

May 2025

News From PPC

PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Park Church Fundraiser

Friday, May 16, 2025

Pre-Sale Tickets Only

Chicken & Biscuit Dinner!

DINNER ALSO INCLUDES:

Fruit cup, mixed vegetables & a brownie

Price: \$10.00

take-out
ONLY

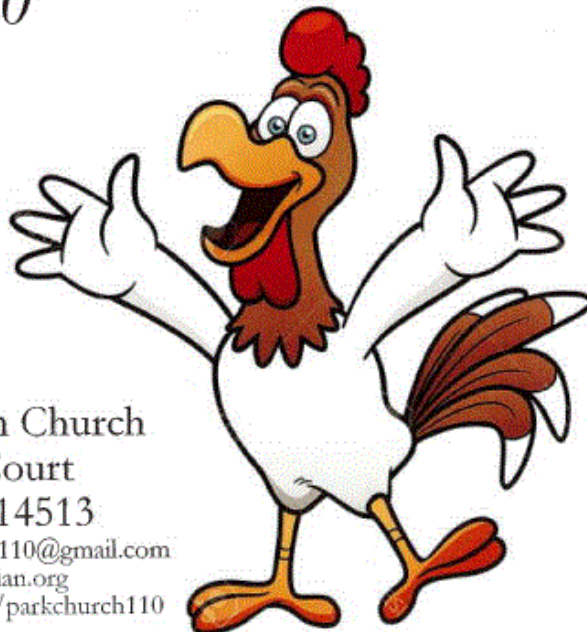
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**Final day
to order:
May 13th!**



PASTORAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE

On April 6th, the Congregational meeting approved Rev. Dr. Leigh Holder as our next pastor for Park Church. Rev. Leigh comes to us with a doctorate and 30 years of pastoral experience, much of it with churches in transition. She loves God's people and considers her role as pastor as being one of the congregation, not as a director of the church.

Since that Sunday, Leigh has been attending Sunday services, and has already begun to meet the church members. She loves to do Bible study classes and pastoral care visits. Leigh is also looking forward to getting to know Newark's community members and organizations.

Rev. Leigh will be starting May 15th and we are planning her installation for Pentecost Sunday. The Pastor Nominating Committee is very excited about our new Pastor, and we hope you will have an opportunity to get to know her soon.



Save the Date
Saturday June 28, 2025 @ 1PM
Strawberry Festival—Newark-Arcadia Historical Society
120 High Street, Newark
-more information to follow



Flowers:

May 4: In Memory of Marguerite Palmer

May 11: In Memory of Mabel Hommer

May 25: In Memory of Emma King Ayers



Liturgists:

May 4: Cari Taylor

May 11: Christine Stephens

May 18: Sarah Humphrey

May 25: Natalie Lemmon

Greeters:

Marilyn Wilson & Karen Vanderbrook



Deacon's Coffee Hour Schedule:

May : Marilyn Wilson

June: Natalie Lemmon

Pulpit Supply for PPC:

May 4: Josh McCrossen & Anne Rogers

May 11: Rev. Val Fowler



May Birthdays

9th Eleanor Brennessel

20th Anthony Humphrey

21st Bonnie Hammond

28th Bob Tack

Liturgy Readings:

May 18: Acts 11: 1-18 & John 13: 31-35

May 25: Acts 16: 9-15 & John 14: 23-30





May 18th Dish to Pass After Church: Please bring your favorite dishes or foods to share to celebrate the official arrival of our new pastor, Leigh. If it is not convenient to bring something or you forget, stay anyway. We always have plenty to eat!

May 21st Game Day from 2-4:00: We hope you will consider joining us for “Game Day.” Expect to be a part of the humor, laughter, and a good time, whether you play a game, or just come to socialize. As always, your friends are welcome and there will be a sign-up sheet in the lounge for snacks offered by a few of you.

Save
The
Date

200th Anniversary Rock
Dedication will be held on
September 14, 2025

Finger Lakes Bronze Handbell Choir
presents

**ECHOES of
NATURE**

Saturday May 3, 2025
4:00 pm
The Chapel at the Spa
Apartments
11 East Main Street
Clifton Springs, NY

Sunday May 4, 2025
3:00
Park Presbyterian
Church
110 Maple Court
Newark, NY

Concerts are free and open to the public.
Both locations are accessible.
A free will offering will be accepted to support our music.



Saturday, June 14, 2025



Our celebration was held on April 26 and April 27, 2025. We are pleased to say that it was well attended.

At 10:00 a.m. on Saturday guests arrived and enjoyed a large display of historical artifacts, pictures and books in the church lounge. The feeling in the church that day can only be described as electrifying, as people greeted old friends: a true homecoming!

The program started at 10:30 in the Sanctuary. There were musical pieces, readings from special speakers and comments from the audience with stories about our church. We even received a letter from our previous minister, Tim Johnson.

*“Dear Friends Park Presbyterian Church,
Thank you for the invitation to be with you as you celebrate 200 years as a congregation. That is an accomplishment by all standards! We will not be able to join you, as we have aged, and it is become hard for us to travel anywhere, for any reason.*

That being said we made the right decision to make the five day journey in October 2022, to move to Missoula, Montana to be near our daughter and her family.

We send to you our love and warm greetings as you celebrate another milestone. Park Church and the Erie Canal were coming into being at about the same time. The canal almost went out of business when highways and railroads were built. But it adapted. And it continues to flourish. Let that be an inspiration to you! Whenever you cross over the canal, or take a ride on it, think about its history and the changes that had to be made.

Think also of the 200 years you are celebrating as a “prelude” to what’s ahead. Something new is on the way.

46 years ago, at my installation as your Pastor, Kay Oosterling and Nancy Lunay sang “The Times They Are a changin’” – an anthem for change written by Bob Dylan. The words were true then, and remain so today.

Ann and I will continue to hold you close in our hearts. Almost daily and memory of Newark will be a part of our conversation. We treasure our 43 years in Newark, and I will treasure the memories of my 25 years as your pastor. God is with you as you dream and discuss the future.

God bless you for what has been and what will be.

*Love and best wishes,
Tim Johnson”*

The celebration weekend was a big success—we cannot wait for what comes next!

- Bill Doebler



200th Anniversary Celebration Teams/Members:

Artifacts: Kris and Rick Bald, Gil Burgess, Eileen Taylor
 Invitations: Kay Oosterling, Karen and Bill Doebler, Christine Stephens, Anne Rogers
 Worship and Music: Karen Cameron, Natalie Lemmon and Sarah Humphrey
 Food/Refreshments: Gwen Mix, Holly Burgess, Marilyn Wilson, Ginny Bodine, Cheryl Lotz, Karen Vanderbrook, Karen Cameron
 Rock Team: Marilyn Wilson, Deb Compher, Henry Stephens, Josh McCrossen



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interaction, and guidance in Faith and comfort.***

Newark Community Connections:

Newark Food Pantry: The Newark Food Pantry is located at 301 East Miller Street, Newark, NY 14513. There are many ways to volunteer your time at the Newark Food Closet. All Donations go to support the Newark Food Closet. We do not have paid staff; we are run solely by volunteers. If interested, please contact Lisa Barrett at (315) 332-8582 or (315) 351-6474.

Common Threads: Common Threads is located at 5694 Wood Lane, Newark, NY 14513. It is open 9AM-12:PM every First and Third Saturday of the month. Drop off for clothing is in Park Presbyterian lounge M-W, F from 9AM-4PM. Contact Sarah at shumphrey8008@gmail.com or call 585-409-4667 for more information.

Called to Care:

Park Presbyterian Women are supporting Called to Care; when needed they are supplying new and used bedding and household cleaning supplies. Contact Sue Rowe at srowe918@gmail.com or 845-791-0389 if you are interested in being on a list to help supply items when the need arises. Called to Care, Canandaigua, assists refugee families financially in their first few months with rent, utility payments, and other fees as well as helping them find housing, employment, English classes and provide for food and clothing needs; it also works in partnership with World Relief Western NY. Called to Care, Canandaigua, with its mission to promote and facilitate resettlement of refugees in Canandaigua by providing a support network to help them start a new life, invites interested individuals to join in the rewarding work of welcoming and serving some of the world's most vulnerable. For more information, contact Linda Werts at 315-447-0276.

Family Promise: In the United States, one child out of five lives in poverty. Families with children make up 35% of the people in this country who experience homelessness. Poverty in Wayne County is a persistent and continuing foundation of homelessness. From data provided by school districts in Wayne County, there has been a consistent number of over six hundred homeless children, both pre-school and school-age each year since the 2014-2015 school year. Contact Anne Rogers at 315-879-5478 for more information.

Laurel House: Laurel House is a not-for-profit volunteer community organization in Newark, NY, formed with its first meeting on November 7, 2014, and incorporated in May 2015. The idea of Laurel House, a volunteer-driven home providing free end-of-life care for Wayne County residents and their families, originated decades ago with Jean Cass, a nurse who watched one of her dear friends succumb to a difficult death from breast cancer. Jean's passion for a better way to care for the dying brought about the comfort care home, the House of John in Clifton Springs and was the impetus for doing the same in Newark. While Laurel House Comfort Care provides end-of-life care free of charge, it costs over \$200,000 to operate the home. Donations are appreciated! To contact them call 315-573-7028.

Survivor Advocacy Center of the Finger Lakes:

The Survivor Advocacy Center of the Finger Lakes' programs for survivors of domestic violence provides shelter and appropriate services for all victims. Their safe dwelling program provides housing for a maximum of fourteen residents. Their programs provide appropriate service for survivors of domestic violence, sexual abuse, stalking, dating violence, bullying, and child abuse regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, secular orientation, gender identity or expression, military status, gender, marital status, or disability. To contact them, call the office at 315-331-1171.

Ina Jeanne Salisbury Of Newark, NY passed on Wednesday, April 16 at age 83.

Friends may call on Tuesday (April 22) from 5-7pm at the Cheney Funeral Home, 70 Main Street, Phelps NY 14532.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday (April 23) at 10am at Park Presbyterian Church, 110 Maple Ct., Newark NY 14513. Burial will immediately follow at Resthaven Cemetery in Phelps.



In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Planned Parenthood or Seneca Park Zoo.

Jeanne grew up in Kalamazoo, MI and graduated from Michigan State University with a BS in Biology. She earned her Masters in Biology in 1981. She was a Math and Science teacher at Newark High School for 24 years, prior to that in Michigan, as well as an adjunct professor at Southwestern Michigan Community College. While at Newark HS, she started the Math team and volunteered as Girls tennis coach. She served as a HS track official for 33 years. She was a member and Deacon of Park Presbyterian Church. She enjoyed music, playing piano and guitar and also was a member of the church choir and bell choir. Jeanne was an avid runner and biker, participating in triathlons and traveling the country with Paul on bike tours. In retirement, Jeanne and Paul spent 15 years volunteering with Habitat for Humanity and Living Waters on missions in NY, West Virginia and Mexico. She was also a member of Newark Rotary and a Seneca Park Zoo docent.

Jeanne is survived by Paul, her husband of 60 years, sons Michael (Gina), Kyle, grandchildren Rachel Nucci (Alec) and Zachary, great-grandson Rowan Nucci, brother-in-law John (Diane), and Ken Eddy, sisters-in-law Mary Salisbury (Phil), Sally Zelonis (Mark), Betsey Homer (Joe), and faithful companion Louie.

Jeanne was predeceased by parents Karl and Ruth White, sisters Joann Eddy and Linda Wagonmaker, and brothers-in-law Phil Salisbury, Joe Homer, and Scott Wagonmaker.

Dear Friends and Family of Susie Chaffee,

We are very saddened to let you know that Susie passed away on March 21, 2025. She recently turned 72. For the past several years, Susie had been dealing with serious health issues. On March 17, she had a major stroke at home in the house she loved in Newark, NY, living with her beloved cats, Lillie and Baby Cakes; her son, Banyan; and her caregiver, Rob. Susie never recovered from the stroke.

She leaves her sons Banyan and Adam; Adam's partner, Tina, and their two daughters, Jalyssa and Rosie; her sisters, Sally and Judith and Judith's partner, Pete; and her cousins from both the Ferry and Chaffee families.

Sometime in the coming year, we will have a celebration for Susie, who was loved by so many for her kindness, generosity and fun sense of humor. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Warm wishes in memory of Susie,

Sally Chaffee (sallyc4601@gmail.com)

Judith Chaffee (judith@commedia-dell-arte.com)

Let Us Pray

Lord Jesus Christ, thank you that you are faithful to fulfill all your promises. The Bible says that you have taken my pain, you have borne my suffering, you were pierced for my transgressions, you were crushed for my iniquities, your punishment brings me peace and by your wounds, I am healed. Let me be restored through your healing power. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with me always. Thank you that you are the source of all true joy in life. You have said that I have nothing to fear when you are with me. With you alongside me I will not be dismayed, you will strengthen and heal me, you will uphold me with your righteous right hand. Please restore me to health Lord. You are the God of hope. Fill me with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit I may abound in hope. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



We continue to pray for those in our midst—family, friends, and acquaintances—in need of healing, understanding, compassion, direction, safety, and safe keeping—for your shalom upon their lives—your wholeness.

To this end, we continue to lift the following in prayer to you: Deb Compher, Roxanna Roe, Sue Rowe, Lila Serapilio, Mike Hopkins, James, Chris Agletti and Rachel Ide, Rev. Debbie Grohman, Krystel Harling, Artemis, Kurt Werts, Cara, James Cavallero, Karen, Debbie O-Sullivan, Daniel Allerton, Lisa Praino Babineau, Jan Smith, Orville VanDuser, Laura Ehle, Aya Gilad-Muth, Kelly Shay Velte, Dan Patsos, Connie Winsor, Roger and Victor Cox, Bill Mitchell, Mark Booth, Michael Bauer, Jonathan and Jeremy Burns, Moshe and Avital Gilad, Eleanor Brennessel, Susie Earl, Barbara Watson, Mary Jean, Jackie, Marilyn Bender, Jim Praino, Tobin Ide, and Jonathan Oosterling.

We continue our prayers for caregivers and to those needing care: Jeanne and Paul Salisbury, Bonnie and Thurlow Hammond, Ed and Cheryl Lotz, Barbara Brunner, Eileen Burm, Marian Maxwell, Jim and Anne Peck, Lynn Blodgett, Susan Chaffee, Mark Booth, Debbie and Pat O'Sullivan, Joan Boerman, and Sally and Jim Praino.

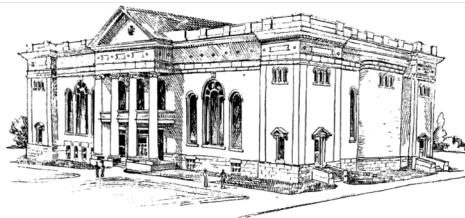
We continue our prayers for all those who grieve, including the friends and family of Ron Serapilio, David Wilck, Natalie Craig and Bob Bowser.

In your mercy, O God, hear the prayers of your people. Amen.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 2PM FLACRA	2 1PM Garden Club	3 11AM Baby Shower 6PM AA Meeting
4 9AM Choir 10AM Worship Service/ Communion 3PM Bronze Bell Concert	5 430PM Chancel Bells 6PM Back 2 Basics	6 1030AM Quilters 6PM Webelos Meeting	7 6PM 138 Pack Meeting	8	9 6PM Wayne Gem	10 6PM AA Meeting
11 9AM Choir 10 Worship Service	12 3PM Finance Meeting 430PM Chancel Bells 6PM Back 2 Basics	13 1030AM Quilters 6PM Webelos Meeting	14 6PM 138 Pack Meeting	15	16 5PM Piano Recital	17 6PM AA Meeting
18 9AM Choir 10 Worship Service 1115AM Dish to Pass	19 430PM Chancel Bells 6PM Back 2 Basics	20 1030AM Quilters 6PM Webelos Meeting	21 1030AM DAR Meeting 6PM 138 Pack Meeting 6PM Session Meeting	22	23	24 10AM NA Planning 6PM AA Meeting
25 9AM Choir 10 Worship Service	26 2PM Game Day 430PM Chancel Bells 6PM Back 2 Basics Parkview Submissions Due	27 1030AM Quilters 6PM Webelos Meeting	28 6PM 138 Pack Meeting	29	30	31 6PM AA Meeting
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