

St. Peter's Press

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St. Peter's Deacons' Activities

The Deacons of St. Peter's continue to try to share love and support with members of our church family and into the wider community. We meet each month to pray and to discuss ways in which we might be of help to those around us.

We are now back to offering coffee-hour fellowship after Sunday church service. We are grateful to those who provided our lovely summer Tea in the Green during July and August.

We deliver the church's food offerings, which the children collect each week during the Sunday service, to the food pantries in Ghent and Chatham.

We remind everyone that our coffee bean sales (1-lb bags) support our outreach projects, especially the Christmas grocery gift cards that we purchase.

Last May we delivered two large boxes of items our church contributed to new mothers, as our Mother's Day project through Promise Neighborhood in Hudson. We were especially grateful for all of the books we were able to offer to these families.

We offer home Communion for those in our church family who are unable to attend services. We also make social visits and meal deliveries to assure that all are close in thought and prayer.

In November, we are planning to offer a CPR course at St. Peter's for our congregation and community. We do this in the hope that more of us will have the skills to be of help in emergencies.

Your deacons share much joy as well as concern as we meet, and we offer a reminder that you can share that joy and concern with us.



With the love and peace of Christ, your deacons,

Larry, Sandy, Patricia, Carol, Donna,
Jean, and Sharon

Prayer List

George Jahn and Family
Dorothy Perry
Don and Peggy Shriver



All servicemen, servicewomen, and veterans



Lectionary Readings

October

- 10/2: World Communion Sunday**
Lam. 1:1-6; Lam. 3:19-26 or Ps. 137;
2 Tim. 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10
- 10/9:** Jer. 29:1, 4-7; Ps. 66:1-12;
2 Tim. 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19
- 10:16:** Jer. 31:27-34; Ps. 119:97-104;
2 Tim. 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8
- 10:23:** Joel 2:23-32; Ps. 65; 2 Tim. 4:6-8,
16-18; Luke 18:9-14
- 10/30: Reformation Sunday**
Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Ps. 119:137-144;
2 Thess. 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10

Happy Birthday

October

Richard Iverson	10/1
Lisa Vahradian	10/4
Lee Coalter	10/8
Katie Conkling	10/8
Barbara Conkling	10/9
Irene Young	10/13
Alexander Brown	10/14
Naomi Pitman	10/14
Patricia McKeon	10/15
Marcy Coalter	10/16
Caitrianna Coalter	10/16
Thomas Lareau	10/19
Dorothy Perry	10/19
Eliza Alice Braley	10/23
John Tillotson	10/26
Karen Jahn	10/27
Sarah Braley	10/28
Ann Pearce	10/29
Mayah Sanderson	10/31

Condolences

We extend our condolences to George Jahn and his family on the loss of Karen Jahn.



Fellowship Dinner

This year's Fellowship Dinner was held on September 30, Friday. Marion and Bill Ulmer hosted, and a good time was had by all. If you missed this one, think about signing up, to be either a guest or a host, next time!

Mission Group Cooking Workshop

We have one more workshop scheduled, and hope to add a GLUTEN-FREE BAKING workshop for the fall or early winter.

Saturday, October 15, 1-3 pm

Fermentation: Betsy Cashen is leading this workshop. She led the sauerkraut workshop two years ago, and this time she will show how to ferment some other vegetables. Children are welcome to attend, accompanied by an adult. A \$15 donation would be appreciated, if able.

If you would like to help coordinate, advertise, or clean up for any of these workshops, call Frances: 392-2675.

As always, the Mission Group is interested in volunteers and/or ideas for work or needs that we see around us or in surrounding communities. If you are interested in proposing a project or starting up an endeavor, or volunteering with the Mission Group, please feel free to contact Raeph Sanderson, Patricia McKeon, or Frances Culley.

Thanks, Frances

Pastor Update



For the months of October, November and December, I will be leading worship at St. Peter's, providing pastoral care and working with the Council during this time of transition. It is meaningful to me to support St. Peter's in this way, especially through the holiday season.

The Apostle Paul began his letters to the churches he served with the words, "I give thanks to God always for you." Having known your congregation for many years, I begin these three months with the same words. I give thanks to God always for you.

Blessings,
Rev. Beth Illingworth

Trash and Treasure Fund-Raiser



The total raised from the Trash and Treasure was \$2,090. Thanks to Mindy, Lisa, Steve, Doris Jean, and all the people who donated and helped price and work on Saturday. Thank you to Bill Baldwin for taking all the leftovers to his barn to sell next Labor Day.

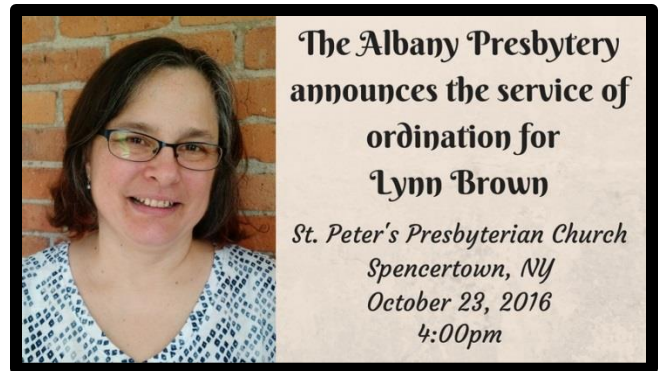
Mission Group Update

The Mission Group is seeking nominations for new members. The Mission Group committee is responsible for outreach and social action in accord with measures put forward in 2014. If you would like to nominate someone, please contact Patricia McKeon, Raeph Sanderson, or Frances Culley, who will review nominations in conjunction with Council.

From the original formation of the group, the intention of this committee is:

- To provide the members of St. Peter's with opportunities to realize their particular gifts and vocations through self-offering and hands-on service to others
- To cultivate ongoing, mutually empowering relationships with other communities, groups, organizations, and/or populations—especially those outside our "comfort zone"
- To grow St. Peter's—numerically, spiritually, and otherwise
- To demonstrate solidarity with and care for people in need
- To effect real, lasting, and positive social change
- To bear witness to God's love and justice in Jesus Christ

Frances Culley



Congratulations, Lynn

Harvest Luncheon Planned



Come join us to celebrate the bounty of the season by coming to the Annual Harvest Potluck Luncheon to be held on Sunday, October 16, after worship. Please bring a dish to pass (preferably some local produce, etc., if possible). Drinks will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Mesick at 392-5635.

Family and Friends CPR!

The Deacons of St. Peter's Church are offering a CPR course on Saturday, November 5, at 9 am at St. Peter's Church. Cost is \$1. Pre-registration is required by contacting Patricia McKeon at patriciamckeon11@gmail.com or by phone at 392-3386, by October 15th.

This course is for people who want to learn CPR but **do not need a course completion card in CPR for their job.**

Peacemaking Offering



The Peacemaking offering will be received on Sunday, October 2nd, which is celebrated as World Communion Sunday.

October 2016						
◀ September						November ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9:00 am Presbytery Meeting in Amsterdam
2 10:00 am Worship, SS & Coffee Hour	3	4 6:30 pm Women Unabridged Mtg.	5 7:00 pm Choir	6	7	8
9 10:00 am Worship, SS & Coffee Hour	10	11 7:00 pm Trustees' Mtg.	12 7:00 pm Choir	13 Agenda items due	14	15 9:00 am Deacon's Mtg.
16 10:00 am Worship, SS Followed by Harvest Luncheon	17	18 7:00 pm Church Council Mtg.	19 7:00 pm Choir	20	21	22
23 10:00 am Worship, SS & Coffee Hour 4:00 pm Lynn Brown's Ordination	24	25	26 7:00 pm Choir	27	28	29
30 10:00 am Worship, SS & Coffee Hour 12:00 noon Men's Group Mtg.	31 Halloween 	Notes: <i>Tutoring Sessions to be held In Fellowship Hall on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 9 am – 10 am from October to March</i>				