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Rev. Keith W. Tamlyn, Senior Pastor

February 2024



From the Pastor

February Highlights

It's hard to believe that Ash Wednesday, and the season of Lent is right around the corner – Lent, the forty days before Easter, begins with our Ash Wednesday worship service which includes communion. The date is Wednesday, February 14. As one author writes, “It is a season for 'giving some things up' as well as learning more about our walk with God. It is a time of reflection when we can better focus on our heart's deepest longing to follow in Jesus' footsteps. We walk to Jerusalem and the cross. We walk to the grave with Jesus of Nazareth during this time as well. But the great news is that the story does not end there. We walk through the grave and the death knowing that new life awaits us all on Easter morning!!”

I am planning a Wednesday evening Lenten study for 3 Wednesdays during Lent. I have ordered 15 copies of the daily devotional by Richard Rohr, entitled, “Wondrous Encounters – Scripture for Lent”. The dates and times are as follows:

Feb. 28: 7-8:30pm

March 6: 7-8:30pm

March 13: 7-8:30pm

We will share in dessert; then have our study.

Also, please note that our “Sunday with Daffodils” will be Sunday, March 3. On that day we will also hold our Congregational Meeting followed by a catered lunch. Please save the dates!

Rev. Keith Tamlyn, Pastor - New Hackensack Reformed Church

February / Early March Worship Schedule

~ SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP / SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ 10:00 A.M.

(ALL SERVICES ON LINE AND IN PERSON)

Facebook ~ YouTube ~ NHRC website <http://nhrc-church.org/index.html>

February 4th

LORD'S SUPPER CELEBRATED

Scripture: Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

Mark 8: 31-38

Message: "Our Best Hope - Total Transformation"

Rev. Keith Tamlyn

February 11th

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

Scripture: Isaiah 49: 1-7

John 1: 29-42

Message: "Called to Fail"

Rev. Keith Tamlyn

Following Worship -- Election of Elders and Deacons

February 14th

7:00pm ASH WEDNESDAY -- COMMUNION

Scripture: Psalms 51: 1-7

Matthew 6: 1-6; 16-21

Message: "Have Mercy On Me, O Lord"

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February 18th

Scripture: Luke 13: 1-9

Message: "Pruning Season"

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February 25th

Scripture: Jeremiah 31: 31-34

John 12: 20-33

Message: "Walking To....."

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March 3rd

A SUNDAY WITH DAFFODILS

Following Worship -- Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary
and a luncheon in Fellowship Hall



*Support
Hudson Valley Families
facing Cancer*
**A Sunday with Daffodils
March 3, 2024**

We have all been affected by cancer... A family member, friend, co-worker, neighbor – perhaps you are battling cancer right now. Many of those we know have passed away from this most devastating disease.

~ **The Daffodil is the flower of Hope** ~
Sunday, March 3rd

will be New Hackensack Reformed Church's 21st Annual
"A Sunday with Daffodils"

Our sanctuary will be graced with blooming daffodils of Hope!

This year, the funds raised from the daffodil sales will be donated to support:

The Sparrows Nest, a local organization that delivers homemade meals to families facing a cancer diagnosis in the Hudson Valley.

Order your daffodils!

~ a bundle of 10 flowers ~ or ~ a potted plant
\$10.00 each

Order as many bundles and plants as you would like!

\$5.00 of the cost of the bundles/plants is tax deductible and will be donated to:

The Sparrow's Nest

To submit your order...

Complete this order form along with a check payable to:

New Hackensack Reformed Church, Memoed: Daffodils

Place in the collection plate on Sunday, drop in our locked mailbox, or mail to:

New Hackensack Reformed Church Attn: Daffodils

1580 Route 376

Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

Deadline to order is Sunday, February 25th

Donor's names will be listed on March 3rd



NAME: _____

PHONE # or EMAIL: _____

of bundles @ \$10.00 each _____

potted plants @ \$10.00 each _____

Congregational Meetings



February 11: A brief Congregational Meeting will follow the Worship Service, in the Sanctuary. At the meeting, we will vote on the re-election of the following elders and deacons whose first terms are expiring. All have, in their faithfulness, agreed to continue to serve.

- Elders: Roger Eddy, David Grammerstorf, Franca Petrillo
- Deacons: Heather Bosko, Donna Freck, Bob Ray



March 3: Following Worship, a Congregational Meeting will be held in the Sanctuary. Council chairpersons will present updates on the work of their committee. A luncheon will follow in Fellowship Hall.

Lenten Study



A Lenten study group will be held on 3 Wednesday evenings in Lent.

Rev. Tamlyn will lead a study of the book

“Wondrous Encounters – Scripture for Lent” by Richard Rohr. Books are \$5 each.

Please sign up in the Gathering Area or call the church office.

We will share in dessert and then have our study.

7:00-8:30pm Wednesday Feb. 28, March 6, March 13, in Fellowship Hall.



FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

If you would like to share flowers on a Sunday, please call Franca Petrillo or the church office. Franca will help you pick a Sunday and provide instructions. Your dedication will be shared in the morning announcements.

A Message from Miss Tina



God is love. He professes his love to us and asks that we love others as well. No matter where you look in the Bible, there is that proof.

John 13:34-35 "and new command I give you. Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

1Corinthians 13:16 "True love does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth."

Romans 12:9 "Love must be sincere."

Ephesians 4:2 "be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with another in love."

1Corinthians 13:8 "Love never ends."

This is the kind of love we are called to walk in. So as we go into the month of February, a season of love... Let's remember who asked us to love so truly, madly and deeply. And if we can do that, we will all know that we already have the love of a lifetime.

Tina Brent

Interim Christian Ed Director

Sunday School, Children and Worship, & Nursery Care



Nursery Care for children under 3,
is available at morning Worship services.

The Children and Worship program is available for ages 3 to 2nd grade.

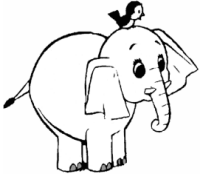
Children should be dropped off at room 9, at 10 am or before.

Parents may stay if they wish or go to the 10 am Worship service.

Sunday School

Youth (grades 3-8) are dismissed during Worship
to attend Sunday School in the Youth Room.

New Hackensack Nursery School



MOTTO:

*"We encourage, nurture, and teach...
they explore, learn and flourish!"*

Dear New Hackensack Reformed Church Family, The holidays were a special time in our school, and they were followed by snow days and snow delays. What a start to the new year! The holiday concerts were a huge success, and the sanctuary looked beautiful.

We hosted Kindergarten Readiness and Open House, and both events were well-received and attended.

We are now preparing for **online registration for the 2024-2025 school year, which begins on Wednesday, February 1st.** If there is a preschool child you deeply love, encourage the family to visit our school and learn about our programs. We also offer "Me and My Peanut", a program for two-year-olds and their caregiver. Details are available online.

Parent/teacher conferences will take place in February, along with Valentine Day parties, which are so much fun. The children exchange cards and goodies and enjoy special treats. We will also enjoy a few days off during winter recess. Stay well and enjoy the winter months.

Abby Garcia

on behalf of New Hackensack Nursery School

PIGGY BANK BAZAAR

Introducing Wilbur who will be taking over for Kermit ☺



Happy New Year! We had another successful Bazaar. It's truly amazing how "teamwork makes the dream work"! The planning, preparation and coordination worked seamlessly.

A great big "THANK YOU" goes out to Carol Ray for her many, many years of hard work and dedication. The time and commitment she put into the Piggy Bank Bazaar is and always will be remembered and greatly appreciated!

Her tenacity in obtaining volunteers, concomitant with her tasking/scheduling skills is

highly commendable. The overall success of the Bazaar is directly attributed to the number, quality, and dedication of these volunteers.

As most of you are aware, Tammy Bender has volunteered to take over the Piggy Bank Bazaar coordination and planning. She will be asking for your continued support.

Moving into 2024, we will start the planning for our next Bazaar, which is scheduled for Saturday, December 7th, 2024. We will be having our **Annual Planning meeting on Wednesday, January 31st at 9:30 am in room 13 and 15**. We hope you are able to join us to review the report from the Bazaar and help to plan for the next.

The Wednesday Morning Workshops will begin on Feb. 7. Carol will continue to attend the Workshops as Tammy works full time during the week. The group will continue to meet from 9:30 to 11:30 in Room 15. We are always looking for new volunteers with crafty ideas. We will continue to have simple crafts that don't require special skills. The Workshop is a great socialization event as well. An ideal way to meet and make new friends.

We look forward to another year of creativity and support. We appreciate all the volunteers that have made the Piggy Bank Bazaar such a success. **AGAIN**, we cannot succeed without YOU!

Feel free to contact Tammy with any questions, concerns or ideas. She can be reached at 845-401-5555 or tammybender@optonline.net.

Wink,
Wilbur



Property

Scrap Metal Program 2023 Summary

Thank you all for contributing to the Scrap Metal Program in 2023. Thanks to you, we raised \$2053.83 for the Property reserve fund. We also saved over 15,000 pounds of waste from entering landfills this year!

Thank you to the following people who helped this year (apologies if I missed anyone):

Jerry Carey, Fred Schomann, Bob Ray, Bill Fischer, Alex Torresson, George Popp, David Merte, Jeff Miedowski, David Grammerstorf, and my trusted sidekick, Nikki Meaney! Also, thanks to Ginger Trimble for helping me track all the proceeds!

Enjoy the winter break! We will start up again for 2024 after Easter.

Regards,
Pat Meaney



**THE SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING AND SERVING
A Ministry of the Mid-Hudson and Orange Classes
WINTER/SPRING 2024 COURSE OFFERINGS**

New Testament (Preaching Elder candidates & General Interest)

Instructor: The Rev. Jay Vogelaar
Dates: Tues., Feb. 20 & 27, March 5 & 12, April 2, 9, 16, & 23
Time 7-9 p.m.
Location: Via Zoom
Tuition: \$100, plus books and materials

In one of the course’s resources, Mark Dever writes, “the *point* of the New Testament, indeed, the *point* of the Bible, is that God has made promises to us, he has kept those promises to us, and we are called to trust him because he is the keeper of promises!. . . And as you and I hear and believe God’s Word, we are restored to that relationship with him for which we were made” (33, 34). This class will keep our focus on the God who fulfills promises in Christ Jesus as we turn our minds to the work of scholars who help us to better understand those promises kept.

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**Course registrations need to be received by the Registrar one week prior to the course unless otherwise stated. All registrations and tuition need to be mailed to the Registrar unless other arrangements are made in advance.
Please register in time to insure the class will run.**

Scholarships are available from the School. Please contact SCLS Treasurer Desiree Albizu for financial assistance at desireeralbizu@gmail.com

SCLS Registration Form

Name _____ Phone no. _____

Postal address _____

Email address _____

Church affiliation _____

Course name _____

CONTACT INFORMATION:

**Mail: Juliete Gaebel, SCLS Registrar
PO Box 38
Youngsville, NY 12791**

**Phone: (845) 417-8924
Email: juliete210@gmail.com**

**Please make checks payable to The School for Christian Living & Serving or SCLS.
Thank you.**



Outreach December News

Hudson River Housing Homeless Shelter:

The new Sign-up sheet is at the Information Table. It is listed only until June.

We need volunteers to provide the Shelter meal Feb. - June.

Please sign up or call the church office if you would like to contribute part or all of a meal.

Joan and I will continue to attend the HRH Zoom meetings with Christa Hines, Executive Director of Hudson River Housing, when she has them. As of right now the plan is that the PODs will be dismantled in May. But that always changes AND with the installation of Sue Serino as County Executive, who is a firm advocate of the homeless, the PODs could easily remain up until the building at 26 Oakley Street is completed.

Liberty Station/Local Food Pantries:

Donations are slow but we get surprises every now and again.

Blood Drive:

We had a Blood Drive on January 18th and netted 27, extremely needed, pints of blood. We thank you to all who donated.

2023 Mission of the Months

January: Hope on a Mission - \$445

February: The Lunch Box - \$430

March: RCA Mission Services (Earthquake Relief) - \$886

April: Meals on Wheels of Wappingers - \$846

May: Dutchess Outreach - Acts of Kindness - \$467

June: Community Action Partnership - \$370

July: New Brunswick Seminary - \$345

August: Hudson Valley Hospice - \$475

September: Grace Smith House - \$460

October: ALS Foundation - \$472

November: Food Bank of the Hudson Valley - \$388

December: CWS Humanitarian Relief (Israel and Gaza) - \$396

2023 Easter Special Offering: Meals on Wheels - \$2,484

2023 Thanksgiving Special Offering: Food Bank of the Hudson Valley - \$930

2023 Christmas Special Offering: CWS Humanitarian Relief - \$3,228

The Outreach Council wants to thank our most generous congregation for all their financial support.

Clothing Donation Bin: \$1642.51 (All went to Property Reserve)

20,531 lbs of clothing was donated and per St. Pauly, it was enough to clothe over 3,700 people all over the world.

Reserve/Restricted Funds:

Church Benevolence - \$3,147

Liberty Station - \$25

Wappingers Family - \$3,138

Once Franca gets the name of the family member taking care of the 3 boys, we will send \$1,500 to him to help with their expenses.

2024 Outreach Budget

Programs: \$3,000

General Benevolence: \$6,000

\$1,500 for Josh Bode Missionary in Oman

\$1,500 for The Fields in Columbia

\$1,500 for Hudson River Housing

\$1,500 for Rural Migrant Ministry

2024 Mission of the Month:

January: Hope on a Mission

February: The Lunch Box

March: Hudson River Housing and Rural & Migrant Ministry (And Easter)

April: Meals on Wheels of Wappingers Falls

May: Community Action Partnership

June: Hudson Valley Hospice

Additional MOMs considered are Needle In A Haystack Food Pantry and Project Hospitality

Prayer Shawls:

We have a great deal of shawls in stock. If you know of someone that would find comfort in receiving a beautiful handmade Prayer Shawl, please let Arra know or contact the church office.

Military Honor Board:

We need to get the military information from those who wanted to get their names in. **Super Bowl Sunday, February 11, 2024 is the deadline** to get your name and info in. Otherwise, the next update will be in September. Send your info to Joan Heller joandheller@yahoo.com or Arra Mowry psalm46amm@optonline.net. Thank you.

Thank You!



Thank you NHRC for your generous donation to ALS United of Greater NY

This is Beth Wright, a proud member of the NHRC, and I wanted to thank you personally for your continued support of me and my fight against this terrible disease. In August of 2022, I had a tracheostomy and I now reside in a facility that can manage my health care needs. It has been a difficult transition but I am now settled in a good facility in Flushing NY. Earlier this year I found the Sunday church service on youtube and I watch the service online every Sunday. I feel like I am right there with the congregation as you worship. I miss all of you very much and your cards and prayers make me happy knowing that the saying 'out of sight, out of mind' does not apply to me.

As for the donation to ALS United of Greater NY (formally ALS Association of Greater NY), I want to assure you that it makes a difference to me personally. ALS United continues to provide a variety of services for me including, coincidentally, tonight a zoom conference call with two doctors speaking on ALS and Respiratory issues. It was an amazing seminar with information about understanding that ALS is a motor neuron disease, not a respiratory disease and should not be treated as one. If that is done, there are proven non-invasive respiratory treatments that can allow an ALS patient to lead longer, healthier lives without the need for a tracheostomy. The point is, your donations and support are so very important and that I am so grateful for that and for being part of NHRC Family!

Beth

(ALS was the October Mission of the Month. NHRC members and friends donated \$472.)



A SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM RURAL AND MIGRANT MINISTRY TO ALL WHO DONATED TOYS and GIFTS TO THE DAUGHTERS OF SARAH ANNUAL TOY STORE ...

This event helps rural farm working families to purchase gifts for their families at greatly reduced prices, and this year, there was a wonderful assortment of warm clothing. In addition, all those who came to shop and to help in any way, were able to enjoy a great Holiday Dinner.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to the Outreach Committee for their time and energy spent to sort and pack up the gifts donated, and to Robin Konitz for delivering it all to the RMM Toy Store. The Toy Store and Dinner are held at the Presbyterian Church in Marlboro and remaining toys, clothing and gifts are able to be purchased on the Sunday following the event for those who were unable to enjoy the festivities the day before ...

A SPECIAL NOTE of THANKS TO AN AMAZING CHURCH FAMILY .. .



I am still counting my holiday blessings Robin was quarantined with Covid which was disappointing but Jordan and Eden stepped in and made sure we were with the New Hackensack Church Family for the beautiful Christmas Eve Candle and Carols Worship ... and they came back to New Paltz on Christmas morning with all the fixings for a pancake brunch!!! How special was all their extra driving and help!!

I was so surprised to be presented with a holiday tote bag full of holiday gifts from the Church family ... Your thoughts and prayers along with holiday mementos and the memories of all the many Christmases as part of the NHRC family will never be forgotten. Thank you all for your continued thoughts and prayers as we continue to journey to the manger throughout the new year...

Jane Konitz

**Please join us for Worship and Fellowship.
We love to see you in person and online!
Happy Valentine's Day!**

