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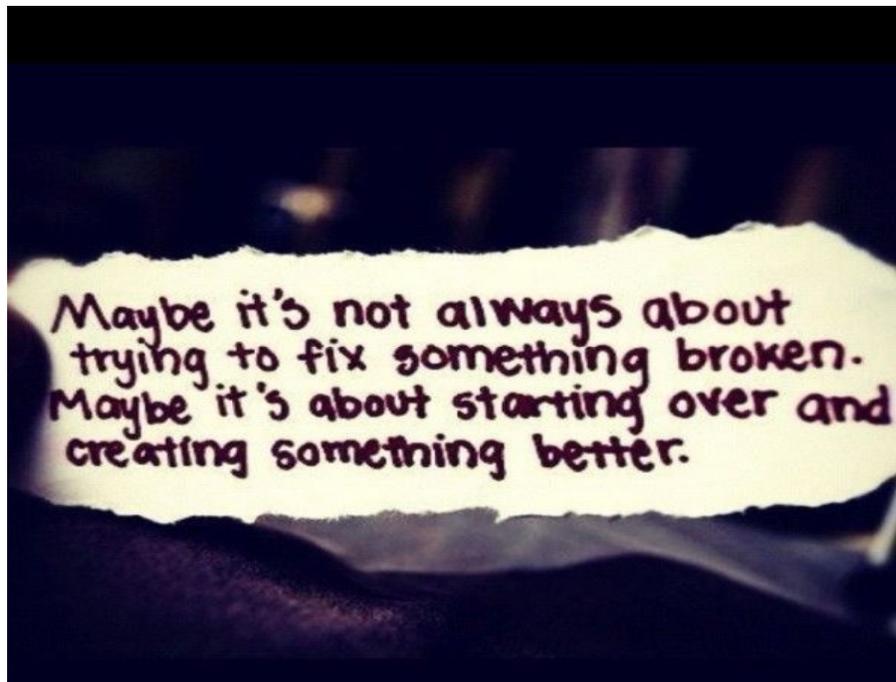
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PASTOR COLIN'S CORNER



And away we go!

The new school year begins and with it so does our new program year at church. There are some major new initiatives happening here as we seek to be ever more faithful as a community of followers of Jesus our Christ.

By the end of this Fall, we will have 4 new staff members since this time last year, including an entirely new staff position (Sunday School Program Coordinator). The Session and the Deacon's Board will be focusing their efforts on RELATIONSHIPS, both with our human community here in Victor, and with our Risen Christ and the living narrative of the Holy. We will benefit from the wonderful renovations and

organization of our church space. In many ways, we are starting again. Not because we are broken, but rather, because we have the opportunity to partner with what God is already doing here to help create something even better.

I want to encourage each and every one of us to prayerfully imagine what it would mean for each and every one of us to take a similar personal journey. In the new hope of each sunrise, how can we start again? What is worth our time investment? How can we engage in a life-giving community? Friends, know that you are needed, wanted, necessary, and desired here in your church community. Come and join in the grand adventure, participate in a dynamic future, and be a part of what God is doing here.

There will be a ton of opportunities to connect and assist in the days ahead. And, you need not wait for an invitation, though you will get one. If you are moved to connect, have a great idea, are ready to go, let us know, and we will help you do so.

I'll leave you with this thought from ***THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN BUTTON:*** "For what it's worth: it's never too late...to be whoever you want to be. There's no time limit...You can change or stay the same... We can make the best or worst of it. I hope you make the best of it. And I hope you see things that startle you. I hope you feel

things you never felt before. I hope you meet people with a different point of view. I hope you live a life you're proud of. If you find that you're not, I hope you have the strength to start all over again."

Thanks and Blessings,



Pastor Colin

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Worship Schedule

Sundays, 10 am Worship Service

with Junior Church and Nursery Care

Anyone interested in leading worship (by reading, singing, preaching, etc.), please contact Pastor Colin or Celia Reaves.

If there is a ministry or area of study you'd like to see as a Small Group, please contact Pastor Colin.

SOCIAL MEDIA

You can now listen to Pastor Colin's weekly messages on your devices at

<https://soundcloud.com/firstpresbyterianchurchofvictor>

Please feel free to share this link with others.

If you are on Facebook, search for us at First Presbyterian Church of Victor and LIKE us! You will receive updates automatically.

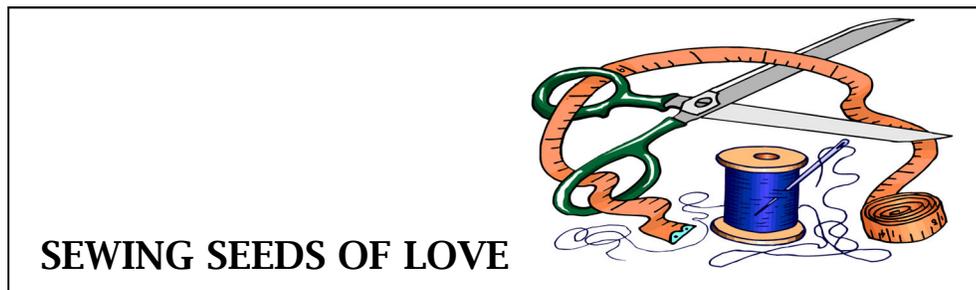
For news about the Presbytery of Genesee Valley, check the monthly e-news at

<http://www.pbygenval.org/documents/e-news/>

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MISSION MATTERS

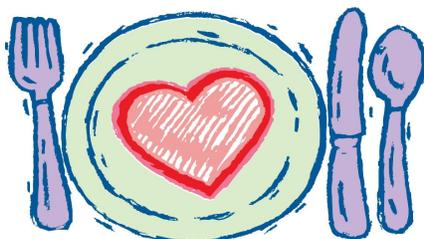


It's that time of year again to work up some love. We would like to make some crocheted, knitted, or sewn hats, mittens, and scarves for those in need. If this is something you might be interested in,

please come join us!

What's a good time for you to join us? Maybe a weeknight? Please let us know, and we can see if there is a good time. More hands will make the project go quickly! If you'd prefer, you may also purchase the items.

Please contact Phidelia Cornwell at dcornwell@rochester.rr.com with questions or ideas.



COMMUNITY DINNER

Exciting News: Now Serving 3 Times a Month!

Join us the second, third and fourth Saturdays of each month, from 5-7 pm, for a FREE dinner
St. Patrick's Church will be hosting the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Everyone is welcome

FPCV will be hosting:

Breakfast for Dinner on September 11, 2016

Thanksgiving Dinner on November 12, 2016

Contact Heather McAdoo at heathermail@frontietnet.net

SUGGESTED WEEKLY DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD CUPBOARD

Sep 4 - Pasta (Elbow or Spaghetti)

Sep 11 - Spaghetti Sauce

Sep 18 - Vegetable Oil or Spices

Sep 25 - Meal Kits (3-5 ingredients)

Meal Kits are intended to give clients an easy-to-prepare meal for their families. All items to create a meal entrée or hearty casserole for a family of 4 should be placed in a bag along with the recipe. Remember that not all clients have a supply of spices in their homes, so include these only if vital to flavor the meal. All items must be in their original commercial packaging.

Big thanks to all who donated money or jars of mayonnaise!



We delivered 200 jars!

BIRTHDAY CAKE MISSION PROJECT



THANKS TO ALL!

Many of the families who are clients of the Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard cannot afford a birthday cake for their children's birthdays. Every child should have one. Let's make sure they do!

Please bring in cake mixes, cans of frosting, and boxes of birthday candles. They will be donated to the Food Cupboard.

Thanks to everyone who has already donated. You've made many children happy!

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP



Women's Prayer Group is returning this fall! Check back soon for meeting dates and times!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Do you have a prayer request? Please contact the Church Office, Pastor Colin, or your Deacon.

The Prayer Chain is also available for prayer requests. It is activated upon request.

Want to be a member of the Prayer Chain? Contact the Church Office. Email is not required.

GENERAL BUILDING CONCERNS

If you borrow or move chairs and/or tables, please return them to where you found them.

The lights in the stairwells and in Corey Hall are NOT motion-sensitive. If you are the last to leave, please make sure all the lights are turned off.

USHERS WANTED!

If you are interested in ushering occasionally, please contact Carol Fowler, carolfowler@frontiernet.net or 595-429-0547. You can also contact the Church Office at victorpres@frontiernet.net or 585-924-2289.

NEW MEMBER EVENT

Are you new to the community and curious about the core beliefs and structures of the Presbyterian Church?

Are you looking for a welcoming space to have your questions answered about church life here at the First Presbyterian Church in Victor?

Are you interested in becoming a member of FPCV?

Then plan on joining Pastor Colin and members of the Church Development Committee for a New Member Discernment Event on Saturday, October 22 from 9:00am-1:00pm. Lunch will be provided.

There are no commitments expected or required. You are free to just come and gather information while engaging the questions. Please contact the Church Office, Pastor Colin, Elder Nancy VanIseghem, or Elder Steve Simpson to register for this free event.

We are so glad you are here, and we hope to see you there.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SACRED SPACES SMALL GROUP

Field trips with a purpose. Outings with an eye for the Holy. Come and explore places of beauty and wonder with your fellow followers of Christ. Once a month, for the next four months, the Sacred Spaces Small Group will be exploring such places together. Each outing will begin a quick study of biblical references to sacred spaces (temples, holy lands, songs of praise, etc.), and then the group will venture out to experience together modern examples of these place. Participants are welcome to join in any one or all of the outings.

Thursday, September 22, 2016: The Harriet Tubman Home, Auburn, NY

(Leave church at 9:30 am) Admission is \$4.50, adult, \$3.00 senior

The Harriet Tubman Home preserves the legacy of the “The Moses of Her People,” where she lived and died in freedom. Her story is incredible. She changed the world through the belief in the promise of freedom and the promise of God’s faithfulness.

Thursday, September 22, 2016: (immediately following Harriet Tubman House tour) Willard Memorial Chapel, Auburn, NY

Admission is \$8.00, adult, \$5.00 senior

The Willard Memorial Chapel and adjoining Welch Memorial Building are listed on the National Register of Historical Places, and in 2005, was designated as a National Historic Landmark. The chapel is an extremely rare example of Tiffany’s work because it has a complete Tiffany interior.

FUTURE VISITS: WATCH FOR TIMES AND DATES

- Oct, 2016: Cumming Nature Center
- Nov, 2016: Memorial Art Gallery
- Dec, 2016: Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
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Contact Carol Fowler, 585-429-0547, for reservations

SUNDAY ADULT GATHERING

Beginning on September 18, 2016, the Sunday morning class will start a new series that uses TED Talks to explore Christian topics. We gather at 8:45 am, with coffee or tea, and finish just before worship at 10 am.

These TED Talks are about 20 minutes in length and feature articulate and gifted speakers who inspire our thinking and follow-up conversations.

We especially encourage folks who have never participated in a small group to attend. Each week will be a new topic, so you can start any time.

The preliminary schedule is:

Sep 18: Rick Warren: A Life Of Purpose

Sep 25: Billy Graham: Technology, Faith, and Human Shortcomings

Oct 2: David Steindl-Rast: Want to be Happy? Be grateful

Oct 9: Tom Honey: Why Would God Create a Tsunami?

Oct 16: Karen Armstrong: My Wish: The Charter for Compassion

Oct 23: Bono: The Good News on Poverty (Yes, There's Good News)

Please contact Dave Henderson at dhenderson@newscaletech.com if you have any questions.



NEW AND EXCITING THIS FALL!

DETAILS AND START DATES COMING SOON!

- A STUDY GROUP OF WOMEN AND IDENTITY WITH KATHY RITZ
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- A BOOK STUDY GROUP OF "THE HAPPINESS DARE" WITH MEGAN ANTONITTO
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- A BIBLE 101/INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR COLIN

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sept 2016

Hope you and your family had a wonderful summer! We are looking forward to seeing all the returning faces and welcoming new children and families as well!

We are excited to begin a new program year with our Deep Blue curriculum. In Deep Blue, Where Kids Dive Deep into the Bible, children make Bible stories, people, and passages part of their lives. Deep Blue incorporates Bible stories, science activities, arts and crafts, animated video storytelling, and active games into a lived-faith experience to help children discover what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ today! There are also web sites, <http://www.deepbluekids.com>, and downloadable apps to learn more.

Here is the schedule for September:

UNIT 1: Joseph's Journey	Topic
September 4, 2016	Joseph and His Brothers
September 11, 2016	Joseph in Egypt
September 18, 2016	Joseph Saves the Day
September 25, 2016	Joseph and His Brothers Reunited

Here are some other upcoming events. More details coming!

- **September 11 is Kick Off Sunday:** After church service, there will be a picnic potluck at Dryer Road Park with a kickball game afterwards
- We would like to plan some **mission projects and fun family events** this program year.

We love your feedback and new things! If you have a talent, craft or hobby to share, contact:

Cathy Martz 585-662-9427 cemartz33@gmail.com

Jan Astles 585-398-3834 janastles@rochester.rr.com

Wish list: DVD player, TV, vacuum cleaner

Blessings,

Cathy and Jan

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Here are the Sunday School teachers for the 2016-2017 school year.

PreK-1

Miss Anna Bright, Ms. Kati Chenot, Ms. Lizzy Ferguson, Mrs. Dawn Pierson, Mrs. Anne Rine

Grades 2-4

Mr. Bill Martz, Mrs. Cathy Martz, Ms. Mandy McKenna, Mrs. Jennifer Song

Grades 5-6

Mrs. Michele Ekholm, Mrs. Katie Ferguson, Ms. Brenda Dean

Please make an opportunity to meet the Sunday School teachers and thank them for volunteering their time with our children.

YOUTH PROGRAM

Dear Friends,

Kickoff Sunday is nearly upon us! As the summer winds down and the new school year sets in, we begin a new season and program year here at First Presbyterian. There is so much to look forward to! I'm looking forward to another year of discipleship, mission, and fun! I'm also looking forward to building new relationships and strengthening old ones. And, I'm looking forward to seeing God's plans unfold for the youth of this congregation and beyond!

Below is a preview of some the upcoming activities and events. More details coming soon!:

FALL, 2016 SCHEDULE

YOUTH GROUP: 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, 6:00-7:30 pm, ***unless otherwise noted**

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, during worship, 10:15-11:15 am

September

- **Kickoff Sunday (Sept 11, 2016)**
- **Kickoff Sunday Kickball Game (Sept 11, 2016):** The Sunday School and Youth Group will be hosting a Potluck and Kickball Game at Victor Municipal Park following worship. The congregation is invited to attend!
- **Laser Tag (Sat., Sept. 17)**

October

- **Altitude Trampoline Park (Sat., Oct. 8, 2016)**
- **Halloween Corn Maze Trip (Sat., Oct. 29)**

November

- **Rochester Amerks Game (Fri., Nov. 4)**
- **Thanksgiving Community Dinner (Sat., Nov. 12)**
- **Thanksgiving Baskets (TBA)**

December

- **Youth Sunday Worship Service (Sun., Dec. 12)**
- **Clothing Drive (TBA)**
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Matt Brooks

Youth Ministry Director

Kickoff Sunday



Youth and Sunday School Potluck and Kickball Game
Sunday September 11th Following Worship 11:30am-2:00pm
at Victor Municipal Park, 6680 Paparone Dr., Victor, NY
(just off Brace Road)

All of the Congregation is Welcome!

Please Bring a Dish to Pass

SPECIAL NOTICES AND CELEBRATIONS!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHURCH TREASURER!

The Session is pleased to announce that in June, 2016, **Brenda Dean** was elected to and accepted the position of Treasurer for our church. Brenda is replacing Jeanne Phillips, who retired at the end of May.

Many of you already know Brenda as both an active church member and past Administrative Assistant, from 2007 to 2011. Brenda joined our congregation in 2013 and brings to this position significant experience with business operation, and also degrees in Engineering and Mathematics!

During the summer, Brenda has been very busy learning the details of this part-time position and getting to know Lyn Nadeau, our new Administrative Assistant. Our office team is excited and ready to begin a new church year in September!

FEELING GREAT ABOUT DOING GOOD!

According to Beth Thomas, Secretary and Interim Volunteer Coordinator at the Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard, last Saturday's event at Willowbrook Church was a huge success! Nearly 350 Ontario County children were able to get school snacks/supply packs and gently-used donated clothing. Also, about 150 families received food from the Mobile Food Pantry. Most of the 1,000 books from the free library were chosen last by excited kids before heading home with their new treasures. Think of them showing off school clothes, healthy snacks, new school supplies, and books! What a way to promote a positive start to the school year!

One mother excitedly made a phone call at the Mobile Pantry, exclaiming about the used, red, hi-top Nike sneakers she had just picked out, and how she was going to surprise her son. Another woman was thrilled that she was getting two dozen eggs because, in addition to her medicine, that was what she needed.

YOU helped make this day such a great success! **THANK YOU!**

And now...it's back to business this week, feeding our clients. The need seems to be increasing. We served 39 families last Thursday evening. We need many more volunteers. If you have any time to spare, please call, text, or email me (585-704-7209 or beththomas1015@gmail.com)

We will be closed for Labor Day, the unofficial end of summer. Please reflect on the **THOUSANDS** of meals we have provided this summer through our regular hours, the summer food program, and the Mobile Pantry.

RENOVATIONS IN COREY HALL

Many, many thanks to Renee and Peter Paulsen for all their efforts of love in renovating Corey Hall! The volunteers who have worked tirelessly alongside them are so greatly appreciated! If you haven't seen Corey Hall this summer, stop in and see all the changes! It's pretty amazing!

FROM THE DEACONS

The Deacons have provided assistance to 6 people in the community this summer. They provided 5 gas cards and rent assistance to someone in need. Our Deacon's Fund depends on contributions from the congregation. A big thank you to the anonymous donor who made a very generous contribution this summer. This helps the Deacon's Fund help the community and the congregation.

We are reorganizing Care Lists. You may hear from a new Deacon in the next month. The purpose of the Care List is to connect every member to a Deacon. If you aren't sure who your Deacon is, please let know, and will make sure you are connected.

Deacons will meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month, from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm. Charlotte Calabrese and Mary Greco will be the co-moderators, Donna Schake is the secretary, and Karen Chalanick is the treasurer.

Watch for more news from the Deacons in upcoming editions of this newsletter!

A word about LYRIC ACADEMY, hosted here at FPCV

If you have seen pint sized musicians with 1/16 sized violins running around Corey Hall, it is because Lyric Arts Academy is, for our second year, thrilled to be sharing space at FPCV. Under the direction of Marg Dilmore and Mary Cropley, lessons in violin and viola are ongoing Monday through Friday at the church. Students ranging from 3-76 study privately and in group lessons using the world renowned Suzuki Method.

Concerts and recitals are free, family friendly, and open to the public. Please know that you are most welcome to attend as the students make a joyful noise.

Any questions about scheduling, lessons, and community events can be answered by going to the website. www.lyricartsacademy.com

OUR PEOPLE

We apologize if we are missing your special day. We are always updating our database. Please call the church office (585-924-2289), and we will update your information.

SEPT. ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Holly & Mike Ferrari
- 4 Virginia & Ralph Ernst
- 10 Pam & Kevin Haines
- 12 Stephanie & Clark Hastings
- 13 Debbie & Bill Wickham
- 15 Sue & Dave Delmonico
Linda & Harry Wells
- 20 Chris & Time Keef
- 21 Sue & Dave Henderson
- 24 Barb & Rich Cromwell
- 25 Fran & John VanDerWalle

EARLY OCT. ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Susan & Mike George
- 4 Laurie & Phil Lavery
Cheryl & Donn Nichols

SEPT. BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Anna McLaughlin
- 2 Jaden Tantillo
- 3 Madison Rucker
- 4 Ethan Doyle
- 5 Kristy McLaughlin
Geoffrey Toomey
- 6 Courtney Sisk
- 7 Verne Aldrich
- 8 Kevin Teeple
- 9 Walter Smth
- 12 Anna Bright

- Marie Hanselman
- John VanDerWalle
- 14 John Kier
- Curt Mead
- 15 Kerrington Ekholm
- Sarah Shellard
- Linda Wells
- 16 Ryan Wirth
- 17 Elizabeth Ferguson
- 20 Brady Dickens
- Jayne Heuring
- Dawn Pierson
- 22 Lisa Militello
- 23 Marguerite Northwood
- 24 Sue Reh
- 25 Joanne Bellefeuille
- 26 Sean Rucker
- 27 Jacob Nichols
- 28 Janice Astles
- 29 Jessica Barons
Caroline Wood
- 30 Ralph Ernst
- Robert Hall
- Matt Koerner
- Erin Whipple

EARLY OCT. BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Marian Smith
- 2 Olivia Black
- 4 Karen Forbes

6 Vincent Barons
Becky Black
Lauren DiGiovanni
Marjorie Hall
7 Shirley Gould

Maggie Henderson
Emily Pierson
Jill Tantillo
Sean Toomey

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IMPORTANT SEPT. DATES

Sundays	8:45 am Adult Bible Study
1	6:00 pm Sunday School Teachers Meeting
7	7:00 pm Session Meeting
11	11:30 am Kickoff Sunday Kickball and Potluck
21	6:30 pm Deacons Meeting
22	9:30 am Sacred Spaces Small Group
27	Presbytery Meeting
22	Newsletter Deadline