



Otisville-Mt. Hope Presbyterian Church



We have had a great year that went by so quickly! You know what they say that time fly's when you are having fun! This year we were blessed to have team teachers in every class. We had 92 children enrolled and attendance was good in each grade level, thanks to our great teachers!



We have a couple teachers who have been with us for a while and are looking to retire or take a break from their positions.

We would like to thank Sue Farley, Tammy Bosco and Kelly Dolson for their time and hard work with our children. We need teachers for next year the grades are flexible, so if this is your calling to help with the future of our church please see Allison Wilbur or Brenda O'Connell so that we can give your more information and a brief job description. It is a very rewarding job and a great way to get to know our children in our congregation.

We decided to have an Easter Pageant instead of a Christmas Pageant to have the kids familiar with both Christ's birth and death.

Our closing celebration will be on June 8th. It will be held during the 11:00am service in the sanctuary.

Please attend to help celebrate with us our wonderful accomplishments during this year.

Have a Will?

It is amazing to me the number of people who don't have wills and who put their loved ones through misery after they die. Once again after a series of these mishaps four or five years ago it has happened again. Not that long ago a well meaning grandmother of two died without a will. Her house sits vacant, her finances in limbo, while the probate process groans on. There is a very good chance the house will be lost at a tax sale before the family can straighten out her estate. Her children are heart sick but their is little they can do with investing a significant amount of their own money, money the final estate settlement may not completely cover. If you care about your family, if you care about where your estate will go after you die, then get a will today.



BOARD of DEACONS

The Board of Deacons proudly announces the recipient of this year's Adam Battle's Deacon of the Year Award: Pat Daily. The award is given to someone who has shown by their caring and compassion that they understand what being a servant leader is all about. Congratulations to Pat. Pat's name will be added to the Plaque in the memorial room, and Pat was given a gift coffee cup, because as those of us who knew Adam always knew "Adam made the coffee"!

July Newsletter Deadline

Please send your information for the upcoming newsletter to the office by Sunday, June 15th. This includes any July and August events planning! Please send your info by email to betsy.cory@gmail.com



The fall retreat this coming September 13th will focus on Spiritual Growth as an undergirding to an active Christian Life! The Rev. Dr. Susan Andrews, General Presbyter, will be sharing about Spiritual Growth including opening up to us the idea of engaging with a Spiritual Director as an aid to Spiritual Growth.

The Rev. Steve Huston, a certified Spiritual Coach will be leading a seminar on Spiritual Coaching. Our own Jeff Farley will be talking about recreation as a pathway to Spiritual Growth. More to come. Be sure to see Bill Noha with suggestions ASAP.

Cost currently is \$40 per person and includes sit down breakfast and lunch with an afternoon of recreational possibilities, including the nine hole golf course! In preparation for the course, Susan recommends reading Practicing the Faith by Dorothy Butler Bass. We will have copies in the church bookstore ASAP.

Venture Crew 49

Has had an awesome year this year. We went on an awesome mission trip to Mississippi (thanks to Mallory Yourman) and great rafting trip (class 5 on the upper Hudson River) a spectacular ski trip to Vermont and looking forward to our last adventures of: Trip to NY to see Legally Blonde, a trip to Milford dude ranch for some horse back riding and a trip to Dorney Park. Our final meeting will be Tuesday, June 10th and will conclude with an Eagle Ceremony at the Howells Fire House on June 22nd. Thank you all for your support with our rent-a-youth jobs. And we will restart up again in the fall! Anyone between the ages of 14-20 are available for membership.

Ballroom Dancing

It looks like we'll be having ballroom dancing refresher lessons on Friday, September 5th and Friday, September 12th, 7:30pm - 9:00pm. The lessons will be in the Fellowship hall led by Mike and Sue Conklin.

Congratulations Class of 2008!

Katie Farley

Nick Wilbur

Kyle Ketcham

Katelyn Hums

Olivia Ennis

Ben Cooper

Tyler Faust

Tyler Miedema

Matt Decker

Jasmine Sale

Amanda Asam

Sarah Ferrier

There may be more, so please give us a shout back if you are aware of any.

Choir News

Halleluiah Chorus - Rehearsals start in June! See Sue Conklin for schedule.

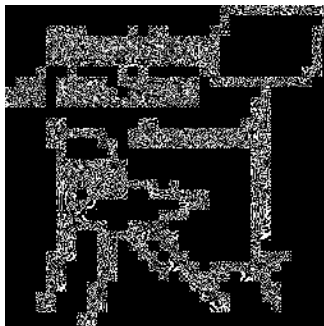
Tone Chimes (Also called "Bells") See Josine Stanley for rehearsal and performance dates.

We will incorporate two new octaves of chimes! Adults are invited to participate, at any level of musical expertise. A group for young people will start in the fall.

Summer Music - slots are filling up quickly! Indicate your interest to Sue Conklin ASAP.



OMHPC Goings On...



June 22nd will be our first annual Musician Recognition Sunday when we will celebrate the hard work of all our wonderful musicians. We will also be giving an award to the musician who has given the most "energy, intelligence,

imagination and love" to our music program in the past year. The award will be known as the "Pat Daily Musician of the Year Award", in honor of the work and commitment of Pat Daily to our congregations music for a half century. Suggestion for the award recipient can be made to John Goldsmith or John Putnam, members of the Session's Worship Committee.

OMHPC Junior Youth Fellowship

Saturday, June 14th - 8:30-12:30, Guild of St. Margaret Soup Kitchen, Middletown-meet at church @ 7:45 a.m.

Sunday, June 22nd, 6:30 -p.m.- Last Formal Meeting - Fun & Water Balloon Fight!

July???? - Renegades Game - Date TBD - waiting for youth replies

July 7th - 12th - (8th - 12th grade participation) - Silver Bay - Presbyterian Youth Conference - Lake George, New York - See Jackie Pierson for details.

Questions: Contact Sue Maney-Eggleton - a1svc77@yahoo.com

This Fall's Silver Anniversary Party is shaping up to be a wonderful celebration. Our next event is the Partylite Candle Party. The funds raised by this event (and ANNA Gibbs is donating them all) will be to help defray the costs of the celebration, including the DJ.

Baccalaureate Sunday

June 29th is Baccalaureate Sunday, the Sunday we honor all our graduating seniors at the 11:00 am service. Graduating seniors can apply for a possible church scholarship by getting a form from our church website. Scroll down the home page to "forms" and then on "Standard Scholarship Form".

Sunshine Choir

The sunshine choir will be looking for a new director for the fall. I have done it for at least 15 years and have enjoyed every minute of it. I will work with you and pass on all my music books and secrets. Anyone interested please see Allison Wilbur.



Coffee House



June features the "Denton Praise Team", as well as the band "Broken and Poured Out" .

International Cheese Platters will be the treat of the evening.

July returns to the "Open Mic" format, with fresh fruit desserts and many great singers.

August - TBA (Fair?)

Sept-Nov. - many surprises!

Join us on the third Sat. of each month at 7:30 pm. To perform, call Sue/Mike Conklin,

at 386-8114. To donate desserts or assist in kitchen, see Ginny Grebeldinger.

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Preaching

June 1	Psalm 33: 1-12 Matthew 8:5-13	Distance Healing	Communion
June 8	8:30 am and 9:30 am Agnes 11:00 am Susan Andrews		
June 15	Psalm 116: 12-19 Matthew 8: 14-22	Mother –n-Law	
June 22	Psalm 86: 1-10 Matthew 8: 23-34	Demon Possession	
June 29	Psalm 13 Matthew 9: 1-13	Jesus and Sinners	

9:30am worship services will continue for the next three Sundays after that until the end of June.

July 6th we will begin just having the 8:30am and 9:30am worship service, no 11:00am worship

On August 3 We will begin having only 9:30am services.

September 7th, we will begin our full schedule again, with services at 8:30am , 9:30am, and 11:00am, with the Sunday School at 9:30am.

The Kafe will end on June 29th along with the regular service schedule.

