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There will be a reception for new members today after the 2nd service. This occasion includes 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 to be 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 msslomin@optonline.net or call 845.462.0107.

Friendship Circle will gather on Monday afternoon, May 23, for a tour of Top Cottage in Hyde Park. For more information, please call Carla Vinson, 849-1706.

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.

Health kits for annual conference The children are putting together health kits for UMCOR to be delivered at Annual Conference in June. We are asking for the congregation to help with this mission. There is a list of items needed on the bulletin board.

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 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, Room 35. Rosaura Andújar-McNeil

Jesus Among Other Gods: The Absolute Claims of the Christian Message by Ravi Zacharias. Vickey Carroll.

Today we are taking donations for Peace with Justice. The monies collected each year is divided, with half retained by the New York Annual Conference to fund our social justice ministries. The other half is sent to the General Board in Washington, DC. Together, this money helps us spread the gospel of peace and justice in 136 countries around the world and right here in our six conference districts. We are making a difference from Liberia to Long Island, from Pakistan to Poughkeepsie!

The Transition Meeting with Rev. Adrienne Brewington, Clayton Miller and Pastor Peggy has been rescheduled for Monday, June 6, at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. This is an opportunity to meet and ask questions of our new Pastor. All members, friends and potential members are encouraged to attend.

Upcoming Youth Events

Sun May 22	6pm-8pm	Youth Fellowship
Sun May 29	5:30pm-8pm	Youth Fellowship (Rail Trail at Marrines)
Fri Jun 3	7pm-9pm	TGIF (Flea Market setup)
Sat Jun 4	8am-4pm	Flea Market & Car Wash
Sun Jun 5	12pm-1pm	Flea Market Clean-up
	12pm-1:30pm	MFUGE Team Meeting
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Stock Sale - Please take stock in our youth going on summer mission trips by purchasing a 'Stock' certificate available after each service. This certificate gets you a note from one of the youth while they are on their trip and an invitation to a presentation ceremony in the fall.

Flea Market & Car Wash - The annual Flea Market will be June 4, 8am-4pm. Vendors, please contact John Marrine (471-6492) or the church office (452-2933) to register your space. Donations for the rummage sale will be accepted ONLY after May 22 and can be dropped off at the Fellowship Hall stage. Please no big electronic equipment like computers, TVs, etc. All proceeds go toward the youth summer mission teams.

Graduates - If you know of a college or high school youth graduating this year, please fill out the available forms (located in sanctuary, youth bulletin board, and church website (Youth/Parent tabs)) and return to John Marrine (471-6492) or church office (452-2933) by June 5th. The graduates will be recognized at the June 12th services.

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 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.

Wesley Circle Luncheon: Please note the date change for the Wesley Circle luncheon. It will be Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at the Red Lobster Restaurant, South Road, at 12:30 pm. Carpooling will be available. All ladies are welcome. Any questions, call Wanda Traver at 845-453-0188.

Single Women's Luncheon: The Single Women's Luncheon will be the fourth Sunday of May, following second service, on May 22nd. We will be going to the Acropolis Diner on Main Street in Arlington. If you want to ride together, meet at North Door after the second service. Questions or further info, contact Irene Feller at 845-462-6174 or Wanda Traver at 845-453-0188.

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.

Adopt-a-Highway Program - Volunteers Needed. PUMC has committed to the NYS Adopt-A-Highway Program by agreeing to pick up litter along a 2.2 mile stretch of New Hackensack Rd. which includes the roadsides in front of our property.

We'll loan you a reflective safety vest, a yellow hard hat, a sharp-pointed litter pick-up stick and a supply of clear plastic trash bags so you can better enjoy the roadside landscape for approximately 1 1/2 hours on specific Saturday mornings. You are encouraged to join us with YOUR pair of gardening or work gloves, vintage long trousers and closed toe/hard soled shoes or boots. You may bring hydration fluid and your own litter pick-up device.

Please advise a church secretary or us of your name, phone number and email address so you can be initiated into the Adopt-A-Highway Program Team. The second work date is SATURDAY, June 4. We meet in the church parking area closest to New Hackensack Rd. at 8:00 AM. Thank you and God Bless, Eric and Hank Eichenhofer, Co-Chairmen: (845) 473-2198 naneich@aol.com

Opportunities for You This Week

SUNDAY, May 22, 2016

8:30 am Contemporary Service
9:30 Fellowship Time
9:45 Sunday School – 3 years – 12th grade and Adult Studies
10:45 am Traditional Service – Winslow Baptism
New Members
Sunday School – 3 years – 6th Grade
11:45 Fellowship Time
2:00 pm Parkside Alcoholics Anonymous
6:00 Youth Fellowship

MONDAY, May 23, 2016

9:00 am CNS Field Day
6:30 pm Soaking Prayer
7:00 Gamblers Anonymous

TUESDAY, May 24, 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 Joyful Ringers

WEDNESDAY, May 25, 2016

7:30 am Prayers
9:00 CNS Jr.
7:00 pm Voices In Praise

THURSDAY, May 26, 2016

10:00 am Strength and Balance
2:00 pm Collate Bulletins
5:30 Primary Purpose Alcoholics Anonymous
7:00 Chancel Choir
Gamblers Anonymous

FRIDAY, May 27, 2016

7:00 pm Young Adults Group
Narcotics Anonymous

SATURDAY, May 28, 2016

8:30 am Men's Breakfast
3:00 pm Homeless Shelter – Gilgert and Friends

SUNDAY, May 29, 2016

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

Monday, May 30 is Memorial Day, the Church Office will be closed.

Request from the Bishop

As you are probably aware, Bishop Jane Allen Middleton has asked PUMC to be a leader in generous giving toward the structural repair and renovation of the Conference Center in White Plains, NY. The Conference Center is where our Bishop and Conference staff members have their offices as well as being the site for hosting numerous meetings for Conference committees. The Conference Center is in dire need of repairs that will improve the health and safety of the building and all those who use it. At an Ad Board meeting on April 26th, Bishop Middleton stated that the repairs to the Conference Center will cost \$2.5 million and asked PUMC to help support this project with a gift of \$100,000 because we are one of the stronger churches in the Conference.

In consideration of the request, we held a congregational meeting to discuss our church finances, what is possible for us to give, and ultimately what is God calling us to contribute to the project.

As your input is valuable to our church Boards, please fill out the following survey that will help our Ad Board and Board of Trustees make an informed decision.

Please return this survey to the church office no later than June 5, 2016.

Do you support the giving of a gift from PUMC to the Conference Center renovation project?

Please check one: Yes _____ No _____