



The Good News Letter

Pleasantville Presbyterian Church

SEEKING • CONNECTING • SERVING

Easter Worship & Fun



**Pleasantville Presbyterian's
Appalachia Service Project**

**Community
Pancake
Breakfast**



Saturday, May 18th
Pleasantville Day
7am ~ 11:30am

Community Dinners

Every Thursday at 6 pm

Bring your favorite dish to share and join us for a night of friends and good food!

Fire Department Parade & Church BBQ

Friday, May 31st - 6:45pm

It is that time of the year again to gather on the church lawn and watch the Fire Department Parade! The parade begins at 7pm and we'll gather together before Bedford Road is closed.



Be sure to put this on your calendar. Look for the sign-up sheet in the foyer.



Pastor Debbie on The Resurrection

AND THE GLORY

The silence breaks into morning.
That One Star lights the world.
The lily springs to life and
not even Solomon. . .

Let it begin with singing
and never end!
Oh, angels, quit your lamenting!
Oh, pilgrims,
upon your knees in tearful prayer,
rise up
and take your hearts
and run!

We who were no people
are named anew
God's people,
for he who was no more
is forevermore.

Pastor Debbie

New Mommy & Me Bookclub

A new bookclub for moms of kids of all ages organized by the Village Bookstore! If you are interested in joining, please reach out to veradjmiller@gmail.com. The first meeting will be on May 15th at 4pm at the community center below the Pleasantville Presbyterian Church. Complimentary childcare will be available or you are welcome to bring any child to the meeting—any age welcome!

We will circulate book suggestions by email before the meeting and vote on a selection for our first meeting.



Save the Dates

Rummage Sale	May 3 & 4
Children's Fiesta	May 5
Men's Breakfast	May 11
Scholarship Deadline	May 15
Community Dinner & Intergenerational Learning	May 16
ASP Pancake Breakfast	May 18
Community Dinner & Social Justice Film Viewing	May 23
Fire Dept Parade &	May 31
Midnight Run	June 1

Are You Graduating?



Our graduates will be honored on June 9th. While we know the names of our church's high school graduates, we do not want to overlook graduates of other schools or programs.

If you or someone you know is graduating this spring, please contact the church office at 769-0458 or info@pvillepresby.org and let Jo Anna know who we should recognize. For college graduates we like to know the college and major.

Become an Investor in ASP

Appalachia Service Project
**\$10 a share with
great dividends**

This is one of the major fundraising events of our church-wide Appalachia Service Project. If one of the ASP'ers asks you to buy stock in the project, please consider it. The trip changes the lives of the participants, and makes a big difference in the lives of those they serve in Appalachia. It looks like we'll have a record number of participants this summer.



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2nd Intergenerational Learning Night

Please join up on May 16th for our second salon of Intergenerational Learning. We will have a pot luck supper followed by a choice to attend one of three classes. Last time people had a hard time deciding which class to attend; ("I want to take ALL of them") so we decided to offer similar choices. Pastor Debbie will offer her Writing as a Spiritual Practice; Hannah will have a new vegan cooking lesson and Skyler will again show the documentary, The Story of Stuff.

Please look for a sign up poster in the lobby to RSVP and let us know what you would like to contribute to the pot luck. See you there!

Scholarship Fund Needs Donors and Recipients

Our church Scholarship Fund has two important needs. The first is always an ongoing need for donations to increase our ability to give out scholarships to students who apply for them. The second is applications from students who need financial assistance to pay their college tuition.

Please send your donations to the Pleasantville Presbyterian Church Scholarship Fund. Scholarship applications--which can be found on the church website under "Transformational Mission"--are due May 15th. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Mosenthal. Thanks!

Men's Ministry Corner

Our next Men's Breakfast will be on **May 11th** at **7:30am** in the **Campbell Room**. Our speaker will be Jeff Thomas, who's topic will be "Abrahamic Influences: The People of the Book." Based on his 9 years in the Middle East and the Holy Land, Jeff will outline the development of the three main faiths that trace origins to Abraham: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. He'll discuss how those threads weave their way into the modern world, defining behaviors, tolerance, and apostasy. What does our church have to say about this? RSVP to Mark Zarick.

Road Trip? Gary Dieckman will be returning to discuss the USS Slater restoration at the June 8th Men's Breakfast. We are considering a day trip to Albany after breakfast to tour the Slater. Let Mark know if you are interested.

The **Men's Bible Study** continues on **Tuesdays** at **7:30** in the Campbell Room. We continue our study of 1 Corinthians and welcome back our mentor Perry Wootten. As we are approaching the end of this book we're looking for your ideas on what book to study next. Please join us.

Pleasantville Ecumenical Vacation Bible School

August 12-16

9am-12pm

St. John's Episcopal Church

Adult & Teen Volunteers Needed!

Go to PvilleVBS.org

If you would like to help with the EVBS planning committee, or have any questions, email Nicole Browand.



Children's Day Fiesta!

Sunday, May 5th at 1pm

Fellowship Hall

Celebrating with our local immigrant community with pizza, crafts, games, and piñatas.

All are welcome!

Results of One Great Hour of Sharing

Thank you to all who gave generously to the One Great Hour of Sharing on Palm Sunday. A total of \$825 was donated.

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Rummage Sale 2019

It's finally here! May 3 and 4

Many community people know our church as "The Rummage Sale Church". On May 3 and 4 we will once again open our doors and invite people to purchase the donated goods which we have organized and displayed.

There's still time to help with this endeavor!

- You can donate sell-able goods on April 28, 29, and 30.
- You can take a flyer and hang it where you shop.
- You can volunteer to help set-up, organize, sell, or clean-up. Sign-up posters are in the church lobby.
- You can donate finger food dessert or breakfast for the workers.
- You can pray for the mission and the workers.

Through its emphasis on sustainability and outreach Rummage gives us an opportunity to demonstrate our church's values of loving, caring, acceptance, and friendliness and to spread the love of Christ to all who come.

Property Update

We are in the home stretch of our 4 year fundraising plan to maintain the history and improve the integrity, safety and beauty of the properties entrusted to our care. We are planning some big projects for these last 2 years: repaving our parking lot, exterior repairs to the Carriage House (including a new roof), repainting the exterior of the Sanctuary and renovating the upstairs restroom in the Christian Education wing.

To fund these big ticket items we are asking those of you who have pledged for 2019 and 2020 to bring forward your donations, if you are able, and we are asking everyone who hasn't had the opportunity to make a pledge to consider making a donation now. Any amount, large or small is welcome, just write POP on your check or when you make your tax deductible donation online. With your loving help we will not only be able to finish our 4 year plan, but hope to create and maintain a Preservation of Property fund that will grow and allow the work of this blessed congregation and the congregations who follow to flourish in our community and beyond. Thank you all for your faithful support.

"Now, my son, the LORD be with you, and may you have success and build the house of the LORD your God, as he said you would." 1 Chronicles 22:11

Social Justice: Documentary & Dialogue

We think of ourselves as a free nation, yet the U.S. has the highest incarceration rate in the world. Even more alarmingly, the growing prison system - a 500% increase over the last 40 years - has astonishing racial disparity with more than 60% of those in prison being people of color (The Sentencing Project, 2016).

Join us on Thursday, May 23rd at 7:00pm in The Hub for a viewing of the documentary, "13th," in which Director Ava DuVernay (Selma) explores the "intersection of race, justice, and mass incarceration in the United States" with discussion to follow.

Please RSVP to
skylar@pvillepresby.org by
Monday, 5/20 if you can attend.



Midnight Run
*Ministry to people who are
currently homeless in NYC*

Saturday, June 1st

*Interested in learning more or
going on the Run?*

Contact Dave Smutzler

Youth Group News



Thank you thank you thank you. We've had an incredible year with all of the kids involved in youth group. We've been grateful for all we have learned and all the fun we've been able to have. Thank you to all the parents that provided dinner for our energetic group every single week, and for all the support from the youth council. We're excited to see how the program continues to grow long after us.

Junior/Senior High Calendar:

5th:
Fun & Games!

12th:
No youth group - have a happy mother's day!

19th:
Rockin Jump Outing!

26th:
Fun & Games + Pizza Outing!

2nd:
End of the year BBQ! Families invited :) Info to come



Your Youth Group Leaders:

Junior High:
Hannah Scanlon — hannah@pvillepresby.org
Skyler Mosenthal — skyler@pvillepresby.org

Senior High:
Katelyn Westervelt —
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
Pre-Rummage Set-Up – Camp. Rm., Library, FH, K, 103, 104, 105, 106					RUMMAGE SALE Fri. 9am-5pm Sat. 9am-1pm	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Children's Fiesta		10am Hearts & Hands	7:30pm Session Mtg.	6pm Community Dinner	6pm English Lessons – Campbell Rm	ASP Skill-building 7:30am Men's Bkfst
8:45am Chancel Choir Practice 10am Intergenerational Worship Childcare in the Nursery 11:15am Mission Meeting 5pm Youth Group		10am Women's Bible Fwshp 7:30pm Men's Bible Study		6pm Spanish Class – Campbell Rm		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mother's Day		10am Hearts & Hands	7:30pm Evening Women's Bible Fellowship	6pm Pot Luck & Intergenerational Learning	6pm ASP Pancake Bkfst setup	7am ASP Pancake Breakfast
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Easter Fun!

