

New Hackensack Reformed Church  
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MAY CHURCH NEWS, 2017

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May 2017 Worship Schedule and Highlights

Worship 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. – Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

May

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| 7  | Communion celebrated at both services                                       | Scripture: John 10: 1-10<br>Message: "The Door"                                                                                                                              |
| 14 | Mother's day                                                                | Scripture: John 14: 1-14<br>Message: "Words of Reassurance"                                                                                                                  |
| 21 | Cantate Sunday(10:00 a.m. service only)<br>Confirmation                     | Special Music, Liturgical Dance<br>Scripture: Psalm 100<br>Message: "For The Lord Is Good"                                                                                   |
| 28 | Ascension/ Memorial Day Sunday(10:00 a.m.)<br>One Service, No Sunday School | <b>Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Don Heringa</b><br><b>Children's Place Available for 3-9 of age</b><br>Scripture: Deuteronomy 8: 1-3 and Matthew 4: 1-11<br>Message: "The Power" |



**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION...** Kris Rice, Christian Education Director  
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*Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house upon the rock.*  
Matthew 7:24

✠ Our 4th Annual "The Great Surprise-Jesus is Alive" Easter Event held on Palm Sunday, April 9th, was a wonderful day for the children. The festivities included the Easter story, a variety of crafts, games and stations and a fun egg hunt. A big thank you to our teachers and youth who helped make it a great family event!

✠ A **Big Thank You** to all who donated the many, many craft kits and craft items for our Sunday School Lenten Mission "Kraft's for Kids". A great mission where our kids could give to the kids at the Children's Home in Poughkeepsie where they can enjoy making lots of fun crafts!

✠ **Confirmation Sunday** will be held on June 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m.

✠ There will be **no Sunday School** classes held on May 28th (Memorial Day weekend).

We will have Children's Place available for 3-9 year olds.

Nurse care is available for children up to 3 years old.

✠ **Children's Sunday** will take place on June 18th followed by a Family Picnic. Details to follow.

✠ Our theme this year for **Vacation Bible School** is "**Maker Fun Factory**", scheduled for the week of August 7th - 11th, 9:00 a.m.-12 noon. Registration forms and volunteer sign-up sheets will be available in the Gathering area and on the desk in the Education Center at the end of May. Electronic registration will be available at the end of June by going on our website: [nhrc-church.org](http://nhrc-church.org) and click on the VBS link. Please consider volunteering for a Crew Leader or assistant (ages 12 and up). It's a fun, faith-filled week where we'll learn that we are "Created by God - Built for a Purpose".

In His Service,

**Kris Rice**

Christian Education Director



### **PIGGY BANK BAZAAR NEWS...**

The Wednesday morning workshops workers are busy assembling gifts for the Piggy Bank Bazaar. Please come to our meetings. We have really nice, simple craft projects lined up to be made for the bazaar. In May, the workshops will be on May 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31. Workshops are held at 9:30 A.M. in Room 15.

This past month we were able to make nice donations of our excess supplies to the Sunday School's Lenten project, "Krafts for Kids" and also to Sparrow's Nest for their Easter project. We love getting donations and some of them were perfect for these two requests.

Our famous Take Home Kits will be distributed on Mother's Day, May 14, 2017 in Fellowship Hall after the church service. The Piggy Bank Committee will be hosting the coffee hour, also in Fellowship Hall. We have a nice and varied selection of kits this year. Each kit comes complete with a sample of the craft, directions, and the necessary materials to make additional gifts. We have crafts that feature painting, working with beads, making bracelets and necklaces, simple gluing, flower arranging, and sewing. The Take Home Kits are due back right before this year's bazaar on December 2. We really depend upon you to take these kits so that we have nice gifts at the Piggy Bank Bazaar.

Supplies needed: The Take Home Kits and current projects have used up many of the supplies in our cupboard. We have a need for yard sticks, fabric scissors, sea shells of all sizes, glass and ceramic vases and bowls, polyester stuffing and batting, fabric, fleece fabric, floral foam, silk flowers, floral moss, craft paint, yarn, macramé cord, sewing thread, bells, beads, jewelry findings, used or broken necklaces, new mugs, new pencils and pens, pompoms, craft feathers and boas, wood shapes, new nails, screws, washers, hooks, stickers, rhinestones, scrapbooking supplies, polished rocks, handled grocery or department store paper bags, and assorted craft supplies.



**Hudson River Housing:** The 2017 sign-up sheet is now available in the Gathering Area on the Info Table. We are in great need of volunteers to serve dinner at the Gail V. Webster Homeless Shelter. Instructions are available by the sign-up sheet. Please consider grabbing some friends and volunteering. It is an extremely rewarding experience.

**Missions of the Month:**

January:	Dutchess Interfaith Council	\$160.00	
February:	The Lunch Box		240.00
March:	Meals on Wheels of Wappingers Falls	620.00	
April:	ALS Foundation	4,017.00	

**Mission of the Month for April** was the ALS Foundation in Albany and NYC. Thanks to the inspiring story of our own Beth Wright, we collected \$4,017. This included our Easter special offering as well!

May:	Grace Smith House
June:	Western and New Brunswick Seminaries

**Liberty Station (Hudson River Housing):** The food donations continue to be needed. Our American Heroes who are down on their luck and in most cases were homeless, are now sheltered at Liberty Station. Private sleeping quarters are given to the veterans and use of a full kitchen, showers, laundry room, computer room and exercise room. Meals are not provided and they rely on food donations. NHRC is one of the bigger supporters of food for these men and women. They prefer canned soups, canned meals such as Beef-a-roni, Spaghetti-O's, chili, stew etc. They are always in need of hygiene products for both men and women. Donation boxes are located in the Gathering Area and outside the Church Office.

 **Blood Drive:** The next blood drive is June 27, 2017 from 1pm - 7pm in Fellowship Hall

**DC SPCA:** They continue to be in need of cat and dog food both canned and dry.

2017 Easter Special Offering:	The ALS Foundation
2017 Thanksgiving Special Offering:	The Food Bank of the Hudson Valley
2017 Christmas Eve Special Offering:	TBD



**The Vincent and Mary Kelley Music Award...**The Worship & Music Council is offering this scholarship award again this year. Applicants must be a graduating high school student whose intent is to pursue a college degree in music education. This is a one-time \$500 award to a qualified applicant. A letter of application should be sent to the Worship and Music Council by May 15th. The letter must include a brief statement of the student's background as well as a music teacher's opinion as to the applicant's intent and qualifications. If you have any questions please call Roger Eddy, 297-7799 or email your question to rmeddy@optonline.net.

NHRC,

We would like to thank our NHRC family for the generous donations of food for our Mom's service. And we cannot thank you enough for the outpouring of love and support we have received. NHRC was such a big part of Mom's life and brought her many years of joy. And we need to give a big thank you to Keith...thank you for being there for us every step of the way.

The family of  
Rosemary Summers

Dear NHRC Family and Friends,

A sincere Thank You to all for the many cards, calls, well-wishes and prayers extended to me during my recent knee replacement surgery. Each was deeply appreciated and warmly received, and went a long way in lifting my spirits. How blessed we all are to have such a caring, loving church community.

Blessings and Love to all,  
Amy Burger



### **RURAL & MIGRANT MINISTRY...**

Throughout our country's history, farmworkers have been a marginalized population with limited political and economic power. While local and sustainable food movements have brought to the public's attention the environmental and social costs of our country's food system, labor issues and farmworkers are often excluded from the discussion.

New York's farmworkers form the backbone of the state's multi-billion dollar agricultural industry, but these workers are excluded from basic labor law protections under state and federal law. The statutory relic of the Jim Crow era deprives more than 80,000 farmworkers of the rights that other workers take for granted. They are one of the most vulnerable, exploited, and invisible groups of workers in our nation and in our state of New York.

For over thirty years the Rural & Migrant Ministry has stood with New York's farmworkers as they seek the same rights and protections under the law as other workers. New York State Labor Relations Act excludes farmworkers from a day of rest, overtime pay, and to the right to organize and bargain collectively. During the coming weeks you may see groups of students and allies gathering around the area in an effort to raise awareness to the plight of farmworkers. On Wednesday, May 23rd allies from across the state will accompany farmworkers to Albany. Busses will leave from NYC, the Hudson Valley and Brockport (WNY) to gather at the Capital, where they will rally and meet with legislators to urge their support of the Farmworkers Fair Labor Practices Act which would end the injustices currently endured by those who labor so that our tables are abundantly filled.

You are invited to join The Justice for Farmworkers Campaign. Bus information will be available soon for those who are able to journey to Albany. Write a letter to your local Senator, , Assemblyperson and/or Governor Cuomo and urge them to support the Farmworker Fair Labor Practices Act: (S-1291 or A-4762) or phone them to ask their support.

For more information, check the RMM website: [www.ruralmigrantministry.org](http://www.ruralmigrantministry.org)

**COME CELEBRATE WITH US...On Saturday, May 20th, the Rural & Migrant Ministry will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of its Youth Empowerment Program.**

A Youth Symposium will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the St. James the Less Episcopal Church in Scarsdale...The day will feature keynote speaker, Betsaida Alcantara, a Founder of the Youth Arts Group. Betsaida is a graduate of Bard College and worked with the Obama administration on its Health Care plan; was in charge of the schedule and media presentations for Hillary Clinton during the recent presidential campaign , and is currently working for HUD in the Trump administration. There will be a presentation of the award winning documentary, Dreamers AMONG Us and a panel discussion.

During the afternoon, youth and their leaders will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of workshops:

- " Creating a Mural of Hope with Aubrey Roemer, International Artist
- " Organizing and Taking Action with Rev. Richard Witt, Executive Director of RMM
- " "Dream Out Loud" poetry workshop with Poet Gold, the NYS Dutchess County 2017 Poet Laureate
- " Understanding Racism with Eduardo Gonzales, well-known social justice educator
- " Know Your Rights with Jose Chapa, Coordinator of RMM's Justice for Farmworker Campaign
- " What is going on with the education system - how it's changed in the 21st Century with Erendira Rueda, Vassar College Professor

The symposium will conclude at 4:00 p.m. with an Art Exhibit and Drumming Circle

Cost: \$20/per participant (lunch included)

The annual Sowing Seeds of Justice Reception and Dinner will be held beginning at 6:00 p.m. at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in White Plains. The featured speaker will be Cristina Jimenez, Executive Director & Co-founder of United We Dream. There will be a silent auction, live entertainment and music. Dinner tickets are \$150.

For more information and registrations, call 485-8227.



### SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES...

CAMP WARWICK summer camp brochures are available in the Education Center. This summer's theme is The Water of Life. Water is part of our daily lives, and we often take it for granted. The waters of Baptism lead us into the faith, and the water of life sustains and increases our faith. This summer campers will celebrate the water that brings us joy, life, love and learning as we grow in our relationship with each other

and with Christ.

If you are looking for a summer experience that brings your young people into a closer relationship with God, then pick up a Camp Warwick brochure and prayerfully consider a week where God's love is felt in the way youth learn, play and worship.

### CAMP SUNRISE...a LIFE-CHANGING SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE!

CAMP SUNRISE is a Christian camping experience for individuals ages 8-55 with special needs. The mission of Camp Sunrise is to provide a place where everyone feels welcomed and loved. Camp Sunrise provides a place where campers can experience new challenges and opportunities for growth in a safe and caring environment.

CAMP SUNRISE offers a unique opportunity for young people (beginning with those who have completed 9th grade) and adults to experience a life-changing week by participating as a volunteer counselor. Volunteers work one-on-one with a special-needs camper and will receive thorough training in all related aspects of care.

CAMP SUNRISE VOLUNTEER applications can be downloaded from the website at [www.campwarwick.com](http://www.campwarwick.com) or call Pat at the Warwick Conference Center, 845-986-1164.

**REFORMED CHURCH WOMEN of the HUDSON VALLEY ...The Spring Conference will be held on Saturday, May 6th at the New Paltz Reformed Church beginning at 9:15 a.m. with breakfast followed by worship and speaker. The guest speaker will be Rev. Jennifer Bendelius, Pastor of the Flatbush Reformed Church, Saugerties. Her topic is Compassionate Communication.**

Breakfast is \$6.00 and please bring a non-perishable item to be donated to a local food pantry. A special offering will be received for a mission to be determined. If you would like to attend and carpool, please call Jane Konitz, 297-5864.

## MAY, 2017

### 1, Monday

- 6:00 p.m. Klokken Ringers
- 6:30 p.m. Faith, Hope, Love...Dance
- 7:30 p.m. Campanola Ringers

### 2, Tuesday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise
- 6:00 p.m. Outreach Council
- 7:00 p.m. Councils/Committees

### 3, Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop
- 6:00 p.m. Birthday Dessert

### 4, Thursday

- 6:00 p.m. The Mommy Connection
- 6:45 p.m. Youth Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### 5, Friday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

### 7, Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School  
Junior High
- 11:15 a.m. Youth Group

### 8, Monday

- 6:00 p.m. Klokken Ringers
- 6:30 p.m. Faith, Hope, Love...Dance
- 7:30 p.m. Campanola Ringers

### 9, Tuesday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise
- 7:00 p.m. Christian Ed. Council  
Property Committee  
RCWM Book Club at Panera

### 10, Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop
- 9:45 a.m. Yoga Class
- 11:15 a.m. Chair Yoga

### 11, Thursday

- 6:45 p.m. Youth Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### 12, Friday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise
- 3:00 p.m. June News Deadline
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group Parents' Night Out

### 14, Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School, Junior  
High

### 16, Tuesday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise
- 7:00 p.m. Nursery School Board

### 17, Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop
- 9:45 a.m. Yoga Class
- 11:15 a.m. Chair Yoga

### 18, Thursday

- 6:45 p.m. Youth Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### 19, Friday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise
- 21, Sunday Cantate Sunday/Confirmation

### 21, Sunday

- "Faith, Hope, Love...Dance"
- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School, Junior  
High

### 23, Tuesday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise
- 7:00 p.m. Consistory Meeting

### 24, Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop
- 9:45 a.m. Yoga Class
- 11:15 a.m. Chair Yoga

### 25, Thursday

- 6:45 p.m. Youth Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### 26, Friday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

### 28, Sunday

- Ascension of the Lord  
Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Don Heringa
- 8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship, Children's Place
- 11:15 a.m. Youth Group
- 7:30 p.m. Dutchess Homeless Shelter

### 29, Monday

### 30, Tuesday

- 10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

### 31, Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop

