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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.

The next Transition Meeting is 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.

There will be a reception for new members after the 2nd service on Sunday 5/22/16. This occasion will include all those who have joined the church during the past 3 years. Please join us in Fellowship Hall to share some light refreshments, welcome our new members and enjoy each other's company.

Visitation The Visitation Committee would like to invite all members to attend our June luncheon meeting held at Christos on Wednesday June 8th at noon. The cost of the buffet luncheon is \$9.95 and we look forward to catching up with all our members at this spring event. Christos is located at 155 Wilbur Blvd. in Poughkeepsie and there is ample parking. For more information or to RSVP please email Margaret Slomin at mslomin@optonline.net or call 845.462.0107.

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 or [\(347\) 232-1919](tel:347-232-1919).

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 or (845) 242-8750. Room 24.

Request from the Bishop: Bishop Jane Allen Middleton has asked PUMC to be a leader in generous giving toward the repair and renovation of the NYAC Conference Center in White Plains. She gave a presentation about the project to our Ad Board on April 26th. We will hold two congregational meetings to discuss our church finances, what is possible for us to give, and ultimately what is God calling us to contribute to the project. Meeting dates are Saturday, May 21st at 1:00 (lunch will be served) and Sunday June 5th (time to be announced). Please mark your calendars, and be a part of this important church decision.

Upcoming Youth Events

Fri-Sun	Apr 29-May 1	6pm-4pm	Young Men's Vida Nueva
Sun	May 1	4:30pm-6pm 6pm-8pm	MFUGE Team Meeting Youth Fellowship
Fri	May 6	7pm-9pm	TGIF (Scavenger Hunt)
Sun	May 8	-----	No Youth Fellowship (Mom's Day)

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.

Join Hudson Valley Bridge Builders on May 12th at Buffalo Wild Wings on South Road for a fundraiser! Open to close! Eat-in or Take-out! 20% of proceeds will benefit a HVBB service project! Bring flier with you! Contact Sarah Hicks with any questions; shhhicks511@gmail.com

The Youth Group is collecting non-perishable, not opened, new food for Castle Point Veterans Hospital. 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.

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

Adult and youth volunteers needed for VBS. Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board. VBS is from July 18 - 22. 9:00 am - 12 Noon.

Opportunities for You This Week

SUNDAY, May 1, 2016

Communion Sunday

- 8:30 am Contemporary Service – McKeever Baptism
- 9:30 Fellowship Time
- 9:45 Sunday School – 3 years–12th grade & Adult Studies
- 10:45 Traditional Service
Sunday School – 3 years – 6th 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, May 2, 2016

- 7:00 pm Gamblers Anonymous

TUESDAY, May 3, 2016

- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 Strength and Balance
- 12:00 pm Set-up for Rose Dinner
- 1:30 Art Group
- 5:30 Primary Purpose Alcoholics Anonymous
- 6:30 Joyful Ringers

WEDNESDAY, May 4, 2016

- 7:30 am Prayers and Communion
- 9:00 CNS Jr.
- 5:30 pm Second Hand Rose Dinner
- 7:00 Voices in Praise

THURSDAY, May 5, 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, May 6, 2016

- 7:00 pm TGIF
Young Adults Group
Narcotics Anonymous

SATURDAY, May 7, 30, 2016

- 8:30 am Men's Breakfast

SUNDAY, May 8, 2016

Mother's Day

- 8:30 am Contemporary Service
- 9:30 Fellowship Time
- 9:45 Sunday School – 3 years–12th grade & Adult Studies
- 10:45 Traditional Service
Sunday School – 3 years – 6th Grade
- 11:45 Fellowship Time
- 2:00 pm Parkside Alcoholics Anonymous
- 6:00 **No** Youth Fellowship

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.

Are our bulletin covers inspiring? If so, you'll be interested to know that Jim Bennett, the artist/calligrapher who does them, has recently published a collection of 100 of his designs from the last two years. The title of his book is ***Bible Calligraphy - 100 Scriptures***, and it's available now on Amazon. For more information and the Amazon link, please visit biblecalligraphy.com. Also, Jim would greatly appreciate people's reviewing his book on Amazon.

SUNDAY, May 15 is Confirmation Sunday, there will be one service at 10 am.

There are many openings for Altar Flowers: there is a sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday, please sign the chart with the date you wish to have your flowers on the Altar and complete the yellow form indicating if the flowers are in memory of, or in honor of a friend, relative or 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.