

Lunch Bunch Items left from the Bazaar available for purchase

<p>20 Double towels \$4.00</p> 	<p>40 or so Scrubbies \$2.00</p> 
<p>Lots of Dishcloths \$.50</p> 	<p>7 Aprons (½ and full)</p> 
<p>14 Table runners Various sizes and prices</p> 	<p>12 Microwave Potato Baking bags \$6.00</p> 
<p>Baby hats, mittens, booties and blankets</p>  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 Pot holders w/cookie cutters • 14 Pot holders w/o cutters • 1 Christmas Table cloth • 7 Spaghetti bibs • 3 Roll up travel cases • 3 Glove holders • 5 gift bags (various sizes) • 2 – 2pc sets of Microwave pot holders = \$8 set • 3 Casserole carriers • 1 Toilet paper roll cover doll • Magnets – over the hill dolls – pumpkins (cloth)

After the first of the year we will be taking orders for the towels, larger size mittens and scrubbies.

If you are interested in any of the items, please contact Carol Howell or Janice Bilohlavek

A Prayer for Epiphany and the New Year...

Arise, shine, for the Light of the World has come!
 Darkness covers the earth and its people,
 but the radiance of God's Light
 burns away its shadows,
 illuminates the smallest corner,
 and heralds in the start
 of a new dawn,
 where hearts no longer fear,
 souls might be set free,
 and sister shall follow brother,
 nation shall follow nation,
 and kings and princes bow down in awe
 before the one who comes to reign.
 Arise, shine, for the Light of the World has come!
 Alleluia!

--John Birch



ORDINATION/INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Sunday, January 12, 2020
10:00am



THANK YOU to all the Ruling Elders, Deacons and Trustees who have served their terms faithfully at GPC! And **WELCOME** to those who have said “YES!” to God’s call to serve as leaders in the church’s ministry for the future.

❖ **The Session’s Ruling Elders who will serve us in ministry and governance are:**
Linda Beattie, Jan Beutner-Shirtz, Christine Cook, Keith Hadley, Carol Hennen, Zach Hennen (Youth Elder), Lauren Henderberg, Sheri MacFarlane, Beth Molina, Janice Phillips, Ann Marie Simm, Kate Stanford and Larry Wakeman.

❖ **The Deacons who will serve us in ministry and care are:**
Nora Bush, Jan Brewer, Cathy Goodykoontz, Kay Harder, Tess McKeel, Simon Njumbwa, Velta Rouchon, Julie Seide, Osmond Simm, Barbara Snaith, Bill Shirtz and Irene Ward.

❖ **The Trustees who will serve us in ministry and management are:**
Roger Best, Bob Binko, Ed Coons, Zach Davis (Youth Trustee), Gary Dykes, Vicki Gutheil, Mary Hadley, Marty Ohman, Tom Ward and Dennis White.

A NOTE FROM JOHN KUBINIEC - WORSHIP COORDINATOR

I want to thank all of you for your support and understanding as we fill the pulpit while we are in the search process for a Designated Pastor. Listed below is the Pulpit Supply list for January and February 2020. As you will see most of them are familiar faces to GPC. In February we will welcome Rev. Gail Ricciuti to our pulpit. This list is posted on the Kiosk along with the brief bios of all of the preachers. Feel free to find me after worship if you have any questions about how we are filling the pulpit during our time of transition or send me an email - john@gatespres.org.

January 5	Rev. Harry Heintz	February 2	Rev. Carolyn Grohman
January 12	Rev. Harry Heintz	February 9	Rev. Gail Ricciuti
January 19	Rev. Harry Heintz	February 16	Sr. Barbara Moore
January 19	Rev. Harry Heintz	February 23	Rev. Carolyn Grohman
January 26	Sr. Barbara Moore	February 26	Rev. Carolyn Grohman (Ash Wednesday)

LAY READERS / USHERS FOR 2020

Do you wish you could participate in services once in a while? We have need for folks to be Lay Readers and/or Ushers. You'll feel great knowing you're "part of the team" as well as doing your church a special service! If interested, please see John Kubinieć or see any member of the Public Worship Team, or you can email us at publicworship@gatespres.org.

PARKING LOT VALETS

The Hospitality Ministry Team is asking for volunteers to help out with the parking lot valet services this coming Fall and Winter. Generally, volunteers are only asked to help out 2 or 3 Sundays through the winter months. This is a valuable service provided for our Church family. Please make a note in the hospitality register or contact Eric Vail 889-5491 (email vailagency@yahoo.com) or contact the Church office 247-5292 if you can help. Thank you.



ATTENTION LADIES: Back by popular demand, is the Annual **GPC Ladies' Brunch** will be held on Saturday, January 4th at 12:30 p.m. at Sweet Briar Lodge (previously known as Lodge on the Green) located on Ridgeway Avenue. We will be having a brunch buffet with all sorts of good choices plus dessert! The cost is \$22.00 per person and I will be collecting money on each Sunday in December in the Fellowship Hall.



In addition, we will be collecting donated items for Willow again this year but changing it up a little bit. In addition to the personal items, we thought it would be good to donate a bucket with cleaning items in it as these women leave Willow to start new lives elsewhere with hardly anything!

I will also be looking for entertainment ideas - loved last year's entertainment!!

Please do not hesitate to contact Barb Snaith with any questions! Thank you.

REBECCA CIRCLE will meet on Monday, January 13th at 11:00 a.m. in room 1

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will meet on Tuesday, **January 7th** at 2:00 p.m. in room 16.

“UNDECORATING” OF THE GREENS - January 5, 2020

On January 5th we will be taking down our beautiful Christmas Tree after service. So we need your help. As we all know, Many Hands Make Quick Work!! Please help if you can. Thank You!



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY TEAM

We are looking for people to join the Hospitality Ministry Team. We concentrate on ways to be a welcoming congregation, to improve our fellowship and enhance our outreach to all people. We want to encourage you to join us for a preliminary meeting to find out what we do and what our plans are, especially if you have been to other churches or are new to GPC. Meeting: Sunday, January 19, 2020 at 11:15 in room 1.



PER CAPITA

Per Capita is a set amount of money (apportionment) per member that our congregation pays to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as a religious and moral commitment. It establishes a minimum level of financial participation in the vital work of our church. With this year's commitment of **\$34.68** per member, we work together with other Presbyterian Churches in our presbytery and across the country to further the mission of Jesus Christ around the world. We benefit from the gifts, skills, vision and ministry of each other when we come together. Your Per Capita pays for the programs, training and resources that help us work together to benefit all.

If you haven't yet contributed **\$34.68** per member, please consider doing so. You can use your Per Capita pledge envelope or put your check in a plain envelope marked Per Capita and place in the offering basket or mail it to the church office.



Mark Your Calendars! 2020 Congregational Learning Day

Saturday February 8, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

(Working Lunch Courses 12:15-1:45 p.m.)

Perinton Presbyterian Church (6551 Pittsford- Palmyra Road Fairport NY)

Congregational Learning Day is sponsored by the Healthier Congregations - Tools & Training Group and the Presbytery of Genesee Valley. Join us for valuable morning seminars for Congregational Leaders & Members - There are ten (10) Morning Courses and eight (8) "Working Lunch" courses 12:15pm - 1:45pm. LUNCHES MUST BE PRE-ORDERED AND PAID FOR IN ADVANCE; no extra lunches will be available the day of the event.

NO SNOW DATE SNOW POLICY: if there is a severe storm, the seminar will be cancelled. Tune to 1180 AM (WHAM) for cancellation announcement.

To learn more visit the Presbytery of Genesee Valley website:

<https://pbygenval.org/congregational-learning-day/>

PUBLIC WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

Date	Front Door Greeter	Lay Reader	Usher	Deacon
January 5	Eric Vail	Whit Beckett	1	3
January 12	Sheri MacFarlane	Paula Sousa	2	4
January 19	Kate Stanford	Tom Ward	3	5
January 26	Lauren Henderberg	Sally Christensen	4	1

Please remember that if you cannot serve as Lay Reader or Greeter on your scheduled date, **you** are responsible for finding a substitute. Once you find one, please notify the office of the change.

Communion on January 5th will be by intinction.

We are planning on three stations for this with bread and juice. The people serving will be Mary Beth MacKenzie and Irene Ward, Linda Beattie and Margaret Militello, and Rev. Heintz and the lay reader, Whit Beckett.



OFFICE NOTES

February Harbinger articles are due in the office by **Wednesday, January 15.**

Committee Annual Reports are due by December 31, 2019.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed on Wednesday, January 1. Regular office hours will resume on Thursday, January 2, 2020. In you have an emergency, or are in need of pastoral care, please call the office and leave a message. Voicemail will be checked regularly.



SNOW CANCELLATIONS: Reminder that during the week if the Gates Chili School District has cancelled school or evening activities for that day, then all meetings and church related events at GPC are also cancelled.

FROM THE DEACONS



Please keep in thought and prayer:

Rachel Kelly dealing w/health issues.

Continued prayers for **Peter Derry, Ionie Crosdale, Laura Nolan, Bonnie Beckett** and **Amy Fowler's** husband.

Our sympathies to ... **Peter & Irene Derry** on the passing of Peter's sister Rita on 12/4 ... **Dan Charcholla & Sue John** on the passing of Sue's father on 12/5, and for Jackie Charcholla (Roubaugh) who lost her battle to cancer on 12/8.

PASTOR CARE DURING OUR TIME OF TRANSITION

During our time of transition here at GPC, congregational needs will continue - be it bereavement (visits, funerals, aftercare), prayer concerns, physical needs (hospitalization, illness) spiritual needs or counseling among others. There is a process in place should such a pastor care need arise.

Initially, a phone call should be made to the church office, (585) 247-5292, to speak with our GPC office manager, Karen Kozlowski. Karen is there during regular church office hours which are Tuesday through Friday 9am to 2pm. If it is not during regular office hours, you are encouraged to call the church office and leave a message as messages are being monitored on a regular basis.

From the initial contact to the GPC office, a phone call will be made to Rev. Harry Heintz. Rev. Heintz is a retired Presbyterian pastor who has agreed to be GPC's "on call" pastor. Rev. Heintz is also serving as moderator of Session meetings.

Rev. Harry Heintz will be away between January 24, 2020 and March 1, 2020. Rev. Carolyn Grohman has agreed to fill in as our "on call" pastor during these dates. Rev. Grohman is a retired Presbyterian pastor who has also been preaching at GPC recently. Rev. Grohman will also be serving as moderator of the February Session meeting.

Should Rev. Grohman not be available, there is a list of pastors provided by the Presbytery who may be contacted to cover the pastoral care need. Also, you can always contact a member of Session or Deacons if you have questions related to pastoral care or other questions or concerns you may have.



Thank You! On Saturday, November 23, the Church was by no means, quiet as a mouse. Our 42nd Church Mouse Bazaar was a big success. We made over \$4700! A big Thank You goes out to all who volunteered their time, donated baked goods or other goods, or came and shopped! A special thanks to those who served as "chairperson/coordinator" for the church booths and activities. Irene Ward and Velta Rouchon who chaired the baked foods booth; Beth Molina and Kay Harder who ran the snack bar; Ginny Barley and Linda Beattie who headed up publicity; Tom Ward who handled signage; JC Rouchon who kept the parking lot running smoothly; Heather Pimm who chaired the hostess team; Jason Taylor and family who organized the room break down; and Marty Ohman who coordinated clean-up. ~ Larry Wakeman, chairperson



MISSION

HEAL COLLABORATIVE is meeting the needs of people who have experienced interpersonal violence and trauma through Education, Advocacy and Law. We're here to provide mental health, legal and social services- in the same place, at the same time- to individuals who are 18 years of age and older to help ensure their safety and well-being. HEAL also partners with community organizations such as Willow Domestic Violence Center, RESOLVE of Greater Rochester, Monroe Family court and others to help begin the healing process. One of the ongoing needs HEAL has is for hygiene products to provide to the people we serve. HEAL and Willow partner to help meet these needs but often people come to the HEAL Collaborative before connecting with Willow.

The Mission Team has created a drop off location at GPC where you can donate hygiene items for HEAL. Below is a list of items that are needed. Thank you in advance for your support of HEAL.

Items Needed:

- Tooth care
 - Shampoo and Conditioners for both Caucasian and African American (ethnic) hair types
 - Body wash/soaps
 - Lotions
 - Deodorant –both men and women's
 - Feminine hygiene products
 - Inexpensive nail polish and makeup to help with self-care
 - Snacks – i.e. granola bars, crackers, dried soups, dried fruit, individual size bags of chips or goldfish
- PLEASE NO NUTS**

Note: We serve both men and women of all races

2020 CALENDARS The Mission team is collecting 2020 calendars for Cameron Community Ministries and SWEM. If you have extra ones, they would love to have them. You can drop it off in the box in the work room labeled "2020 Calendars".



SALEM NUTRITION CENTER

Volunteers from GPC continue to prepare and serve at the Salem Nutrition Center on the first Monday of each month. We meet in the GPC parking lot at 9:30 am to carpool.

Next date is Monday, January 6th

ROCHESTER AREA PRESCHOOL

Registration for the 2020-2021 school year will begin on Saturday, January 25th for all Gates Presbyterian Church members. Please call the school's registrar, Denielle Charcholla-Lendway at 202-3465 or email her at rapregistrar@gmail.com, to reserve a spot in one of the classes. Registration for the general public opens on Saturday, February 1st at 9:00 a.m. Please pass the word on to relatives, friends, and neighbors.



YOUNG CHILDREN'S NEWS

We are hoping to plan a special Springtime event for our families. Looking for ideas and leadership! Please contact Jen if you want to help. Thanks!

TODDLERS & TINIES

Join us from 11:30 – 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 16th for a craft, playtime and friends! All little ones and parents/grandparents are welcome. Snacks are provided or you may bring a lunch!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR GREEN ISLAND BASIC SCHOOL

When our mission team travels to Jamaica we ask the teachers and staff of the Green Island Basic School if there are any school supplies we might bring with us to share with the school. Donations of the following can be brought to the Pastor's office until **Sunday, February 2nd**:

- dry erase markers
- pencils
- construction paper
- cotton swabs
- children's scissors
- Crayola crayons (other brands tend to melt easily)
- washable markers
- glue sticks
- cotton balls
- Band-Aids
- 1 subject notebooks
- electric pencil sharpener



LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GROW IN FAITH?



Every **Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Jr. High Lounge** a community gathers to nurture one another through spiritual formation, prayer, and Biblical exploration. Whether you have been reading the Bible your whole life or this is your first time, you are welcome!

YOUTH CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

- Sunday, January 5
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship
 - 10:20 a.m. Sunday School (PK – 8th)
 - 11:15 a.m. Jr. Choir Rehearsal (until 12:15 p.m.)
Jamaica Meeting (for those going on the trip) (until 1:00 p.m.)
 - 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group: Movie Night (until 9:30 p.m.)
- Friday, January 10
- 6:00 p.m. Jamaica Team: Coffee House Set-Up (until 9:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, January 11
- 6:00 p.m. Coffee House (until 8:30 p.m.)
- Sunday, January 12
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship
 - 10:20 a.m. Sunday School (PK – 8th)
 - 11:15 a.m. Jr. Choir Rehearsal (until 12:15 p.m.)
 - 12:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group: Lunch & Lasertron (until 3:00 p.m.)
- Sunday, January 19
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship
 - 10:20 a.m. Sunday School (PK – 8th)
 - 11:15 a.m. Jr. Choir Rehearsal (until 12:15 p.m.)
Sr. High Sunday School (until 12:15 p.m.)
- Sunday, January 26
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship
 - 10:20 a.m. Sunday School (PK – 8th)
 - 11:15 a.m. Jr. Choir Rehearsal (until 12:15 p.m.)



BRING US YOUR EMPTIES!!!

The Jamaica Team is collecting empty cans and bottles to help pay for their trip. Help us by bringing your returnables to church. Every nickel counts!



Blue Mountain Coffee House!

**Saturday, January 11th
6:00-8:30pm**

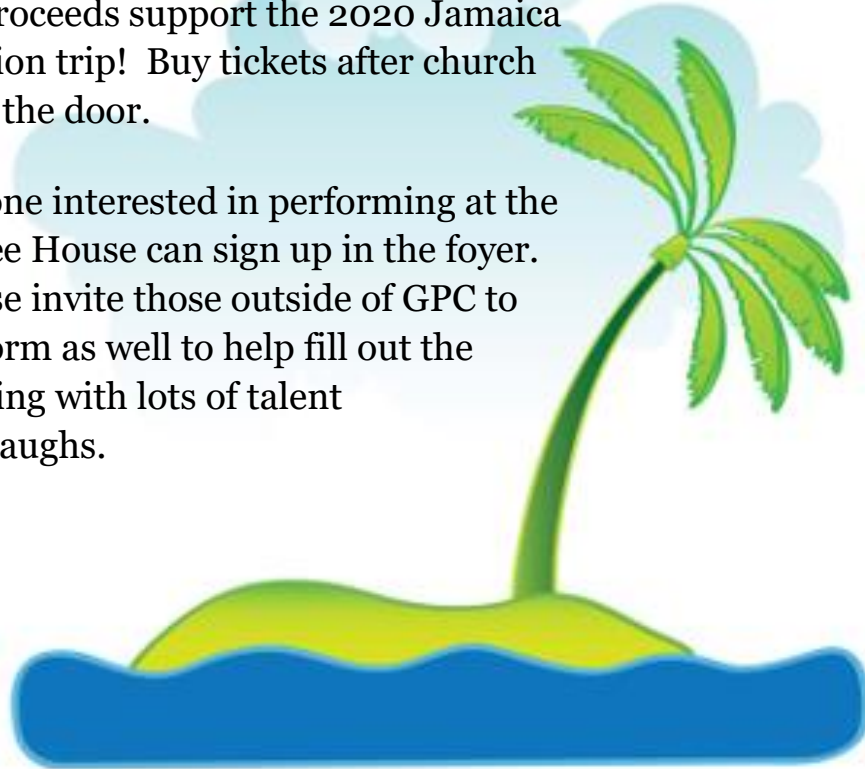
\$5 gets you a delicious cup of coffee (or tea or hot chocolate), and the chance to listen to some amazing entertainment.

Drop by anytime!

Tasty baked goods will also be available for sale.

All proceeds support the 2020 Jamaica mission trip! Buy tickets after church or at the door.

Anyone interested in performing at the Coffee House can sign up in the foyer. Please invite those outside of GPC to perform as well to help fill out the evening with lots of talent and laughs.



YOUTH GROUP INFO

JUNIOR HIGH MOVIE NIGHT: January 5th from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Meet at GPC for a night at the movies! Tickets are on us, bring money if you'd like snacks. Parents will approve movie selection at the time of drop off.



JUNIOR HIGH LASERTRON: January 19th from 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Bring your lunch to GPC at 12:30. We'll eat at church, then go play two games of Laser Quest. Bring \$10 for lasers.

SENIOR HIGH SUNDAY SCHOOL: January 19th from 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

JUNIOR HIGH SOUPER BOWL/OVERNIGHT: THE SOUPER BOWL IS COMING!



To celebrate, we'll have an overnight with Extreme Bowling on Saturday, February 1st into Sunday, February 2nd. Meet at the church at 7:30pm, and get ready to have fun! Please bring \$20.00 for pizza and bowling. The next day at worship, we'll collect soup donations and money for the Souper Bowl!

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY: Bring a can of soup on Sunday, February 2nd to support the community! Junior High Youth will be collecting soup and monetary donations before and after worship. The soup will go to Cameron Community Ministries, and the money will be sent to St. Joseph's House of Hospitality.



BLUE MOUNTAIN COFFEE HOUSE



The Jamaica coffeehouse is here! Jamaica team, join us at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, January 10th to set up. Everybody, join us from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 11th for an evening of coffee, treats, and amazing talent! Talent and dessert sign-ups are on the kiosk. Tickets are \$5, and include unlimited coffee, cocoa, and lots of great acts!

SUMMER WORK PROJECTS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

This year the **Junior High** work project will be in Rochester from July 13-17 for youth entering grades 7 & 8 in fall 2020.

The **Senior High** work project will be from Sunday, July 19 to Friday, July 24 in Pittsburgh, PA, for youth entering grades 9-12 in fall 2020. Registration is currently open, so reserve your spot this month! Contact Jen at jennifer@gatespres.org with any questions.

