

MARCH 2021

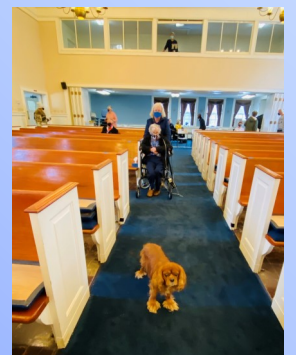
Hamburg Presbyterian Church

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Mission: To be a spiritually passionate congregation that lives out Christ's teachings; through love-filled relationship building, we prayerfully seek to share our lives and resources with the community and the world



Spring Forward

Sunday, March 14





lent

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Christian Education & Worship Notes

What We've Been Up To...

We resumed in-person Children's Church in February! We will continue to meet together during worship in March. All children are welcome. Please see the schedule below for dates. If you're not able to join us in person you can check out the Worship Service, as well as the Children's Sermon, each week on The Hamburg Presbyterian Youtube Channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtZVuwF9DN62b-WK-iXq5Ug>

Blessings,
Matt



Upcoming...

Children / Youth Sunday School Calendar

3/7 Communion Sunday NO Children's Church
3/14 Children's Church (During Worship—10:15am)
3/21 Children's Church (During Worship—10:15am)
3/28 Children's Church (During Worship—10:15am)

Adult Sunday School

(Wednesday Nights 7:00pm-8:00pm)

Adult Sunday School Class has been working through our series of short videos and lessons on The Fruits of the Spirit. All adults are welcome to join us! Click on the link below and enter the meeting password : VimPN7 to join.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77045891371?pwd=MXl1MityZ1h1M2s1OFIvU2R0QmFiQT09>



Sundays of Lent Schedule

Join Pastor Rachel in the Sanctuary each Sunday of Lent at 10am for Worship and the Word.
First Sunday Communion on March 7.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 28 at 10am
Worship Service, Communion & Palm Distribution

Maundy Thursday, April 1 at 7pm
Worship Service & Communion

Easter Sunday April 4 at 10am
Worship Service & Communion
(by Reservation only)



Due to limited seating capacity guidelines...

Attendance at Easter Sunday Service is by reservation only.

Sign up is available in the narthex, by calling the church office (649-1970) or via email at hamburgpresbyterianchurch@verizon.net.



Online Worship Links for HPC ~ Join Us as we Celebrate God's Word

~HPC website: www.hamburgchurch.org

~Pastor Rachel's audio sermons: <https://clyp.it/u/rachelbrown333>

~HPC Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/hamburgpresbychurch>

~HPC YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtZVuwF9DN62b-WK-iXq5Ug>



ALL MEETINGS FOR THE QUILTERS AND WOMEN'S COORDINATING TEAM HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

I lift up my eyes to the mountains - where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. Psalm 121:1



meeting minutes

Deadline for ministry team notes for Session is Monday, March 8 at Noon.



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Annual Ministry Team Reports are due no later than June 1

Please include informative summaries dating July 2020 – June 2021. Items may be submitted in Word (or a pdf is fine). In the case of larger documents, please do not number the pages in individual reports.

Please email to:

hamburgpresbyterianchurch@verizon.net

Dear HPC Family and Friends,

Thank you so much for your generous pledges, gifts, donations and fundraising efforts in 2020.

Thanks to you, we were able to donate to the following, fulfilling our commitments and then some during a pandemic!



Thanks again,

~Pastor Rachel

Donations from Mission Ministry Team Budget 2020

- Angel Tree \$1,000
Bethel Presbyterian Church Soup Kitchen \$500
Buffalo Dream Center \$750
Churches in Action (CIA) \$1,150
Deer Rescue \$100
Functional Literacy Ministry in Haiti including a special gift for masks \$2,200
Friends of Night People \$750
Grocery Gift Cards \$1,000
Jericho Road \$1,000
Journey's End \$500
Operation Good Neighbor \$500
PC (USA) Disaster Relief \$500
PC (USA) World Mission \$500
Storehouse Mission \$500
St. Luke's Mission of Mercy \$1,000
Sparks of Hope Recovery Support Center in Hamburg \$1,000
Wright Memorial Presbyterian Church \$250
Haiti Supplies \$350
2020 Code Blue Support \$1,300
AND, Not to mention the \$100s of not counted for all those who supported our Blessing Box

HPC Pumpkin Patch Reimagined Fundraiser Chicken BBQ

- Operation Good Neighbor \$1,250
Blasdell Church of Christ Food Pantry \$1,250
Eden/ North Collins Food Pantry \$1,250
S.S. Peter and Paul Food Pantry \$1,250

**March
WORSHIP
SCHEDULE
OF VOLUNTEERS
THANK YOU!**

LITURGISTS

7 –Sandy Smith
14 – Shirley Hines
21 - Wayne Hines
28 - Jeff Leyonmark

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Matt Brooks

HEAD USHER

7 –Dudley Hollenbeck
14 – Sandy Smith
21 - Jean Coffey
28 - Jean Coffey



ATTENDANCE

Cheryl Koelmel

March Birthdays

March 2 ~ Pat Smith	March 14 ~ Yvonne Michaels, Dick Reynolds & Laurie Smith
March 5 ~ Alan Hall	March 15 ~ Rebecca Whipple
March 6 ~ Weston Ferro	March 17 ~ Kelly Ring
March 7 ~ Garrett Herman, Leanne Howe & Gail Wheaton	March 18 ~ Campbell Calder
March 9 ~ Kathryn Griffin	March 21 ~ Patricia Baltes & Ken Walker
March 10 ~ Sue Ganey & Bob Webster	March 27 ~ Don Robinson
March 12 ~ Joshua Howe	March 28 ~ Nicholas Nelson & Louise Zittel

**KEEP YOUR INFORMATION
UP TO
DATE**
WE DON'T WANT YOU
TO MISS OUT!



*... for the needs of our
fellow church members*

Geralyn Bahruth, Hollis Bahruth, Donna Burns,
Diane Buzy Virginia Calkins, Bob Catalino,
Pat Catalino, Lucy Charles, Connie Crossan,
Jonah DeLang, Emma Duggan, Sue Ganey,
Betty Lynn Griffin, Alan Hall, Duane Hartloff,
Doug Lehmann, Richard Monckton, Meredith Robinson, Tracy Tone,
Kim VanTine, Gail Wheaton, and Sydney Zimmerman

Don't forget to contact the Church Office when a loved one is ill, injured, or hospitalized.

**New Members
WELCOME**
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Tyler and Megan Alimonti
Matt and Bridgette Brooks
Chris Burns
Melissa Ferraro
Tom Tabone

**Welcome in the
Waters of Baptism**

Liam and Lucas
Alimonti
November 15, 2020

With heartfelt **Sympathy**

As a church family, we mourn the passing of June Streamer beloved HPC member and wife of Joe Streamer. May God grant comfort to her family and friends during this time.

THANK YOU SO MUCH

**...for another
successful
Sandwich Sunday!**

470 sandwiches were sent to St Luke's Mission of Mercy in Buffalo. We also sent a variety of other food including cookies, candy, 70 small bags of potato chips, and tangerines. Cold weather clothing including sweat shirts, gloves, and neck warmers were also donated. **Sandwich Sunday is March 21.**

I will give thanks, O Lord, with all my heart; I praise your name for your unfailing love and faithfulness; for your promises are backed by all the honor of your name.
Psalm 138:1-2



Minutes of Session ~ January 11, 2021

The Rev. Rachel Brown, Moderator, called the meeting to order with prayer at 7:02 p.m. A quorum was present. The agenda was approved as written. Elders in attendance were: Jim Beatty, Joyce Huen, Kris McGuire, Leanne Howe, Joe Smith, Don Robinson, Gary Lauchert, Blair Webster, Holly Bortel, Jeff Leyonmark, and Cheryl Koelmel, Clerk. Excused: Tony Cimorelli. Guest: Deacon Anna Robinson.

Devotions from "24 Hours of Prayer" was read by Holly Bortel.

The Session Minutes of December 14, 2020 were approved after one additional entry from the Clerk. On November 15, 2020 during worship, Tyler and Megan Alimonti were received as new members to HPC and their sons, Liam and Lucas Alimonti were baptized. Rev. Rachel Brown officiated.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Pastor Rachel has asked the Hospitality Team to schedule a New Members Class via ZOOM in January. The Team is to recontact those who signed up last February.

Pastor Rachel is reaching out to the congregation by phone, cards, and leaving written messages at homes.

CLERK'S REPORT:

The Clerk is requesting an future online approval vote by session when the PCUSA Church Statistical Report is completed. This was acceptable to the elders.

DEACON'S REPORT:

Anna Robinson reviewed the Deacon's prior months minutes.

COMM. TO PRESBYTERY:

The next Presbytery meeting will be on January 23, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. on ZOOM.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The following reflects the Profit & Loss statement ending December 31, 2020.

INCOME:	\$23,693.00
SAVINGS:	\$117,478.70
EXPENSES:	\$31,748.36
CHECKING:	\$ 41,999.18

MINISTRY TEAMS REQUIRING ACTION:

The following teams emailed their minutes to the elders prior to the meeting: Christian Education, Financial Management, Presbyterian Women, and Deacons.

Worship & Music.....A **MOTION** from committee to review and approve the 2021 Communion Schedule. The motion

passed. The following dates were approved: February 7, February 17 (Ash Wednesday), March 7, March 28 (Palm Sunday), April 1 (Maundy Thursday), April 4 (Easter), May 2, May 30 (Springtime in the Country), June 6, July 4, August 1, September 5, October 3 (World Communion Sunday), November 7 (Worship and Christmas in the Country), December 5 (Worship and Yuletide in the Country), December 24 (Christmas Eve) and January 2, 2022.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Regarding the physical reopening of worship services, a **MOTION** from Don Robinson was made to keep the church closed during the Orange Zone and reopen when we are in the Yellow Zone. The motion was seconded and passed.

Gary Lauchert suggested that HPC apply for the next round of PPP and following discussion the following motion was made. A **MOTION** for Gary to look into the second round of PPP to determine if HPC is eligible and if so, to call a Special Session meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

The **Sacrament of Holy Communion** was celebrated on December 24, 2020 at the Christmas Eve ZOOM service and on January 3, 2021 during the ZOOM worship service.

The next **Sacrament of Holy Communion** will be celebrated on February 7, 2021 at the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Jeff Leyonmark will be responsible for devotions at the February meeting.

The next Session Meeting is February 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Joys & Concerns were lifted and Pastor Rachel closed the meeting at 7:56 p.m. with prayer.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl L. Koelmel, Clerk of Session




Per Capita Offering \$34.10 + \$3.41 = \$37.51

These monies provide the Presbytery of WNY with their operating budget, services to local churches, missionary work, and pastoral care. It is the bond that holds us together. *(Please note the figures above are **Recommended plus optional** additional 10% for Branch mission work.)* **Thanks to all who have already paid their dues!**

March 2021

Hamburg Presbyterian Church



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<p>Meeting dates and times subject to change. Updated 2/25/21</p>	<p>1 10:00am Church Life 6:00pm Christian Ed. (Z) 7:00pm Financial Mgmt. (Z) 7:00pm Personnel 7:30pm AlAnon (Z)</p>	<p>2 5:00pm Worship Planning (Z)</p>	<p>3 9:00am Hospitality 7:30pm AA (FH)</p>	4	<p>5 10:00pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>6 9am - 12pm United Church of God (FH)</p>	
	<p>7 10:00am Worship Service & Communion No Children's Church</p>	<p>8 <i>Ministry Team Minutes Due</i> 9:30am Caregivers (Z) 7:00pm Session (Z) 7:30pm AlAnon (Z)</p>	<p>9 5:00pm Worship Planning (Z)</p>	<p>10 7:30pm AA (FH)</p>	11	<p>12 10:00pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>13 9am - 12pm United Church of God (FH) 9:30am Women's Breakfast Group at ZJs</p>
	<p>14 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS 10:00am Worship Service & Children's Church <i>Baptism of Grace DeLang</i></p> 	<p>15 7:00pm Worship and Music (Z) 7:30pm AlAnon (Z)</p>	<p>16 5:00pm Worship Planning (Z) 7:00pm Deacons (Z)</p>	<p>17 7:00pm Mission (Z) 7:30pm AA (FH)</p> <p><i>Newsletter Articles Due</i> <i>Happy St. Patrick's Day</i></p> 	18	<p>19 10:00pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>20 9am - 12pm United Church of God (FH)</p> 
	<p>21 10:00am Worship Service & Children's Church <i>Sandwich Sunday</i></p>	<p>22 7:00pm Building and Grounds (Z) 7:30pm AlAnon (Z)</p>	<p>23 5:00pm Worship Planning (Z)</p>	<p>24 7:30pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>25</p> 	<p>26 6 - 9pm United Church of God (FH) 10:00pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>27 3 - 9pm United Church of God (FH)</p>
	<p>28 PALM SUNDAY 10:00am Worship Service & Children's Church</p>	<p>29 7:30pm AlAnon (Z)</p>	<p>30 5:00pm Worship Planning (Z)</p>	<p>31 7:30pm AA (FH)</p>			

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Organist - Joanne Hollenbeck

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Pastoral Care Assistant - Wendy Zimmerman

Treasurer - Blair Webster

Financial Secretary - Katie Gertner

Church Office - Mandy Eppolito & Kendra Quinn-Moultrie

Sexton - Dave Monaco

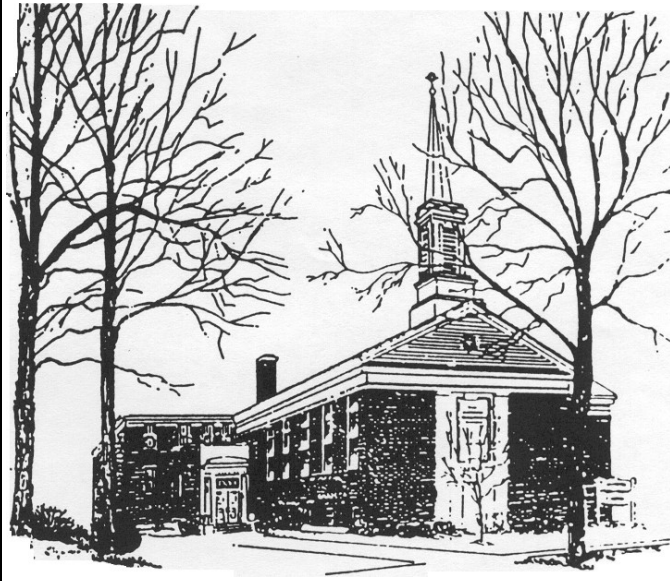
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Sunday Worship & Christian Ed Schedule

10:00am Worship Service
in the Sanctuary and on Facebook Live
10:15am Children's Church
(after Children's Sermon)

Worship Online with us!

Visit www.hamburgchurch.org and click on the Media tab to the drop down Bulletin tab. Select the bulletin of the week and access the YouTube worship video.

Subscribe to Hamburg Presbyterian Church at YouTube and click the notification bell to see when new videos post.

Newsletter Deadline



The deadline for the
April issue is
March 17.

Welcome

Elders

Class of 2021
Holly Bortel
Leanne Howe
Joyce Huen
Jeff Leyonmark
Kris McGuire
Joe Smith, Sr.

Class of 2022
Tony Cimorelli
Gary Lauchert
Don Robinson
Blair Webster

Class of 2022
Jim Beatty

Deacons

Class of 2021
Cindy Rotino Ferguson
Wendy Leyonmark
Cheryl Weyand

Class of 2022
Anna Robinson

Class of 2023
Elyse Perry

Our Daily Bread Devotionals

Printed copies of this popular devotional booklet have not arrived yet for distribution. Until they do, please visit their website for access to content or to sign up for the daily devotional delivered right to your inbox at

<https://odb.org/>



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