

KINGSTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNE, 2016

Pastor's Reflections

Do you ever get a song stuck in your head? I have had the song "They Will Know We are Christians by Our Love." stuck in my head lately. I love the verses and what they say about who we are as we follow Jesus. There is a lot we say about ourselves but this song says not only who we are but what we will do. Out of our faith come the actions of love and community care.

"We will walk hand in hand. We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand. And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love."

As I've been humming this song I've been praying and thinking about our church mission statement. In multiple places this is what we say we believe and who we are. We even have this great graphic that shows how we understand we live this.

What We Believe:

We – the community of believers at the Kingston Presbyterian Church, led by the Holy Spirit, guided by the scriptures, and united in Christ – nurture one another, care for those in need, and proclaim the Gospel to all.

I'm struck by all that we are saying in our statement and in our graphic but that they come back to the root that our neighbors and world will know we are Christians by our love and by God's love lived out.

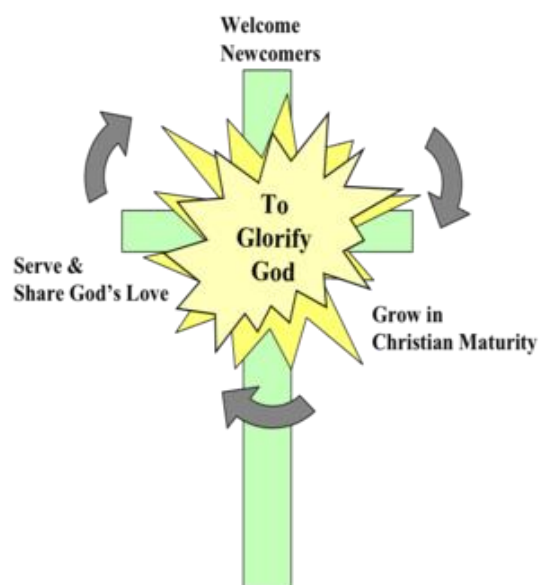
I'd love to hear what you think about our statement and graphic. Is there something we aren't saying? Are there ways we could live into this better? How do you understand our call to love God and love our neighbors?

How do you think they will know we are Christians?

If we long to "Welcome, Grow and Serve to God's glory!" what does that mean for your faith on Sunday morning and the rest of the week? How does being a part of KPC help you to "Welcome, Grow and Serve to God's glory!"? How can we as a church and witness of God's love, be doing this better? Please pray over these questions and pass along anything you find on your hearts my way. I'd love to have a coffee, tea or lemonade with you to hear what God is helping you to hear.

I am encouraged as I pray and think about our mission statement. Our annual reports and our calendar proclaim the ways we are doing these well but I also believe God continues to move and call us to new and better ways of being God's family and Christ's body in the world. May we continue to seek and ask the Holy Spirit's guidance as we strive to Welcome, Grow and Serve to God's glory!

In Christ's name,
Pastor Sharyl



Important Worship News

Caring for our congregation through worship

I am excited to announce Session has approved the use of alternative Worship spaces to provide a more handicap accessible worship experience during the time our "Lift" is out of service. Buildings and Grounds is actively pursuing options for a replacement lift while our Finance Committee will be reviewing options for providing the necessary funding for such a large project. In the meantime, Music and Worship has received the support of Session in addressing the immediate need for maintaining a Worship service which is accessible for all. What does this look like for Kingston?

On June 5, when we will be celebrating Communion, our worship service will be moved to the Assembly Room. This will provide easier access to Worship with a minimal number of stairs to be traversed.

On June 12 we will return to our Sanctuary as we conclude our Sunday School year with a traditional closing program and Worship.

From June 19 through September 4 we will be gathering for Worship using designated alternative Worship spaces. This will again provide easier access to Worship. Many of these services will be held in the Assembly Room, while for some of these Worship services we will gather out on the church lawn (weather permitting) to enjoy God's wonderful creation while we Worship. Our scheduled Communion services on August 7 and September 4 are included in this schedule for alternative Worship spaces and we look forward to an exciting experience meeting God together. During this time Session will work to solve the challenge of making our building handicap accessible once again.

As the Summer draws to a close, Session expects to be moving forward with a project to address the need for a handicap accessible building. Based on the timeline for this project as we move forward into the Fall, other options for maintaining an accessible Worship experience may be pursued. Stay tuned to our weekly bulletins and website <http://www.kingstonpresbyterian.org/> for updates as information becomes available.

~David Luck, Elder for Music & Worship

June, 2016 Sanctuary Flowers

June 5: In loving memory of Willard & Roberta Bachman, Lilly Kersey, and Carol & George Spiers by William, Georgieanna & Katie Bachman.

June 12: In honor of our parents by Jeanne and Brad Radimer.

June 19: In honor of David Luck by his children and grandchildren.

June 26: In honor of our father Ralph Caruso by his daughters Heather Caruso and Heidi Heinsohn.



~Georgieanna Bachman

KPC Congratulates Two Members of the Class of 2016

Profile of Meghan Foley – South Brunswick High School Class of 2016



Meghan Foley, age 17 has lived all of her life in Kendall Park with her mom Lois and dad, Patrick. She has two older siblings, a brother Brian Unger, age 25 and a sister, Rachel McGlynn, 28. Meghan has attended the South Brunswick schools from kindergarten to High School where she will graduate this June.

Meghan is well known at KPC where we have watched her grow up from the time she was first enrolled in Sunday School. She feels that being surrounded by her church family has helped her to mature and become a good Christian person. Highlights of Meghan's years at KPC include Sunday School classes, confirmation in 2011, and zip lining at the Jr. High retreat at Lake Champlain which was a great personal experience. She enjoys helping with the younger children at VBS, the Blueberry festival and other events. In 2015 Meghan

served on the Pastor Nominating Committee that called Pastor Sharyl Dixon in 2013.

Meghan says she has a calling to be a nurse and she will pursue her goal in the nursing program at the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania, her father Patrick's alma mater. Eventually she hopes to work abroad for a year with an organization like Doctors Without Borders. At SBHS Meghan was on the girls' varsity lacrosse team the past two years. An excellent student, she enjoys math and science and her Honors courses, Spanish, English, and Art, which helps her relax and express her creative side. Her school activities include class council, fundraisers, student senate, and the Viking Leadership Association. Meghan's other talents include cooking and baking and she enjoys music, and reading mysteries.

Profile of Brian Hou – Montgomery High School Class of 2016



Brian Hou, age 17, has lived in Montgomery all his life with his parents, Yilin and Lucy, and younger brother William, age 12. Brian attended the Montgomery schools from first grade on to high school, where he will graduate in June.

Brian started Sunday School at KPC at about age 7 and he was confirmed in 2011. He has served as a sound technician since he was 12 and he is now training his brother William to follow in his footsteps. His favorite memories at KPC include zip lining at the Jr. High Retreat at Lake Champlain, his confirmation year, and helping with VBS and the Blueberry Festival. Brian feels that his time at KPC helped him to grow in faith and develop a sense of community.

Brian plans to pursue a career in medicine, starting in the pre-med track at Vanderbilt University in Tennessee. He likes helping people and volunteering at Robert Wood Hospital in Somerset helped to influence his decision to become a physician. His excellent grades in science and math honors courses as well as honors English Composition History, and Economics, indicate that he will achieve his goal. He is Vice-president of Doctors of Tomorrow, was elected President of the MHS Chapter of the National Honor Society and is a member of the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth. Brian enjoys sports, especially baseball and pickup basketball. He likes TV, movies, and all kinds of music. Brian began playing piano 11 years ago, has played clarinet for 6 years and he's teaching himself guitar. KPC members have enjoyed Brian's piano solos during summer worship services for years.

Congratulations Meghan and Brian. Your KPC family is proud of you. We will continue to pray for your health, happiness, and success.

NOTES

Stewardship Commission



The KPC Stewardship Commission and Memorial Gift Committee congratulate KPC members, their relatives, and friends who are graduating from various schools. Two KPC students, Meghan Foley and Brian Hou, who will graduate from high school, are profiled in this issue. KPC members have enjoyed watching them grow up as they progressed through Sunday School, confirmation, and membership.

Congratulations to KPC member Allison Hwong, daughter of Corey and Bea Hwong who will travel to Cambridge, Massachusetts for Allison's graduation from Harvard Medical School with dual degrees, M.D. and Ph. D. Allison will move to San Francisco where she will be a resident at UCSF in psychiatry starting in June 2016.

We also congratulate Nancy Wright's granddaughter, Marissa Wright who graduated from Montclair State University with a degree in Music and certification as a teacher. KPC members have enjoyed Marissa's flute solos during worship many times through the years.

~Florence Perren-Diaz, Stewardship Chairperson

Notes from the Organ Bench

Our American anthem for June 5 is I See You Face to Face, by Robert Lau. Robert C. Lau (b. 1943) is an American composer of choral and organ works, currently working in Pennsylvania as a church organist and teacher of violin, viola and composition. He earned several college degrees, including B.S. in Music Education from Lebanon Valley College, M.A. in Theory from Eastman School of Music and Ph.D. in Musicology from The Catholic University of America. A native of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, Dr. Lau was a member of the faculty of Lebanon Valley College (1968-1989), chairing the Department of Music from 1978-89.

Every other year, The American Composer's Choral Festival is presented celebrating the music of a contemporary American composer. In 2014, Dr. Lau was honored at the concert which took place on March 29, 2014 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania.

~Jean Volk, Director of Music

Grace Note Singers

The Grace Note Singers are taking a break for the summer. They will resume in September.



Current Handicap Access to KPC - The large parking lot in the rear of the church is available for all visitors to KPC. Spaces are available for those with Handicap Plaques. However, the rear entrance to the church is readily available from the main parking lot.

Electronic Lift - Unfortunately the electronic lift is no longer operable. We regret that access to the church is not available at this time for members/visitors who may require the electronic lift, including those who require wheelchairs.

For those who can navigate stairs with assistance, the ushers will be glad to provide help. Please call the church at 609-921-8895 to let us know your needs so that we can inform you about options for entry and access and arrange assistance.

We are investigating options to replace the lift as soon as possible. KPC is committed to welcoming and providing access to everyone. We ask for your prayers and patience while we work to resolve this problem.

~Florence Perren-Diaz

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.



June 05: The Mission Commission is pleased to announce that we will have one of our Mission Partners presenting the ministry of InterVarsity in the Adult Sunday School class on June 5. Christine Loesser is the Area Director for InterVarsity central/South NJ and Chris Loesser is on staff for Rider University and The College of New Jersey. Chris will be presenting the program entitled "Plant the Garden State. Please join us in support of this ministry.

Christian Education

Upcoming Events:

June 5: Appreciation breakfast for the teachers and mentors

June 12: Sunday school closing program

June 19: Summer Worship schedule begins

~Karen Emmons

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study is off for the summer, they will resume in September.

June Scriptures and Sermons

June 5	Romans 12:3-21	*Spirit's Love: Love Self	
June 12	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Sunday School	*Spirit's Love: Love Neighbor
June 19	John 17:1-23	*Spirit of Unity & Diversity	
June 26	John 13:1-13	*Spirit of Service	

*Pastor Sharyl Preaching

A Rite of Faith Passage

We celebrate with **Chase Myers** as he receives his Bible on June 12th.

KPC's Website – <http://kingstonpresbyterian.org>



KPC Website **Home Page**, **News Page**, and ministry pages are continually updated with seasonal graphics, photos, and current information. Don't forget to look for **Rev. Dixon's** monthly **Pastor's Message** in the **About Us** Menu, and the Sunday School Adult Class schedule can now be found on the **News Page**.

Headlines on the **Home Page** will point to news about major events, and changes in schedules or activities due to weather events or emergencies. Donors to the Steeple Task Force can continue to contribute their 2016 pledges online through PayPal.

Logon to <http://kingstonpresbyterian.org/ministries/sermons/> to listen to Pastor Sharyl's sermons and selected music offerings of KPC's music

groups – the Adult Choir, the Handbell Choir, **Calling on Him**-the KPC Praise Band, and the Tone Chime Choir. The sermon page has been updated to include all sermons and special music offerings to May. On Sunday April 24th, the 11:00 A.M. message at worship was **The Word of God Through Music**. The KPC Adult Choir, led by Jean Volk, Music Director, presented a Cantata of American Music. Pastor Sharyl Dixon, assisted by Katherine Scott, Seminary Intern, shared scripture readings focused on the themes in the songs. The entire program is available on the sermon pages.

~Submitted by Webmaster, Florence Perren-Diaz

SERVING AT KPC

June 5

Head Usher: Jeanne Radimer
Ushers: Robinson Family
Communion: Rebecca Robinson (Prepare)
Refreshments: Christian Education
Hospital Visitation: Mickey Shimomura
Sound Technician: Rip Diringer
Children's Message: Leah Hodge
Liturgist: Corey Hwang

June 12

Head Usher: George Luck
Ushers: Victoria Luck
Katie Bachman
Eric Zapf
Refreshments: Marie Luck
Hospital Visitation: Mickey Shimomura
Sound Technician: Bryan Huttar
Children's Message: Jeanne Radimer
Liturgist: Brad Radimer

June 19 – 10:00 AM Worship

Head Usher: David Raduzycki
Ushers: Peggy Richardson
Elise Cheng
Sandi Olsen
Refreshments: Music & Worship
Hospital Visitation: Elise Cheng
Sound Technician: Bryan Huttar
Children's Message: Amy Raduzycki
Liturgist: Amy Raduzycki

June 26

Head Usher: Robin DeGutis
Ushers: Robert Anderson
Linda Richardson
Walter Richrdson
Refreshments: Membership & Outreach
Hospital Visitation: Elise Cheng
Sound Technician: Rip Diringer
Children's Message: Laura Bedient
Liturgist: Laura Bedient

Save the Bulletin & Bring Pastor Sharyl a Souvenir

As you visit other churches this summer please bring home the bulletins and note anything you especially enjoyed or were encouraged by in your visit.

CHURCH PICNIC – Sunday, June 12



June Birthdays

06 Emily Raduzycki
16 Ray Gibson
16 Robert Schmitt
16 Charlie Bushnell
22 Judy Bushnell
22 Gail Schmitt
25 Darrell Myers
27 Cynthia Gibson
28 Robert Born
29 Ralph Caruso
30 Bryan Huttar



June Anniversaries

01 Nancy & John Luck – 31st
02 Otilia & Dorel Chiroean – 37th
07 Jeanne & Brad Radimer – 47th
10 Sarah & George Luck III – 16th
16 Marie & Richard Gons – 60th
19 Carol & George Luck, Jr. – 45th
20 Kathy & Richard Petersen – 24th
22 Joan & Eric Zapf – 53rd
22 Jeanette & Benjamin Gulick – 19th
25 Noelle & Ion Iordache – 21st

Upcoming Events

Calling Youth 6th -12th grade!

Kingston Youth Collective

KUMC and KPC Youth Unite
Fridays from 7:00-8:30 PM at KPC
6/24 Firepit and S'mores
7/24 Raingutter Sundaes
8/14 Pizza

~Any questions check in with Pastor Sharyl



Church Fundraiser Yard Sale

Saturday, June 4
8 AM to 2 PM

We will be accepting donations until June 3.
All profits will go towards the fundraising line in our annual budget.
Please contact Karen Emmons or Amy Raduzycki for more information.



A Generous Invitation

Pastor Sharyl has received an invitation from some Turkish American families in our area. They would like to welcome us to join them for a meal as they break their fast during the month of Ramadan. We are looking for availability between June 6th and July 4th. If you would like to participate in this generous invitation please check in with Pastor Sharyl.

KPC Blueberry Festival 2016 – Saturday, June 25



Come one, come all! The annual Blueberry Festival will be held on Saturday, June 25th from 5:30 -7:30 PM, **RAIN or SHINE.**

Bring a picnic and throw down a blanket as our church community serves up delicious blueberry desserts to a backdrop of live music, pony rides, face painting and games. This event is free and open to the public with a suggested donation of \$5/person.

If you have any questions or are interested in helping with the event, please contact Rebecca Robinson.

Kingston Presbyterian Church presents...

Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 11- Friday, July 15

9:00 – 11:30AM

\$25 per child, maximum or \$50 per family

Contact the Church Office: 609-921-8895

<http://kingstonpresbyterian.org>



From the Mission Commission

We are looking forward to having one of our Mission Partners speaking in Adult Sunday School on June 5. Chris Loesser will be joining us to speak about the ministry of InterVarsity. Both Chris and his wife, Christine are in full time ministry to InterVarsity; Christine as the Area Director for InterVarsity central/South NJ and Chris on staff for the work at Rider University and The College of New Jersey.

InterVarsity has chapters at TCNJ, TCNJ athletic community, Monmouth U, Rider U, Mercer County - West Windsor Campus, Mercer County - James Kerney campus, and Westminster Choir College (in Princeton). Please plan to attend the class to show our support for Chris and this ministry of InterVarsity.

Please also mark your calendars for August 7 when we will be blessed with a visit with Presbyterian World Mission worker, Rev. Karla Koll. She will be coming to us from the Latin American Biblical University in Costa Rica and will be sharing in worship about her work in Central America. After supporting her financially and with our prayers for many years, it will be wonderful to finally get to meet her.

Also, do you realize that the KPC Mission budget will be one of the recipients of the proceeds from the Church Yard Sale on June 4. Please consider donating some of your clutter to become someone else's treasure.

~Laura Bedient
Mission Commission

Music and Worship News

Here are some of the important actions and discussions from our May meeting of the Music and Worship Commission:

- A special Memorial Service at our cemetery to honor War Veterans on May 29 at 12:15 PM
- Communion will be celebrated on June 5 and August 7
- Worship on July 17 will focus on themes from VBS and plans are underway for an all church picnic after our service
- Elder David Luck is coordinating our Summer Music Schedule - it is not too late to volunteer your talents for accompaniment or a special music offering during worship
- As supplies are depleted we will be replacing the pew Prayer Request Cards with an updated new format - your feedback will be appreciated
- Volunteers to Usher may speak to Nancy Wright
- Volunteers for Liturgist or Children Sermons may speak with Bea Hwong
- The Children's Bags in the Narthex will be refreshed and updated over the Summer
- The commission discussed a number of exciting options centered on "How we care for our congregation through worship" which have been presented to Session for further discussion and possible implementation as funding sources are identified. These discussions included:
 - Adopting a message of "Celebrate Children in Worship"
 - Using alternative Worship spaces to provide a more handicap accessible worship experience during the time our "Lift" is out of service
 - Providing a more accessible worship through the use of an Assistive Listening System - personal headsets for easier listening in worship
 - Providing a more accessible worship through the use of video streaming to the Assembly Room.

~David Luck

Deacon's Corner



DID YOU KNOW? The **KPC craft group** made these lovely colorful pine cones in vases and distributed them to the women of the church on Mother's Day.

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 going along nicely. They meet on the 4th Thursday of each month at noon. Their latest book is "The Cat's Table" by Michael Ondaatje. The group is up to 9 active members now. If interested, please contact Nancy Wright for details.

The **KPC Garden** is waking up! Half is ready for planting – peas and radishes are already in. If interested in helping, please contact Marie Luck.



Care Giver Group will break for the summer and will start again on September 10.



The **GriefShare** seminar series and support group, sponsored by the Deacons, recently completed another successful cycle, and will begin a new 13-week session in September, 2016. A special thanks to all of you who donated refreshments. For information or to register for the support

group, please call the church office at 609-921-8895 or e-mail Marie Luck at mariekluck@yahoo.com. If interested in becoming a leader, please speak with 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 McCafrey'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 Pavillions 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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June, 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00 AM Craft Group	2 7:30 PM Choir (Final) 7:30 PM Al-Anon	3	4 6:00AM – 2:00PM Yard Sale Noon – 11:00PM Guitar Concert
5 9:30 AM Church School 11:00 AM Worship	6 10:00 AM Al-Anon 7:15 PM Deacons	7	8 10:00 AM Craft Group	9 7:00 PM M&W 7:30 PM Al-Anon	10 6:30 PM Piano Recital	11 10:00 AM Presbytery at Covenant Pres. 6:00 PM Piano/Guitar Recital
12 9:30 AM Church School 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM Sunday School Closing Picnic 5:00 PM Flute Recital	13 10:00 AM Al-Anon	14 July/August Newsletter Articles	15 10:00 AM Craft Group	16 7:30 PM Al-Anon	17 6:30 PM Praise Band Rehearsal	18 3:30PM Piano Recital 6:00 PM Hartley's Legacy
19 10:00 AM Worship/Praise Band 3:30 PM Forrestal Service	20 10:00 AM Al-Anon	21	22 10:00 AM Craft Group	23 12:00 PM Book Discussion 7:30 PM Al-Anon	24 1:00 PM Newsletter Collating	25 5:30 PM Blueberry Festival
26 10:00 AM Worship 7:00 PM Older Kids Youth Group	27 10:00 AM Al-Anon 7:30 PM Session	28	29 10:00 AM Craft Group	30 7:30 PM Al-Anon		

Upcoming Events

Saturday, June 4 – Church Fundraiser Yard Sale

Saturday, June 25 – KPC's Annual Blueberry Festival

Monday, July 11 – Friday, July 15 – VBS