

# Our Life Together

Weekly News and Events at  
First Presbyterian Church of Dutch Neck

October 1, 2017

## TODAY AT DUTCH NECK

- 9:00AM Lectionary Texts and Hymns Study
- 9:30AM Worship Celebration
- 9:45AM Children's Sunday School, Bible & Bagels
- 11:00AM Adult Education
- 11:00AM Confirmation Class
- 11:00AM Worship Committee

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

- 10:00AM Busy Bees

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

- 7:00AM Men's Bible Study
- 7:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:15PM Centering Prayer

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

- 9:00AM Lectionary Texts and Hymns Study
- 9:30AM Worship Celebration
- 9:45AM Children's Sunday School, Bible & Bagels
- 10:30AM Fellowship Hour
- 11:00AM Adult Education
- 11:00AM Confirmation Class

### Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

Sunday, October 8 - 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 • Psalm 19

Philippians 3:4b-14 • Matthew 21:33-46

### Lectionary Texts and Hymns

Every Sunday at 9:00 AM, before the regular service, come meet and read and discuss the day's Bible texts and/or explore the hymns we will sing. We meet in the parlor in the Christian Education building.

### Adult Sunday School

#### October 1 & 8

Presentation by Dr. Karlfried Froehlich, retired professor of Early Church History at Princeton Theological Seminary, of "The Places of the Protestant Reformation."

#### Sunday, October 15

Deacons' Pancake Breakfast. No Adult Ed.

### Men's Bible Study

Every Wednesday morning, 7:00 AM in the parlor in the Christian Education building.

## Worship Committee Update

"I will sing unto to the Lord, for [God]  
hath triumphed gloriously..."

We'll be singing and celebrating God's works and presence among us in many ways during the month of October. After starting the month with World Communion Sunday on October 1st, the Seminary Singers will lead us in worship on October 22nd and we'll celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation with our Lutheran neighbors on Reformation Sunday, October 29th at 9:30am, worshipping together at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on Princeton-Hightstown Road in West Windsor.

### *Opportunities to Participate*

Are you interested in doing a community hymn sing outside of our regular worship celebration? Let Virginia (or any member of the Worship Committee) know in person or email [virginia@virginiadearborn.com](mailto:virginia@virginiadearborn.com)

Come sing and/or ring with us! The Children's Choir, Junior Chime Choir, Adult Handbell Choir and Chancel Choir are all looking for more members. Email Gail at [lebhaft2015@gmail.com](mailto:lebhaft2015@gmail.com) or talk with any member of the Worship Committee.

### Fellowship Hall Window Project

We are now collecting donations to the Repair Fund to help defray the cost (\$30K) of replacing the colored glass windows in Fellowship Hall. Donations may be made directly to the church office or placed in the offering using a Repair Fund envelope. If you have questions, contact Bob Dix at [bobdix550@gmail.com](mailto:bobdix550@gmail.com) or 609-799-1557.

### Busy Bees

The Busy Bees will be meeting on Tuesday, October 3, at 10:00 am, upstairs in the CE building. All are welcome. We supply yarn, coffee, and dessert, so bring a sandwich. For more info call Peg Ellery at 426-8728.

### Centering Prayer - October

All are invited to join us for Centering Prayer. Our meetings will be on Wednesday, October 4, and Wednesday, October 18, at 7:15 pm in the parlor. Please call or email Julie Donaldson if you have any questions: [juliedon4@aol.com](mailto:juliedon4@aol.com) or 609-731-2971.

### **The Deacons' Pancake Breakfast - October 15**

The Deacons' Pancake Breakfast will be held Sunday, October 16, following the worship celebration. Come and invite a friend for a delicious brunch after worship. Contact Julie Donaldson at 609-725-7142 or JulieDon4@aol.com, with questions.

### **Community Blood Drive - October 28, 10AM - 3PM**

West Windsor Municipal Building Parking Lot

Please consider giving the gift of life by participating in the upcoming community blood drive, sponsored by Religious Leaders of West Windsor. See the Rev. Donna Bevenssee after service to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome. There will also be an opportunity to drop off old prescription drugs at the location.

### **Fall Clean-up Sunday - October 29, 1PM - 3PM**

If you have questions, please contact Keven Mackenzie at kandgmackenzie@comcast.com or 609-240-5512.

### **Women's Book Club**

The Women's Book club will be reading Miller's Valley by Anna Quindlen for October. There are many copies available in the Mercer county system. The discussion will be Monday, October 30, at 7:30PM in the parlor. Happy Reading!

### **McCaffery's Receipts for Young Church**

For many years our youth programs have benefited from the church's participation in McCaffrey's Food Markets' community support program. Through this program, we receive 1% back on the McCaffrey's receipts we collect and turn back into the store. It is easy to support this project – simply save your McCaffrey's receipts and put them in the labeled box in Fellowship Hall. Note that the receipts must be turned in within 6 months of the date of purchase, so don't hang onto them too long! Contact Gerry Mackenzie if you have any questions.

### **Hurricane Relief**

Support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's emergency response and long-term recovery work in the areas affected by Hurricane Harvey. Gifts can be designated in two ways: Hurricane Harvey (DR000169-Harvey) and Atlantic Regional Hurricanes (DR000194). You can also give with a credit card by visiting [presbyterianmission.org](http://presbyterianmission.org) or by phone at 800-872-3283.

### **Women's Retreat "Spiritual Spa"**

November 10-12

Registration for our retreat is now open!

Just email Sally Stillwell at [sallys4@verizon.net](mailto:sallys4@verizon.net) or Terri DeVincenzo at [rtcenz@verizon.net](mailto:rtcenz@verizon.net) and say, "yes, I'm in."

We will gather at Fellowship Hall on Friday, November 10 at 6pm and carpool our way to the retreat center in Mantoloking, NJ. We will return after lunch on Sunday, the 12th. Leading our retreat will be Rev. Terry Thomas Primer, DMin. She is currently the chaplain at Monroe Village. Costs for the retreat are estimated at \$225 per person. They include 2 nights of single room lodging and 5 meals.

We are grateful for the generous grant from the Earl Tindall Memorial Fund and offer heartfelt thanks to Lisa and Steve Melchoir. Their support makes the retreat programming and leadership possible.

### **DNPC Facility Scheduling**

Are you planning an activity or event at DNPC?

Whether for a church related function or a private event, please check the Facility Calendar at [dutchneckpresbyterian.com](http://dutchneckpresbyterian.com) for availability. Please remember that all activities need to be scheduled through the church office in order to avoid facilities use conflicts. Contact Julie Erkel Hagee in the church office if you have questions or would like to schedule an event: [admin@dutchneckpresbyterian.com](mailto:admin@dutchneckpresbyterian.com) or 609-799-0712.

### **Trenton Rescue Mission Donations**

If you are cleaning, moving or just freshening up your wardrobe and you want to get rid of clothing, there is a collection box near the entrance to Fellowship Hall. The Trenton Rescue Mission will be collecting items every Wednesday. Please note, Trenton Rescue Mission does not accept games, toys, or car seats. Thank you for donating to this worthwhile organization.

### **How to reach the pastor, the Rev. Jan Willem van der Werff:**

- Through Julie Erkel Hagee in the church office, Monday through Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM & Thursdays from 9:00 AM to noon at (609)799-0712 or [admin@dutchneckpresbyterian.com](mailto:admin@dutchneckpresbyterian.com).
- For pastoral emergencies, please call his cell phone at (609) 580-0556 anytime.
- Through e-mail: [jwvanderwerff@dutchneckpresbyterian.com](mailto:jwvanderwerff@dutchneckpresbyterian.com).
- Friday is Jan Willem's Sabbath day.