

The Geneva Pres



2014

The Presbyterian Church in Geneva

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Pastor Deb's Easter Epistle

"Recognizing the Risen Christ"

How often have you passed by someone in the grocery store and wondered, "Do I know him"? Usually I need to locate them mentally in a church, organization or even the city where I met them. "Oh, I know you from the Presbyterian church." If we are honest, it is difficult to recognize people outside a certain sphere; we do not expect people from New York to appear on our travels and vacations. However, it has happened to me and I am sure you, too. In the same way, we do not expect Christ to show up outside of church, for instance at work, school or the grocery store. Yet the Risen Christ appeared to followers at the empty tomb (John 20:1-18), in a locked room (John 20:19-22), on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13), and on the Sea of Tiberius (John 21:1-14). Mary thought Jesus was the gardener until he spoke her name. The Emmaus travelers did not recognize Christ until they finished their journey and broke bread together. The isolated and fearful disciples recognized Christ when he blessed them with peace. Peter and six other disciples acknowledged Jesus Christ only after they captured a net full of fish. Once they recognized Jesus, these first followers witnessed to the Risen Christ with great joy.

The Easter Message is our witness to the resurrection of Christ. That is why we shout, "Christ is Risen!" It is such a glorious affirmation of our belief. So, plan on singing, "Alleluia!" as our thankful prayer and witness. We come to church to learn more about the Risen Christ and to consider the possibility of experiencing God/Christ/Spirit every day.

The Easter message this year is to "Expect the unexpected!" God breaks into our daily lives at work, at home, in our car commute, and at meals. Do not be surprised when Christ brings you a blessing of peace in the middle of your day.

I pray that during this Easter season, you will see Christ in unexpected places and during ordinary moments. I pray that we will all respond in faith and joy, "Christ is risen! He is risen Indeed! Alleluia!"

Rev. Dr. Deb Lind-Schmitz

Interfaith Lenten Breakfast Series

The Presbyterian Church in Geneva will again be hosting the Lenten Breakfast Series. The breakfasts begin at 6:45 and end promptly at 7:30 for those that must leave for work. A free will offering that goes to One Great Hour of Sharing is received.

The theme is the Seven Last Words of Christ and the schedule is:

April 2_ Rev. Lesley Adams. Chaplain, Hobart William Smith Colleges

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

Matthew 27:46

“ I thirst”

John 19:28


April 9_ Vicar Josiah Armstrong, Zion Lutheran Church

“ Father, into your hands I commit my spirit “ *Luke 23:46*

“It is finished “

John 19:30

Please plan to make this series part of your Lenten experience.

*Hosanna
in the
Highest* 

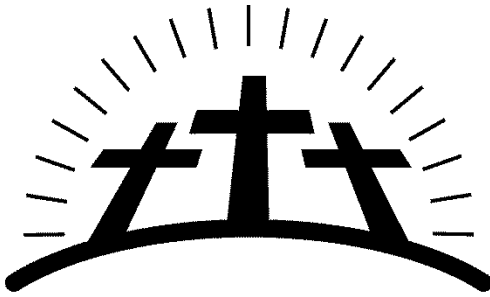


MAUNDY THURSDAY

at **First Baptist Church**

APRIL 17, 7:00 pm

ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE



GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, APRIL 18, 12:15 pm
at Trinity Episcopal Church

Getting Comfortable with Prayer

Soup/Supper

Six – Week Lenten Study

March 7 – April 11

6 pm – Dinner: 7 pm - Study

Fellowship Hall

PRAYER





APRIL 6 – CHILDREN’S CHOIR sings at 10:30 worship
APRIL 27 – CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETING
6th-8th parents and youth – 9:00 – Sunday School room
APRIL 27 – BACCALAUREATE PLANNING MEETING
High School seniors – 9:15 – North parlor

PLEASE consider giving 11 weeks of your time to our children:
___ 3-4 yrs, K ___ 1st - 2nd - 3rd ___ 4th - 5th - 6th
___ Confirmation (7th-8th-9th) ___ Older Youth(10th - 12th)



CAMP WHITMAN information is out. What a great experience for our youth. AND this year there is day camp beginning with Kindergarteners. The church pays a scholarship for each child so be sure to see Kathy Breese before you sign up.



APRIL 7, 2014, 7:00

CAMPBELL'S SOUP UPC CODES
Please save your UPC CODES

Youth Fellowship April Grades 6-12

Palm Sunday Brunch



What: Palm Sunday Brunch

When: Sunday, April 13th

Where: Church

Time: Setup is at 9:00 (6th -8th Graders)

Serving & Cleanup (9th-12th Graders) clean up is at 10:30. Parents are encouraged to help with the clean-up too it would go so much faster

Please RSVP to Paula by email (pjfoote25@gmail.com) by Wednesday, April 9th!

Mission Trip

When: Sunday, April 13th

Where: Meet at church at 2:00pm

Cost and itinerary to come!

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What: Hibachi Lunch

When: Sunday, April 27th

Where: 405 Exchange St, Geneva, NY 14456

Time: 2:00pm

Cost: Bring money for your meal, drink, and tip

Please RSVP to Paula by email (pjfoote25@gmail.com) by Wednesday, April 23rd

Sunday Morning Adult Forum in the South Parlor

9:15 – 10:15

All are welcome !

Prayer: Finding the Heart's True Home

Prayer is an invitation to spend some time with God, talking and listening to God. God wishes us to have a relationship with him and prayer provides a means for that relationship to grow. Prayer is an expression of our faith. Prayer is an act of trust in God. Prayer guides us.

This Lenten study will use the work by Richard J. Foster to consider the different kinds of prayer i.e. the experiences of prayer or kind of dialogue with God.

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| April 6 | Unceasing Prayer and Meditative Prayer |
| April 13 | Psalms as Prayer |
| April 20 | Easter – <i>He is Risen!</i> – Not Meeting |
| April 27 | Healing Prayer and Radical Prayer |



Deacons

The Deacons Invite YOU to a

TALENT SHOW

Sunday May 4th

Fellowship Hall 5:30 pm

Come as a performer or an audience participant!

ZITI DINNER

Suggested donation: \$6.00 ages 13 and over

\$3.00 up to age 12

\$20 max for a family

The dinner is provided by the Deacons to raise funds for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund to help those in need.

TALENT SHOW

For all ages.....

Solo and group participation, silly or serious.....

Sing.....dance.....play an instrument.....read a poem.....Do a magic trick.....offer a comedy routine.....or anything your heart desires.

Share YOUR talent and make this a fun-filled evening of fellowship.

PERFORMERS

Contact Tom McClure (789-6283)

RESERVATIONS

Call the church office by May April 30th OR

put this form in the offering plate on Sunday.

Yes!! I (we) plan to attend the May 4th Dinner and Talent Show.

Name.....

_____ number of adults

_____ number of children 12 and under



COMPOSER'S CORNER

Thomas Matthews

Thomas Matthews was born in Utica, New York in 1915 and had a distinguished career as a church musician in Philadelphia, Chicago, and Tulsa. He also taught music at the Northwestern University School of Music and was Director of Music for Seabury-Western Theological Seminary. While in Tulsa, Dr. Matthews served on the faculty of the University of Tulsa. During his career he composed over 30 anthems including “The Lord is My Shepherd” and “The Day of Resurrection.” Dr. Matthews was also a skilled improviser on organ. He died in 1999.

April 20, Easter Sunday, the Adult Choir will sing his anthem “The Day of Resurrection” with trumpet. The Adult Bells will also add their festive sounds to our joyful celebration that day.

Here is the text for Dr. Matthews’ anthem:

*The day of resurrection! Earth tell it out abroad; The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God. From death to life eternal, From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.*

*Our hearts be pure from evil, That we may see aright The Lord in rays
eternal of resurrection light; And, list’ning to His accents, May hear so calm
and plain His own “All hail!” and hearing, May raise the victor strain.*

*Now let the heav’ns be joyful, Let earth her song begin, The round world
keep high triumph, And all that is therein. Let all things seen and unseen
Their notes together blend, For Christ the Lord is risen, Our joy that hath no
end. Alleluia!*

Faithfully, Chris Wertman

A HYMNAL GIFT

The Worship Committee invites you to consider giving the cost of a new hymnal, \$15, as we celebrate the resurrection at Easter. Commemorative bookplates will be placed in each hymnal, noting who it was given in honor or memory of, as well as by whom, as illustrated here.

A ceremony to dedicate these new hymnals is being planned for the fall, around the first anniversary of when we started using them.

DEDICATION OF THE MEMORIAL GARDEN

The Memorials and History Committee of The Presbyterian Church in Geneva would like to invite everyone to the dedication of the Memorial Garden on April 6, 2014 at approximately 11:30 am. Please come by and see the beautiful space that has been created to celebrate and honor the memory of members who have passed.

Information about niches and memorial bricks is available by calling the church office or Beth Reiners (315-789-3761), chair of the committee.

We hope to see you on April 6 to celebrate
this event.





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Dear Church Family,

It's officially Spring. I have seen Robins! It can get warm any time now. I have a pile of iced over snow parked on part of my garden that probably won't melt till July at this rate. Poor flowers!

This month we will look at PET scans. (No, this is not a scan for your dog Fido or your fish Bubbles.) PET stands for positron emission tomography. These scans use radioactive materials put into your body via IV, inhalation, or ingestion to show how your organs are working. PET scans allow us to see how organs use certain molecules (such as sugars, amino acids, water, oxygen, etc.). The molecules are attached to positron emitting radionuclides (a fancy name for "radioactive stuff", but don't you feel smart saying it?) FDG (a glucose molecule, a sugar, attached to "radioactive stuff") is commonly given to the person being scanned via IV. The patient then waits for approximately one hour for this to circulate to the organs being scanned. The machine itself is very similar to a CT scanner. The patient lies on a table that is pulled through a circular machine, which takes pictures. This may take up to an hour and is somewhat noisy with clicking and buzzing sounds.

A PET scan can be used to detect areas of decreased blood flow in the heart, find tumors (and determine if they are benign or cancerous), and evaluate brain abnormalities. The images that come back from a PET scan are brightly colored, unlike the gray and white CT and MRI images. The more chemical activity there is in an organ, the more radioactive material builds up. The more build up, the brighter the color. Cancer cells take up sugars at a rapid rate; they show up as bright colors. PET scans are more accurate in detecting larger, fast growing tumors. They also are frequently used to establish if a treatment for cancer is working (less bright colors in follow up scans indicate shrinking tumors). They often can show cancer tumors missed by a CT scan. However, PET scans are often done in tandem with CT scans as the CT shows a clearer outline of anatomical structures. Many machines made now have both PET and CT capabilities and can be done all at once.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 315-759-9039. I'll have more information out on the health table dealing with CT scans and MRIs.

God Bless, *Beth*

Presbyterian Women



Upcoming Events:

**Next PW meeting May 18th – 11:30pm –
Conference Room**

Wed. May 7th -Spring Gathering Tea – Lunch
Hosted by Park Presbyterian Church – Newark
9:30am Registration & Coffee
Program – “Bread for the World”
Keynote Speaker - Judith Lovejoy
Cost - \$3.00 – Coffee hour, materials and Lunch

Save the date –

Wednesday, June 18th

60th Strawberry Festival & Bake Sale

This event began at the former North Presbyterian Church. The Strawberry Festival in 2014 will be the 60th. Members please be thinking how you can be a part of this big event as it is well attended by the community.



**FRIENDSHIP BIBLE STUDY GROUP- Tuesday, April 8, 1:30
Lesson 7 – Covenant Living**

**NEEDLES GROUP- Thursday, April 3, 1:00-3:00
South parlor**



Have you helped in the kitchen lately? One room in the church that receives much use throughout the week, as well on Sunday, is our church kitchen. For example, this Lenten season there are two meals a week prepared there, the Wednesday breakfast and worship and the Friday Soup Supper and Study. We also had the Pancake Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday Potluck and

Communion, and Palm Sunday Auction coming up. During the week, the groups that use the church sometimes use it. The Boy Scouts use it for pancake breakfasts. There are too many others to list.

The kitchen is showing its age. We need to make safer working conditions. Anyone who has tried to prepare a meal for a group or clean up after anything knows the workflow pattern is a nightmare. There isn't enough storage, so items are inconveniently and dangerously stored on top of cupboards. The major appliances were purchased used in 1997 and we hope aren't on borrowed time. Most people are afraid to use the stove. Some repairs have been made "to get by" as a large investment in something that needs a major renovation does not seem cost effective.

So, for these reasons and many others Presbyterian Women, who are charged to oversee use of the kitchen, have been taking note of all the problems. Discussions started two years ago. Property Committee has also been aware for some time of needs in the kitchen. PW began working with a kitchen planner who has planned church kitchens before. We have a preliminary plan and are now looking at costing and funding. Property Committee and Session have agreed that a total kitchen renovation is needed. PW will keep you up-to-date as we progress.

SERRV International Fair Trade Gift Shop

HELP WANTED

SERRV needs volunteers to help manage and staff the shop. This is one of the several programs sponsored by Church World Service centered in New Windsor MD. SERRV provides a fair trade market for millions of dollars of handmade and food products each year. They also provide education, training and support that artisans and farmers need to build sustainable long term incomes for their families. This is a valuable and special mission project.

We are looking for VOLUNTEERS who will WORK IN THE SHOP on Saturdays 10:00 am to 12:30 pm and after services on Sundays. Also anyone who will HELP UNPACK AND INVENTORY NEW PURCHASES or would like to HELP PACK MERCHANDISE FOR CONFERENCE TRIPS and unpack upon return or anyone interested in SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE to help manage the shop, anyone who has computer skills and leadership skills. PLEASE CONTACT SANDY EBERLE (781-0838) IF YOU ARE INTERESTED AND WILLING TO VOLUNTEER AND SUPPORT THIS MISSION PROJECT.

COME TO THE SHOP FOR SPRING, EASTER, BIRTHDAY AND SPECIAL OCCASION GIFTS. SATURDAYS 10:00 am- 12:30 pm and SUNDAYS AFTER BOTH SERVICES.



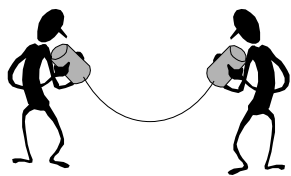
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THANK YOU so much for helping us when we needed it.

God bless you, The McCann family

Rick, Melissa, Kimberly, Ricky JR, Jacob, Katelynne

THANK YOU for the generous donation from Advent Joy Offering to the Center of Concern. I also include other donations throughout the year from the Sunday School and the SERRV Shop. Sorry this is a little late, but winter has crept up on us all. Your donations help us help your Geneva neighbors.



The Communication Committee is the newest Session committee, around since the website was developed. Last year we went on Facebook too. If you are on Facebook, please *Like* us. You will find time-sensitive

announcements there and some fun stuff too.

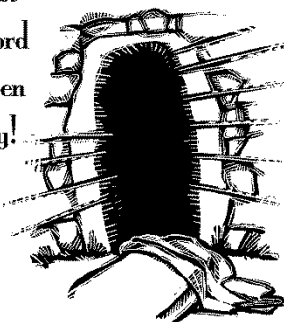
Committee Chairs, please consider an agenda item for your monthly meeting **Communication Items:** for information you want to have posted on either or both the website and Facebook. Send the website items to Art Lewis. There is a spot on the website to contact him. You can email me at ellenr09@gmail.com for Facebook and press releases.

We are in the process of doing a Communication Audit. Committee Chairs, please do this with your committee at your next meeting. This will help us identify what methods are being used to let people know what our church does, let the congregation know, and what opportunities we might discover to improve or expand ways to “get the word” out. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Ellen Reynolds

There is now a church directory on the website. In order to use it you must register and be assigned a password. Instructions are on the website. Only church members and affiliated friends can gain access.

<https://www.facebook.com/ThePresbyterianChurchInGeneva>
www.pcgny.org

Christ
the Lord
Is Risen
Today!





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Have you forgotten your password for the new Members website? If so, resetting your password is just a "click away." Click on the "Lost your password" link, **shown circled in red**, to display the Lost Password Screen. Enter your username or email address to receive a link to create a new password via email.



ALLELUIA!

He Is Risen!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION
to benefit Geneva Head Start

2 CENTS – A - MEAL

**We will collect 2 cents offerings on APRIL 6
You can make a difference in the lives of hungry people!!!**

RECORDED SERVICES

**Sunday services are recorded and available on CD to borrow from
the church office.**



PASTOR DEB – deblindschmitz@pcgny.org

EDNA MAY – eml22@rochester.rr.com

Website: <http://www.presbyterianchurchingenevanewyork.org>

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
APRIL 25– NOON**

One Great Hour of Sharing Brunch and Auction

The 2014 One Great Hour of Sharing Brunch and Auction is coming soon – April 13th @ 11:30. Many generous people have stepped forward to donate varied and interesting items. Including: hand knitted items, themed Baskets of goodies, delicious treats, works by local artists and member led adventures and help. Mark Love, John Hovey and crew will provide the brunch and Joe Hessney is again in charge of the LIVE auction.

Partial List of Auction Items

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| 3 Hrs. of Gardening | Architectural Tour |
| B.A.C. Helicopter Sight Seeing | Basket of Local Treats |
| Bog Expedition | Brunch for 2 @ Belhurst |
| Canned Pears | Cooking w/the Kids Basket |
| Hand Blown Glass Paper Weight | Hand made Ceramic Vase |
| Home made Pies | Horseback riding lessons |
| Lake Cottage for 1 week | Morgan Silver Dollar |
| Origami/quilted Cards | Portrait sitting |
| Quilted Items | Raggedy Ann and Andy Dolls |
| Sailing Tour | Silk Scarves |
| William Smith Inn B&B night | Wine Gift Basket |
| Yoga Package | Yolanda Schoefield Prints |

Last year we were acknowledged as one of the largest contributors to OGHS in the country. Let's continue that tradition this year! Needed: Enthusiastic bidders and hungry diners to help make this event a success. Moments for Mission will let you know more about this as the date approaches and where the funds are used. Hope to see you all (and more!) there.

For reservations, please call the church office OR [click here](#) to email your reservation to the church office.

Interpretation and Stewardship Committee