



# The Presbyterian Church at Lakehurst, NJ

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

## March & April 2015

The Presbyterian  
Beacon



## Worship—is at the heart of our life together

During **Lent**, the Pastor is portraying people who accompanied Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem. And we are identifying with how John the Baptist felt when it was time for him “to decrease, and for Jesus to increase,” and how Peter felt when Jesus rebuked him and said, “Get behind me, Satan.”

On March 8, **Presbyterian Women** will lead worship, lift up a few of Jesus’ encounters with women, and assure us that whoever we are, wherever we go and whatever we do, God is with us.

On Thursday, March 12 and April 9, we will bring “church” to men and women who served the Lord their whole life and are now in **The Chelsea** (10:30 am) and in **Arista Care-Manchester** (2:45 pm). Please join us for these most meaningful services of worship.



On **Sunday, March 29, at 10 am**, participate in the **Passion of Christ** with readings, many hymns, and special anthems by the Chancel Choir. Palms will be available.

**Thursday, April 2, at 7 pm**, join us for another moving **Service of Communion and Tenebrae** as we remember the Last Supper and the shadow of betrayal, abandonment, denial, guilt, judgment, crucifixion and the tomb.



And 10 am on **Easter Sunday**, April 5, we will celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and the new life that Christ offers to all people. Come, let us worship together with glorious music, energy, gratitude and love.

On April 12, you will not want to miss the **Children’s** presentation of The Lord’s Prayer skit that shows God’s sense of humor! And on April 19, the **Men of the Church** will lead worship. Let us thank God for Jesus and for our gifts and our hunger to worship together!

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### DON'T FORGET MARCH 8



### NOTE THE DATE

- 3/8 Country Wonder Music & Pot Luck
- 3/28 Clean Up Day!
- 3/29 Passion Sunday Flower Orders due
- 3/25 Food Pantry
- 4/2 7 pm Worship for Maundy Thursday
- 4/5 **EASTER!**  
OGHS received
- 4/6-4/21 Pastor Vacation
- 4/12 Country Wonder
- 4/25 P.W. Tea
- 4/29 Food Pantry



## Mission Team

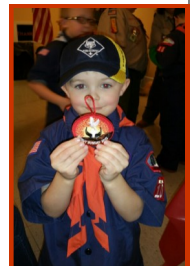


The Session of The Presbyterian Church in Lakehurst invites the congregation to participate in only one of the four Special Offerings of the PC(USA), and that is **One Great Hour of Sharing** in which our funds are combined with that of other Presbyterians to provide hunger relief, disaster relief, and self-development of people here and around the world. The special offering will be received on **Easter Sunday, April 5**. An envelope is attached, and we hope that you will prayerfully put aside some funds during Lent and give generously to this effective mission of the church.

**Food Pantry:** is open at **10 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.

**Lakewood Soup Kitchen:** On the 4th Saturday of each month, the First Presbyterian Church opens its doors to people who want a hot meal from 12 to 2. Your ears, heart and hands are needed at 11 am to help.

**Cub Scout Pack 10**—On February 27, the Scout leaders hosted the **Blue & Gold Dinner** at which the scouts received awards including a Scout Sunday patch (see Carter Lowe at right) and Fleet Reserve certificates (photo). As soon as the weather warms, the scouts will begin work on their garden. The Cub Scouts meet here on Friday evenings and are open to all boys in 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. See Kim Milana for information. Also **Boy Scout Troop 10** meets here on Sunday evenings at 7.



**Al-Anon Meetings** are open to the family and friends of people who have a problem with alcohol or drugs. They learn that they are not alone, and that they have choices that lead to healthy, life-giving decisions. A group meets here on **Fridays at 1 pm**. Everyone is welcome.

Other mission programs include **N.A.** on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm; **Seniors Deaf Club** on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 9 am, and the **Ocean County Deaf Club** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays at 5 pm.



The Church is blessed with the ability, by the generosity of Alice B. Perry, to give scholarships to “needy and worthy children who wish to go to college.” The **2015 Scholarship Applications** are now available at the entrances to the sanctuary and through the church office. The **Applications are due on or before May 17, 2015**, and will be awarded during worship on Sunday, July 26.



## Presbyterian Women present *A Southern Garden Tea*

**Saturday, the 25<sup>th</sup> of April  
at two o'clock in the afternoon**

All women are welcome to participate.  
Please call 732-657-5211 to make a reservation  
on or before Wednesday, April 15,  
and bring your favorite tea cup.



## Evangelism & Fellowship Team

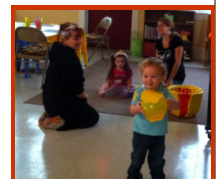
**Fellowship Hour:** Join us after worship for fellowship and refreshments. This is a great time to catch up with friends and make new friends. And consider hosting fellowship. We provide the coffee, tea, paper and plastic ware. Just bring a snack, a quart of milk and juice, and we'll show you how to set up and clean up. Thank you.



**Care for the Caregivers:** On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 10:30 am, we gather in the Living Room for an hour of prayer, sharing and caring. Give and receive the support that we all need.

**Country Wonder** – Carole Sloan sings lovely ballads with a country flair at **5 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays (March 8; April 12)**. Please bring a table-ready dish to share and join us for a pot luck supper. It is a delightful evening of good music, good food and good fellowship.

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



**Ladies' PlayGroup** – NEW DAY AND TIME: Donna Lemanski leads a women's group on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays from **1:00 to 2:30 pm**. Bring your favorite craft or needlework project, or sit and chat with us. The more, the merrier.



## Christian Education Team



**Sunday School Classes** have been restructured to meet the needs of our children. Sunday morning classes are **Toddlers-Grade 1** and **Elementary** (gr. 2-5). The **Middle School** children (gr. 6-8) will meet at 5 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month for a special program. They will also help teach the Toddler-Grade 1 class.

**Middle School Youth Group** is starting in March and will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 5 pm. All youth in grade 6 and up are welcome to join us for study, fellowship and fun.

### Adult Education:

*The Story* is an easy-to-read, narrative version of the Bible. Books are available to borrow or buy. Except for the month of April this year, we meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 11:30 am, and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 7 pm. You are welcome to come at any time.

**Come As U R** – Elder Glenn Milana shows a 10-minute thought-provoking video and leads a discussion in the Living Room **after worship on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday** of each month.

**Vacation Bible School—*A Blast from the Past***—will be in the evening again this year, during the week of August 10. We need help with registration, publicity, decorating, food prep, leading a class, drama, music, games and crafts. If you have not already done so, please sign up and let us know that you can help. Thank you.

## Worship Team (continued)

**The Chancel Choir** always welcomes new voices. We practice at 1 pm on Wednesdays and at 9:15 Sunday morning. Please come, and make a joyful noise!

**The Brass Handbell Choir** meets at 3 pm on Wednesdays and before worship whenever we are playing. If you are willing to make a commitment to try, and you can count to four, we would love for you to join us, even if you have never before played an instrument.

**Changing the Order of Worship**—is not done quickly or easily. But in order to enhance the integrity and flow of worship, the Worship Team is recommending that we move the **Passing of the Peace** from the “Gathering” section of worship to the “Responding” section. Starting on **May 24**, which is Pentecost, after we pray and before we sing the final hymn and are dismissed, we will exchange a sign of peace with one another.



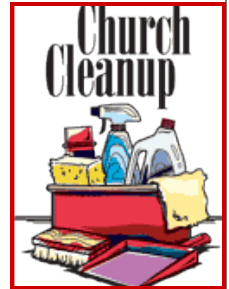
**Easter Flowers**—an order form is attached for anyone who would like to help us decorate the sanctuary for Easter by purchasing a flower in memory or in honor of a loved one. The **due date is Sunday, March 29**. Please also let us know if you wish to take the flower/s or have them delivered to someone. Thank you!



**HELP!! HELP!!**  
*“What can I do?”*  
**Here is how you can help:**

**1. Join the Team that meets at 10 am on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. We need your ideas and your prayers.**

**2. Come at 9 am to 12 noon on **Saturday, March 28**, and help us make the property sparkle for Easter. There’s a job for **EVERYONE!****



**3. Estimates to replace the ceiling tiles in the Orchard Avenue entrance are \$1,800+. This is not rocket science. But it takes a few people who can climb a ladder, lift a tile off the bracket, put a new tile on the bracket, and measure and cut a few tiles for the perimeter. Who wants to give it a try?**

## Deacons

Please pray for: Nellie Breiner; Peg Burke’s friend Meryl; Diana Bryce and Dave’s brother Bob; Vi Caldwell’s granddaughter Dana; Don Covert; Bea Cox; Mary Crichton; Dottie Danley; Dorothy DeLigny’s daughter Patty; Bonnie Dreier’s brother, Phil; the Earleys’ friend Neil & family; Judy Eggers; Barbara Fair’s daughter-in-law Karen; Marge Furze’s friend Lillian; Alice Georgeson; Agnes Gibson; Rev. Helen Granozio and friends Harold, Daniel & family, Donna and all to whom she ministers; the Koch’s family Linda & Melanie; Nancy Lehrach; Donna Lemanski; Alice Loonam and family Joan and Tom, Kim and Tommy; Silvano Lugo; Alice McCollum; Kathy McWilliams & friend Ken; Cindy Martinez; Hazel Melone’s grandson John and granddaughter Michele; Kim & Glenn Milana and friend Wayne; BJ Nelson and sister Karen; Margaret Plenk; Valerie Pomaro’s mother-in-law Mary; Carol Reagor’s friends Sharon and Steve; Laura Reid’s friend Brenda; Lorraine Secchitono’s son Joseph and friend John; Evol Sealy’s relatives in Africa; Carol Shan; Claire Schutz; Carole Sloan’s son Raymond and friends Pat, Cody, Louise; Diana Smerillo’s grandchildren Charley, Harper and Sadie; David Weeden’s grandnephew JT, sister Carol and nephew Kevin; Carol & Ken White and Carol, Lou & Bobbie, Diane & Buddy, Cathy & Richard; Ruth Wittich; Marjorie Wong & family Jason, Karen, George, and Robert. Please pray for all who are grieving, especially Anne Bell on the loss of her brother, and the family and friends of Jim Ryan.





**DEACONS’ FLEA MARKET—SATURDAY, MAY 16—SAVE THE DATE!!**



# MARCH

# 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10 Worship & LS 11 Fellowship 11:30 Bible Stdy 7 Boy Scouts	2	3 10:30 Care for Caregivers 1 Ladies' Play-group	4 10 Mission Team 1 Choir Practice 3 Bell Choir 6:30 N.A.	5 10 Toddlers' Playgroup 6 E&F Team	6 1 Al-Anon 6 Cub Scouts	7 
8 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 5 Country Wonder 7 Boy Scouts	9 1:30 Presbyte-rian Women	10 10 Property Tm 6 CE Team	11 10 Stewardship 12 Deacons 1 Choir Practice 3 Bell Choir 6:30 N.A.	12 9 Srs Deaf Club 10:30 Worship @ The Chelsea 2:45 @ Arista Care-Manchstr	13 1 Al-Anon 6 Cub Scouts	14
15 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 11:30 Bible Stdy 7 Boy Scouts	16	17 10:30 Care for Caregivers 1 Ladies' Play 6 Session 7 Bible Study	18 12 Worship Tm 1 Choir Practice 3 Bell Choir 6:30 N.A.	19 10 Toddlers' Playgroup 5 Youth Group	20 1 Al-Anon 7 Pack Meeting	21 3-10 Ocean County Deaf Club
22 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 11:30 Come /UR 7 Boy Scouts	23	24	25 10 Food Pantry 1 Choir Practice 3 Bell Choir 6:30 N.A.	26	27 1 Al-Anon 6 Cub Scouts	28 9-12 SPRING CLEAN UP DAY 
29 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 7 Boy Scouts	30	31				



**Nellie Mae Breiner** is moving to Crestwood Manor, 50 Lacey Road, Apt. #C-112, Whiting NJ 08759, and her new phone number is: 732-849-2412.

**Mary Crichton** moved to her daughter Lesley Gabriel's home, P. O. Box 89, Jeffersonville NY 12748. At this writing, Mary is in a rehab in NY for more therapy.

**Margaret Plenk** is receiving rehab in Arista Care-Manchester, 1770 Tobias Ave., Manchester NJ 08759. Her number is 732-657-8192. Please keep all of them in your prayers.



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			1 10 Mission Team 1 Choir Practice 3 Bell Choir 6:30 N.A.	2 10 Toddlers' Playgroup 6 E&F Team 7 Worship & LS Maundy Thurs.	3 Good Friday  1 Al-Anon	4
5 EASTER 10 Worship & LS 11 Fellowship	6  "HE HAS RISEN!" LUKE 24:6	7 Pastor Vacation  1 Ladies' Play	8 Pastor vac. 10 Stewardship 12 Deacons 1 Choir Practice 3 Bell Choir 6:30 N.A.	9 Pastor vac. 9 Srs. Deaf Club 10:30 Worship # The Chelsea 2:45 @ Arista Care-Manchstr	10  1 Al-Anon  6 Cub Scouts	11
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26 10 Worship 11 Fellowship 11:30 Come/UR 7 Boy Scouts	27	28	29 Pastor Study Leave NO choir practice 10 Food Pantry 6:30 N.A.	30 Pastor Study Leave		

### TRANSPORATION MINISTRY

The Deacons' transportation fund has been depleted. If you can provide a homebound member with a ride to choir practice or worship, please call the church office. Thank you!





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Elder Dawn Heaney, Clerk of Session



WORSHIP  WITH US!

March 1 2nd Sunday in Lent	Mark 8:31-38	<i><b>“John the Baptist”</b></i>
March 8 3rd Sunday in Lent	Psalm 139	<b>Presbyterian Women lead</b> <i><b>“Women with Jesus”</b></i>
March 15 4th Sunday in Lent	Mark 14 and 15	<i><b>“Judas”</b></i>
March 22 5th Sunday in Lent	Mark 14 and 15	<i><b>“High Priest”</b></i>
March 29 Passion Sunday	Mark 14 and 15	<i><b>“Jesus”</b></i>
April 1 7 pm, Maundy Thursday	Matthew, Luke and John	<i><b>“Holy Thursday”</b></i> <b>Communion &amp; Tenebrae</b>
April 5 Easter Sunday	Mark 16:1-8	<i><b>“Mary Magdalene”</b></i>
April 12 2nd Sunday of Easter	Repeat by <b>Popular Demand</b> due to Feb. 15 snow storm!	<b>Children &amp; Youth Lead</b> <i><b>“The Lord’s Prayer”</b></i>
April 19 3rd Sunday of Easter	Luke 24:36b-48	<b>The Men Lead Worship</b> <i><b>“What Can I Say?”</b></i>
April 26 4th Sunday of Easter	John 10:11-18	<i><b>“I am the Good Shepherd”</b></i>