



Rev. John H. Heinsohn
Minister of Visitation

What a delight it is to see everything come alive with spring blossoms and green grass and to look forward to warmer temperatures, more daylight and outdoor activities!

The Sunrise Service at the farm went well even though we saw some sprinkles at 5:30, which I know discouraged some people from making the trip. The sun almost peeked through the clouds around 6:30. Back at the church, the deacons put together a very nice floral display around the cross. The service at 10:30 had a good choral anthem and Laura Bocko organized a Children's sermon mini-drama.

The Vision Task Force has received about fifteen completed surveys but we would like to see more. There are survey sheets in the foyer of the church. We have started to approach past and present visitors for their input.

In early May, the Sunday morning Bible Study will finish up the study of Ezra and Nehemiah and the rebuilding of Jerusalem's wall and temple after the Exile. Then we will look at the book of Esther before we break for the summer. Esther relates to the same time frame as Ezra and Nehemiah. It is a fascinating story that is celebrated by Jewish people today as the feast of Purim. We are always thrilled to have visitors join us for the study which meets at 9:15 in the meeting room.

In one of the Bible Studies, I was struck by a statement uttered by the prophet Zechariah regarding the huge challenge of rebuilding the wall, etc. He said: "it will be done, *not by might, not by power but by my spirit says the Lord.*"

Like the Jews of old, we too are faced with a great challenge as we try to be faithful disciples of Jesus in this increasingly secular culture. The prophet would say to us: "*God's kingdom will come about not by our efforts alone (power and might) but by the spirit of God inspiring and empowering us.*"

God can accomplish great things through us if seek God's will and diligently follow the Holy Spirit's urgings.



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Worship Service:

10:30 a.m.

Sept. 9, 2018– June 2, 2019

9:30 a.m. June 9th – Sept. 8, 2019

Bible Study: 9:15 am

Holy Communion:

1st Sunday of the Month

Session Members:

Jonathan Rush – Clerk

Bonnie Pearce

Lillian Williams

Laura Bocko

Suzy Armstrong

Mike Feeney



The Presbyterian Women from Oceanside, New York will be worshipping with us on Sunday, May 5th



On Sunday, May 12th, we will be honoring our college graduates during the worship service. They are: DaraSue Braun graduating from DeSales University, with a BA degree in Theology, and Sonya Thiel graduating from Centenary University, with a BA in Theatre/double concentration, Production Management and Technical Theatre.

Coffee hour honoring the graduates will be held at 10 am. in the narthex.



The Women of Community Presbyterian Church will meet on Tuesday, May 14th, at 10 am with a Bible study, business meeting at 11 am and meet at a local eatery at 12 noon for lunch.



It's that time of year when our faithful choir goes on summer vacation and the music offering falls on the talents of the congregation. If anyone would like to sing or play a musical instrument for the musical selection, please let Bette know the Sunday you would like to share your talent with the congregation. She will have a sign-up sheet available.



The Women of CPCMBP will hold their annual bake sales at Driftstone Campgrounds on the following dates: Saturday, May 25th [Memorial day Weekend], Saturday July 6th [July 4th weekend], and Saturday, August 31st [Labor day weekend.]

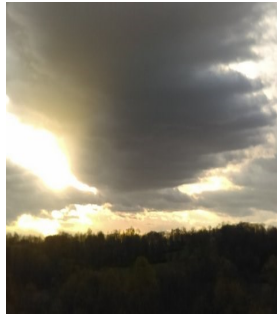
If anyone wishes to donate baked goods for the sales, it would be much appreciated. Someone will be at the church at 9:00 am on each Saturday of the sale day to pick up baked goods and

What's So Amazing About Grace? (Philip Yancey) — Lenten Soup and Study 2019



Easter Sunday Sunrise Service —April 21, 2019—Heinsohn Farm

Music accompaniment by Shirley Heinsohn and Anna Estrada,
With Rev. John Heinsohn leading worship.



Easter Sunday Drama — April 21, 2019

Mike Feeney narrated the Easter story. The cast: Jonathan Rush as Jesus; Laura Bocco as Mary; Daria Cyr as one of the women and Nathaniel Cyr, the angel in the tomb.





Church DEACONS

Deacon of the month is Jean Feeney



May 19—Jim and Sharon Potter



Please remember to bring your donation of a non-perishable food item for **PUMP** on Sunday, May 5th



Carole and Henry Deibel, Jim and Cathy DeMartino (Jim is hoping to have hip replacement surgery in June), the Stettler Family in the death of Dan.

Prayer requests are to be made to Heather Delp, Prayer Chain leader.

Heather's contact info is:

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Our deacons are holding a communion service every other month at the Clover Nursing Home in Columbia, NJ. Home communion is also offered to all those who desire it. Please contact Heather Delp or Joan Correll if you would like to be included in the home communion list.

Church

Our deacons will meet on Wednesday, May 8th at 2:00 pm and then

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Mt. Bethel and Portland
May 2019

May 1 -	May 16 -
May 2 -	May 17 -
May 3 -	May 18 - Armed Forces Day
May 4 -	May 19 - 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Rev. Nichols
May 5 - Presbyterian Women (Oceanside) 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Rev. Nichols	May 20 - 8:00 p.m. - AA
May 6 - 8:00 p.m. - AA	May 21 - 8:00 p.m. - AA
May 7 - 8:00 p.m. - AA	May 22-
May 8 - 2:00 pm Deacon's Mtg. 3:00 pm Clover Nursing Home 7:00 pm Session	May 23 -
May 9 -	May 24-
May 10 -	May 25 - Bake sale at Driftstone
May 11 -	May 26 - 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Rev. Nichols
May 12 - Mother's Day 9:15 Bible Study 10:00 Graduates Honorium 10:30 Worship-Rev. Heinsohn	May 27 - 8:00 p.m. - AA
May 13 - 8:00 p.m. - AA	May 28 - 8:00 p.m. - AA
May 14 - 10:00 am Presbyterian Women 8:00 p.m. - AA	May 29-
May 15-	May 30 -