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September 2017 CHURCH NEWS



September 2017 Worship Schedule and Highlights Worship 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. – Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

September

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| 3 | Communion celebrated (10am service only) | Scripture: Galations1: 11-24
Message: "Break Through Your Boundaries" |
| 10 | 8:30am Worship and Sunday School begin | Scripture: Matthew 21: 23-32
Message: "On the Edge with Jesus" |
| 17 | Welcome Back Breakfast | Scripture: Philippians 3: 7-14
Message: "Courage to Press On" |
| 24 | Baptism | Scripture: Matthew 20, 1-16
Message: "God- Searching for You" |



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION... Kris Rice, Christian Education Director
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"I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." . Jeremiah 29:11

✠ What an awesome time we had at VBS the week of August 7th-11th!! Our theme, "Maker Fun Factory - Created by God, Built for a Purpose" was a faith-filled week of enthusiasm, energy and fun. 75 children learned about God's love for them through terrific songs, Bible stories, crafts, games, KidVid cinema and snacks. A huge thank you to the 30 volunteers who made it happen as Station and Crew leaders and assistants, putting up and taking down the set, countless behind the scene jobs and administrative help from our office staff, made our Bible School a great success!

✠ For our VBS Mission, "Breakfast for Vets", we collected 85 boxes of cereal for the homeless Veterans living at Liberty Station in Poughkeepsie. Thank you to all who contributed!

✠ Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with "Children's Summer Place". All 11 weeks were filled in!!

✠ It's time to think Sunday School which will begin on September 10th at 10:00 a.m. We welcome all children (please bring a friend!) and look forward to seeing you as we continue our faith journey learning and celebrating God through Bible stories, lessons, scripture and discussions. Thank you to being faithful in bringing your children each week. It is so important for their spiritual growth guided by God's hand with our dedicated group of Sunday School teachers. Registration forms can be found on the Gathering Area desk or on the desk in the Ed Center. Completed forms can be mailed, put in my mailbox by the church office door or brought to class.

✠ The September issue of the "Parenting Christian Kids" newsletter is available on the Gathering Area desk or on the Ed Center desk.

✠ Please visit our Library and check out a book. It has been moved back to its original location by the Gathering Area next to the Choir Room.

✠ Stay tuned for our "Fall Festival" coming in November!

In His Service,

Kris Rice

Christian Education Director

YOUTH GROUP

YOUTH GROUP....Join us for an exciting new school year! Our theme this year is Friendship. Sunday, Sept 17th: Youth Kick-off following the Welcome Back breakfast. All youth seventh grade or older are welcome!
Sunday, Sept 24th: Bowling, 1:30-5:30.
Sunday, Oct 1st: 4-7 pm: Youth Fusion. Camp Taconic.
Saturday-Sunday: October 14th-15th: Retreat at Camp Ramapo.
Check Sunday bulletins for more details!



PIGGY BANK BAZAAR...

Greetings from Kermit!

This year's Piggy Bank Bazaar, a time for young humans to do their Christmas shopping, will be held on Saturday, December 2nd. I can hardly wait to see all those smiling faces of youngsters as they move from room to room, gathering up goodies as gifts for friends and family! (I've noticed that the grown-up humans, volunteering at the Bazaar, have big smiles, too!!)

As always, September means that the Wednesday Morning Workshops will be starting up again. They'll be held in the Education Center, Room 15, from 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., on the 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th. All of our crafty projects are simple, and we could use YOUR help. Some of the things planned for this fall's workshops are paint brush snowmen, photo key rings, a polar bear with a plaid scarf, pencil holders, gold wire reindeer, and a braided fleece pet toy. Generally several projects are going on at a time, since the crafts are in kit form, so there are bound to be some that are perfect for YOU!! Young children are always welcome!!

We know that the Piggy Bank Bazaar will need to be heavily advertised to the public in November, so we are looking for new outlets to promote it. Please help us tell EVERYONE about this great event for children. If you have ideas, or can help get the word out, please contact Carol Ray to get posters, cards, or softcopy information for distribution.

TAKE HOME KITS can be returned to Room 15 at any time. Piggy Bank goodies will be displayed in the Gathering Area in November, and it would be WONDERFUL if YOUR Kits could be included!!

Mrs. Ray (my nice human friend who is all ready for the Workshops to start up again) tells me that some supplies are needed to prepare for the Big Day, including craft paint, paint brushes, felt, yarn, floral moss, floral foam, silk flowers, wiggle eyes, rhinestones, mugs, craft birds, polyester stuffing and batting, stickers, assorted new nails, screws, bolts, washers, etc., pliers, beads, old jewelry, jewelry making supplies, scrap booking paper, ribbon, dowel sticks, pom poms, and other crafty supplies. The plant table will need bunches and BUNCHES of plants in December. For the Big Day itself, we'll need rolls and ROLLS of gift wrapping, gift bags, tissue paper, ribbon, bows, scissors, Scotch Tape and large bags with handles. Your donations will be greatly appreciated - they can be left in Room 15 at any time. Piggy Bank is always willing to share supplies from our closet, and happy to assist groups that work with children. Your donated craft materials and gift items help keep Bazaar costs down, and allow the Wednesday Morning Workshop folks to have fun creating new gifts.

There's still lots of green, and my pond is still inviting, so I'm hopping back down there now. I hope I'll see YOU at the Workshops!!

Yours in love,
Kermit

OUTREACH...



Hudson River Housing: The 2017 sign-up sheet is now available in the Gathering Area on the Info Table. We need sign ups. More casserole pans will be placed in the gathering area for volunteers to replenish for the homeless shelter. The shelter is now averaging 60+ guests each night. If anyone is interested in volunteering but cannot afford to purchase the whole meal, please see Arra Mowry.

Missions of the Month:

January:	Dutchess Interfaith Council	\$160.00
February:	The Lunch Box	240.00
March:	Meals on Wheels of Wappingers Falls	640.00
April:	ALS Foundation	1,017.00
May:	Grace Smith House	215.00
June:	Western and New Brunswick Seminaries	145.00
July:	Habitat of Dutchess County	475.00
August:	Dutchess Outreach	
September:	Church World Service	
October:	Hospice of Dutchess	
November:	Food Bank of the Hudson Valley	
December:	TBD	

Liberty Station (Hudson River Housing): They are still in great need of food donations. Liberty Station does NOT provide meals to the veteran residents living at Liberty Station. They depend on food donations.

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

- 2017 Easter Special Offering: The ALS Foundation \$3,000.00
- 2017 Thanksgiving Special Offering: The Food Bank of the Hudson Valley
- 2017 Christmas Eve Special Offering: TBD

Blood Drive: September 19, 2017. 1pm-7pm in Fellowship Hall. Summertime, as folks are traveling, blood supplies tend to get very low. Please donate and help build these supplies up.



I Know What You're Thinking...

"Oh those wonderful NHRC Choirs, they're just great. They couldn't *possibly* need my help." You couldn't be more wrong. Our choirs are struggling to maintain numbers for a variety of reasons.

♪ *Chancel Choir* ...needs tenors and sopranos very much, but also basses and altos. As our average age in chancel Choir is septuagenarian, that tells me we have a lot of younger adults out in the pews, hiding their talents under a bushel: we need you to step up.

Show your gratitude to our singers for their decades of service by *taking up the torch* and carrying it forward. You'll find the rewards immeasurable. We meet Thursday nights 7:30 to 9pm for a fun and prayerful time, resounding the inspired words and harmonies from our rich, recently refurbished Music Library, and of contemporary new music added regularly. You will love being a part of Chancel Choir!

♪ *Youth Choir*... dwindled to only four girls last year. Their dedication and talent is admirable, but we need more kids--BOYS TOO--to build our program, and be our "farm team" for Chancel Choir. Kids today have all kinds of extracurricular activities, so I've returned rehearsal time to Sundays 11:15-45. That's time enough to have a snack, let mom and dad enjoy fellowship while we meet in the Choir Room!

You know you love hearing children singing on Sundays. Please, encourage your child to join us, and help them on a lifelong journey of Faith In Action. I am accepting children as young as 7 years old, provided they have good listening and basic pitch-matching skills.

♪ *Worship Team* can always use help, even for that one song you want to strum, sing or toot along with us! Talk to Stephen Whalen or Director Hoppe about sitting in with us this year!

♪ *Klokk en*... our children's handbell choir, enjoyed a wonderful return last year, and we look to build on that success.

♪ *Campanola Ringers*... for adult ringers, also has room for newcomers.

Please contact Director Pat McCullough for details at pat.sightandsound@gmail.com or call/text 845-240-6451

So you say you can't sing, can't ring, can't shake a tambourine? NHRC Music Ministry needs **all kinds of support!**-- administrative, videography, sound tech, social media, fund-raising--you name it.

If you have love for our Music Ministry, we have a place for you. So JOIN US!

Yours in Christ,
Johnny Hoppe
Director of Vocal Choirs



NEW ROOF FUNDRAISER.....We are getting close to the amount of money needed to replace the Sunday School building roof. A member of our church who loves NHRC has challenged the congregation with a great gift. The gift is a dollar per dollar matching grant- up to \$10,000.00. This fund raiser will go through the first Sunday of Advent, December 3rd. Envelopes are in the pews. Please check off "Matching Gift".



Dear NHRC Friends:

Thank you so much for your faithfulness to Sally throughout her illness, and for your prayers and expressions of sympathy at her passing. Thank you to Keith for the beautiful celebration of her life and for holding our hands (literally and figuratively) through all that had to be done. We very much appreciate the efforts of Sue Kimmerle, and all who responded to her in putting together that wonderful meal after the service. Most of all, thank you for being Sally's friend and our church family.

Joe Allen and Family



THANK YOU... On behalf of the Staff and the Board of Rural & Migrant Ministry, I wish to extend to all who have contributed school supplies; cooked, helped and provided funds for the annual camp dinner that was held on Wednesday, August 23rd. All who were on hand were sure that the children were inhaling their dinner!!! Every pan of ziti, every loaf of bread, every veggie seemed to disappear before it hardly reached the table! A HUGE BOUQUET OF RED TULIPS for all your efforts and support of RMM's summer camp.

THANK YOU for all the BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES - The children and youth were so appreciative to receive some of their basic needed supplies to start the school year. We have enough kits and supplies on hand to send some to our western New York Center, the newly opened Long Island Center, and to SPARK in Liberty. Your generosity is so appreciated by the young folks and their parents.

CAMP SUPPLIES NEEDED.... The cooler days and nights during camp week depleted our supply of cozy flees throws and sweat shirts. While fall cleaning or even next spring, should you find some of these items you no longer have a need for, please pass them along.

You may bring them to the church but please let Jane Konitz know.

RCW M BOOK CLUB...



The book for discussion on September 12, 2017 is "The Boston Girl" by Anita Diamant. For October 10, 2017, the pick is "The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane" by Lisa See. Please join us at 7:00 pm at the Panera across from Poughkeepsie Galleria. Join us and help pick upcoming book choices. For more information: call/text Cheryl Erickson at 242-7431 or Darlene Brown at 475-2838.

COME CELEBRATE THE 500th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION



After returning from a trip to Wittenberg Church and Eastern Europe, The Rev. Dr. Eric Titus will speak to us of this momentous anniversary

When: Monday, October 30th at 7:00 p.m

Where: The Wallkill Reformed Church, 45 Bridge Street, Wallkill

Cost: There is none! Just let us know you would like to attend.

Sign up at the Information Center - Carpooling is encouraged!

Registration deadlines are one week prior to the course...Forms are available at the Information Center in the Gathering Area.

CARING FOR CREATION SEMINAR: HOLINESS and the EARTH led by Dr. Steven Bouma-Prediger, Saturday, September 23 at the Rhinebeck Reformed Church, 6368 Mill Street, Rhinebeck. Lunch will be provided at 11:45 a.m.; the seminar runs from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Dr. Bouma-Prediger is on the faculty of Hope College as a Professor of Religion and Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning. Register with Dave Baldauf at dadbaldauf@gmail.com or 845-876-2153

THE SCHOOL for CHRISTIAN LIVING and SERVING, a Ministry of the Mid-Hudson and Orange Classes, announces its fall 2017 courses.

In baptism, Christians are signed with the seal of God's love and grace in Christ Jesus, and are called to service as part of the body of Christ, the Church. The School provides opportunities for personal spiritual growth and leadership training that supports the local church, in the context of Reformed theology and organization. The School provides basic adult Christian Education courses for those interested in developing their gifts and skills for service and leadership in the congregations (and in classical, synodical, and denominational work), and for those who wish to deepen their knowledge of Scripture and the Church, and to grow as disciples of Jesus.

The School offers certification for those wishing to become Preaching Elders in the Reformed Church in America and is currently working with the Human Support Committee of the Classis of Mid-Hudson on providing courses for several adults committed to becoming Commissioned Pastors in the RCA.

Fall Semester course offerings:

Systematic Theology (Preaching Elder & Commissioned Pastor Candidates, General Interest)

This course is designed to give students a basic understanding of primary Christian doctrines from a Reformed perspective. In addition, methodologies and resources for constructing theological positions will be covered.

Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Eric Titus

Dates: Wednesdays, September 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25 & November 1
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Location: Reformed Church of New Paltz, 92 Huguenot Street, New Paltz

Tuition: \$100, plus books and materials

The Art of Caring Visits (Elders & Deacons, General Interest)

Have you ever wondered what to say to someone who is sick, struggling with relationship difficulties or in grief? The Art of Caring Visits is an introduction to the pastoral and practical dimensions of visiting hurting people. The class is aimed at helping us respond following the way our God has responded to people throughout the scriptures, by following the principles of IDENTIFICATION, EMPATHY, and LOVING ACCEPTANCE. This course includes theory and practice of active listening, psychology of illness, and biblical principles to help motivate caring visits.

Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Donald Heringa

Date: Saturday, October 21, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m..

Location: Reformed Church of New Paltz, 92 Huguenot Street, New Paltz

Tuition: \$15, plus books and materials

September 2017

1, Thursday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

3, Sunday

Communion

8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School

Junior High

4, Monday

Office Closed/Labor Day

5, Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

6:00 p.m. Outreach Council

7:00 p.m. Councils/Committees

6, Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop

7:00 p.m. NHRC Caregivers

7, Thursday

6:00 p.m. The Mommy Connection

8, Friday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

10, 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

11, Monday

6:30 p.m. Faith, Hope, Love...Dance

12, Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

7:00 p.m. Christian Ed. Council

Property Committee

RCWM Book Club at Panera

13, Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop

14, Thursday

6:45 p.m. Youth Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

15, Friday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

3:00 p.m. October News Deadline

17, Sunday

Welcome Back Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Worship

8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School, Junior High

18, Monday

6:30 p.m. Faith, Hope, Love...Dance

7:30 p.m. Campanola Ringers

19, Tuesday

1:00 p.m. Blood Drive

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

7:00 p.m. Nursery School Board

20, Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop

21, Thursday

6:45 p.m. Youth Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

22, Friday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

24, Sunday

Baptism

8:30 a.m. Worship

8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School, Junior High

7:00 p.m. Dutchess Homeless Shelter

25, Monday

6:00 p.m. Klokken Ringers

6:30 p.m. Faith, Hope, Love...Dance

7:30 p.m. Campanola Ringers

26, Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

7:00 p.m. Consistory Meeting

27, Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Piggy Bank Workshop

10:00 a.m. Friends of Seniors

28, Thursday

6:45 p.m. Youth Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

29, Friday

10:30 a.m. Strength and Balance Exercise

