

## ***Our Staff is Here to Help You***

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***Strength and Balance Chair Exercise and Fellowship*** meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 am in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to join, or come and check us out! Men and Women are Welcome! Exercise at your own level. For more information contact Geri Hoernes at 462-2316.

***NEEDED: Ushers and Greeters for both services. If you can help at the 8:30 service,*** contact Sue Parker ASAP at [sueparker31@gmail.com](mailto:sueparker31@gmail.com). ***If you can help at 10:45,*** contact Will Cass at [awc1920@yahoo.com](mailto:awc1920@yahoo.com).

***Visitation Ministry*** - will meet in the church lounge on Monday evening, April 4, at 7 pm. During the meeting, suggestions for upcoming speakers will be entertained. The Visitation Ministry contacts and visits with our church shut-ins as well as other church friends who are home-bound. If this is an area you think you would like to assist with, please join us at the April 4 meeting. Any questions or for information contact Margaret Slomin, 845-462-0107, or Wanda Traver, 845-453-0188.

***United Methodist Worship Workshop*** – Saturday April 16, 10 am – 2pm with lunch at the Mid-Hudson Korean UMC, 36 Jackson Road, Poughkeepsie. There are fliers posted on the bulletin boards with more information. If you wish to attend, contact Pastor Peggy by April 10.

***Welcome to Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church.*** We are delighted to have you worship with us today! Please join us in Fellowship Hall after worship for coffee. If you are new to us feel free to take one of the brochures in the pews and see other information that is available on the literature racks in the sanctuary entrance of the church and across from Fellowship Hall.

***We want to be your family of faith.*** We hope that you feel at home in our church family, and we encourage those interested in membership to mark the Attendance Sheets “Wish to Join.” If you wish to learn more about our congregation, please write “more info.”

***Please sign the Attendance Sheet*** found on the inside of the center aisle pews each Sunday, and pass it to your neighbor.

### ***Sunday Morning Adult Studies:***

***“Life Lessons” from the Bible*** We journey through Life Lessons with Max Lucado – The Gospel of John, which includes twelve lessons filled with intriguing questions, inspirational storytelling, profound reflections, and space for journaling. Join Bob and Anne Ciraulo-Room 32

***Mom’s Sunday School.*** Meet with other mothers of infants, preschoolers and elementary-age children to study the book of James, and share in each other’s lives with a good dose of laughter and depth. Room 35. For information contact Rosaura Andújar-McNeil at [andujr@gmail.com](mailto:andujr@gmail.com) or [\(347\) 232-1919](tel:3472321919).

***Join us to discuss the book, Jesus Among Other Gods: The Absolute Claims of the Christian Message*** by Ravi Zacharias. ***In a world with so many religions, why Jesus?*** *Jesus Among Other Gods* provides the answers to the most fundamental claims about Christianity. For Information contact Vickey Carroll [VLC718@gmail.com](mailto:VLC718@gmail.com) or (845) 242-8750. Room 24.

***There are Transition Meetings Scheduled for Monday, April 25 at 7 pm, and Sunday, May 15 at 3 pm.*** This is an opportunity to meet our new Pastor Rev. Adrienne Brewington, and to interface with Rev. Brewington and Pastor Peggy. All members, friends and potential members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

## ***Upcoming Youth Events***

Sun Apr 3	4:30pm-6pm 6pm-8pm	MFUGE Team Meeting Youth Fellowship (Youth Service practice)
Fri Apr 8	7pm-9pm	TGIF
Sun Apr 10	6pm-8pm	Youth Fellowship (Youth Service practice)
Sat Apr 16	5pm-8pm	Youth Service Rehearsal
Sun Apr 17	10am-11am	Youth Service ( <b>Single service</b> )

**Youth Service** - Reminder that there is a single service on **April 17th at 10am** for the Youth Service.

**Ultimate Discount Cards** - The youth will be taking part in a Bridge Builder's service project to build a handicap accessible ramp/deck for the Sound of Life Radio Station. These popular Discount Cards to local restaurants and stores will be on sale in Fellowship Hall after each service to raise funds toward this project. Reminder that the current cards expire April 1st so why not stop by and purchase a new one for 2016.

**New Young Adult Group** - We have a Young Adult Group for graduating seniors, college students both in and out of town, and anyone else 18-29 who is interested. The group is meeting each Friday 7pm-9pm but due to events, days/times may fluctuate so please contact Bridget Marrine ([845-380-4350](tel:845-380-4350)) for information/questions so you can get on the distribution and stay informed.

**The Youth Group is collecting non-perishable, not opened, new food for Dutchess Outreach.** This is an ongoing food collection. Please place the food in one of the bins, either in Fellowship Hall or the Narthex and Sarah Hicks will see that it gets delivered.

**Back to the Future, Revival for Today** – Sunday, May 1, South Salem, NY. Join the NY-CT District from 2–6 pm for a day of praise and worship at our Annual District Conference. There will be music, prayer, preaching, mission opportunities and fellowship with God and each other. Mission Project: we will be collecting new underwear for boys and girls ages 1-12. Activities for children, prayer tent, special guest preachers and more. Stevens Memorial United Methodist Church, 8 Shady Lane, South Salem, NY 10590. Bring your own lawn chairs, blankets and a picnic dinner.

**Single Women's Luncheon, April 17:** The Single Women will enjoy luncheon on Sunday, April 17, 2016 at a local restaurant (watch Sunday bulletin for location). The group meets the third Sunday of the month and gathers after second service on that Sunday. For carpooling we meet at the North entrance of the church. Any single ladies are welcome to join us. For questions or further information contact Irene Feller, 845-462-6174, or Wanda Traver, 845-453-0188.

**VBS volunteers - This year VBS is July 18 – 22.** I need at least 10 adult volunteers to run the VBS program. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. If I get enough senior high youth then I will not need as many, but in the last few years only the younger youth have been signing up. Contact Marcy if you have any questions.

**The 2015 Church Charge Conference booklets are available in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall and the office.**

**Bishop's Day on the District** at Shrub Oak United Methodist Church on April 17. Starts at 3 pm, a light dinner will be served. Don't miss a chance to meet and hear Bishop Jane Allen Middleton. Contact Pastor Peggy by April 10 if you wish to attend. Let's send a car load!

**Copies of our PUMC Directory are still available** in the church office. We are asking everyone to donate \$5.00 per copy to cover the printing and shipping costs.

**There will be a Healing Prayer Service on Saturday, April 23** at 10 am in the Sanctuary.

## ***Opportunities for You This Week***

### **SUNDAY, April 3, 2016**

#### **Communion**

8:30 am Contemporary Service  
 9:30 Fellowship Time  
 9:45 Sunday School – 3 years–12<sup>th</sup> grade & Adult Studies  
 10:45 Traditional Service  
 Sunday School – 3 years – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 11:45 Fellowship Time  
 12:00 pm Healing Prayer Meeting  
 2:00 Parkside Alcoholics Anonymous  
 4:30 MFuge Meeting  
 6:00 Youth Fellowship

### **MONDAY, April 4, 2016**

1:00 pm District Committee Meeting  
 7:00 Visitation Ministry  
 Gamblers Anonymous

### **TUESDAY, April 5, 2016**

9:00 am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00 Strength and Balance  
 1:30 pm Art Group  
 5:30 Primary Purpose Alcoholics Anonymous  
 6:30 Board of Trustees  
 Joyful Ringers

### **WEDNESDAY, April 6, 2016**

7:30 am Prayers and Communion  
 7:00 pm Voices in Praise

### **THURSDAY, April 7, 2016**

10:00 am Strength and Balance  
 11:00 Pastor's Bible Study  
 2:00 pm Collate Bulletins  
 5:30 Primary Purpose Alcoholics Anonymous  
 7:00 Chancel Choir  
 Gamblers Anonymous

### **FRIDAY, April 8, 2016**

7:00 pm Young Adult Group  
 TGIF  
 Narcotics Anonymous

### **SATURDAY, April 9, 2016**

8:30 am Men's Breakfast

### **SUNDAY, April 10, 2016**

#### **Native American Ministries Sunday**

8:30 am Contemporary Service  
 9:30 Fellowship Time  
 9:45 Sunday School – 3 years–12<sup>th</sup> grade & Adult Studies  
 10:45 Traditional Service – Gioia Baptism  
 Sunday School – 3 years – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 11:45 pm Fellowship Time  
 2:00 Parkside Alcoholics Anonymous  
 6:00 Youth Fellowship

***42th Annual Rose Dinner*** – Open invitation to all to celebrate 41 years in business at the 2nd Hand Rose pot-luck dinner in Fellowship Hall Wednesday, May 4 at 5:30pm. Just bring a dinner casserole, vegetable, or salad and RSVP your coming to Kathy Timm 462-5667 or Joyce Norman 297-7700.

***The Sign-up Sheet for Altar Flowers*** is posted in the Narthex. If you would like to donate Altar Flowers on a Sunday, please sign the chart for the date you wish to have your flowers on the Altar, and complete a form indicating if the flowers are in memory of, or in honor of a friend, relative or for a special occasion. The flowers are \$45.00. Checks should be made payable to PUMC and Altar Flowers noted on the memo line. Questions, call the church office at 452-2933.

***Christ is so diverse!*** I look forward to celebrating Native American Ministries Sunday on April 10, 2016, along with many other United Methodist congregations. Did you know that when our churches support [Native American Ministries Sunday](#) (NAMS), we equip seminary students and empower Native American congregations to find fresh, new ways to minister to their communities with the love of Christ?