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## Holy Week at First Presbyterian Church of Pleasant Valley 1576 Main St • Route 44 • Pleasant Valley

**Sunday, April 14**

**Palm/Passion Sunday**

9:30 am in the Sanctuary  
Liturgy of the Palms & Liturgy of the Passion  
New members received!

**Thursday, April 18**

**Maundy Thursday**

7pm in the Sanctuary  
Holy Communion & Tenebrae –  
Service of Shadows

**Friday, April 19**

**Good Friday**

6:30pm beginning at First Presbyterian Church  
Ecumenical Stations of the Cross

**Sunday, April 21**

**Easter Sunday**

**Ecumenical Sunrise Service**

6:30am at Mill Park, Route 44

**Festival Easter Service**

9:30am in the Sanctuary

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Join us! Christ is Risen!

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# Holy Week

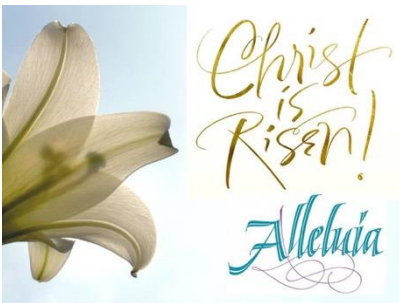
Join us to celebrate Holy Week this year!

**Resurrection is real!**

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, this year on **Sunday, April 14**. We gather at **9:30am** for worship, with a Palm Sunday procession led by our children and Jack the Donkey! We will read the story together all the way from Palms to Passion. Following the service will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids!

On Maundy Thursday, this year on **Thursday, April 18**, we'll gather in the Sanctuary at **7pm**. We will celebrate Communion, the Lord's Supper, remembering the Last Supper our Lord had with his disciples in the Upper Room. A Service of Tenebrae ("shadows") follows, as the light slowly leaves the world. It is a powerful service that ends in darkness and silence.

On Good Friday, **Friday, April 19**, the Ecumenical Christian faith community of Pleasant Valley gathers to walk the Stations of the Cross together. We will walk between the four churches in town, stopping briefly at each for the next Station(s.) This service begins at First Presbyterian at **6:30pm**.



The Ecumenical community gathers again on Easter morning, **Sunday, April 21 at 6:30am** for a Sunrise Easter Worship Service at Mill Park.

Then, finally, at **9:30am on Sunday, April 21**, we will gather in our Sanctuary for a **Festival Easter Resurrection Celebration Service**, including senior choir and trumpet, flowers and neighbors and song and joy.

**Happy Easter!**

***Come one, come all!***

Which worship service or combination of services appeal to you this year? Is there a service that you haven't been to in the past, that you might like to try? Maybe this is the year to walk the journey for the whole week, participating in each one of the different worship opportunities. Each service is different and focuses our attention on a different aspect or dimension of this important week. Whatever you do, don't sit on the sidelines! Join in with your church community as we once again practice and rehearse the central story of our faith.

In Christ together,

Rev. Lynn Brown

March 2019



## Session Update

1. Pastor Lynn's report of her activities for January and February included Officers Training, 3 meetings with the Mission Study Team, Friendship Callers, home visits, the Palmquist funeral, and meeting with elders to discuss the revision of By-Laws.
2. Session committees were reorganized as follows: Christian Education, Chesney Baker; Deacons liaison, Hope Murphy; Finance, Gary Murphy and Helen Traver; Nominating, Judy Brandow; Personnel, Bill Miller and Gary Murphy; Stewardship/Church Growth, Edith Keck and Myung Sung; Trustees liaison, Pastor Lynn; Worship, Karen Sheer and Hope Murphy; Communications and Technology, James Sawner.
3. Under Transition Update, several elders had attended a Mission Study Team meeting on March 13 to hear a presentation on the Church Assessment Tool. Chesney Baker and Bill Miller reported on this meeting.
4. Final changes were made to the By-Laws of the Congregation; this document was approved by the Session. A special congregational meeting has been called for March 31 for the congregation to discuss and approve the updated By-Laws. Printed copies will be available on March 24.
5. Communion servers were assigned for April, May, and June.
6. Christian Education Chairperson Chesney Baker reported that the Easter Craft evening, sponsored by CE and PW, will take place on March 22. Children will remain in the sanctuary on March 24 to be present for the entire service and make Easter cards for shut ins. Children will participate in Palm Sunday with the processional and an Easter egg hunt.
7. Session approved June 8 for the Chicken Barbecue fundraiser.
8. Session will have a special meeting on Sunday, April 14, at 8:30 a.m. to receive new members who will be publicly received during worship.

Pastor Lynn's

April Office Hours

Wednesdays & Thursdays

12pm-4pm by appointment.

Text or call (518)755-4940



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**Mission Study Team Update**

*The Mission Study Team would like to thank all of those who helped supplying information to our churches timeline. We are working on creating a document to submit to the Presbytery, the information you provided will help us. Over the next few months we will be asking for additional input.*

*On May 5th we will be holding a Congregational Conversation meeting after church and during the 1st few weeks in May we will be conducting a survey to help us determine our Church's Mission.. More info to follow...*

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## CHURCH OFFICERS 2019

<b>SESSION</b> <b>ELDERS (Ruling Body of the Church)</b> Rev. Lynn Brown - Moderator		
<b>CLASS OF 2019</b>	<b>CLASS OF 2020</b>	<b>CLASS OF 2021</b>
Judy Brandow	Chesney Baker	Bill Miller
Edith Keck	Myung Sung	James Sawner
Gary Murphy	Karen Sheer	Helen Traver
		Hope Murphy (Youth)
Clerk – Marilyn Brands		
<b>TRUSTEES</b> <b>(Take Care of the Physical Plant)</b>		
Andy Albrecht	Debbie Traver	Caroline Dolfi
Tracy Keck	Karen Haight	Donna Sheak
Philip Keck	Linda Halliday	Denny Smith
<b>DEACONS</b> <b>(The Service Body of the Church)</b>		
Barbara Huneke	Amanda Smith	Steve Albrecht Sr
Richard Moysey	Tom Smith	Dawne Fay
Jack Smith	Pat Zerbe	Faith Reynolds

**Church Treasurer: Wayne Sauer**  
**Mission Treasurers: David Brands and Wayne Sauer**  
**Bargain Basement: Jean Albrecht, Director 845-635-3563**  
**Friendship Callers: Joan Smith, Chairperson 845-635-3687**

**For numbers of Chairpersons not listed, please refer to the church directory or call the church office at 845-635-3289.**





Please  
keep these  
people in  
your daily  
prayers.

### **Prayers of the People**

**To add a name to the Prayer List, please call the Pastor or the Church Office.**

*For the family of Mary Moody who passed away on March 28<sup>th</sup>.*

*For the family of Jane Barden who passed away on March 24<sup>th</sup>.*

*For the family of Muriel Goldcrown (friend of Barbara Huneke) who passed away peacefully on March 14<sup>th</sup>.*

*For Steve (a neighbor of Steve & Jean's) who is recovering after a fall.*

*For Christa (a coworker of Karen Albrecht) recently diagnosed with cancer.*

*For the family of Marshall Truex, Jr. on his death.*

*For Darlene (Judy Brandow's daughter) who is dealing with medical issues.*

*For Mark Merritt (friend of the Murphy's) who is having surgery.*

*For Meredith (Phyllis Menzenski's daughter) who is going through a very difficult time.*

*For Bill Plass who is now home recovering from medical issues.*

**Looking toward or recuperating from surgery:** *Fran Patterson (Laurie Fouts's mother), Don Cookingham (friend of Phyllis Menzenski), Nancy Murphy as she recovers from a fall.*

**Living with cancer:** *Ginny Hankamp (friend of Donna Sheak's), Tom Simonton (Traci Haight's father), Penny Sawner (James's mother), Chris Woodward (Harriet Mark's brother), Karen Livingston Bernardo (friend of Phyllis Menzenski), and Mike Mikula (Joyce's brother-in-law).*

**Ongoing health issues:** *Carol Belton, Rick Fay, Richard Joseph (Mary Jane Gardner's brother), Jim Killmer (Beth Murphy's father,) Donna Mears, Edith & Dave (Donna Sheak's parents), Napoleon (friend of Linda's), Henry (Pat Zerbe's brother) and Betty Wigsten*

**Currently deployed:** *Steven Albrecht (grandson of Steve & Jean); Justin Newman (grandson of Carol Belton).*

### **Long Term Residence Lutheran Care**

*Prayers for Dort Traver (member) who is in the Lutheran Care Center, Rm 111a South.*



# "Annual Spring Clean-up Day" Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 a.m.

We ask that **all who are able & available (church members & friends)** come out to help us work together to make our church sparkle & shine (remember **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!**). The Trustees will have a specific task list to complete to make this Spring Clean-up day go as quickly and efficiently as possible, so please think of tools and/or cleaning supplies that you may want to supply and/or donate to help this morning of fellowship and work go smoothly!

***Thank you in advance for your help!***  
(Middle School and High School Students...Need some volunteer hours/credits??)"

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## *Friendship Callers*



Friendship Callers will meet on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. to visit our shuts-in. We meet in the yellow room. Any questions, please call Joan Smith at 635-3687.

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## **CHURCH TEE SHIRTS**

We have had requests to order more church tee shirts (short sleeves). The shirt is blue with white lettering that reads: **I LOVE MY CHURCH, First Presbyterian, Pleasant Valley, NY**. The shirts are available in adult sizes Small, Medium, Large, and Extra Large, the cost is \$9.00. This is not a fundraiser; we sell them to our church family at cost. We need to order 12 shirts in order to place an order. Please see Marilyn Brands if you are interested.



## ADAM'S CARDS

Spring, April, Easter! All are a good time for renewal and recommitment. Renew your fresh food habits. Commit (again) to garden planning and yard work. Celebrate the resurrection with homemade or prepared Easter treats and with spring flowers. Adam's gift cards can help with all. Participating in the Adam's gift card fundraiser is a great way to show your continuous recommitment to the First Presbyterian Church of Pleasant Valley. Thank you for all your support.

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## **HOMELESS SHELTER MEAL**

**Presbyterian Women prepare and deliver a meal for the Homeless Shelter six times a year; on the second Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October and December. The meal is a chicken/vegetable casserole, fresh green salad and homemade or store bought cookies. Approximately 55-60 people are fed at the shelter each night and during the colder months 70-80.**

**The church has helped the Homeless Shelter for many years by preparing this meal and for several years helping to serve it also. All the items needed for the meal are donated by church members or purchased with funds given for this purpose. There is typically a group of 6-7 that meet in the kitchen at 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meal to prepare it. When we helped to serve the meal we needed 4 people to make that work efficiently. At this time we are only delivering the meal to the facility and the staff there serves it.**

**A signup sheet to contribute to this cause is located on the table in the Husted Fellowship Hall. For each meal we need cooked chicken, frozen vegetables, canned cream of chicken and mushroom soups, chicken broth, for the salad – lettuce and other veggies (onion, cucumbers, shredded carrot, etc.) and ranch dressing (they love ranch dressing!). We make up packages of cookies for dessert and need 16-17 dozen cookies each time. Please consider providing 1-2 dozen cookies or salad items a few times a year to help with this cause. Donated items must be in the church kitchen no later than noon of the day of meal. Thank you for your continuing generosity in helping those in need. Any questions please see Linda Morey.**



## THE LUNCH BOX

The Lunch Box is a community meal program, providing a hot lunch and dinner Monday- Friday and a hot lunch on weekends for anyone who needs one within Dutchess County. Open each day and on most holidays to ensure that all Poughkeepsie residents are able to enjoy a decent hot meal. They are committed to serving complete, nutritious meals for all individuals, sourcing a majority of their ingredients from their own urban farms and other local Hudson Valley farms.

On average they serve over 300 meals daily. Last year they served over 83,000 meals. Volunteers include Marist students, Vassar students, CIA students who help to cook the meals, athletes and clubs, local residents and churches, and more that help to procure, prep, cook and serve meals.

Each month this church collects the ingredients needed to prepare a meal of ziti and meat sauce. We deliver the ingredients on the second Sunday each month to the Family Partnership building in Poughkeepsie where the Lunch Box is located. Our contribution helps to feed up to 120 people a nutritious hot meal. Members of the congregation donate the ingredients once a month and have done so faithfully for many years. We receive monetary contributions on occasion, these help to purchase items if needed. Any questions on this program please see Karen Haight.

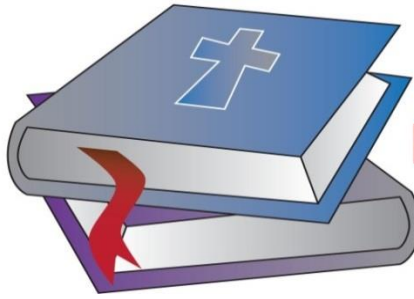
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### ***“SPAGHETTI DINNER RESULTS”***

***THANKS to all who contributed food or helped with the spaghetti dinner in any way!! We made an amazing \$1080 on a ....  
FREE SPAGHETTI DINNER!!***

# Christian Education



Beth Murphy, CE Coordinator

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**The next meeting of the Christian Education Committee will be on  
Wednesday, April 3rd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor.**

Anyone that is looking for something new and interesting to do, please feel free to join us! The Christian Education Committee is focused on sharing the good news with all the followers of Jesus Christ. Our meeting date has changed to the first Wednesday of each month and we meet for 1 hour.

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**Palm Sunday**  
**April 14, 2019**  
**10:45 am**  
**Please bring a basket**  
**and join us!**  
**All ages welcome.**

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Bible Study meets on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in the classroom on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.



## **Vacation Bible School July 15-19, 2019**

**Volunteers are needed!  
Mark your calendars and  
plan to spend a day, the week  
or an evening helping to  
explore where God's power  
can take you!**

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### **TODDLER CLASS**

The CE Committee provides a Sunday School class on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month. It meets in the Nursery Room (last door on left of 2<sup>nd</sup> floor hallway)



Many thanks to the many women who registered and joined the Easter decoration workshop. A collaborative effort between the Presbyterian Women and the Christian Education Committee helped to offset the cost of our fun evening. Many laughs and talents were shared as we worked together to make a keepsake for many Easter seasons to come.

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*Sale  
Donations  
Needed*



## MAY FEST

Friday, May 10, 4:30 to 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday, May 11, 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Spring is here! That means it's time to think about our annual May Fest fundraiser. We are planning to have the following booths: Attic, Baked Goods, Books (and CDs and DVDs), Children's Toys and Games, Plants, and food from the Kitchen. Adams cards will be available from the Attic cashiers.

We will need donations of household and decorative items for the Attic, baked goods, books for all ages, CDs and DVDs, toys and games for children, and plants. All items should be clean and in good condition. Items may be brought to church starting NOW and placed in the little room to the left of the stage in the Fellowship Hall.

If you have questions or suggestions, please call Marilyn Brands, 223-5717.





## THIS WINTER, WE'RE THINKING SUNSHINE!

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# SAVE THE DATE

The First Presbyterian Church of Pleasant Valley proudly  
presents our

## Annual Chicken BBQ

Saturday June 8, 2019



Continuous family style servings

4:00—6:30 pm

\*Reservations are suggested\*

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# APRIL 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>2</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>3</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>4</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>5</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>6</b>
	6:30 Stamping/Jean 6pm Pound Exr (FH) <b>7 PM Bell Choir</b>	7:30 pm N.A.	<b>10-1 Bargain Bsmt</b> <b>4 pm Bible Study</b> <b>5 pm Soup</b> <b>6 pm Lenten Svc</b> <b>7 pm CE Meeting</b>	6pm Pound Exr (FH) 6:30pm Boy Scouts <b>7 pm Senior Choir</b>		<b>10-1 Barg Bsmt</b> 10am Tai Chi - Chapel
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>9</b> PVN 8-1:00	<b>10</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>11</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>12</b> Closed PVN	<b>13</b>
9:30 am <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> 11am <b>Journeying</b> 11am <b>Bible Study</b>	6pm Pound Exr (FH)	<b>4 PM Homeless</b> <b>7 PM Trustees</b> 7:30 pm N.A.	<b>10-1 Bargain Bsmt</b> <b>4 pm Bible Study</b> <b>5 pm Soup</b> <b>6 pm Lenten Svc</b> <b>7 pm Mission Study</b> <b>7:30 Lyne Disease</b>	6pm Pound Exr (FH) <b>7 pm Senior Choir</b>	<b>6:30 Lisa-stamps</b>	<b>10-1 Bargain Basement</b> 10am Tai Chi - Chapel
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> PVN Closed	<b>16</b> PVN Closed	<b>17</b> PVN Closed	<b>18</b> PVN Closed	<b>19</b> PVN Closed	<b>20</b>
9:30 am <b>WORSHIP</b> 11 am <b>Bible Sdy</b> <b>Easter Egg Hunt</b> 2-4pm <b>CMVCA(YR)</b>	6pm Pound Exr (FH)	9:30 am <b>Friendship Callers</b> 7:30 pm N.A.	<b>10-1 Bargain Bsmt</b> <b>6:30 PM Session</b> <b>6:15-7:45 Girl S (BR)</b>	6pm Pound Exer (FH) <b>Maundy Thursday Service</b>	<b>6:30 Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>10-1 Bargain Basement</b> 10am Tai Chi - Chapel
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Closed PVN	<b>23</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>24</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>25</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>26</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>27</b>
9:30 am <b>EASTER WORSHIP</b> <b>Sherow Dinner</b>	6pm Pound Ex(FH)	7:30 pm NA	<b>10-1 Bargain Bsmt</b> 6:15 Girl Scouts <b>7 pm Mission Study</b> <b>WESTCHESTER DINNER THEATRE</b>	6pm Pound Exer (FH) <b>7 pm Senior Choir</b>		<b>10-1 Bargain Basement</b> 10am Tai Chi - Chapel
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 8-1:00 PVN	<b>30</b> 8-1:00 PVN				
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