



The View From The Park

A Newsletter of Faith & Community

May 2007

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Sundays In May

• **Worship Begins At 10:00 a.m.** •

• **May 6th** •

9 a.m. - Adult Study Class
Communion
Deacon's & Food Offering
Donna Doig to Preach & Lead Worship



• **May 13th** •

8:15 a.m. - Mothers & Others Breakfast
Make & Take Sunday
Andy Loeffler to Preach & Lead Worship

• **May 20th** •

8:15 a.m. - WILD Women Breakfast
Name Tag Sunday
Recollection Sunday
Deacons to Preach & Lead Worship

• **May 27th** •

9 a.m. - Adult Study Class
Rev. Mike Returns From Sabbatical
Confirmation Sunday
Pentecost Sunday
6:30 p.m. - Youth Group To The Movies



Church Staff

Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro.....Pastor
Cheryl Young.....Church Secretary
Dr. Michael Koon &
Dr. Kathleen Allen.....Co-Directors Of Music
Marylou Scott.....Organist
Andy Loeffler.....Sexton
Linda Potter.....Newsletter Editor

The Church Office Hours are
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Spring Clean Up Day

On **Saturday, May 5th** we will be having our annual all-church spring clean up. We will begin at 8 a.m., take rest midmorning for a snack, and resume working until noon. **This is a significant help in keeping the church clean, safe and looking great.** There are lots of jobs to do, from the small to the very large. Even if you can't stay for the whole morning, stop by for a while to lend a hand. All help will be appreciated! We look forward to seeing you there!



Mother's Day Brunch

The B.A.D. Guy's will be serving the **annual Mothers & Others Breakfast** at 8:15 a.m. on **Sunday, May 13th**. All women of the church and their families are encouraged to attend. For further info call **Voss Fernandes** at 386-1563 or **Dave Nelson** at 347-3040.



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Student News

Kimberly Dildine was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on April 5th.

Kaitlyn Cryderman and **Katie Hill** are members of National Junior Honor Society at Lisbon Central School. Recently the girls participated in face painting for grades K-4.

Kaitlyn Cryderman will be dancing in the Ogdensburg Dance Center Recital on May 12. Kaitlyn will be performing tap and jazz routines. She has been dancing for 10 years.



Congratulations to **Becky Locke** and the Canton Central varsity girls hockey team for a fine season! Becky is the granddaughter of **Gene** and **Shirley Seeley**.

Congratulations to **Ryan Ross** and **Josh Gerlach** who received an All Academic Award from the Section 10 Boys Basketball Committee!

A great big "way to go" for the following students that participated in the Banford Science Fair: **Arlo & Tucker Catanzaro, Hunter & Kendall DeSantis, Maggie & Chloe Passamonte, Isobel Sweeney, Maggie Smith, Nico Sweeney** and **Lindsey Frazer** with the Kidstart Class, and **Roswell, Ron and Kaleb Kaiser**.

Thanks To Presbytery

The **Presbytery's Committee On Ministry** approved and endorsed Rev. Mike's sabbatical leave and has given \$1,000 to the church to cover expense related to his absence. We are **thankful for the support** of our brothers and sisters in Presbytery.



Youth Group News

Youth Group met in April to celebrate the gift of life that God gave us! Youth and parents had a get together to have fun and share laughter. We read Matthew 5:14-16 discussing how young people serve as lights to the world and ways that parents are lights for their children.

Youth Group meets on the **2nd and 4th Sunday** of the month from **6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** All youth **ages 11-18** are welcome. Youth Group **activities** include **fellowship, study, service, worship, and of course recreation!**

No Youth Group on May 13th. Happy Mother's Day. **On May 27th** we will meet at church at **6:30 p.m.** and go to the movies!

Book Discussion

The church book discussion group meets the **fourth Tuesday** of the month at **7:30 p.m.** The group will next meet on **May 22nd** to discuss **My Antonia** by Willa Cather at the home of Ann Spencer, 585 Pink School House Road, Canton. When you turn onto the Pink School House Road from CR 25 (a right hand turn), go about 1/4 mile to the second driveway on the right. It's a fairly big brick house.

This will be our **final book** for the 2006 - 2007 season. Bring **suggestions for a good summer read** for our September discussion to this meeting or send them to Linda at newsletter@churchonthepark.org.

History In Progress

Thank you to **Jane Fernandes** for volunteering to compile the history of our church as we celebrate our **200th year**. **Shirley Wells** has offered to help Jane gather needed information. **More help would be appreciated for this worthwhile project!** If you are a history buff or just want to help your church, **join us!** Contact **Wanda Renick** at 386-3474 to learn more or volunteer.

Presbyterian Women

• Postscript •

Postscript met on **Monday April 9th** in Fellowship Hall. Our program was **Alice Poole** demonstrating massage therapy. **Pat Mace** was her client. It was a most enjoyable presentation.

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, May 14th** at **Barb McCoy's**. Devotions will be led by **Thelma Rodee**. **Lora Gibson** and **Chris Lyon** will provide refreshments. The Alaska Trip will be the program. Possible presenters will be **Mary Colton, Shirley Norton, Wanda Renick & Georgia Vose**. Hope to see you there.

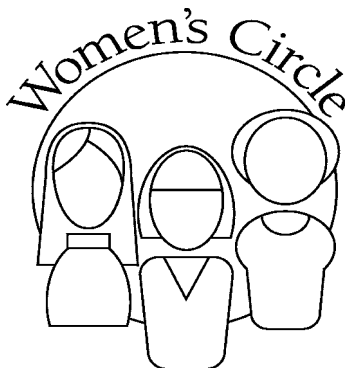
• WILD Women •

The next WILD Women's potluck breakfast will be on **Sunday, May 20** at 8:15 a.m. We will discuss our plan to **host a Father's Day breakfast** in June. All women of the church are welcome. Please sign up in the foyer.

• Women's Circle •

Women's Circle meets the **2nd Wednesday** of the month at **7:30 p.m.** All women of the church are invited to join the circle for **connection and conversation**.

The next Women's Circle will be on **Wednesday, May 9th**. **Patti Cryderman** will be the host and the circle meeting will be held in the Youth Group room at the church. Topic will be announced. Contact **Linda** for more information about Women's Circle.



Flower Fund Help Needed

Several years ago, a lady by the name of **Edna Erickson** left in her memory a sum of money to buy flowers for the communion table on Sundays or for ill members of the church. Edna's husband, **Rev. John A. Erickson**, was the minister at the church from 1927 to 1940. Edna was friends with **Marge Farmer** and **Bessie Barbour**.

The money was invested in a CD and the interest has been used throughout the years. As the cost of flowers has increased, the interest has gone down and now there is **less than \$100 in the account**.

Many of the flowers on the altar are donated **in memory** of family members but once in a while there comes a time that the **flower fund is needed**.



We need to **find a way to increase** this fund without including it in the yearly expenses of the church budget. Would anyone be **willing to donate** to this fund to help bring it up to a workable amount? Many memorials are given to the church but no one thinks of the **Edna Erickson Flower Fund**.

Perhaps you would like to remember a parent or relative by doing a memorial through this fund or consider leaving a contribution in your will to help bring comfort to future members of the congregation. **If you are able to make a donation**, please send it to the church at 17 Park Street and mark "**Edna Erickson Flower Fund**" on your check. **Any donation would be appreciated.**

Church Attendance

	Worship	SS
March 18	89	16
March 25	84	14
April 1	129	17
April 8	140	No SS

Average Worship Attendance 111

Average SS Attendance 16

Treasurer's Report

Regular Offering

March 18	\$ 2,365.00
March 25	\$ 910.00
April 1	\$ 2,466.50
April 8	\$ 4,367.95
April 15	\$ 3,075.80

Total \$13,185.25

Mission Offering

March 18	\$374.00
March 25	\$215.00
April 1	\$545.00
April 8	\$346.00
April 15	\$169.00

Total \$1,649.00

Attention!!!!

You can volunteer to be a **greeter** or a **coffee hour host** by calling the church office 386-2570. **It's a great way to help your church!**

May Greeters

May 6	Dolly Miller & Barry Walch
May 13	Nick & Carlene Baffaro
May 20	Voss & Jane Fernandes
May 27	Al & Rita Ostrander

May

Coffee Hour Hosts

May 6	Betsy Robinson & Carolyn Leavitt
May 13	No Coffee Hour
May 20	WILD Women
May 27	Bob Duda & Mark Erickson

Officers & Committees

Elders

To strengthen and nurture the faith and the life of the congregation.

Wanda Renick (Clerk)	Voss Fernandes	Brent Bartley
Mark Erickson	Mike Frazer	Donna Doig
John Witherhead	Colleen Grant	Marilyn Rodee
Patti Cryderman	Martha Cole	Jack Miller
Tom Dildine	Dave Nelson	Katrina Hebb

Deacons

Ministering to the sick, those in need, the friendless, and those in distress.

Shirley Norton	Sev Brown	Barb King
Barb McCoy	Harry King	Robert Duda
Ellen Compeau	Vicki McLain	Chris Sweeney
Jane Fernandes	Matilda Larson	Lew Shepard

Treasurer

Diane Ladison

Assistant Treasurers - Bill & Lorna Webb

Financial Secretary

Mike Frazer

Committees

Chairs

Resources

Mike Frazer & Fred Pollard

Responsible for managing and dispensing funds to fulfill the mission & ministry of our church.

Facilities

Voss Fernandes

Responsible for the maintenance and use of all church property.

Fellowship

Ellen Grayson,

Liaison - Wanda Renick

Responsible for all fellowship events,

Sunday School

Paula Brady & Martha Cole

Responsible for all aspects of growth, nurture & learning.

Youth Group

Patti Cryderman

Worship

Bob Duda, Liaison - Mark Erickson

With pastor, responsible for worship.

Communion

Tyke Miller

Liaison - Jack Miller

C.A.R.E.

Marilyn Rodee

Care, Attention, Renewal & Evangelism.

Adult Education

Katrina Hebb

Stewardship

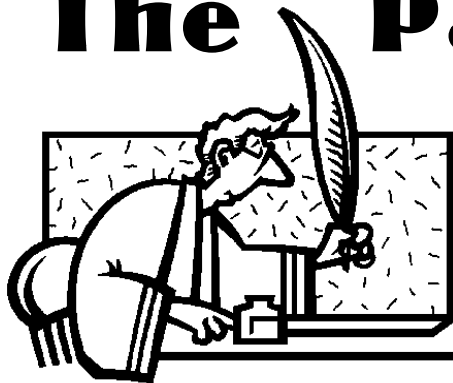
Responsible for securing resources and energy to fulfill the mission & ministry of our church.

Mission

John Witherhead & Dave Nelson

Helping our church, community & world.

The Pastor's Report



Dear Church Family,

As I am writing these random thoughts, the first week of this Sabbatical experience is just ending. As you are reading this, we are nearly half the way through---and still a **busy, healthy, productive church family**.

Each morning, as I have come into the church, I first notice **Rosemary's Memorial Garden**. The first morning it was covered with snow; this morning the tulips and daffodils are bravely poking through ~ **God's promise of new life that we celebrate each spring!** By the end of my "term," I'm certain there will be riotous color blooming in full force. This has only been made possible through the care and attention of **Faye and her family**: digging, planting, and mulching one day last fall. (The weekend of the Bazaar, if I remember correctly.)

The church door has already been unlocked, **thanks to Andy**, and the cheerful, colorful, welcoming bulletin board reflects the **care of Tyke and Jack** in keeping us up-to-date with the life of this congregation.

Usually, **Nellie Coakley** is counseling in the Edith Wight Room. This is another **important, quietly supported service** to veterans, who bring their troubled lives to our church each week ~ hopefully being given comfort and solace. Or at least finding strength to deal with what life throws their way.

Cheryl and her efficient ways keep me company on Tuesdays and Thursdays as I work on my sermons for future Sundays, take care of the minutiae, and plan my visits to those who need pastoral attention.

In the quiet of these mornings, I find myself marveling at **all the hands, minds, and willing souls who keep this church going**. I find comfort in knowing we will keep going forward, becoming a stronger, more effective congregation focused on the future ~ with God's grace.

Each Sunday of this experience, the Worship Committee, **under Bob's leadership**, has planned and provided for meaningful worship. The **Fellowship, Sunday School classes**, both for children and adults, **continue to flourish**.

Our lady Senator once wrote that: **"it takes a village..."** We are a reflection that **it takes the whole congregation, working together, to sustain a church**: one that is powerful, spiritual and blooming for us all, right along with Rosemary's Memorial Garden.

Blessings and Peace to all,
Donna

Communion Committee

The Elders who served Communion on Sunday, April 1, 2007 were **Mark Erickson, Colleen Grant, Tom Dildine, Dave Nelson, Jack & Tyke Miller**. We thank them for contributing to the **life of the church** in this important way.

On Maundy Thursday, **40 people** attended the candle light Communion Service in our "Upper Room," (Fellowship Hall). It was an inspirational service celebrating our **Lord Jesus' Last Supper**. Many could feel His presence as He promised to be with us whenever two or more gather in His Name.

Have you ever thought about the beautiful **silver chalice and pitcher** that Rev. Mike uses to pour the grape juice during our communion service? The tray holding the loaf of bread Rev. Mike breaks is also part of that set.

While polishing the silver to prepare for Maundy Thursday, I was again reminded of the engraving on the pitcher. It says, "**Donation from EP & JH Prentice 1829.**" That means the set is **178 years old** this year. The set is very heavy because in that time period, it was made with **silver plate over copper**, which gives it the weight.

According to old records, **Messrs. Nathaniel S., Ezra P., and John H. Prentice**, along with others, donated the land for the Old Stone Church and Park. That church was not completed until 1830, so Ezra P. and John H. Prentice donated the communion service while they were still meeting elsewhere.

The question remains, were the three Prentice men brothers or Father and sons? Do any of our members now **remember descendants of the Prentice men** still being members in the 20th Century?

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Communion - Continued

At some point, I may be able to check the old membership listings. Next time you watch Rev. Mike conduct the communion service, remember **the many ministers who have used it over the last 178 years**.

Communion will be served next on Sunday, May 6, 2007.

Technology Use Policy

We recently purchased a new **Mac computer** for the church office. At the Annual congregational meeting it was suggested that instead of selling the older PC, we put it in the **Youth Group lounge** for their use. This along with having a **broadband Internet service** and a **Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN)** installed in the church and obtaining a more robust, and less expensive **host** for our church's website. **These have been done.**

At the March 26th session meeting, we adopted a **Technology Use Policy**. This policy covers all electronic devices and services in the church and is intended to provide **appropriate guidelines** for their use. The policy provides for a **Systems Administrator position** to which the session appointed both **Dale Grant** and **Tom Dildine** as co-System Administrators sharing that responsibility.

Mother's Day Run / Walk

Renewal House annual **Mother's Day Fun Run / Walk** will be on **Saturday, May 12th** at the Remington Recreation Trail located at Partridge Run Golf Course. Registration is at **8:30 a.m.** with a starting time of **9 a.m.** The entry fee is **\$10** if you pre-register and **\$15** on the day of the race. If you are interested in a registration form, contact Renewal House at 379-9845 or at **renewalhouse@verizon.net**.

Family News

Congratulations to **Sharon Gaines** on her engagement to Robert Smith.

Congratulations to **Dick Miller** who was honored by the St. Lawrence Snowmobile Association for his many years of service to that organization. Please see the very nice article from the Plaindealer and the paper's editorial comments posted in the bulletin board in the church foyer.

Prayers for **Ruth Chisholm, Neil Coir, Mabel Pritchard, Ginny Witherhead, Dave Gibson, Carolyn O'Connor, Georgia Vose, Patti Cryderman, Andrew Loeffler, Lexi Hebb** and her parents **Ken and Katrina, Bill Rodee, Harry & Willie King, Sev Brown** and **Shirley Wells**.

Congratulations to **Steve Fountain** who has been named the Offensive Coordinator for the St. Lawrence University Football Team!

Way to go to **Judy DeSantis** for all her hard work and enthusiasm in helping organize the recent Science Fair at Banford Elementary.

Congratulations to **Ken Hebb** who is graduating this month from Clarkson with his M.B.A.

Birthdays This Month

Birthdays - May

- 1 Mary Rexford
- 2 Dr. Colleen Livingston,
Becky Locke,
Rachel Syvertsen,
Gertrude Williams
- 4 Matthew Gibson, Beverly Findley
- 6 Steven Chambers, Willie King
- 8 Melba Reinke, Edith Frazer
- 10 Sue Dean
- 11 Maynard Bowman, Elsie Dana,
Barry Walch
- 13 Andrew Clearwater Johnson
- 15 Martha Cole
- 16 Holly Bisselle, Lyn Forbes
- 17 Tucker Catanzaro, Katelyn Grant,
Martha Bell
- 18 Elias Paul Nelson
- 19 Chris Sutherland
- 20 Erica Cole
- 21 Rebecca Alexander
- 22 Chelsea Rae Chambers
- 23 Colleen Grant
- 24 Debbie Rathbun
- 25 Tyler Locke
- 26 Ashley Elliott
- 27 Dave Nelson

Anniversaries This Month

Anniversaries - May

- 1 Eric & Martha Duchscherer
- 15 Gene & Shirley Seeley
- 27 Wayne & Dolly Miller
Michael & Edith Frazer



If your birthday or anniversary is not on our list or if you have new people (children, grandchildren) to **add to the list**, please share this information with your church family. Send **names and dates** to office@churchonthepark.org or call **Cheryl** at 386-2570.



Clip Those Coupons!

A note from the **Coupon Clippers** who cut the coupons for the service people - **Yes! We are still doing it.** The **VFW Auxillary in Canton** gets them from us and sends them to Fort Drum who then sends the coupons to **our troops and their families overseas.** Place your coupons for this **worthy project** in the box in the foyer.

- **Ellen Janack**

B.A.D. Guys

Our B.A.D. Guys' breakfast (**B**reakfast **A**nd **D**evotions) is held on the **2nd Sunday** of the month at 8:15 am in Fellowship Hall. All the men & boys of the church are invited to come share a devotion, enjoy the spirited fellowship, & a savory meal. **This month, B.A.D. Guys will serve a Mother's Day breakfast on Sunday, May 13 at 8:15. am.**



Congregational Resources

Please remember that the monthly copies of **"These Day"** and **"Alive"** are available to you on the table outside of sanctuary in the Narthex. Please feel free to pick up a copy for yourself or family. Copies of the **Revised Common Lectionary**, on which we base our Liturgy are in the monthly newsletter. Also, the latest editions of **"Horizons"** and **"Presbyterian Today"** can at times be found in the Narthex. Please take a look and return them when you are done so others may enjoy them.

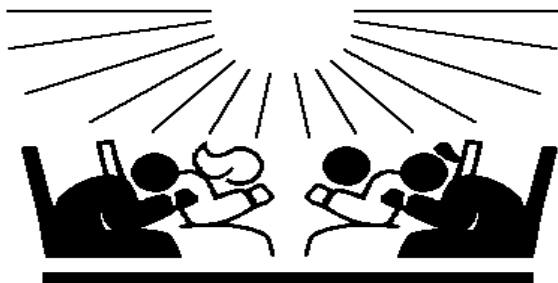
Presbyterian Worship

In addition to Sunday worship, our church also conducts services in the Canton Community:

Partridge Knoll services are on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 11:00 a.m. during the winter months.

The next **High Rise** service will be on Tuesday, May 22nd, at 2:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend!



Church Web Page

Keep checking the web and stay in touch.

Tom Dildine

Webmaster

webmaster@churchonthepark.org

www.churchonthepark.org

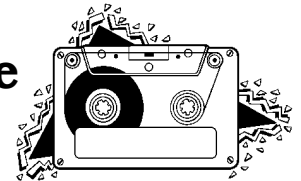
The Church's email Address:
office@churchonthepark.org

Rev Mike's email Address:
revmike@churchonthepark.org

Newsletter Deadline Is The 15th Of The Month

Please submit articles to Linda Potter, Newsletter Editor, at church office or newsletter@churchonthepark.org

Deacons Tape Ministry



The Deacons tape ministry **provides our homebound friends & members with an audio tape of each week's worship service.** Cassettes are then delivered to homes on Wednesday, and cassette players are provided if necessary.

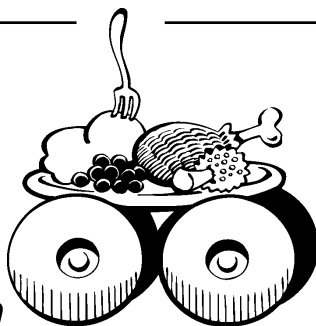
If **you'd like to receive a tape** of the service, or if you'd like to help deliver tapes, or if you'd like to learn more about the tape ministry, please call Ellen Compeau (386-8369).

Hello, my name is...

Remember - **Name Tag Sunday** is **May 20th.**

Come early to church and make your own name tag. **Get to know your neighbor.**

Makers And Takers Need You!



During the past year the Board of Deacon's established a system to supply an occasional meal to families who have serious illness or other emergency. We call this service "**Makers and Takers.**" We really need the **whole congregation to assist** in this service. **Our current list of volunteers is small** and needs to be updated. A sign up sheet will be placed in the foyer for this purpose. If you need more information about this, please call **Shirley Norton** at 386-3974.

Join The Chain Gang

Would you like to help your neighbor, stretch spiritually and be a part of the mystical movement of the church? We are always looking for new prayer warriors to join **the church Prayer Chain** to offer prayers for folks who are ill, troubled or in need. If you want to learn more about the prayer chain, call **Rev. Mike** at 386-2570.

To put yourself or anyone on the chain for prayers, contact any member: **Willie King** 386-8665 (Summer 393-3484); **Wanda Renick** 386-3474; **Nona Fisher** 386-3247; **Shirley Seeley** 386-5213 (snowbird); **Marilyn Rodee** 386-8447 (January snowbird); **Joyce Bell** 386-8789; **Betty Irish** 386-2921; **Jane Fernandes** 386-1563; **Suzanne Lepke** 379-0207; **Helen Pletcher** 323-6466; **Sandy Pollard** 386-3916; **Ellen Compeau** 386-8369; **Bev Findley** 323-2064 & **Thelma Rodee** 379-0924.



May Lectionary Readings

May 6, 2007

Acts 11:1-18
Psalm 148
Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35

May 13, 2007

Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 67
Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
John 14:23-29 **or** *John 5:1-9*

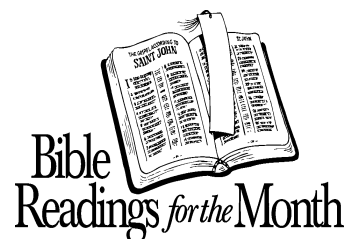
May 20, 2007

Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 97
Rev. 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
John 17:20-26

Day of Pentecost

May 27, 2007

Acts 2:1-21 **or** *Genesis 11:1-9*
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:14-17 **or** *Acts 2:1-21*
John 14:8-17, (25-27)



Attention Prayer Chain!

The question has been often asked, "**How long do we keep someone on the prayer list?**"

Rev. Mike's suggestion was to **contact** the person who originally asked to be put on the list or to have someone put on the list. Then **ask** how the person making the request or the person being prayed for was doing or feeling. Then **inquire** if the requester felt whoever it was still wanted or needed to be on the prayer list.



**Prayer
Requests**

Next, please **call** the person at the top of the list, **Willie**, or **Wanda** if Willie is not available, and explain that the particular person could now be taken off the prayer list, and that information **will be forwarded to the chain.**

Recollection Sunday

On **Sunday May 20th**, the Worship Committee is inviting members of the congregation to **share recollections of their early church life** as a child, youth or young adult. You will be invited to come forth and share your recollections or you may write one to be read on your behalf. Please contact **Bob Duda** (386-8432) or e-mail them to the church office, office@churchonthepark.org.

You Make It Happen!

Thanks to **Shirley Norton, Suzanne Lupke, Mickey Williams, Edna Kelley, Gloria Davis, & Ruth Chisholm** for working to mail out the April newsletter. Your hard work is greatly appreciated!!!



Church Cookbook

We are still looking for **your recipe** to include in the upcoming **church cookbook**. Go through your files and find those gems you want to share. Place copies of your recipes in the **gold-covered box** in the foyer and include your **name and phone number**. Recipes can also be mailed to the church. **We want everyone to part of this effort!**

Grace Of The Month

May God grant you always...

*A sunbeam to warm you,
A moonshine to charm you,
A sheltering Angel
So nothing can harm you...
Laughter to cheer you,
Faithful friends near you,
And whenever you pray,
Heaven to hear you.*

A View From The Park feature, a different grace every month for you and your family to use.

Pentecost Offering

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Pentecost is an amazing, life-giving day in the community of faith. At Pentecost, we **celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit** to transform human life and all of creation. Through our participation in the Pentecost Offering, we will be helping to **bring the transforming love of God** to children at risk, youth, and young adults.

This year's offering theme, "**That very Spirit!**" is from Romans 8:16. The passage describes the Spirit of God's persistent proclamation to us that **we are God's children**. With that assurance, we can know that God's love and care for us know no bounds. **How freeing!** What enthusiasm this gives us for life! What confidence this gives us to risk on behalf of others!



The Pentecost Offering is a tangible way to demonstrate that Spirit within us! **It gives us the opportunity to use 40 percent of the amount we receive to minister in our own community on behalf of children at risk.** Through General Assembly ministries, the Pentecost Offering also makes an astonishing impact as it **guides and nurtures the faith of Presbyterian young people**, calls forth a new generation of church leadership, and advocates for children at risk on a national level.

Thank you for your support of the **Pentecost Offering on May 27**. Your gifts will have an impact now and in the generations to come!

**In the love of Christ,
The Youth Group**

Session Report

Highlights from the **March 26th** Session meeting follow: **Arvilla Aldous** requested to be moved to active membership. It was voted to do so. It was also voted to receive into membership by profession of faith **Kaitlyn Cryderman, Madeleine Koon, Cody Ladison, Andrew Loeffler** and **Nicole Potter**.

Rev. Mike thanked the Session for the support for his **sabbatical**. He noted a bequest from the **Bob Ferguson estate** for the Memorial Fund. Another church member has volunteered to fund the Youth Group's attendance at "**Jesus Christ, Superstar**" on April 30, 2007 in Ogdensburg.

Wanda Renick volunteered to be **delegate** to the **Presbytery meeting** on June 5.

The **Technology Use Policy** was discussed. A guest, **Dale Grant**, was invited to give additional expert opinion. **Tom Dildine** and Dale Grant agreed to be **Co-Systems Administrators**. The Technology Use Policy was adopted.

Patti Cryderman has been asked to handle the **Pentecost offerings**.

Possible contribution to **GardenShare's Local Food Guide** publication was discussed. It was voted to give **\$200** from the Farm Family Fund to the Local Food Guide.

During committee reports, **Martha Cole**, Co-Chair of Christian Education, said there is still a **need for teachers**. **Voss Fernandes**, Chair of Facilities, announced that his committee will meet with the **Handicap Access Committee** for further planning. **Worship Committee** has arranged for worship leaders during Rev. Mike's absence:

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Session Report - continued

Laura O'Shaughnessy - April 15; **Jon Rosales** - April 22; **Katrina Hebb** - April 29; **Donna Doig** - May 6; **Andy Loeffler** - May 13; **Deacons** - May 24 - Recollection Sunday. Resources Chair, **Mike Frazer** and members are working on drafts and plans for **endowment**.

Parting words by Rev. Mike expressed his **loving concern for the Session** and his appreciation for the work it would be doing while he was on Sabbatical.

Church E-Mail

There are **new e-mail addresses** for the church staff. For Cheryl and the church office, use **office@churchonthepark.org**. All e-mails to Rev. Mike need to be sent to **revmike@churchonthepark.org**. Articles for the newsletter can be sent to **newsletter@churchonthepark.org**. Please make a note of these new addresses.

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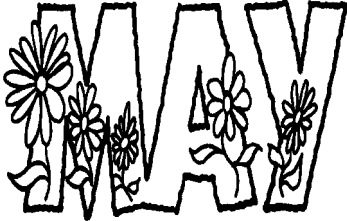
Note Of Thanks

Heart felt thanks to our church family for all the **care, prayers, and contributions** during Dad's illness, hospitalization, and passing. We sincerely appreciate **Rev. Mike's sustaining support** for my Dad and our family as we make the journey. From the **family of Arthur S. King Jr. - Deb St. Hilaire, Scott King** and **Mark St. Hilaire**.



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Through this nurturing Christian Community we will fully recognize the value of each believer, humbly forgive ourselves and others, and lovingly embrace God's Grace.

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