



THE OLIVE BRANCH



Ringoes, New Jersey

Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church

March Events

- 2 5:30pm Come As UR worship
- 3 The Bells of Kirkpatrick
- 6:30pm Youth Group Potluck
- 5 6:30pm Deacons Mtg
- 6 Ash Wednesday
- 10 Daylight Savings Begins
- 12 6:30pm Boy Scout Cmte Mtg
- 13 7:00 pm Lent @ Titusville
- 15 Olive Branch Deadline
- 17 St. Patrick's Day Youth Event
 - 2:00pm Eagle Scout Court Honor
- 19 7:00pm Session Meeting
- 20 7:00pm Lent @ Mt. Airy
- 27 7:00pm Lent @ KMPC
 - Jews for Jesus presentation
- 31 2:15pm Worship @ HCC

Weekly

8:45am Adult SS Sun

9:30am Worship

with Jr. Church

6:30pm Boy Scouts Mon

Tue 8:00pm AA

Wed 7:30am Men's Bible Study

6:30pm Bell Rehearsal

9:30am Ladies Bible Study Thu 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

8:00pm AA

4:00pm AA Sat



From Our **Pastor**

Dear Friends,

Emilie Griffin, in her book Small Surrenders, writes, "Externally, Lent is a time of doing without. It is a time of self-denial, a pentitential time, a time of repentance. But inwardly, Lent is a time of drawing closer to Jesus. The idea is to go with Jesus into the desert and journey with him there during his times of trial. Not for one day, but for an extended time: a biblical forty days...

Lent is about turning: repentance and transformation. Yet we who come as practicing believers may feel that our days of conversion are already behind us. We are like the poet T.S. Eliot, who says in his poem Ash Wednesday that he does not want to 'turn' again. To make a second or third conversion may be daunting to us. We wonder what demands the Lord will make of us during this Lenten time.

Why should we be converted again, we wonder. Aren't we Christ's people already? We are already trying to follow Jesus every day. What more is asked, then, during Lent? And why these days, these forty days?"

Lent begins for us with Ash Wednesday on March 6th. During Lent, the area churches will gather each Wednesday evening at 7pm for worship and fellowship. Please plan to join us for these extra services during this holy season of the year. They are brief - they are informal – but they allow us to enter into God's presence in between Sundays. The full schedule is included in this edition of the Olive Branch.

For this Lent, what will you give up? How will you deny yourself so that you might enter into Christ's suffering more genuinely? How will you draw closer with Jesus – or follow Him into the wilderness? How will you be transformed – of what will you repent? These are all questions that I hope you will prayerfully consider as we prepare to enter the season of Lent.

See you on Sunday! Pastor Mike



Midweek Lenten Services – For the 6th straight year, the area Presbyterian Churches will be meeting each Wednesday for a short time of worship and prayer. Each service is held at 7pm. Please plan to join us!

March 6, 2019 (Ash Wednesday) - Lambertville

March 13, 2019 – Titusville (Grace Presbyterian)

March 20, 2019 - Mt. Airy

March 27, 2019 - KMPC - presentation by Jews for Jesus on the Seder

April 3, 2019 - Titusville

April 10, 2019 - Lambertville

April 18, 2019 (Maundy Thursday) - Mt. Airy

April 19, 2019 (Good Friday) - Titusville at noon & KMPC at 7pm



Daylight saving time 2019 in New Jersey will begin at 2:00 AM on Sunday, March 10

Youth Group

During March, the Youth Group schedule will be as follows:

Sunday, March 3rd – 6:30-9:00pm – Potluck Supper – Bring a side dish or dessert to share

Sunday, March 17th - 6:30-9:00pm - Bowling at Slocum's in Ewing

Melissa Hults-Mokros is going back to Colombia this summer! And the great news is that she will be joined by her 13-year-old daughter, Hannah. Melissa started her mission journey when she was in high school, and it appears her passion may run in the family! The Session has authorized financial support for their trip. If you would like to donate toward their efforts, please make checks payable to the church. Please keep Melissa and Hannah in your prayers.

Website Editor – We are looking for someone to keep the website up to date. Currently, Pastor Mike is handling the duty. No website experience necessary – the website is very user friendly. Interested? Please talk with Pastor Mike.

Junior Church – We are offering Junior Church as our Christian Education program for children. The children will begin in the worship service and then be excused after the Children's Message for a time of Bible stories, games, songs, and fun! We need volunteers to lead Junior Church each week. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the front of the sanctuary.

Trex Recycling –Thank you to everyone who has brought in recycling. The bench is on its way! We have collected over 500 pounds of plastic for this program. The church will continue to collect plastic for other groups within the Township who will participate in the Trex program.

Upcoming Sermon Topics & Scriptures (subject to change):

March 3, 2019 - Luke 9:28-36 - "Radiant Faith"

March 10, 2019 - Luke 4:1-13 - "Temptations in Lent"

March 17, 2019 - Luke 13:31-35 - "Pressing on in Lent"

March 24, 2019 - Luke 13:1-9 - "Repentance in Lent"

March 31, 2019 - Luke 11:1-13 - "Praying in Lent"



KMPC Financia	I Summary
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2019 MTD (January) Receipts – \$13,411.96

Expenses - \$15,303.02 Difference - (\$1,891.06) 2018

MTD (January 2018) Receipts - \$14,582.87

Expenses - \$17,070.00 Difference - (\$2,487.13)



Deacon's March 2019 Prayer List

KMPC Family

Angela – (Surgery)

Ashlyne – Jen B Ben D. (military)

Barb K. (grieving)

Corliss & Family

Dave M. (Wellbeing) – Jen B.

Dorothy S. (healing)

Freda VL

Fulper Family

Irene & Fred K. (Parkinson)

Linda W.

Paul & Sharon M. (rebuilding &

healing)

Phyllis P.

Steve &Terri F. (healing)

Caregivers

Families suffering with addictions

Homebound members & Shut-Ins

Hospice Patients

Teachers & /Students

Hunterdon Care Center

Joe K.

Extended KMPC Family

Al (cancer & heart) & wife Karen - Bev K.

Amy F. (healing)

Bob T. (grieving)-Sharyn's friend

Arlene – Karen D Neighbor

Donna -- Karen S Mother

Gail K (Parkinson)

Gloria H. (Heart Issues)

Jackie -- Betsy P Daughter

Janice (concussion) Jen's Mother

Jen (Health Issues – Betsy P

Jessica

Jim Harkness (grieving) Chris's

friend

Kate Lim (kidney) Sharyn

Nancy F. (Health issues) Kathy's

friend

Keith P. (healing)

Pauline (Alzheimer's) Kathy L.

Aunt

Richard B. Sr. (Healing, diabetes)-

Dorothy

Sandra H. (healing)

Sherri B. (healing, lupus) –

Richard's Daughter

Ron and Sandy P. (healing)

Shari (healilng) & husband Vance -

Karen D

Stan (heart issues)-Betsy P.

Steve (cancer) -Tracy's friend.

Ryan Tessa's husband in service

Sharyn

Toby & Judy N. (healing, Safety)

Tom (Lymphoma)

Families of Natural Disasters

First Responders

Military Men & Women

President & Congress

Prisoners

Refugees

Shooting Victims

Troubled youth

U.S. & World Situations

Unemployed

Victims of Violence

TCNJ 5 people in car accident -

- Michael passed away- prayers

for family- (Emily A)



William Hodes	Mar 1
Betty Reilly	Mar. 2
Sebastian Friedermann	Mar. 4
Jill Mock	Mar. 5
Alyssa Wonsor	Mar. 6
Ashlyne Bacorn	Mar. 9
Michelle Carey	Mar. 9
Chris Reilly	Mar. 11
Emily Atzert	Mar. 12
Bart Case	Mar. 13
Lanie Ballard	Mar. 14
Cody Williamson	Mar. 19
Beth Tobin	Mar. 24
Andrew Cronce	Mar. 26

Saturday Bedtime March 9



The Lambertville Food Pantry / Delaware Valley Food Pantry

is hoping to move from its current location behind St. John's Church to the CVS Shopping Center on Cherry Street in Lambertville. We hope that this more public location may bring out new clients who are in need of food. We are looking right now for cash donations to pay for the costs of the renovations, which are expensive. If you are interested in donating, please make out checks to Delaware Valley Food Pantry and send to P.O. Box 705, Lambertville, NJ 08530

current needs: beef stew, black beans, boxed milk, cake mix, canned fruit, catsup, Chef Boyardee, deodorant, diapers, feminine sanitary products, fruit juice, jelly, pancake mix, Rice-a-Roni, small plastic fruit containers, spaghetti, syrup, toilet paper, tomato sauce(jars), and toothpaste. Thank you.

Please contact a deacon to have names added or deleted at deacons@kirkpatrickchurch.org

Master Schedule

March 2019

Date	Nursery	Jr. Church	Greeters & Ushers	Security Cell	Communion Prep	Communion Servers	Coffee Break	Flowers
Mar 2	5:30pm Come As You Are Worship							
Mar 3	Kristen Schott	SCHOTT	TEAM 2, Pat and Terry Wright, Betsy Peterson, Lynn Hutchinson	Steve Wonsor	Kathy Lovett	Kathy Lovett, Steve Wonsor, Darryl Cronce, Bev Kaminski	Men's Bible Study	Need Volunteer
Mar 6 Ash Wed	The Ash Wednesday service will be held at the Lambertville Presbyterian Church, located at 31 N. Union Street, Lambertville at 7pm. Please come and invite a friend.							
Mar 10	Ellie Verbeyst	Verbeyst	TEAM 3, Colleen Con- rad, Kathy Lovett, Hilla- ry Tobin, MaryLou Du- Bois	Darryl Cronce	Colleen Con- rad & Sharyn Danner	Colleen Conrad & Sharyn Dan- ner	Joyce George	Atzerts
Mar 13	7pm Wednesday service will be hosted by Grace Presbyterian Church, located at Titusville church 48 River Drive, Titusville, NJ 08560. Please come and invite a friend.							
IIVIAT 17	Skip & Terry Kell	Kristen Schott	TEAM 4, Steve and Lori Wonsor, Rod and Jana Jensen	Roger Pickard	Karen DeLay	Karen & Roger DeLay	Barbara Kurylo	Lent Display
Mar 20	7pm Wednesday service will be held at the Mt. Airy Presbyterian Church, located at 31 N. Union Street, Lambertville Please come and invite a friend.							
Mar 24	Amy Atzert		TEAM 5, Darryl and Nancy Cronce, David Case, Marilyn Desnos		Amy Atzert	Amy Atzert	Roger Pickard	Lent Display
Mar 27	7pm Jews for Jesus - Christ in the Passover Presentation at KMPC. Please come and invite a friend.							
Mar 31	Ellie Verbeyst	Ellie Verbeyst	TEAM 6, Joyce and Daphne George, Amy Atzert, Sarah Mundhenk		Dave Case	Dave Case	Karen Shipman	Lent Display

Scout Sunday, Feb 3, 2018





Pulpit Swap with Rev. Ken Good Musicial Blessings on Feb. 10



Easter Baskets

When we celebrate Jesus' resurrection this Easter, let us honor him by serving others. As Easter day approaches and you go shopping for ingredients to create that special family meal, please keep in mind that not every family in our community is as fortunate. The Deacons are asking our church family to help meet the needs of our community this year by picking up a few extra food items that will be made into Easter baskets. Please take this shopping list with you as a friendly reminder. Anything on the following list would be greatly appreciated:

Peanut Butter, Jelly

Cereal

Pancake Mix, Syrup

Apple Sauce

Pasta Sauce

Pasta

Hams (Preferably Fresh)

Canned Vegetables or fruit

Mac & Cheese

Canned Pineapple

Boxed potatoes (au gratin/scalloped/mashed

Cake mix or frosting

Tuna

Black beans, rice

If you are able to donate, please leave the items in the bin in the Connector by Sunday, April 14th. Thank you so much for your continuous support.



Community Lenten Worship & Holy Week Schedule

For the 9th year in a row we will join with our sister churches in the area for our journey along the path of the Cross, as we move as a people of Christ from Jerusalem, to the Cross, to the Empty Tomb. We will once again gather each Wednesday of Lent at the churches noted for reflection, praise and worship.

Wednesday, March 6th, 7pm Service at Lambertville Presbyterian

Wednesday, March 13th, 7pm Grace Presby hosting at Lambertville Presbyterian

Wednesday, March 20th, 7pm Service at Mt. Airy Presbyterian

Wednesday, March 27th, 7pm Service at KMPC Jews for Jesus - Christ in the Passover Presentation

Wednesday, April 3rd, 7pm Service at Titusville
Wednesday, April 10th, 7pm Service at Lambertville

Palm Sunday, April 14th @ KMPC

8:45 am Traditional Service 9:45 am Sunday School 10:45 am Contemporary Service

Maundy Thursday, April 19th, 7:00 pm @ Service at Mt. Airy

Good Friday, April 19th 12:00 pm at Lambertville Presbyterian

7:00 pm at Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian

Easter Sunday, April 21st

6:45 am Sunrise Service at Union Cemetery on Boss Road 7:00 am Easter Breakfast in the gym at KMPC

MISSION NEWS

Bulletin Bloopers:

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.



January 2019

Dear Kirkpatrick Mem. Presby Church,

I am so thankful for you and your partnership with MAF. The attached year-end statement shows the tax-deductible* donations you made to MAF over the past year. Thank you! Each and every gift truly made a difference.

You made it possible to save lives through medical evacuation flights, to feed thousands of displaced people, and to bring aid to those who were suffering after a deadly earthquake and tsunami.

Pastors and missionaries reached remote areas with the good news, teachers were transported so children could learn, and Bibles were delivered so people could grow closer to God.

We couldn't have done any of this without you! You are a critical part of this ministry.

This is just a sampling of the impact you had through MAF last year. I hope you'll partner with us in 2019 as we strive to be the hands and feet of Jesus in a lost and hurting world.

Thank you again for the vital role you play in sharing Christ's love with isolated people.

Until all have heard,



Doug Haley

Director of MAF Advancement Services

*Gifts are deductible to the extent allowed by law—consult your tax advisor for more information.

PROGRAMS

PARTNERSHIPS & 5 PROGRAMS IN **COUNTRIES TO DATE**









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EVENTS 70+ EVENTS

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