



The Presbyterian Church at Lakehurst, NJ

*Rooted in God's Love
Growing as Christ's Caregivers
Nourished by God's Spirit*

June & July 2015

The Presbyterian
Beacon



From the Pastor

Summer is almost here—a time for rest and renewal. A time to remember that even God rested on the 7th day. We need to slow down, and lie in green pastures, beside the still waters, so that God can restore our souls. (I'm sure that God restores souls at sandy beaches, with warm sea breezes, for Jersey shore-goers too.)

But even as our pace changes, we continue to worship and serve God every week, and every day, as you will see in the following pages. The Church leaders have made exciting plans for the summer. I hope you will mark your calendar, tell your family and friends, and participate as and when you can—because our souls are restored also as we worship, fellowship, and serve with members of the faith community.

Take out your calendar and note the PW spring luncheon, the church picnic, the choirs' last hurrah before summer break, and the special fun day for children as they "Chalk the Walk." You may also have more time to serve on the Food Pantry crew, look for back-to-school bargains, and join us at The Chelsea, assisted living center, to lead worship. Look for details inside!

And I hope MANY of you will note that we are hosting the **meeting of Monmouth Presbytery on Tuesday, June 23**, and you will plan to help us welcome teaching and ruling elders from all of the churches in the Presbytery. We need members in the parking lot to help our guests park their cars, and members inside the buildings to direct people to the places where they will register, enjoy a meal, have the meeting, and use the rest rooms. The meal is 5:30 and the meeting is 7:00 pm.

And if you have never attended a Presbytery meeting before, please come and see what it means to be a "connectional church." We worship together, we laugh, we speak the truth in love, and we help one another be faithful and true to God. It's not intimidating! Just be your usual warm and friendly selves.

Pastor Christina

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DON'T FORGET

- 6/8 PW Spring Picnic
- 6/11 Worship at The Chelsea
- 6/14 Church School Sun. Church Picnic
- 6/23 Host the Presbytery Meeting
- 6/24 Food Pantry
- 7/9 Worship at The Chelsea
- 7/26 Scholarships Awarded
- 7/29 Food Pantry
- 8/1 Chalk the Walk Kids Fun Day





Mission Team



School Supplies: look for sales, as we donate school supplies for children in need at Lakehurst Elementary School. The children need: backpacks, 3-ring binders and paper, 2-pocket folders, #2 pencils, erasers, post-it notes, glue sticks, colored pencils, high-lighters, 12-inch rulers, play dough, hand sanitizer, clorox wipes, paper towels, ziploc bags, protractor, scissors, and multiplication flash cards. Containers will be at both entrances to the Sanctuary. Thank you.



College Scholarships: will be awarded during worship on **Sunday, July 26.** Help us encourage all of the students during worship and fellowship hour.

Food Pantry: is open from **10 to 11 am on the last Wednesday** of each month. Thank you for your contributions, especially of pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, canned fish and meat, soup and vegetables, breakfast cereal and toiletries. If you would like to join the Pantry Crew, please tell Kim Milana or Ruth Bell.

Cub Scout Pack 10—meets here on Friday evenings and is open to all boys in 1st to 5th grade. See Kim Milana for information. The Scouts will provide fresh vegetables to our Food Pantry again this year. Check out their garden in front of the garage. Also **Boy Scout Troop 10** meets here on Sunday evenings at 7.



Other Mission programs supported by the church include: **Al-Anon** at 1 pm on Fridays is open to the family and friends of people who have addictions; **N.A.** on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm; **Seniors Deaf Club** on the 2nd Thursday at 9 am, and the **Ocean County Deaf Club** on the 3rd Saturdays at 5 pm.

Stewardship



We hope that you enjoy the summer. If you plan to go away and miss worship at any time, please put your regular offering in the mail to the Church—which doesn't take a holiday. Laure Childers, the Church Treasurer, will see that your offering is posted! Thank you.

The one-time **2015 Per Capita assessment is \$35.30 for each active member.** A blue envelope for your Per Capita payment is in your box of offering envelopes. This once-a-year assessment supports the overall mission of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) including the Presbytery staff and programs. If you are an active member, please check to see if you have made your payment of \$35.30. Thank you.





Evangelism & Fellowship Team

Welcome our Newest Members: On May 19, the Session received into membership:



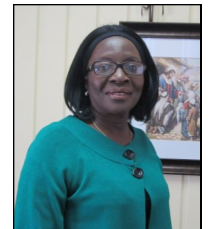
Patricia A. DiBiase grew up in the Presbyterian Church, married her husband Dave in Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church, and raised their daughter, Christine, as a member of Pilgrim Congregational Church in Warren NJ. She enjoys swimming, boating and traveling. (Christine is in college, and worships with us whenever she is in town.)

Joan E. Mitchell grew up in the Methodist Church, joined this church in 1973, helped develop the new Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Jackson, and is coming 'home' to Lakehurst. Joan is a widow, with three adult children, and she enjoys cooking, country music, and spending time with her grandchildren. Her great-grandson is being baptized here May 31.



Gladys Ruccella was baptized in the Disciples of Christ church in Puerto Rico, and has been an active member of Bethel Pentecostal Church in Lakewood. Before her husband died, they took mission trips to the Dominican Republic. Gladys enjoys cooking, bocce, swimming, arts and crafts, and she cares for her mother in Lakewood.

Evol V. Sealy was baptized in the Methodist Church in Sierra Leone, and has been an active member of the Englishtown Presbyterian Church, where she was ordained an elder and deacon, and a Stephen Minister. She served on the stewardship committee, at the soup kitchen, and engaged in ministries of caring, outreach, and Bible study. Evol is a widow with two children including Rosaline, in college, who worships with us when she can.



Church Picnic: Let us know that you will stay for the picnic after worship on **Sunday June 14**. We provide grilled hot dogs, rolls, beverages and paper products. You can bring a table-ready dish to share: a veggie, dessert, 'adult' entree, or make a small donation, or just come and enjoy the fellowship! It is an in-doors picnic but you can dress casually. If you haven't signed up, please call the church office today.

Fellowship Hour: Join us after worship for fellowship and refreshments, and consider hosting fellowship. We provide the coffee, tea, paper and plastic ware. The host brings a snack, a quart of milk and juice.

Care for the Caregivers: On the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 10:30 am, we gather in the Living Room for an hour of prayer, sharing and caring.

Ladies' Play Group: Donna Lemanski leads a group for Ladies (all ages) at 1 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. Bring your craft or needlework project or just come to chat.

Toddlers' Play Group: Cathy Kelemen leads a group for toddlers (age 1 to K) and parents at 10 am on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays for games, crafts and fellowship.

Country Wonder – Carole Sloan sings lovely ballads with a country flair at **5 pm on the 2nd Sunday**. Bring a table-ready dish to share and join us for a pot luck supper, wonder-ful music and warm fellowship.



Deacons

Deacons' Flea Market & Bake Sale

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed a cake or sale items or gave us a hand! We made \$766 that we will use for people in need throughout the year. The break-down is: Table/Space Rental \$240; Flea Market items \$217; Baked Goods \$127; Coffee & Snacks \$80, and Ladies Playgroup crafts \$102.



Please remember to pray for the community of faith and each member with special needs throughout the summer. If you become aware of someone who is ill, in distress, or in the hospital, or suffered a loss, or could just use some pastoral care, please call the church office. Don't assume that the pastor or deacons already know. Your call will be kept in confidence, but you will share the light and love of Christ by making that call. Thank you!

Presbyterian Women

On the heels of the delightful *Southern Garden Tea Party* in April, Presbyterian Women invite all women of the church to join us on **Monday, June 8, at 1 pm in Fellowship Hall** for our **Spring Picnic**. At the May meeting, we decided to have the indoor picnic catered this year. It will be simple fare with joyous fellowship. Please sign up or call the Church office so we know how many women to expect.



At the May meeting, we concluded our study on Paul, and Anne Bell introduced next year's Horizon Bible study entitled "*Come to the Waters*" which will be much more accessible and relevant. Again, please let us know if you want us to purchase the study for you. The cost is \$8 or \$12 for large print.

And the P.W. Nominating Committee met and prayerfully developed the following slate of officers for the 2015-2016 program year: Co-Moderators Anne Bell and Shirley Hiller; Vice-Moderator Carole Sloan; Secretary Arlene Trelease, and Treasurer Nancy Koch. The slate will be presented for vote at the June 8 meeting.

All women of the church are "Presbyterian Women." Join us as we study, fellowship and support people in need here and throughout the world.



Christian Education Team



Sunday School Children: are preparing now for Church School Sunday. The more practice they have, the more comfortable and confident they will be to lead worship on **Sunday, June 14**. We hope to see your child here when they teach us about forgiveness with hand puppets of the Prodigal Son, the Forgiving Father, and many more.

Instead of Vacation Bible School this year, we are offering **one day full of fun** for (potty trained) children Age 3 through Grade 5. So mark your calendars and tell your family and friends about—



**Chalk the Walk: Saturday, August 1
from 11 am to 3 pm**

With games, prizes, food, and fun activities, the children will learn **what it means to be created in the image of God!** Space is limited, so please pre-register your child through the Church office. Cost of admission: please bring a non-perishable food item for the Church's Food Pantry.

Adult Education: We will finish our study of *The Story*, an easy-to-read narrative version of the Bible. Books are available, but everyone is welcome whenever they can come on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11:30 am, or the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7 pm. Here is the Schedule for week of June 2, chapter 26; June 21, chapter 27; July 5, chapter 28; Aug. 2, chapter 29; Aug. 16, chapter 30, and Aug. 30, chapter 31.

Starting in September, we will study the **Gospel of Mark** which is the first Gospel that was written. It is short and can be read in one sitting. We encourage everyone to read through the **Gospel of Mark**, several times this summer, and note your observations and questions.

Worship Team



Worship & Communion Service. We offer a service at The Chelsea, 1657 Silverton Rd., Toms River, at 10:30 am on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Please let Pastor Christina know if you can participate in the service.



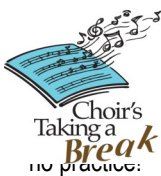
Summer Pick-Up Choir begins June 28. Please give Diana a list of **your favorite hymns** now so that she can plan music for the summer. Also warm up your vocal chords and **pick yourself up** to sing a familiar hymn in the choir loft during the offering.

And consider giving it a try in **The Chancel Choir** or **The Brass Hand Bell Choir** when practice resumes in the fall. Diana is planning to offer a **Christmas Cantata** this year. Share your gifts and help us glorify God together. (You will laugh a lot, too!)





2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 10:30 Care for Caregivers 1 Ladies' Play 7 Bible Study	3 10 Mission Team 1 Choir Practice 3 Bell Choir 6:30 N.A.	4 10 Toddlers' Play 6 E&F Team	5 1 Al-Anon Group 6 Cub Scouts	6
7 [choir sings/plays] Communion 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 11:30 Bible Study 7 Boy Scouts	8 1 Presbyterian Women Spring Picnic	9 10 Property Team 6 Christian Education Team	10 10 Stewardship 11:30 Deacons 6:30 N.A.	11 9 Senior Deaf Club 10:30 Worship @ The Chelsea	12 1 Al-Anon Group 7 Pack Meeting	13
14 [kids sing] 10 Church School Sunday Worship! 11 Church Picnic 5 Country Wonder Music & Pot Luck	15	16 10:30 Care for Caregivers 1 Ladies Playgroup 6 Session Meeting 7 Bible Study	17 12 Worship Team 6:30 N.A.	18 10 Toddlers' Play 5 Youth Group	19 1 Al-Anon Group 6 Cub Scouts	20 5 Ocean County Deaf Club
21 [men sing] 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 11:30 Bible Study 7 Boy Scouts	22	23 5:30 Meal for Presbytery Comm'r's 7 Presbytery Mtg.	24 10 Food Pantry 6:30 N.A.	25	26 1 Al-Anon Group 6 Cub Scouts	27
28 [pick-up choir] 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 7 Boy Scouts	29	30				



LAKEHURST FARMERS AND SPECIALITY MARKET
at Lake Horicon on Sundays starting June 28



And because
God has forgiven us
again, and again, and again!



JULY 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:30 N.A. Meeting	2	3 1 Al-Anon Meeting	4
5 10 Worship & Communion 11 Fellowship 11:30 Bible Study 7 Boy Scouts	6	7 10:30 Care for Caregivers 1 Ladies Play 7 Bible Study	8  6:30 N.A. Meeting	9 9 Senior Deaf Club 10:30 Worship @ The Chelsea	10 1 Al-Anon Meeting	11
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26 10 Worship & Scholarship Awards 11 Fellowship 7 Boy Scouts	27	28	29 10 Food Pantry 6:30 N.A. Meeting	30	31 1 Al-Anon Meeting	



The Pastor will be on vacation July 8 to July 22. Arrangements have been made for pastoral emergencies. **Please call the Church office** if you become aware of anyone who could use some pastoral care. Your call will be kept confidential. Call 732-657-5211.

Add:

Faith and
Coffee during
Fellowship
Hour!





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Sunday School & Worship: 10 am

Rev. Christina Hindley, Pastor

Elder Dawn Heaney, Clerk of Session



Saturday, August 1, 11 am to 3 pm

WORSHIP  WITH US!

June 7 2nd Sunday after Pentecost	Mark 3:20-35	<i>“A House Divided”</i>
June 14 Church School Sunday	The Forgiving Father in Luke The Forgiving Brother in Gen	<i>“Making Choices”</i>
June 21 4th Sunday after Pentecost	Mark 4:35-41	<i>“The Storms of Life”</i>
June 28 5th Sunday after Pentecost	Mark 5:21-43	<i>“The Miracles of Life”</i>
July 5 6th Sunday after Pentecost	Mark 6:1-13	<i>“The Lemons of Life”</i>
July 12 7th Sunday after Pentecost	Mark 6:14-29	Rev. Linda Goeddel is preaching
July 19 8th Sunday after Pentecost	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Rev. Linda Goeddel is preaching
July 26 9th Sunday after Pentecost	Ephesians 3:14-21	<i>“The Family of Faith”</i>