

***LISTEN* to the ChurchMouse**

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A prayer for families

Heavenly Father, we come as your children to praise you for putting us into families. Thank you for the love and nourishment we’ve received – and been blessed to give. We confess our need for your daily forgiveness and guidance in our families. Please grant harmony in our homes and help us always to show respect and love for one another.

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“The [one] who graduates today and stops learning tomorrow is uneducated the day after.

In Jesus name. Amen

Pastor's Column

On June 1, 1998, I became the pastor of New Scotland Presbyterian Church. I can't believe 20 years have gone by so quickly!

I look back and remember the many building projects, with two capital campaigns; the spiritual programs of New Church Development, Unbinding the Gospel, Contemplative Prayer Groups, and PneuMatrix; the weddings, the baptisms, the church suppers, the church's 225th anniversary; and so many other wonderful events. I celebrate all we have accomplished together!

At the same time, it is amazing to see how fast our culture has changed in these years, as we moved from the 20th century to the 21st century. Technology and media continue to grow at exponential rates, and the Church is being challenged to rediscover what God is calling to us do and to be in the days ahead.

I believe that in the midst of all the world's craziness, we are still called to be a community of people who strive for the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). I also believe we are called to be different from the world. In other words, the church exists in the world and responds to the world, yet is not to be simply of the world. Working out what that looks like is an on-going task as we journey with Christ and are open to the leading of the Spirit.

I give thanks for so many lovely members and friends of the church who have been part of this journey over the last 20 years!

I am blessed that God called me to be part of the New Scotland Church family, and I am looking forward to celebrating with you in worship and at the church picnic on June 3rd!

Faithfully,
+Holly

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To Our Pastor

Our God has sent you to this place
To lead us in the way
That He would have us work and think
And live from day to day.

No matter the hour; whatever the need,
You go the extra mile –
Always ready and willing to share
A comforting thought and a smile.

We're grateful that you're here with us
To teach us from His word,
And we will try to do our best
In service of our Lord.

We thank you for your ministry,
Your guidance and your care.
His greatest blessings for your life
Is our most humble prayer.

Author Unknown

Clothing Drive

The Mission Committee is collecting men's and women's clothing for the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless. The collection box is in the lobby through Wednesday, June 13. Please donate gently-used, clean spring and summer clothing. The shelter is so very appreciative for our donations

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Book Study

The Rev. Larry Deys is leading a series of discussions on the book "Eco-Reformation: Grace and Hope for a Planet in Peril," which is a series of essays on creation theology. Creation theology encourages us to consider questions such as: "What is our relationship to God and our relationship to everything God created;" and "What does it mean for us to follow God's command for us to care for God's creation?" There are two meetings in June: Sunday, June 10, we'll discuss chapter 6; Sunday, June 24, we'll discuss chapter 8.

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Finance Information

As of May 16:
Income to date\$51,134.88
Expenses to date ... \$52,614.86
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Endowment Fund withdrawals so far this year (to meet expenses): \$10,000

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Church Picnic!

On Sunday, June 3, we will have a church picnic at the New Salem Fire Department

pavilion, 694 New Salem Road in Voorheesville, noon to 3:00 p.m. Bring your own meat to grill, if you wish, and a salad or dessert to share. There is a sign-up sheet in the church lobby.

We will have iced tea and lemonade on hand. Please bring your own setup (plates, napkins, forks, etc.). The picnic is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of our pastor. The Rev. Cameron started with us on June 1, 1998. All are welcome!

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Children's Day

We will celebrate the end of the Sunday School year with Children's Day, on Sunday, June 10! We hope ALL God's Children will attend (young and old). Our young people will lead, but everyone will be part of the program. Students will receive recognition for participating in the 2017-2018 Sunday School year. Special recognition will be given to our three graduating seniors! Following the service, there will be a special coffee hour, and everyone is invited to bring a finger food to share.

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My Compliments to the Creator

*Dear God,
I saw the Grand Canyon this summer.
Nice piece of work!
Love,
Kyle (age 9)*

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"A truly rich man is the one whose children run into his arms when his hands are empty."

...Ziad Abdelhour

Broadway in Albany!

The Tony-winning Broadway musical, "Bandstand," was filmed and will be shown at Colonie Center on Monday, June 25, and Thursday, June 28, at 7:00 p.m. The show is about soldiers coming home from World War II and forming a band to enter a national radio contest; along the way, they discover how music has the power to help them face the past and find their way back home. It won the Tony award for Best Choreography, and has great swing-era music. The show was co-written by Duncan Morrison's partner, and several of us saw it on Broadway. We all loved it! Tickets are \$18. If you are interested, see The Rev. Cameron, or Bonnie O'Shea.

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Chicken BBQ – Save the Date!

We have a Chicken BBQ Fundraiser on Thursday, July 12, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. As usual, we hope everyone will take some tickets to sell ahead of time. There are also several ways to volunteer to help that day, from setting up, to being in the ticket tent, to being in the meal tent. Sign-up sheets will be posted soon!

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Joint Services with Voorheesville

On Sunday July 22 at 10:00 a.m. we will worship at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville with the Rev. Holly Cameron presiding.

On Sunday July 29 at 10:00 a.m. we will worship at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville with the Rev. Holly Cameron presiding.

On August 5 at 10:00 a.m. we will worship at New Scotland Presbyterian with the Rev. Gary Kubitz presiding.

On August 12 at 10:00 a.m. we will worship at New Scotland Presbyterian with the Rev. Gary Kubitz presiding.

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Litany for the Lord's Day

9th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 3

1 Sam. 3:1-10 (11:14-15);
Ps. 139:1-6, 13-18; 2 Cor. 4:5-15;
Mark 2:23-3:6

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 10

1 Sam. 8:4-11 (12-15, 16-20 (11:14-15));
Ps. 138; 2 Cor. 4:13-4:1; Mark 3:20-35

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 17

1 Sam. 15:34-16:13; Ps. 20;
2 Cor. 5:6-19, (11-13) 14-17;
Mark 4:26-34

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 24

1 Sam. 17;(1a, 4-11, 19-23 32-49 and
Ps. 9:9-20 or 1 Sam. 17:57-18:5: 10-16
And Ps. 133; 2 Cor. 6:1-13; Mark 4:25-41

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 1

2 Sam. 1:1, 17-27; Ps. 130;
2 Cor. 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

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The Dandelion

The dandelion's pallid rube astonishes the grass, and winter instantly becomes and infinite alas.

The tube uplifts a single bud and then a shouting flower, the proclamation of the suns that sepulture is o'er.

...Emily Dickinson

July Birthdays

We wish a Very Happy Birthday to these people celebrating in the month of July:

- 4th...Kelsey Kaye Roberts
- 6th...Bruce Miller
- 7th...Jack Scaccia
- 8th...Samuel Youmans
- 9th...Jennifer Parker
- 16th..Edward Wiest
- 20th..Janet Willey
Lynn Kohler
- 23rd..Francis Person, Jr
- 24th..Teagan Grace Riedy.
- 25th..Rebecca Crawford
- 26th..Debbie Fuglein
James Nicholson, Jr.
- 29th..Grovene Phelps
- 30th..Debra Craft
- 31th..Kristn Gordon

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July Anniversaries

We wish a Very Happy Anniversary to these couples celebrating in the month of July:

July 7, 2012
Kristin & Albert 111 Miller

July 8, 1995
Jennifer & William Crawford

July 23, 1977
Brenda & Kevin Dwyer

July 23, 2011
Brianne & Garrett Roberts

July 26, 1998
Barbara & Robert Huth

Session Digest Notes

April 30, 2018

- Approved summer joint services

July 22 & 29 at FUMCV with Rev. Holly Cameron leading

August 5 & 12 at NSPC with Rev. Gary Kubitz leading
- Memorial Day Parade – will not have a float
- Report from delegate Kevin Dwyer of Presbytery meeting at Cambridge
- Reviewed financial statements
- Approved Communion dates – May 6 & May 20
- Everyone read and signed Sexual Misconduct Policy
- Draft of Child/Youth Protection Statement handed out for review

Dorothy Kohler

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**Jesus is a friend
who walks in when
the world has walked out.**

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me you might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world

John 16:33

The South End Children's Café

25 Warren Street, Albany, NY

The mission of the South End Children's Cafe is to impact food insecurity, address food equality and food justice, enhance academic success and positively influence the physical and mental health of children residing in the South End of Albany, New York by offering free, healthy dinner time meals along with homework help, academic enrichment, mentoring, exercise and participation in the arts Monday through Friday. Community volunteers join the children daily, assisting with school projects, homework, goal setting and acquiring needed resources for good health and overall wellness. Family Members are invited to participate in all of the programs and to dine with the children in a family style atmosphere. The South End Children's Cafe is fiscally sponsored by Streams of Dreams.

Food In·se·cu·ri·ty

The state of being without reliable access to a sufficient quantity of affordable, nutritious food.

The limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate and safe food.

"more than 800 million people live every day with hunger or food insecurity as their constant companion"