

Agape Harvest

First United Presbyterian Church of Pine Plains

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*To **know** the love of
Christ; to **show** the
love of Christ; and to
grow in the love of
Christ.*

- All are welcome to join us at our weekly Sunday worship service at 11:00 a.m.
- Church School and childcare are available during the worship service.
- Join us for the warmth of coffee hours and fellowship following most weekly worship services.
- Pastor Carol's office hours are by appointment. Please call her at (518) 697-0025 (home), (845) 235-3569 (cell) or (518) 398-7117 (church office).

From Your Pastor:

A number of years ago we had the opportunity to go to Kenya and Tanzania. One real eye opener was the absolute terrible condition of the roads especially in Kenya. A trip that should have taken two hours by car literally took eight hours. Nevertheless the great migrations were amazing and it was a wonderful experience to enter into the world of the Masai Mara in Kenya.

On her trip to Kenya, Julie Ackerman Link had a guide named Sammy who was a Masai tribesman. She said that as they stopped along the way to watch the zebras and wildebeests migrating from Masai Mara to Serengeti, Sammy explained that the two massive herds travel together because the zebras have good eyesight but a poor sense of smell and the wildebeests have bad eyesight but a good sense of smell. By traveling together, both are less vulnerable to predators. This was their first lesson from God's revelation in creation, which Kenya has in abundance.

Just as God makes animals with different strengths and weaknesses, the Lord makes people the same way. The Lord made us to be dependent not only on Him but also on one another. As St. Paul reminds us as members of the body of Christ, we all have different gifts and abilities (1Cor. 12:12-31) and we need each other.



The church is healthy when we work together, look out for each other, and use our strengths to benefit one another. May we always remember that we can go a lot further together than we can alone. Thank you for the help you have given me.

With love in Christ,
Carol

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Upcoming Events, Notices

* Events dates & times subject to change

All meetings/events in the Fellowship Hall unless stated otherwise.

Bible Study: Thursdays at 7 pm. **No Bible Study July 19 and 26.**

Pastor Carol will be away July 14 to July 26. Jan will be preaching the 15th and 22nd.

Session Mtg: Tuesday September 11 at 7 pm.

Women's Assoc.: Thursday September 13 at 1:00 pm.

Council of Churches: Friday September 21 at 10:30 am at Church of the Regeneration.

Vacation Bible School: August 13-17 9-noon at Regeneration Episcopal Church on Pine Street. Registration forms are in our narthex.

Raffle: The Women's Association's third annual raffle will be drawn on Labor Day, September 3rd. The proceeds will help to pay for much needed church repairs. At the present time we have prizes donated by Stewart's, Pine Plains Liquor store, Hays Country Feed N Needs, Moose on the Loose, Tower Pizza and Texas Roadhouse with others being gathered. The cost of the tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. See any of the women if you would like to purchase tickets. And if you would be able to sell some for us we would appreciate that as well.

Roast Beef Dinner Takeout: Sunday September 23. Information will be forthcoming.

Coming to Know My gr-gr-grandfather Fred Knickerbocker through his letters and photographs: A Coming of Age on a Pine Plains Farm via Honolulu and the Spanish American War ~ Justin Kemp with Melodye Moore

**Saturday
July 28, 2018**

1:00 pm

Here at the Church

FREE

Sponsored by

**The Little Nine
Partners Historical
Society**



If you missed this event at the Wallace Center in May, you will be able to see a repeat performance here!

The historical society is very excited to be bringing this program back to Pine Plains and to the Knickerbocker family church.

Servants' Calendar



Liturgist July - September 2018

July 1	July 8	July 15	July 22	July 29
Dyan Wapnick	Margo Jackson	Jim Petrie	Roberta Cerniglia	Lynne Clinch
August 5	August 12	August 19	August 26	
Carol Hart	John Hart	Lynne Clinch	Doug Hart	
September 2	September 9	September 16	September 23	September 30
Dyan Wapnick	Margo Jackson	Jim Petrie	Roberta Cerniglia	Lynne Clinch

Communion: August – Bob Clinch; September – Kathy Bartles

Session Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month

Next Session Meeting: **Tuesday September 11 at 7:00 pm**

SESSION: Kathy Bartles, Bob Clinch, Jeanne Valentine-Chase, Scott Chase, Jim Jackson, and Linda Wendover.

Treasurer: Scott Chase

Clerk of Session: Kathy Bartles

Moderator: Pastor Carol Miller

DEACONS: Roberta Cerniglia, Lynne Clinch, Dora Hage, Carol Hart, and John Hart.

Deacon Schedule:

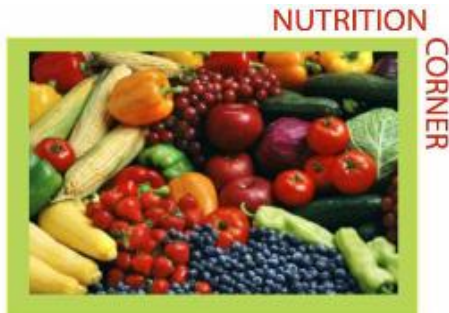
1st Sunday: John Hart

2nd Sunday: Carol Hart

3rd Sunday: Lynne Clinch

4th Sunday: Dora Hage

5th Sunday: Roberta Cerniglia



Summer Desserts

It's finally here! And with summer comes BBQ parties. You can guarantee you'll go to several before the end of the warm weather. Now let me ask you a question. What's the first thing you ask when accepting that invite? What can I bring? Am I right? Well I have the answer--- dessert. Kind and type to be determined by the number of guests and if children are involved or it's an adult only party.

By Lynne Clinch

The first thing to remember is simple is good. Purchasing a watermelon and cutting it into wedges, adding slices of cantaloupe and arranging on nice tray. Serve with a plate of cookies either homemade or bakery made. Is especially great when kids are involved. No kids then consider adding a drizzle of liquor or not; balsamic or any other flavored syrup on the fresh fruit.

An ice cream sundae station is good for kids of all ages. Have the ice cream already scooped up. I've used the plastic cups, 8 or 9 oz. size, scooped vanilla and chocolate ice cream up and had them in freezer ready to go. Take a variety of toppings including sprinkles, add whipped cream in canisters and don't forget the cherries. For adults add cream de mint or cocoa if desired. Don't forget to have sliced strawberries, crushed pineapple and bananas handy too. Just a sweet to top off a BBQ meal.

There are always cakes, pies and cookies too. This is all well and good but you don't want to be baking and heating up the kitchen in hot weather. If you don't mind the heat then there are several great recipes that are poke cakes that are really good. Bake the cake in 9x13 pan. Poke with fork after removing from oven. Spread crushed pineapple or another fruited pie filling ie: cherry or blueberry and let cool thoroughly. Make package of instant pudding. Spread over top and spread cool whip over it all. These are really good.

There are many recipes for no bake cookies on the internet. Some look good and of course depends on taste. Nicely arranged on tray and no one knows the kitchen has stayed cool.

Found a mini pie idea this morning while checking my email. It looked simple. It used already prepared products better known as semi homemade. Take already rolled out pie crust (Pillsbury) and cut out 4 inch circles placing into greased muffin tin. Open can of premade pie filling and place ¼ cup in each tin. With second crust cut strips and make lattice top. Bake 35 to 45 min. Can transport in the muffin pans and remove at party. Now you've heated the kitchen but it is worth it. Stop at store on way to party and pick up ice cream. You'll be the hit of the party.

While on the topic of deserts let me make a suggestion. Please consider hosting a coffee hour after church on Sunday. Easy to do. Just sign up in the Fellowship Hall to hold the date. Ask a friend to help or not. We are looking for simple light fare especially for the summer. Any of the above ideas would be workable. No need to heat up the kitchen. No luncheon is expected or necessary.

Light is the operable word here. A coffee cake, homemade or store bought is one suggestion. Most large grocery stores have bakery sections and run some great sales. For example: I hosted coffee hour last week and with the temps in the 90's I was not baking! I shopped at Tops where they were running a few great sales. Buy 2 get 3 free. That's where my chips came from as well as the trifle. Strawberries and blueberries and angel food cake were free when I bought 2 pkgs. of berries. The pudding and cool whip I had but that was on sale too (bogo). The watermelon was on sale too! See what I mean. Just plan it out or spare a few extra minutes shopping and buy on sale. That's actually what I did.

Please consider hosting a coffee hour. It's time of fellowship, friendship and getting to know your church friends better. Many pitch in and help with clean up so it's not a burden. As Pastor Carol says, "God loves a cheerful giver."

Presbyterian Mission

Compassion, Peace and Justice Ministry

“Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.”—Isaiah 58:12

The Compassion, Peace and Justice ministry area helps Presbyterians respond to the needs of the world’s most vulnerable people, address injustice in all areas of life and advocate for peaceful solutions to conflict. This ministry area also provides disaster relief, direct service, capacity building and development assistance to marginalized communities nationally and around the world.

CARE for God’s Creation

- Protect God’s earth so future generations may experience its beauty and its bounty
- Support food production that coincides with living in harmony with God’s creation
- Challenge systems that put profit ahead of health, safety and the environment
- Inspire and equip Presbyterians to work for eco-justice in their local communities

SPEAK Truth in Love to Power

- Protect children from all forms of abuse
- End human trafficking
- Amplify the voices of those society marginalizes
- Challenge systems of oppression and discrimination
- Stand with those who seek livable wages

END Poverty and Hunger

- Empower people to forge their own path
- Work for long-term solutions to systemic poverty and injustice
- Provide opportunities for Presbyterians to join the greater faith community in action
- Support training and capacity-building programs
- Support better education for all children

RESTORE Communities Impacted by Disaster

- Help those who help others
- Care for communities impacted by crises and catastrophic events
- Focus on long-term recovery
- Provide training and disaster preparedness for presbyteries and synods

Promote PEACE and Conflict Resolution

- Inspire new approaches to active peacemaking
- Equip God’s people to be compassionate and prophetic peacemakers
- Help communities of peace take action to transform the world

Follow Christ to the Ends of the EARTH

- Share the good news of Christ’s love to the far reaches of the world
- Care for those who suffer for their faith

[The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering](#)

[The Pentecost Offering](#)

[The Peace and Global Witness Offering](#)

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The ministries of Compassion, Peace and Justice are supported by your contributions to the Presbyterian Mission Agency through your local congregation: ***We appreciate your support!***

PC(USA) Office of Public Witness director describes 30 hours in jail

by Rick Jones | Presbyterian News Service

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/a-night-of-trepidation-and-enlightenment/>



Faith leaders are arrested outside of the U.S. Supreme Court building in June 2018 as part of the Poor People's Campaign. (Photo by Jessie Palatucci)

LOUISVILLE — The director of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Office of Public Witness recently found out what life is like behind bars. The Rev. Jimmie Hawkins, along with other clergy, was arrested earlier this month while praying outside the U.S. Supreme Court Building in Washington, D.C.

The nine were taking part in the [Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for a Moral Revival](#) when they were taken into custody during the peaceful demonstration. Hawkins shared his experiences during the 223rd General Assembly (2018) and described the time as a night of "trepidation and enlightenment."

"It was fearful, intimidating, desperate and sparse. We were treated no better than animals are treated for euthanasia," Hawkins said. "A person of Jewish faith was offered pork. I became greatly aware and much more sensitive to what incarcerated men and women undergo. We were chained, isolated and told what to do."

Once taken into custody, the group of clergy and ecumenical leaders was taken for processing where they were handcuffed behind their backs.

"After they processed us, they took us out to the hallway and had us sit in plastic chairs for five hours with our hands behind our backs. The only time they took the cuffs off was when we had to go to the bathroom," he said. "Many police officers were standing guard over us as if we were going to run away or do something drastic."

Hawkins said the officers were cordial, but he felt they were intentionally holding on to the group.

“After five hours, they put us on a van, still with the handcuffs on. The van had a partition in the middle and the space we had was approximately three feet wide and probably four feet high. We were handcuffed in the front and they also had a seatbelt around us. It was the most confined I had ever been in my life,” said Hawkins. “When they shut that door, five of us were on one side, and we could hear the others on the other side of the barrier. We couldn’t see them though.”

Upon arrival at the detention center, Hawkins said they were once again processed with photos and fingerprints and then sent to jail, two per cell.

“The jail cell was approximately 5 feet wide and 7 feet long and 7 feet high, all metal. Metal toilet and seat and the bunks were metal as well. No bedding, no pillow, nothing. Roaches were everywhere,” he said. “Every time someone would kill a roach, you could hear it throughout the place. People were leaning up against the sides of the walls. All the males were in one wing and of course you could hear all of the conversations.”

At approximately 6:30 the next morning, the group was taken from the cells in handcuffs and ankle shackles for a 10-minute ride to the courtroom for arraignment. The group was brought into a waiting room with up to 40 others, most being held on misdemeanor charges.

By 4 p.m., the group was moved to the U.S. District Court, where they remained in the custody of federal marshals.

“It was getting so late, we thought we were going to have to spend another night in jail,” said Hawkins. “But we were finally given a court appearance and released.”

Under the judge’s orders, the detainees must call each week to the pre-trial office and their passports are being held until after trial. They are also not allowed within five blocks of the Supreme Court Building except for work. The Office of Public Witness where Hawkins works is across the street from the court.

The group, which included the Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis, a Presbyterian pastor and co-chair of the Poor People’s Campaign, is expected back in court on July 2 to set a trial date. If found guilty, they face up to 60 days in jail and a \$5,000 fine.



The Choir with Choir Director and Organist Ryan Orton enjoying an end-of-year dinner at The Pond.

(l-r standing: Jim Jackson, Margo Jackson, Ryan Orton, Jan Brooks; seated: Linda Bartolomeo, Rosanne Waldron, Dyan Wapnick.



Please remember the following people in your daily prayers: the family of Eleanor Goldsmith, our pastor, our congregation, all our children, our loved ones, and all of those who have lost loved ones in the past year.

At home: Walter (friend of Cindy and Roberta), Kathy and Gerry McNulty (friends of Cindy and Roberta) upon the death of their sister-in-law, Cathy Geleta (Carol H.), Ray Wendover, Casey Henderson (Steven & Dylan's mother, Linda Wendover's granddaughter), Rod Kallgren, Melissa and Anthony, Hank (Betty's brother), Karen Pineda, Dorothy Whitaker, Cookie Pecorella, Jean (Betty Peck), Linda Tamm (Cindy and Roberta), Robert Wendover, Jeannette Bartles (Don's mother), Walter Krummenacher (Deb Jackson), Ron and Judy Parliman, George Koch, Marge Palmer, Kim McDonnell (Cathy Fitzpatrick), Gene Jernigan, Barbara Gurbel, Ron Osofsky, Cliff Goldsmith, Lauren (Judy and Ron's granddaughter), Courtney, Daniel Hegarty III, Alyce Larkin, Ray and Kathy Enright, Chrissy McBeth, Bridget and Aylee, Dave Filipe, Steve Bracey, Lauranne Oliver, Jeanette Finkle, Harriet A'Brial, Marietta (Linda Rosado's daughter), Arlene Brower, Whitney and family (Susan), Chun Ok Blackie (Jim and Margo Jackson's sister-in-law), Caitlin Edge (Deb), Elaine Hage, Joann Amelio, Kim Bloodgood, Virginia Kemp, Mort Jackson, Luane Ballantine, Ruth Hart, Mary Douglass, Debra Rose, the family of Georges St. Laurent, Laura Dennis, Trudie Wilson, Marge (Laurie), the family of Lizzie Burger, Marjorie Bright, Lisa Spear, Karen Lane (Marva), Judy MacMorran (Barbara Gurbel's daughter), Debbie (Laurie), Shirley and Walden MacPherson, Brittany, Debbie Kinney, Lottye Kate (Barbara Gurbel's great-granddaughter), Jennie Clark, Mikayla Clark.

At Thompson House: George Dennis

At The Manor at Woodside: Helen Travis and Rod Davis

At Noble Horizons: Rev. Herb Day, RuthAnn Pulver, Sylvia Schultz

At Geer Village: Phyllis Ronner

At Sharon Health Care Center: Marion Doyle, Vinny Masarelli.

At The Pines: Muriel Swart

At the Baptist Home: Mary Jo Glozier, Betty Clinch, Dolly Thorpe

In the military or Reserves: Garrett Pendleton (South Korea), Zane King (South Korea), Keith Jackson (Saudi Arabia), Lewis and Denzel Jackson (Keith Jackson's sons), Garrett Cummings, Daniele Casazza, Kyle Moskowitz, Matt Cade, Zach McDonnell - Reserves, John Cort, Mark Hall, Jacob Coons, Danny Hoysradt, Brian Montross, Nathaniel Chase - Reserves (Marge's grandson), Eric Wiltsie (Tom and Renee Strudwick's nephew).

And all those who have served in our military.



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

Pine Plains Food Locker:

Toiletries are always welcomed.

Please send \$ donations to the Pine Plains Food Locker
2852 Church Street Pine Plains, NY 12567

Share a Blessing!

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September 2018

Submission deadline:

August 25, 2018

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