

# Our Life Together

Weekly News and Events at  
First Presbyterian Church of Dutch Neck

October 22, 2017

## TODAY AT DUTCH NECK

- 9:00AM Lectionary Texts and Hymns Study
- 9:30AM Worship Celebration
- 9:45AM Children's Sunday School, Bible & Bagels
- 10:30AM Choir Rehearsal for 5th Grade and Up
- 10:45AM Choir Rehearsal for Pre-K - 4th Grade
- 11:00AM Adult Education
- 11:00AM Confirmation Class
- 6:00PM Potluck with Prince of Peace Church

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 7:00AM Men's Bible Study

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 11:30AM Cornerbrighteners
- 7:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal at Prince of Peace
- 7:30PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal at Prince of Peace

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 - REFORMATION SUNDAY

- 9:30AM Worship at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
- 1:00PM Fall Clean-up

### Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

Sunday, October 29 - 21st Sunday after Pentecost  
Deuteronomy 34:1-12 • Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17  
I Thessalonians 2:1-8 • Matthew 22:34-46

### 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

#### Sunday, October 22

Panel of Seminary students discussing "Contemporary Musical Styles in Contemporary Worship."

#### Sunday, November 5

"What Seniors and Their Adult Children Need to Know About Estate Planning--Part Two" to be led by Eleanor Szymanski of EKS Associates, which she founded. A continuation of the informative class on this topic which she led last year.

### Men's Bible Study

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

### Cornerbrighteners

The Cornerbrighteners will be meeting at 11:30 AM on October 26, at The Bog. Please contact Peggy Ellery if you have questions: (609) 429-8728.

### Annual Per Capita Contribution

Dutch Neck owes the Presbytery of New Brunswick \$32.98 for each member of our congregation. A portion is sent to the Synod and to the PCUSA General Assembly. Please use the blue envelope you received in the mail to pay your share of the Per Capita Apportionment. Questions? Contact Julie in the church office (609) 799-0712 or [admin@dutchneckpresbyterian.com](mailto:admin@dutchneckpresbyterian.com)

### Dutch Neck Celebrates with Sinfonietta Nova as it turns 10!

THIS AFTERNOON, come hear the tunes you grew up with, snap your fingers with the orchestra, and dance to the "Mambo"! Sunday, October 22 at 4 PM - Richardson Auditorium in Alexander Hall, Princeton University. tickets available at the door or online at <http://tickets.princeton.edu> Contact Peggy Redman (609) 799 4727 or [predman799@gmail.com](mailto:predman799@gmail.com) if you need to drop a potluck dish at the kitchen before you attend the concert.

### 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. You may sign up directly at a time convenient to you at <http://tinyurl.com/wwindsor> or call Lori at (609) 883-9750 ext. 122. Walk-ins are also welcome. There will also be an opportunity to drop off old prescription drugs for proper disposal.

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

The Boy Scouts will assist in removing leaves and general clean up of the church property. Volunteers from the congregation are needed. Please contact Kevin Mackenzie at [kandgmackenzie@comcast.net](mailto:kandgmackenzie@comcast.net) or (609) 240-5512 if you'd like to help.

### 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 7:30 PM in the parlor.  
Happy Reading!

### 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.

### Presbytery of New Brunswick Nominations

The Presbytery of New Brunswick Nominating Committee is asking for your partnership as we work to nominate members to our presbytery committees. We hope to help Teaching Elder members of the presbytery and Ruling Elder members of congregations find positions where they can serve the presbytery as they feel God calling them to do. The invitation is open to anyone who has been ordained as an elder, regardless of whether the elder is currently serving in that capacity. Please prayerfully consider pastors in the presbytery and ruling elders you know and have worked with, and forward to us names of people you believe would be suited to the vacancies we have listed. Questions? Contact Jan Willem at (609)799-0712 or [jwvanderwerff@dutchneckpresbyterian.com](mailto:jwvanderwerff@dutchneckpresbyterian.com)

### Women's Retreat "Spiritual Spa" November 10-12

Registration is still 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.

### Deacons Thanksgiving Basket Drive 2017

No child should go hungry on Thanksgiving Day, or any day. Every family should have the joy of sharing a home-cooked meal on Thanksgiving Day. With your help, many families will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving with a bountiful table. Home Front's goal is to feed 2,000 families. Dutch Neck Presbyterian Church has been contributing to this worthwhile effort for many years and we hope you will continue the tradition. Please help by putting together a Thanksgiving basket or box of food that will make a family's Thanksgiving special.

Baskets can include: stuffing mix, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, dessert items, fruit juice, canned fruit, canned vegetables. Feel free to add your special touch to the baskets, and include food that may be used in the days following Thanksgiving as well.

Gift cards to local supermarkets will help the families buy a turkey for their dinner. Please put gift cards in an envelope attached outside the basket and labeled Gift Card.

Please no perishable foods. If you are unable to shop for a basket, the Deacons will accept monetary donations and do the shopping for you. Baskets need to be dropped off at Dutch Neck church by Sunday, Nov. 12th, to insure delivery before Thanksgiving. Please contact Bonnie Benkard at [bonniebenkard@gmail.com](mailto:bonniebenkard@gmail.com) or (609) 865-3353 with questions.

### November Birthdays

Henry MacQueen	11/01
Don Maier	11/05
Bruce Perrine	11/05
Carmen Williams	11/06
Joyce Cirullo	11/07
Michael Galvano	11/07
Dianne Jeffers	11/07
Pamela Schultz	11/08
Charles Appelget	11/12
Lucy Melchior	11/12
David Moomaw	11/13
Jake Williams	11/14
Amanda Browne	11/15
Madigan Kelly	11/15
Marilyn Wilson	11/16
Linda Benfer	11/17
Barbara Kammeyer	11/17
Sharon Gladwin	11/18
Paul Hamm	11/18
Joan Maier	11/19
Linda Bugher	11/20
Ted Grover	11/20
Cynthia Hansen	11/20
Ruth Nieckoski	11/20
Mary Schenck	11/21
Ruth LePrevost	11/23
Ronald Slinn	11/23
Shannon Van Dyke	11/23
Lisa O'Shea	11/25
Daniel O'Brien	11/26
Pat Tantum	11/27
Thomas Schwing	11/28
Craig Cannon	11/29
Faith Berenato	11/30
Heather Brakel	11/30

### 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.