

The Presbyterian Church of Mt. Kisco

Christian Education Newsletter – for children, youth and families

Seeking Light for the Journey, we come together to worship God, nurture faith,
pursue social justice and share love in the name of Jesus Christ.

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(after children's time – 11:00am)

- Birth – 2 year olds: Nursery (2nd FL) (9:00am – 11:15am)
- Preschool Age 3 & Age 4: Room E (1st FL)
- K and 1st/2nd Grades: Grades: Room D (1st FL)
- 3rd/4th Grades: Room C (1st FL)
- 5th/6th Grades: Conference Room (2nd FL)
- 7th/8th Grades: Pocket Room (2nd FL)

11:00 – children in Grades 4 and under are reunited with parents in the Great Hall - by the children's snack table



May 5th – Communion Sunday.

Regular classes

May 12th – Mother's Day – Regular classes
Christian Education Recognition Sunday

May 19th – Pentecostal Sunday

Youth Sunday, Confirmation Sunday, HS Recognition Sunday, HS Youth Mission Trip Commissioning; Children 2nd grade and under will have regular Sunday school classes. 3rd grade and up remains in the sanctuary and sitting with family.

May 26th – Memorial Weekend – No Sunday School Classes. Children remain in service and paid nursery staff is available to oversee 5 year olds and under. Quiet materials for older children will be provided.

Thank you to Rev. Charles Barton for presenting children's time on April 7th



Christian Education

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Christian Educators – Lynn Lucas & Angie Kung
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Children's Worship Choir Director – Elisabeth Southorn
SouthornGang@hotmail.com (K thru 4th Grades)

Youth Bell Director – Terry Flanagan
MusicDirector@pcmk.org (5th thru 8th Grades)

Youth Leader – Sarah Lucas (MSYG – 5th thru 8th grades)
YouthGroup@pcmk.org (HSYG – 9th thru 12th grades)



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

May is a very busy month for the Christian Education Program. Not only will we be acknowledging our mothers on Mother's Day (Sunday, May 12th), we will be thanking all those who make the Christian Education program at PCMK possible. From staff (nursery, music directors & youth leader) to our dedicated volunteer teachers (adults and high schoolers). They will be feted with the sweet sounds of the children's worship choir as well as a sweet treat of their own! So if you have had anything to do with the Christian Education program, you have been singled out!

Our 10 confirmands have spent the last few months examining their faith, becoming better acquainted with each other and exploring what it means to be a member by shadowing the Deacons as they go about their duties. They have also met with our older and wiser members of the congregation as part of the mentoring process. They will be officially welcomed as full voting members of PCMK on Sunday, May 19th.

We will also be recognizing our 2 high school seniors who have been an integral part in the life of our church as well as commissioning our HS youth mission trip to West Virginia. Whew, we anticipate another entertaining Youth Sunday.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I can't believe May is here already. May is going to be a bittersweet month. It is a beautiful month with warmer days and family gatherings. It will be an exciting month at PCMK as we celebrate and welcome the confirmation class of 2013 into membership on May 19th. The week before that is Mother's Day and we will honor mothers and all our Christian Education volunteers. And here's the bittersweet part—it is on Sunday, May 19th we say "thank you" for the dedicated leadership of Angie Kung and Lynn Lucas as they 'retire.' The good news is they are not going anywhere! Come help us celebrate these important milestones in our life together.

See you in church in May!

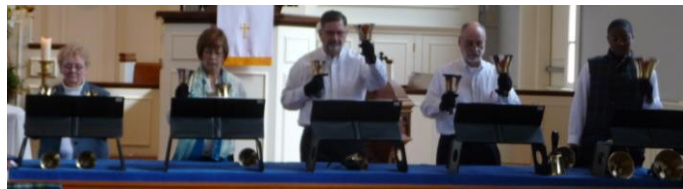
Pastor Dale

- Children's Worship Choir – K – 4th Grades
 - 9:15am – 9:45am
 - Director: Elisabeth Southorn
 - southorngang@hotmail.com
- Youth Bell Choir – 5th grades and up
 - 9:15am – 9:45am
 - Director: Terry Flanagan
 - musicdirector@pcmk.org

Children's
& Youth
Choirs



Adult Bell Choir Performance on 4/7 - Lisa Flanagan, Hilde Seiler, Linda Griffie, Linda Lewis, Alexa L. & Cheryl Milde



Maxine Gaddis, Ruth Barton, Fred Seiler, Jim Durfee & Akin A.

May 5th – regular rehearsals

May 12th – **Mother' Day** – Children's Worship Choir Performance – please have your child in church by 9:15 to robe and to warm up; regular rehearsals

May 19th – **Pentecostal Sunday** – Children's Choir Performance (please bring your child in church by 9:15 – to warm up – no robes) and Youth Bell Choir Performance (please bring your youth to church by 9:00) Last day of Children/Youth Music!

May 26th – **Memorial Weekend** – no rehearsals



From Sunday, June 23rd to Sunday, June 30th, youth leader Sarah Lucas and Pastor Dale and Elisabeth Southorn will accompany 15 high school youth to McDowell County, West Virginia for an Appalachia Service Project.



Thank you to:

- Akin A., Bailey F., Jean L., Jonathan L., Beverly T. Alexandra K. for manning the fundraising tables for the month of April.
- The Tai Family for hosting the 2nd Team Meeting on 4/14
- Everyone who bought Mission Share - \$2,120 was raised
- Everyone who Hired A Youth - \$800 was raised
- Look for the list of supporters in the Great Hall!

The HS will now continue selling Mission Shares Sale to family and friends!

High Schooler's please don't forget to submit your completed Experience Mission waver form. Extra copies are in the Teen Room. Please stop by and sign the release form or drop off your completed form. Thanks!



Top Row: Akin A., Pastor Dale Southorn, Matthew B.; Middle Row: Lindsay E., Bailey F., Dylan T.; Bottom R: Theo C., Anthony C., Youth Leader Sarah Lucas, Alexa L., Jean L., Alexandra K., Juliet K., Jonathan L., River E., Graham B.

HS Youth Mission Trip Team Meetings @ 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Sunday, May 19th – Host Family – Foard

Student Topic Presentation: Community & Religion and Economics and Natural Environment

CONFIRMATION CLASS

- 9:00 – 10:00 – Meeting time
- 10:00 – 11:00 – Worship with family or mentor
- 11:00 – 11:15 – Snack in the Great Hall
- 11:15 – 11:45 – Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 11:45 – 1:00 – Youth Group Meeting

Wednesday, May 1th – “Statement of Faith” with Session at 7:00.

May 5th – Meeting # 12 – *What now?* – Pastor Dale

Friday, May 10th – **Confirmation Rehearsal/ Dinner** – 5:30pm @ PCMK followed by pot luck dinner at the Mofield/Blair abode.

May 19th – **Confirmation Day!** – 8:45am



Confirmation Overnight Retreat in April – “Unleashing Your Inner Superhero”



Back Row: *Sarah Lucas with Dillon P., Seamus B., Marcello C., Max H., Gaige E.*
 Front Row: *Sam F., Carolyn W., Julia D., Pastor Dale & Nikki P.*

CONFIRMATION CLASS – MISSION

Confirmands are being asked to volunteer 2 hours of their time (they do not have to be consecutive) to support the church’s mission fundraiser – Rummage Sale! The volunteer times are as follows:

- Saturday, June 1st – 1 to 4 (Set Up)
- Sunday, June 2nd – 12 to 4
- Monday, June 3rd – 10 to 4
- Tuesday, June 4th – 10 to 4
- Wednesday, June 5th – 10 to 7
- Thursday, June 6th – 10 to 6
- Friday, June 7th – 10 to 4 (Sale)
- Saturday, June 8th – 9 to 3 (Sale & Clean Up)



Thank you to Max H. for helping to prepare communion for the month of April



Thank you to Prof. Wayne TeBrake for leading Confirmation Class on 4/7



Thank you to Rev. Charles Barton for leading Confirmation Class on 4/21



Middle School Y.G.

Who: 5th graders – 8th graders

When: Every Sunday @ 11:45am – 1:00pm

Where: Teen Room

What to Bring: **\$3 per slice of pizza or prepay with EZ-Pizza (\$20)**

May 5th – Regular Meeting

May 12th – Regular Meeting

May 19th – Regular Meeting but @ 11:30

May 26th – Memorial Weekend – No Meeting

Thank you to 2nd helper for the month of April: Anthony C., Bailey F. & Gerard Carelli



Youth Group Scavenger Hunt on April 7th

High School Y.G.

Who: 9th graders – 12th graders

When: 2 Sundays a month after children’s time until 11:00

Where: Teen Room

May 5th – Regular Meeting

May 12th – Regular Meeting

May 19th – No Meeting

May 26th – Memorial Weekend – No Meeting



Youth Group Road Trip Bluestone Farm and Living Arts Center, Brewster, NY - Saturday, May 18th

is a local religious organization that seeks to create sustainable living through farming practices. The farm's produce is grown organically and stored on-site, through drying, lactofermenting and freezing, in order to feed the organization's members throughout the year. In addition to produce, Bluestone Farm maintains duck and chicken flocks, cows and bees, and produces maple syrup, honey and wine.

Pack a lunch; Meet at PCMK around 8 or 9am; Return to PCMK at around 3 or 4pm Please RSVP to Sarah Lucas ASAP!



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SAVE THE DATE:
Clean out those closets!

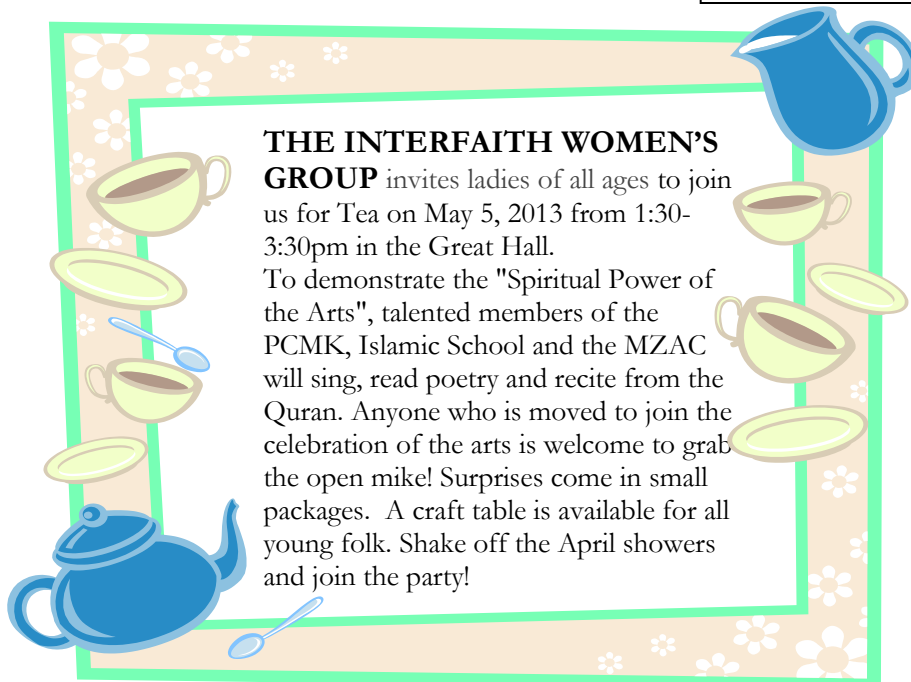


Friday, June 7th (10 – 4)
Saturday, June 8th (9 – 12)

SAVE THE DATE:



Ken Godshall
Sunday, June 2nd
@ 3:00pm – PCMK



THE INTERFAITH WOMEN'S GROUP invites ladies of all ages to join us for Tea on May 5, 2013 from 1:30-3:30pm in the Great Hall. To demonstrate the "Spiritual Power of the Arts", talented members of the PCMK, Islamic School and the MZAC will sing, read poetry and recite from the Quran. Anyone who is moved to join the celebration of the arts is welcome to grab the open mike! Surprises come in small packages. A craft table is available for all young folk. Shake off the April showers and join the party!

PC(USA)'s annual Mother's Day Project, benefits Healthy Women Healthy Families. This is a ministry that supports health projects that care for women and children around the world, helping families escape a vicious cycle of poor health and poverty. Support Health Women Healthy Families by purchasing Mother's Day cards – Sold after worship in the Narthex on Sunday, May 5th!



FAMILY FUN "GARDENING" NIGHT
On Friday, April 19th



Showing off their pots –
Kelly B., Paige D., Meredith D., Spencer S., Nina B., Chloe G, Terence F.



The son of Laura and William Carey was baptized on April 28th – Cole William Carey is the grandson of Paul & Debbie Meyer. Cole's mother, Laura attended Sunday School at PCMK (pictured with Pastor Dale & Nancy Osborne, Session Representative)

Christian Educator Search Committee Update

Chair: *Tim Byrne* Members:
Rady Bauer, Alexandra K., Paul Mignone, Karl Milde, and Pastor Pastor Dale Southorn
Stav Tuned!



When: May 10 & May 25
Time: 9:30am – 10:30am
Where: 2nd Floor Nursery Room
Ages: Preschool Age and under



Volunteers (16 & up) needed
Wednesday, May 1st @ 9-11
Tuesday, May 21st @ 5-7
Pantry located in the UMC



Packing on Tuesday, May 21st @ 4:00pm in PCMK kitchen
Request for new or gently used knapsacks