Presbyterian Chimes

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April Showers Bring... Fresh Green Peas!



Dear Church Family and Friend,

After the celebration of Easter, pastors always take a few deep breaths. The season of Lent and particularly Holy Week is a very busy time! Having been in the ministry for nearly 25 years, I never seem to get to follow my grandfather's advice. You see my grandfather was a amazing gardener (I know I've mentioned this before) and he said you should plant peas seeds on Good Friday. I love peas fresh from the garden, but Good Friday! I can't even think about getting out in my garden around that time of year. So, I always plant my seeds after Easter which is usually too late. Hence the peas come late and are never that good as they are often burned by the warm sun. However, this year, with Easter being late and having the good fortune to have a really warm Sunday afternoon in early April, I put on my garden boots, tilled my garden and planted my seeds! In eight to ten days I would see the seedlings pop out, I was so excited!

However, it has been nearly 4 weeks and no sign of the tender shoots. I still have hope, but since the day of planting we haven't had much sun and we have had a lot of rain. I am beginning to be afraid that my peas seeds have drowned. I don't have a good drainage system in my garden, so water sometimes just sits in pools and hence the drowning of my precious pea seeds.

Our lives can be a lot like my garden. In the gospel of Matthew we read: "He makes the sun rise on both good and bad people. And he sends rain for the ones who do right and for the ones who do wrong. (Matthew 5:45 CEV) This tells me that both blessings and problems come to everyone, regardless of how perfect or imperfect we live our lives. The sunshine brings warmth as well as sunburn and drought. The rain brings nourishment as well as floods. We can't control many events and circumstances that come into our lives. What we can control is how we deal with these. Do we have a system available to prevent us from being hurt by the burn of heated situations? Do we have a good drainage system that can allows the downpour of difficulties to move downstream quickly?

The answer to both of these answers can be yes. As we grow in our relationship with God, we can learn to love all people and walk through heated situations with grace. When we trust God, we can put the storms of life in God's hands and be joyful in the midst of the torrents because we know we won't be staying in standing water for long. We also have another great resource, our church family. We can be the shade in burning situation and a drainage system for pooled problems for each other. We can also rejoice together in showers of blessing and the warmth of love.

You can be one that walks through the storms with grace and through the heat with joy. Trust God be and be an active member of a church family.

With hope and peace,

Pastor Molly



WORSHIP TEAMS FOR MAY

May 5-

Liturgist— Ruth Wahl Sound- Mike Frame Communion-Mary Myers, Tom Wade Andrew Pihlblad, Dan Pihlblad

May 12- Mother's Day

Liturgist— Dan Pihlblad Sound-Mary Myers



May 19 -

Liturgist— Stacy Halla Sound-Mike Frame

May 26-

Liturgist— Nancy Pihlblad Sound-Mary Myers

LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE

June 2—

Liturgist — Barry Shields Sound-Mary Myers

June 9— Pentecost/Communion

Liturgist - Connie Lockwood Sound-Mike Frame Communion—Rosie Swan, Jim Roberts, Tom Wade, Mary Myers

General Fund Treasurer's Notes

Year to Date March 2018 2019 Total Expenses \$19,038.13 20,932.38 **Total Receipts** 14,497.91 13,954.25 Gain or (Loss) (4,540.22)(6,978.13)Money Market \$75,231.51 Capital Improvement Fund \$13,667.91

(5th Sunday income was \$764.00)

Paying Forward Fund \$ 807.05 Deacons Fund \$1.183.14

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

FLIGHT SCHOOL

Every spring, On our front deck Ringside seats for Flight School.



Across the street Atop a high bush Perched Mrs. Bluejay With two big chubby babies.

A distance away On another high bush Mr. Bluejay awaits. At a chirp from the Mrs., he answers.

At dad's raucous call, A chubby one flaps his wings Encouraged by the sound He uncertainly takes off.

Ever louder, dad's calls Give confidence For his wobbly flight Soon he makes it to dad.

After several trips, Mom chirps "Well done" to The now proficient baby, And dad proudly flaps his wings.

No time to be lost— Dad raucously calls, "Next!" New pupil, new lesson— And God is smiling.

Ann Dahl Luce 2019









Preparing the Seder meal (Passover Meal)





THE NEW MONITOR HAS **BEEN INSTALLED**

The choir and those in the front of the sanctuary can now see what is on the BIG screen for everyone else.





May 26

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MAY CELEBRANTS

May 6 Connie Lockwood May 11 Andrew Pihlblad **May 16** Tom Wade **May 17** Tim Plaskett **May 20** Jason Braymiller May 22 **Lindsey Plaskett** Jill Roberts **May 23** May 24 **Bob Matson May 25 Marla Frame** Martha Wood

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Betty Brown

MAY 12	MOTHER'S DAY
MAY 13	VBS MEETING
MAY 28	MEMORIAL DAY
JUNE 9	PENTECOST SUNDAY
JUNE	CHOIR SUNDAY
JUNE 10	VBS MEETING
JUNE 15	RANDOLPH ARTS & CRAFTS DAY
JUNE 16	FATHER'S DAY
JUNE 30	5 TH SUNDAY FOR THE CAPITAL FUND
JULY 15	VBS MEETING
AUGUST 5–9	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
AUGUST 18	WORSHIP IN THE PARK AND PICNIC

News for the June Newsletter needs to be to Mary by May 19th.

BIBLE STUDY CLASS

It is time to start up our Bible Study Class for the spring season. If you would like to be a part of this group please see Pastor Molly.

Mission Projects for 2019

Starting with March for the Mission for each month we will be asking you to bring something in to help that group.

For May we will highlight the children's BLUE JAR (funds going to buy a water well). you are asked to bring in change for the children to put in the jar.

There will also be a gift card sale in May with proceeds going to the BLUE JAR.

Nancy & Bob will be collecting your orders for gift cards the first part of May and placing the order near the end of the month. These will make good gifts for graduates, anniversaries, etc. The profit will be donated to the children's water well fund.



20th Anniversary

GENESIS HOUSE FLOWER SALE

Orders are needed by May 5

4 1/2" Geraniums are \$7 or 3 for \$16

Red, white, pink, coral or fuchsia

Hanging Impatiens are \$25

Red, white, pink, or purple.

To place order call

Nancy Pihlblad at 386-7702

or pick up a form at church

You can pickup your plants

at church on May 17

BECAUSE PENECOST IS SO LATE THIS
YEAR WE WILL NOT BE DOING
GERANIUMS AT THAT TIME—WE WILL
JUST BE HAVING THEM DURING THIS
SALE.



GARDENER ALERT!

It's officially spring and garden planting time is near. Planting beds are available in the Community Garden. Contact Reg Boutwell, 358-4848 or Dick Chubon, 358-2521 if you'd like to plant one of the beds. They usually get claimed fast so don't delay!





GRADS

Are there any RCS graduates in your family this year or is your RCS graduate now graduating from college? We'd like to honor his or her achievement on Sunday, June 23, during the worship service. Please see that Mary is given your graduate's name so that all may be included



STOP THE BLEED – SAVE A LIFE WORKSHOP TO BE HELD IN RANDOLPH

Each year thousands of seriously injured people needlessly die from bleeding before emergency personnel can arrive at the scene. A person can die from uncontrolled bleeding in as little as five (5) minutes.

If bystanders, family members, etc. were trained in modern basic bleeding control techniques most of these needless deaths could be prevented.

May is National Stop the Bleed – Save A Life month. The goal of this national effort is to train millions of people in easy-to-learn basic bleeding control techniques that are used by the armed forces to save lives in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Randolph Regional EMS and the United Presbyterian Church of Randolph are cosponsoring a Stop the Bleed – Save A Life workshop on Saturday, May 18 at 9:00 AM at the Presbyterian Church, 186 Main Street. The training will be done by the Findley Lake Volunteer Fire Department's Stop the Bleed Training Team. The workshop will take approximately an hour with a half hour of "seat class" and the remainder of the time doing "hands on "practice.

The workshop is limited to twenty (20) participants and pre-registration is required no later than Saturday, May 11. To pre-register contact Dick Chubon, 358-2521. For additional information contact either Dick Chubon or David Senn 450-4401.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Health Katherine (Michelle's mom)

Alan J Keith G. cancer

Alice F Keith A

Aurora B Laurel P cancer

Bob S Linda I
Bob & Sandy C Logan
Carl B Madison
Carrie C Merle F
Carol P Nick K
Catherine S Pat K

Cindy H cancer Pat (Jill's step Mom)

Chloe C Richard J Dan B Robert R

Dan E Ron B lung cancer

David R. M Rosamond F
David S cancer Scott J
Debbie M Sharon
Debbie (Jim's Mom) Sue L. kidney

Derek M leukemia Syd E Dick A Tim A

Donna C Tracy H cancer
Eileen N Verna M new born

Fletcher

Gabriel Encouragement:
Gene J Haitian Sewing Women
Howard V Those rebuilding from disasters

James B cancer Tammy & Moses M

Jamie C Teri N
Jason Ruth & Dan M
Jay A Care Givers
Jeff EMT's

Judy S heart

Justin

Kay A

Families dealing with addictions

Prison Ministry (CCM)

Foster Care Parents/children

Notes from Session APRIL

- Baptism date changes to May/June
- * De-clutter—did boiler room; next custodian room
- Plans are being made to hold a workshop on "Stop the Bleed" in May
- * Next meeting will be with Deacons May 14
- Next Presbytery meeting is May 21.

TO THOSE

WONDERFUL FOLKS WHO KEPT THE SIDEWALKS AND PARKING LOT CLEAN DURING THIS WINTER. (AND INTO SPRING)

The members of our congregation wish to thank Howard Van Rensselaer (& Howie) for the plowing of our parking lot this past winter and Reg Boutwell for shoveling our sidewalks during the winter months. And to all the others who filled in when needed.

All your efforts make it nicer for us to get into the church each time we came.



Thank you!

WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST SATURDAY

MAY 11

The ladies of St. Patrick's RC Church will be the hostesses for the Women's breakfast this month. It will be on Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 till 10:00 a.m. Please plan to attend and share the fellowship with the other women of our community.



If you are receiving a <u>paper copy</u> of the newsletter and have email would you rather get it by email & not the paper copy please let the church office know.

Thank you.

Ready for Sunrise Service





Easter Sunday Worship





The beautiful Easter flowers gracing the sanctuary Easter Sunday were given by the following individuals in honor and memory of loved ones:

Bettie Alexander in memory of Catherine & Bert Keith, Shirley & Delano Alexander and John Alexander. Bettie Alexander in honor of family.

Dick and Donna Chubon in memory of our parents. Dick and Donna Chubon in honor of Capital fund.

Ruth Wahl in memory of Marabel and Edward Turner.

Mary Myers in memory Ron Myers. Mary Myers in honor of our children, grand children and great- grandchildren;

Howard and Bethany Van Rensselaer in memory of Bessie & Norman Kinney and Howard & Lucile Van Rensselaer;

Jim Ashdown in memory of Rea and Willard Palmer. Jim Ashdown in honor of Sunny Hope.

Erika Connor in memory of Roger & Anna Belle Swanson, Grandma Davidson, Gramps & Granny Connor, June Connor and Mary Lochbaum;

Erika Connor in honor of Erik & Maggie's baby, Sullivan Erin & Matt's baby Rory and Sean & Hannah's baby

Marta Johnson in memory of Marian Berg & Mike Johnson

Reg and Louise Boutwell in honor of Linda & Clair Inkley and family for their hospitality and maple syrup party on March 24 for our church.

Cathy Sutherland in loving memory of Ted Brown Cathy Sutherland in loving honor of Betty Brown

Would you like to attend a summer camp?

CAMPERSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE!!!

Call the church office. 358-4255





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

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



Wear Red for Pentecost June 9, 2019

We invite you to celebrate Pentecost by wearing RED to church on Sunday, June 9. The day of Pentecost, or festival, commemorates the day on which the Holy Spirit descended on believers (Acts 2).

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SINVITE A STORY CHURCH			1	2	3	4
5 Do this in remembrance of mec. 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship Communion Knitting 1 pm	8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	7 PASTOR 9—NOON	8	9	10	9:00 am Women's Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast St. Patrick's
12 MOTHER'S DAY 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	13 7 PM VBS MTG 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	14 PASTOR 9-NOON Deacons & Elders 7 pm SESSION	15	16	17	18 9 am Stop the Bleed Workshop
19 Mission Sun 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	21 PASTOR 9—NOON PRESBYERY MEETING 4 PM BUFFALO 1ST PRESBYTERIAN	22	23	24	25
26 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	27 MEMORIAL DAY 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	28 PASTOR 9—NOON	29	30	31	



MAY 2019



PLEASE

PLACE

STAMP

HERE

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	CLASS OF 2020	CLASS OF 2021
Jim Roberts	Dan Pihlblad	Tom Wade
Andrew Pihlblad	Mike Frame	Mary Myers
Rosie Swan		

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2019	CLASS OF 2020	CLASS OF 2021
Connie Lockwood	James Ashdown	Donna Chubon
Bettie Alexander	Louise Boutwell	Kay Wade
		Marta Johnson

STAFF

MUSIC MINISTRY—Carol Brown, choir director/organist CHURCH SECRETARY—-Mary Myers CUSTODIANS—-Susan Ashdown & Jim Ashdown the church phone number is 358-4255

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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.