# The GoodNews Connection

PERINTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# A Season of Peace Continues!

You are invited to a special workshop with guest leaders from the Rochester-based Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence.

> Conflict and Care: Being Instruments of Peace - February 13, 2022, 12:15 - 2:30 pm.

Many of us were brought up to believe that conflict is bad and ought to be avoided. As a result our ways of engaging with conflicts as adults may seem to swing between the extremes of avoidance and explosion, both of which can feel deeply troubling. In this workshop, we'll explore the benefits of engaging productively with conflict as well as discuss strategies for having tough conversations that can help lead to more understanding and justice in our communities.

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

Sign Up here: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfh-3m">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfh-3m</a> -5Tl\_p1IAUC6\_pStMUJrBrY8cMAVNrcl0FwsvcMEqPw/viewform? usp=sf link



Dear PPC,

With joy I write to share that we are returning to our regular Sunday morning schedule starting this week—Feb 6—with two services (8:30am and I Iam), singing, Sunday School, and choir. Youth group will be back to meeting in the youth room on Sunday afternoons. We will continue masking, distancing, and other safety precautions and require that everyone in the church building wear either a N95/KN95 mask OR a surgical mask (available in the narthex). We encourage meetings to continue to take place virtually in February, when possible, but may happen in person. We are also welcoming back in person meetings of AA, Scouts, Eating Disorders Anonymous, and SOFI, following the above precautions. The Rug Hookers and Feadan Or pipe band will remain offsite for the month of February.

As I shared at our annual meeting, one vision I have for this year is that we will "Renew and Rebuild" together as we hope to gradually move out of the pandemic. This is also the 40th anniversary year for PPC; in the Bible 40 is a significant and meaningful number and we'll be looking to celebrate that 40th anniversary of PPC later inn the year (the first church services were held in October 1982). I'd love to hear your ideas about what we might do to celebrate.

Finally I want to encourage you to renew your spirit through joining us for two events on Feb 13—a new Sunday morning book study Pastor Harry will be starting that day at 9:30am on Tish Harrison Warren's new book "Prayer in the Night" and our "Instruments of Peace: Conflict and Care" workshop with the Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence at 12:15pm.

Guided by God's Spirit and grace, we renew and rebuild together,

Pastor Laura

### From the Deacons:

Please keep the following families in your prayers as they deal with the loss of loved ones:



- ⋄ The Burgeson family—loss of Mark's mother
- The Norby family—loss of Al's brother
- The Sears family—loss of Herb's mother and cousin
- The Mau family—loss of Dianne's husband

Congratulations to our recently named Earth Angels, Chris Routier and Kristin Cuccia!

Please know your Deacon is always just a phone call or email away.

Remember: We love because he first loved us. 1 John 4:19



A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped set up and then take down the Christmas Decorations in the Sanctuary and Narthex.

Many hands make light work and it was a wonderful Fellowship.

## Mark your calendars for up coming dates:

3/2/22 – Ash Wednesday 7PM Service 4/10/22– Holy Week begins, Palm Sunday 4/14/22– Maundy Thursday 4/15/22 – Good Friday 4/17/22 – Easter Sunday



# Grow in Faith this Summer!



Adults are invited to join Pastor Laura at the Worship and Music Conference at Montreat, June 26-July 2, 2022. <a href="https://montreat.org/events/wm22">https://montreat.org/events/wm22</a> <a href="https://montreat.org/events/wm22">-wk2</a> Talk to Laura for more info about this fantastic opportunity.

Middle School Youth are attending the Middle School Conference at Massanetta Springs July 12-15. Massanetta's Middle School Conference transforms the faith journey of hundreds of middle schoolers from all around the country. Every aspect of this conference is crafted with middle schoolers in mind. Conference activities like keynote, recreation, encounter groups, and workshops are centered on the theme of the summer.



https://massanettasprings.org/programs/msc

High School Youth are attending Presbyterian Youth Triennium in Indianapolis



Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2022
July 24-27 • Indianapolis, IN

July 24-27. PPC is joining the Presbytery of Genesee Valley's delegation to this amazing, everythree-year national gathering of Presbyterian youth for a week of worship, Bible study, recreation, and amazing relationship-building. You just have to experience triennium to

believe how awesome it is! <a href="https://presbyterianyouthtriennium.org">https://presbyterianyouthtriennium.org</a>

# Parish Nurse Update

Parish nursing is a way to enhance the pastors' and the congregation's ministries in promoting health and serving those with health issues and needs. Parish nurses hold registered nurse licenses (RN or equivalent) and serve in promoting healthcare grounded in spiritual and medical resources, but do not do actual nursing in this ministry. Focusing on holistic health, a parish nurse works with the pastors to promote healthy living in

the congregation and to respond in loving care to those with short- or long-term health issues and needs.

This is a non-paid role, offered as time and schedule allow. A parish nurse is expected to serve in one-year terms, renewable, at the discretion of the pastors.

Our parish nurse serves primarily with the pastors and, at their direction, with the Deacons Leadership Team, deacons, or others in these ways:

- Assessing needs within the congregation that have to do with health, whether physical or mental.
- Suggesting educational opportunities for the congregation or groups within and/or beyond the congregation on health matters.
- Developing a log of referral resources for health needs. These can be both written materials and persons with professional standing and expertise.
- Advocating for those with health issues and needs.
- Recommending how PPC, both the congregation and the building, can be a safe place for those with health issues and needs.
- Reporting to the pastors any home, hospital, or caring facility visits made.

A parish nurse does not act in the place of a parishioner's doctors, nurses, or medical team, does not question the counsel of a parishioner's medical team with any parishioner, and does not administer medications.

Sandy Munson has accepted the calling to be our first parish nurse, beginning with her commissioning in our worship on January 2, 2022. We rejoice in this and look forward to serving together.

Laura Fry, pastor Harry Heintz, parish associate



# The Palm Sunday Fair is Coming! **Everyone's Inivited!**

Join us on Palm Sunday (April 10th) at 9:30. Each class is busy creating a game to challenge their friends and families. There will also be many crafts to make and refreshments to enjoy. Come and join in the fun!

We are looking for a few volunteers to help in the craft booths or to help the Christian Education Committee set up on Saturday morning at 9 am. If you'd like to help you can sign up in the narthex or contact Jonelle Kohl, Sherri Frederick or Cyndi Besig.

We look forward to seeing you at the Palm Sunday Spring Fair!



Happy February Birthday to the following members of our church family!!! May He give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed. Psalm 20:4

Amber Birkalnd, Kerri Blake, Sarah Coats, Maddie Csont, Katie Diehl, Mary DiPaolo, Larry Duca, Kim Fabrizi, Ethan Farrar, Bridget Fish, Kathy Force, Adam Foskett, Collin Granville, Chris Grimm, Anne Katlic, Bob Kester, David Knickerbocker, Hannah Leitten, Betsy Lilley, Jerry Magee, Emily Miller, Meghan Miller, Michele Platner, Andrew Pratt, Kurt Prister, David Ransome. Carson Rehkopf, Jaret Schug, Donald Smith, Samuel Stewart, Natalie Stuart, Bernie Trott, Jason Tuccio, Jessica Vanoost

All submissions for the monthly newsletter must be emailed to Sami no later than 9am on the 20th and 1

office@perintonpres.org

# February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Happy Black History Month! 7pm: Session Meeting	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 7pm: Dea- cons Meeting	9	7pm: Mission Committee Meeting	11	12
13 12:15pm: Instruments of Peace Workshop	14	6:30pm: Worship Committee Meeting	16	17	18	19
20	21 7pm: CL & Facilities Meeting	7:30pm: Finance Committee	23	24	25	26
27	286pm: CE Work Camp 6:30pm: Outreach Meeting					

# **Prayer Requests**

If you have a prayer request that you would like added to the prayer chain, please email it to the office by Thursdays at noon office@perintonpres.org

"...we have not ceased to pray for you..." (Col. 1:9)



### The numbers are in......

### **Stewardship Message**

<u>Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds –</u> Hebrews 10:24



### **Results through December**

Below are the results for year-end 2021. For most of the year, the church was operating at a deficit in both the Operating and Building Funds. As a result of special appeals from Pastors Laura and Harry and a \$5,000 challenge issues by a member of the congregation, we were able to raise an additional \$21,500 in the last two months of the year. This additional income allowed us the finish the year with a surplus in both accounts. Without this additional income, we would have ended the year with a \$12,500 deficit.

Thank you for your support of the ministries and missions of the church.

Perinton Presbyterian Church										
		Summary								
12/31/2021										
Performance Year-to-date through December										
INCOME										
Operating Fund	\$	336,109								
Building Fund	\$	119,145	_							
Total Income	\$	455,254	\$	455,254						
<u>EXPENSES</u>										
Operating Fund	\$	328,528								
Building Fund	\$	117,684								
Total Expenses	\$	446,212	\$	446,212						
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)				-						
Operating Fund	\$	7,581								
Building Fund	\$	1,461								
Net Surplus (Deficit)			\$	9,042						

### **General Information**

There is a two-month lag in reporting finances in the newsletter due to mailing deadlines, timing of bank statements and report processing. Contact Mark Stevens at (585) 739-8452 or <a href="mailto:mwstevens63@gmail.com">mwstevens63@gmail.com</a> if you have questions or to request copies of financial statements. Our Operational Fund supports the day-to-day operation of the church and its programs. The Building Fund supports our Mortgage and building expansion program. Like several churches in the Presbytery, we embrace a "faith-based" financial plan and thus we do not budget our income. If you have questions about your individual contributions or personal statements please contact the Financial Secretary, Al Norby at (585) 223-2126 or <a href="mailto:anorby1@rochester.rr.com">anorby1@rochester.rr.com</a>

### **Stock Donations and Bequests**

If you have appreciated stock you may find it to be a tax advantage to donate stock to the church. Several people have provided PPC with stock donations which have personal tax benefits. Please consider a bequest to PPC in planning your Will. We have received bequests in the past year and are blessed that at the passing of life other lives can be impacted in this special way. If you are interested in learning more about these giving options, please contact Al Norby or Mark Stevens.

# Perinton Churches Housing Annual Report for 2021



Perinton Churches Housing (PCH) is a ministry of 11 churches in Perinton including Perinton Presbyterian Church and Fairport Baptist Homes Caring Ministries. These organizations have been working together since 1970 to provide quality affordable independent housing for low-to-moderate income seniors.

PCH's biggest initiative in 2021 was its continued efforts to build new affordable senior housing in Perinton. As I reported last year, PCH has secured land on Baird Road, near BOCES, and is working with PathStone Corporation, an expert in affordable housing, as the developer.

The highlight of the year was when the apartment building's design won New York's prestigious Buildings of Excellence award. The building was designed by SWBR, a highly regarded local architecture firm. The award recognizes the design's "net-zero" energy use (it will generate as much energy as it uses) along with its health and wellness features. That means that the building will cost little to heat or cool, saving the residents money while providing them with a beautiful and healthy home.

While some progress has been made toward completing the financing of the project, it continues to be hampered by pandemic-related issues. The Buildings of Excellence award comes with a \$1 million grant. And other financing has been secured for low-income and/or frail elderly. As of this writing, we are still working to complete a financing package that would allow the project to break ground in 2022.

During 2021, PCH also continued in its role as the sponsor of two existing affordable senior housing communities in Perinton: Fairport Apartments and Jefferson Park Apartments. To find out more about this ministry, or to get involved, please contact me.

Respectfully Submitted Rollin Pickering

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# **Worship Times:**

Sundays at 8:30 and 11am In-Person, Online, or Call-In Option

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