

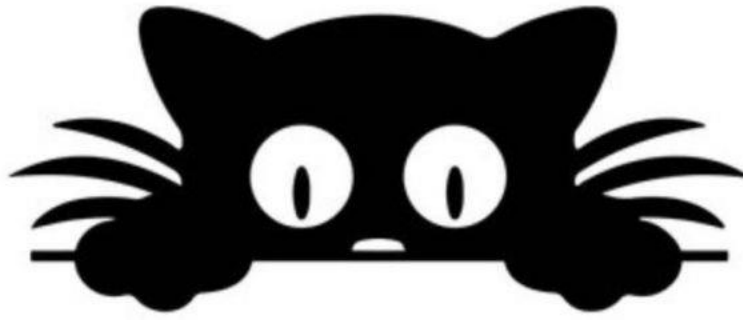


PRES 2019



Mother's Day, May 12th

On May 10th, 1908, a Mother's Day service was held at a church in Grafton, West Virginia. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill designating the second Sunday in May as a legal holiday to be called "Mother's Day" - dedicated "to the best mother in the world, your mother."



May 2019



Congregational Survey

Please help!

The Mission Study team has engaged Holy Cow Consulting to help us in our work by conducting a church survey known as the **CAT**, the *Church Assessment Tool*. Now, we need your input! The information we gather from this Assessment will be used as to write our Mission Study Report and, when the Pastoral Nominating Committee is formed, it will guide their work as well. This assessment will provide a clearer picture of who we are as a church and what directions might be important for our future.

Your response is very important! All answers are strictly anonymous. There is no way of matching any assessment to a particular person, so feel free to candidly share your perceptions, opinions and experiences. The assessment will take 20-30 minutes, so allow enough time to complete all questions in one sitting.

Please plan to take the on-line assessment at your earliest convenience and before midnight, on Sunday, May 19. Your participation and honest answers are crucial in determining who we are and where God may want to take us.

Hard copies will be available in the church office for those who are unable to submit via computer.



In Christ together,

Rev. Lynn Brown



Session Update

Pastor Lynn reported on Lenten activities. 11 people participated in the book study, 10 attended the Soup and Bread suppers, and 22 attended Wednesday evening services. In March she attended the Trustees meeting, Mission Study Team meetings, and the March 24 Presbytery meeting. Lynn led a discussion on church issues in preparation for setting 2019 priorities at the next meeting.

Christian Education Committee Chairperson Chesney Baker reported that the committee met on April 3 and planned for the Palm Sunday activities, the Palm Sunday processional and Easter egg hunt. Beth will be looking for volunteers for Vacation Bible School.

Finance Committee members Helen Traver and Gary Murphy reported that pledges are up \$6,467 from last year; the deficit is \$3,228 compared to a deficit of \$15,168 at this time last year.

Stewardship Committee Chairperson Edith Keck reported that the One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be collected on Easter Sunday.

Lynn reported on the Trustees meeting. Sue Morey was present at that meeting to speak about researching the possibility of placing the church on the National Historic Registry.

Technology and Communications Committee member Hope Murphy reported that the church now has an Instagram account, and committee Chairperson James Sawner is posting every day. These posts go to the church's Facebook site.



Pastor Lynn's May Office Hours

Wednesdays & Thursdays, 12pm-4pm by appointment
Text or call (518)755-4940



CHURCH OFFICERS 2019

SESSION		
ELDERS (Ruling Body of the Church)		
Rev. Lynn Brown - Moderator		
CLASS OF 2019	CLASS OF 2020	CLASS OF 2021
Judy Brandow	Chesney Baker	Bill Miller
Edith Keck	Myung Sung	James Sawner
Gary Murphy	Karen Sheer	Helen Traver
Hope Murphy (Youth)		
Clerk – Marilyn Brands		
TRUSTEES		
(Take Care of the Physical Plant)		
Andy Albrecht	Debbie Traver	Caroline Dolfi
Tracy Keck	Karen Haight	Donna Sheak
Philip Keck	Linda Halliday	Denny Smith
DEACONS		
(The Service Body of the Church)		
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.

Welcome to Our New Members!

On April 14th, our congregation began Palm Sunday with Parker Brands riding "Jack" down the center aisle as the congregation sang and waved palms.

Later in the service, we welcomed 5 new members to our congregation; Dorothy Vail by Letter of Transfer, Patrick & Olivia Martin and Keith & Rebecca Harrison by Confession of or Reaffirmation of Faith. Patrick was baptized in a beautiful ceremony just before all 5 were welcomed into the congregation.

Dorothy has been attending the First Presbyterian Church for many years with her daughter, Marilyn Brands and her family.

Rebecca and Olivia are daughters of Carol Smith. Their young children were baptized in our sanctuary. They along with their husbands, Keith and Patrick, made the decision to join our church as members.

We are all very happy to welcome all 5 into our church family.





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 Nanny Jenks (Amanda Smith's grandmother) who is in a nursing home recovering from a broken hip.

For Evan Albrecht (Steve & Jean's grandson) in Georgia recovering from a burst appendix.

For the family of Marion Eagan who passed away.

For Diane (Dawne Fay's sister) who is going through a difficult time.

For Jessie Zerbe (Pat's brother) recovering after a fall.

Looking toward or recuperating from surgery: *Fran Patterson (Laurie Fouts's mother)*

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)*

Ongoing health issues: *Jim Killmer (Beth Murphy's father), Carol Belton, Rick Fay, Richard Joseph (Mary Jane Gardner's brother), Edith & Dave (Donna Sheak's parents), Paul Wigsten*

Currently deployed: *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"

Thank you to all our church family who came out to lend a hand, spray bottle, and elbow grease for our Spring Clean-up Day!! All hands were on deck and our house is shining!

Many thanks from the Trustees

Friendship Callers



Friendship Callers will meet on Tuesday, May 21st 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.



ADAM'S CARDS

May is a great month to shop at Adams. There are plants, flowers, lawn care supplies, grills, fresh summer foods, Mother's Day Gifts, Memorial Day items and more to shop for.

So please, help make it a great month for support of the Adams Gift Card fundraiser at the First Presbyterian Church.

Adams cards are available at the church office and from Helen Traver. They will also be available at the Attic Booth during the May Fest.

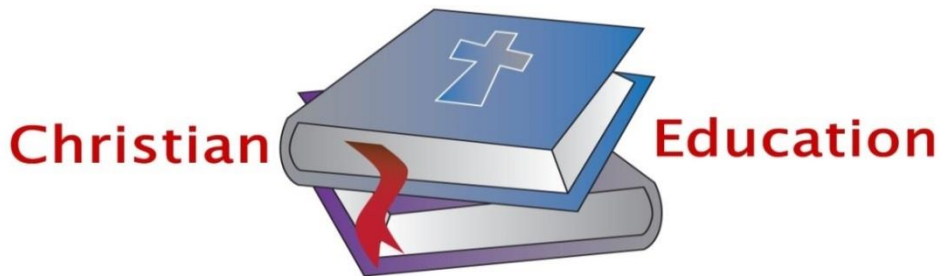
Help make May a great month. Thanks!!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Thank you to all who contributed to this special offering.

We collected a total of **\$941.91.**





Beth Murphy, CE Coordinator

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[845-242-0325 \(C\)](tel:845-242-0325)

Sunday, May 19th - Our children will be remaining in church to experience the service and enjoy a lesson related activity at the back of the sanctuary (after the children's talk).

Sunday, May 26th - There will be no Church school.

Wednesday, June 5th - The next meeting of the Christian Education Committee will be on this date at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

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TODDLER CLASS

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

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



We are searching for helpers to



**See Beth Murphy or call the church office to
volunteer.**

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

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



Voyager Registration Form



Student's Name _____

Parent/Family/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone Numbers: Home _____ Cell _____

Work _____

Date of birth _____ Age _____ Last school grade completed _____

Home Church (if any) _____

Friends of your child at this church _____

Special Needs/Allergies/Medical Information/Other: _____

Emergency Contacts
Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this child from VBS _____

Photo Release: The First Presbyterian Church/VBS has my permission to use my child's photograph publicly in VBS materials. I understand the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____

Date _____

----- (for church use only) -----

Assigned to Voyager Group: _____

Are family members helping with To Mars and Beyond? _____ If yes, where?



*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.

It's time for this year's May Fest! The success of this fundraiser depends on donations and people who come to shop. Please plan to attend and shop through attic treasures, books for all ages, games and toys for children, and stock up on plants and baked goods. Adam's cards will be available from Attic cashiers. Bring the children to make a Mother's Day gift for \$2.00.

Give yourself a break and grab a meal from the Kitchen. Our famous potato salad will be back this year, along with homemade soups, hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken salad, tossed salad, and 3 bean salad. Beverages and ice cream will also be available.

We thank the following chairpersons:

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| Attic | Jean Albrecht, Helen Traver |
| Baked Goods | Judy Brandow, Phyllis Menzenski |
| Books, CDs, DVDs | Beth Murphy, Marilyn Brands |
| Children's Toys | Darcy, Kayla, Max Gordineer |
| Plants | Debbie Murray, Paul and Edith Keck |
| Mother's Day Gift | Debbie Traver |
| Kitchen | Missy Sauer |
| Treasurer | Wayne Sauer |

COME AND JOIN US!

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

www.pvpresby.com • 845.635.3289

1576 Main St (Route 44) Pleasant Valley

CHICKEN BBQ TICKET PRICES FOR 2019

ADULT: \$13.00 / RESERVED ADULT: \$12.00

SENIOR (65+) \$12.00 / RESERVED SENIOR (65+): \$11.00

CHILD (6-12): \$12.00 / RESERVED CHILD (6-12): \$11.00

TAKE OUT ORDERS ARE WELCOME



May 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 8-1:00 PVN	2 8-1:00 PVN	3 8-1:00 PVN	4
			10-1 Bargain Bsmt 6 pm CE Meeting	6pm Pound Exr (FH) 6:30pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Senior Choir	5:30-8 Tien Tao 6:30 Stamping w/Lisa	10-1 Barg Bsmt 10am Tai Chi - Chapel 8:30-9:30 Tien Tao
5	6 8-1:00 PVN	7 PVN 8-1:00	8 8-1:00 PVN	9 8-1:00 PVN	10 8-1:00 PVN	11
9:30 am HOLY COMMUNION 11am Congre. Conversation 11am Bible Study	6:30 Stamping/Jean 6pm Pound Exr (Chapel) 7 PM Bell Choir	5:30-8 Tien Tao (Chapel) 7:30 pm N.A.	10-1 Bargain Bsmt 5:30-8 Tien Tao (Chapel) 7 pm Mission Study 7:30 Lyne Disease	6pm Pound Exr (Chapel) 7 pm Senior Choir	MAY FEST 4:30-8:00pm 5:30-8 Tien Tao (Chapel)	MAY FEST 9:30am-1:00pm 8:30-9:30 Tien Tao 10am Tai Chi - Chapel
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19	20 8-1:00 PVN	21 8-1:00 PVN	22 8-1:00 PVN	23 8-1:00 PVN	24 CLOSED PVN	25
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