

JULY-AUGUST - 2017

# Twin Churches



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HOLLAND PATENT, NEW YORK

## FROM THE PASTOR

I am so excited to announce that our former intern, Tamara Razzano, will be ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) on Sunday, August 27. This has been quite a journey for Tamara. She will graduate from seminary in December, but she has already passed (with flying colors!) our denominational ordination exams, which can be very difficult even for an exceptional student like Tamara. She was examined by the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry, and was approved for ordination by the Presbytery of Utica at its meeting in May. Tamara has been serving the Little Falls Presbyterian Church as a lay pastor, but after her ordination she will become their Installed Pastor. This has been a wonderful fit for both the congregation and Tamara.

The Service of Ordination and Installation will be Sunday, August 27 at 3:00 pm at the Presbyterian Church in Cooperstown - the church where Tamara felt the call to ministry. A reception will follow. I am honored to be a participant in the service, and I hope that some of you will be able to attend to show your love and support for her. It will be an exciting day for everyone.

I hope you all are having a wonderful summer!

- Susan Poole Solomon

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

On June 11th we celebrated Children's Day with a fun filled resurrection of a Noah's Ark play that we last used about 20 years ago. It proved to be as much fun and as well appreciated as it was then! Even the congregation got to sing along with the "Arky, Arky" song. Nina Lemieux was our able narrator. Students were recognized, awarded certificates and Bibles were awarded to those who did not yet have one. Vicky, and the teachers were recognized along with Pastor Susan and our two Reverends Janet for their support and help with the children's Sunday School as well as several adult education offerings through the year. Thank you, parents too, for getting your young ones to Sunday School all year.

Thanks also go to Janet Lanning and the Fellowship Committee for organizing and setting up the dining hall for an indoor picnic following the program. The food and the fellowship were both great.

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## PIES IN THE PARK

On Thursday, August 17, there will be a concert in the Holland Patent Village Green, and once again we will be providing Pies in the Park. So, we need volunteers to work and volunteers to bake. We will need to be ready to serve by 6:00 pm. This is a nice way to make a little money and be visible in the community. For more information, call Peggy Curtacci, 315-865-7498.

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## CHURCHES PRAYER CYCLE

To help us be intentional in holding each other in prayer, we ask you to remember the following churches, committees and ministries:

- July 2 - Waterbury Memorial Presbyterian Church, Oriskany
- July 9 - College Chaplain Ministry: Hamilton College,  
The Reverend Jeffrey McArn
- July 16 - Westminster-Moriah-Olivet Presbyterian Church, Utica
- July 23 - Church of Christ Uniting, Richfield Springs
- July 30 - Personnel Committee of the Presbytery of Utica
  
- August 6 - The Synod of the Northeast, Syracuse
- August 13 - First Presbyterian Church, Rome
- August 20 - Weaving Home of the Presbytery of Utica
- August 27 - The Coordinating Council of the Presbytery of Utica

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## JULY CALENDAR

- SUN 9** Morning Worship, 10 AM
- MON 10** Foothill's Food Pantry Committee, 9 AM  
Foothill's Council, 7 PM
- SAT 15** Thrift Shop, Food Pantry, Farmer's Market, 9 AM - 1 PM  
A.A., 11 AM
- SUN 16** Morning Worship, 10 AM  
Church Family Picnic, Finn's Camp, 2:30 PM
- SAT 22** Farmer's Market, 9 AM - 1 PM  
A.A., 11 AM
- SUN 23** Morning Worship, 10 AM
- SAT 29** Farmer's Market, 9 AM - 1 PM  
A.A., 11 AM
- SUN 30** Morning Worship, 10 AM

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## AUGUST CALENDAR

- WED 2** Food Pantry open, 5-7 PM
- SAT 5** Thrift Shop, Food Pantry, Farmer's Market, 9 AM - 1 PM  
A.A., 11 AM
- SUN 6** Morning Worship with Communion, 10 AM
- MON 7** Session Meeting, 7 PM
- SAT 12** Thrift Shop, Food Pantry, Farmer's Market, 9 AM - 1 PM  
A.A., 11 AM
- SUN 13** Morning Worship, 10 AM
- THU 17** Pies In The Park, 6 PM
- SAT 19** Thrift Shop, Food Pantry, Farmer's Market, 9 AM - 1 PM  
A.A., 11 AM
- SUN 20** Morning Worship, 10 AM
- SAT 26** Farmer's Market, 9 AM - 1 PM  
A.A., 11 AM
- SUN 27** Morning Worship, 10 AM  
Ordination of Tamara Razzano, 3 PM in Cooperstown

| August 2017 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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**Connor Dorsino**

During my years in high school at Oriskany Central School, I was very much into art and computers. I was also very much involved in sports, as I participated in cross country from 7th to 9th grades and indoor/outdoor track from 9th grade through the rest of high school. I was appointed the Varsity Boy's Captain in my last year of outdoor track. In my junior and senior year I went to BOCES to study in the Advertisement and Design/Multimedia Productions course. This was a great opportunity for me, as I want to go into the graphic design field and my home school never had any computer classes available. I joined the Skills USA program that is connected through BOCES and ended up going to the State wide competition after winning regionals in the Advertisement and Design competition.

I was among the group that attended the 2016 Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University in Indiana last year from the Presbytery of Utica. This was a gathering of Presbyterian youth from throughout the country and the world that meet every three years. I was privileged to have designed the logo that our group used during the gathering. I was also part of the group that attended the Delaware Work Camp. My mom and dad are Jennifer and Mike Dorsino, and I'm also the grandson of Mary Alice Hughes.

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Kathryn Buchanan was also a member of the 2017 class from Holland Patent Central School, graduating with "highest distinction." She is the daughter of Lisa Aiello, Barneveld, and Brian Buchanan, Camden.

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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

- Nelson Mandela



Christiana Rowlands, Holland Patent Class of 2017 Salutatorian, member of the National Honor Society. In addition to recognized academic accomplishment she has been a successful athlete. Christy has been a 4 year Varsity Soccer player and Team Captain for 2016. She also played 8 years for a club team, Odyssey Sport Soccer Club in Sherrill, NY. Christy has been a member of Varsity Track and Field, where she was the Most Valuable Track Athlete for 2015 and 2016 seasons. Christy is a member of Barneveld Horseman's Association where she rides and shows her horse, "Caleb", with Vallonia Farms. Christy plans to attend Nazareth College in Rochester in the fall, majoring in the accelerated 5 year Occupational Therapy Program. Through the church, Christy has participated in the 30-Hour Famine and the Delaware Work Camp for several years.



*Christy Rowlands*



*Joe Rowlands*

Joseph Rowlands, Holland Patent Class of 2017, Regents Diploma. Joe has been a 4 year Varsity Swimmer, and a 2016/2017 All Mohawk Valley Swimming All Star. Joe has also been a member of golf, track and cross-county teams. He was an active member of Troop 56 of the Boy Scouts and achieved Eagle Scout in 2016. He has been busy during the summers as a lifeguard at Trenton Town Park, and currently at Lake Delta. He currently serves as a member of Volunteer Fire Company of Western. Joe plans to attend MVCC this fall under the Fire Hawks Scholarship, with an eventual goal of attending Paul Smith College to study Wildlife and Fisheries. Joe has also participated in the 30-Hour Famine and the Delaware Work Camp. Christy and Joe are the children of Debbie and Joe Rowlands.

## PENTECOST CELEBRATION

On Pentecost Sunday, June 4, a special worship service and fellowship hour were held, recognizing those who have been members of the First Presbyterian Church of Holland Patent for 50 years or more:

| <u>NAME</u>                    | <u>DATE<br/>JOINED</u> | <u>YEARS OF<br/>MEMBERSHIP</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Margaret (Hughes) Siegenthaler | 4-8-28                 | 89 years                       |
| Mary Alice (Hughes) Hughes     | 10-3-43                | 74 years                       |
| Beverly (Greene) Seifried      | 4-7-46                 | 71 years                       |
| Gary VanVranken                | 4-18-46                | 71 years                       |
| Sally (Klun) Steffen           | 4-14-49                | 68 years                       |
| Dwight Putnam                  | 6-2-50                 | 67 years                       |
| Doris (Lloyd) Scalise          | 11-1-53                | 64 years                       |
| Evelyn (Jones) Clark           | 2-2-55                 | 62 years                       |
| Artis (VanDresar) Finn         | 2-5-56                 | 61 years                       |
| Ruth (Jones) Walker            | 4-3-58                 | 59 years                       |
| Audrey (Stickney) VanVranken   | 4-3-58                 | 59 years                       |
| Norma (Jones) Harter           | 6-3-58                 | 59 years                       |
| Everson Clark                  | 2-4-62                 | 55 years                       |
| Donald McGhee                  | 2-4-62                 | 55 years                       |
| Gabrielle (Kirsch) McGhee      | 2-4-62                 | 55 years                       |
| Marilyn (Lewis) Racha          | 4-11-63                | 54 years                       |
| Paul Sears                     | 4-11-63                | 54 years                       |
| James Moseman                  | 3-22-64                | 53 years                       |
| Allan Stirling                 | 11-29-64               | 53 years                       |
| Patricia (Snell) Aubry         | 4-4-65                 | 52 years                       |
| Muriel (Ventre) Warbovetz      | 11-27-66               | 51 years                       |
| Robert Wozna                   | 11-27-66               | 51 years                       |
| Arlene (Donaldson) Wozna       | 11-27-66               | 51 years                       |
| Marcia (Kraft) Jones           | 3-12-67                | 50 years                       |

### A PRAYER FOR PENTECOST

A priest who was called Adam of St. Victor often wrote prayers to be sung in the abbey of St. Victor in Paris. Although Adam died circa 1177, his prayers remain relevant. Here are a few lines from a prayer he wrote for Pentecost Sunday:

My heart was weary, but now it is eager for love.

My soul was sad, but now is full of joy.

Jesus gave his life for me.

Now you, Holy Spirit, give me to him.

- The HarperCollins Book of Prayers

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PENTECOST CELEBRATION continued



Those attending: Front Row: Norma Harter, Marilyn Racha, Artis Finn, Evelyn Clark, Mary Alice Hughes, Patty Aubry. Middle Row: Ruth Walker, Muriel Werbovets, Gaby MacChee, Arlene Wozna, Bob Wozna, Beverly Seifried. Back Row: Dwight Putnam, Everson Clark, Don McGhee.

(A special 'Thank You' to Kathy Lemieux, our unofficial photographer).

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A PRAYER

"For those vacationing, that their respite may enable them to be more fully aware of the presence of God around them."

Bishop Cunningham heard this prayer intercession at a mass he attended late in the school year, and quoted it in the June 22 issue of the Catholic Sun. He then added this commentary:

"What a beautiful thought: a vacation enables us to be more fully aware of God's presence - in the sacraments, in the beauty of nature and our surroundings, and in the people we meet along the way."

To this I would add that just because there are no Sunday School classes during the summer, doesn't mean that we should forget about God! After all, He doesn't forget about us!

*"I have loved you with an everlasting love: therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you."*

Jeremiah 31:3

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A sign-up sheet is available every Sunday morning in the church Narthex for those who would like to provide Lemonade in the Park, following worship. Coffee Fellowship hour will return September 17.

Please remember to keep your financial pledge up-to date during the summer months. Thank you.

Lt. Lauren (Moseman) Smoak has been promoted to Lt. Commander in the United States Coast Guard. She is the daughter of Jim and Carol Moseman.

Susan will be on vacation August 20-31.

BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism was administered during worship on Sunday, July 2, to Mason George Burr, son of Matthew and Celia Burr, the Reverend Susan Solomon officiating.

*Foothills Rural community Ministry sends thanks for the ten 10-pound bags of onions that our church contributed for Food Pantry customers. They love fresh vegetables and are looking forward to those coming from our gardens and the Farmer's Market this summer.*

Beverly Koerner is now a resident of the Presbyterian Home, Cedar Wing.

Jackie Pine now lives in the Presbyterian Residential Community of the Presbyterian Home, Middle Settlement Road, P.O. Box 67, New Hartford, NY 13413.

Get Well Wishes To -

Jim Allen, who had surgery and is now home.

Rich Aubry, who had surgery in Syracuse.

Katie Best, who had surgery and is recovering.

Allison Bliss, who has spent some time in the hospital and is expected to be home in a few more days.

John Clark, who completed his radiation treatments on his arm/shoulder in June. He is feeling better each day and awaits the next phase of treatment, if necessary.

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BIRTHDAYS

**JULY**

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ANNIVERSARIES

- 17 Bethany & Jim Marconi A
- 18 Janet Broadbent  
Julia Ferris
- 20 Pat Maclean  
Anna Niedzielski
- 21 Troy Finn
- 23 Arlene Wozna  
Mary Vannicola & Sven Smith  
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- 27 Trudy (Finn) Dunlap  
Casimir Niedzielski
- 30 Dustin Dorsino  
Kathy & Gary Harvey A
- 31 Mary Alice Hughes  
Gary VanVranken



Lynne Howard's mom, Glenda Gingrich, of Liverpool, is in the hospital.

Shirley Ransom spent several days in the hospital and is now home.

Call Peggy Curtacci, 315-865-7498 with any prayer requests.

*Thanks*  
FOR WORSHIPING  
WITH US

BIRTHDAYS



**AUGUST**

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ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Sheila Saunders
- 4 John & Shelley Wall A
- 6 Gary Niedzielski
- 8 Anna Beasley & Patrick Pease  
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- Carol & Larry Beasley A
- 10 Nancy Baum  
Shawn & Sarah DePalma A
- 13 Kyle Erway  
Rachel Wengert
- 16 Christopher Hardie  
Bob Murphy
- 22 Doug & Bonnie Churcher A  
Ken & Janet Hoover A
- 24 Evan & Laura Grenier A
- 26 Colin Baldwin
- 28 Gail & Milt Smith A
- 29 Jon & Tina Dziekan A (25th)
- 30 Mary Beth Olney
- 31 Lorraine Drungold



- SEPTEMBER -

- 1 Laura Howard
- 4 Patty Aubry  
Mable Converse
- 5 Eric Koenig  
Taylor & James Fitzgerald A

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Deadline for September Twin  
Churches is August 27th

A ~~PRAYER~~ continued -

*"Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you." Isaiah 49:15*

How can we remember God during the summer? If you are in town, take an hour out of your Sunday to come to our relaxed Sunday service. If you are out of the area, try going to a church in whatever community you are visiting. You will be warmly received, meet new people and find out how other communities worship; maybe even make new friends! Say grace at mealtime, even in a restaurant. At home or away, any time of year the dinner table is a perfect setting to talk with children about your day, your thoughts and beliefs. Especially in my first marriage, we whiled away many hours in the car singing our favorite hymns. Now days you can even bring along your favorite CD's! Bedtime prayers can even be prayed in a tent. Just be creative as you weave God thoughts into the fabric of your family life.

**We wish you all a healthy, happy, refreshing summer - what's left of it!**

Sunday School resumes at 8:45 A.M. We sure hope to see you all back that day, and bringing some friends with you!

Shalom, Cathy

**Reverend Susan Pool Solomon, Pastor**

Victoria Stockton Allen, Director of Music

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Sunday Morning Worship 10 A.M.