

# CHURCH MATTERS

October

2011



## MORRISVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Sunday School 9:00 AM

Sunday Service 10:30AM

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9 am– 12pm

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## October Birthdays

1 Agnes Carr	15 Shelia Bartlett
1 Christine Cring	19 Norma Galbreath
6 Nathan Davis	24 Robert Berkey
8 Daniel Kent	28 Stephen Groves
12 Michele Olney	31 Keith Stevenson
13 Nicholas Groves	
14 Tom Lemery	
15 Jeanette Michael-Robertson	

## October Anniversaries

2 Robert & Ginger Berkey
4 Duane & Janice Button
6 Murry & Naydene Ames
26 Richard & Dawn Stevenson
28 David & JoAnn Holbert
28 Shawn & Kathy Merkle

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR....

Thanksgiving Service and Covered Dish Dinner at St. Joan's - Nov. 20th.

Hanging of the Greens – Nov. 27th - 10 am

## BAZAAR BUZZ

A reminder to members and friends of the Morrisville Community Church that the Presbyterian Women's Biennial Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. That is less than one month away!

We need volunteers to work in the booths and to be cashiers. If you can help (even for just a couple of hours) please let us know.

## Save the Date! November 5th - Country Crossroads Bazaar

### October Calendar of Events

- 3 C.E. Comm. Mtg. - 6 pm
- 3 Deacon's Meeting - 6:30 pm
- 4 O & E Comm. - 6:30 pm
- 6 Rebekah's - 1:30 - Church Library
- 6 PW Bazaar Meeting - 6:30 Church Library
- 6 Tae Kwon Do - 6-8 pm
- 7 Set Up for Open Mic Nite - 7 pm
- 8 Quilters in Fellowship Hall - 10 am - 3 pm
- 8 Open Mic Nite - Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm, Mike 7 pm
- 9 World Wide Communion/Peacemaking Offering
- 10 Worship Comm. - 6 pm
- 10 Property Comm. - 7 pm
- 13 PW Hospitality Planning Comm. - 6:30 - Library
- 13 Tae Kwon Do - 6-8 pm
- 16 Adult Study - 9 am - Fellowship Hall
- 17 Session Meets - 7 pm
- 18 Faith Circle Meets - Noon - E. Mabon's
- 19 PWP Fall Gathering @ Marcellus Presbyterian 9:30 am - 3
- 19 Hope Circle Meets - 6:45 pm
- 19 Wednesday Club uses Library - 6 pm
- 20 Rebekah's - Fellowship Hall - 1:30 pm
- 20 Tae Kwon Do - 6-8 pm
- 22 Food Sense 9:30-10:30 am
- 23 Rebekah's Luncheon - Fellowship Hall 12:30 pm
- 26 WIC 8am - 3 pm
- 27 Book Read 12:30-2:00 pm Library "Promise Me"
- 27 Tae Kwon Do - 6-8 pm

## **BAZAAR BUZZ**

To help the volunteers who are setting up the different booths, we are asking for two things:

1. that each person making a donation complete a PW Bazaar donation sheet for each booth. Forms will be available on "The Table" in the fellowship hall. It is often hard for someone else to put a price on an item when that person does not know how much it cost to make the item. We want items to sell, but we do not want to under or over price items either. Your help would be deeply appreciated.

2. that all donations (except baked items) be at the church no later than Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will allow the booth chairpersons more time to price items and set up the booths. Baked goods will be accepted at any time.

The church will be open during the following times for drop off and for booth chairpersons to work in their areas:  
Sunday, 10/30 during Sunday School and Church  
Monday through Friday (10/31 – 11/4) 9 a.m. –

12:00 noon (enter via church office)

Wednesday & Thursday (11/2-11/3) 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (enter fellowship hall)

Friday (11/4) (booth chairpersons and baked goods) 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (enter fellowship hall)

Donations and completed donation forms may be left in the fellowship hall on the tables set up by the nursery wall.

If you have any questions about the Bazaar, please contact us.

Bazaar Committee Chairpersons  
Naydene Ames 684-9657  
Maxine Hunter 684-9278

## **VALENTINE EXPRESS**

Start spreading the word now and save the date of Tuesday, January 17, 2012. The "Valentine Express" will take place in the fellowship hall on this date at 1:00 P.M. This will be a time of fellowship when we will be inviting ladies from our church, their friends, and our community, to join us in making Valentines for local residents and residents at Crouse Community Center. More information will be posted as we get closer to the date

## **FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

The worship committee thanks all those who filled the pulpit while Saunda was away. We are truly blessed to have members and friends who are willing worship leaders.

The committee is beginning to plan for the holiday season. St. Joan's will host the Thanksgiving service and covered dish dinner. Please put November 20th on your calendars. The Hanging of the Greens will be November 27th at 10 a.m. Many hands will be needed to decorate our church for Advent and Christmas. Another date for your calendars!

The Worship Committee is always looking for more committee members. Everyone is welcome. We also are open to ideas or suggestions to complement our worship services. Please chat with worship committee members Irene Akers, Karen Jacobs, Maxine Hunter, Ellen Davis or Saunda Thomas.

## **Presbyterian Women's Ministry Team News**

The following items were discussed at the PW Ministry Meeting held on September 22<sup>nd</sup>:

### **PW Retreat at Vanderkamp:**

We had eleven attend our Women's Retreat at Vanderkamp on September 14-15. Wendy Simcoe was the presenter. Her presentation was "A Time to Mourn and A Time to Dance." There were many positive comments from this year's retreat. Thanks Wendy, and thanks to Marlene Miner for organizing the retreat.

### **Faith and Hope Circle Reports:**

Both Circles started up again in September. Faith Circle meets during the day and Hope Circle meets in the evening. Faith Circle uses the study guides listed in the *PW Horizons Magazine*. Hope Circle is studying from the Book of James for the first four months. New members are always welcome.

### **Church Service on October 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

Maxine Hunter, Calla Miller and Wendy Simcoe will be doing the church service on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. They will be sharing what they learned from the PWSNE Conference they attended in Albany in July.

### Hospitality Committee:

Thus far we have received 14 questionnaires back. If you haven't completed one yet please consider doing so...extra questionnaires are posted on the PW bulletin board in the fellowship hall. This questionnaire asks if you are available to help out in any way (bring in baked goods, help set up, prepare food, cleanup, etc.) should we receive a request to do a luncheon, which are usually for funerals and memorials for families of our church. There will be a Hospitality Planning Committee Meeting at the church library on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in getting this committee up and running again, or have suggestions, is encouraged to attend.

### Dates to Remember:

- October 6<sup>th</sup>: Country Crossroads Bazaar Meeting for Chairpersons, **CHURCH** Library, 6:30 p.m.  
October 13<sup>th</sup>: Hospitality Planning Committee meeting, Church Library, 6:30 p.m.  
October 30<sup>th</sup>: A table will be in the Fellowship Hall to drop off bazaar items before/after church  
(or see Bazaar Buzz article for other times)  
November 5<sup>th</sup>: Country Crossroads Bazaar, Fellowship Hall, 9am-2pm  
November 6<sup>th</sup>: Unsold Bazaar items will be on display for sale in the fellowship hall following church service.  
November 10<sup>th</sup>: Next PW Ministry Meeting, Church Library, 6:30 p.m.  
January 17<sup>th</sup>: Valentine Express Program, Fellowship Hall, 1-4pm (note change of date from Jan. 16)

Respectfully submitted by Naydene Ames, PW Secretary

**LOCAL MISSION:** The Deacons are collecting necessary items for local elementary schools (crayons - 24 count box, glue sticks, #32 pencils, 2-pocket folders). If you would like to contribute, please place items in box in the Narthex.

Also, please remember the **Bottle/Can Drive**. Please bring clean bottles and cans and put them in the blue receptacle in Fellowship Hall. All proceeds go to the General Fund.

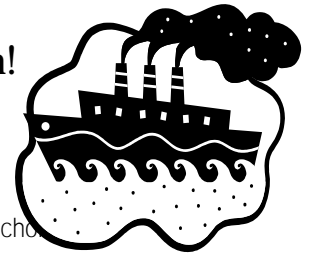
**THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE** is trying to organize unused areas of the building. The extra classroom next to the library has many items of unknown origin. If you have at any time stored items in that room, please let Sylvia or Karen J. know. Thank you.

Also, a year ago a set of dishes was dropped off at the office. If you know anything about them, please see Ann in the office. If not claimed they will be sold at the bazaar. Thank you.

## *Vanderkamp Center's Annual Food Festival & Silent Auction*

**Cruise on in!  
Join the fun!**

Enjoy the fellowship of friends,  
fabulous food &  
entertainment,  
while you bid on items of your choice.



This fundraiser supports camperships and program needs for Summer Camp 2012.

November 5 6-8:30 p.m.  
Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church  
5299 Jamesville Rd., Dewitt, New York  
(Please use the north parking lot)

Bid on Items and Baskets:  
Hand Carved Angel, Hand made stool,  
Adirondack Chair  
Deltasonic Car Washes, Items for Gift-giving,  
Think Pink,  
Framed & signed SU Basketball photos,  
Framed pictures, and much more!

Tickets \$15/person  
Purchase from any Board or Committee member  
or by calling  
Bev Carrigan 476-8800 Becki Harris  
696-6566  
Linda Graves 451-4944  
Vanderkamp 675-3651



**SNACKS FOR OUR TROOPS** are still needed. These items can be placed in the Narthex or dropped off at Judy Parker's. Many thanks for the items that have already been contributed for the Ft. Drum platoon in Afghanistan. They are appreciated.

**Thank You Letters** have been received from Church World Service and Community Action Partnership for Madison County for donations you have made. They are posted on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall should you care to read them.

**THE CLOTHES BASKET** is stocked for fall, but needs volunteers for Saturdays in October from Noon until 2:00 p.m. Call or see Claudia if you would like to help. Thank you.

## ***Christmas 2011***

As in the past we appreciate your support as we begin our 26th year of the Morrisville Community Christmas project, sponsored by St. Joan of Arc Parish.

The families that we reach out to are in need of a little support during the holidays. As the economy remains in a very slow recovery the joy we can share with children continues to grow. Last year we served the largest number of families in our history. The generous people in our community and beyond made possible the joy we share with the children of the Morrisville-Eaton School district.

As we begin planning for the Christmas holidays, I'm sure that no one needs to be reminded that there has been little increase in jobs or the economy in the past year. The 2010 Christmas project brought an even larger number of families. It was your generosity that allowed us to meet those requests for assistance.

Judy Parker, Coordinator, and the over 50 caring volunteers at church and in the community are excited to begin planning for the 26th Annual Christmas Program.

This year's program will be held on Saturday, December 10, 2011. Please take this opportunity to send a monetary contribution to Judy Parker, P O Box 266, Morrisville, NY 13408. For tax exempt donations please make checks payable to: St. Joan of Arc Church, P O Box 1087, Morrisville, NY 13408. Donations of new clothing, toys, sleds, mittens, hats, children's books, crayons, markers, jewelry and stocking stuffers would be appreciated.

Thank you for sharing in the true meaning of Christmas. Your generosity will make a brighter holiday for the children of our area and the seniors at Crouse Community Center.

May God's blessings bring you and your family peace and joy through-out the holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year.

Warmest regards,  
*Judy W. Parker*, Christmas "2011" Coordinator

## **Church Directory Change:**

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Each month, over 1000 households in Madison County are helped by their local food pantry. The Madison County Living Well Partnership is a community coalition promoting local changes that make it easier for people living and working in Madison County to eat well and be physically active. They have sent a letter asking us to become a **Healthy Food Drive Sponsor** using the flyer, **Top 20 Healthy Food Donation Ideas** as a guide when we donate to the food bank. The Top 20 Healthy Food Donation Ideas on this list are:

Canned light fruit	Canned vegetables
Dried Fruit/raisins	100% fruit juice
Pasta Sauce	Broth
Low-sodium soup	Cereal, not sugar coated
Oatmeal	Brown rice
Whole grain pasta	Crackers
Graham Crackers	Canned fish or chicken
Peanut butter	Canned beans
Lightly or unsalted nuts	
Powdered milk/shelf stable milk	
Evaporated milk (skim or 1%)	

All of your efforts in collecting food for our local food pantries are very much appreciated and they hope we will join them in their initiative to collect more nutrient-rich foods that are essential for good health.

For more information or questions on this campaign, please contact Chrystal Johnson, Madison County Health Department at 315-366-2361 or [chrystal.johnson@co.madison.ny.us](mailto:chrystal.johnson@co.madison.ny.us), or Jodee Osborne, Community Action Partnership, at 315-697-3588 or [josborne@capmadco.org](mailto:josborne@capmadco.org).