



Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church

July 2025

# THE OLIVE BRANCH



## July Events

- 1 6:30pm Deacons Mtg
- 4 **Independence Day**  
**Office Closed**
- 6 9:30am Zoom Worship  
10am Joint Worship at Farm
- 11 6:30pm Troop 65 Cmte Mtg
- 20 7:00pm Session Meeting
- 21 Olive Branch Deadline
- 26 11-12 Grocery Giveaway

## Weekly

- Sun 9:30am Worship
- Mon 6:30pm Troop 65  
7pm Pastor's Bible Study
- Tue 8:00pm AA
- Wed 7:30am Men's Bible Study  
6:00pm Bell Rehearsal  
7:00pm Band Rehearsal
- Thu 8:00pm AA
- Sat 4:00pm AA

Staff Vacation: Chris: Aug 4-7  
Jim H: Aug 10,17,31

View our [calendar](#) on our website

## Pastor's Ponderings

As we move into the heart and heat of summer, I hope this summer season brings you moments of rest, renewal, joy, and air conditioning. And, if you come to church on Sunday, you will be greeted by Joy.

July often gives us a slower rhythm—school is out, families travel, and the days are longer with sunlight lingering. This July is also a wonderful time to reflect on the freedom we celebrate as a nation and the freedom we have in Christ.

In Galatians 5:1, Paul writes *"For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery."* This freedom is more than independence—it's liberation from fear, from sin, and from all that binds us. As we celebrate the 4th of July, let's also remember the deeper, lasting freedom that shapes our lives as disciples of Jesus.

On July 6<sup>th</sup> we will be joining other area Presbyterian churches on July 6 at Holcombe Jimison Farmstead. KMPC will be bringing side dishes for the picnic after the service. I look forward to seeing you there!

Another important date is on July 21, National Ice Cream Day. We will celebrate it a day early after the worship service with ice cream cones.

This summer, know that you are a valued part of our church family. Let's keep praying for one another, supporting one another, and trusting that God is at work in every season.

Grace and peace,  
**Pastor Barbara**



## Joint Worship

**Sunday, July 6, 10:00am**  
**Worship & Picnic**

Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead  
Museum

1605 Daniel Bray Highway  
(Rte. 29)  
just north of Lambertville, NJ  
609-397-2752

**DIRECTIONS:** The Museum is located on Route 29 just north of Lambertville, NJ. If you are traveling on Rout 202 in New Jersey use "last exit before toll" and follow signs to Farmstead.

**Beginning at 10am.**

**Please bring a side dish to share at the picnic lunch.**

**Don't forget your lawn chairs, water bottle and sunscreen.**

The Deacons' collection of Baby Bottles with your spare change was delivered to Mimi, the co-director of the Friendship Center for New Beginnings. Mimi sends her thanks and appreciation for all that our congregation does to support her organization. Thanks to all who participated!

With gratitude for your generosity,  
the KMPC Deacons “





ART CAMP is happening at KMPC, August 19-21, 6pm to 8pm.

Our theme this year is “Peace Makers”.

Kids entering Kindergarten through those who finished Grade 6 are invited to join us for 3 evenings filled with paint, printing, clay, experimentation, creativity and fun. There is no cost to attend.

Registration Form is on last page.

### Worship & Picnic with the River Churches

When: Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>

Worship Time: 10:00 am

Where: Holcombe-Jimison Farm  
1605 Route 29 Lambertville, NJ

Picnic to Follow the Worship Service  
Hot Dogs and Drinks Will Be Provided

Please check with your individual churches  
on bringing a dish to share.

Please Join Us!!



### River Churches Joint Service:

We will be joining the River Churches for a joint service at 10:00 on July 6<sup>th</sup> at the Holcombe Jimison Farmstead at 1605 Daniel Bray Hwy in Lambertville. Please come if you can! We are not able to Zoom from the farm due to the sound effects in its location. For those who won't be able to come we will be providing a copied church service from last year's July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend, at 9:30, through our weekly Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/673176006>

After the service there will be a Picnic with hot dogs, beverages, side dishes and desserts. Our church was asked to bring a side dish if you are able. Pastor Barbara will be serving communion. You will need to bring a folding chair, bug spray and bottled water. If you need help with anything please reach out to Fellowship and Outreach or Pastor Barbara. We are here for you!

To support the Lambertville Food Pantry we are asked to bring a non-perishable food item. As a “Love Offering” all are invited to give a monetary donation to the Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead. Thank you all and we hope to see you there!

### SAVE THE DATES

**Rios Visit:** Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> Carlos & Sandy will worship with us with a reception to follow.

**Rally Day:** Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> with a picnic at Fulper's after worship. More info to come.

**Christmas Table Flower Arrangement:** Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> following worship. Stay tuned.

Visit our online calendar for updated information.



## Food Ministry

Our next Grocery Giveaway is July 26

## Blood Drive Living Waters Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall  
11 Old York Road  
Ringoes, NJ 08551

**Thursday, July 24, 2025**  
**2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter:  
livingwaterslutheran to schedule an appointment.



Celebrating Dave & Jackie at Coffee Hour.

**Bible Study** will be held on Zoom or in the library of the church at 7:00 on Mondays.

The study is "Obediah, Jonah, Micah"

All are welcome.

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85881121128>

### Come join us for Sunday Worship

If you cannot join us in person at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning in the sanctuary, please join us via Zoom.

Topic: Sunday Worship Service

Time: 09:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/673176006>

Dial by your location +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 673 176 006

Please share the link with friends, neighbors, relatives -  
- online worship can be a great outreach for us!

## July 2025 Sunday Volunteers

Date	Preaching	Liturgist	Nursery / Jr Church	Coffee Break	Communion	Flowers
7/6/2025	10:00 a.m. Joint Worship at Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead					
7/13/2025	Pastor Barbara					
7/20/2025	Pastor Barbara					
7/27/2025	Pastor Barbara	David F.				

# Deacon's July 2025 Prayer List

## KMPC Family

Angie B ( Healing)  
Chris/Jess W (Grief)  
David F. (God's guidance)  
Dave M  
Erik Z  
Esther (Protection, guidance, and good health.)  
Freddy F. (God's guidance)  
Janice L (Healing)  
Karen S and family (God's guidance)  
Kim - Protection in cybersecurity  
Lori (Healing)  
Steve L (Healing)  
Norma C (Healing)  
Pat W (Healing)  
Marilyn C (Healing)

## Caregivers

Families suffering with addictions  
Homebound members & Shut-Ins  
Hospice patients and families

## Assisted living/ Homebound

Chuck & Jean M  
Dorothy S  
Irene K  
Bart and Norma

## Extended KMPC Family

Angie's family  
Angie's sister ( Healing)  
Belle - David F friend (Cancer)  
Bertha - Pat W friend (Healing)  
Brad - Kim F friend (Hospice)  
Bonnie - Linda H cousin (Healing after surgery)  
Bob's family - Susan B's friend (Grief)

Dave - Jim D's brother(Healing)  
Dave - Sue K's brother in law (Healing)  
Denise's family - (Grief)  
Denise - Pastor Barbara's sister (Surgery/Healing)  
Edward G (cancer)  
Elizabeth's family - Jacks cousin (Grief)  
Gary - Mike K's friend(Cancer-Healing and strength)  
Gerry - Steve L's friend (Healing)  
Janice L - (Healing)  
Jean - Chris K's (brain tumor)  
John - Steve L's friend (treatment for his blood clots)  
John - David F's friend (Healing)  
Ken - Steve W's brother(Healing and positive results)  
Laura's family - Sue B's niece (Grief)  
Lynn H - (God's guidance while caring for her mom)  
Marlene- Pat W friend (Healing)  
Megan- Kathy's niece (drug addiction)  
Michael - Tracy M's brother (Healing)  
Patty S. - Frank H's sister (Surgery/Healing)  
Robin and Margaret - Karen S friends (Healing)  
Seline - Pat W.'s friend (Proper diagnosis and treatment for knee pain)  
Sheila - Sue B's friend (Surgery/Healing)  
Stacey - Sharyn D friend(Prayers of

comfort for her and her family)  
Stef - Lynn H.'s daughter (God's guidance)  
Steve F - (Parkinsons)  
Steve - Steve L's friend(Healing)  
Sylvia - Steve 's sister(Healing)  
Teresa - Kim F's friend (God's guidance for best treatment)  
Tommy - Steve L's friend (Healing)  
Val- (Overall healing)  
Wendy - Angie B friend (Grief)  
Zachery - Betty R's grandson (healing)

## US and World Situations

Children affected by war  
First Responders  
Military Men & Women and their Families  
Those affected by hurricanes & fires  
Those suffering with economic distress  
Those working outside during this heat wave  
President & Congress  
Prisoners  
Refugees  
Shooting Victims  
Travelers  
Troubled youth  
U.S. & World Situations  
Unemployed  
Victims of Violence  
Victims of war  
People with illnesses/disease  
People of Ukraine



Bonnie M.	July 6
Norma Z.	July 8
David C.	July 14
Benjamin E.	July 19
Sharyn D.	July 21
Harold K.	July 27
Chuck M.	July 31



Harold & Sue K.	July 9
Brian & Kathy M.	July 27



Please contact us to have names added or deleted at

## Foreign Exchange Student Program Is Seeking Host Families for the Upcoming School Year

Alexandria, VA, May 07, 2025 – Families across the U.S. have a unique opportunity to experience a new culture right in their own homes. ASSE International Student Exchange Programs, a non-profit public benefit organization, is currently seeking warm and welcoming host families to open their homes to international exchange students for the upcoming school year.

Hosting an exchange student is a life-changing experience for families that fosters cultural understanding, builds lifelong friendships, and enriches local communities. [Students, aged 15-18 years](#), come from over 60 countries worldwide, including France, Japan, Italy, Denmark, Australia, Spain, and many more. The students are carefully selected based on their academic performance, English proficiency, and personal character, and they are eager to become part of an American family, attend a local high school, and share their own traditions.

During their stay, ASSE exchange students immerse themselves in American culture by living with and [becoming part of a volunteer host family](#) while attending a local high school. This experience allows them to improve their English skills, form lifelong friendships, and gain a deeper understanding of American life and values. In return, host families and communities benefit from the unique perspectives and cultural exchange that these students bring.



"Being a host family isn't just about providing a place to stay; it's about making a student from another country part of the family," says Lori Wichael, ASSE Regional Director. "Many host families find that the experience is just as rewarding for them as it is for the student. The bonds formed often last a lifetime." "Exchange students bring energy, curiosity, and fresh perspectives to their host families and communities. They attend local schools, participate in activities, and become a real family member."

Host families provide a safe and supportive home, meals, and encouragement, while students come with their own spending money and health insurance, ensuring that hosting is a rewarding and enriching experience without financial burden. Anyone with a warm and welcoming home can host an exchange student! Host families come in many forms, including married couples (with or without children), single parents, young professionals, empty-nesters, same-sex couples, and retirees.

Families interested in hosting an exchange student or exploring study abroad opportunities are encouraged to learn more and apply by visiting [www.host.asse.com](http://www.host.asse.com) or contacting Lori Wichael at (800) 677-2773 / [east@asse.com](mailto:east@asse.com).

**Make a difference. Open your home and your heart—host an exchange student today!**

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Founded in the 1930's by the Swedish Ministry of Education, ASSE International Student Exchange Programs, a non-profit, public benefit organization, is a trusted name in Cultural Exchange. Through its mission to promote global understanding and goodwill, ASSE creates life-changing opportunities for young people and their host families to experience different cultures, learn new perspectives, and develop lifelong friendships.



For ages :  
entering K thru  
completing grade 6

• REGISTER FOR •

# 2025 Art Camp

**AUGUST 19, 20 + 21**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

**6:00pm — 8:00pm**



Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_ Grade Just Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone / Cell # ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name and # \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies / Other conditions we should be aware of?

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I, the undersigned parent/guardian, do hereby authorize emergency medical, dental, health or hospital services be rendered to my child upon consent of Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church staff member or designated volunteer. The purpose of this authorization is to permit my child to receive emergency medical attention if needed while involved in the activities connected with Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church's children's programs when I or my emergency contact is unavailable to give such consent. Please do not send your child to camp if he/she has been ill during the past 24-48 hours.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## NOTE TO CAMPERS!

- . Bring a water bottle to keep you hydrated
- . Wear clothes than can get paint or other art materials on them (or bring an apron)
- . We look forward to having creative fun with you!

Return this form by mail to **KMPC, PO Box 560, Ringoes, NJ 08551**  
or email [admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org](mailto:admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org) or call 908.782.1177