

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERING Encouragement Cards may be placed in the collection plate for mailing. Please include the address of non-member. **Please sign the yellow prayer cards when you submit them so we know who to follow up with.**

Offertory "Christmas Dreams" Sorenson

*Doxology – Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of our Church and The Lord's Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn # 228

"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"

Benediction

* Postlude

* Those who are able, please stand

The Greeters as you entered were the West Family: Ann, Blair, Hunter, Madison, Parker & Turner.

The Acolytes today are Christian & Nicolas Westerhoff.

The Ushers are: Caryn, Casey & Kayleigh Lockard and Ruthie White-Dunne.

The Greeters after church are Barbara Hirshkind and Anne Davis.

Pastor Rick's sermon next Sunday, "You Lookin' At Me?" will consider what we see when we look at the Baby Jesus... Please read Isaiah 61: 10 - 62: 3 and Luke 2: 22-40 in preparation for our worship time together.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Bill Acquino	Frank Harp	Marlene Rose
Jason Acquino	Henry Hildreth	John Rosko
Kim Bagley	Adam Hinman	Jeff Runyan
Jack Barwick	Colleen Hofmeister	Mary Sasso
JoAnn Barwick	Jeff Jones, Jr.	Ginny Schmiemann
Mary Beatty	Pastor Doug Kinney	Virginia Strong
Mary Benson	Joseph Kuder	Sherry Swanson
Drew Birdsall	Margaret Kuder	Tammy Tocci
Benjamin Callanan	Helen Main	Perry Tuccarone
Pat Carson	Don McKay	Mary Ann Tupper
June Donahue	Kevin Milby	Rick Vinski
Harriette Dukeshire	Myles O'Malley	Frank Walters
Bill Frey	Carrissa Pepitone	Bryan Weller
Fleurette Guilloz	James Phillips	Jennifer Wisner
Glenn Halsey, Sr.	Sam Price	Doug Yuen

The Family & Friends of Peter Berkoski

The Family & Friends of Louise McGuinn

Paul Rogers & Family in passing of his mother Charlotte Rogers Smith

The Family & Friends of Tom Warner

The Family & Friends of Karin Zebrowski

PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL:

Cpl Brian Armusewicz	CS3 Dylan McMahon	Capt. Alex Runyan
SFC Mildred Hill	PFC Jason Neville	Airman Alana Smith
Sgt. John Jones	SPC Dale Newcomb	SSgt Jamie Westerhoff Hord
Capt. Timothy Kuehas	SPC Brandon Rist	Lt. Bradley A. Woods
SPC Kenny Lockard		Sgt. David Worrell

As part of our 375th Anniversary Year, the Christian Education Council is challenging the Church family to **Read The Whole Bible In 2015!** We are calling it "The 1640 Challenge", and we are hoping to help our congregation know the Bible as well as the people who founded our Church in the 17th Century. Stay tuned for more information on this fun and important event!

Happening at FPC...

Day	Date	Time	Event
Mon	12/22	7pm	Spanish Class
Tues	12/23	3:30pm 4pm 7pm	Spanish Literature Class Chancel Choir Rehearsal AI Anon & AI ATeen Meetings
Wed	12/24	5:30pm 8pm 8pm	Family Candlelight Christmas Eve Service Communion Candlelight Christmas Eve AA
Thurs	Church office closed in observance of Christmas		
Fri	Church office closed		
Fri	12/26	6pm	AA Meeting
Sat	12/27	4:30pm	Maureen's Haven
Sun	12/28	9am 10am	Confirmation Class Worship Service followed by fellowship time



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

5:30PM FAMILY CANDLELIGHT, WITH MUSIC

BY THE CHANCEL CHOIR

8PM CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fourth Sunday in Advent



Two South Main Street

Southampton New York

The Oldest Presbyterian Church in America

Established 1640

Our Vision

Our Vision at First Presbyterian Church is to be a Cornerstone of Faith in Jesus and a Family of Love and Service, Reaching out to our Community and the World.

Our Mission

Our mission at historic First Presbyterian Church of Southampton is to be a welcoming beacon of light that inspires people of all ages to seek a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. As disciples of Jesus, we will serve others through mission, guide and nurture our youth, and be a loving haven of comfort and support for our community.

THE ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Richard R. Boyer
Shelley Bennett
Kristin Heaney & Ann West
Kelly D'Angelo
Katherine Howard Mades
Kim Makowski
Margaret Fowler
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENTASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

***Advent Wreath Lighting**

Kelly & Michael D'Angelo

L: This is the fourth Sunday of Advent, the time of preparing for the coming of Christ our Savior. Today our words are **LET IT BE**. We remember that we are to wait, prepare, and witness. Now, as Christ's arrival nears, we are reminded of Mary's words. "**Let it be.**" It is not up to us to dictate to God how Christ will come into our world and lives, for God continually surprises us. Let God's will be done in each of us.

P: We relight our candles which remind us to wait, to prepare, to witness. Now we complete our circle, lighting the candle which proclaims, "Let it be." Christ is the light of our world, and we have only to open ourselves and he will come to us.

L: Gracious God, our time of waiting is almost over. We pray that we have prepared well, that we have proclaimed and witnessed to Christ's coming, and that we are now willing to let Christ enter our hearts and lives.

P: Let us worship God!

*Hymn # 185

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

***Prayer of Confession**

O God of compassion, have mercy upon us. You send forth your Spirit, yet we ignore your counsel. Christ dwells among us, yet we fail to obey him. We sing of peace on earth, yet hostility continues. Angels herald good tidings, yet we commit evil deeds. Forgive our deliberate and indirect misuse of your graciousness, and make us worthy to receive Christ in our lives. Amen.

*A moment for silent confession****Assurance of Pardon**

.God, who is just and gracious, has sent Jesus Christ into the world to redeem us from sin. As we turn to God with contrite hearts, Christ intercedes on our behalf. So with assurance I can say to you, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*Gloria Patri – Hymn # 734

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Children's Angel Choir & Mini Pageant readings by Andrew Judd
"Joy To The World" "Go Tell It On The Mountain" "Silent Night"

* Hymn # 221

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Scripture

Psalm 89 1-4 and James 5: 7-10

Sermon

"Synchronizing Our Watches"

Pastor Rick

"Feeling God's Presence"

the inspirational "aha moment" book compiled by Cynthia Kolbenheyer and Pam Jackson-Jones with writings by our church members will be on sale during Fellowship time for \$10. Proceeds will go to the Mission Council.

December Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 – Karla Hawke Brantuk; Larry Strickland

3 – Andrew Gardner

4 – Peyton James Brantuk; Barbara Woods

6 – Brad King; Dorothy Tennant; Kyle Vella

7 – Sylvia Boyer; Tom Luss; Tim Murray

8 – Jay Bennett; Rosalie Judd; Mary Maran; Jennifer Stokke; Kirsten Stokke; Leslie White

9 – Mackenzie Pepitone

10 – Blair West

12 – John Poremba; Brynn Tupper

13 – Ed Dressler; Thomas Jagger Wilson

14 – Haley Dressler; Anecya Sutton

17 – Cole Richard Brantuk

18 – Kathleen King

19 – Susan Burke; Allison Lennon; Kimberly McSparran

22 – Susan Davis; Kenny Lockard; Fran Westerhoff

24 – Richie King; Joyce Murphy; Kathy Rogers

25 – John Parry Jr.; Kyle Warner

26 – Noelle Capone

27 – Hawke Edson

28 – Jacob Armus; Jessica Burke; Chris Dressler; Wendy Enstine; Amy Pierson

30 – Braden & Rachele Adams; B. Kay Jones; Judith Lattanzio; Peter Stokke Jr.; Helen B. White

31 – Jason & Lauren Korte

Thank You From PW Bazaar Chairs

We want to thank all the hard-working women and men who helped to make our Christmas Bazaar a big success!! We saw a constant flow of shoppers and even Santa's helper, Dave Raynor, came to visit!

Our luncheon was enjoyed by over 70 diners, with a big "Thank You" to Diane Pinkston and her kitchen crew!

Our proceeds totaled over \$5,500. Which will be used for the Women's Association mission projects and Church expenses. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a healthy, happy New Year.

*Gratefully,**Nancy Lennon, Barbara Hirshkind and Carole Sachtleben***Thank You**Dear 1st Presbyterian Church Family,

Thank you for announcing and supporting the Cross Country team's car wash.

The proceeds funded our trip to Brown which got us ready for "States".

Kyle Vella

Lyrics to the Chancel Choir's anthem today:

Christmas Dreams

Music by Heather Sorenson



*On that Christmas night
when mystic stars shone bright,
A wistful blind man moved in sleep,
and dreamed that he had sight.
That night when shepherds heard
an angel choir near,
A deaf man stirred in slumber's spell,
and dreamed that he could hear.
Child of healing, Child of hope,
Take the things that hurt us most,
and with Your touch, they'll be redeemed.
Holy Child of Christmas dreams*

*On that night in cattle stall,
a King slept through the cold.
A cripple turned his twisted limbs,
and dreamed that he was whole....he dreamed
That night when o'er the Babe, young Mary rose to lean,
A loathsome leper smiled in sleep and dreamed that he was clean.
Child of healing, Child of hope,
take the things that hurt us most,
and with Your touch, they'll be redeemed,
Holy Child of Christmas dreams.*

*That night in manger lay
the Child who came to save,
A man moved in the sleep of death,
and dreamed there was no grave.
Child of healing, Child of hope,
take the things that hurt us most,
and with Your touch, they'll be redeemed.
Holy Child of Christmas dreams,
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