



The Presbyterian Church at Lakehurst, NJ

*Rooted in God's Love
Growing as Christ's Caregivers*

March 2016

The Presbyterian
Beacon



PASTOR SEARCH UPDATE—Clerk Dawn Heaney

The search for a new pastor is well underway. Because the church is looking for a stated supply pastor, the Session prepared a Ministry Information Form that is in the PC(USA) search program; reviewed dozens of Personal Information Forms from prospective candidates; listened to sermons; checked references, and will schedule interviews later this month.

We are grateful for Pastor Christina's leadership. With her guidance, the faith community has grown in spirit and in numbers, and the church officers have been equipped and have assumed greater responsibility for the life and ministry of the church. While we will miss her, we trust that a new pastor will breathe new life and energy into church as we continually discern and realize Christ's purpose for this community of faith.

Worship at Lakehurst—Elder Glenn Milana

Worship is the heart of this faith community, and we will not miss a beat! Diana is back, and the choirs will resume practice. And preachers that I contacted are excited about filling the Lakehurst pulpit and worshipping with us (see pg. 6). On March 6, Presbyterian Women will lead worship and Rev. Goeddel will return to administer the Sacrament of communion. We hope to see you each week. Anyone interested in leading Sunday Bible Study 1st & 3rd after worship please contact Glenn.

Presbyterian Women meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 1:30 pm for mission, study and fellowship. All women of the church are welcome. March's lesson is chapter 6 of the study book. Please prepare by reading pgs 49-54 with special emphasis on Amos Chapter 5 of bible verses 21-24.

Dorothy DeLigny has moved to an Independent Living facility at Leisure Park Rt. 70 Lakewood, NJ 08701 room #312. You can call her at 732-713-5552.

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PLEASE NOTE:

- 3/1,3/15 Ladies' Craft Group has resumed
- 3/12 Remember to set clocks forward
- 3/10 Nursing Home Worship Service
- 3/13 Country Wonder
- 3/20 Passion**
- 3/27 Easter Sunday/ One Great Hour of Sharing will be Received, please return envelope included in News letter**
- 3/30 Food Pantry



Stewardship & Administration

After the ordination and installation of new church officers on February 14, 2016, the members of Session and the Board of Deacons are:

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
RULING ELDERS (Clerk of Session Dawn Heaney)		
Evol Sealy – Stewardship	Barbara Fair-Property	Valerie Pomaro – E & Fellowship
Glenn Milana – Worship	Ruth Bell – Mission	Christy Stewart – Education
DEACONS (Moderator Nancy Lehrach)		
Ray McGlyn	Bobbie Seidel	Anna Lugo
Phyllis Johnson	Nancy Lehrach ²	Carol White

The Stewardship Team will be meeting the last Sunday of the month after worship.

Worship Team

The **Chanel Choir** practices Wednesdays at 1:00 and Sundays at 9:15 am. The **Brass Handbell Choir** practices Wednesday at 3:00 and 9 am on Sundays that they ring! **New members are always welcome.**

We bring **Christian Worship** to the residents at the Hampton Ridge Healthcare & Rehad., 94 Stevens Road, Toms River, at **10:30 on the 2nd Thursday of each month.** Let Carole Sloan know you will help.

Passion Sunday March 20, at 10am. Palms will be distributed. And the congregation will participate in a reading of Christ’s Passion. Join us for this moving service.

Easter Sunday, April 27, at 10 am, we will celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with glorious music and thanksgiving!



Easter Flowers—an order form is attached for anyone who would like to help us decorate the sanctuary for Easter by purchasing a flower in memory or in honor of a loved one. The **due date is Sunday, March 20th.** Please also let us know if you wish to take the flower/s or have them delivered to some-one.

Deacons

Moderator, Nancy Lehrach, will be receiving and coordinating your prayer requests. Please **call her at home** to add or remove anyone’s name, and let the Deacons know of pastoral needs during this time of transition. Thank you.



Evangelism & Fellowship Team

Fellowship Hour—after worship, we get to know one another or catch up while we nourish our stomachs and our spirits. Please consider hosting one Sunday. The church provides coffee, tea, cups, plates, and plastic ware. The hosts bring a snack, quart of milk and juice.

Reception of New Members—the Team is always ready to welcome you into this community.

Country Wonder—Carole Sloan sings lovely ballads at **5 pm on the 2nd Sundays**. Bring a table-ready dish to share and join us for a pot luck supper and a delightful evening of good music, good food and good fellowship.

Ladies Craft Group—Donna Lemanski leads a group that meets **1 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays**. Bring your craft or needlepoint project, or come to enjoy good fellowship.

Christian Education Team

Sunday School—for children ages 3 through grade 6 meets during worship after the Children's message.

Adult Bible study—starting March 1, we will study the Book of Jeremiah, using Eugene H. Peterson's book *Run with the Horses: The Quest for Life at Its Best*, 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7 pm. Beginners are welcome!

Children's Easer party is being planned. Stay tuned for date and more info in announcements.

Mission Team

Prescription Pill Containers: No longer collecting pill bottles for the **Malawi Project** until further notice. Due to an overwhelming response they have run out of storage space.

Food Pantry: is open from **10 to 11 am on the last Wednesday** of each month. Thank you for all of 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.

Other mission programs: **Cub Scouts**, Pack 10, meet at 6 pm on Fridays, and **Boy Scouts**, Troop 10, meet at 7 pm on Sundays. **Al-Anon Family Meeting** at 1 pm on Fridays is open to the family and friends of people who have addictions, and **N.A.** meets 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.



Easter Flowers

Help us decorate the Chancel for Easter
by making a \$10 contribution for each flower
in memory or in honor of someone you love.
Please bring or mail this form to the Church Office
on or before March 20, 2016.

I want to take #_____ Flowers

I do NOT want to take a flower _____

Name: _____


Phone no.: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____



March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 1 Ladies' Craft Group 7 Bible Study b	2 10 Mission Team 1 Choir Practice 3 Handbells 6:30 N.A.	3	4 1 AI Anon Mtg 6 Cub Scouts	5
6 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 7 Boy Scouts	7	8 12 E&F Team Bring lunch 1 Deacons 6 Christian Ed.	9 1 Choir Practice 3 Handbells 6:30 N.A.	10 9 Senior Deaf club 10:30 Hampton-Ridge Worship	11 1 AI Anon Mtg 6 Cub Scouts	12 
13 10 Worship, 11 Fellowship 11:30 Property T. 11:30 Deacons 5 Country Wonder	14 1:30 P.W.	15 1 Ladies' Craft Group 6 Session Mtg. 7 Bible Study	16 12 Worship Tm 1 Choir Practice 3 Handbells 6:30 N.A.	17	18 1 AI Anon Mtg 6 Cub Scouts	19 5 Ocean County Deaf Club
20 10 Worship/Palm Sunday 11 Fellowship 7 Boy Scouts	21	22	23 1 Choir Practice 3 Handbells 6:30 N.A.	24	25 1 AI Anon Mtg 6 Cub Scouts	26
27 10 Easter 11 Fellowship 11:30 Stewardship Team 7 Boy Scouts	28	29	30 10 Food Pantry 1 Choir Practice 3 Handbells 6:30 N.A.	31		



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Sunday School & Worship: 10 am

Elder Dawn Heaney, Clerk of Session



**Sunday, March 20
10 am Worship
Passion Sunday**



**Sunday March 27
10 am Worship Easter**

EASTER

WORSHIP  WITH US!

Mar. 6 4th Sunday in Lent Holy Communion	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32	Preaching: Rev. Linda Goeddel
Mar. 13 5th Sunday in Lent	John 12:1-8	Rev. Barbara Hicks
Mar. 20 Passion Sunday	Luke 23:1-49	Elder Glenn Milana
Mar. 27 Easter	Luke 24:13-49	