THE OLIVE BRANCH

May 2023

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Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church — Ringoes, New Jersey

May Events

2 6:30pm Deacons Mtg
4 National Day of Prayer
May the 4th be with you
9 6:30pm Boy Scout Cmte Mtg
14 Mother's Day
15 Olive Branch Deadline
16 7:00pm Session Meeting
18 Ascension of the Lord
20 Armed Forces Day
27 11:00 Grocery Giveaway
28 Pentecost Sunday
29 Memorial Day-Office Closed

Weekly

Sun	9:30am Worship
Mon	6:30pm Boy Scouts
Tue	8:00pm AA
Wed	7:30am Men's Bible Study
	7:00pm Bell Rehearsal
Thu	9:30am Ladies Bible Study
	8:00pm AA
Sat	4:00pm AA

View our calendar on our website

Sunday, May 28

Session April Update:

The session met by Zoom on April 18th at 7PM with Rev. Beth Scibienski from Clover Hill Reformed church for our monthly meeting. Rev. Scibienski called the meeting to order, and Elder Don Reilly did the devotions and prayer.

Minutes from March meeting were approved.

There is a sign up list to be a Worship Leader if you would like to volunteer. Signups for March are:

April 23rd Norma Zimmerman
April 30th Pat Wright
May 7th Mike Kurti
May 14th Need volunteer
May 21st Need volunteer
May 28th Need volunteer

Volunteers needed. Anyone interested in being a Worship Leader please sign up on the link printed in the Mid-Week bulletin and Olive Branch to sign up. We also need people to volunteer for coffee hour. Paul Mitzen so graciously makes the coffee every week for us. Coffee hour is now in the Gym each week.

The PNC are working very hard on finding our new Pastor .

There was a discussion on Keys to the church and how many sets are there. More discussion later.

We have faithfully Celebrated Communion April 2nd and April 16th of this month.

Discussion on the Samuel Ayres Scholarship – More updates coming soon.

Updates were given on all committees:
Personnel Committee: Roger Pickard and Jim Danner
Finance Committee: Don Reilly and Pat Wright
Samuel Ayres Scholarship Committee: Roger Pickard and Don Reilly
Historical and Memorial Committee: Pat Wright and Linda Hults
Music and Worship Committee: Don Reilly
Christian Education Committee: Linda Hults and Jim Danner
PNC: Jim Danner and Roger Pickard
Mission Committee: Pat Wright, Linda Hults and Mike Kurti
Fellowship & Outreach Committee: Norma Zimmerman and Mike Kurti
Building and Grounds Committee: Mike Kurti
Technology and Communication Committee: Mike Kurti
Deacon Liaison: Norma Zimmerman
Scout Troop 65 Representative: Roger Pickard

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Food Ministry

We gave out 24 bags/boxes of food for Easter. Our next Grocery Giveaway is May 27. We are completely out of pasta, pancake mix, and paper towels. We are low on cereal, pasta sauce, syrup, peanut butter and toilet paper. Look for sales in your local supermarket. Everything and anything is appreciated. Thank you for all you do to help this ministry.
Thank you to everyone who has mailed donations for our food ministry. They are appreciated

Session April Update: continued

It was agreed that each committee would report back next month concerning who the non-Session members of their respective committees were so that a listing of all members.

Discussion on call forwarding being used for hours no one is at the church.

Received for two new memberships. Reviewing Membership of KMPC for active members and in-active members.

Next stated Session meeting – Tuesday May 16th at 7PM Devotions will be given by Norma Zimmerman .

Motion to adjourn meeting and closing prayer

Respectfully submitted, Norma Zimmerman

Have you ever been curious about ringing handbells?
Do you have the misconceived notion that you need to have a musical background to ring handbells?

Come to one of our rehearsals and get answers to your questions . . .
See what the bell music looks like. . . .
Feel a bell in your hand . . .

Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7 in the choir room.

We talk, we laugh, we play.

Feel free to call or text the bell choir director if you need more info.
Sharyn Danner, (908) 399-3468

May 2023 Sunday Volunteers

Date	Preaching	Worship Leader	Nursery / Jr Church	Coffee Break	Communion
5/7/2023	Rev. Courtney Cromie	Mike Kurti		Bev Kaminski	Yes
5/14/2023	Mark Van Bruggen	Roger Pickard		*please volunteer*	No
5/21/2023 Mother's Day	Rev. Mark Spildooren	*please volunteer*		*please volunteer*	Dave & Frank
5/28/2023 Pentecost	Rev. Mark Spildooren	*please volunteer*		*please volunteer*	Sharyn

Deacon's May 2023 Prayer List

KMPC Family

Angela Bodine (cancer)
Bart and Norma
Dorothy S. (healing)
Erik Z
Glenn M (cancer) Tracy
John S (health)
Scott, Lanie B's husband
Stef - Lynn's daughter
Steve &Terri F. (healing)
Shawn and Anthony

Caregivers

Families suffering with addictions
Homebound members & Shut-Ins
Hospice
Patients Teachers & /Students

Assisted living/ Care Center

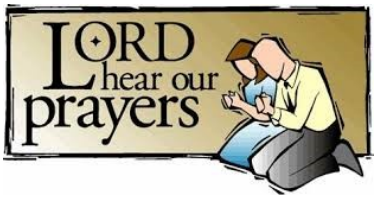
Barry C
Chuck & Jean Mundhenk
Irene K
Millie W

Extended KMPC Family

Charlotte's Family (grieving)
Sharon
Denise and John (both cancer)
Edward G (cancer) Godown
Howard (Parkinson)Betty
Jackie -- Betsy P Daughter
Jean (Brain tumor) Chris
Jen (Health Issues –
Joey (brain aneurysm) Ferrell
Karol – Sue B. sister
Kevin Stanford(pancreatic cancer)
Keith P (healing)
Kitty (blood clots) Paul's sister
Linda (Cancer)
Larry (liver cancer) Ferrell
Laura, Lynn H.
Lisa & Eric (house flooded) Lynn H
Lolly H.(brain tumor) Debbie N friend
Mary (cancer)
Mary Jo cancer Sue B. cousin

continued

Nancy F. (Health issues)
Kathy'sFriend
Natalie (Steve L sister)
Richard B. Sr. (Healing, diabetes)-
Sara (horse accident) Terri F.
Sherri B. (healing, lupus) –
Richard's daughter
Tom (Lymphoma)
Tracy's M. Dad
Vance (liver cancer) Karen D
Families of Natural Disasters
First Responders
Military Men & Women and their Families
President & Congress
Prisoners
Refugees
Shooting Victims
Travel Blessings
Troubled youth
U.S. & World Situations
Unemployed
Victims of Violence
People with flu and virus
People of Ukraine



Bob Trevithick	May 2
Benjamin Danner	May 5
Betsy Peterson	May 8
Ben Friedermann	May 14
Kristen Schwenderman	May 16
Aniella O'Leary	May 16
Jeanne Mundhenk	May 18
Stefanie Hutchinson	May 21
Frederick Fulper, II	May 23
Kathy Mundhenk	May 24
Ray Dix (Sexton)	May 31

Alyssa & Adam Swiatek	May 11
Lauren & Steven Esock	May 21
Ann & Jeff Donnelly	May 22

Please contact us to have names added or deleted at

MISSION NEWS

Jesus said, it is written:
" The Christ will suffer
and
Rise from the dead...
and
repentance + forgiveness of sins
will be preached in His name
to all nations" (Lk. 24:46-47).

May God's kindness

refresh your HEART...

His goodness

refresh your SOUL...

and His faithfulness

refresh your SPIRIT.

We pray for Pastor, You
and the church, Becky.

Out of His fullness we have all received
grace in place of grace already given. JOHN 1:16 NIV

To,
Dearest Servants of the Lord:

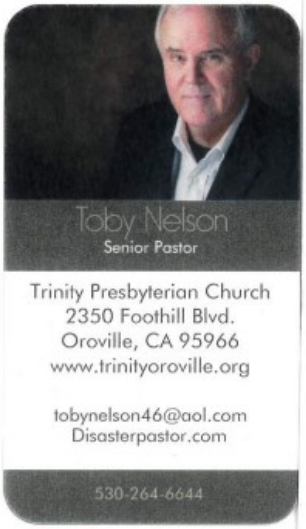
May all God's blessings

be yours in abundance

as you celebrate

this special Easter season.

We are very thankful for
your faithful partnership as we
impact the lives of our
alumni, globally.
Your standing with us has
been an incredible blessing!.
In His love,
John + Anna
Dear:



DEAREST FRIENDS OF KPMC,
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF FIRST RESPONSE CHAPLAINS. I'M GOING TO USE THE MONEY TO HELP PAY FOR MY TRIP TO UKRAINE. WE HAVE BEEN INVITED BY AN OLIGARCH TO HELP ENCOURAGE AND COMFORT SOLDIERS THAT HE SUPPORTS IN THE WAR EFFORT. WE LEAVE IN ABOUT A MONTH AND WE'LL STAY FOR 10 DAYS IN A WARM ZONE. I WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU AND HOLD YOU IN MY HEART. YOU ARE A TREASURE TO ME. WE WERE TOGETHER WHEN 9/11 HAPPENED AND ALL OF OUR LIVES WERE CHANGED. THE HAND OF GOD IS ON YOU.
PASTOR TOBY