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WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Worship Schedule
Sundays, 10 am with Junior Church

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

If there is a ministry or area of study you would 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.pbygenva.org/documents/e-news/>

PASTOR COLIN'S CORNER

Feast and Fellowship for Lent

Don't give something up for Lent this year. Instead add something wonderful to your practice of faith.

This year the Deacons are excited to offer a whole new model of our traditional Wednesday Lenten Suppers. Instead of a brief worship or education time, they will be focusing particularly on developing relationships amongst the membership of this church.

On a recent Sunday I asked those in attendance at worship to look around the sanctuary and take note of who they recognize. Familiar faces. A pretty big number. Then the question became how many first names of these people do you know? A smaller number. Then the question became how many people here you know enough to have a sense of the experiences of their daily lives? A much smaller number. Even with all the sense of family, fellowship, and community here at FPCV, most of us don't really know much about the rest of us. In this season of encouraging relationships, we have a way to start to fix that.

Every Wednesday (March 8-April 5) from 6:00-7:00 pm there will be a dinner in the newly renovated Corey Hall open to ALL of us. The point of this whole program is that we all might get to know one another better as we learn from one another. Each meal will begin with a brief presentation from a different people group in the congregation, discussing what they love about the church, what they would like to see happen in the church, and what they wish the rest of us knew about their lives. We will then share a meal at tables set for a diverse crowd. Seniors, toddlers, youth, parents, single people and more, together for a meal and a chat.

The menu will change weekly, but the opportunity remains consistent. Please plan on coming to as many of these meals as you can. The more people who come, the greater the possibilities of connections and friendship. You are an important part of this conversation. Come learn, feast, and grow in community.

See you there,

Pastor Colin

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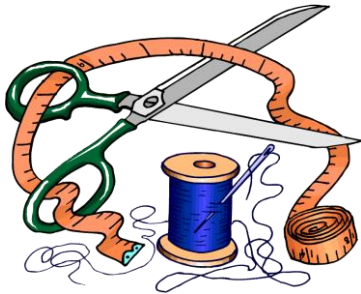
MISSION MATTERS

Sewing Seeds of Love

Sewing Seeds of Love is going on a temporary hold, until after the first of the year. We will still be collecting knitted and crocheted items, such as hats, mittens and scarves, for those in need. If you would like to donate items, please drop them at FPCV, or contact Phidelia Cornwell at dcornwell@rochester.rr.com or Ardyce Lake at rlake5@twcny.rr.com or 585-398-8706

Mitten, Hat & Scarf Tree

Attention knitters, crocheters, sewers and shoppers! Have you noticed the tree next to the Welcome Center? We are collecting hats, mittens and scarves year round for the Victor-Farmington Good Cupboard, Community Dinner attendees and others in our community. Can you help? Use your favorite pattern (or visit your favorite stores if you are a shopper) and let's crate a bountiful tree together! Need a pattern? See Brenda Dean or email her at brenda.14450@gmail.com



FOOD CUPBOARD

Suggested Weekly Donations

- | | |
|----------|--|
| March 5 | Packaged Side Dishes (Rice, Noodles, Potatoes) |
| March 12 | Tuna or Other Canned Meat |
| March 19 | Cereal |
| March 26 | Meal Kits (3-5 items) |

Meal Kits are intended to give clients 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. Clients may not have a supply of spices in their homes, so include these if vital to the flavor. All items must be in their original commercial packaging.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Women's Prayer Group meets the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 12:30 pm. Please come join us!!

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, or the Church Office at victorpres@frontiernet.net or 585-924-2289.

NIMS

Neighbors In Ministry to Seniors (NIMS)
Call Mon., Wed., or Fri. 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
585-924-1887

NIMS is a combined effort of the Victor Christian Churches to provide transportation to Victor residents 60 and older on a non-regular basis.

NIMS service is available without charge from 8 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday.

DEACON'S CARE LIST

The Deacons' Care Lists have been updated. Check out the bulletin board in the hall across from the (downstairs) elevator! If you are a member of FPCV and not on any list, please contact Elena in the church office or Pastor Colin. We will be happy to assign you to a Deacon!

OFFERING TOKENS

Do you hesitate to sign up for ACH (direct debit) because you want to put something in the offering plate? Do you give via ACH but wish you had something to put in the offering plate?

Many people like the physical act of putting something in the offering plate when it is passed. The offering of monetary gifts within the context of worship provides an opportunity for a symbolic offering of ourselves in grateful response for all that we have been given by God. An empty offering plate doesn't look or feel good and it may well not represent what is true.

And so we have a solution...offering tokens. If you are supporting the ministry through ACH, take a token and drop it in the plate when it comes around. If you contribute on a schedule that is other than weekly and would like to indicate your support, take a token and drop it in the plate when it comes around. As you and others see the symbols pile up we will all be reminded of the collective work of the people here and the generosity that makes it possible.

We now have baskets of tokens at all three entrances to the Sanctuary. Feel free to take one and drop it in the collection plate.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

Do you know someone, who is interested in joining our church, or just looking for information on how our church functions?

If so, please see Pastor Colin, Steve Simpson, or Nancy VanIseghem for more details. The new member class will be held on Saturday, April 8th, details to follow.

ADULT EDUCATION

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT GATHERING

Meets at 8:45 am in the Library. New topics each week.

COMMUNITY DINNERS

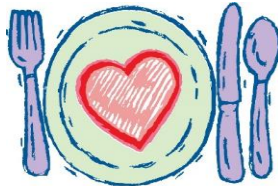
Exciting News: Now Serving 3 Times a Month!

Join us the 2ND, 3RD, and 4th 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

Contact Heather McAdoo at heathermail@frontietnet.net or 585-944-3217



COMMUNITY DINNER

LENTEN SUPPER SCHEDULE

March 8: Empty Nesters

March 15th Youth (Junior and Senior High)

March 22nd: Senior Citizens

March 29th: Families with Children

April 5th: Single Adults

Deadline for April Newsletter is March 27th

COMMUNION HELPERS NEEDED

We are looking for people (individuals, friends, family groups) to prepare communion. This is an opportunity to help our faith community gather in this important sacrament, strengthening our bonds to each other and to Christ. Communion is served at our church on the first Sunday of each month, plus a few other special days (such as Christmas Eve and Easter). This means that if we have seven groups sign up, each would only need to serve twice a year. Here's what's involved:

- At home, cut up some sandwich bread into about 150 cubes.
- Bring the bread and a bottle of grape juice to church about ½ hour before the service
- Put the bread onto plates and the juice into cups
- Set everything out on the communion table
- After the service, clean up and put everything back

The general time commitment is about 15 minutes at home and about 45 minutes on Sunday. We will walk you through it the first time.

Want to know more? Contact Pastor Colin or Celia Reaves. Interested? Sign up here, and we will get in touch with you:

Yes, I'd like to help prepare Communion

Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

EASTER LILIES

*We are offering lilies at \$10 each to decorate the sanctuary for Easter worship. Proceeds from lily sales will be used for our church mission activities. Lilies may be taken home after the service on Easter Sunday or they may be donated to a shut-in. Orders must be placed no later than **March 26**. Please complete the information below, and drop it in the offering plate with your payment.*

Name:

I would like _____(number) of lilies

Please dedicate them as follows:

In honor

of: _____

In memory

of: _____

Please donate my flowers to a shut-in. I will be picking up my flowers after the Easter service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are thrilled to welcome Michele Ekholm as our new Sunday School Program Coordinator! She is a teacher and Girl Scout leader (of 4 troops no less!) and has been very involved in our community and church family for many years. We are *so* excited for her to join the staff and help oversee the Sunday School program! She will be onsite on Sundays, so please say hello and ask her any questions. She has many great ideas to help nurture and build on the existing programs and welcomes your ideas as well!

February was a wonderful month where the children's Deep Blue Curriculum dove deep in to some of Jesus's Parables, such as the Good Samaritan: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength, and love your neighbor as yourself." The children had interesting discussions as they thought about who is their neighbor?

In March, the children will continue to learn stories about Jesus's ministry.

Unit 1: Jesus Shows Love

March 5: To Ten Lepers

March 12: To Zacchaeus

March 19: At the Last Supper

March 26: In the Gardens

Thank you for all who contributed to Souper Bowl Sunday collections. We had overflowing pots of soup cans and many monetary donations to donate to the Victor Farmington Food Cupboard. Thank you again!

Here are some upcoming events:

- 1) In March, the Sunday School children will be collecting and assembling **Spring Cleaning Kits** to donate to the Victor Farmington Food Cupboard. We'll have a collection box in the classrooms as well as the Welcome Center. Please bring in dish washing/cleaning items such as: dishwashing soap, new sponges, dishwasher detergent, garbage bags, other cleaning supplies (ex. Clorox wipes), etc. Thank you for your support!
- 2) **March 12 - Pastor Colin Talk:** The PreK-6 children are invited to meet with Pastor Colin right after worship service in the sanctuary. He will talk more about the Lent & Easter during this brief meeting. Parents are welcome to attend as well.

- 3) **April 1-** Afternoon at Roseland Bowl Family Fun Center 2-4pm: Save the date!
All Sunday School children are welcome (a parent needs to attend as well).
Enjoy 1 game bowling, 1 game laser tag, 1 bumper car ride for \$14.

Make sure you say hi to our nursery care assistant extraordinaire: Rainamei Luna! (Ray-nah-may)! She is in her junior year at Eastman and loves and has experience with children of all ages.

Check out our birthday and news bulletin boards in the Sunday School hallway. We love your feedback and new things! If you have a talent, craft or hobby you would like to share with us, please let us know.

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

Michele Ekholm [585-582-6138](tel:585-582-6138) micheleekholm@gmail.com

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

Happy March. Here's what's been happening with the youth program & what's coming!

FEBRUARY

“Souper Bowl” of Caring (Sunday February 5th during Worship)

The Souper Bowl of Caring was a success. Thanks to your great efforts we collected 72 Cans of Soup, \$67.00, and 6 miscellaneous food items! A special thanks to the Sunday School for their help with this.

Glow Golf & Laser Maze (Friday February 10)

On February 10th we played glow in the dark putt-putt golf at Glow Golfs new location (inside the Eastview Mall). The kids also had fun navigating the laser maze. I tried my hand at the maze on the “expert” setting and let's just say it looks like I'm not cut out to be a spy 😊 7 Kids and 2 Adults attended.

WINTER/SPRING 2017

Youth Group: 1st & 3rd Sundays of the Month (6:00-7:30pm) *Unless Otherwise Noted on Calendar

Sunday School: 2nd & 4th Sundays (During Worship 10:15-11:15am) *Unless Otherwise Noted on Calendar

MARCH

Cameron Community Sunday Celebration Dinner (March 5th)

The youth and adult volunteers from the congregation will be preparing and serving a Sunday Dinner at Cameron Community on March 5th. Cameron Celebration Dinners serve people who are homeless or are coming from places of deep poverty.

Parent & Youth Chat & Chomp (Sunday March 19th following worship 11:30-1:00)

Have any questions or suggestions for our youth program, or just want to come and share in food and fellowship? Please join us on March 19th after church for our youth & parent get together in the Sanctuary and in Corey Hall. Pizza & pop will be provided



Youth Night at Nancy & Kerry's (March 19th) 6:00-7:30pm

Nancy & Kerry VanIseghem will be hosting youth group at their home on March 19th!

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Community Dinner (April 22 5-7pm)

Clubhouse Fun Center: Go-Karts, Mini Golf, Arcade Games (Saturday May 13)

Rochester Redwings vs Syracuse Chiefs Game (Friday June 9)

Whitman Confirmation Camp (July 23-28)

Blessings,

Matt Brooks, Youth Ministry Director

PARENT & YOUTH CHAT & CHOMP



Have questions or suggestions about the youth program? Would you like to know more about the activities we've done so far and what we have planned for this spring and summer? Come join us after worship on March 19th in the sanctuary for a chat about the youth program. Following our chat we will head down to Corey Hall to chomp on some pizza.

We'd love to hear your feedback and ideas for youth activities! We want to know how we can better help you be in relationship with ourselves (Pastor Colin & Matt) and each other (other parents and youth) ☺

We hope to see you there!
Matt Brooks & Pastor Colin



ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

Please welcome Emily Wojcik, as our new Treasurer, effective March 1st. Emily has an extensive background in the financial service industry. Her past experiences and up to date knowledge of the ever-changing rules and regulations in the financial world, will no doubt, be of extreme benefit to us as First Presbyterian Church.

TREASURER'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT (EXECUTIVE SUMMARY) JANUARY 2017

TOTAL GENERAL FUND:

| | | |
|---------------------|----|-----------|
| Balance at 12/31/16 | \$ | 5,247.14 |
| January Income | | 19,840.36 |
| January Expenses | | 17,082.49 |
| Balance at 1/31/17 | \$ | 8,005.01 |

| | Offering | Actual | Budget | Difference |
|---------|----------|-----------|--------------|---------------|
| January | \$ | 17,410.00 | \$ 18,517.27 | \$ (1,107.27) |

| Year-to-Date: | <u>2017 Actual</u> | <u>2017 Budget</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Total Operating Income | \$ 19,840.36 | \$ 21,573.73 | \$ (1,733.37) |
| Total Operating Expenses | 17,082.49 | 20,016.29 | \$ (2,933.80) |
| Operating Income (Loss) | \$ 2,757.87 | \$ 1,557.44 | \$ 1,200.43 |

| Adult Pledges Year-to-Date: | <u>2017</u> |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Actual | \$ 16,756.00 |
| Budget | 17,536.50 |
| Surplus/(Shortfall) | \$ (780.50) |
| | -4.45% |

Emily Wojcik & Brenda Dean
Co-Treasurers



ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH

Marjorie Olney March 19
 Brenda Dean March 30

April

Diane & Ed Hall April 1
 Joyce & Jack Holter April 4
 Kris & Rob Dussmann April 11
 Karen & Tom Guidarelli April 14
 Becky & Jason Black April 17

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

| | | | |
|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Cathy Roome | March 1 | Gerrit Heerkens | March 19 |
| John Toomey | March 4 | Kyle Holter | March 19 |
| Edrys LeClair | March 7 | Jason Black | March 20 |
| Nancy Van Iseghem | March 8 | Georgia Mowers | March 22 |
| Dawn Dolan | March 11 | Michael Reinhardt | March 22 |
| Brian Wiser | March 17 | Barb Cromwell | March 25 |
| Michele Liddle | March 18 | John Gregory | March 29 |

APRIL

| | | | |
|--------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| Garrett Simpson | April 1 | Charles Hinchcliffe | April 12 |
| Tessa Lavery | April 2 | Megan Antonitto | April 18 |
| Jason Liddle | April 2 | Diane Hall | April 22 |
| Reid Holter | April 3 | Pearl Straight | April 26 |
| Wilmarth Smith | April 6 | Brenda Dean | April 27 |
| Julia Bellefeuille | April 7 | Bruce Fisher | April 27 |
| Justin Miles | April 8 | Jane Fletcher | April 27 |
| Lawrence Teel | April 9 | Allison Kem | April 27 |
| Patricia Donahue | April 11 | Kelsey Bright | April 29 |

CALENDAR

**First Presbyterian Church in Victor
March 2017**

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| | | | 1 4:30 PM Lyric Academy (Mary Cropley) 7 PM Ash Wednesday Worship Service | 2 3:30 PM Lyric Academy | 3 4 PM Lyric Academy 7 PM AA | 4 10 AM Reynolds' Battery |
| 5 8:30 AM Adult Gathering 9 AM Music Rehearsal 10 AM Sunday Worship 12:15 PM Women's Retreat 1:45 PM Cameron Community Sunday Dinner 2 PM Girl Scouts 7:30 P AA & AI-Anon | 6 4 PM Lyric Academy | 7 3:30 PM Lyric Academy | 8 4:30 P Lyric Academy (Mary Cropley) 6 PM Lenten Supper 7 PM Bells Rehearsal 7:45 PM Choir Rehearsal | 9 9:30 AM Interim Pastor's Meeting 3:30 PM Lyric Academy 7 PM Session | 10 4 PM Lyric Academy 7 PM AA | 11 9 AM Leadership Retreat 5 PM Community Dinner |
| 12 8:30 AM Adult Gathering 9 AM Music Rehearsal 10 AM Sunday Worship 10:15 AM Youth Sunday School 4:30 PM Girl Scout Meeting 7:30 P AA & AI-Anon | 13 12 PM Staff Meeting 12:30 PM Women's Prayer Group 4 PM Lyric Academy 6:30 PM Girl Scouts | 14 3:30 PM Lyric Academy | 15 4:30 P Lyric Academy (Mary Cropley) 6 PM Lenten Supper 7 PM Bells Rehearsal 7:45 PM Choir Rehearsal | 16 3:30 PM Lyric Academy 6 PM Girl Scouts 7 PM Building Mtg | 17 4 PM Lyric Academy 7 PM AA | 18 9 AM AED/CPR Training 10 AM Genesee Valley Handspinners 5 PM Community Dinner |
| 19 8:30 AM Adult Gathering 9 AM Music Rehearsal 10 AM Sunday Worship 11:30 Parent & Youth Chat & Chomp 6 PM Youth Group 7:30 P AA & AI-Anon | 20 4 PM Lyric Academy | 21 3:30 PM Lyric Academy | 22 4:30 PM Lyric Academy (Mary Cropley) 6 PM Lenten Supper 7 PM Bells Rehearsal 7:45 PM Choir Rehearsal | 23 3:30 PM Lyric Academy | 24 | 25 5 PM Community Dinner |
| 26 8:30 AM Adult Gathering 9 AM Music Rehearsal 10 AM Sunday Worship 10:15 AM Youth Sunday School 3 PM Music Recital Marg Dilmore 7:30 P AA & AI-Anon | 27 12 PM Staff Meeting 12:30 PM Women's Prayer Group 4 PM Lyric Academy | 28 3:30 PM Lyric Academy | 29 4:30 PM Lyric Academy (Mary Cropley) 6 PM Lenten Supper 7 PM Bells Rehearsal 7:45 PM Choir Rehearsal | 30 3:30 PM Lyric Academy | 31 4 PM Lyric Academy 7 PM AA | |