

THE CROSSROADS

JUNE 2019

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. II Corinthians 5:17

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COME, HOLY SPIRIT, COME!

REV. REBECCA CHAFFEE, INTERIM PASTOR



June ushers in the season of Pentecost with three special Sundays:

- Ascension Sunday (June 2nd)
- **Pentecost** (June 9th)
- Trinity Sunday (June 16th)

We Presbyterians have always favored a thoughtful, intellectual approach to our Christian faith, and that has earned us the nickname as the "frozen chosen." We don't often worship in charismatic ways, by responding to worship with loud Amens or hands raised high in praise.

We tend to remember Pentecost primarily as the "Birthday of the Church," and minimize the talk about a sanctuary filled with loud rushing winds, flames dancing above our heads, and the gathered faithful erupting in unaccustomed speech, proclaiming the Gospel in languages they did not know, to the astonishment of visitors from other places who heard the message in their native tongue.

This Pentecost, let us embrace our spiritual experiences as well as our theology and our acts of service. All three together bring us closer to showing that image of God we were created to be in God's creation.



THE SPIRITUAL PRACTICE OF LISTENING FOR GOD

Try this Listening Prayer using the words of Psalm 46:10:

"Be still and know that I am God."

Settle yourself in a comfortable position with eyes closed.

Each time you repeat the verse, drop the last word and listen quietly for a word, thought, or feeling from God.



- **Be still and know that I am God.** (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- Be still and know that I am (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- Be still and know that I (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- **Be still and know that** (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- Be still and know (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- **Be still and ...** (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- Be still (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- **Be** (breathe in, breathe out, and listen)
- Be still and know that I am God. Thanks be to God!

Pay attention to any word, phrase, or image that comes to you during this listening prayer. What do you feel that God is calling you to notice, to feel, or to do? Share this with others in some way.

DEACONS' DISPATCH

GLEN BURGSTAHLER

Hope all the mothers had a beautiful Mother's Day!

Thanks to all who supported and attended the Deacons Scholarship and Basket Auction Luncheon. \$1700.00 was raised thanks to your generosity, and as always it was great to see everyone having a good time. The scholarships will be presented to our recipients in June so thank you again for all of your support.

Please remember you can get Tops gift cards from me in \$25, \$50, or \$100 denominations knowing that 5% goes directly to the scholarship fund.

A joyful heart is good medicine. Proverbs 17: 22

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLE 10

ELAINE LACLAIR, MODERATOR, CIRCLE 10



Presbyterian Women Circle 10 will meet on **Monday, June 10th** at 6:30 p.m. Our hostess will be Gail Janiga, who lives at 124 Wingate Avenue in Buffalo. Marilyn Koszarek will lead Bible Study #1. The June meeting will include our Spring Picnic, so please bring a dish to pass.

MUSIC NOTES

EMMA HAUPT, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

"Calling all musicians!"

Yes, I hear you singing in the pews

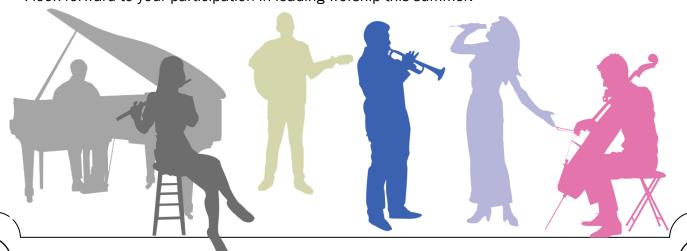
"Come musicians, play!" This Shakespearean line, taken out of context, is an invitation to the musicians of the court to play. It sounds fancy, but in those days nearly all musicians were self taught, played by ear, or at most, had basic elementary level training in music. Why do I share that nugget of information? Because I want to extend the invitation to all musicians at KPC to play this summer!

Yes, all musicians. Calling all singers and guitar players, flautists and Celtic whistle players; calling all percussionists and handbell ringers, choristers and ukulele players. All are welcome to make music in this place! (Paraphrased from hymn #301 Let Us Build a House/All Are Welcome.) Even if you just started playing your instrument or just started singing there is a place for you to share your song in worship.

Music in worship isn't about being the best or the most polished and pristine. It's about sharing our God-given gifts of music with each other and with God. The purpose is an intent to worship and uplift praise at whatever age you may be. We all should all strive to bring the childlike confidence and joy of music making to church.

This is my invitation to all of you to participate as a soloist or in a small group this summer as musicians in worship. I'd like to see as many people share their talents and gifts as possible and you don't have to be a member of the choir or bells to participate. This time last year I was starting out my time at KPC and the summer was a great way to get to know the musicians of the congregation and I'd love to get to know more of you! I'm happy to meet with individuals or groups to select music and rehearse and will support your musical preparation to play in worship. If you are interested, watch for the summer music request form and we will go from there! Once you have completed the interest form, bring it to church or drop it by the office so it gets to Emma.

I look forward to your participation in leading worship this summer!



"LAUGHTER'S HEALING POWER"

Presbyterian Women's Spring Gathering 2019

On May 4, Kenmore Presbyterian hosted the **2019 Presbyterians Women's Spring Gathering**. Fifty women attended from these WNY churches:

Bethel, Deerhurst, Hamburg, First Buffalo, First Tonawanda, Kenmore, Lafayette, Orchard Park, Springville, University, Wayside, and Williamsville North

A BIG THANKS to these individuals who helped to helped make it happen.

- Circle 10 (the soup makers, the shoppers, those who set up and cleaned up, and especially Gail Janiga, Mary Rey, JoAnn Dixon, and Ruth Woodard)
- Dave Berry, whose presence is such a blessing
- Emma Haupt, whose music supported our Worship
- Kathy Huntz, who made soup for us
- Judy Arnold, Betty Behr, Janet Gioia, Barbara Jaap and Delores Kellner who brought delightful refreshments for our registration/fellowship time

Carol Mullins was an inspiration as she sang and shared her Faith story to demonstrate how God's gift of laughter, not only heals our body, but nurtures the joy that God intended to be deep in our hearts.

Rev. Cathy Reiley-Goddard was the perfect pastor to lead us in worship as she used laughter from Scripture (Yes, it's REALLY there!), and stories of how she used jokes and laughter to lighten a dark situation. Laughter, in all its forms (Giggle, belly laugh, smile) really connects us as a people, and is a gift from God.

BUILDING UPDATE

SUPPORT MINISTRY TEAM

Over the last few years we have done numerous updates to the church building. We replaced windows in the front of the church, replaced the boilers, completed roof repairs, installed new stair treads and performed numerous other upgrades. Last year we repaired the parking lot so the building is in good shape with one exception.

Around 20 years ago we had a substantial brick pointing effort undertaken. We have discovered over the last 12 months that the exterior of the church is in need of significant brick pointing again. This should hopefully be the last considerable repair required for a while but is important to get resolved. The mortar is crumbling, an issue that can be readily seen if you look at the ground in the parking lot, adjacent to the church outer wall. The next step is bricks start to fall.

In the next weeks you will be getting a letter kicking off a building campaign to 'buy a brick" in order to get the brick pointing done on the exterior of the church. The total cost of this repair will be around \$100,000 so the campaign will be considerable, we will need to obtain a loan to support the difference of what we raise in the campaign and the \$100,000 expected cost.

Please prayerfully consider this request when you receive the "buy a brick" campaign request, and hear appeals from the lectern.

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!



On "Dads and Grads" Sunday (June 16th), we will recognize members of Kenmore Presbyterian Church who have graduated or will graduate from high school, college, or graduate school!

If you know of any graduates, please contact the Church Office at (716) 875-7600 or kenpresoffice@gmail.com no later than Sunday, June 9th.

KPC would like to congratulate these graduates, give the high school graduates a gift, and hand out the Deacons' Scholarships in worship. We will also celebrate all graduates with a graduation cake for coffee hour.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT KPC



"Dads and Grads" Sunday Sunday, June 16 at 10:00 a.m.



Alicia LaClair/Tom Ludlow Wedding Saturday, June 22nd at 3:00 p.m.



Second Generation Theatre Camp
July 15th-19th



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

2—James W. Barton
2—Ginny Kocher Hoffman
7—Dylan Cottrell
14—Elizabeth Lehman
15—Ashley Janiga
16—Vince Trower
17—Michael Anderson
18—William Sinatra
20—Dionne Ackerman

20—Thomas H. Barton 21—Gene Koszarek 21—Andrew Bartz 22—Barbara Fiddler 22—Warren Glover 25—Elizabeth Randall 27—Thelma Brynolfson 30—Megan Hertel

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

Karen and Rick Newell (6/4)
Donna and Bob Cottrell (6/6)
Marilyn and Gene Koszarek (6/26)
Nancy and Richard Macakanja (6/27)



FISCAL FACTS - April 2019								
RECEIPTS:	BUDGET	APR. ACTUAL	APR. VARIANCE					
Membership Pledges	\$13,750	\$9,686	\$(4,064)					
Open Plate Offering	\$250	\$274	\$24					
Fundraisers	\$110	1	\$(110)					
Special Offerings	\$85	\$1,018	\$933					
Per Capita	\$85	\$85 \$313						
Trf from Reserves	-	-	-					
Other Receipts	\$1,000	\$864	\$(136)					
Total Receipts	\$15,280	\$12,155	\$(3,125)					
DISBURSEMENTS:	BUDGET	APR. ACTUAL	APR. VARIANCE					
Administration (Support)	\$9,415	\$8,160	\$1,255					
Discipleship	\$100	\$196	\$(96)					
Worship	\$612	\$(5)	\$617					
Flowers	\$108	\$75	\$33					
Nominating	\$10	-	\$10					
Fundraisers	-	1	-					
Witness	\$83	\$14	\$69					
Fellowship	\$40	\$9	\$31					
Building & Grounds	\$3,050	\$2,404	\$646					
Office Expense	\$900	\$792	\$108					
Session Expenses	\$165	\$50	\$115					
Per Capita	\$300	\$300	\$0					
Transfer to Mission	\$130	-	\$130					
Debt Repayment - PILP	\$471	\$399	\$72					
Debt Repayment - Line of Credit	\$217	\$65	\$152					
Total Disbursements	\$15,601	\$12,458	\$3,143					
Total Inflow/Outflow	\$(321)	\$(302)	\$18					

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	29	22 3:00 p.m. LaClair/ Ludlow Wedding (S)	15	8 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry (FH)	1 9:00 a.m. Communion Set-up (K)	S		



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