



## THE OLIVE BRANCH



Ringoes, New Jersey

Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church

#### **June Events**

1-3 Chris on Vacation

5 Pentecost
Discernment Session
5pm Court of Honor

7 6:30pm Deacons Mtg

12 Trinity Sunday

14 Flag Day

6:30pm Boy Scout Cmte Mtg

15 11:00 Hillary Tobin Memorial
Olive Branch Deadline

19 Blessed Father's Day 21 7:00pm Session Meeting 25 11:00 Grocery Giveaway July 1 Ayres Scholarship Deadline

Jul 3 10am Community Worship

Weekly

Sat

Sun 9:30am Worship

Mon 6:30pm Boy Scouts Tue 8:00pm AA

Wed 7:30am Men's Bible Study

7:00pm Bell Rehearsal

Thu 9:30am Ladies Bible Study

8:00pm AA 4:00pm AA

View our calendar on our website

#### Hillary Tobin's Memorial Service

Hillary's family invites the congregation to attend a memorial service for Hillary to be held in the sanctuary on June 15th at 11:00 a.m. with reception to follow.

#### From the Discernment Team:

Sunday June 5th following church is the next storytelling event. If you are a Zoom (er) we will be hosting your important thoughts talking about comments from the Kirkpatrick history Timeline event & the demographic report (on tables or email office to request). If possible please RSVP to jim\_danner@comast.net so we can set up the event. Anyone is welcome even if you are unsure of attendance but can make it. Please come!

#### From the Pastor

#### Dreams and Visions

Then afterwards
I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

Joel 2:28

To a community beleaguered by military enemies and ravished by locusts Joel addressed this remarkable prophecy of spiritual renewal. Joel gives voice to God's intentions to send relief and restoration. But God doesn't stop there God promises to go beyond returning things to normal. God plans to supersede the previous reality with one in which all flesh (that's us) shall be bathed in God's spirit and inspired with dreams and visions. God's power will flow freely through humankind regardless of age gender or social station.

Centuries later when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' bereaved disciples Peter took up Joel's prophecy and extended it to the infant Church. We, God's people, called out to be the Body of Christ, have that Spirit in us! We are given the power to dream, the power to vision, and, by the grace of the God, the strength to carry that out. Empowered by the Spirit the original apostles spread Christ's message far and wide. The church grew like wildfire becoming first a vibrant movement and then over the centuries an influential institution.

Were it not for the inspiration of those early believers we would not be here today, at least not as a part of the community we call the church. We are indebted to the generations of those who have gone before us who have preserved the faith and passed it on. Like those who have gone before we too have a responsibility to preserve and pass the faith.

To fulfill that calling in our current age is a challenge indeed. So many forces work against us. But one thing remains unchanged: the Spirit is with us still! Like those Christians of old <u>we</u> are given the power to dream, the power to vision, and, by the grace of the God, the strength to carry that out.

In Christ, Pastor Marie



Chris, our office administrator, will be out of the office May 30 thru June 3.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

**Annual Community Worship Service** 

On Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, the River Churches will gather at Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead for our annual worship service together.

The service will begin at 10am. Please bring a folding chair, bug repellant and bottled water. We are asking that you BYOP+ 'Bring Your Own Picnic Lunch PLUS a little extra to share!'

We will set up the small building with tables as a buffet/pot luck room. This way we do not have to worry about food allergies and we get to sample some fine picnic cuisine.

No worship service at KMPC on Sunday, July 3rd

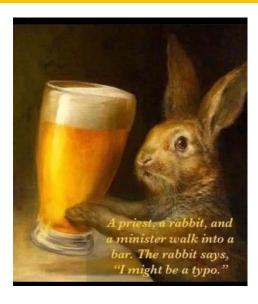
#### Samuel Ayers, Jr. Scholarship.

Applications for qualified students are now available and located on the table in the connector. All applications are due to the Scholarship Committee no later than July 1st. All awards are paid directly to the recipient's college. Please email admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org to request the application be emailed to you.

Sunday Worship Services – We gather every Sunday at 9:30am in-person (with masks) and via Zoom for a time of worship, singing, praying, and hearing God's Word. The Zoom link and bulletin information are emailed on Saturday morning for you to follow along. Please join us – and invite your friends and family.

SignUPGenius A sign of getting back to normal is we need volunteers! We need Worship Leaders to read during the worship, you know, the other person doing some talking up front, besides Pastor Marie. We also need volunteers for Coffee Hour. You've seen the announcement for weeks now. If you can bring treats to eat, Paul will help with the coffee. There is a sign-up sheet in sanctuary and we now have an online sign up form. Don't be shy, go ahead and explore it...if you need any help, reach out to Chris in the office. I'm looking forward to adding more volunteering needs, so let me know if you have suggestions. Note if you sign up on the paper sign up, I will happily sign you up online so people know. You can click on the sign up button on our website, worship invite or announcements.





#### Thank you to the men in this congregation

For being a part of this church, and being an example of what faith is.

For being weak enough to pray for strength And strong enough to believe in God's answers.

For being brave enough to show your doubts, And doubtful enough to keep coming back.

For caring about others

And allowing our prayers to care about you.

For living your faith in your everyday life Especially when no one is looking

For setting an example

For those following your footsteps.

Thank you for being present.

And a gift to us all

By Chris Kosmac

#### **FOOD MINISTRIES**

Our Blessing Box is empty three times per week.

Grocery Giveaways are the 4th Saturday of the month from 11am-noon in the church parking lot and at Lambertville Public School.

If you order your groceries online and are getting lots of reusable bags, we will take them for the food ministry.

Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Donation Shopping List:**

Parmalat milk

Peanut Butter, Jelly

Cereal

Pancake Mix, Syrup

Apple Sauce or Fruit

Pasta Sauce

Pasta

Canned GREEN Vegetables or fruit

Mac & Cheese

Boxed potatoes (au gratin/scalloped/mashed

**Brownie Mix** 

Tuna

large canned chicken

Black beans

Regular white rice

Paper towels



#### Session May Update

The session met via Zoom on Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7PM for our regular monthly meeting. Pastor Marie called the meeting to order, and Roger Pickard gave the devotions and prayer.

It was approved that the Scouts could use the churches Wi-Fi at the church when they meet and also they will be using one of the down stairs Sunday School class room (under the gym) for storage of some of there things.

It was approved for membership of Sue Aliseo's to be transferred to Fork River Presbyterian Church where she now lives.

There will be a memorial service on June 15<sup>th</sup> for Hillary Tobin. This will be at 11AM. More information to come.

There is a sign up list to be a Worship Leader with Pastor Marie. She is hoping everyone will take a turn with assisting here. All Sunday's are taken up to and including June 26<sup>th</sup> the invitation to help is for anyone in the congregation feeling lead to be more a part of the service. A worship Leader reads all announcements and the First Reading of Scripture.

We have faithfully Celebrated Communion every week through April and May.

We agreed to keep the current Covid protocols in place. Masks and social distancing are optional at this point. We will also be monitoring as the levels change in our area.

Updates were given on all committees.

We accepted with regret the resignation of Karen Shipman as Clerk of Session. We are beginning the process for the Election of Clerk of Session.

Respectfully submitted, Norma Zimmerman

# Deacon's June 2022 Prayer List

Deadon
KMPC Family
Ashlyne – Jen B
Bart and Norma
Ben D. (military transfer)
Chuck & Jean Mundhenk
Corliss & Family
Danny S (non hodgkins
lymphoma)Debi N
Dorothy S. (healing)
Erik Z
John S (health)
Joyce G (looking for house)
Karol (medical issues) Sue B.
sister
Ridgeley H (car accident)
Scott Lanie B's husband
Steve &Terri F. (healing)
Shawn and Anthony
Pat W. grieving loss of her sister
Mary.
Caregivers
Families suffering with addictions
Homebound members & Shut-Ins
Hospice Patients
Teachers & /Students

## Assisted living/ Care Center

Barry C Irene K. Phyllis P Millie W

## **Extended KMPC Family**

Alice (healing)
Amy F. (healing)
Angela Bodine (cancer)
Bill (heart attack) Kathy L brother
Charlotte's Family (grieving)
Vance (liver cancer) Karen D
Deanna (chemo) Jeanne M friend
Denise and John (John kidney
removed, Denise breast cancer)
Kathy's cousin
Franklin (Cancer)
Helen B (moved to care facility)
Dorothy
Jackie -- Betsy P Daughter

Jen (Health Issues )- Betsy P Karen (hip replacement) Bev's sister-in-law Kayla (cancer) Dave C's granddaughter Keith P (healing) Linda (Cancer) Lisa and Eric (house flooded) Lynn Η Lynn Mike V – Beverly's Friend Lolly H.(brain tumor) Debbie N friend Mark Z Nancy F. (Health issues) Kathy's Friend Natalie (Steve L sister) Linda (Cancer) Melissa (cancer) Bev's Friend Richard B. Sr. (Healing, diabetes)-Dorothy Ron and Sandy P (healing) Sally B. (Jessica R Mom) Chris Sandra H. (healing) Sherri B. (healing, lupus) – Richard's daughter Steve (cancer) -Tracy's friend. Toby & Judy N. (healing, Safety) Tom (Lymphoma) Families of Natural Disasters First Responders Military Men & Women and their Families President & Congress **Prisoners** 

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Phyllis Polenz	June 2
Shawn Dell	June 5
Aiden Quinn	June 6
Erik Zimmerman, Jr.	June 7
Rachel Dell	June 8
Ava O'Leary	June 17
Jennifer Schott	June 17
Donna Trevithick	June 19
Barry Cregar	June 22
Elizabeth Reilly-Hodes	June 22
Roger Pickard	June 26
Billy Schott	June 28
Todd Williamson	June 28
Marilyn Desnos	June 29



Frank & Linda Hults	June 3
Brian & Colleen Case	June 12
Mary Rae & Peter Fick	June 15
Lanie & Scott Ballard	June 20
Jim & Sharyn Danner	June 20
Bill & Jessica Roethel	June 28



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Refugees

**Shooting Victims** 

U.S. & World Situations

People with flu and virus

Victims of Violence

People of Ukraine

Troubled youth

Unemployed