



# The Highlander

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# LENT

***Please contact the office or use the form in the weekly bulletin to order Easter “in honor of” and/or “in memory of” flowers***

**LILIES \$9 each**

**TULIPS \$10 each**

When using the order form, please clearly print the names and/or phrases the way you want them to appear in the Easter bulletin insert. Attach cash or check with “Easter flowers” written in the memo line.

**FINAL DAY** to order Easter flowers is: **SUNDAY MARCH 22**

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*Please stop in, call or email the office **by TUESDAY MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>** with any information, announcements, updates, etc. that you would like to see in April's newsletter!*

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As we enter 2020 and the typically harshest months of winter, please contact the office and/or Property Committee if you notice any issues with the heat, water pipes, etc. so they may be repaired promptly.  
Thank you!

## **THANK YOU to all our WORSHIP volunteers!**

Have a question, or would you like to volunteer to help with some part of worship?  
Contact either Chairperson Roberta Dinsmore or the office!



### **Upcoming Dates for the Season of Lent**

April 5: Palm/Passion Sunday

April 9: Maundy Thursday

April 10: Good Friday

April 11: Great Vigil of Easter

April 12: Resurrection of the Lord (Easter)

DATE	MARCH 1 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent	MARCH 8 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent	MARCH 15 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent & Per Capita Sunday
PASTOR/LEADER	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg
LITURGIST*	Kathi Cessna	Debra Dinsmore	Kathy Dinsmore
NURSERY	Kayla Brothers	Deb Himes	Debby Elder
FLOWERS	Kathi Cessna	Jean Hughes	Debra Dinsmore
USHERS	R. Barrett, W. Divelbiss, D. Forsythe, J. Hughes	J. & C. Haire, T. Fezell, P. Young	R. & R. Dinsmore, B. Burkett, R. Fetterman
DATE	MARCH 22 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	MARCH 29 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	
PASTOR/LEADER	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg	
LITURGIST*	Beverly Divelbiss	Barbara Endress	
NURSERY	Donna Kengersky	Kayla Brothers	
FLOWERS	Donna Grabany	Carole Haire	
USHERS	D. Hartman, K. Hughes, R. & L. Lettie	D. Hartman, K. Hughes, R. & L. Lettie	

\*Liturgists will be scheduled on a month-to-month basis until otherwise noted

**\*\*If you are unable to be liturgist on your scheduled day,  
it is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement\*\***

Please also call Keri in the PCOP office so your replacement can receive worship materials

*If you have a hymn that you would like to sing  
in church or at a hymn sing, please let Nancy know.  
You can email her at [npearce@hotmail.com](mailto:npearce@hotmail.com)  
or write the name and give it to her at church.*

## FINANCE & GENEROSITY

Thank you for donating funds, time, and energy to PCOP!

Date	Attendance in worship	Weekly offering	% to General Fund
February 2	28	\$2,235.00	97.76%
February 9	45	\$11,331.50	11.69%
February 16	41	\$3,320.00	89.61%
February 23	44	\$4,825.00	84.04%
February 26	26	N/A	N/A

FEBRUARY 2020 FINANCIAL HEALTH			
	Current	Year to Date	2020 Total Budget
Receipts	\$21,712.38	\$33,027.73	\$182,771.00
Expenses	\$68,304.58*	\$76,687.80	
Excess or [Deficient]	[\$46,592.20]	[\$43,660.07]	
*\$60,000 was transferred to the RRR Fund to earn interest			

*from the letter sent February 11, 2020*

Dear Parishioners,

Each year our congregation is apportioned a share of the expenses of the presbytery, the synod, and the General Assembly for ecclesiastical purposes. The apportionment is based on church membership. The amount varies with the needs of the presbytery, synod, and General Assembly, and is a regular expense payable by our congregation at the spring meeting of presbytery. This year our per capita apportionment is **\$35** per active, confirmed member. (That’s per member, not household!) In order to meet our obligation to the denomination, we are asking that each of you help us out by paying your per capita apportionment.

We are collecting this apportionment in two days. You may send your per capita back to the church in the blue “Per Capita” envelope provided [with the letter], or you are invited to bring your per capita contribution on Per Capita Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, where we will make a special dedication of these funds, and celebrate with a Per Capita Sunday Deacon’s Luncheon following worship. This will make it possible for us to pay our congregation’s apportioned share of the expenses of the Presbytery, the Synod, and the denomination in a timely fashion.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Finance & Stewardship Chairs Nickolas Suntheimer & Richard Fetterman. We would like to say a big “Thank you” for helping us be fiscally responsible this year.

Sincerely, The Session of the Presbyterian Church

**1 Member = \$35**  
**3 Members = \$105**

**2 Members = \$70**  
**4 Members = \$140**

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**Monthly Giving  
 Spotlight:  
 2020 Per Capita  
 Apportionment**

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# MEMBERSHIP & PCOP UPDATES

Birthdays, prayer requests, moving and more!

*Please remember to contact the office if you have any changes in mailing address, email address, or phone number to ensure you are still receiving PCOP updates!*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
TO...



## Those Needing Our Prayers

Karina Blöse	Betty Brumbaugh	Duane & Pam Carr
Betty Cessna	Jane Crawford	Gillen Geary
The Graham Family	Martha Irvin	Dorothy Jenks
Kathy Kopp	The Ward Family	

March 1	Cathy Wilson
March 4	Timothy Pearce
March 7	Dana Hartman
March 10	Peyton Petrini Jessica Suntheimer
March 14	Sandra Philliber
March 16	Nancy Pearce
March 19	Keith Hughes
March 20	Keith Shields
March 28	James Cessna

*Please contact the office to add a name to the newsletter/bulletin "Needing Our Prayers" list. Please contact **Rex Lettie** at [pcop.prayer.chain@gmail.com](mailto:pcop.prayer.chain@gmail.com) to join or to add a name to the PCOP Prayer Chain.*

**Janet Starr will be 93 on March 13<sup>th</sup>**

Please send cards to:  
Bill & Janet Starr  
200 Bristol Glen Drive Apt. 107  
Newton, NJ 07860



**Our Christian sympathies to the Nesbitt family on the passing of husband and son-in-law Kevin R. Young on February 24, 2020.**



# SESSION & THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Keeping up with the committees and officers of PCOP!



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The next meeting of the Board of Deacons will be:  
**SUNDAY MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>**  
9:30 a.m.  
Kitchen

The next meeting of Session (Unicameral Board)  
will be:  
**MONDAY MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
7:00 p.m.  
Lester Seminar Room

### ***Tuesdays @ 10 and Lenten Dinner & DVD Study***

## **Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple**

**Tuesdays @ 10: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & April 7**

**Wednesday Lenten Dinner & Study: March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1 & 8**  
**Dinners are potluck – please bring a dish!**

**Questions? See Barbara Burkett or Keith Hughes**



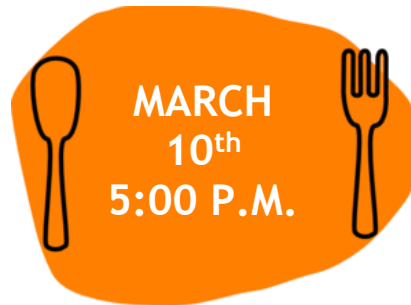
*Beautify the sanctuary with flowers*  
Write “Deacons Flowers” in check memo  
line (\$25) and call the office to place  
your order. Available dates:  
March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
April 5, 19, 26



## MISSION & OUTREACH

A "Choose Your Own Adventure" to get more involved at PCOP!

*Volunteers are always  
welcome to help at the next  
First Tuesday  
Community Meal!*



*Baked Ham  
Hot Cheesy Potato Bake*

*Garlic-laced Green Beans  
Pineapple Coleslaw  
Bread & Butter*

*Easter Carrot Cake  
w/Cream Cheese Frosting*

*\*Recipes and sign-up sheets for food,  
kitchen help, serving, and clean-up  
are located on the bulletin board  
outside the Memorial Parlor\**

**Crosstown Ministries Food Pantry  
Woodland Avenue United Methodist Church  
203 Woodland Ave.  
March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 P.M.**

Volunteers are always needed throughout the month to:  
donate food, unload the food truck, prepare boxes for the distribution,  
and distribute the boxes to those who need them

*Please contact Pastor Clint Phillips @ (814) 938-8160 for more information*

# FELLOWSHIP

Have fun and spend time with your PCOP family!



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>  
@ 8 A.M.**

*This month, we are hosting the Presbyterian Men from Clearfield. All PCOP Men are encouraged to join us to help welcome our friends from Clearfield.*

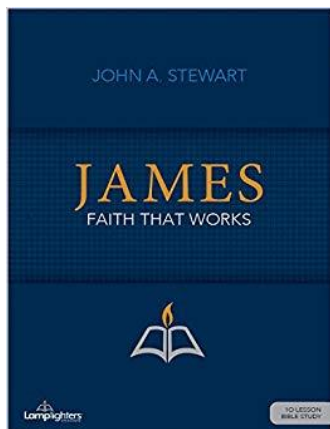
Questions? Ask Keith Hughes or Rex Lettie  
Men's Breakfast meets 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month!  
*(unless otherwise noted)*

## Saturday Friends Out

**Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>  
@ 11:45 A.M.**

**Join us @ Gimmick's Restaurant  
(no reservations!)**

Questions? Ask Ann Mumper  
Saturday Friends Out meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month!



**Adult Sunday School  
Lester Seminar Room @ 9:45 A.M.**

**The Adult Sunday School class is continuing a 10-week study of the book of James.  
All are welcome.**

## WHO DO I CONTACT?

“I have a question about . . .”

Schedules, quarterly financial statement, newsletter, ordering flowers, bulletin information, ordering church supplies, using church facilities, etc. <i>And anything else!</i>	Keri in PCOP office
Hospitalizations, Emergencies, Member Care	Keri in PCOP Office Board of Deacons
PCOP Property & Grounds, maintenance requests	Property Committee Co-Chairs Dana Hartman & William Cooper
Worship information, pulpit supply	Worship Committee Chair Roberta Dinsmore
Baptisms & Weddings	Clerk of Session Doug Chambers
Funerals & Memorial Services	Keri in PCOP Office Funeral Director
Mission & Fellowship Opportunities	Mission & Outreach Chair—Rex Lettie Fellowship Chair—Barbara Burkett
Youth Group & Children’s Sunday School	Youth Group—Dana Hartman Christian Education Chair—
Finances & Giving	Finance Chair—Nick Suntheimer Stewardship Chair—Richard Fetterman
New Members (Joining PCOP)	Clerk of Session Doug Chambers
Choir & Music	Music Director Nancy Pearce
First Tuesday Community Meal	Donna Anderson
Current Members of Session	William Cooper, Dana Hartman, Rex Lettie, Barbara Burkett, Deborah Elder, Nick Suntheimer, Roberta Dinsmore, David Divelbiss, Richard Fetterman
Current Board of Deacons	Lee Blose, Kathi Cessna, Jean Hughes, Debra Dinsmore, Carole Haire, Donna Grabany, Richard Cessna, Barbara Endress, Pam Hogan



# MARCH 2020 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent	2	3 10 A.M. Tuesdays @ 10  5 P.M. Community Meal	4  6 P.M. Lenten Dinner & Study	5	6  World Day of Prayer	7
8 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent  *Daylight saving time begins 1 hour forward	9	10  10 A.M. Tuesdays @ 10	11  6 P.M. Lenten Dinner & Study	12	13	14
15 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent & Per Capita/Salad Luncheon  9:30 A.M. Board of Deacons meeting	16  5:30 P.M. Crosstown Food Pantry	17  10 A.M. Tuesdays @ 10	18  6 P.M. Lenten Dinner & Study	19	20	21  11:45 A.M. Saturday Friends Out @ Gimmick's
22 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	23  7 P.M. Session Meeting	24  10 A.M. Tuesdays @ 10	25  6 P.M. Lenten Dinner & Study	26	27	28  8 A.M. Men's Breakfast
29 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	30	31 10 A.M. Tuesdays @ 10  April newsletter info deadline	<b><i>Be sure to check the bulletin board for coffee hour sign-ups! Everyone loves cookies and coffee!</i></b>			

~ *Sunday Morning Schedule* ~

9:45 A.M. Adult Sunday School in Lester Seminar Room  
 11:00 A.M. Worship in Sanctuary  
 During worship: A Time for Young Worshippers  
 Fellowship Coffee Hour following Worship



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***Mark your calendars for  
Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup>!***

**Per Capita Sunday & Spring  
Salad Luncheon with  
the Board of Deacons**

*Please join us in the dining room  
following worship for:*  
**Sandwiches, Salads, & Sides**  
*ham salad ~ chicken salad ~ PB&J  
egg salad ~ potato salad  
baked beans ~ And more!*

**Desserts & Punch**