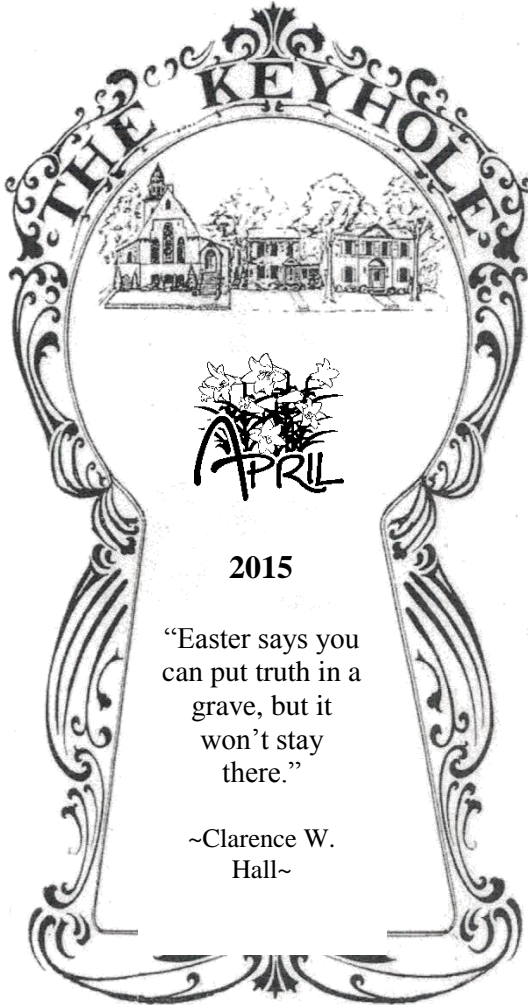




The Keyhole

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~1835 - 2015~



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To love and serve Christ and others through praise, prayer,
preaching of the Word of God and to welcome all to join
us in our f0 journey

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Friends and Family,

Easter Blessings!!!

And I mean that in so many ways! Spring is here and the sun, rain, and warm weather bring forth life once again. We celebrate Jesus risen from the dead, and new life in each of us as a result!

Special congratulations are due to Ben and Harrison Granger and their parents Sandra and Montgomery. At a special ceremony on Saturday March 14, both boys were awarded the permanent rank of Eagle Scout. Harrison's Eagle Project as you recall was the refurbishment of Fellowship Hall with new paint and new energy efficient lighting.

I'm so excited about our new Spring Mission project with a number of other Port Jefferson churches and Protestant Campus Ministries at Stony Brook. The Packing Day Extravaganza takes place on Saturday April 18th in the High School Gym from 11-1pm, but so much work

and fundraising happens prior to that. Be sure to visit the tent in Fellowship Hall to get additional information and make a contribution. 100 meals is \$40. 260 meals is \$100. We're happy to accept contributions of any size and we'll be happy to translate any dollar amount into packaged meals to help those less well off than ourselves at .29 per meal. A contribution or funds raised by any one person above \$25 gets a free T-Shirt!

We're going to have allot of fun and raise a good amount of funds this Spring! Come join us!!!

Love always!

Pastor Dave



Special Giving

Restoration Fund/Special Envelopes

Kent and Barbara Edwards
Ken Bohler
Bob and Lillian Spears
Janet Lowe
Ellen Cheeseman and Marty White
Sandra Swenk
Lee Nichols
Ken and Elizabeth Combs
Don and Carol Spence
Jae Lee
Pastor David Mantz

Endowment Fund

Marlene and Eric Kadel

In Memory of Patricia Hall
Given by Bob and Jane Collins

In Memory of Patricia Hall
Given by Micki and John Pilkington

In Memory of Patricia Hall and
Ann Carvalho
Given by Ginny and Ted Anderson

Memorial Fund

In Memory of Ann Carvalho
Given by Lee Nichols

Organ Fund

In Memory of Ann Carvalho
Given by Sandra Swenk

The Keyhole

George and Joan Pidot



Dear First United Methodist Church,

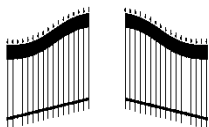
On March 14th, Benjamin and Harrison Granger attended their Eagle Scout Court of Honor. Four boys in total were recognized. The event was held at the Elk's Club in Centereach NY. Many political dignitaries were in attendance, including Legislator Steve Englebright and Brookhaven Town Supervisor Edward Romaine. Our own Pastor Dave, an Eagle Scout himself, represented the church. One of the interesting things about the recognition, is that the other two recipients have been best friends of Benjamin's since grade school. Benjamin did his project for Save- A Pet. Harrison did his project for our church. Both Benjamin and Harrison gave very nice acceptance speeches. The purpose of this note is to thank all those who financially and physically helped support their projects.

From, Bob and Lil Spears

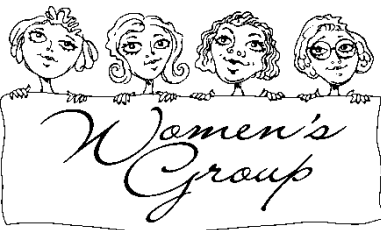
HOME? NOT YET

When the late Dr. Henry C. Morrison came home from one of his many travels, we are told that he arrived in the City of New York at the same time and on the same ship that brought the great “Teddy” Roosevelt from one of his hunting trips to Africa.

Literally thousands swarmed the docks to greet the noted hunter, but not a soul was there to welcome Dr. Morrison. Dr. Morrison relates how Satan, the accuser, whispered to him, “Aha, see how they greet the men of the world and you--one of God’s preachers--without a single soul to greet you.” This man of God admitted that in the loneliness of his heart, there could have been place for a hurt, but the Father sweetly whispered, “Yes, but Henry, you are not home yet.”



WELCOMED HOME



Friday April 10, 2015
9:00AM
Fellowship Hall

Program: Movie “Gifted Hands, the story of Dr. Ben Carson, world renowned neurosurgeon”.

All the woman of our church are invited. For information call Ellen @ 631-921-0409



Come serve with us at Trinity UMC in Coram preparing and serving meals for those in need, Tuesday’s from 4pm to 6pm. (once a month) See Judy Spencer on Sunday or call her at 473-6667 to sign up!

April 20

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1: Sandra Granger
- 3: Michael Loper
- 4: Shannon Kelly
- 5: Matthew Gallo
Frederick Eichenauer
- 6: John Knight
- 7: Hannorah Townsend
- 8: Craig Edwards
John Steiner
- 10: Heather West
- 11: Joann Jantzen
Peyton Prato
- 15: Austin Marlowe
- 16: Thomas Farrell
Cassandra Love
Brian Fletcher
- 18: Jennifer Combs
- 20: Peter Scalicione II
- 21: Megan Wood Francoeur
- 23: Julie Godwin
- 24: Pastor Sandy Mantz
- 25: Tyler Joseph Iaccarino
- 26: Teva Blazejewski
- 28: Craig G. Godwin
Dawn Okst
Laura Passarelle
- 30: Patricia Diaz



- 4: Angela & Ken Bohler
- 9: Beth & Sean Cardineau
- 15: Pat & Paul Diaz
- 15: Janet & Henry Steiger
- 18: Sandra & James Zahn
- 27: Tracy & Robert Darling



Special Dates

- Maundy/Holy Thurs, April 2
- Good Friday, April 3, 2015
- Holy Saturday, April 4, 2015
- Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015
- Administrative Professionals Day, April 22



Lectionary Readings

April 2, 2015 Holy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

April 3, 2015 Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19:42

April 5, 2015 Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

April 12, 2015

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31
or Matthew 28:1-10

April 19, 2015

Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

April 26, 2015

Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

Who's Who in Methodism

Francis Asbury (1745-1816)

Francis Asbury, was born in England the son of a jobbing gardener. Having limited schooling he was apprenticed to a chape-maker. He was converted at the age of 16 after attending a Methodist society and became a local preacher. At 18 he was riding a circuit in England and at the age of 25 he answered Wesley's call to go to America.

In Philadelphia and New York he found that the itinerant ministry had just about been given up and he set about to reverse this trend, until the outbreak of war in 1775 limited his activities and he was forced into hiding for a time in Delaware. By the end of the War of Independence he was the only British-born itinerant still active in the former colonies.

John Wesley recognized him as the natural leader of the American Methodists and in 1784 at the Christmas Conference in Baltimore, Ashury was ordained deacon, elder and Superintendent - a title soon replaced by that of Bishop.

During the next 30 years he led the rapid growth of American Methodism, traveling about 6,000 miles a year and preaching about 16,500 sermons in his life time. Under his leadership the Methodist Church grew from about 1,200 members to 214,000members.

Asbury never returned to England, but died in Spotsylvania County, Virginia and was buried in Baltimore. EGC.

Church Calendar

Easter Week

Thursday April 2nd, 7:30pm
Maundy Thursday
Communion Service

Friday April 3rd 7:30pm
Good Friday
Last Words of Jesus Service

Sunday April 5th10am
Easter Service

Friday April 10th, 9:00am,
Women's Group

Sunday April 12th, 7pm
Confirmation Class

Tuesday April 14th, 7pm SPR
Meeting in the Pars DR

Thursday April 16th, 6:30pm
Finance Committee in the
Board Room

Friday April 17th, noon,
Disciple Bible Chapter 13

Saturday April 18th, 11-1pm
Stop Hunger Now Meal
Packing Extravaganza!

Tuesday April 21st, 6:30pm
Trustees in Fellowship Hall

Saturday April 25th, 5 and
6:30pm Spring Ham Dinner

Sunday April 26th, 7pm
Confirmation Class

Tues April 28th, 7pm Church
Council in the Parsonage
Living Room

“I lied on my Weight Watchers List. I put down that I had tree eggs...but they were Cadbury chocolate eggs.”

~Caroline Rhea~



March Altar Flowers

1st No donation

8th In memory of Cynthia Pfister by the Phister Family

15th In memory of my parents Oliver and Marjorie Pryer by Judy Spencer

22nd In memory of Mike and Jerry Libby
In honor of Lyn Schutter's Birthday by Steve Schutter

29th Happy Birthday Dave Pfister by Jen and "the boys"
Happy 50th Anniversary Carole and Rob Darling from your loving family.

March Coffee Hour

1st Carole Darling and Lyn Schutter

8th Ellen Cheeseman and Martin White

15th Gail Tilton and the Sunday School. Organ Expo

22nd Ashley Grills

29th Bobbie Grassman and Jane Collins
50th Anniversary of Carole and Rob Darling

Coffee hour is a wonderful time of fellowship after our church service. Please consider volunteering..

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers add beauty and serenity to our worship service. If you would like to donate flowers please fill out this form and give it to Ellen Cheeseman with a donation of \$15.00.

Checks should be made out to First United Methodist Church of Port Jefferson and clearly marked flower donation.

In Honor Of: _____

In Memory Of: _____

By: _____

On Sunday: _____

Spring Dinner



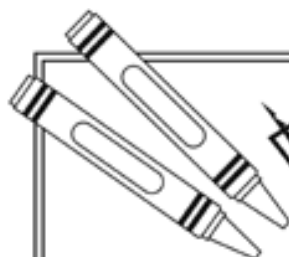
Ham with all the Trimming!

**Saturday April 25, 2015
First United Methodist Church
603 Main Street
Port Jefferson, New York**

**First Seating 5:00PM
Second Seating 6:30Pm**

**Donation: Adult \$15.00
Child \$5.00**

**For tickets call Donna 631-252-3867
For information call Lyn 631-471-8679**



PUZZLE

OUR HOPE

Romans 8:34 tells about our risen Lord, who gives us hope.

Directions: Write the phrases on the correct numbered lines below. Then, on the final row of blanks, write the bold capital letters in order from top to bottom, left to right, to spell the word that sums up this verse.

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|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| 5 who was Raised | : | 8 R ight hand | : | 6 T o life |
| 3 d ied | : | 4 m ore than that | : | 7 I s at the |
| 2 J eS <u>s</u> who | : | 11 i nt <u>E</u> rceding | : | 9 O f God |
| 12 f or U s | : | 1 C hrist | : | 10 a nd is also |

... 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

4 _____ 5 _____

_____ 6 _____ 7 _____

_____ 8 _____

6 _____ 10 _____

11 _____ 12 _____, *Romans 8:34, NIV*

RESURRECTION

Answers: ... Christ Jesus who died — more than that, who was raised to life — is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us, Romans 8:34, NIV

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