short window to prepare ourselves for your new pastor. May God be praised!

ELLEN DONNAN

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SPECIAL OFFERINGS PENTECOST

2018 Pentecost Offering

Cookies FOR Deacons

The Deacons are asking for donations of packaged cookies to be donated to the ongoing program of treats at Sunday coffee hours. If members wish to donate a package or two of cookies, please leave them on a counter in the small kitchen off the lounge. Kindly affix a note saying DEACONS.

We very much appreciate your help.

SANDI MARCANO
Deacon Moderator

The Pentecost offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start - a solid foundation of Faith formed in the first third of life, from childhood through young adulthood.

Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. The Holy Spirit remains with us still, connecting us with the church of the past, continuing to inspire the church of today, and pointing us to the church of the future. Each year, this celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering which nurtures the faith of those who are the church to come - children, youth, and young adults.

Psalm 71 testifies that a foundation of faith established during childhood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. The patterns and lessons established during these formative years continue to bear fruit throughout a person's life. By giving to the Pentecost Offering, our congregation participates in helping our children, youth, and young adults grow up to proclaim with the Psalmist, "O God from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds."

Congregations keep 40% of raised funds to initiate or support programs for young people in our communities.

Pentecost is usually represented with the color red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.

Member Recognition Sunday, May 20th



50-year members will be honored on Sunday, May 20th during the worship service. Following the worship service, the Membership Team will host a 50-year member celebration with food and drink in the lounge. Thank-you to all of our 50-year members who have provided a rich history of Christian Stewardship here at Park Church. Labor on!

PAUL SALISBURY
Acting Membership Chair



Presbyterian Women

Plan to attend the Spring Gathering of **PW of the Geneva Presbytery, 9:30AM Monday, May 7th** at **First Presbyterian in Watkins Glen**. Our worship leader will be **Rev. Sabrina Slater**, from Christ the King Fellowship, Spencer, NY. Virginia Champlin of Geneva will deliver the message, "Building Bridges of Understanding," highlighting her **PW Global Exchange trip** to Indonesia last year.

On **Saturday, May 12, 4-7pm**, come out and support the first fundraising event for **Family Promise of Wayne County, "Bed City"**, held here at Park Church, and also in the park. This fun event will raise funds and awareness for families experiencing homelessness. The event is open to the public and will feature live bands, food trucks, and voting for the best decorated beds. Presbyterian Women will be a vendor, opening our first "Ice Cream Shoppe" in the kitchenette. We are looking for helpers to donate ice cream toppings, and to make and sell ice cream sundaes during the event. Please let Deb Compher know how you can assist.

The Presbyterian Women's **Luncheon Circle** will meet Monday, May 14 at noon in the lounge. Bring a dish to share (or \$2 for the basket!) and learn more about this year's Birthday Offering. We will also read a devotional and pray together. We're a friendly bunch and we would really enjoy having you join us! Hostesses Debbie Compher and Jeanne Salisbury will provide beverage and dessert. Please let our hostesses know to expect you. (One more luncheon in June and then we won't meet again until September.)

The Quilters' Circle meets on Thursday evenings at the church, second floor, usually 6:30-8:00pm. Newcomers are always welcome. Bring your UFOs (unfinished objects), or come for ideas for a new project. Contact Karen Watson or Holly Burgess (via the church office) to confirm the time, or for more information.

The PW Bible Study meets the first & third Mondays, now at 3:30pm in the lounge. This month we will be discussing the theme of "hope" in Hebrews

and the concept of "Sabbath rest." Join us for some "rest" from your busy week and spend an hour reading the Word together. Christine Stephens leads our study.

Many heartfelt thanks to the helpers who made the Annual Rummage Sale a grand success! Dedicated workers gave many, many hours preparing for the sale, as well as working the sale days. A special thanks to **Natalie Lemmon**, this year's team leader, for cheerfully organizing the sale and being such a pleasure to work with.

Also, a **big thanks** to all the folks who donated items for the sale. We had so many wonderful things to sell this year! The money raised will provide special gifts to our church, as well as gifts to: Come-Unity Rural Ministry, Emmanuel Free Lunch, Laurel House, Blessings in a Backpack, Home Meals Service, Newark Food Closet, Family Promise, Church World Service Kits, the Mexico Mission Trip, Together in Christ, PC (USA) Mission Co-workers, and the PW organization at the Presbytery, Synod and National level.

There is still time to register for the **Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women in Louisville, KY, August 2-5**. Meet women from around the world who share our faith, be inspired by world-class speakers, and be spiritually nourished by some phenomenal worship music. Various daily workshops include discussions of current topics in our church. Registration may be mailed in or accomplished online at www.presbyterianwomen.org. See Mary C, Deb C or Linda W for more info.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Park's Presbyterian Women and our purpose to nurture our faith, support the mission of the church worldwide, work for justice and peace, and build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the PC(USA) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.

DEB COMPHER & MARY CREE
Your PW Co-Moderators

A MONTHLY Devotion

ARE YOU LISTENING TO GOD?

“They said to Moses, ‘You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die.’”

EXODUS 20:19

We don’t consciously and deliberately disobey God—we simply don’t listen to Him. God has given His commands to us, but we pay no attention to them—not because of willful disobedience, but because we do not truly love and respect Him. “if you love Me, keep My commandments” (John 14:15). Once we realize we have constantly been showing disrespect to God, we will be filled with shame and humiliation for ignoring Him.

“You speak with us ... but let not God speak with us...” We show how little love we have for God by preferring to listen to His servants rather than to Him. We like to listen to personal testimonies, but we don’t want God Himself to speak to us. Why are we so terrified for God to speak to us? It is because we know that when God speaks we must either do what He asks or tell Him we will not obey.

But if it is simply one of God’s servants speaking to us, we feel obedience is optional, not imperative. We respond by saying, “Well, that’s only your own idea, even though I don’t deny that what you said is probably God’s truth.”

Am I constantly humiliating God by ignoring Him, while He lovingly continues to treat me as His child? Once I finally do hear Him, the humiliation I have heaped on Him returns to me. My response then becomes, “Lord, why was I so insensitive and obstinate?” This is always the result once we hear God. But our real delight in finally hearing Him is tempered with the shame we feel for having taken so long to do so.

OSWALD CHAMBERS

Calling a Pastor: THE “THREE-LEGGED STOOL”

We have now learned that the PNC has called a potential pastor. What’s next? The call system has three parts, similar to a three-legged stool:

The first leg of the call system is that the PNC discerns a pastor would be a good fit for the congregation and extends a call to the person. If the person agrees that this is a call, they negotiate the terms of the call and the PNC arranges for the candidate to come for the weekend, meet the congregation, and lead worship on Sunday morning at the 10:00 a.m. worship service. [note: this occurred on April 22]

The second leg of the call system is a congregational meeting which occurs on the Sunday that the candidate leads worship. After worship, the candidate is asked to leave the sanctuary with the chair of the PNC. They wait in the lounge until after the vote and someone calls them back into the sanctuary. The PNC will present a motion to call the candidate. There will be time for discussion, followed by a ballot vote. After the ballots are counted, the vote will be announced, and the candidate will be brought back into the sanctuary. [note: Rev. Christopher Mergener accepted the call on April 22]

The third leg of the call system involves the Presbytery. The candidate attends the next Presbytery meeting (in this case, the May 19th meeting in Wolcott) where she or he is examined by the Presbytery and voted as a member of the Geneva Presbytery. If the Presbytery votes negatively, the call will go no farther, and the PNC will start the search process again. If the Presbytery votes in the affirmative, God’s call to the candidate as pastor of Park Church is finally completely affirmed. The Presbytery then votes to make the person the moderator of the session and COM works with the candidate to prepare a Presbytery worship service at Park Church to install her or him as pastor.

There is no call until all three legs of the call system “stool” are in place affirmatively. If you have more questions or concerns, please talk directly to a member of the PNC or to Ellen.

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Presbyterian Women of Geneva Presbytery



2018 Spring Gathering

Monday, May 7, 9:30 am – 2 pm

First Presbyterian Church, 520 North Decatur St, Watkins Glen, NY

Registration & Coffee

9:00-9:30 am

Our Worship Leader

Rev. Sabrina Slater

CHRIST THE KING FELLOWSHIP
SPENCER, NY

Watkins Glen Church Ph:

607-535-2377

Building Bridges of Understanding

Our Speaker

Virginia Champlin

Presbyterian Church in Geneva, NY

PAST PW MODERATOR FOR PRESBYTERY OF GENEVA

2017 SYNOD OF THE NE REPRESENTATIVE TO

GLOBAL EXCHANGE INDONESIA



- CWS Health & School Kits Collected
- Dedication of Birthday Offering
- Presentation of 2018 Budget
- Annual Business Meeting
- Report on Light Up South Sudan
- Mission Co-worker Cathy Chang- Philippines

Come early at 9:00 am for registration & coffee

Bring a "bag lunch" & a friend

Beverages & dessert provided by Watkins Glen PW

Suggested donation \$1.00

***NOTE: BRING COMPLETE CWS KITS BOXED FOR SHIPMENT, CLEARLY
LABELED WITH TYPE OF KIT & PW GROUP. PLEASE BRING \$2 PER KIT TO
COVER SHIPPING. CHECKS MAY BE MADE TO: "PWGP"***



See you in Watkins Glen! Pre-register by April 30!

To register please call Linda Werts (315-331-6999) or email lwerts@aol.com.

GROUPS WHO Used Church Space (2017)



SHARING SPACES

Finger Lakes Area NA
Finger Lakes Bronze
Al-Anon
Alcoholics Anonymous
"Living Sober" (AA)
BOCES HSE (GED)
Newark Garden Club
WARE/MLK Day
Girl Scouts
Baby Café
Gem Club
Family Promise
Literacy Volunteers
Wayne CAP
4:10 Ministries
Together in Christ (TIC)
Habitat for Humanity
Erie Fiddlers
Trail Works
Community Garden
Office of Aging & Youth
Venture Crew
Boy Scouts
Cub Scouts
American Red Cross
Foodlink Mobile Pantry
TIC's Common Threads
DAR
*Kelley School**
*Newark Manor**
Tuesday Club
Guiding Eyes for the Blind
Finger Lakes Answering

**In the event of an emergency, Park Church serves as the evacuation point for both Kelley School and the Newark Manor.*

Walk into Park Church just about any evening, and you'll find a church bustling with activity. Some of these groups are our own church-related groups—committees, session, PW, Deacons, Book Club, etc.—but many others are not.

Throughout the course of the year, Park Church hosts everything from weekly Boy & Girl Scout meetings and Baby Café, to occasional Red Cross blood drives and DAR meetings. We also support music in the community, hosting piano recitals, the Finger Lakes Bronze rehearsals every Sunday, and the Erie Fiddlers on occasion. We host meetings for outdoor organizations such as the Newark Garden Club and Trail Works, and support education through hosting Literacy Volunteers, Wayne County Action Program, and the BOCES HSE program (formerly known as GED). If it benefits the community, chances are that Park Church—either its people or its building—is involved somehow.

Some frequently express to me how unusual that is for a church, and in my experience working in other churches, I would have to agree. Many churches host one or two groups, and *maybe* sponsor a Scout Troop or an AA group on top of that. We hosted around 35 in 2017 (see the list to the left of this article). This church truly sees opening up its doors to the community as one of its missions, and it's awesome to witness. In fact, some have even attended Park on Sundays because of the warm welcome they receive while they're here weekdays for another purpose. (A young woman who recently has been attending on Sundays and who came to the church through the HSE (GED)

program has just been *gushing* to me about how warm and friendly everybody is—how everybody is so helpful, and people "feel like family" to her already).

Of course, that leaves me to be a busy beaver trying to keep track of everybody and where they're supposed to be. Sometimes that involves some creativity on my part (whoever decided our lounge needed sliding doors you could pull shut was a *genius!*), and sometimes it involves some flexibility on the part of the church groups and the community groups that use the space.

For the most part, everybody is wonderful and accommodating, and we definitely want to keep that up. For some people, coming into this building for tutoring or to give blood is their only contact with church or Christianity of any kind. **It's important to remember that, even if you're not interacting with a community group, they do see and hear you, and your words and actions are reflecting upon the church as a whole.**

I would encourage everybody, therefore, to go out of their way to show the Park Church hospitality I've come to know, to all of our guests. If your meeting ends at 4:55 and another meeting begins at 5:00, or if you're sharing the lounge space or a wall with a community group, consider taking a moment to show kindness and say hello, and get to know some of the people who also call Park Church "home."

Bethany

May 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
			Worship Team 6:00 PM	Adult Bible Study 4:30 PM Quilters' Circle 6:30 PM		CROP Walk 8:30 AM Presbytery PW Spring Gathering Watkins Glen 9:30 AM
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
"Sonrise" Worship 8:00 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Family Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:15 AM	PW Bible Study 3:30 PM Church Life Team 4:00 PM Adult Bell Choir 6:15 PM		Mission Team 10:30 AM Mobile Pantry @Fireman's Field 5:00-7:00 PM	Adult Bible Study 4:30 PM Quilters' Circle 6:30 PM		Family Promise "Bed City" 4:00-7:00 PM
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
"Sonrise" Worship 8:00 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Family Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:15 AM	PW Luncheon Circle Noon Finance Team 5:30 PM Property Team 6:30 PM Adult Bell Choir 6:15 PM	Book Club 7:00 PM	Session 6:00 PM	Adult Bible Study 4:30 PM Quilters' Circle 6:30 PM	Potluck/Game Night 5:30 PM	Presbytery Meeting Wolcott 9:30 AM
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
50 YEAR SUNDAY "Sonrise" Worship 8:00 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Family Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Coffee Hour Group Discussion 11:15 AM	PARKVIEW DEADLINE PW Bible Study 3:30 PM Family Promise Board 4:00 PM Adult Bell Choir 6:15 PM		Red Cross Blood Drive 1:00-6:00 PM	Adult Bible Study 4:30 PM Quilters' Circle 6:30 PM		
27	28	29	30	31		
2 CENTS A MEAL "Sonrise" Worship 8:00 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Family Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:15 AM	Family Promise Coordinating 1:00 PM Family Promise Recruitment 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir 6:15 PM Family Promise (general) 7:00 PM		Wednesday Workers 11:30 AM	Adult Bible Study 4:30 PM Quilters' Circle 6:30 PM		

May Birthdays



IN OUR PRAYERS...

1
Cooper & Keegan Ehle

6
Judy Leone

8
Susie Earl

9
Quinn Ehle

10
Diane Allerton

12
Heather Appleby
Sandra Rude

13
Everett Cole
Berk Burgess

20
Anthony Humphrey

21
Ellie Conklin
Bonnie Hammond
Kathy Short

22
Cali Cree Tanea

27
Nadine Brill

28
Bob Tack

30
McKenna & Brendan Briggs
Mary Guchone

Prayers for healing and comfort: Pam Dickey—cancer, Kelly Witter—chemo, Marge Cseplo, those in Syria, Ann Peck, Park Church, the Pastor Nominating Committee, Puerto Rico, the family of Rosa Hutchinson (Debbie Compher's aunt), the family of Bob Goodman, Mary Lewis and the family of Gil Lewis, the family of Jay Short, Linda Donaldson, Dorla Seeley, Mark, Park Church, Rick Smith (resident in West Virginia), Elsbeth Foote (Ellie Foote's mother) in hospital

Prayers for protection in service to our country: Joe Burgess, Seth Burgess, Ryan Enos, David Kuperus, Tim Peck, Greg Seppeler

Prayers for hope and encouragement to our mission partners and Presbyterian peacemakers: Rev. Nadia Ayoub (Greece), Mision Sinai and Mision Monte Horeb (Mexico), Rev. Joan Stewart (WV)

Prayers in thanks and celebration: ministry & mission focus of Park Church, Dan Brennessel doing well after hip replacement, beautiful day of baptism for Crystal Lennon, Crystal—warm welcome received & rides offered, Dan Marciano—6 years cancer-free!, Rev. Christopher Mergener accepting the call to Park Church, joyous sunny day, Mary Guchone's daughter here to help, Cindy's sister & husband are here, safe week in West Virginia

CHURCH FAMILY News

Gil Lewis passed away on April 3rd at the age of 98 in Tucson, AZ. Gil was born on February 23, 1920 in the family home on Vienna St. in Newark, the son of the late John and Alice (Jackling) Lewis. He was a graduate of Newark High School class of 1937. In 1938 he went to work in the office of C.W. Stuart Nursery Company and continued there for forty years, retiring in February of 1982. A graveside service was held on April 11th. Gil is survived by wife **Mary Lewis**, daughters **Sandy Casselman** and Kathy Lewis-Atherton, and many more family and friends.

Happy anniversary to **Ken and Roxanna Rowe**, who are celebrating 67 years.

Jay Short recently passed away at the

age of 84. Jay is survived by wife **Becky** and daughter Cathy living in Florida, and son Alan living in Ontario. A memorial service is planned to be held at Park Church. For those who would like to send cards to Becky, please do so c/o of their daughter Cathy Frank, 784 Whooping Crane Court, Sanford, FL 32771-5410.

"Thank you to everyone for the support, kindness, and help you have always given me through the years. A special thank you to **Cindy Best** for all her help during my moving sale. My new address as of May 7, 2018 will be: 2601 N. Repsdorph Rd., Apt. 1815, Seabrook, TX 77586. Many blessings to all!"—**Mary Guchone**

Happy 1st birthday on the 13th to **Berk Burgess!**



2018 Newark CROP Walk

The **Mabel Hommer Memorial Newark CROP Walk** will be held on Saturday, May 5th. Registration begins at 8:30 at Park Presbyterian Church.

The CROP Walk raises money to help stop hunger and poverty here in our community and around the world, through self-help initiatives. A portion (25%) of the funds goes to support hunger fighting work and local agencies including the Free Lunch Program, Home Meal Service, Newark Food Closet and Blessings in a Backpack. It is an opportunity for our congregation to come together with others in the community to assist in this important cause. Last year, the community collected \$6700 in donations. A large portion of that money was collected by our church alone - \$2508. We have set a goal of \$2800 to be collected by our Park Presbyterian Church walkers this year and \$6800 for the community total.

It is not too late! We are still in need of donations to sponsor a walker. If you are interested in assisting or have questions, please contact Karen Cameron, (315-462-6853). Thank you for your support.

KAREN CAMERON



May is Membership Awareness Month!

At the request of the Membership Team, the Session has designated the Month of May as **Membership Awareness Month**. Highlighting "church membership" in May will:

- increase awareness by members for inviting newcomers into Church Life and Faith
- prepare members for a new method of accompanying newcomers into Church Life and Faith
- celebrate persons who have been members at Park Church for 50+ years.
- invite regular worship attendees to wear their name tags during the month of May.
- provide *group discussion following Worship on Sunday, May 20th, led by Presbytery Transitional Leader Linda Badger-Becker*, on exploring deeper commitment by church members to Christ and his church, for receiving new members, and ministering to worship visitors.



Please find your name tag on the name tag board and wear it each Sunday in May.

Thank-you....

Deb Compher, ET Trunick, Pat Hart, Paul Salisbury, Bill & Karen Doeblor, Ellie Foot, Emily Schultz

MEMBERSHIP TEAM

FAMILY Promise OF Wayne County

Poverty in Wayne County is a contributing factor to homelessness in our area. Last year the Newark School District reported 128 homeless students. Family Promise of Wayne County has committed itself to help these families transition to affordable and sustainable housing because every child deserves a home. Park Church will be one of the 13 Host Churches with families coming to eat dinner in our lounge and staying overnight in four rooms on the 3rd floor for four weeks a year. There will be much planning needed. The Board has set July 1st as an "opening date" to receive families.

Coordinators at Park Church are Linda Werts and Deb Compher. **We are looking for one more person.** Right now you can support us in raising funds and awareness by attending and participating in our upcoming "Bed City" fundraiser on Saturday, May 12th which will be held here at Park Church and in Central Park. See the flyer included.

LINDA WERTS



I would like to say that we did very well with the last bake sale. The total amount raised was \$143.00. It was a pretty good day. Thanks to all you bakers out there that helped.

The next bake sale will be on June 9th, along with the Chicken BBQ. Details to follow when it gets closer to that date.

Thanks to the wonderful people that helped me on out on Palm Sunday.

Ellie Foote

CHURCH Life News

The March 23rd Palm Cross and Potluck was attended by about 40 people, including a couple of new families. We enjoyed a wonderful meal and then made the palm crosses together. Angela, our Christian Ed. Coordinator, had some wonderful projects planned that our children enjoyed, including an Easter egg hunt at the end of the evening. Christine Stephens also made molded chocolates with anyone who wished to make them. We thank Angela and her daughter, Alissa, Eileen, Natalie, Christine, and many others who assisted in making the crosses and with setup and cleanup. The night went smoothly and was a pleasure to be a part of.

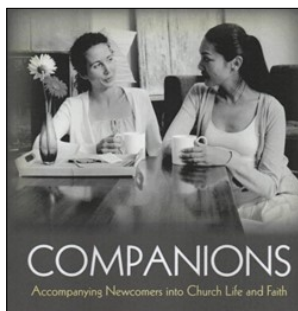
May 18th Potluck and Game Night: We will gather in the lounge at 5:30 and plan to eat at 6:00. As always, we appreciate dishes to pass or small monetary donations that are used for purchasing paper products and beverages. You are welcome to join us for dinner, socialize and then play card, board or other games with us, if you wish. Your children are welcome to eat with us and we will provide babysitting and activities for them, if we are made aware, at least a week in advance.

Next Team Meeting Date: We will meet on Friday, May 7th in the lounge at 4:00 p.m. Discussions will include further activities that we may wish to attend this year, such as "Music on the Erie" or Sodus Point concerts, Pilots' games, and miniature golf, along with ice cream. We welcome anyone who wishes to join us or else share other ideas with any team member.

CHERYL LOTZ
Church Life Chair



GROUP Discussion May 20TH



Please plan to join a group discussion following worship on Sunday May 20th led by Linda Badger-Becker, Presbytery Transitional Leader

Subject: Accompanying Newcomers into Church Life and Faith... **A discussion on moving toward new ways for making and growing disciples;** moving away from classroom type learning for new members.

2018 CWS BIRTHDAY OFFERING

Presbyterian women have a long tradition of caring for others and helping those in need. Ever since Hallie Paxson Winsborough, in 1922, challenged each member of Women's Auxiliary of the PCUS to give a penny for each year of her life as a "birthday gift" for Miss Dowd's School for Girls in Japan, Presbyterian Women's Birthday Offering has helped fund mission projects that improve the lives of women and children around the world. While the projects and donation amounts have changed, Presbyterian Women's commitment to improving the lives of others has not. We continue to need broad, consistent support from Presbyterian women and others in order to continue funding mission projects like the ones selected for 2018.

In 2018, we will answer the call to show Jesus' love to the world by offering our prayers and financial support to three projects that support the critical need for shelter and hospitality in the areas they serve:

- Village of Grace for Physical and Spiritual Health, Tegucigalpa, Honduras
- The Dwelling Place, Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota
- Cottage Village, Cottage Grove, Oregon

OTHER MISSION ITEMS

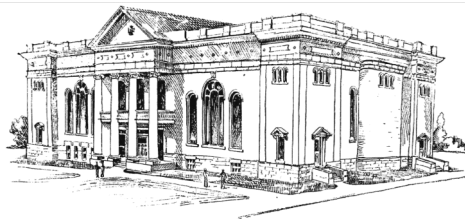
Foodlink's Mobile Pantry free food distribution returns to the Newark Fireman's field on Wednesday, May 9th from 5-7pm. Workers are needed for a variety of shifts from 3:30-7:00pm. Please contact Linda Werts if you are available. Distribution days continue on the 2nd Wednesdays of the month through October.

This Mother's Day Blanket the World with Love! In 2017, Church World Service (CWS) distributed thousands of blankets in the U.S. and around the world. Presbyterian Women invite you to respond again this year. Blankets are \$10. Please use the offering envelopes at the back of the Sanctuary or in the office.

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Newark, NY 14513

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MAY 2018



***“We will make Christ visible
by believing, living and
sharing the word of God.”***

SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR MAY

Liturgists:

6th—
13th—
20th—
27th—

Counters:

6th—Kris Bald & Dale Groover
13th—Thurlow Hammond & Karen Doeblen
20th—Henry Stephens & Stu Blodgett
27th—Paul Salisbury & Deb Compher

Greeters & Ushers:

6th—Lang Family
13th—Gwen Mix & Deb Compher
20th—Gil & Holly Burgess
27th—Anne Ross

Chairlift Operators

6th—Rob Byers
13th—Scott Briggs
20th—Curt Richardson
27th—Henry Stephens

Pastor Schedule

6th—Rev. David Kilgore
13th—Seth Burgess
20th—Seth Burgess
27th—Rev. Jim Gerling

Greeters/Offering Collection: Holly Burgess

Coffee Hour: Karen Watson & Anne Ross

Flower Delivery:

Communion Servers: Bob Hanson

Liturgists: Jeanne Salisbury

If you are responsible for scheduling, please have all names to the office by the Parkview deadline.