



The First Presbyterian Church of Washingtonville The *Good News*-Letter



July/August 2015

2014-2015 Confirmands

Danielle Imperato
Hayley Knips
Kevin Sullivan



Congratulations 2015 Confirmands!



Harriet Sandmeier (CRE)
presiding



Gratitude to teacher
Nancy Bruscano



Danielle, Hayley & Kevin

First Presbyterian Church
of Washingtonville

Session Moderator

Anne Wood

Commissioned Ruling Elder

Clerk of Session

Deborah Chedister

The Session

Nancy Bruscano 2015

Lois Dunikowski 2015

Doris Dunn 2016

Nancy Popoloski 2016

Board of Deacons

Debbie Woodmansee 2015

Peggy Wright 2015*

Beth Cooke 2016

Beth Tyrrell 2017

Karen Lipton 2017

*indicates second term

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IN CASE OF PASTORAL EMERGENCY



Important News: Pastoral Emergency Care

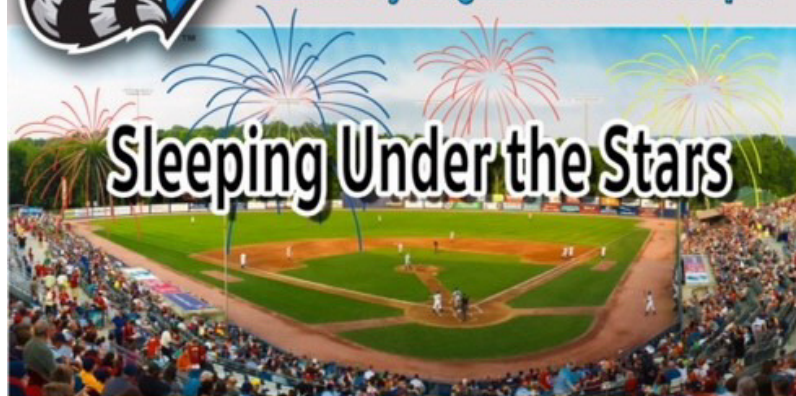
We have pastoral emergency coverage for our congregation. If you know of a need for emergency care please call the church office (496-3814) and leave a message if Cynthia is not there. Pastors from area churches have volunteered to help us during our time of transition.

We have a church officer checking the answering machine daily when Cynthia is not working. Any questions, please contact Elder Lois Dunikowski.

Family Promise of the Mid-Hudson Valley



Join us as the Renegades host
the Brooklyn Cyclones
Saturday August 15th at 7:05pm



\$30 Package Includes:

GA Ticket
Food Voucher
Continental Breakfast
Sleepover on the field

Purchase online at
www.gadesgroups.com
Password: **promise**

Portion of proceeds will benefit
Family Promise of the
Mid-Hudson Valley

Worship

It was with great joy and thanksgiving that we welcomed three confirmands into membership during worship on June 7. We are blessed to have Danielle Imperato, Hayley Knips and Kevin Sullivan as our newest adult members! Many thanks to Elder Nancy Bruscano for leading their class with energy, enthusiasm and love!

We look forward to the worship leadership of the following guest pastors this summer:

July 5	Rev. Glenn Henricksen
July 12	Rev. Glenn Henricksen
July 19	Rev. Pamela Lupfer
July 26	Rev. Pamela Lupfer

August 2	CRE Gaye Hartwig
August 9	CRE Gaye Hartwig
August 16	CRE Gaye Hartwig
August 23	CRE Gaye Hartwig
August 30	CRE Gaye Hartwig

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated on August 2. We pray for traveling mercies this summer for all those adventuring away from home. If you visit a church in another city or town, please bring back a bulletin to share. When you are relaxing here at home we'll see you Sunday mornings!

Blessings, The FPC Worship Ministry

Kevin's Statement of Faith - My name is Kevin Sullivan. I am 12 years old. I go to the First Presbyterian Church of Washingtonville in New York. My personal statement of faith is I believe there is a God. I believe God is the Holy Spirit, our Savior Jesus, son of God, and God the Father. I don't understand this. There seems like three different Gods but I was told all were one God. I believe God loves me. God loves everyone. I believe this because the bible tells me so. I believe God the Father gave us his son Jesus. Jesus is both God and human. He is human because he used to be alive. He broke bread and wine, our communion, and said, "this is my body for you and this is my blood, remember whenever you do this to remember me," and I do. I believe Jesus taught me to never sin. Jesus taught me to help others and I help other people a lot. I believe Jesus is teaching me about how to be a Christian. Jesus helped me with the death of my grandfather for I believe my grandfather is in heaven with Jesus and I will see him again when I die.

Danielle's Statement of Faith - One of the reasons why I would like to join the church is because it allows me to be with other people who have the same beliefs as I do. I believe that God listens to us when we pray. I believe that he created all things and that God gives us grace. I also believe that being a part of the church would help me live the life that Jesus would have wanted me to. By helping other people and putting people in front of me. By supporting people when they need something. By doing these things it shows that we have accepted Jesus into our life.

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Sundays - 10:00 am Worship Service
11:00 am Lemonade on the Lawn

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO



2	John Imperato	14	Sue Roosje
3	Hillary Erchick	21	Sara Tyrrell
5	Amber Lomolino	26	Katherin Downing
6	Hayley Knips	27	Hanora Sullivan
9	Danielle Imperato	30	Adam Lipton

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10 Karen Lipton
18 Bill Cooke
19 Daniel Grove
21 Heather Dunn
26 Anne Bruscano
27 Tyler Fuentes

All We Need to Know

Read: Romans 7:18-25

For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells. - Romans 7:18

In a Fernando Ortega rendition of “Just As I Am,” Billy Graham’s voice can be heard faintly in the background. Dr. Graham is reminiscing about an illness during which he believed he was dying. As he mused on his past, he realized what a great sinner he was and how much he continues to need God’s daily forgiveness.

Billy Graham was putting an end to the notion that apart from God we’re okay. We can feel good about ourselves, but that confidence must come from the knowledge that we’re greatly loved children of God (John 3:16), not that we’re very good children (Rom. 7:18).

The first step in becoming a truly “good” person as a follower of Christ is to stop pretending that we’re good on our own and to ask God to make us as good as we can be. We will fail many times, but He will keep growing us and changing us. God is faithful and—in His time and in His way—He’ll do it.

In his final years, the writer of “Amazing Grace,” John Newton, suffered from dementia and lamented the loss of his memory. Yet he confided, “I do remember two things: I am a great sinner, and Jesus is a great Savior.” When it comes to faith, those are the only things anyone needs to know.

**The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures. - Newton**

God’s grace accepted is God’s peace experienced.

INSIGHT: The Christian life is one of struggle with sin and growth in holiness. On this side of heaven, we will not be totally freed from this struggle (James 3:2; 1 John 1:8-2:1). In today’s text, the apostle Paul writes of the war between good and evil that wages within him. Elsewhere Paul explains, “For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want” (Gal. 5:17 NIV). Yet we can take comfort in the fact that Jesus delivers us from this “body of death” (Rom. 7:24).

--Our Daily Bread

With blessings of love from the Nurture Ministry

Chicken BBQ!



The Lipton Family
enjoying their meals



Beth Tyrrell & Doris Dunn
Take-outs



Beth Cooke & Lois Dunikowski
Dining Room Captain & Hostess



Dolores Taylor & Mo Moss
Ticket Sales



Katelyn Lipton & Kate Popoloski
Take-outs



Sue Roosje
Pie Sales



Sue Hegmann & Nancy Popoloski
Kitchen



John Chedister
At the pit



Mark Chedister , Hal Jones,
Chris Pasquarelli & Bill Standish
The Pit Crew



Peggy (BBQ
Coordinator) &
Anthony

First Presbyterian Church
Washingtonville
Invites All Children to
Vacation Bible School 2015
July 20 – 24
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM



**Songs • Bible Lessons • Snacks
Games • Crafts • Water Day**

No Strings Attached Puppets



Serving God ~ Serving Community

Call 496-3814 or click
www.fpcwmakeswebsites.com
for information and registration

**Children 3½ (must be toilet trained) through 5th
grade (grade completed) are welcome.**



Deacon Ministry

Food Pantry - The food pantry welcomes all donations. Needed for July & August will be: saltine crackers, hot or cold cereal, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned or bag beans, macaroni & cheese, and rice. Please add at least one of these items to your shopping list. Donations can be placed in the wicker basket outside Hazekamp Hall.

Coffee Hour Needs - Needs for the coffee hour are as follows: 7 oz. plastic cups, small paper plates, juice, coffee and tea. We can always use goodies (baked or store bought). Thank you all for helping the Deacons keep the kitchen stocked!

Prayer Shawl - The Deacons are so happy to have this special ministry to help with their shepherding.

E Prayer Circle - Please contact Lois Dunikowski at lbd9999@hrc.rr.com if you have any prayer requests.

Emergency Use of the Church Building - If any person in our church family is without power, water, or heat, and needs to use the church as a safe haven, please contact your deacon shepherd so he or she can direct your need to the appropriate ministry elder(s).

The Deacons are very happy to serve the members of this congregation. Please let your deacon shepherd know if he or she can help you in any way. (There is a list posted on the bulletin board in the Denniston Room if you are not sure who your deacon shepherd is.)

Supplies Needed for VBS



Snack Supplies Needed:

bananas	animal crackers
cheerios	raisins
M&M's	pretzels sticks
small pretzel twists	pretzel nuggets
sm. water bottles	shoestring licorice
goldfish crackers	blue Jell-O
whipped topping	fruit juice mix cup
napkins	paper towels
teddy bear shaped cookies	

Crafts Supplies Needed:

brown lunch bags	yarn
crayons	markers
baby oil	glitter
Elmer's glue	wiggly eyes
white copy paper	cornstarch
small Ziploc bags	blue food coloring
tissue paper (assorted colors)	
food coloring (assorted colors)	
hot dog tray wrappers (any color)	
large styrofoam plates (plain, not divided)	



- to Ernie Hegmann for quickly and efficiently repairing the Denniston Room door after a recent break-in.
- to Sue Hegmann for cleaning up the mess created from the break-in.
- to Bill Cooke as he continues working on the heating system radiators.
- to Derrick Cooke & Bill Cooke for keeping the church lawn so well maintained.
- to Beth Cooke for beautifying the church gardens.
- to Troop 416 12-14 youth and adults) and Kevin Sullivan for doing a great job in tackling the playground area, clearing away the growth What a job!



Calendar of Prayer for our Congregations and Leadership

The endorsed calendar of prayer is a way for us to be united. It's an awesome responsibility and gift to pray for one another. To make our offering on behalf of one another. Each member congregation, staff member, elected servant leader, ministry team, and mission commitment of our Presbytery is represented:

Irvington-on-Hudson PC, Imagining Team, First Church Liberty, Food Justice Network, Pleasantville PC, Stewardship Ministry, Greenbush PC Blauvelt, Big Tent 2015 Knoxville TN, South Salem PC, Candidates and Inquirers for Ministry, Palisades PC, Presbyterian Women, Lake Huntington PC, Holmes Presbyterian Camp & Conference Center, Livingston Manor PC, PC(USA) Young Adult Volunteers, Larchmont Avenue and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.



Newsletter articles
September 2015
issue are due before
August 20!

VISION STATEMENT

*Together, we worship God through our
Study, Stewardship, Service, and Song.*

Call Cynthia at **496-3814** or send an e-mail to firstpres@frontiernet.net
to share your news with our church family!



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