



# Lamplighter

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path*

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## Our Vision

Oxford Presbyterian Church is a family of Christians dedicated to sharing the unconditional love of Jesus Christ with the local and world communities

# Easter Prayer

We Gather to Greet the Risen Lord

Holy One, at the first light of dawn on the first day of the week, we gather to greet the Risen Lord: firstborn of the dead.

Keep us faithful as your people, the first fruit of your Holy Spirit, until you gather us at last in your realm of endless light; through Jesus Christ, Alpha and Omega.



*"Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."*

*-1 John 4:11*

## World Food Crisis

The PC(USA) urges Presbyterians to take the global food crisis seriously and spring into action in alleviating serious hunger problems in the world. For more information on how to advocate for the fight against world hunger, donate, and participate in the month-to-month fast, please visit the PC(USA) website.



# Post-Modern Post-Denominational Post-Christian Post-Toasties

Philosophers and theologians say that we live in a Post-modern age. This is usually described as a negative reaction to the focus on certainty, authority and unity of the modernism. So Post-modernism, and its church equivalents of Post-Christianity or Post-Denominationalism, lead folks to skepticism and an emphasis on our separateness. In this age, the validity of our Christian cultural assumptions (the "meta-narrative" of a society that has been dominated by Christianity for over a thousand years), and the automatic authority that they have enjoyed in the past, are brought into question. What difference does being a Christian make in my life? More directly, what difference does being a Presbyterian make in my life? Those group distinctions are just an artificial construction of a system of oppression designed to keep one group in power at the expense of another group.

Well, anyway, that's what they say.... On the other hand, the sign outside proudly proclaims OPC as a PRESBYTERIAN church, and I don't think that will change very soon. Sooooo... maybe we should know more about what that means. I may be flying in the face of the our times, but I will be offering a series of sermons during Eastertide (the seven Sunday's of Easter) about the traditions and history of being a Presbyterian. I hope these sermons will help us all think about things like Christ, and church, and our journeys of faith together. If you have any particular issues or ideas about being Presbyterian that you might like me to consider, please give me a call, or e-mail me at [pastoropc@oxfordpresbyterian.org](mailto:pastoropc@oxfordpresbyterian.org).

Meanwhile, see you in church,

PEACE,

Pastor Kerry

"Least of these"

**In just two weeks we have contributed 60 pounds thanks to your generosity!!**

Please continue to support this mission. In the Church Narthex you will see a basket where canned good, cereals, and other non perishable food items may be dropped off each week. In addition, cleaning supplies, and toiletry items are needed.

Neighborhood Services has seen a 30% INCREASE in requests in 2009. This year we will be weighing all food delivered to Neighborhood Services. Our goal for 2010 is 6000 pounds.

*Jesus said, "Whenever you did this for one of the least of these, my brothers, you did it for me."  
Matthew 25:40*

## Outreach Ministry

Church World Service(CWS) requests Emergency supplies to help meet needs. **Deadline for collections is April 14.** Drop boxes and list of items will be by the office and upstairs. Many items and kits have been received already! **The youth of the Adventure Club has offered to assemble kits on April 14. On Sunday, April 18th, at 11:00-12:00 all who can are asked to help assemble kits.**

### To assemble a Hygiene Kit you will need:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 16" x 28" (no fingertip or bath towels)
- One wash cloth
- One wide-tooth comb
- One nail clipper
- One bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-Aids

Place all items in a one-gallon plastic bag with a **zipper closure**, remove excess air from bag, and seal. Please do **not** add tooth paste to the Hygiene Kit. Cartons of toothpaste that have an extended expiration date will be added to Hygiene Kit shipments just prior to shipment.

**Hygiene Kit value \$10**

**Processing/Shipping Cost: \$2 per kit**

The Outreach Committee will supply one-gallon bags. Our goal is to make 100 kits. All kits will be delivered to CWS in New Windsor, MD.

# Outreach Ministry

## Missions We Support



### Local

Neighborhood Services Center  
Oxford Senior Center  
Domestic Violence Center of Chester County  
Lighthouse Ministry  
Miscellaneous Local Mission  
Peacemaking Offering (25%)  
Christmas Food Boxes

### Beyond our Area

Onesimus Prison Ministry  
Good News for India

### Missions with the Larger Church

Per Capita (sent to Presbytery)  
Basic Mission Support/to Presbytery  
Theological Education Fund/to Presbytery  
Meeting Ground  
One Great Hour of Sharing  
Pentecost Offering  
Peacemaking Offering (75%)  
Christmas Joy Offering

## Mission Month starts April 25 with Buzz Tyson from Lighthouse

Buzz will give a Minute for Mission in each service. He will share information during the coffee hour and the Sunday School hour.

Join us to learn about the needs, how OPC can help, and the mission of his organization.

**JOIN US!**

### May Schedule:

- ◆ May 2 - Dr. Eric & Becky Hinderliter, Co-Mission Workers, Lithuania
  - ◆ May 9 - Rev. Carl Mazza, Meeting Ground
  - ◆ May 16 - Neighborhood Services Director
  - ◆ May 23 - Chip Huston, Habitat for Humanity
- \*Have adult, junior and senior high classes attend\*

**Making peace with the Earth  
We have the opportunity to  
honor God by being good stewards of the earth.**

Four areas for improvement:

Energy efficiency and conservation  
Reducing toxic materials and products  
Water conservation  
Land and habitat conservation

# The Wonderful Women

## The 2010 Women's Retreat

As you may have heard OPC women enjoyed their 5th consecutive women's retreat at Mariawald in Reading, Pennsylvania.

Perhaps you've heard the talk; the rumors from previous years about our lovely OPC ladies enjoying fun, fellowship, relaxation, hysterical laughter, and mischievous pranks and thought it was too good to be true for a church retreat.

These women weren't kidding folks. They know how to have a good time.

Lynn McAllister brought crafts and we made beautiful Easter and spring themed home décor. Many of us got more glue on ourselves than we did on our crafts, but everyone's crafts turned out to be beautiful works of art.

We were so blessed to have so many wonderful women attend. Because of that, we pretty much had the entire place to ourselves with no other women's groups to disturb when we stayed up for

late-night chats and drug ourselves to our rooms in the wee hours of the morning still giggling.

It wasn't all fun and games, mind you, we had business to attend to. We take our Sock Auction and our charity very seriously. Hundreds and hundreds of dollars were raised as we bid on colorful and elaborate donated socks. The highest amount bid on a pair of socks was \$85.

Our fun and games and time of fellowship was softly structured around time for personal, spiritual and Biblical reflection. Stephanie created a program where we went over the entire book of Ruth in four sections.

Ruth, a young woman who had no real ties to her mother-in-law after the death of her husband seeing as there were no sons next-in-line for her to marry chose to stay with her.

Despite the events taking place in a Patriarchal society, the story of Ruth is a story of female empowerment where two women overcame the odds stacked against

them due to their role as women.

We looked to Ruth as a mirror of self-identity. A woman who truly knows what it is like to have a bad day...week....month...year, and did what she had to do to



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support her mother-in-law.

The underlying story of romance between Ruth and Boaz was an added bonus!

The grounds are beautiful and spiritual images and messages surround you as you walk along the trails and paths at Mariawald.

We really had a great time of personal and spiritual reflection and as growing closer together as sisters and women. Our desire is that as many OPC women as possible will come to these retreats in the future for fun and fellowship.



*A woman is like a tea bag. You never know how strong she is until she gets into hot water.*

*-Eleanor Roosevelt*

## Don't Forget:

Eryn Gallagher is holding a women's Bible Study each morning at 9:30 on the couches in the area just outside of the sanctuary. We're discussing reading selections from the book: *The Feminine Face of God.*

## OPC Young Women's Social

The young women of OPC gathered at a fabulous social just this past week at the home of Stephanie Templin Ashford for a great time of food and fellowship.

A lot of people may not realize how many young women and couples there are in the church. When creating her invitations for

the event, Stephanie printed out 5 whole pages of names of young women who are members at OPC from the database.

Each woman was invited to share her thoughts on a piece of paper about what they'd like to see happen for young women in the church. We discussed get-

togethers, projects and Bible

studies, as well as the aspects of working together as a church community to meet each other's spiritual and physical needs.

We also discovered that Jess Hammond makes a really fantastic Buffalo Chicken Dip.



If you would like to host an activity or Bible study or are interested in hearing about future events, please contact Stephanie Templin Ashford.



# April Birthdays



04/02 Sharon Andrews

Mary Boohar

Blaire Hastings

Ryan Vanover

04/03 Jan Townsend

Jerome Whitton

Jenna Hammond

Dakota Hopkins

04/04 John Lilley

04/06 Ed Jefferis

04/07 Velva Waldrop

04/08 Bonnie MacKrell

Chris Stabler

04/11 Karen Henry

04/12 William Stullken

04/13 Benjamin Ribaud

Donna Purcell

04/15 Melissa Crawford

04/17 Dorothy Rhodes

04/18 Ryan Tackett

Eileen Loeliger

Brooke Cave

Andrew Camp

Jelina Gatlin

04/21 Jessica Hammond

Amin, Sherman-Turns

04/22 Shirley Barker

Karen Williams

Thomas Cave

Erin Barlow

04/23 Katie McFadien

Joshua Chimchirian

04/24 Ryan Montgomery

04/26 Cindy Folker

Mary Hindman

Mary Alice Hoffman

Noah Templin Ashford

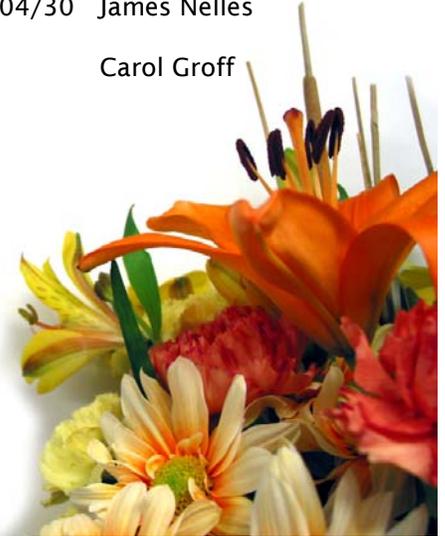
04/28 Craig Kretzing

04/29 Bob Ross

Kathryn Elters

04/30 James Nelles

Carol Groff



**“Before you were  
conceived I wanted you.  
Before you were born I  
loved you. Before you  
were an hour old I would  
die for you. This is the  
miracle of life.”**

—Unknown

**Birthdays**

# April 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Communion	5 Chess	6	7	8	9	10 NOMADS
11 Donegal Wor- ship Team	12	13 WIC	14	15	16 Pasta & Bingo	17 Healthy Liv- ing Fair
18	19 Chess	20 WIC	21	22 Open Regis- tration VBS	23	24
25 Birthday OF- fering	26	27 WIC	28 Adventure Club Pizza Night	29	30	

# Children's Ministry

## Camp Donegal Sunday

Sunday, April 11th

Camp Donegal Worship Team

Will join us for worship at both services! They will share music and stories about camp. Please join us to learn more about our local camp and to get ready for this summer's camp season! It

## Adventure Club

Worship. Bible. Table Fellowship. Games.

6:00-7:30 PM Wednesday Evenings (Dinner included!!!)

1st Grade through 6th Grade

**Adventure Club has had an awesome March! We celebrated St. Patrick's Day with Green Milk, Trinity Shamrocks, and Celtic Crosses. We explored Zaccheus and people who we label as unworthy of Jesus love. Each child also prepared a jelly bean jar for the lenten season and for 6 weeks were able to add jelly beans according to the deeds they accomplished. They couldn't add white, however. That color is reserved for Easter morning and fills in for whatever the kids can't accomplish on their own — just as God's grace fills in for what we can't accomplish.**

**Adventure Club has grown to more than 40 children each Wednesday night and about 10-15 awesome helpers! We are having so much fun exploring the Bible together. In March we also began memorizing important Christian texts — The Lord's Prayer, the Doxology, John 3:16 and the books of the Torah. When each child can recite the item without looking they get to choose from the prize box. Kids are lining up to share what they have learned! This ministry could really use a few extra helpers — perhaps you can come and eat dinner with us or help out with a craft or game? Please see Stephanie to help out!**

# Learning Ministry

## Dates to Remember

March 31 — No Adventure Club

April 5-19th — Learning Ministry Teacher Conferences

April 15th — Pasta and Bingo Set Up

April 16th — Youth Group Pasta and Bingo Night

May 8th — Youth Group Flower Sale Prep

May 9th — Youth Group Flower Sale

May 23 — Graduation Sunday, Graduation Breakfast

May 26 — Last Day of Adventure Club

June 7-11—PreSchool Vacation Bible School 9-11:30AM

June 13 — Last Day of Sunday School, Teacher Appreciation in Worship, Learning Ministry Appreciation BBQ

June 20-24 — Elementary Vacation Bible School, Evening

July 4th — Mission Trip Worship Send-off

July 4-11 — Youth Mission Trip to New Orleans

September 12th — Rally Day!!!!

September 19th — Mission Trip Worship Service

## Children's Church

I know that sometimes working with preschoolers can be a frazzling task. Teachers wonder if they are ever getting anything across. I have to say that my son Noah believes that his Children's Church teacher turned water into wine and he LOVED it! On another morning, we

were pulling together last minute preparations and realized there was no prepared song. One child volunteered to sing a capella and provided a wonderful offering about Jesus and God right on the spot! It was so great that nearly every child in the room

immediately made up their own song about Jesus. Clearly something must be getting through! And recently, when learning about the parable of the lost sheep, one teacher had her husband dress up as a shepherd and come into the room looking

for hits one lost sheep. All of the children helped him find it and had so much fun looking for the lost sheep in the room. God is working among us in visible and wonderful ways! Thank you Children's Church Teachers!!!

VBS Registration opens April 22nd -- EARTH DAY!

To celebrate our eco-conscious curriculum this year we will open our registration on Earth Day!!! Check our website [www.oxfordpresbyterian.org](http://www.oxfordpresbyterian.org) to register online or stop in the church office to sign up!!

## 2010 Youth Mission Trip

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We are working with SonServants, an organized mission trip outfitter, but we will be on site with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Ministries.

The group finds themselves fundraising as a means to afford the trip. Luckily they were given the proceeds from the 2009 Apple Festival to get a good head start. We hope to make a good amount of money at the Pasta Fundraiser and at the Mother's Day Flower Sale. In addition, keep buying

those grocery cards!!!!

If you would like to be a part of the trip, but can't personally go, here are some great ways to help:

Consider being a full trip sponsor which will cost \$275. We would like to be able to offer some of our students the chance to go without worrying about funds.

Sign up to be a prayer partner: This task involves preparing a "goody bag" for an assigned participant for their send off as well as promising to pray for them every day of the trip.

Purchase and donate VISA check cards to offset the cost of gasoline on the trip.

Support our fundraisers!!!

We are asking for your prayers so

that we can be sure that God opens the hearts of the right group to attend together. We are seeking "leads" on 12 passenger rental vans. Currently, after discussing with different rental agencies, it may cost us up to \$1800 to rent 2 vans for the week. (YIKES!). I know there are ins and outs we can find (I have always had them donated in the past), so if you have a connection to benefit us, please share!

Pray that those who are going will catch the spirit of mission work and desire to serve in this way again and again!

We will have a special send off worship service at 8:15 on July 4th. Join us to send our workers forth!!!

## Pasta and Bingo Night

April 16th (THIS IS THE REAL DATE!!!)  
Dinner will be served beginning at 4:30pm for the early birds. You can eat anytime until 6:30 pm. Bingo will start at 6pm. Please bring your prizes to the church office or Stephanie's office. Tickets cost \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 3 and over (Where else can a family of 4 eat for \$20!?). If you are able, please pre-buy your tickets from a youth member or in the office. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

### **WE NEED PRIZES!!!!**

**We've received lots of nice adult prizes, but we really need some more for the children!!! If you swing by the Dollar Store or have some great children's prizes at home, please bring them in!! We are continuing to collect prizes for all ages. Drop them off in Stephanie's office or in the church office. THANKS!!!**

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Oxford Presbyterian Church  
2010 Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendar!!!!  
NEW FORMAT!

June 7-11 PRE SCHOOL AGE ONLY

Join us for a preschool geared VBS from 9-11AM Monday-Friday. Students who age three through not yet in kindergarten)

June 20-24 Elementary Age VBS (Completed K through Completed 6) 6-8 PM

Our Curriculum this year is totally "green!" and is focused on taking care of God's earth and being nurtured by the one true Gardener. We can't wait to share this experience with you. Registration will begin this spring.





# Healthy Living Fair



Living Healthy, Living Well – what a wonderful way

To meet one another on that one special day

When weekly you join in the battle to win

The fight against bulges and that old “double-chin.”

With our support it’s much easier to say –

“I’m not giving up on my journey today.”

It’s not very hard when you’re not all alone.

We’re as close as a call on the

phone.

So join in the cause with a friend at your side,

And soon you will find you have nothing to hide.

There’s no better way to gain control of your weight,

Than the Living Healthy, Living Well program. So determine your fate.

If opportunity knocks, just open the door.

You’ll be glad that you did, and you may lose even more.

Now is the time to start winning

the fight.

Living Healthy, Living Well is the choice if you want it done right.

So join up today if you’re ready to win.

You’ll love the new you when you’re pleasantly thin!

Join us next Registration begins April 27, 2010 at 4pm Don't want to come alone? Invite a friend.

Everyone is welcome. Questions and to register call Phyllis at 610-299-2622 or

Phyllis.Bullins@beefit.org



# Oxford Senior Center

## News from the Oxford Area Senior Center

Are you over the age of 65 and have questions regarding the complicated Medicare Part D decisions you need to make?

Are you in need of finding what state or county services are available for senior citizens?

Need a place to interact or socialize with people your own age?

Need a daily, nutritious, low cost noontime meal?

If the answer to any of these questions is YES, then call us or stop by to see what the Oxford Area Senior Center can do for you.

We have a trained Information &

Referral Specialist to help you with some of the complicated issues you are facing.

We offer informational, educational and recreational programs designed to increase the quality of life for senior citizens.

## Upcoming fundraisers

### Take-out Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> 3pm-6pm  
Spaghetti w/meatballs, salad, roll, homemade dessert, all for \$7.00

Meals must be ordered ahead of time.

## Spring Breakfast

Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 7am-10am

All you can eat scrambled eggs, pancakes, home fries, sausage, bacon, dried beef, juice, coffee, tea, all for \$6.00.

No reservations needed.

Oxford Area Senior Center

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www.oxfordseniors.org



The ministry and mission of Camp Donegal is to provide a peaceful setting away from the busy world where all may gather, play and pray, learn and grow in their relationships with Jesus Christ, with others, and with themselves. We accomplish this mission by a commitment to the following core values:

- Stewardship
- Jesus Christ
- Relationship Building
- Excellence
- Fun and Safety
- Tranquility
- Leadership Development

## Summer Camp Schedule

Wk	Date	Session	Grade	Completed	Fee
1	June 20-25	Critter Camp		Grades 3-4	\$335
	June 20-25	Trailblazer Camp		Grades 7-12	\$385
	June 21-25	Day Camp #1		Grades K-3	\$205
2	June 27-July 2	Aqua Mania Camp		Grades 5-6	\$355
	June 27-July 2	Night Owl Camp #1		Grades 9-12	\$335
3	July 4-6	Adventure Camp #1		Grades 1-3	\$205
	July 4-6	Adventure Camp #1 CIT		Grades 10-12	\$165
	July 4-9	Super Sampler Camp		Grades 7-12	\$405
	July 7-9	Adventure Camp #2		Grades 1-3	\$205
	July 7-9	Adventure Camp #2 CIT		Grades 10-12	\$165
4	July 11-16	Summer Games Camp		Grades 3-4	\$335
	July 11-16	Summer Games Camp CIT		Grades 10-12	\$270
	July 11-16	Magical Mystery Tour Camp		Grades 4-6	\$405
	July 12-16	Day Camp #2		Grades K-3	\$205
5	July 18-23	Sampler Camp		Grades 4-6	\$405
	July 18-23	Sampler Camp CIT		Grades 10-12	\$325
	July 18-23	Night Owl Camp #2		Grades 7-8	\$335
	July 18-23	Rough'n It Camp		Grades 9-12	\$335

**Camp Donegal**  
 303 East Telegraph Road  
 Airville, PA 17302  
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 office@campdonegal.org  
 www.campdonegal.org

**Camp Donegal  
 Worship Team**  
 is coming to lead wor-  
 ship on Sunday, April 11  
 at OPC. Please join us  
 for this special service.

## Summer Camp Schedule (cont.)

		Grade		
Wk	Date	Session	Completed	Fee
	July 18-23	Rough'n It Camp	Grades 9-12	\$335
6	July 25-30	Sports Extravaganza Camp	Grades 5-6	\$335
	July 25-30	Sports Extravaganza CIT	Grades 10-12	\$270
	July 25-30	S.A.L.T. Camp	Grades 7-12	\$385
7	August 1-6	Artistic Expression Camp	Grades 4-6	\$335
	August 1-6	Artistic Expression CIT	Grades 10-12	\$270
	August 1-6	Night Owl Camp #3	Grades 7-9	\$335
	August 2-6	Day Camp #3	Grades K-3	\$205
8	August 8-13	Crazy Camp	Grades 3-4	\$335
	August 8-13	Crazy Camp CIT	Grades 10-12	\$270
	August 8-13	Wet 'n Wild Camp	Grades 7-8	\$355
	August 8-13	Pioneer Camp	Grades 5-6	\$335

## Presbyterian Women

Our "Celebrating the Gifts of Women Sunday" was a real celebration. We also celebrated Girl Scout Sunday and the sanctuary was filled with Girl Scouts and their parents and friends.

Rev. Stephanie had worked with some of the girls and several participated in the service as greeters, the acolyte, ushers and liturgists. All the Scouts gathered on the chancel to recite their laws and pledge.

Presbyterian Women in our congregation honored four women for their contribution to the life of this church.

At 8:15, Jackie Montgomery and Beverly Hartgrove each received Honorary Life Memberships in Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). At 11:00, Donna Krauss and Catherine King each received this award.

The contributions made in their honor will be used to help support the training of women for future leadership in the church.

Pictures of our honorees are now on the P.W. bulletin board just inside the portico entrance. We thank Kay Skinner and Guy Hager for the poster.



In July 1988, voting delegates to the organizing meeting of Presbyterian Women adopted the organization's original logo, designed by Sarah Abbot of the Synod of the Covenant. Updated in 1999, the logo continues to serve Presbyterian Women as it illustrates PW's purpose.

## Presbyterian Women

### A Logo With a Purpose

**Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ:** forgiven and freed by grace through faith, the central figure stands in praise.

**...and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves:** rooted in faith, the trio of women emerges. The outline of the central figure forms a cross. We are Presbyterian women engrafted in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. It is no longer we who live but Christ who lives in us.

**...to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,** the right figure holds a book to guide her reading, studying, praying or meditating.

**...to support the mission of the church worldwide.** The left figure reaches out to care for others as she shares, nurtures, and heals. The circle represents the church worldwide where women

offer their gifts and talents in the midst of the global community.

**...to work for justice and peace:** the uplifted arms of the central figure reach out to embrace a just peace. The relationship between the three figures depicts lives of wholeness rather than turmoil.

**...and to build an inclusive, caring, community of women.** The three women have no distinct features. They represent all women. The shapes surrounding them express energy, strength, and openness.

**...that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.):** our name, Presbyterian Women, ties us to our denomination. The Bible resembles the Bible depicted in the PC(USA) Seal.

**...and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.** Guided by the Purpose, Presbyterian Women witnesses to the reality of God's present realm.

# He is Risen!



## Many People

By David McCasland Our Daily Bread, April 4, 2010

Read: Acts 18:1-11

"I have many people in this city."  
—Acts 18:10

New York City. Easter Sunday, customer at Jimmy's Diner in East Harlem when a man entered and approached my table. He said, "Good morning, and God bless you," left a gospel tract, and quickly walked out. I smiled, appreciating his witness and realizing that God has His people everywhere. That night, I attended church with our daughter Debbie, joining an enthusiastic congregation of 300 people, most in their twenties and thirties. Their infectious love for Christ and others was a bright light in a city that is often considered spiritually dark.

In the first century, Paul visited the Greek city of Corinth. When he faced opposition for presenting Jesus as Messiah, the Lord

spoke to Paul in a vision: "Do not be afraid, but speak, and do not keep silent; for I am with you and no one will attack you to hurt you; for I have many people in this city" (Acts 18:9-10).

No matter where we go, the Lord's people are there. The risen Christ is powerfully present in and through all who know Him. The Lord has His people where you are today. Look for them. Join them.

Christ is risen indeed!

*When Christians join in blessed fellowship commemorating Jesus' resurrection, they sense a common bond of unity—their mutual faith in Him the true connection. —Hess*



## Apple Festival

Presbyterian Women have begun planning the 2010 Apple Festival. We are going to need a lot of help and we hope that we will have many **volunteers**. The various areas that will make the Festival work are:

- ◆ Food Booth
- ◆ Beverage Booth
- ◆ Baked Table
- ◆ Apple Butter—stirring
- ◆ Apple Butter—jarring
  - ◆ Apple Pies
  - ◆ Paring Apples
  - ◆ Silent Auction
  - ◆ Kids Activities
- ◆ Grounds—setting up, tearing down, cleaning up (extremely important).

Please find a spot and let us know!





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### Our Session

The Session meets the second Sunday of each month at 7:00 pm

<i>Class of 2009</i>	<i>Class of 2010</i>	<i>Class of 2011</i>
Nancy Andress	Richard Forcey	Jackie Caleb
Peter King	Andrea Evans	Warren Vosburg
Vaun Newill	Beverly Hartgrove	Carol Carter
Bill Stullken	Don MacMillan	Jim McLeod
Eryn Tierney	Susan Sizoo	Eileen Loeliger
Jane Trimble	Wendell Higgins	Don Drennen

### Our Deacons

The Deacons meet the third Sunday of the month after the 11:00 service

<i>Class of 2009</i>	<i>Class of 2010</i>	<i>Class of 2011</i>
Dianne Hammond	Andrew Ralston	Dennis Tierney
Bob Hudler	Jessica Hammond	Jackie Montgomery
Jean McCauley	Patty McComsey	Cindy Hager
Raymond Vanover	Mark Verbanas	Herman Wharton



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