



Perinton Presbyterian Church
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The GoodNews

Connection

October 2017

TOURNAMENT BOARD GAME/EUCHRE NIGHT



Friday night, October 20, the Church Life committee will be holding a Euchre tournament in the Fellowship Hall. We will start the festivities at 6:45 with the first hand dealt at 7pm. If you're not into Euchre, we will also provide Uno and a lot of other board games. We will provide the



ingredients for trail mix and something to drink, but we encourage everyone to bring their favorite snack along to share with others. Signup sheets will be in the hall way starting October 1. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:30a & 11:00a Worship 9:30a Church School 4:30p Youth Group	2 12:15p AA 6p Brownie 60979 7p Knitters 4 Peace	3 5:45p AA 7:30p Session	4 10:15a SOFI Caregivers 7p Bell Choir 7:45p Adult Choir	5 10:00a Bible Study 12:15p AA 6p Scouts-Lowry	6 12p Al-Anon	7 12:15p AA
8 8:30a & 11:00a Worship 9:30a Church School 12:00p Youth Mission Day	9 Columbus Day 9a Rug Hookers-FH 12:15p AA 7p Knitters 4 Peace	10 10:30a NNORC 5:45p AA 7p Deacons	11 10a Newsletter Deadline 7p Bell Choir 7:45p Adult Choir	12 10:00a Bible Study 12:15p AA	13 12p Al-Anon	14 12:15p AA
15 8:30a & 11:00a Worship 9:30a Church School 4p PageTurners 4:30p Youth Group	16 12:15p AA 5:30p GS63414 7p Knitters 4 Peace 7p Outreach Committee	17 5:45p AA 6:30p Worship Cmte	18 7p Bell Choir 7:45p Adult Choir	19 10:00a Bible Study 12:15p AA 7p Church Life 7p Facilities Comm	20 12p Al-Anon 6:45pm Church Life Game Night	21 12:15p AA
22 8:30a & 11:00a Worship 9:30a Church School	23 12:15p AA 7p Knitters 4 Peace	24 5:45p AA 6p Quilters 7:30p Finance Comm	25 7p Bell Choir 7:45p Adult Choir	26 10:00a Bible Study 12:15p AA	27 12p Al-Anon	28 12:15p AA
29 8a Mission Meals 8:30a & 11:00a Worship 9:30a Church School 4:30p Youth Group	30 12:15p AA 7p Knitters 4 Peace	31 Halloween 5:45p AA				



FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The numbers are in.....

.Stewardship Message

“Excel in the grace of giving...” –Corinthians 8:7

Results through August

Below are the results through eight months of 2017. We are currently running a significant deficit. As we enter fall, please remember to support the financial needs of our church.

General Information

There is a two-month lag in reporting finances in the newsletter due to mailing deadlines, timing of bank statements and report processing. Contact Mark Stevens at (585) 739-8452 or mwstevens63@gmail.com if you have questions or to request copies of financial statements. Our Operational Fund supports the day to day operation of the church and its programs. The Building Fund supports our Mortgage and building expansion pro-

gram. Like several churches in the Presbytery we embrace a “faith-based” financial plan and thus we do not budget our income. If you have questions about your individual contributions or personal statements please contact the Financial Secretary, Al Norby at (585) 223-2126 or anorby1@rochester.rr.com

Stock Donations and Bequests

If you have appreciated stock you may find it to be a tax advantage to donate stock to the church. Several people have provided PPC with stock donations which have personal tax benefits. Please consider a bequest to PPC in planning your Will. We have received bequests in the past year and are blessed that at the passing of life other lives can be impacted in this special way. If you are interested in learning more about these giving options please contact Al Norby or Mark Stevens.

Perinton Presbyterian Church Preliminary Summary 8/31/2017 Performance Year-to-date through August			
INCOME			
Operating Fund	\$	219,904	
Building Fund	\$	84,517	
Total Income			\$ 304,421
EXPENSES			
Operating Fund	\$	244,199	
Building Fund	\$	95,069	
Total Expenses			\$ 339,268
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)			
Operating Fund	\$	(24,295)	
Building Fund	\$	(10,552)	
Net Surplus (Deficit)			\$ (34,847)

Reflections on Growing Faith

And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. – James 3:18, NRSV

I would like to thank all of you for the wonderful welcome you have given Doreen and me as I have begun my ministry among you as your interim senior pastor. I am honored to have the privilege of meeting all of you and of ministering to and with you during this special time in the life of the Perinton Presbyterian Church family.

There are a couple of very special events coming up this October. The first is World Communion, which will be celebrated at both services on Sunday, October 1. Now observed by many denominations all over the globe, World Communion is a special gift of the American Presbyterian Church to the world church. Originally known as “World Wide Communion,” this special observance was conceived and promoted by the Rev. Dr. Hugh Thomson Kerr in 1930 while he was moderator of the General Assembly. The first World Wide Communion service was held in 1933 in the Shadyside Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where Dr. Kerr served as the senior pastor. A brass marker set into the marble floor of the chancel of the Shadyside Church commemorates that first “official” World Wide Communion service.

1933 was a time of great anxiety, of fear about economics, fear about politics and fear about the future, with the Great Depression at its worst, and Nazism and Fascism engulfing Europe and threatening the entire world. The next step in the development of World Communion took place in the winter of 1935 when a group of Presbyterian ministers, Raymond Kistler, Charles T. Leber, and Arthur Limouze, gathered to study the spiritual needs and possibilities for ministry in these dark days. They, too, saw in the Lord’s Supper a great opportunity to unite church members in new dedication to the Lord Jesus Christ, and advocated that all Presbyterian churches celebrate one special Lord’s Supper each year, and encouraged all foreign missionaries and their congregations to also take part.

By 1936 World Wide Communion was celebrated on the first Sunday in October in many Presbyterian churches throughout the United States and overseas. After a few more years, the idea spread beyond the Presbyterian Church, as had been hoped and planned from the beginning. By 1940, the National Council of Churches recommended its observance to all of its member churches. Sometime later the World Council of Churches recommended this observance to all of its members, so that on the first Sunday of October each year Protestant Christians the world over celebrate the unity we have in our Lord Jesus Christ, “the only Savior and Lord” The name was changed to “World Communion” in the early 1990’s.

Today World Communion Sunday is observed by many participating denominations. As the National Council of Churches indicates, “The day has taken on new relevancy and depth of meaning in a world where globalization often has undermined peace and justice – and in a time when fear divides the peoples of God’s earth. On this day we celebrate our oneness in Christ, the Prince of Peace, in the midst of the world we are called to serve – a world ever more in need of peacemaking.”

The other special Sunday, Reformation Sunday, occurs at the end of this month on October 29. This year marks the 500th anniversary of the nailing of Martin Luther’s “95 Theses” on the door of the Cathedral of Wittenberg, Germany, on the eve of All Saint’s Day on October 31, 1517. The equivalent of posting a scathing critique on every form of social media today, Luther’s “Theses” questioned and criticized the sale of indulgences and many other perceived abuses, by Roman church officials. This brave and daring act is considered the beginning of the Protestant Reformation, a movement that emphasizes salvation by grace through faith, which our Presbyterian Church traces its roots.

I look forward to getting to know you as we worship, serve and grow together in faith and grace in the months ahead.

Grace and Peace,

Jim

Pageturners' Book Club



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Date: Sunday, October 15, 2017
Time: 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Place: Perinton Presbyterian Church
Selection: *Chasing the Rabbit* by Derek Volk

"*Chasing the Rabbit* is one of the most honest portrayals of raising a child on the autism spectrum that I have ever read. This book, told from the unique perspective of a father, is highly recommended for all parents and professionals, or anyone who loves someone with a disability." Lisa A. Phalen, IBCCES certified autism specialist (from the back cover)

Future Meetings

November 19, 2017 *The Whole Town's Talking* by Fannie Flagg
December 17, 2017 *The Truth About Daniel* by Jeanne Gehret
January 21, 2018 *Miracle at the Higher Grounds Cafe (Heavenly)* by Max Lucado
February 18, 2018 *Victoria Crossing* by Michael Wallace
March 18, 2018 *The Jane Austen Book Club* by Karen Joy Fowler
April 15, 2018 *My Italian Bulldozer* by Alexander McCall Smith
May 20, 2018 *The Keeper of Lost Things* by Ruth Hogan
June 24, 2018 Selection Meeting

Sunday Morning Adult Discussion

Heaven –

Jesus told his disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am." John 14:1-3

"We all have questions about what Heaven will be like. This *Small Group Discussion Guide* encourages groups to picture Heaven the way Scripture describes it – a bright, vibrant, and physical New Earth, free from sin, suffering, and death, and brimming with Christ's presence, wondrous natural beauty, and the richness of human culture as God intended it." Dr. Alcorn (from the study guide)

Starting Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 9:30 a.m., between the two services, we'll be discussing Dr. Randy Alcorn's study entitled "Heaven". Each of the seven sessions will include a DVD presentation, discussion about what we've seen on the DVD and questions in the accompanying study guide. While this is the same study that we used in 2011, everyone is welcome to join.

Please join us as we discover what our eternal future holds through this scripturally based study. Please contact Beth Spalty (223-8987) if you have any questions.

Thanks to Wegmans for providing the bottled water for our Rally Day celebration!

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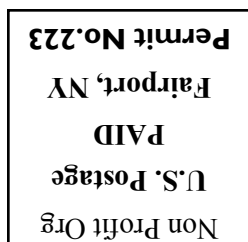
Worship Time: Sunday, September 3 @ 9:30AM

Sunday 8:30 & 11:00AM Starting September 10

Nursery Care provided during worship service

Building is handicapped-accessible

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