



The View From The Park

A Newsletter of Faith & Community

April 2024

1st Presbyterian Church on the Park
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Sundays in April

• **Worship Begins At 10:00 a.m.** •

• **April 7th** •

Communion
Deacons & Food Shelf Offering
No Church School



• **April 14th** •

Rev. Mike on Vacation
Chris Remick to Preach



Guest Preacher

• **April 21st** •

Name Tag Sunday
Noisy Can Offering



• **April 28th** •

Elder Ordination
Ham Dinner, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



Solar Eclipse

There will be a total solar eclipse on **Monday, April 8th** and much of the North Country is in the path of totality.



Visit the [St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce](http://www.stlawrencecounty.commerce.com) for info and times (In Canton, the eclipse begins at 2:11 p.m. and ends at 4:37 p.m.; total eclipse is at 3:23 p.m.). **Be safe** when viewing the eclipse by wearing **approved eclipse glasses**.

Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro..... Pastor
Pastor Donna Doig, CLP..... Associate Pastor
Andrea Montgomery.....Church School Director
Kathleen Crecco.....Director of Music & Pianist
Christy Dekay.....Office Coordinator
Emily & Kate Ewy.....Nursery Care Providers
Patience Boswell..... Sexton
Cameron Boswell.....Stream Master
Linda Potter.....Newsletter Editor
Office Hours: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tues. & Thursday

Spring Rummage Sale

The Spring Rummage Sale will be held **Friday, April 19th** from **9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** and **Saturday, April 20th** from **9 a.m. to Noon** with a **Congregational Sneak Peek** on **Thursday, April 18th** from **6 - 8 p.m.** (Pizza provided!)

We welcome clean and folded **spring and summer clothing** for ALL ages. We accept any **household goods**, clean and in good condition as well as **children's toys** and **games**. Also **books** - fiction and non-fiction. **NO TEXTBOOKS PLEASE.**

Electronics end up being thrown out and cost the church money to discard. **Please - no electronics of any kind.**

Help is needed! Setting up of tables & bringing up rummage will take place at **1:30 p.m.** on **Saturday, April 13th.**



Sorting and set-up takes place **Monday through Thursday**. In addition, we will need volunteers as **cashiers** Friday and Saturday and help with **clean-up** after the sale. If you can help out, contact our Rummage Sale Chair, **Christy Dekay** at (512) 484-1668.

Twin Beds Needed

A family in our congregation is still looking **gently used** twin beds (mattress and box spring). If you have one you are no longer using and would like to move it on to a good home, please see **Rev. Mike**.

Family News

Congratulations to **Mary Kelly**, featured in the March 22nd edition of the St.

Lawrence Plaindealer article entitled, "Local runner: Maple Run is fabric of Community" (click [here](#) to view online at the WTDT). When asked about all the running and paddling she does, she replied its all about fun, She turned the palm of her right hand up and said, "These callouses represent three hours of fun." "You have to take care

of you," she said, "You have to find your endorphin." If you are interested in running or paddling as an adult, she'd love to chat.



Prayers for **Shirley Norton** who recently had health concerns addressed. She would love to receive cards from her church family; 30 Sullivan Drive Apt. 228, Canton NY 13617.

Prayers for our Church School Director, **Andrea Montgomery**, healing from a medical procedure (4476 CR 17, Rensselaer Falls, NY 13680).

Prayers for **Vern Aldous** who continues frequent trips to Burlington to manage his health, and for **Arvilla** in support of him. A trying time for Vern and Arvilla, cards and communications greatly appreciated; 6171 US Hwy 11, Canton NY 13617.

Prayers for **Judy Gibson** who continues to heal and strengthening from treatment. Cards can be sent to her at 35 Riverside Dr., Apt. 3G, Canton NY 13617.

Prayers for **Nick Scelzi**, a resident of the Canton Nursing home. Nick is having a difficult time and any support or visits would be greatly appreciated. Cards may be sent care of Nick to Maple Wood Nursing Home, Maple 109, 205 State Street Road, Canton NY 13617.

More Family News

Prayers for **Bob Fraser** who continues to heal from a fall; **Lew Shepard**, and **Bill** and **Karen Parker**, and **Marilyn Coir** in their days; **Rich Denison** who continues to face health concerns; **Alice Poole** facing health challenges; **Rita Ostrander**, **Christa Lyon** and **Josh Holbrook** facing health challenges; Janet Favro currently residing at Keene Valley Neighborhood House (Attn Janet Favro, P.O. Box 46, Keene Valley, NY 12943); **Colleen Grant** for healing and wholeness, and husband **Dale** in support of her, (55 Bird Street, Canton, NY 13617); Jody Upton, sister of **Susan Akins**, being treated for a reoccurrence of cancer; and, **Roger McBath**, a resident at the Canton Nursing Home.



Congratulations to **Arvilla** and **Vern Aldous** who recently welcomed their 8th great-grandchild; "Miss Margo," from Iowa! (See photo on pg. 11.)

Prayers for friend of **Mary Christopher**, Mary, whose mother Joanne is under care of Hospice in Western NY.

Linda and **Rev. Mike** ask for prayers for their dear friend for Jen (and her husband Al, and their kids) who is facing health challenges.

We pray for parents raising children, and children caring for parents.

Prayers for those who continue to grieve and endure loss: for **Richard Cas-sara** on the death of his uncle Rick (of Morgan's Ice House fame); Glenn Erickson (and brothers **Ray** and **Mark**) on the death of his wife Jane; the **Basford/ Rodee** families, the **Brown** family and the **Webb** family; and **John Goetze**.

Student News

Congratulations to **Hunter** and **Claire Fiese** who participated in the recent Canton Ice Show! Parents **Katie** and **Marshall** are proud, and pleased as punch.

Congratulations to the thespians from our congregation who helped put on this year's fabulous production of "Beauty & the Beast" at Canton H.S.: **Natasha Rossiter** (cast, chorus & scenery), **Maria Franklin** (chorus & scenery), **Olivia Bourdette** (lighting) and **Kathleen Crecco** (piano). **Bravo!!!**

Congratulations to **Kate Ewy** (daughter of **Rob** and **Carolyn Zanta**) who recently participated in the Postdam Figure Skating Club Annual Ice Show. Kate skated a duet, and coached the Snowplow Sam 2 and 4 Badge Groups, as well as Basic 6. Great job Kate; Whoosh!

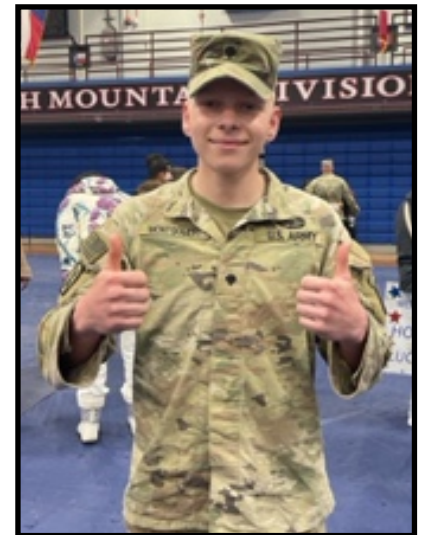
Annual Ham Dinner

We will be holding our annual Ham Dinner Fundraiser on **Sunday, April 28th** from 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Dine in** or **take-out** will be available. To make this a successful church **FUNdraiser** we will be looking for **food** and/or **monetary donations** as well as **volunteers** to set-up and prepare food on Saturday and work in the kitchen, serve and clean-up on Sunday. This year we are going to enlist "**servicing teams**" for the dining room, with a team consisting of a youth and an adult. This will be a great opportunity to begin training the kids to be our church of the future (and make less work for the adults :-). **Sign-up sheets** will be posted in the foyer beginning **Sunday, April 7th**.



Welcome Home Hunter!

On March 25th, after many months deployed to Iraq while serving in the **U.S. Army**, **PFC Hunter Montgomery** returned to Ft. Drum, and home. Parents **Joe** and **Andrea**, and brother **Colin**, were thrilled to welcome him with warm hugs and smiles all around. Hunter and Montgomery family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, concern and the fantastic care package!



Church Attendance

	In-Person	Stream	CS
March 3	62	53	9
March 10	50	45	11
March 17	60	41	No CS
March 24	62	60	11

Average In-Person Attendance: 59

Average Live-Stream Attendance: 50

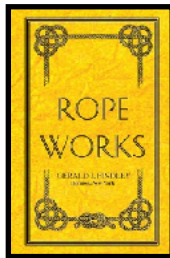
Average CS Attendance: 10

Treasurer's Report

	Operating	Mission
March 5	\$3,056.00	\$ 500.00
March 10	\$4,026.91	\$ 230.00
March 24	\$2,971.42	\$ 316.00
Total:	\$10,054.33	\$1,046.00

All Tied Up In Knots

Though published in 2009, Rev. Mike recently discovered that our own **Jerry Findley** is a published author. Browsing the New Books section at the CFL, he pulled the book "Rope Works" off the shelf only to see the author was Jerry! What a delightful surprise. Finding it very interesting, Rev. Mike purchased his own copy. Jerry also published the follow up, "Rope Works Plus." Very cool, Jerry!



Baby On The Way!

Great congratulations to **Anna** and **James Eller** who recently announced they are pregnant and expecting baby girl in September (9th)! We are thrilled for them, and keep them in prayer as they move through this very wonderful time in their lives together as a family. Siblings **Evelyn, Alina, Walter** and **Jane** are very excited!

Listen Up!

Linda Potter is part of the Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley podcast, **The Traveler's Guide to Life**. Catch it [here!](#)

Officers & Committees

Elders On Session

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

Joe Montgomery Patrick LaPierre Rob Ewy
 Sarah Melville Barry Walch Jim Franklin
 Anna Eller Heidi Ames Pat McGuire
 Rich Grayson Michelle Theisen
 Patricia Mace - Clerk Of Session

Board of Deacons

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

Christy Dekay Ray Erickson Mark Brackett
 Susan Akins Jane Cable Ellen Grayson
 Jean McGuire Bob Duda Stacie Olney-LaPierre
 Secretary Moderator
 Ray Erickson, Treasurer

Committees

Chairs

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

Facilities Barry Walch, Rich Grayson & Pat McGuire
 Responsible for the maintenance and use of all church property.

Fellowship Ellen Grayson & Pat Mace
 Responsible for all fellowship events.

Nominating Jean McGuire, Michelle Theisen, Gordy Theisen, Barb Brown & Deacon
 Responsible for filling Session, Deacons & Offices.

Church School Anna Eller
 Responsible for growth, nurturing & learning.

Worship Sarah Melville
 With pastor, responsible for worship.

Communion Pat Mace & Vicki McLain

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

Mission Michelle Theisen & Rob Ewy
 Helping our church, community and world.

Treasurer Mary McGreevy

Financial Secretary Barry Walch

Asst. Financial Secretary Anna Eller

C&C Program JJ Jockel, Sean Boutin & Michelle Theisen

Personnel Anna Eller, Heidi Ames & Patrick LaPierre

The Pastor's Report

Well, well, well....APRIL!

I don't know about you, but for *me* April always feels like the finish line of the grueling marathon that is winter. Now I know *some* of you actually LIKE winter (well, at least one of you for sure, maybe a few more who fly south or west) and that is fine. I think, though, that I speak for the great majority of us who are quite happy to say "Whew!"

I am actually writing this the Wednesday before Easter. While I might be persuaded to get all theological in this month's Pastor's Report given the timing, instead, I am feeling oh so pastoral.

I must to tell you, it is an increasingly weird thing being here for so many years; weird in a good way. There is a depth of fondness, love and affection for *all* of you, and for *each* of you, that becomes almost overwhelming; expressing itself in a profound sense of gratitude and deep feelings of empathy.

On any number of levels, I confess to being amazed that we are pulling this off; being a church, that is. Not just surviving (which is enough of a feat these days no matter how you look at it) but, actually, *thriving*. Even though the congregation keeps changing, with old friends dying and new friends arriving, we keep "pressing on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called us heavenward in Christ Jesus" (as Paul says in Philippians 3:14). Admittedly, we are none too fancy or sophisticated, but we are certainly getting the job done

in all areas our life together as a congregation. We have an awful lot of balls in the air these days, and I'm doing my darndest to keep my eye on every single one of them. Though occasionally this can be exhausting, mostly I'm amazed, and only ever grateful for each of you individually, and all of us together.

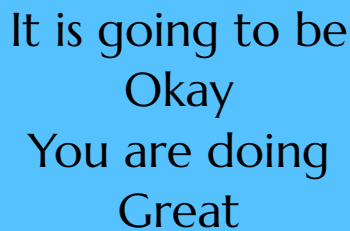
While such a sense of gratitude leaves me with a warmth in my soul, a deep sense of empathy imparts an ache in my heart which arises from the

awareness of the challenges each of us, in our own way, are facing in our lives. Couples taking the enormous step of having a/another child, parents facing the overwhelming task of raising children, children growing up, young people making their way in the

world, folks struggling to make a living, the seemingly never ending challenges of growing old, children now caring for aging parents, and the folks coming to the end of their journey through this world; and all the surprises, curveballs and obstacles that come our way, often with little notice or warning. Life is hard, *no* question about it.

Given this, and though a rather modest proclamation, please know how sure and sincere I am when I say to you, "It is going to be ok. You are doing great." Together, we are *doing* it. We just need to keep going; and we will.

Know that you are loved,
Rev. Mike



It is going to be
Okay
You are doing
Great

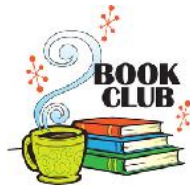
"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. - Isaiah 4:10

Women's Circle

Women's Circle will meet on **Wednesday, April 10th** at **7 p.m.** in Lorna's Lounge. All women of the church are welcome. If you are able to attend, contact **Linda Potter** at nautilus@twcny.rr.com.

Evening Book Group

The Evening Book Group will meet on **Tuesday, April 23rd** at 7 p.m. in Lorna's Lounge to discuss **Lessons In Chemistry** by Bonnie Garmus with the discussion led by **Linda Potter**. All are welcome.



Deacon's Offering

The Deacon's Offering is the **first Sunday** of every month. This is a vital component of our church's work and mission. Please remember to send along a contribution to the Deacons along with your pledge or regular offering. **Thank you!**

eNewsletter

If you received a hard copy of this newsletter in the mail but have an email address to which it could be sent, please contact RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.org

Seeking Shredder

The church office is awash in old financial records, and has a constant influx of incoming bills/invoices (yes we've considered going paperless, but then someone needs to be responsible, *over time*, for passwords and such which has proven challenging in the past). A new, beefy shredder costs about \$900. Before we rush into such a purchase, the Session suggested with put the **word out** to the congregation that if any has a shredder they aren't using and would like to **donate** it to the church, we'd be pleased to receive it. **Thank you!**

Virtual Worship & Fellowship

For live-streaming, fellowship, bulletins, sermons newsletter and other resources, **begin by bookmarking the church website:** www.ChurchOnThePark.org. "Click" on the relevant link at the top of the page.

A **live-stream** of the worship service is on the church's YouTube Channel. Go to www.ChurchOnThePark.org and click on "YouTube Channel." You can choose to subscribe to our channel or simply go to this link each week.

Zoom Fellowship calls happen each Sunday from **11:30 a.m. to Noon** for fellowship only with no format or moderator. If needed, download the ZOOM app ahead of time by clicking on this link (free): <https://zoom.us/download>. Once you have the Zoom app, go to www.ChurchOnThePark.org and click on "Sunday Zoom Meeting". You will be asked to enter a password which is **3862570** (the phone number of the church). The meeting will automatically begin at 11:30 a.m. & end at 12:45 p.m.

Worship bulletins are posted earlier in the week to the church website for those worshipping virtually through the stream on our YouTube channel. This will allow everyone the opportunity to follow the liturgy, and see the announcements and prayer requests. Go to www.ChurchOnThePark.org and click on "Sunday Bulletin."

Written sermons continue to be emailed, or snail-mailed, on *Tuesday* to everyone each week; as well as being posted to the church website. Go to www.ChurchOnThePark.org and click on "Written Sermons."

The monthly **Newsletter** will continue to be emailed to most, and snail-mailed to a few; as well as being posted to the church website (click on "Newsletter").



APRIL

Birthdays

- 1 Lauren Dean
- 2 Sean Rodee, Simon Mackey
- 3 Julia Trombly
- 4 Stacie Olney LaPierre,
Nico Larson
- 7 Paula Eschmann
- 8 Matthew Holbrook
- 9 Andi Mackey
- 10 Nancey Brackett,
Emma Brackett,
Audrey Gollinger
- 11 Linda Potter, Alaina Janack
- 12 Kelly Garwood, Barb Brown
- 13 Terry Billings
- 15 Patti Cryderman,
Kathleen Witherhead,
Isabelle Sullivan
- 16 Nicole Potter
- 17 Michael Frazer
- 18 Ruth Leslie, Allison Witherhead,
Sophia Smalling
- 20 Gwen LaPierre
- 21 Jean McGuire
- 23 Brent Bartley
- 24 Emily Bolton
- 25 Luke Frazer
- 27 Katie Dawley
- 28 Tim Cryderman, Jason Casey
- 29 James Gibson



APRIL

Anniversaries

- 14 Terry & Martha Billings
- 18 Brent & Faye Bartley
- 23 Patrick & Stacie LaPierre
- 25 Martin Syvertsen & Vicki McLain

Have You Seen These?

Susan Akins's prescription eyeglasses have disappeared from her Deacon mailbox. If you have seen these **red** framed glasses, contact Susan or the church office.

Contact the church office with your birthday so we can keep our list current!

April Lectionary Readings

April 7

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31



April 14

Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

April 21

Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

April 28

Acts 8:26-40
Psalms 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

Saving Grace

When two or three do meet together,
be it family, or as friend,
Bound as with Your spirit's tether,
there You are amidst of them.

Jus as brethren used to gather
in the name of Christ to sup;
May we, likewise, praise the Father,
breaking bread, and taking cup.

In all our meals and all our living
make us sacraments of You;
Then by helping, loving, and by giving,
his disciples we'll be true.

Prayer Warriors

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

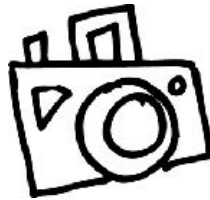
Prayer Chain to offer prayers for folks who are ill, troubled or in need.

If you want to learn more about the prayer chain, call **Rev. Mike** at 386-2570 or **Wanda Renick** at 386-3474.



Photo Directory

Our Photo Directory is no longer available online through the website. If you would like a copy (print or digital), please contact Rev. Mike or the church office and we'd be happy to send one with you. We endeavor to keep the photo directory as up-to-date as possible. If you find that you have been inadvertently omitted, would like to be included or would like a retake, please contact **Rev. Mike**. Updates easily done.



Presbyterian Worship

The next **Partridge Knoll service** is on **April 3rd** and will continue through the spring on the **1st Wednesday** of the month at **11:00 a.m.** You are welcome to join us!



Like Us On Facebook!

The Church On The Park has a **Facebook page** which changes regularly - <https://www.facebook.com/TheFirstPresbyterianChurchonthePark>

Church Website



Our Website is updated each month and is a great way to stay a part of the life of the church. If you have questions about, or contributions for the website please email Rev. Mike or the church office.

The Church's email address: office@ChurchOnThePark.org

Reverend Mike's email address: RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.org

Sermons & Services

Written Sermons in PDF format are now available for viewing or downloading on Monday at www.ChurchOnThePark.org then click on "Written Sermons."

If you'd like to have a copy of the weekly sermon emailed or snail-mailed to you directly, please contact RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.Org.

To view recordings of previous worship services, please subscribe to our [YouTube channel](#).

Newsletter Deadline Is The 15th Of The Month

We are still sending out the monthly newsletter! Please submit articles (emailed preferably) to the church office, or directly to the Newsletter Editor, Linda Potter, at:

nautilus@twcny.rr.com

Hello, my name is...

Remember - **Name Tag Sunday** is **April 21st**.

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

C&CP Food Pantry Use

In **January**, the C&CP food pantry served **220** households with **104** children, **213** adults and **158** seniors. Of them, **6** households were new to the pantry and **2** were emergency/homeless cases. Totals **475** individuals.

In **February**, **210** households with **85** children, **190** adults and **156** seniors were served. Of them, **11** households were new to the pantry; there was **1** homeless case. Totals **431** individuals. **COMPARE** to: **200** households in December, and **170** households a year ago. **Needs are increasing.** Please remember to **support the Food Shelf Offering** the **first Sunday** of each month, as well as the kid's **Noisy Can Offering** the **third Sunday** of each month (kids use the proceeds to shop for the pantry.)

Life Story Project

The Life Story Project, a **free event** sponsored by **Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley**, will be held on **Tuesday, May 7th** from **6:30 to 8 p.m.** at the First Presbyterian Church in Canton. Your life is made of **little stories** of the people and events that shaped you, the places you've been along with the love, laughter and tears you've shared.



Bring a **notebook** and we will supply **prompts, activities** and **inspiration** to create with word and artwork your Life Story Project.

Space is limited for this free public event. Call Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley at 315-265-3105 to reserve your spot.

Session Report

The Session met on **February 26th**. A letter from Lynne Foreman, Ministry Engagement and Support, thanking our church for our donation was shared. A letter from **Andrea Montgomery** of St. Lawrence County Office of the Aging was read which thanked the church for our donation to the Holiday Gift Drive for Older Adults.



The mixer for the **livestream** has been improved. New people in church and needs of people in the congregation were noted. Food will be delivered to the **Webb family** as they gather for Bill's funeral service. **Christy Dekay** is working out well as the new church office manager. She is working eight hours a week and an increase to her salary was approved. Rev. Mike's provided a history of the Church & Community Program.

The AED is being worked on. Barry Walch has contacted Bertrands Construction regarding the grant received for the **steeple roof**. The **new digital sign** is higher than the village code. Rev. Mike is working with the CEO on this issue.

It was voted and approved to appoint **Vanessa Syvertsen** as Parish Associate. Books for the All-Church Read were ordered at a cost of \$329 (42 books).

New committee assignments were made. The Resources Committee reported that the current **Endowment Fund** value is \$559,000. Noisy Can Offerings are going well. **Stacie Olney-LaPierre** is the new moderator for Deacons, replacing **Ellen Grayson**. **Michelle Theisen** reported that Rotary is sponsoring a fundraiser for the Church & Community Program.

2nd Annual Church & Community Program Bowling Tournament Fundraiser

Saturday April 20, 2024

At Ogdensburg Bowl

1121 Paterson St., Ogdensburg, NY

2:00 - to 5:00 p.m. (approx. end)



Team Sign up sheets in church foyer.

Team members: 5 people per Team
plus a couple alternate players
to take turns during the 3 games.

**We are hoping to “field” TWO teams this year,
possibly a Men’s and Woman’s team (just to make it interesting!)**

*Our church will sponsor each team (\$100.00 per team for 3 games)
so there is no cost to the participants.*

Time to arrive: Bowlers should arrive at bowling alley before 2 p.m,
to get lanes assigned and get shoes and select bowling balls.
We will try to carpool to the bowling alley, and will meet at church at 1:25 p.m.

Bowling Shoes & Balls: Are always free at the Ogdensburg Bowl.

Food: The alley does not serve food, though we can bring our own snacks and food.
People often have pizza delivered, or get take-out etc.

Beverages: You can certainly bring water, and there will be beverages
(soda and otherwise) available at the lanes.

Pennies for Pins: Pledge Forms are available on the table in church lobby;
*each team bowler to get donations pledges from others to raise funding
for the Church and Community Program.*

Thank you for your participation and support!



Photos from last year’s tournament.

SNAPSHOTS OF LIFE WITHIN..



**LACHLAN'S FIRST HAIRCUT
FROM ELLEN GRAYSON
AT COFFEE HOUR**



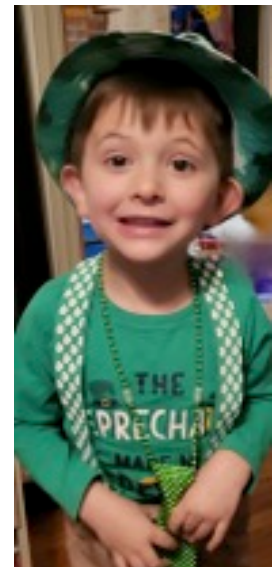
**ARVILLA AND VERN WELCOME
GREAT-GRAND CHILD #8
MISS MARGO, FROM IOWA!**



**CASEY AND ELLIOTT
OF BRICK CHAPEL MAPLE
BOILING SAP**



**CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF THE
CHURCH & COMMUNITY PROGRAM!**



**NICO IN THE
SPIRIT OF ST.
PATRICK'S DAY**

...AND BEYOND THE CHURCH

Way To Go Green Team!

Last month our church hosted 10 members of Canton Middle School's "Green Team" (5th, 6th and 7th graders) for a pizza party (and fruit, and veggies, and cookies) to thank them for all of their hard work to provide community members the opportunity to sign-up to compost food scraps.

It was a wonderful and up-lifting experience to meet these kids and see their commitment to making a better world for us all (including **Rosalie Dekay** and **Gwen LaPierre** from our church).

As a bonus, Rev. Mike took the kids to the sanctuary and let them each ring the bell to their heart's content!



Great Kids!!!

SIGN(S) OF THE TIMES

Thanks to Office Coordinator Christy Dekay, and her background in graphic design, this month we began to make use of "Drop Shadow" and "Outline" features in the software to make the lettering more crisp and readable. Below are some of the messages we've had running this month. Kids from the "Green Team" were *delighted* to see their "name up in lights." We will soon be purchasing a new computer for the office (long overdue) which will allow Christy to make changes directly, and expand our capabilities. The sign powers up at 6 a.m. each day and powers down at 9 p.m. (so as to not disturb the neighbors / neighborhood and not be a temptation to late night travelers down Park Street).

If you have an idea for a message, please contact Rev. Mike.

Worship & Church School
Begin at 10:00 a.m.
It is Easter
In-Person and On-line
Nursery Care Provided
Hope Is POSSIBLE!
www.ChurchOnThePark.org
MAR 25 9:56 AM 28° 315.386.2570

**"We Do Not See Things
As They Are,
We See Things As We Are."**
- Anais Nin
See you Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
All Are Welcome

Thank You Canton Central
Green Team
For Your Good Work
With North Country Compost

Daylight Savings Time Begins
Turns Clocks Ahead
Saturday Night
Spring Forward!

Maundy Thursday
Communion Service
7:00 p.m.
From the Latin "mandatum"; we are commanded
to love one another, as we have been loved.
Join us to love and be loved.

Good Luck SLU
Men's Hockey Team
At ECAC Tournament
GO SAINTS!!!

Ham Dinner

Dine-In or Take-Out

Sunday April 28th
11 a.m to 1:30 p.m.

Baked Ham (Generous Portion)
Macaroni & Cheese
Coleslaw
Homemade Pie

Cost: \$12 Adults
\$5 Kids (ages 5 to 10)
Under 5/Over 90 Free

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Rummage Sale

*Great Clothes
at
Great Prices*

Friday
April 19th
9 AM to 4 PM

Saturday
April 20th
9 AM to Noon

Summer clothes, kid's clothes, household items, all good stuff!

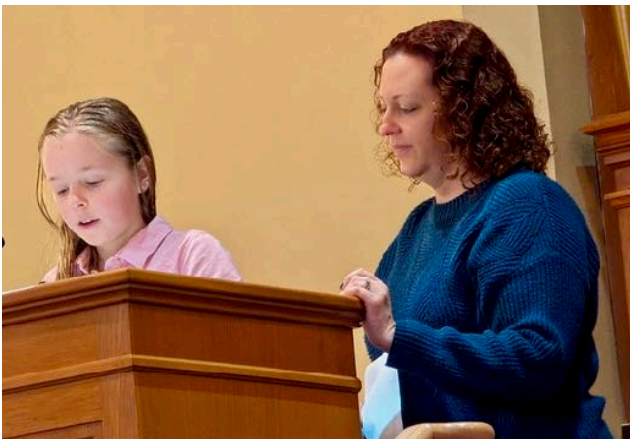
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Friday: Clothing \$5/Bag
Saturday: Everything \$1/Bag

Celebrating the Gifts Of Women 2024



2024 Woman Of The Year
Vicki McLain!



Amelia and Michelle



Sophia and Whitney



Christa



Aubry (being Aubry!)

*Worship
Leaders*



Heidi Ames
Delivered The Homily

*Honoring Women and
the Gifts They Share*



Celebrating the Gifts Of Women 2024

April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Easter No Church School 11:15AM Church Fellowship Zoom Meeting	1	2	3 11:00AM PK Service	4 6:30PM Choir Practice	5	6
7 Communion Deacon & Food Offering 10:00AM No Church School - Spring Break 11:15AM Church Fellowship Zoom Meeting	8 Rev. Mike On Vacation Solar Eclipse	9	10 7:00PM Women's Circle	11 4:15PM C&CP Board Meeting 6:30PM Choir Practice	12	13 1:30PM RS Set-Up
14 Rev. Mike On Vacation Chris Remick To Preach 10:00AM Church School 11:15AM Church Fellowship Zoom Meeting	15 Rummage Sale Set-Up Newsletter Deadline	16	17	18 6:00PM RS Sneak Peak 6:30PM Choir Practice	19 Rummage Sale	20 2:00PM C&CP Bowling
21 Name Tag Sunday Noisy Can Offering 10:00AM Church School 11:15AM Church Fellowship Zoom Meeting	22 Earth Day	23 7:00PM Evening Book Group	24	25 5:30PM Deacons Meeting 6:30PM Choir Practice	26	27
28 Elder Ordination 10:00AM Church School 11:00AM Ham Dinner 11:15AM Church Fellowship Zoom Meeting	29 7:00PM Session	30	1 11:00AM PK Service	2 6:30PM Choir Practice	3	4

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Spring Rummage Sale - April 19th & 20th

Welcome Home Hunter!

Women's Worship Photos

Way To Go Green Team!

Sign(s) Of Our Times

C&CP Bowling Tournament

Annual Ham Dinner - April 28th



**The Mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Canton to reach out to all people and welcome them in celebrating truly the joys, freedoms and responsibilities that come with our faith in God, Christ's unconditional love for us, and the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our world.
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.**