



# Across the Presbytery of Northern NY March 29, 2017



**Presbytery Office hours Monday thru Thursday 9:00 to noon  
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*Presbytery Meeting had a fantastic turn out of 51 people. Lots of information was shared to everyone , very nice luncheon and the money raised for MINC Emergency Fund was \$1,053.00. Thank you Hammond for hosting this event. A nice beginning of our 2017 year of meetings.*

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***Presbyterian Women the Spring Coordinating Team Meeting is Saturday April 8, 2017 at 10 am, Ponderosa Restaurant, Potsdam.***

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***Paul & Darlene Heller will be traveling to Mzuzu Crisis Nursery in April 2017 in Malaw, Africa. They are bringing supplies which provide emotional support and reassure the staff of Nursery. Need Cash donations for upkeep and replacement of infrastructure such as the dryer. They want to take items not easily found in Africa. The need Sweat suits size 6 months to 2 years. ( they are headed into the coldest months.) Cloth diapers ,disposable diapers (any size or type). Plastic pants, baby sweaters, baby blankets, baby wipes, disposable gloves for the (Nannies), Platex gloves and hand sanitizer. Cash donations may be mailed to Presbytery of Northern New York, Attn: Mzuzu Crisis Nursery Fund, 311 Franklin Street, Room B, Ogdensburg, NY 13669. All donations are tax deductible. Any questions please call Darlene or Paul Heller 518-645-4769***

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***Peru Community Church has a Prayer Shawl Ministry Team. They meet each Wednesday from 1- 3 pm to pray and work together. If anyone wants to make a shawl at home go to website [www.shawlministry.com](http://www.shawlministry.com). May God's grace be upon this shawl... warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven... a sacred place of security and love... sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones. May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love. God's Blessings!***

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***First Presbyterian Church of Watertown is also raising money to purchase a book-mobile vehicle to aid widows and children in Malawi, Africa. They need to raise \$10,000 to make it happen after receiving many memorial gifts and donations. So Rev. Fred Garry invite you, to give bucks for a truck and bring the power of education to the most vulnerable children in the world. Let's finish the funds needed for a new vehicle to empower women who are the least of these. We are close. With your gift to the Church marked " Bucks for Trucks" or "MELT", we can make it.***

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***Gouverneur Presbyterian Church is hosting the Laurentian Singers from St. Lawrence University in concert on Saturday April 8, 2017 at 3 PM. Everyone Welcome!***

***200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Gouverneur Presbyterian Church is celebrating on Sunday April 30, 2017 at 11:00 am Worship service. Open House will be at 2:00 pm. Everyone welcome to attend this special day.***

The Women of Grace Widows Fund is grateful for the support from many churches in the Presbytery and we look forward to speaking with you. Phone # 315-323-0950 or [egrays62@gmail.com](mailto:egrays62@gmail.com) Ellen is willing to come and speak on Sewing Project to any Church or group . Fund raising is currently under way with the goal of \$10,000. The Funds will be used to enhance already existing solar power, additional fabric, notions, the construction of sewing tables, transportation, lodging, food and incidentals for Lesley Thompson and Ellen Grayson. Items Needed: Scissors, Universal Sewing machine needles ( size 9-14); 12-14" zippers any color, elastic 1/8", 1/4", or 3/8" (black or white), thread any color. Donations of small lightweight electric sewing machines, in good working order, to transport to Malawi, Africa.

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Odensburg Stone Presbyterian Church invites ALL to a 6 week Lenten Bible Study with Rev. Robert Schirmer on the Gospel of John at 533 Stone Church Road, Ogdensburg. Starting each Wednesday March 8 from 5:30 – 7:30 till April 12, 2017. Soup & sandwich Supper at 5:30. Please bring a sandwich or soup to serve 4 people. If you can't bring anything please come as there is always more than we can eat. Beverage and dessert will be furnished. Study begins at 6:00 pm and ends at 7:30pm.

\*supper, \* time to be with friends or make a new friend,\* enriched your Spiritual life,\* and still have time to enjoy the rest of your evening. For more information call: Doris Whitehead 315-528-7792 or Sarah Gilmoure 315-393-1998 or Rev. Robert Schirmer 315-344-7202.

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Potsdam Presbyterian Church and the Methodist Church are doing a combined Lenten study of the Book " Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege and the Bridge to a New America" by Jim Wallis.

Dates

March 23- Methodist Church

March 30- Presbyterian Church

All times are 6 pm. Please bring a dish to pass for Pot Luck Meal.

The church and library have a book available for you to pick up and read before these dates.

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Potsdam First Presbyterian Church at 42 Elm Street, Potsdam will be holding Lenten Services each Sunday in March at 10:00 am. April 9 is Palm Sunday, April 13 7:00 pm is Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, April 14, 7:00 pm Good Friday Observance screening of Jesus Christ, SuperStar, April 16 10:00 am EASTER, One Great Hour of Sharing.

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Easter

Just when I thought there would be no more light in the Jerusalem sky, the bright and Morning star appeared and the darkness has not overcome it. (By Ann Weems). May your Eastertide Season (and Spring) be filled with many reminders of the hope there is found in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. By Pastor Libby.

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Always looking for more info for the newsletter. Let us know what is happening in your churches and area.