Pastor Colin's Corner

"Hindsight is 20/20", but looking forward lets you see the path. We have a wonderful opportunity as a community in this new year to look forward and share in making decisions about how to be most faithful and vital as the body of Christ in this time and place.

For 2020 and 2021 FPCV will be part of the *Vital Congregation Initiative* through the Presbyterian Church USA. We will be one member church of a team in the Presbytery of Genesee Valley that will collectively support each other on a journey of assessment, prioritization of ministry, and focused activity. The goal is to be clear about what God has placed on our hearts to do as a community of disciples, and to be strategic in doing those things.

A first step in this adventure is a critical one. We will start as a community with a Bible Study focused on seven areas of vitality for churches. These studies will be paired with a fellowship meal coordinated by the Deacons. All are invited and encouraged to participate. We need you! We want your wisdom and service! We are the body of Christ here as a whole people, not just a leadership team. Come, learn, and share!

Blessings,

Pastor Colin

Vital Congregations Bible Study

Wednesdays 6 pm – 7 pm in Corey Hall

February 26 March 4, 11, 18, 25 April 1, 8

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FOOD CUPBOARD

January 5th. ~	Pasta (Spaghetti		
	or elbows)		

January 12th. ~ Spaghetti Sauce

January 19th. ~ Evaporated or dry milk

January 26th. ~ Meal Kits (3-5 items)

Special thanks to those who have helped with **Ushering** over the past month.

If you would like to help as an usher, please contact the church office at:

office@victorpres.org or Carol Fowler at: carolfowler@frontiernet.net Church Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 1:00 pm

Adult Education

*The Adult Gathering on Sunday morning is taking a break. Watch for announcements for new topics and dates.

Worship

Worship Schedule: Sundays, at 10 am with Sunday School

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

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

<u>Social Media:</u> 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! https://www.facebook.com/firstvictorpres/

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/

January 9th 6 pm Administrative Committee
Meeting
7 pm Session Meeting

January 21st 6 pm Deacon's Meeting

February 2nd Annual Meeting- Immediately Following Worship



FPCV Realm On-line Member Directory

If you have not yet done so, please take a moment to create your on-line Realm account. Be sure to follow the user guide that was emailed to you, to update your privacy settings, to indicate if you wish to have your information viewed by other members of FPCV.

**Please set up your account so we may make the most of our system

Permissions forms are available in order to make your contact information accessible to all church members on Realm.

Link to the Realm data base

https://onrealm.org/VictorPresbyterian/SignIn

From the Building Committee

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Audio/Video system fund. With your help we were able to find an effective, economical solution with minimal impact to our historic building. It will be great to improve our visual communication options without the frustrations of sound and projection we have had in the past. Mood Media FCC was able to have the system operational just before Christmas. They will wrap up work on the last few issues in early January.

Thank you to Dave Henderson and Steve Song for helping with the quoting process, to John Toomey for coordinating the electrical work, and to John Toomey, Bruce Fisher, and Jeff Edwards for running the cable through the church.

There will be training early in 2020 to learn how to manage the sound, record & upload the service to SoundCloud, or use the video system. Please stay tuned for a future announcement.

Pastor Colin and the Worship Committee will plan how the system will be used for each service. Please join the Worship Committee or contact them with your input or suggestions.

If you have any building related questions or concerns, please contact Bill Martz at 585-953-6854.

Sunday School

Welcome to the new decade! This month we will resume using the Deep Blue and Submerge curriculums. We will be combining into two classes with PreK-3 in one classroom and 4-6 in the other. All 4th graders will move up and all 7th graders will remain in the sanctuary for the service.

Date	Topics PreK-3	Topics 4-6
January 5, 2020	Jesus is Baptized	Jesus Calls Disciples
January 12, 2020	Jesus Brings Good News	Jesus Teaches About God's Kingdom
January 19, 2020	Jesus Calls Levi	Jesus Frees a Man From Demons
January 26, 2020	Jesus Sends the Disciples	Jesus Calls Women

Important Dates

January 5th – regular Sunday school resumes January 20th – Martin Luther King Jr. Day





Community Dinner Sit down with a stranger and leave with a friend

Join us the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturdays of each month, from 5pm – 7pm for a FREE dinner!

Everyone is welcome...invite your neighbor! We also welcome volunteers to join us for set-up, food prep, serving, or clean up or simply come and spend time sharing a meal in conversation with our neighbors. Can you help?

Please contact Heather McAdoo at 585-944-3217 or heathermail@frontiernet.net

January 11th ~ Hosted by Girl Scouts, Menu: TBD

January 18th ~ Hosted by St. Patrick's, Menu: Chili

January 25th ~ Hosted by Girl Scouts, Menu: TBD



SPREAD SOME WARMTH! DONATE MITTENS, HATS AND SCARVES

We need all sizes...They can be handmade, or store bought. Help us fill our Hat Tree many times! Need a pattern? See Brenda or Phidelia.



Family Promise Host Week Update

Mark your calendars, our next host week is Feb. 16 - 23. I will be emailing out the current sign-up list, as well as the direct link to the sign-up website shortly. We will know more about the number of families and family makeup as our host date gets closer. Our hardest shift to fill is the overnight shift, and really is the easiest. Great way for our church couples to give back to this great ministry and meet our guests! Please consider doing an overnight and see how easy it is!

Volunteer training: Jan. 21st (Tuesday) from 6 - 8pm at the Aloquin Flint UMC (5&20 east of Cdga). If you've considered volunteering for FP, you need to go thru our simple training session. Hands on information about the program and enlightening videos will be presented. Light snacks will be provided. Please contact Rich Cromwell if interested.

Annual Comfort Food Cookoff: March 7th (Sat.) from 3 - 5pm at Willowbrook Church Victor. It's a really fun time to show off that favorite comfort food (mac & cheese, meatballs, chili, etc.) It's a great chance to sample food from others in our community, meet new people, and raise money for Family Promise. Prizes will be given out for outstanding dishes. Please consider entering a dish or just come by and sample some great food. Suggested donation, \$10, ages 12 and under are free. More information and entry forms are available on our welcome table and at familypromiseofontariocounty.org or email FPOCweb@fpocny.org

Thanks again for making a difference in the lives of homeless children and their families in Ontario County!

TREASURER'S REPORT (EXECUTIVE SUMMARY) For Month of November 2019

TOTAL GENERAL FUND:

Beginning Balance \$12,007.09

Income 31,389.61

Expenses 24,194.98

Ending Balance \$19,201.72

Offering Actual Budget Difference

\$19,731.00 \$16,250.00 \$3,481.00

Please consider making a special contribution to the Per Capita Fund.

Per capita is a fixed annual expense of our church to support the work of our Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church USA. We ask you to please make a special contribution to cover this expense.

\$ 34.68 per member

This is a fixed denominational administrative expense of our church and your contribution is GREATLY appreciated anytime in 2020.

Information on the Per Capita Fund and what makes it a integral part of the church can be found on the church website News page,

http://victorpres.org/news/

BIRTHDAYS

<u>January</u>	<u>7</u>
Jeff Edwards	Jan. 1st
Julie Dickens	Jan. 3 rd
Holly Ferrari	Jan 7 ^t .
Arlene Abreu	Jan. 7 th
Philip Lavery	Jan. 8 th
Nicole Lavery	Jan. 10 th
Marilyn Teel	Jan. 10 th
Ian Pritchard	Jan. 11 th
Peter Krueger	Jan. 14 th
Clay Girouard	Jan. 15 th
Sally Dwyer	Jan. 18 th
Bill Rockefeller	Jan. 19 th
Linda Smith	Jan. 22 nd
Florence Cook	Jan. 24 th
Marti Mowers	Jan. 26 th
Anne Johnston	Jan. 27 th
Barbara Gregory	Jan. 28 th
Brian Pierson	Jan. 28 th
Catherine Chenot	Jan. 28 th
Sue Grabowski	Jan. 28 th
Liam McAdoo	Jan. 29 th

<u>February</u>	
Austin Mowers	Feb. 1st
Mary Wiser	Feb. 3 rd
Ed Hall	Feb. 9 th
Rebecca Pritchard	Feb. 7 th
Michele Ekholm	Feb. 11 th
Dean Cornwell	Feb. 12 th
Joshua Miles	Feb. 12 th
Anne Rine	Feb. 12 th
Glen Teeple	Feb. 12 th
Jamie Rine	Feb. 15 th
Kathryn McAdoo	Feb. 16 th
Libby Patterson	Feb. 18th
Julie Rucker	Feb. 20 th
Stacie Kem	Feb. 21st
Nancy Krueger	Feb. 22 nd
Cathy Martz	Feb. 23 rd
Raechel Ciroula	Feb. 25 th
Steven Boorum	Feb. 28 th

February Anniversaries

Nancy & Peter Krueger Dec. 5th.

Jane & Everett Fletcher Dec. 29th.

Dawn & Bill Rockefeller Dec. 31st.

February Newsletter Articles & Information due to the Church office by Thursday, January 23rd, 2020

The Presbytery of Genesee Valley Presents

Congregational Learning Day

For New and Experienced Church Leaders and Church Members

Saturday, February 8, 2020

8:30 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Perinton Presbyterian Church 6551 Pittsford-Palmyra Road, Fairport, NY 14450

Ten Morning Courses

Eight "Working Lunch" Courses

REGISTRATION: \$5

*Optional box lunch is an additional \$8

Catered by ARC of Monroe

SCHEDULE:

Registration & Hospitality-8:30 am
Worship- 9:00 am
Morning Courses9:45-noon
"Working Lunch" Courses12:15-1:45pm

USE THE LINK BELOW FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION AND FULL DESCRIPTION OF COURSES:

https://pbgenval.org/congregational-learning-day/ or questions to 585-242-0080 or financialadmin@pbygenval.org

Church Committees

Interested in participating in any one of the committees of the church? Contact Megan Antonitto (mrantonitto@yahoo.com) or Pastor Colin (pastor@victorpres.org) for more info.

Worship

Provide inspiring and challenging worship. Oversight of sanctuary, music, special music, communion elements, worship banners, help/plan special services, plan Lenten suppers.

Christian Education

Offer a variety of opportunities for people of all ages to grow in spiritual faith and biblical knowledge.

Adult- Oversight of Adult Education activities, and Junior/Senior High Education. Children's- Oversight of Sunday school, Junior Church, and Vacation Bible school.

Administrative

Strengthen ties within our congregation through friendship, fellowship and service.

Properties & Facilities

Welcome all to our church by making sure our people, programs and facility are accessible and inviting.

Church Development

Helping new members join our congregation.
Leading and encouraging stewardship.

Mission & Service

Encourage and support programs that help people in need by offering a gathering place and participating in community outreach.

Bible Study

With Pastor Colin

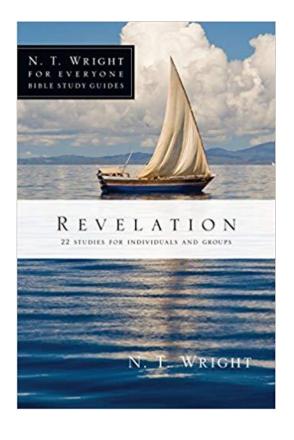
"Revelation"
By N.T. Wright
For Everyone Bible Study Guides

10 week Study

Start Date: January 23rd or 27th

Time:
Mondays @7pm
and/or
Thursdays @Noon

Please contact
Courtney Maltman
in the church office
(office@victorpres.org)
or 924-2289 if you
are intested in
joining this Bible
Study, and indicate
which days/times
would be best for
you!



"Many people today regard Revelation as the hardest book in the New Testament. It is full of strange, lurid and sometimes bizarre and violent imagery. As a result, many people who are quite at home in the Gospels, Acts and Paul find themselves tiptoeing around Revelation with a sense that they don't really belong there. But they do! In fact, Revelation offers one of the clearest and sharpest visions of God's ultimate purpose for the whole creation, and of the way in which the powerful forces of evil, at work in a thousand ways, can be and are being overthrown through the victory of Jesus the Messiah and the consequent costly victory of his followers. Like the other guides in the N.T. Wright for Everyone series, Revelation brings you into a fresh encounter with Scripture under the guidance of one of the world's leading New Testament scholars. Thoughtful questions, prayer suggestions, and useful background information guide you and your group through each study."



January 2020

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 Church Office Closed New Year's Day	2	3 7 pm- A.A.	4
5 9 am- Music 10 am- Sunday Worship 7:30 pm- A.A. & Al Anon	6	7	8 6:30 pm- Bells Rehearsal 7:30 pm- Choir Rehearsal	9 6 pm- Administrative Meeting 7 pm- Session Meeting	10 7 pm- A.A.	11 5 pm- Community Dinner
12 9 am- Music 10 am- Sunday Worship 3:30 pm- Girl Scouts 7:30 pm- A.A. & Al Anon	13 6:30 pm- Women's Circle Group	7 pm- Conference of the Lake	6:30 pm- Bells Rehearsal 7:30 pm- Choir Rehearsal	16	17 7 pm- A.A.	18 10 am- Genesee Valley Handspinners 5 pm- Community Dinner
19 9 am- Music 10 am- Sunday Worship 7:30 pm- A.A. & Al Anon	20 Church Office Closed Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	21 6 pm- Deacon's Meeting	6:30 pm- Bells Rehearsal 7:30 pm- Choir Rehearsal	23	24 7 pm- A.A.	25 5 pm- Community Dinner
26 9 am- Music 10 am- Sunday Worship 7:30 pm- A.A. & Al Anon	27	28	6:30 pm- Bells Rehearsal 7:30 pm- Choir Rehearsal	30	31 7 pm- A.A.	