

KINGSTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH APRIL, 2016



Happy Eastertide! Isn't that a great word? Eastertide? I love it. Eastertide is the season between Easter and Pentecost. Too often we celebrate Easter, then pack away our baskets, grass and move onto what feels like ordinary time. But the church calendar names these next five weeks Eastertide.

These next five weeks call us to hold onto the miracle, the love and wonder of Easter. Easter is a time of hope. There is still fear, there are still hard parts of our days and lives but there is also light breaking through. Something amazing and full of love has happened. God's active love goes beyond our changing moods and daily ways. Henri Nouwen says, "We can be joyful or sad, optimistic or pessimistic, tranquil or angry, but the solid stream of God's presence moves deeper than the small waves of our minds and hearts. Easter brings the awareness that God is present even when his presence is not directly noticed. Easter brings the good news that, although things seem to get worse in the world," the darkness has not overcome, in fact love has won. When we feel like there are so many little things pulling on us for our attention, our God still walks with us, keeps offering us hope, new possibilities and new life in Christ.

Don't close your Bible on the Resurrection story when you pack away your Easter décor. Reach out with Mary. Doubt with Thomas. Walk the road to Emmaus. Stand on the shore. Fish with the disciples. Receive Jesus forgiveness with Peter. Hear Jesus call to feed his sheep.

This Eastertide, let us ride the hope, the joy and the love of Easter. Let Eastertide wash over us with the grace and peace God came to share. Let us not be lulled into ordinary time when we have this gift of Eastertide. We walked through the season of Lent to come not to just one day but to a new season of renewal, new hope, new life. As we see the new life of spring grow up around us may we too find our hope refreshed this Eastertide!

Pastor Sharyl

Work Day at KPC

Come one, come all, projects for all ages and skill levels. Get to know your fellow church members outside of worship. Indoor and outdoor projects on Saturday, April 9 from 8:30 AM -12:30 PM. Other times can be arranged for special projects. See Brad Clifton or Tony Baionno.



April, 2016 Sanctuary Flowers

April 3: Given with gratitude...

*For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food, for love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.*

~Ralph Waldo Emerson

April 10: Given in loving memory of Lester & Marie Sohl by their daughters, Susan and Marles.

April 17: Presented in loving memory of her parents, Elsy and Alvin Roy, and her lifelong friend, Carol Banghart by Kathy Roy Petersen. Kathy's mother and friend shared the same birthday.

April 24: Given in memory of Tseng-Hwa Chow, Ellison and James Hwong; and Mouchi and Tung Miao by Bea & Corey Hwong.



The following dates are available for flower dedications:

5/1, 6/12, 6/19 Father's Day, & 6/26

Please contact Georgieanna

Place "flowers" in Subject line.

~Georgieanna Bachman

Notes from the Organ Bench

This year our choir cantata will be presented Sunday, April 24. Our seven anthems of American music come from a variety of styles and sources, including spiritual, folk, and Native American, specifically a traditional Choctaw hymn. Also represented are Williams Billings (1746 – 1800), regarded as America's first composer, and Duke Ellington (1899 – 1974), considered to have been a pivotal figure in the history of jazz.

~Jean Volk, Director of Music

Grace Note Singers – Tuesdays at 12:45 PM

This choir is supported by Kingston Presbyterian Church and Nassau Presbyterian Church, and includes members from those two congregations as well as Alexandria Presbyterian Church and Princeton Korean Church (Kingston). Under the direction of Noel Werner, Director of Music at Nassau Presbyterian, this choir meets weekly on Tuesdays at Kingston Church from 12:45-2:00 PM, and is specially designed for everyone from choir "retirees" to those who have never before been part of a choir. The Tuesday gatherings include vocal warm-ups, rehearsing anthems, hymn singing (including many old favorites), devotional time, and prayer. The choir recently sang for Lenten services at Stonebridge and Windrows. If you would like to come and experience fellowship and song, contact Juanell Boyd at juanellbo@aol.com or 732-940-9442.

~Nancy Wright

At the Seminary

Princeton Theological Seminary Annual Book Sale

Donations accepted April 4 -9 at Whiteley Gymnasium 38 Hibben Rd and Stockton St.

Book sale April 14 -19 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

Do Not Be Afraid~ *Songs of Hope for Choir and Congregation* - Saturday April 9, 7:00 PM at Miller Chapel featuring the Princeton Seminary Chapel Choir.

Adult Class – Sundays at 9:30 AM in the Assembly Room

We will continue to have light refreshments at 9:30 and a few minutes to “socialize”, announcements, and a hymn.

Class starts at 9:50.



April 3: Minor Prophet - David Raduzycki, leader

April 10: Social media, technology, and change, *oh my!* Nick Robinson, leader

April 17, 24: 2 part series: “What a Vocation” Brad Clifton, leader

Christian Education

Thank you to all who participated in our Palm Sunday pot luck breakfast and our Easter Sunday programs! It is always so nice to see the congregation caring for one another and including our little ones! Christ is risen! Please check out our Christian Education calendar to see our upcoming events.

Christian Education Calendar:

April 1: Children’s youth group (6:30-8:00 PM)

April 17: Mentor Breakfast (7th & 8th graders only)

April 29 – May 1: Junior high retreat

Looking Ahead

June 12: Sunday School Closing Program

July 11-15: Vacation Bible School

~Karen Emmons

Women’s Bible Study – Thursday, April 14



COME TO THE WATERS Led by Pastor Sharyl Dixon

The Women’s Bible Study will meet on Thursday, April 14, from 12:00 until 2:00 PM. Pastor Sharyl will lead the study of Lesson 8, *The Hospitality of Living Water -- Compassion*. Jesus is the living water. When we welcome living water into our lives, we learn the importance of hospitality and compassion. The story of the Samaritan woman at the well shows how a physical need becomes an opportunity for Jesus to extend the hospitality of water and teach about a new kind of water – the Living water. Collecting water becomes an occasion for Jesus, a

Jewish man, to talk with a Samaritan woman. In this lesson we look at the biblical mandate to show compassion and offer hospitality to everyone.

All women are invited and encouraged to attend. Bring a sandwich. Dessert and beverage will be provided. For information or transportation, call Christy Parker.

~Alice Wright

April Scripture & Sermon

3: John 20:1-31 **The Uprising of Fellowship*, Karen Emmons - Liturgist

10: John 21:1-19 **The Uprising of Discipleship*, Nancy Wright - Liturgist

17: Matthew 10:16-20, 11: 28-30 **The Uprising of Partnership*, Scott Hodge - Liturgist

24: John 14, Music & Scripture Cantata, Teddy Zhou - Liturgist

* Pastor Sharyl Preaching

SERVING AT KPC

April 3

Head Usher: David Raduzycki
Ushers: Amy Raduzycki
Linda Richardson
Walter Richarson
Refreshments: Christian Education
Hospital Visitation: Marie Luck
Sound Technician: Chris Emmons
Children's Message: Pastor Sharyl

April 10

Head Usher: Beatrice Hwong
Ushers: George Luck
Victoria Luck
Corey Hwong
Refreshments: Janet Rubinstein
Hospital Visitation: Nancy Luck
Sound Technician: Rip Diringer
Children's Message: Katherine Scott

April 17

Head Usher: Brad Clifton
Ushers: Brad Radimer
Denise Liu
Peggy Richardson
Brianei Mabin
Refreshments: Music & Worship
Hospital Visitation: Nancy Luck
Sound Technician: Bryan Huttar
Children's Message: Leah Hodge

April 24

Head Usher: Nancy Wright
Ushers: Robinson Family
Refreshments: Membership & Outreach
Hospital Visitation: Nancy Wright
Sound Technician: Bryan Huttar
Children's Message: Pastor Sharyl



April Birthdays

01 James Repka
06 Lois Foley
08 Peyton Dixon
13 Jean Gibson
14 Marie Luck
15 Paul Conover
20 Brad Clifton
21 Richard Gons
23 Ralph Myers
27 Joan Eisenmann
27 Sarah Luck
30 Hilda Caruso

April Anniversaries

09..... Joan & Karl Eisenmann – 61st
16..... Gail & Robert Schmitt – 28th



Leadership Retreat

April 23 – 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Our Elders & Deacons will gather at the church to pray, explore scripture, work on our mission and set some goals to move us Forward in Faith. Please hold us in your prayers for these next exciting steps for our church family. Look for a report of our time and work in next month's newsletter.

A NOTE FROM THE LUCK FAMILY

Dear KPC Family,

There are no words to truly express our gratitude to you for all your prayers and support during the recent illness and passing of our Mom, Helen G. Luck. Your visits, cards and prayers during her two hospital stays in February and following her passing have sustained us during this difficult time.

We are grateful for the loving care Pastor Sharyl showed to both Mom and all of us. We were blessed to have her walk beside us.

Thank you for all that you did to make Mom's funeral just as she would have wanted. We are grateful for the Praise Band, organist, ushers, sound technician and all who helped to make the service happen, all who attended felt the love from this congregation.

As you know Mom was a 60 plus year member of KPC, it was here where her faith was supported and enriched. May your lives and ministry continue to be blessed.

In Christ,

George and Carol

David and Marie

John and Nancy

Lorelei and Bob

Face Place

We welcome you to a new season of **Face Place**, a display of our congregation's thoughts and faces!

For the next few months, one question will rule the Narthex bulletin board:

Who Needs Jesus? As believers, we know that we need Jesus in order to have a right relationship with God.

But how does this translate into our everyday lives and why would one who doesn't know Jesus care?

When we get frustrated in our daily struggles, with differences of opinion or just distracted with every day irritations, how do we call on the power of Jesus to help us move forward?

Do you bring Jesus with you in your everyday walk or do you keep Him in the pew as a companion for Sunday's worship service?

By sharing our perspectives, the possibility exists to grow closer as a community of believers, to deepen our understanding of God and become more comfortable with sharing His love. Elder Rebecca Robinson will be reaching out to friends and members of KPC to take photographs and record thoughts on the question, Who Needs Jesus?

~Rebecca Robinson

Music and Worship News

Music Director, Jean Volk, reported to the commission the Adult Choir will be presenting a Cantata during worship on April 24 with a theme of American Music. Jean also reported the Tone Chimes will have an open rehearsal on April 10 for a scheduled presentation on April 17 and the Praise Band will present the music on April 10, the second Sunday of the month.

The commission is seeking your help as a volunteer to serve as an active participant in one of the many components of our commission responsibilities which include: Ushering, Head Usher, Sound Technicians, Liturgists, Children Sermon presenters, Summer Music assistance in Worship, Communion preparation, or Ordained Elders willing to serve Communion. Our Summer Worship Schedule for Music participation which will begin on June 19 and continues through September 4 requires both piano/organ accompaniment as well as special music for various parts of our worship. All volunteers may speak with Chair David Luck or reply via email..

~David Luck

From the Mission Commission

The **One Great Hour of Sharing** offering was dedicated on Easter Sunday. Thank you to all who donated to this faithful mission that aids in natural disasters, provides food for the hungry and supports those in need. You donated over \$700.

As noted below, we will be welcoming our Mission Partners Dr. Katie Wolf and Cherie Severe in April for the Haiti Appreciation Luncheon. Katie and Cherie try to visit with us several times a year to keep us up to date on the activities at the clinic in Jeremie. KPC supports this mission in so many ways, not only with financial support but also with healthcare items, first aid supplies, toys for the children and health kits to say nothing of the emotional support offered by this, her church family. We hope many of you will attend.

~Laura Bedient
Mission Commission Chairperson

YOU'RE INVITED TO A HAITI APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016 - Noon – 2:00 PM
AT KINGSTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Features of the day will include: Words of thanks and current update on the work of Friends for Health in Haiti from: **Dr. Katie Wolf & Cherie Severe, RN**

A report from *Enable Haiti* –

- A group that is working with FHH to make upper extremity and hand prostheses with 3D printers.
- Update from the faculty at *Johns Hopkins School of Nursing* who have partnered with FHH in their very successful Water and Sanitation projects
- What are the long range plans?

We will have a wonderful assortment of handmade Haitian craft items for sale, also coffee and vanilla

We hope you will join us!

THERE IS NO CHARGE BUT, RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED

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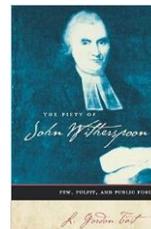
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Good Friday Stations at KPC



Deacon's Corner

John Witherspoon (portrayed by our very own George Luck, Jr.) will be visiting us on Sunday, April 10, 2016. Plan to stay after church for a potluck lunch and to hear what he has to say. Please bring a salad, sandwiches or soup – the Deacons will provide desserts and drinks. Watch the bulletin for details.

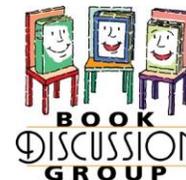


- Save the date for a Ladies Night Out on Friday, May 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM at KPC. Watch your bulletin for details!



And save the dates of Sunday, June 12 and Sunday, August 14 for our after church summer picnics. Watch the bulletin for announcements and details!

- Our Women's Book Club is off to a good start. They meet on the 4th Thursday of each month at noon. Their second book was *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Schaffer. They have room for 2 or 3 more participants. You don't have to commit to coming every month as they read a different book each month. If interested, please contact Nancy Wright for details.



DID YOU KNOW? Beautiful handmade Spring cloth wreaths made by the KPC Craft Group were given to the residents at Forrestal who attend our service there. They are also making sock bunnies for the children at Home Front.

- The KPC Garden is waking up! The rototiller is being tuned up and plans are being made for planting soon. If interested in helping, please contact Marie Luck.



As you have in the past, please continue your donations to the Crisis Ministry. Personal care products, such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner, razors, soaps, lotions, feminine products, etc. are not covered by food stamps, so they are always in need of such items. Put your donated products in the basket in the narthex, and please remember to save your McCaffrey's receipts for the basket, too. To learn more, please visit their website: <http://www.thecrisisministry.org/>

- The Forrestal Service is every third Sunday of the month from 3:30-4:00 PM. This popular service is well attended by an average of 20 residents, and is held in the Community room on the first floor of the nursing unit building at The Pavilions at Forrestal. Check in at the Security Desk. The address is 5000 Windrows Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540. If you would like to attend this inspiring service, please speak to Dave Raduzycki or any Deacon.

If you would like to join our KPC prayer chain, please let Elise Cheng know by speaking to her or sending her an email at echeng.kpc@gmail.com .

- If you are interested in visiting shut-ins, please contact Mariko Shimomura or any Deacon about joining this rewarding ministry.

Have you ever heard of the Presbyterian Coffee Project? It's a wonderful mission project that's been around for years. If you would like to learn about it, here's a link to the website: <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/enough/presbyterian-coffee-project/>

~Janet Rubinstein

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April, 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 6:30 PM Youth Group	2 9:00AM – 12:30PM Korean School
3 9:30 AM Church School 11:00 AM Worship/Communion	4 10:00 AM AI-Anon 7:15PM Deacons	5 12:45 PM Grace Note Singers 7:00 PM VBS Meeting	6 10:00 AM Craft Group 7:00 PM GriefShare	7 7:00 PM M&W 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM AI-Anon	8 6:30 PM Praise Band Rehearsal	9 8:30 AM Work Day at KPC 9:00AM – 12:30PM Korean School
10 9:30 AM Church School 11:00 AM Worship/ Praise Band/Pot Luck Luncheon 12:20PM Tone Chimes	11 10:00 AM AI-Anon	12 12:45 PM Grace Note Singers 7:00 PM Recorders	13 10:00 AM Craft Group 7:00 PM GriefShare	14 12:00 PM Women's Bible Study 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM AI-Anon	15	16 9:00AM – 12:30PM Korean School 9:00 AM Presbyterian Women 12:00 PM Haiti Luncheon
17 11:00 AM Worship 12:20PM Handbells 12:30 PM Pentecost Planning w/Youth 3:30 PM Forrestal Service	18 10:00 AM AI-Anon	19 12:45 PM Grace Note Singers	20 10:00 AM Craft Group 7:00 PM GriefShare	21 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM AI-Anon	22	23 9:00 AM Leadership Retreat 9:00AM – 12:30PM Korean School
24 9:30 AM Church School 11:00 AM Contata	25 10:00 AM AI-Anon 7:30 PM Session	26 12:45 PM Grace Note Singers	27 10:00 AM Craft Group 7:00 PM GriefShare	28 12:00 PM Book Discussion 7:30 PM Choir 8:00 PM AI-Anon	29	30 9:00AM – 12:30PM Korean School

*We are Easter People living in a Good Friday World.
Share out the Good News we know in Christ!*

Happy Eastertide!