

# SCARBOROUGH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Articles Invited from Members & Friends

May 2009

## WORSHIP CALENDAR

### 10:30am Worship

Communion 1st Sunday of the Month.  
Childcare provided for 1st grade + younger  
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- May 3      **Other Sheep**  
              *Communion*  
              John 10:11-18; Acts 4:5-12  
              3:30pm *Historic Society Church Tour SPC*
- May 10     **Mother's Day**  
              **Pruning Shears**  
              Psalm 22:25-31; John 15:1-8
- May 17     **Love One Another**  
              Acts 10:44-48; John 15:9-17
- May 24     **To Not Belong to the World**  
              Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; John 17:6-19
- May 25     Memorial Day
- May 30     SPCC Scarborough Fair
- May 31     Pentecost  
              **The Spirit of the Church**  
              Acts 2:1-21  
              *Confirmation Sunday*
- June 7      **The Call of God**  
              *Communion*  
              Isaiah 6:1-8; John 3:1-17

## *From the Pastor's Pen...*

### **Sunday Morning**

Sunday morning, this past April 19, the seven confirmands from SPC (Justin Cho, Virginia Croft, Emma Codman, Conner Ives, Julia Anglin, Kevin Wolff, and Kelly Wolff.) and four from First Presbyterian in Ossining and a few adults drove down to Chelsea Park on 28th and 9th Avenue in New York City. It was a "Morning Midnight Run" and the service portion of the Confirmation Class curriculum. The Morning Midnight Run is a program run by Midnight Run that is about serving breakfast to homeless people in the city. Barbara Devir set it up for us and everyone (Steve Cho, Trish Wolff, and me) who went were all pretty enthusiastic about the event.

We arrived at church at about 6 AM and made lots of pancakes (thanks Trish and John Codman). Bacon and sausages were made too (thanks Caroline Cho) and then we set off for the city with juice and fruit and coffee cake, too, brought by First Church. I wasn't quite sure what to expect but I knew, having gone on many night Midnight Runs, that it would be engaging. Part of the philosophy of the Midnight Run is that you go to feed people but you also go to interact with them. Every run reminds those who participate that we are all much more alike than different and we are all in this together. Wonderful lessons for everyone and lessons not at all lost on our confirmands.

It was a fairly nice morning as we pulled up. There was a crowd already forming, knowing from the Midnight Run office that breakfast would be served. We quickly set up tables and put out our food and everyone who was waiting for food (cont.)

**Rev. Timothy Ives, Pastor**  
**Mr. Kenneth Potter, Choir Director & Organist**  
**Mrs. Barbara Devir, Commissioned Lay Pastor**  
**Ms. Florence Fletcher, Office Administrator**  
**Mrs. Katya Montelbano, Director Children's Center**

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lined up. It was as lovely a Sunday brunch as I have ever been to.

I didn't eat but I did enjoy the company of many people who were eating and very grateful to be doing so. The morning had that easy Sunday morning feel to it. The kids who were a bit shy at first quickly jumped into the spirit of fellowship talking to and enjoying the time. It was not long before all the bacon was gone and then the pancakes ran out. Everyone, though, did get fed and to a person were grateful for God's grace as shown to them in semi warm pancakes and crispy bacon. I am not sure of the number but I would guess that it was around eighty people.

All in all it was a small event of the kind that happens on this planet all the time ( but not enough!) and yet it gave us all a lift, both those who served and those who received. The kids came back quite sure that they had a good time and the adults came back feeling quite the same.

We were asked when we might come again. I wondered that too. I have asked Barbara to sign us up again for a morning run. I will let you know when our next chance is.

## MAY ADULT EDUCATION NEWS:

**A NEW WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB FORMING:** Deacon Angela Truglio is leading a Women's Book Group which met in March to discuss The Shack by William P. Young. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 15th, 7:30 p.m. at Signe Seelinger's home (941-6862). The book chosen to be discussed is Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson. Please feel free to contact Angela at: arogers35@hotmail.com or 845-665-9838 with any questions and to sign up.

**NEW COURSE STARTING: CALVIN LECTURES** by Prof. Morse of Union Theological Seminary will be viewed Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. starting April 19th and continue through May 31st. The viewing and discussion will be facilitated by Tom Davis and Joel Cambron. Tom reminds us that this is the 500th anniversary of Calvin's birth!

**LECTURE SERIES:** Rev. Dr. Tim Ives concluded his monthly series of lectures on "The Second Death of Christ" on April 17th. Thank you Tim for a stimulating look at the early church. We look forward to your next offering!

**BIBLE STUDY:** Rev. Ives continues to lead weekly Bible study of the Sunday Lectionary Readings every Wednesday at 11 a.m. This is an opportunity to look at the Bible with historical and theological perspectives. Come for discussion only or bring a bag lunch. Please call the office at 941-1142 with any questions. Everyone is welcome to join at any time and can find the Lectionary Readings online at [www.PCUSA.org](http://www.PCUSA.org) by selecting: Devotions and Readings.

**POTLUCK DINNER & A MOVIE GROUP:** The group met in March to view "The Gin Game." The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 1st at 7 p.m. in the Carriage House Conference room where we will view and discuss "**Babette's Feast.**" Participants may bring themed dishes from the movie. Please contact Karin Chaudhari at #941-5736 if you would like to participate.

**SPIRITUAL LIFE DINNERS:** continue to meet every first and third Thursdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Dinner is provided by regular participants and all are welcome to come and share in the meal and conversation. Meetings are planned for: May 7th & 21st.

Spiritual Life Dinners have been ongoing for the last five years and sustained by participants sharing their individual spiritual journeys while sitting around the great big table in Fellowship Hall and enjoying a delicious meal provided by regular participants. We begin with Prayer and Blessing of the Food. After casual conversation while passing the food around we move into our "true sharing" with each other in turns.

### WORSHIP SUPPORT TEAMS

	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Coffee Hour Host</u>
4/26	Debbie Wenninger		Inge & Ken Vought
5/3	Peter Chapman Lucy Milne	Jay Sutterlin	Cory Ethridge
5/10	Richard Cody Beth Henriques	Tom Davis	Susan Burlazzi Malcolm Kostuchenko
5/17	Jay Sutterlin Ed Payne	Will Ingraham	Norm Dodge
5/24	Gene Croft Barbara Cody	Chris Potter	_____
5/31	Don Copans Connie Curran	Confirmation Class	_____
6/7	Lisa Pavlik Andy McMains		_____

**We need volunteers.** Sign Up sheets are located on information table in the Chapel. If you are unable to serve on the assigned dates, please arrange for a substitute and/or call the office. Guidesheets are posted at the Pastor's Study and Kitchenette. Please confirm that the front and streetside doors are locked before you leave. Thank you, in advance, for your willingness to serve in this way.

Everyone is asked to listen with open and authentic hearts and minds. After everyone has had the opportunity to share, as he or she has felt led, discussions often take place around topics related to someone's sharing and continue over dishwashing. We try to close with prayer around the table before anyone has to leave, around 9 p.m.

Spiritual Life Dinners are open to anyone who feels moved to share and provides an opportunity for fellowship with a small group. Please feel free to contact Karin Chaudhari at #941-5736 or Amy Kitahata-Sporn at amyks@optonline.net if you would like to know more.

**THE SPC LENDING LIBRARY:** is open and located between the Sanctuary and Chapel in The Pastor's Study. Please feel free to sign out & in any books on the shelves stamped "Scarborough Presbyterian Church."

**LOOKING AHEAD TO THE SUMMER:** Rev. Tim will offer "Bible 101" eight Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. before the Church service starting June 7th. If anyone with small children would like to attend, we may be able to arrange child care. Please call the church office at 941-1142 with any questions. Questions and suggestions to: Amy Kitahata-Sporn at: amyks@optonline.net.

## Letter Writing Ministry

A small group met at Scarborough Church on Monday, April 6. There were members and friends of First Presbyterian Church in Ossining, Peekskill Presbyterian Church, and Scarborough Church. We read letters we had received from men in prison. The letters had been written in response to Christmas cards they received from church members. All of them expressed joy in being remembered, cared about, and prayed for.

We gathered to send them greetings at Easter and thank them for their letters and prayers.

In addition to writing, we will be praying for these brothers and hope they will continue to pray for us. Please join us as we pray for Terrence, James, Tony, David, David, Anthony, Tony, Luis, Edwin, Maurice, and Jose.

We are planning to meet again on **June 1**. The time is 11 AM, and the place is Scarborough Church. My grandmother always said that many hands make light work. Please feel free to join us in this ministry.

Barbara Devir, CLP

## Thomas Family Newsletter The Thomas family newsletter from Mussoorie India - May 2009

Chris is risen! He is risen indeed! Easter is celebrated the world around, and the worship service at St. Paul's Church of North India in Amritsar was comforting in its familiarity. Flowers, special hymns, the Easter story in scripture, communion and the sharing of "Happy Easter" to each other afterwards.

Barb, Jeff and Coleman traveled west to Amritsar, center of the Sikh religion and home of the famous Golden Temple, on their Quarter Break from Woodstock School. We arrived to witness a parade of Christians with crosses processing in song to Good Friday service.

On this trip, our final look at India before we depart in July, we marveled at the myriad differences of this area: Christians in the Sikh capital, the once opulent Raj period Kapurthala Palace decaying under current use as a military school, soldiers from Pakistan and India performing the daily border closing ceremonies with pomp and competitiveness, the quiet peacefulness at the Jallianwalla Bagh memorial to the memory of the Indians massacred at the hands of the British. We will always remember this place and its people who welcomed us so warmly.

An update on the Bel Gaon village school project: we are in negotiations with the nearby Moravian Institute to take the village school teachers' children into boarding school so the teachers can live and work in the village. This may sound difficult to some, but schools like Moravian and Woodstock have provided home life and good schooling to children of missionaries for over a century.

Thanks to the encouragement and prayers of many, we are more secure in our decision to end this chapter in India and be closer to family in the states. We still search for jobs and ask for your help in providing leads and continued prayers.

Easter blessings and good wishes for a beautiful Spring!

Namaste,

Jeff, Barb, Chris and Coleman Thomas  
barbarathomas@woodstock.ac.in

Thomas India Mission Fund c/o Doris Kersten,  
Coordinator

Checks to made out to:  
Pleasantville Presbyterian Church  
(memo line Thomas India Mission Fund)  
400 Bedford Rd  
Pleasantville, NY 10570



## S.P. Children's Center News

April / May 2009

The sun is shining and it feels like Spring has finally arrived! The children were finally able to get outside and enjoy our playground. We plan to take nature walks to look for signs of Spring. Some upcoming topics in the classrooms will include: butterflies, ladybugs, plants and flowers, Earth Day, Celebrating Father's and Mother's Day.

On **Friday, April 24th** we will hold our **3rd Annual Fun Family Night - Spaghetti Dinner**. There will also be a children's performance by Evy the Magician Clown to entertain the children. Please RSVP and include your check (checks can be made out to SPCC) or cash payment for the dinner. The dinner will cost \$40 per family or \$20 per adult and \$10 per child. Marcie Cascino and Liz Weinstein have graciously given of their time to coordinate this event. We are still looking for volunteers to help with the prep, selling raffle tickets, checking reservations at the door, serving and clean up. If you would like to make a donation and/or volunteer your time, please call the office at 941-0025, ext. 17 or Marcie (Jenna's Mom - Class 3A) at (914) 773-7633 or Liz (Ella's Mom - 4's Class) at (914)941-2623. We are also looking for donations of items to raffle off. If you have tickets or have resources to tap for tickets to a Broadway show, concert or sporting event we would love to hear from you. If you would like to make a donation, please speak with Marcie or Liz or give me a call at the school. If you can not volunteer your time or do not have an item to donate to the raffle, please feel free to make a monetary donation. All donations are tax deductible. All proceeds from the Parent - Child Spaghetti Dinner will benefit the Children of SPCC. Monies raised will be used to purchase equipment for the classrooms or playground and a small portion will go towards our Scholarship program.

**Registration for the 2009 - 2010** school year is still on-going. We are now accepting applications for:  
an Afternoon Four's Class, which will meet Tuesday through Friday Afternoon from 12:30 to 3:00pm.  
an Afternoon Three's Class that meets Tuesday through Friday Afternoon from 12:30 to 3:00pm.  
An Afternoon 2's class that meets either T/TH or T/W/Th Afternoon from 12:30 - 2:30pm.

**We are currently accepting Registration for the 2009 Summer Camp** program that begins on Monday, June 15th. Summer Camp runs from June 15th through Friday, August 7th. Summer camp hours are 9:00am to 12:00 noon. The children enjoy lots of time outdoors with water play, sprinklers, bikes, and playground time. Indoors they enjoy arts & crafts, free play, snacks and story time.

**Registration for the Fall Afternoon Enrichment Classes for 3 to 5 Year olds will begin on May 1st.** Enrichment classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Afternoons from 12:30pm to 3:00pm. Each class will include: thirty minutes of Enrichment and a two hour block that will consist of: free play, a craft project, snack, story and outdoor/indoor large motor activity. Enrichment LunchBunch will be held from 12:00 to 12:30 prior to Enrichment class and is included in the Enrichment tuition fee.

If you are interested, in any registration information, please give me a call at 941-0025, ext. 17.

With wishes for a healthy & happy Spring,

Katya Montelbano, Director

## News from Congregational Life

March 22nd

Congregational Life hosted a "formal" Luncheon welcoming our new members into the the Church. The Fellowship Hall set up with tables and china, a cheerful and inviting buffet of exquisite foods, desserts and coffee and tea, became quickly a lovely place of Fellowship and friendship, for newcomers and old-timers. A sincere thank you to all the committee members who helped and provided for this special event: Signe- Camille-Linnea-Catherine-Terri-Debbie-Inge and a thank you to Pia and Floy who helped with the hosting and to Ashok who came to the rescue as our "dishwasher". And as always my personal thanks to Don for always knowing exactly how to set up the tables and chairs.  
Peace, Karin

## CELEBRATING IN MAY

- 2- Jonathan Copans
- Ryan Schuster
- 3- Claire Payne
- 4- Martha Dodge
- 7- Kevin Wolff
- 12- Connie Curran
- Henry Tareque
- 13- Arthur McKinley
- 15- Margot Pavlik
- 16- Karen D Attore
- 18- Floy Bossinas
- Patrick F. Meudt
- 20- Will Ingraham
- 23- Sandy Evans
- 24- Mary Claire Sutterlin
- 27- Lyle Codman
- 29- Linnea Carnes
- Camille Lane



## News from the Pews

It is with sadness that we convey the news of:

**Anna Scherer**, Inge Vought's mother, passing from this life on March 5th after a brief illness. Her warm smile and humble presence will be very much missed.

**Allen Wolff's** father's death the week of April 19th in Hawaii. We pray for the family as they travel, asking for God's presence to be with them.

**Joel Cambron's** step-father has also passed from this life on April 23rd in Kansas. May God's glory shine.

With mixed emotions, we announce that

**Kathy Shaffren**, one of our committed Deacons, has moved. Her new address is: 25 Cooper Drive #1B, New Rochelle, NY 10801. God be with you on your journey!

And, we praise God that:

**Meg Pierce** is finally near Bob again. She has been moved to the Bethel at Spring Vale Home in Croton on Hudson. Visiting hours are fairly open; she'd love a visit.

Also know that:

**Angela Rogers** is now using her maiden name of **Truglio**. Her e-mail remains arogers35@hotmail.com.

In case you've been wondering:

**Flo Fletcher**, our office manager, has been completing the **field work** component of her studies at All Soul's Parish Presbyterian Church in Port Chester, which takes her away every Sunday and Tuesday. This aspect of her training will last through June. Please keep her in your prayers.

## Out and About

Use the link on our website under resources or go directly to the **Hudson River Presbytery** website at hudrivpres.org. There are many wonderful opportunities for committees to glean tips and solid information for their programs, as well as programs and retreats for personal growth

### Reminder:

All submissions for the Newsletter must be received in the office no later than the 20th of each month to insure timely mailings.

The following persons, elected by the congregation, are willing to serve in a leadership capacity. Please do not hesitate to call or e-mail if you have a prayer request, an idea, a joy, a concern, a resource or a talent to share, or would like to join a committee!

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### Congregational Nominating Committee

Lisa Cerny, Michele Croft, Connie Curran, Amy Kitahata-Sporn, Catherine Savell, Jay Sutterlin and Signe Seelinger

