



The Oracle

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Preparations for General Assembly

I spent the first part of last week in Louisville preparing for the GA 222 meeting in Portland, OR in June. This will be my time to serve as a Commissioner, so I am very excited to participate in our process of discernment and decision making. I will be serving as Moderator of the Middle East Issues Committee, which will keep me very busy. The leadership team for the Committee spend several hours planning together, seeking to provide the best committee experience possible. I am hopeful that the committee process will be open and allow time for serious prayerful deliberation, as well as welcoming a diversity of viewpoints through open hearings and the voices of the overture advocates.

Jim Renfrow, who by then will be our Presbytery Moderator (election at our May meeting), will be serving on The Way Forward Committee, focusing on how we, as a national church, make constitutional changes, and the relationship between Presbyterian Mission Agency and the Office of the General Assembly.

Sylvia Fox, Ruling Elder from First Pittsford, will be on the Immigration and Environmental Issues Committee, which will consider overtures concerning climate change and divestment from the Fossil Fuel Industry, as well as the status of refugees and persons who have been internally displaced.

Sarah Noble-Moag, Ruling Elder from Covington, has been assigned to the Mission Coordination Committee, which focuses on Mission programs authorized by the General Assembly, the mission budget, PC(USA) vision and goals, initiatives on church growth, and the 1001 New Worshipping Communities program.

Our Young Adult Advisory Delegate (YAAD), **Zachary Caloritis**, a member of Ogden PC, and a student at Grove City College, will serve on Church Polity and Ordered Ministry. Zach can anticipate spending a good deal of time with the Book of Order, considering proposals to amend the Form of Government and the Rules of Discipline.

Our Commissioners will meet with colleagues from Western New York and Geneva Presbyteries later in May, when our YAADs will be available, for orientation to the GA experience. We look forward to both serving the assembly and to spending time interpreting the decision of GA 222 to our Presbytery and our churches when we return. Please hold all of us, and the entire Assembly, in prayer from June 18-25.

Thanks!

Amy Fowler, Presbytery Leader, PBYGenVal

UPCOMING GUEST MINISTERS

May 1 — Jeff Falter

CROP Walk Sunday

May 8 — John Goehle

Mother's Day Sunday

May 15 — Bob Kaiser

Pentecost Sunday... WEAR RED!!!

May 22 — Jeff Falter

May 29 — Viktoria Berlik

Memorial Day Sunday

ORACLE DEADLINE

The June 2016 Oracle Deadline is **Monday, May 16th.**

PENTECOST OFFERING 2016

May 15, 2016

The Pentecost Offering is traditionally received on the day of Pentecost. This year Pentecost is on Sunday, May 15. It provides a direct way to meet the needs of children at risk, youth, and young adults. Congregations are encouraged to keep 40 percent of the Offering to support ministries benefitting these age groups in their communities.

The General Assembly's portion (60 percent) provides leadership development opportunities for Presbyterian youth and young adults and supports children-at-risk programs at the national level. Since 1998, Presbyterians of all ages have raised more than \$8 million for these ministries that benefit younger members of God's family.



Rummage Sale

Thursday, May 12 — 4 to 8pm

Friday, May 13 — 9am to 8pm

Saturday, May 14 — 9am to Noon (50% off)

THIS IS OUR LARGEST SALE EVER!

Items include: Clothing, Furniture, Household Items, and Antiques.

Workers are needed! Please sign up on the PW Bulletin Board.

ITEMS CAN BE BROUGHT TO OPC BEGINNING SUNDAY, MAY 8TH.

Please price everything except for clothing.

Call 352-6848 for item pickup if needed. Thank you!

CHRISTIAN ED MISSION PROJECT



Christian Education is directing the final weekly collection of the year to the Pentecost Offering, along with the rest of the congregation. This offering will be taken from now until May 15th (Pentecost Sunday).

Pentecost banks will be available soon.

Please help your child(ren) remember their weekly offering! Thank you!

SPENCERPORT FOOD SHELF NEEDS...

Current needs: Paper Towels, Peanut Butter, Crackers, Cake Mixes, Hamburger Helper, Pork and Beans, and Baked Beans. Cash and/or gift cards are always welcome. There are 120 families on the active list that benefit from your donations. See Jean Schult or Andy Resch if you wish to donate cash.

Thank you for your generosity!

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Each Sunday in our PowerPoint announcement, we announce the birthdays of members of our church for that coming week. Sometimes we have the birthday correct, sometimes we don't, and sometimes it's missing all together. Help us fix this! We want to celebrate with you!

Please take a minute to either email or call the church office with the birthdays and anniversaries, as well as the correct spellings of the names of members in your household.



Email: ogdenpres@frontiernet.net or
Phone: 585-352-6802.

You do not need to give us the year, but by having the dates, we can be sure to include you in the birthday list. Thanks!

EAGLE STAR VETERAN'S HOME

The Men's Bible Group needs your help. Throughout the year, we will be collecting donations on the "Veterans' Wish List". The complete list is posted on the Mission Bulletin Board and on the special box on the Mission Table. Extra copies of the list will be on the table for you to take home. If you have any questions, contact any member of the Bible Group. Your help is greatly appreciated.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible study meets the **2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, at Noon** (bring your lunch with you). New members are always welcome. Any questions, see Dick Malloy.

GET RID OF YOUR LOOSE CHANGE

Once again, the Missions Committee will be collecting loose change for the Spencerport Human Needs Fund.

The coin jar will be on the Mission table.
Thank you for your help!

Trustee of the Month:

May — Al Webster — (585) 402-6244

One trustee is assigned per month to take care of any building issues that may arise. Work Order Request forms can be found on the office window ledge. Please call the designated Trustee if you have something that needs to be addressed or drop off a Work Order Request in the office.

April Prayers of Concern

Prayers for friends and family of Mack McLean, who passed away

Nancy LaMonica has some health issues

Prayers for Brad Netzler and family, who lost their 3-yr-old grandson, Wyatt, in an accident at his daycare center

A close Canadian friend of Dan Markovic is not doing well. He has Lou Gehrig's Disease. Please pray for ease of his suffering, and for his wife, Janet.

Prayers for Cindy Caloritis' aunt, Jean, who rests in hospice care waiting for the Lord to call her home. She is prepared, but hearts will be heavy. She loves life!

Madi Hoadley had cardiac catheter surgery last week For family and friends of former Webster firefighter Gene Reigel, who passed away. He was a former co-worker of the Palmers.

Prayers for all those who seek employment
Prayers for our servicemen and women, and our veterans

Prayers for Norma's friend's 6-month-old granddaughter, who is facing many health issues
Prayers for Barb Paulick's niece, Merikay, who is in the final stages of cancer

Jackson Hinnett had his tonsils and adenoids out this past week. Prayers for his comfort and healing
For the residents of the Aurora House and their families and loved ones

For the Scotch Presbyterians, let us not forget the Battle of Culloden (April 16, 1746)

Continued prayers for Zach Caloritis' girlfriend's grandma, who was in a bad car accident on 4/10. She had been on a ventilator since her surgery, but it has recently been removed. Amy was able to visit her, and she was able to communicate with the family.

Please lift Pat & Bill Everett in your prayers. Bill has Stage 3 colon cancer, and will be meeting with a surgeon.

Dianne Voorhees will be having major reconstructive spinal surgery May 10th, and will face at least a 12-week recovery afterward. Her doctor tells her she's going to be in intense pain for at least 2 weeks after the surgery. She is asking that you please pray for her, as she is quite afraid of all this.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY MISSION PROJECT



The Women's Bible Study group have learned of a need for Afghanistan where medications are dispensed wrapped in a piece of paper. We are in contact with the Ministry of Health in Kabul, which would very much appreciate donations of empty, clean pill bottles with the labels removed for use in dispensing medication.

We are asking everyone to donate these pill bottles. There is a box in the Oak Room to collect these, and we will prepare them for shipment.

Thank you for supporting this effort to provide sanitary and safe dispensing of medications to the people of Afghanistan.

CALLING ALL UPCOMING GRADUATES...

We want to honor all your hard work, and congratulate you on your graduation!

There will be a special recognition during worship in June, as well as a page in the June Oracle dedicated just to you!



In order to ensure that we have the right information, please either submit (or have your family submit) your full name, high school/college/university name, degree awarded, as well as a nice picture! Please have all info submitted to Brandon in the church office by the end of May.

Deacon co-chairs Dennise Webster and Dawn Sheffet also request that you give one of them a call to verify they have your information correct as well.

Thank you very much, and an early congratulations on all you've accomplished!

INTERIM SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The ISC held its first candidate interview on Wednesday evening (4/20). This was a productive first meeting with a qualified candidate. We hope to begin receiving more Pastor Information Forms (PIFs) soon. Anyone interested in receiving a copy of our letter of qualifications should send an email to John Caloritis (jcalorit@rochester.rr.com). Please keep us and OPC in your prayers as we continue moving forward.

Blessings,
OPC Interim Search Committee

CAMERON COMMUNITY MINISTRIES



During the month of May, the Missions Committee will be collecting **creamy** peanut butter (1 lb.) and grape and strawberry **jelly** for Cameron's new "Adopt-a-Shelf" program. Cameron has a large good shelf that helps the many families in their area. Please help us help them. There will be a special box on the Mission Table. Thank you!

From the DEACONS...

Our Shut-ins

Jane Snell at Kirkhaven — Deacon/Dawn Sheffet
 Judy Pagel at St. Mary's/Unity — Deacon/Michelle Rosipayla
 Gene Brendel at The Hamlet @ Unity Villages — Deacon/Ruth Gaskill

Those in care facilities/shut-ins to be remembered with prayers, cards, and visits!

Addresses/phone numbers for any of the above, or best times to visit, may be obtained from the Deacons.



Mary En-
gelbreit



Be a lamp, a lifeboat, or a ladder

-Rumi

Our Deacons for 2016

Dawn Sheffet — Moderator
 Harry Pittman — Charity
 Dennise Webster — Co-Moderator/Cards
 Cindy Caloritis — Flowers
 Diane Dupree — Membership
 Sim Mulford — Communion Setup
 Ruth Gaskill — Communion Servers
 Michelle Rosipayla — Secretary
 Ron Tucker — Treasurer

The Deacons would like to acknowledge those familiar to our church family who are currently serving in the United States Military. We encourage the congregation to remember and pray for them in honor of their service to our country.

Gary J. Mulford
 7063A Han Circle
 Ft Stewart, GA 31315



Deacon News

- * Please call Dawn Sheffet or Dennise Webster if you have a soon-to-be graduate so they can verify information for the graduate recognition in June.
- * We have a Deacon who can now serve communion to anyone who wants it.
- * Anyone wishing to do so can provide flowers for special services. Contact the Deacons.
- * Don't forget to donate clothing to the Deacon closet in the front of the church.
- * The Deacons want to thank Ann Delaney for the thoughtful letter and the contribution to the Deacon Fund.
- * Please keep us informed of joys and concerns. We cannot put things through the prayer chain or alert the congregation unless it comes directly from that person. Thank you for your understanding. We thank you for being the eyes, ears, and caring hearts for those in need in our congregation, and for letting us know.
- * FIND YOUR DEACON: To know who your Deacon is, go to the Bulletin Board by the Kitchen door. Look through the Deacons Zone Pages, and you should see your name listed.

Where love and caring are, there is God.

The work of the board of the Deacons is supported by your contributions to the Deacon offering, which is taken on Communion Sunday. Offering envelopes are available in the pews for this collection. Thank you!

Leadership of OPC – 2016

<u>Committee</u> Session	<u>Leaders</u>	<u>Members</u>
	Moderator: Rev. Robert Kaiser Clerk of Session: John Caloritis	Sandy Frieday, Cheri Hill, Roger Howlett, Dick Malloy, Nicole Quinn, Pat Rowe.
Christian Education	Cindy Anderson: CE Chair Donna Metherell: Youth Director	Kelly Bindert, Ruth Gaskill, Pamela Gonnoud, Tracy McKinney, Carol Newman, Jen Savino
Discipleship	Pat Rowe	Dennis Dupree, Bonnie Howlett
Fellowship	Sandy Frieday	Alice Brendel, Janet Fraina, Cheri Hill, Bonnie Howlett, Sharon Pittman, Carol Quinn, Nicole Quinn, Jean Schult, Anne Wallace
Finance/Stewardship	Dick Malloy	John Caloritis, Dennis Dupree, Donna Gruendike, Bob Wallace, Al Webster
Membership	Pat Rowe	Diane Dupree, Pat Everett, Marilyn Malloy, Chris Matull, Anne Wallace
Mission	Nicole Quinn	Evelyn Bentley, Stephanie Cassidy, Caitlin Meabon, Ann Metz, Carol Newman, Carol Quinn, Joanne Ville
Nominating	Roger Howlett	Don Clark, Marlene Dyer, Sandi Mandarano, Cheryl Palmer, Julia Ryhal, Ron Tucker
Personnel	Cheri Hill	Norma Jones, Dick Malloy, Jean Schult, Bob Wallace
Worship and Music	Roger Howlett	Bonnie Bush, Marlene Dyer, Carol Quinn, Nicole Quinn, Marian Smith, Jean Weaver
Presbytery Commissioner	(Session will Rotate)	
Deacons	Moderator: Dawn Sheffet Moderator: Dennise Webster	Cindy Caloritis, Diane Dupree, Ruth Gaskill, Sim Mulford, Harry Pittman, Michelle Rosipayla, Ron Tucker,
Trustees	Moderator: Al Webster	Tim Cassidy, Scott Corey, Scott Gaskill, Dan Halstead, John Lodge, Eileen Smith
Presbyterian Women	Chair: Sim Mulford Treasurer: Jen Savino	Alice Brendel, Betty Hogue, Marilyn Malloy, Judy Rynne, Mary Saurini, Dennise Webster
Auditors	Dick Malloy (2016) Judy Rynne (2017) Harry Pittman (2018)	
Endowment Fund	John Caloritis	Donna Gruendike, Dick Malloy, Judy Rynne, Bob Wallace
Food Shelf	Jean Schult	Andy Resch
Memorial Fund	Sandy Frieday	

Upcoming 2016 OPC Fellowship Events

May 8 - Special Mothers' Day Fellowship Hour hosted by the men of OPC. Please sign up for contributions on the Fellowship Bulletin Board, beginning April 17th.



May 15 - Pentecost Fellowship Hour. Please sign up for contributions on the Fellowship Bulletin Board, beginning April 24th.

June 19 - Dad and Grad Celebration during Fellowship Hour. Meal served by Fellowship Team (Free Will Offering).



July 23 - Lunch at the Coal Tower and Boat Ride on the Sam Patch in Pittsford. Shop in the stores along the canal. More information to be posted in June.

August 21 - OPC Annual Picnic in our church pavilion. Please sign up for contributions on the Fellowship Bulletin Board in early August.



September 17 - 16th Annual Niagara Celtic Heritage Festival in Olcott, NY. Enjoy live Celtic music, dancers, vendors, food, contests, children's activities and more. More information to be posted in July/August.

September 18 - Mexican Theme Fellowship Hour with a Pinata for the children. Meal served by Fellowship Team (Free Will Offering).



October 23 - Oktoberfest Fellowship Hour. Meal served by Fellowship Team (Free Will Offering).

December 18 - OPC Christmas Party hosted by the Fellowship Team. Great food and gifts! ☺



Please join us for these fun fellowship activities!

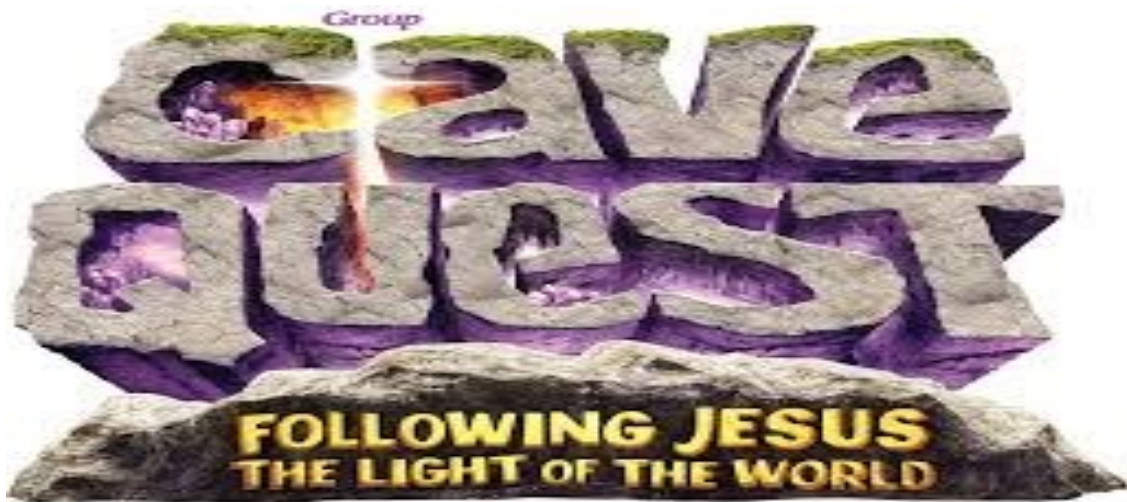
A HUGE THANK YOU!!!

The Mission Committee would like to thank **everyone** who donated items for Fostering Hope. Special "Thank Yous" to Stitchin' for Mission for the 10 lovely children's quilts they gave us and to Mary Lynn Watson for the beautiful children's hats she made. Because of everyone's help, the children receiving our backpacks will know they are not forgotten. Thank you, and God Bless.

The OPC Mission Committee

Vacation Bible School 2016

Ogden Presbyterian Church
First Congregational Church &
Ogden Baptist Church
present...



July 11-15

9:00 am- 12 noon

Cave Quest Location:

Ogden Presbyterian Church
2400 So. Union Street
Spencerport

Registration Deadline: June 12th

See Donna Metherell for questions
or Registration Forms





Registration Form

(One Per Child)

Child's name: _____ Child's gender: _____

Child's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone: (_____) _____

Parent/caregiver's cell phone: (_____) _____

Home email address: _____

Home church: _____

Crew number or name (for church use only): _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____



In case of emergency, contact: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship to child: _____



Worship and Fellowship Assistants

GREETERS:

May 1	Sandi Mandarano
8	Bill & Pat Everett
15	Bill & Suzanne Ewell
22	Pamela, Elizabeth & Lily Gonnoud
29	Ann Metz

USHERS:

May 1	Bob Hutchison & Harry Pittman
8	Bonnie & Roger Howlett
15	Eileen & Rick Smith
22	Diane & Dennis Dupree
29	Sandy & Jim Frieday

LITURGIST:

May 1	Cheri Hill
8	Roger Howlett
15	Cheri Hill
22	Sandy Frieday
29	Carol Newman

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:

May 1	Deacons
8	Mother's Day Fellowship (Men w/ Fellowship help)
15	Fellowship Team; Pentecost Sunday
22	Sharon Pittman
29	TBA

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:

May 1	Michelle Rosipayla & Glenn Ewell
8	MOTHER'S DAY!!!
15	Michelle Rosipayla & Glenn Ewell
22	Heather Cassidy & Cindy Anderson
29	Heather Cassidy & Cindy Anderson

NURSERY CARE:

May 1	Cindy Anderson
8	Sandi Mandarano
15	Pam Gonnoud
22	Carol Newman
29	Michelle Rosipayla

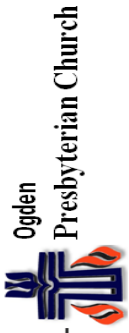
COMMUNION SERVERS:

May 1	Jill Nundy, Harry Pittman, Nicole & Carol Quinn
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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Name	Day
Timothy Kimble	5 / 1
Judy Pagel	5 / 1
Robert Spaulding	5 / 2
Elsie Allyn	5 / 3
Terri Mykins	5 / 4
Sandi Mandarano	5 / 4
Nicole Quinn	5 / 8
Lauren Jean Metherell	5 / 9
Rick Smith	5 / 11
DuWayne Paulick	5 / 11
Don Clarke	5 / 13
Emma Corey	5 / 14
Betty Lou Hogue	5 / 16
Bill Ewell	5 / 16
Joanne Ville	5 / 16
Francis Ridley	5 / 21
Alice Brendel	5 / 22
Jerry Matull	5 / 22
Tim Cassidy	5 / 24
John Halstead	5 / 24
Brian Brothers	5 / 25
Joseph Knight	5 / 27
Molly Mason	5 / 27
Jeremie Jobes	5 / 27
Andrew St. Denis	5 / 28
A. Elizabeth Osborn	5 / 29
Ayla Marie Brongo	5 / 29
Heather Cassidy	5 / 29
Jeff Hahn	5 / 30
Grace Gaskill	5 / 31

happy
birthday



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 CROP Walk, 1pm JEFF FALTER	2 Fellowship, 6pm	3 Women's Bible Study, 9:30am Christian Education, 7pm	4 TOPS, 5:30pm Choir, 7pm	5 National Day of Prayer, Noon, Ogden Town Hall Missions, 7pm	6	7
8 Mother's Day JOHN GOEHLE	9 Men's Bible Study, Noon	10 Women's Bible Study, 9:30am Worship & Music, 7pm Finance, 7pm	11 TOPS, 5:30pm Choir, 7pm	12 SEM, 9am Stitchin' for Mission, 10am OPC Rummage Sale, 4-8pm	13 OPC Rummage Sale, 9am - 8pm	14 OPC Rummage Sale, 9am - Noon
15 Pentecost BOB KAISER	16 Deacons, 6:30pm Trustees, 7pm ORACLE DEADLINE	17 Women's Bible Study, 9:30am Session, 7pm	18 TOPS, 5:30pm Choir, 7pm	19	20 Wedding Rehearsal, 4-6pm	21 TOPS, 8am - Noon Wedding, 3pm
22 FLOOR WAXING (Church Closed after worship) JEFF FALTER	23 FLOOR WAXING (Church Closed)	24 Women's Bible Study, 9:30am	25 TOPS, 5:30pm Choir, 7pm	26	27	28
29 VIKTORIA BERLIK	30 Memorial Day	31 Women's Bible Study, 9:30am	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><i>OPC Mission Statement: Our purpose is to equip ourselves and others to be disciples of Christ as we seek God's will for our church and beyond.</i></p> </div>			

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Newsletter Deadline: Articles for the *June 2016* issue of The Oracle are due in the Church Office no later than **Monday, May 16th** by 10:00 a.m. All contributions are subject to editing with regard to the subject matter and space requirements.

The Oracle is the newsletter of the Ogden Presbyterian Church of Spencerport, New York, a member congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA). The newsletter is sent to members and friends of the congregation to keep them informed of events, activities, and people in the life of the congregation. **Sunday worship is at 10:00a.m.** Church school is offered for all ages. Coffee Fellowship immediately follows worship. All guests are welcome!

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