

# PRESBYTERIAN CHIMES

*United Presbyterian Church of Randolph*

**FEBRUARY 2019**

*Volume 16, Issue 2*

Dear Church Family and Friends,

January and February can be very depressing days. I am one that is affected by the dark and grayness of these months. I remember returning after a week in the full color of Haiti one February and landing at the Buffalo airport. As the plane was coming down to land, I looked out the window and I thought to myself that it looked like someone had hit the "grayscale" button on the computer. Everything was white, black or gray. There was no color any place. To me it was terribly depressing to see this. To combat this feeling, I often plan a January – February project or trip.

In January I had a chance to visit a friend in California for a few days, which was very nice, but now, I have no special plans for February. What to do? How about going on another trip? Good idea, but expensive and I don't want to leave my church family again. Or, why not think about ways I can beat the winter sadness by helping others? Oh, Oh, Oh, I know, let's combine these two ideas and go on a mission trip. So, UPCR is going on a very short term mission project February 18-19 to Niagara Falls City Mission. I hope many can join us.

The next thing I can do to beat the February blues is to have a party. Why just one, why not make every Sunday a party? Ok, a little over the top, but I looked at the church calendar and realized that Lent does not start until March this year, so that means February is kind of a free month. I decided that I will focus on the "party times" of Jesus. But, I didn't want to scare anyone away by the too much party theme idea and will focus on joy. (I may still be thinking "party!") Be prepared for some unexpected surprises during worship. (There may be balloons and chocolate!) We will look at the following themes for our Sunday worship.

February 3 "The Joy of a Wedding Reception" John 2:1-11

February 10 "The Joy of True Love" I Corinthians 13

February 17 "The Joy of Being Blessed" Luke 6:17-26

February 24 "The Joy Giving and Receiving in Abundance" Luke 6:27-38

As always, it is a joy to be in the midst of our congregation and serve as your pastor!

With peace and hope,



Pastor Molly



joy



## BE A VALENTINE

Little kids  
Uninhibited,  
Love  
Unconditionally~~~  
Sweet Valentines!

Nothing can match  
Young love;  
Exciting  
And new~~~  
Classic Valentines!

Middle-age love  
Tried  
And true,  
Comfortable~~~  
Valentines forever!

Those advanced in  
Geezerhood:  
Precious memories  
Of days gone by~~~  
The truest Valentines of all!

You can be a Valentine  
Every single day  
By sharing God's love  
You have inside.  
Do it! Hooray!

Ann Dahl Luce 2019

## Greeters/Ushers

This year we are going to have a standing team of ushers/greeters each Sunday. They will serve every week much like our choir.

Dan Pihlblad, Bob Whitney  
Reg Boutwell, Rosie Swan  
Bethany VanRensselaer  
Howard VanRensselaer

If you would like to be on this team please let Dan Pihlblad know. He will be heading them up.

### WORSHIP TEAMS FOR FEBRUARY

#### February 3

Liturgist— Ruth Wahl  
Sound— Mary Myers  
Nursery -  
Communion— Ruth Wahl, Connie Lockwood  
Dan Pihlblad, Rosie Swan, Jim Roberts, Tom Wade

#### February 10-

Leader— Stacy Halla  
Sound- Mike Frame  
Nursery -

#### February 17-

Liturgist— Tom Wade  
Sound— Mary Myers  
Nursery -

#### February 24-

Liturgist—Donna Chubon  
Sound—Mike Frame  
Nursery -

### LOOKING AHEAD TO MARCH

#### March 3-

Liturgist—Connie Lockwood  
Sound- Mary Myers  
Nursery—  
Communion— Connie Lockwood, Nancy Pihlblad  
Tom Wade, Mary Myers,  
Andrew Pihlblad, Dan Pihlblad

## MILITARY PERSONNEL MEN AND WOMEN

Remember them with a card or note though-out the year.

Mike Fleischmann: Michael C. & Candy Fleischmann  
3801 Barbed Wire Drive  
Killeen, TX 76549-3955

Aaron Wellman Major Aaron & Jacki Wellman  
350 Princeton Circle  
Belle Chasse, LA 70037

Nate Booker  
Jeffrey Clauson  
Erin Connor Erin Connor/Matt Kinahan  
Matt Kinahan PSC 3 Box 7036  
APO AP 96266

Erik Connor Erik & Maggie Connor  
6448 Lionheart Park  
San Antonio, TX 78240

**Who are we missing from the list?  
We need to keep updating addresses for our  
service personnel. Please call Mary at the office  
358-4255 or her home 358-9405 with the  
information. Thanks**



## TO OUR FEBRUARY CELEBRANTS

February 5	Morgan Kaltenbach
February 9	Evalyn Fessel Paul Inkley
February 12	Milton Marvin
February 13	Byron Ashdown
February 21	Peyton Ruby Roberts
February 23	Marley Johnson Wilda Senn

## **SESSION NOTES** **JANUARY**

- \* Goal teams were set up. (see page 5).
- \* Mary Myers was elected Clerk of Session for 2019.
- \* Church calendar is now on the "COW" bulletin board. All committees & groups are asked to put their information on this calendar!
- \* Safety committee has put together a manual for Session to review.
- \* Rev. Carol Le Blanc will be moderator for the annual meeting on January 27.
- \* Per Capita for 2019 for Presbytery is \$34.10.

## **DEACON'S CORNER:**

The Deacons met on January 12:

- \* Plans are being made to take the children to see how maple syrup is made.
- \* The deacon's of the month schedule was worked on.
- \* One more deacon for the class of 2021 is still needed.

## **With Sympathy to the families and friends of**



**David Lockwood  
William Greeley**



February 2019

Project Linus is a non-profit organization with a two-fold mission:

First it is our mission to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gift of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer "Blanketeers."

Second it is our mission to provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

THIS IS A PROJECT THAT COULD BE STARTED RIGHT HERE IN OUR CHURCH!!

This blanket is a sample of what can be made with left over yarn. This was made by Nancy Pihlblad.



For more information call Nancy at 386-7702 or visit [www.ProjectLinus.org](http://www.ProjectLinus.org).

## HANDI CAP ENTRANCE

The week of January 7 the contractor came and installed the needed items to complete the heat under the sidewalk at the handicap entrance. We should no longer need to salt and shovel snow to make it safe to enter the building at this entrance.

### Fourth Sunday after Epiphany— February 3

Jeremiah 1:4–10  
Psalm 71:1–6  
1 Corinthians 13:1–13  
Luke 4:21–30

### Fifth Sunday after Epiphany— February 10

Isaiah 6:1–8 (9–13)  
Psalm 138  
1 Corinthians 15:1–11  
Luke 5:1–11

### Sixth Sunday after Epiphany— February 17

Jeremiah 17:5–10  
Psalm 1  
1 Corinthians 15:12–20  
Luke 6:17–26

### Seventh Sunday after Epiphany— February 24

Genesis 45:3–11, 15  
Psalm 37:1–11, 39–40  
1 Corinthians 15:35–38, 42–50  
Luke 6:27–38

## Interested in knowing more about Christianity from the Presbyterian view?

Pastor Molly is planning an introduction to Christianity and Reformed Theology class during Lent. This will be a membership class for those who want to join the church, but for those who are already members or for those who are not interested in joining the church, this will be a refresher class, or maybe a just getting to know more class. It will be geared for our younger learners in middle school and high school, but everyone will be welcomed. Specific dates and times will be announced after we get the schedules from interested people.

## GOALS FOR 2019

### Communication –

By March 1, 2019 100% of all committees/groups will appoint a recorder to relay the information from their meetings to the office within 3 working days highlighting items for sharing with the church family. (using our newsletter, bulletin, email etc.).

### De Clutter –

We will de-clutter 12 areas of the church, one each month during 2019.

We will make a group to work on each area based on peoples use of the area and willingness to help.

We will start with the balcony, then boiler & custodian rooms, then the nursery. The other areas will be added in the following months.

### Capital Fund -

Establish a Capital Fund to be used to cover the costs of current and future RUPC building projects and major maintenance/repairs.

A formal Capital Fund drive will be conducted during the 2019 year with a goal of raising a minimum of \$50,000.

In addition to the fund drive, a special offering will be collected each 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday to raise money for the Capital Fund along with various fundraisers throughout the year.

Projects to be completed will be prioritized based on consideration of health and safety, protection of property, project costs/availability of funds, emergency needs and other factors related to specific projects.

Projects currently being considered for funding by the Capital fund include:

- Replace/repair entrance doors
- Repair/resurface parking lot and driveways
- Repair/replace carpeting in Sanctuary
- Installation of air conditioning in Sanctuary
- Installation of an emergency generator

Additional projects can be added for consideration as needs arise. The Session will review and pick order to which these projects will be addressed in 2019 at their January meeting.

The existing balance of funds from the Building Fund as of December 31, 2018 will be transferred into the newly established Capital Fund.

## PROGRESS ON OUR GOALS

### Communication-

Rosie Swan and Mike Frame will be Session members on this team. Each church committee and group are asked to meet at least quarterly and have their recorder turn in minutes/notes to office following each meeting.

### De Clutter-

Andrew Pihlblad and Mary Myers will be Session members on this team. The first area to be cleared is the balcony. The first day was to be Sunday, January 20. This will be rescheduled soon. If you have items stored there you will need to mark what they are and let Andrew or Mary know to make sure they get saved.

### Capital Fund-

Dan Pihlblad, Tom Wade and Jim Roberts will be Session members on this team. Funds have started to come in and the first 5th Sunday will be on March 31. Envelopes will be in the pews for donations though out the year.

### General Fund Treasurer's Notes

YTD    December 2018    December 2017

Total Expenses	\$69,544.79	\$58,383.60
Total Receipts	\$77,486.72	\$97,890.48
Gain or (Loss)	7,941.93	39,506.88

For further information ask a member of session or the treasurer, Reg Boutwell.

**News for the March Newsletter needs to be to Mary by February 19th.**

# PRAYER CONCERNS

## Health

Alan J  
Alice F  
Anita C  
Aurora B  
Betty B  
Bob S  
Bob & Sandy C  
Carl B  
Carrie C  
Carol S  
Catherine S  
Cindy H cancer  
Chloe C  
Cody H  
Dan B  
Dan E heart attack  
David R. M  
David S cancer  
Debbie M  
Debbie (Jim's Mom)  
Derek M leukemia  
Dick A  
Donna C  
Eileen N  
Fletcher  
Gabriel  
Gene J  
Howard V  
Howard (Buzz) M  
James B cancer  
Jamie C  
Jan C  
Jason  
Jay A  
Judy S heart  
Justin  
June B

Kay A  
Katherine (Michelle's mom)  
Keith G. cancer  
Keith A  
Laurel P cancer  
Linda I  
Logan  
Madison  
Mel L  
Nick K  
Pat K  
Pat (Jill's step Mom)  
Richard J  
Robert R  
Ron B lung cancer  
Rosamond F  
Scott J  
Sharon  
Sue L. kidney  
Sullivan C  
Syd E  
Tim A  
Tracy H cancer  
Verna M new born

## Encouragement:

Haitian Sewing Women  
Those rebuilding from disasters  
Tammy & Moses M  
Teri N  
Ruth & Dan M  
Care Givers  
EMT's  
Families dealing with addictions  
Prison Ministry (CCM)  
Foster Care Parents/children

## NO WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST IN FEBRUARY



## Mission Trip to Niagara Falls City Mission February 18-19

The dates have been confirmed. We are going to Niagara Falls City Mission on February 18-19. Everyone from grades 7 and up are invited. This is not just for youth, but for everyone. We have not yet confirmed our overnight spot which will hopefully be at a church in the Niagara Falls area. (Pastor Molly will bring a luxurious air mattress along with her sleeping bag!) We are planning to leave at 7:00 am on Monday morning, traveling to the mission and working on projects they will have for us. We may work with the soup kitchen for lunch, help with the clothing pantry or other project. We will eat lunch with the people who come for lunch. In the late afternoon/evening we are planning a fun activity in the Niagara Falls area and dinner out at a moderately priced restaurant. After catching some sleep, we will return to the mission on Tuesday and return to Randolph by dinner time on Tuesday.

Please let Pastor Molly know if you can come. We will plan to meet together 2 times before we go to get to know each other before working together in mission.

## SOUPE BOWL SUNDAY FEBRUARY 3th

On February 3 everyone is asked to bring cans of soup to church. These will be given to the Randolph Community Cupboard.







# February 2019



*United Presbyterian Church of Randolph*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	 <p>I pray to you, O God, because you answer me. Psalm 17:6a</p>				1	2
<b>3</b> 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Prayer Time <b>SOUPE BOWL SUNDAY</b>	<b>4</b>  8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>5</b> <b>PASTOR</b> <b>9—NOON</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> NO Women's Prayer Breakfast
<b>10</b> 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Prayer Time 2:00 pm Open Knit	<b>11</b>  8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>12</b> <b>PASTOR</b> <b>9—NOON</b>  <b>7:00 pm Session</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Prayer Time <b>MISSION SUNDAY</b>	<b>18</b> Mission trip to City Mission  8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>19</b> Niagara Falls City Mission	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Prayer Time 2:00 pm Open Knit	<b>25</b>  8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>26</b> <b>PASTOR</b> <b>9—NOON</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>ASH</b> <b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>MARCH 6</b>	



## UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

186 Main Street  
Randolph, NY 14772  
Phone 716 358-4255  
E-mail: [mary@upcrandolph.org](mailto:mary@upcrandolph.org)



### CHURCH LEADERS

#### PASTOR

Rev. Molly T. Golando

#### CORPORATION OFFICERS

**President**—Reg Boutwell **V. President**—Kay Wade

**Treasurer**—Rosie Swan

#### CLERK OF SESSION

Mary Myers

#### ELDERS

##### **CLASS OF 2019**

Jim Roberts  
Andrew Pihlblad  
Rosie Swan

##### **CLASS OF 2020**

Dan Pihlblad  
Mike Frame

##### **CLASS OF 2021**

Tom Wade  
Mary Myers

#### DEACONS

##### **CLASS OF 2019**

Connie Lockwood  
Bettie Alexander

##### **CLASS OF 2020**

James Ashdown  
Louise Boutwell

##### **CLASS OF 2021**

Donna Chubon  
Kay Wade

#### STAFF

MUSIC MINISTRY—Carol Brown, choir director/organist

CHURCH SECRETARY—Mary Myers

CUSTODIANS—Susan Ashdown & Jim Ashdown

**the church phone number is 358-4255**

**e-mail address is [mary@upcrandolph.org](mailto:mary@upcrandolph.org)**

**WEB PAGE : [upcrandolph.org](http://upcrandolph.org)**

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To celebrate and continue the work of Christ by ministering to all people, supporting each other as a loving family, and working together in Christian service.