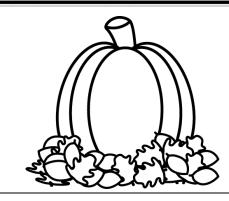
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BE IN THE MOMENT

Although the weather doesn't seem to know it Fall is here. September has gone, and October is here. With that comes every, and I mean every, channel running Halloween specials and episodes. It also means that apples are ready to be picked, or picked up if you don't feel like walking all over the orchard and picking apples. Apple cider is in season and so is the pumpkin spice latte. Leaves will soon be falling and then wind up being mulched or gathered into piles. The wind will be getting crisper, and more and more of us will have the smell of a fire wafting from a chimney. Baseball is winding down and football is picking up. Fall is here.

And with fall comes the inevitable preparations for the season. Wood will be split and stacked. Pine cones and needles along with dry leaves will be put into bags and stored for usage. AC units will be removed and screens check and placed in each window. Jackets will be placed on the coat rack and coats will be checked for repairs and fit. The garage gets cleaned out so that it will fit both cars if needed, and brushes are returned to the car for when the snow begins.

The other night after the kids were in bed Sara and I were sitting on the porch and I was trying to work through the list of things that we needed to do. When I think back on it, it was a beautiful night. It wasn't too hot or too cold. The dogs were peacefully playing in the yard. And I was trying to talk through one list of things to do after the other. Sara smiled and humored me but really wasn't listening, she was more enjoying the moment. Once I realized this I sat, and started to enjoy the moment too.

The church is 2000 years old. There have been many moments that have happened over that time. There have been good and bad, terrible and great. All have happened. One of the most difficult things is to be in the moment, to enjoy what is and not worry about what will come. But it's also difficult to then leave the

moment and move forward. The challenge is to enjoy what is, to make the most of the moment at hand, but not to hold on and get stuck in it. Life isn't frozen, it moves on and forward. If we want to treasure what was we are free to do so, but we cannot hold onto it so much that it prevents us from living our lives.

One of the great moments which comes to mind from scripture is the transfiguration. Peter James and John join Jesus on the mountain. Jesus begins to shine brightly and is joined by Elijah and Moses. And then God calls him his Son. And then Peter talks about how great the moment was and how he now wants to build some houses for Jesus, Moses and Elijah.

It's a great moment. And Peter sees it as such. But he doesn't see once the moment has passed is that the time has come to move on. They cannot stop on the mountain in the midst of this great moment forever. They must move on with God's plan.

Moments come in the life of the church. And we need to treasure them. We need to enjoy them for what they are. It's like a great spirit filled worship service where you can feel God moving among you. At some point, the benediction comes. And at some point you must move forward. It doesn't mean that we need to erase or forget the past and ignore the moment that was. But it does mean that we need to move forward to the next time and the next moment. The Transfiguration is a great moment. But where would the Cross and the Empty Tomb be if Peter, James and John had built

those houses and stayed on the mountain. Let us go forth brothers and sisters and look for the face of God. Amen.

Rev Bill



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OCTOBER EVENTS

October 1,8,15,22,29 Tuesday Bible Study

October 2, 16 Women's Bible Study

October 3 Hurley Senior Citizens

October 6 Communion

October 9 Social Solos

October 14 Consistory

October 18 Movies with Meaning

October 19 Italian Dinner

October 25 Ghost Walk

October 27 Hurley Heritage Walk

Qctober 31 Halloween

GREETERS AND USHERS FOR OCTOBER

October 6

Ushers: Linda Clarke Dido; Chris Decker

Greeters: Sonnie Howe & friend

October 13

Ushers: Sandra Gregory; Kathy Jansen

Greeters: David & Sandra Emrich

October 20

Ushers: Sandra Emrich; David Kent

Greeters: Jeff & Alyson Rafferty

October 27

Ushers: Jim Craven; Roberta Falatyn

Greeters: Charles & Sandra Emrich

FLOWERS FOR OCTOBER

October 6 Doug and Frieda Constant

October 13 Deb Zuill

October 20 Rev Bill & Rev. Sara in memory of

Luka

October 27 Doris Alden

REFRESHMENTS

October 6 Goodrich family

October 13

October 20 Rev Bill & Rev.

Sara

October 27

ADDED TO THE LIST OF SAINTS:

Condolences to the family of

J. Donald Kent

Clarence Jansen

Bob Alden

Ruth Harken

"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4

Hurley Reformed Church - Main Street -Hurley, NY

talian Dinner! 10-19-19 4:30-6:30pm open seating

Ziti, Meatballs, Tossed Salad, \$ Garlic Bread, Drink & Dessert

Reservations: Sandy 845-687-4006

Buon Appetito!





SOUP'S ON.

The Soup Elves are preparing soup for Sunday October 27.

\$8.00 a quart





OUR ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT RESULTS

First place team included Wally Cook, Sonny Howe, Joy O'Connor and Rich Anderson with a one over par.

Tied for second was Jim and Barb Mayfield, Joanne Chapman and Suzanne Schiller and the Beesmer's, Bill, Joanne, and Ken and Brian Donnelly with 32.

A fun time was had by all.

Marilyn Lowe

he seasons come and go... come enjoy the beauty of the Columbarium while the garden is still in full bloom. Soon enough the leaves will start to fall and autumn will be upon us. This is the miracle that GOD gives to us – for HE is everywhere – in the garden, in our homes, and in our hearts.

STICKLEY GARDENS

FOR MORE INFORMATION - CONTACT ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER:

LISA LONGTO (331-1438) CHAIRPERSON JIM PIRRO (383-0079) TREASURER ESTHER STICKLEY (331-2919) SANDIE GREGORY (338-7626) LEE GABLE (246-3751)

REV STICKLEY, SECRETARY A SACRED PLACE OF BEAUTY AND CONTEMPLATION.
(LOCATED ON THE SOUTH LAWN OF THE CHURCH)

CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, October 26, 2019 8:30 Coffee, Juice & Sweets 9:00 Work Assignments & Q&A

General Clean Up



Painting Raking Etc



For more

information see
Jim Pirro or Dennis Croswell
(See list of projects & sign up in
Schadewald Hall)

SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE UPDATE

It seems lately that quite often we are offering prayers during morning worship service for those who have suffered from a mass shooting or other major incident. How many times have you heard during these events, "I never thought it would happen there." Have you ever thought, "Could it happen here, in quiet little Hurley Is there anything we can do to protect ourselves?"

In early 2019, after meeting with our insurance carrier regarding shootings at religious facilities, Consistory developed a Safety & Security Committee to review current safety and security procedures and develop new procedures and plans to enhance the safety of our facility, congregants, employees and guests in this new world of domestic terrorism.

With Consistory's approval, the following items have, or shortly will be, completed to provide additional safety and security for everyone who visits the Hurley Reformed Church.

The 40-plus year old fire alarm system was upgraded to provide a new alarm panel box, new smoke detectors, pull stations and horn/strobes. The system also has a redundant method to communicate with the supervising alarm company (Safeco) to monitor the system and alert the fire department in case of an alarm condition.

A new surveillance system has been installed with 3 cameras currently and additional cameras to be added later, and monitors in the office and Narthex. The camera system allows us to monitor the property from several locations and hopefully aid in contacting 911 in an emergency situation.

New evacuation route diagrams showing the route to exit the building in case of an emergency have been developed and installed by the doorways in all rooms.

An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) has been purchased to provide aid in case of a heart attack. The AED has been installed on the landing of Schadewald Hall.

Five members of the church attended training and were certified in the use of the AED. If additional members would like to be trained in its use, or if you are currently certified, please call the office and let Dorothy know.

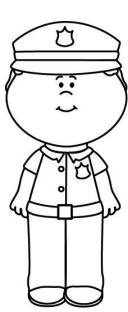
A first aid/trauma kit has been purchased. We are planning on providing basic first aid/stop the bled training this fall. Again, if you are interested in receiving this training, please call the office and speak with Dorothy.

New procedures for evacuating the sanctuary, congregation and Sunday School are being developed. A fire/evacuation drill(s) is planned for both the Sunday School and sanctuary in the near future.

New motion detection security lights have been installed along the rear driveway

The door at the entrance to the sanctuary near the elevator will be upgraded to provide additional security. The proposal is to keep this door locked during church service to control entry and the ushers will monitor the door to allow entry through use of the cameras and monitor.

The Safety and Security Committee will remain active to continue to enhance its mission. If you have any questions or concerns with the safety and security of our beautiful facility or concerns for your personal safety and security, please contact Rev. Bill or Dennis Croswell.



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October

Birthdays

Sandra Gregory	1
Kyle Davenport	2
Amy Ryan	2
Christa Conlin	3
Barbara Appleyard-Pekich	4
Leigh Hill	4
Alissa Sumerano	5
Muriel Ferraro	6
Hannah Shambo	8
Terry Gaffken	10
Steve Bliss	10
Stanley Brooks	14
Sierra Butler	15
Marilyn More	15
Diana Cline	17
Luka Applevard-Pekich	20



Juanita Rockwell

Ryan Milne

Ron Chrisey

Julia Tucker

Katie Christiana

Kelsey Christiana

Sarah Harder

Linda Cook

Julia Helm

Jordan Cline

Nancy Sweeney

Anniversaries

Pat & Robin Brennan	3
Kathy & Craig Jansen	7
Charles & Colette Woodard	8
Ron & Ann Every	9
Linda & Dick Shook	10
Herb & Lois Morehouse	16
Wendy & Steve Helsey	19

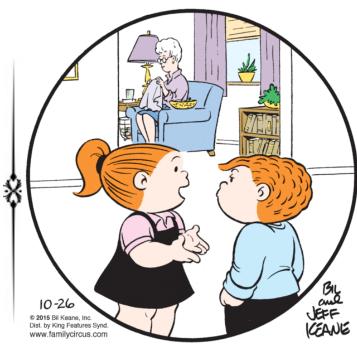




REACH OUT TO THOSE WHO NEED YOUR SUP-PORT IN THEIR DAY TO DAY NEEDS:

Keep them in your prayers.

MaryAnn DiPietro is home; Alice Presti is home; Bev Roosa are in Thompson House; Bob Williams is in Ivy Lodge; Dolores McGoldrick is at Ferncliff; MaryLou Vogt is in Hudson Valley Senior Residence; Shirley Ruth is in Mountain Valley Manor; Friedel Borst, Audrey Hornbeck and Fred Horvers at TenBroeck; Lori Pinkham in Wingate at Ulster, Tony Peralta; Anthony DiPietro (son of MaryAnn DiPietro), Marie Dressel.



"The two places we know we're always welcome are church and Grandma's house."

Poinsettias and Pecans



Pecans

The annual pecan drive is going on now. The cost per bag is \$11. We have a 1 lb bag of plain pecans, a 12 oz bog of milk & dark chocolate & a 10 oz bag of pecan clusters. They are great for baking & gift giving.

Please see Shirley Burns, Pat Baker or Sandy Emrich to place an order.

When the pecans come in all pre-orders MUST be picked up by 12/8 or they will be put back in the left over pecans for public sale.

Thank you for your interest & support in this fundraiser for the church.

In Honor of:

In Memory of:



Phone: Name: Number of plants:

@ \$7.00 each: Total due

POINSETTIAS

Plants are one size, one color, and one price: red at \$7.00 each.

adorn the sanctuary for the Holiday season.

Once again it's time to place your orders for poinsettia plants to

It's That Time Again!!!

We are requesting that you take your plant home or deliver it to someone special

Give to Kathy Jansen after worship or mail to: Make Checks Payable to: HRC Women's Guild

Payment must be received by December 8,2019

223 Hidden Valley Road, Kingston, NY 12401



STONE HOUSE DAY 2019

We had a very good SHD this year. The weather was good and the rain held off. We had 8 houses, including the Museum, open for visitors, and many activities. We have our Sojourner Truth, who every year does a wonderful job with "her speech and her interview". The Church is packed for that event. We thank Debbie Zuill from the bottom of our hearts for doing this for many years and probably never receiving enough accolades. We also had Nancy

Anderson strolling down Main St. playing her violin. She is a wonderful and talented addition to our SHD activities. We thank her too. There was a Native American who played a variety of flutes, and also the 3rd Ulster Militia, who do a great job of showing what military life might have been during the colonial period. For the first time we had an outdoor kitchen, and they sold hot dogs, hamburgers and sausage and peppers and drinks. They brought in over \$800. The indoor kitchen was swamped and did a great job, as usual, and we had many, many compliments on their behalf. Their food is delicious.

We sold about 750 tickets, just about the same amount as last year, but we did not have any busloads of visitors this time. We made about \$10,00 after all expenses. We had a \$400 donation from the Lions Club and \$200 from Win Morrison Realty. A lot of people ordered their tickets on line, and Pay Pal was a new way of doing that as of last year.

Again, we thank all our wonderful volunteers for their dedication and work on behalf of SHD, which is our biggest fund raiser. Next year we will celebrate our 70th anniversary, and if you have any ideas about new and interesting activities we can add to our day, please let us know. We would love to have "George Washington" ride in to town on his white horse!!

Ellen Richards SHD Committee



October's missions are Caring Hands, Angel Food East and Reservoir Food Pantry, all local food pantries.

Marilyn Lowe



Movies with Meaning
October 18, 2019
Now Showing:
"Something's Gotta Give"
Potluck Dinner at 5:30 pm



October 9, 2019 at 12 Noon.

Place: Road Trip Cheesecake Factory



The family of Don Kent would like to thank everyone who sent card, or who said a kind word of support. Special thanks to those who helped with the memorial marathon.

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10am - Genealogy @ 3pm - Baby Shower 5:30pm - BAPS	7pm - Motorcycle	9:30am - Badminton 4:45pm - Dog	Yom Kippur 9:30am - quilting @ 12pm - social solos 4:30pm - Dog 6:30pm - Local 1582	9am - Bible Study @ 11am - balance 7pm - Boy Scouts	3pm - Quilting @ 4:30pm - Dog 7pm - 1st Capitol 7:30pm - Al-Anon @	10am - Worship @ 11am - Prayer Chain 1pm - baptism party
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