

The GoodNews Connection

PERINTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Perinton Presbyterian Church Presents

Community, Members, & Friends

Rally Day Tailgate Celebration

Sunday, September 12th, 2021 – 11:30 a.m.

Perinton Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

6511 Pittsford-Palmyra Road,

(opposite Wegmans – the white church on the hill)



Tailgate Details

Sponsored by the Outreach Committee

Bring a cooler with lunch for yourself, household, and/or group!

We'll spend some time in fellowship in the parking lot after the 10:30 worship service.

1. Bring Frisbees, footballs, etc.
2. Water and packaged cookies will be provided.
3. Pack comfortable chairs.
4. Bring along a canopy if desired.
5. Note*: Please bring a package of Goldfish crackers and a package of Breadcrumbs as a food donation. Loaves and Fishes-John 14:18-19

In person event. Seating will be at our vehicles in the parking lot. In acknowledgement of Covid-19, this year's event will be a

"Bring Your Own Meal to Eat Outside"

You are also invited to join us at 9:30 to learn about the work of our Committees and then at 10:30 to join us in worship, followed by our Tailgate Celebration at 11:30. This will be a fun day to experience Perinton Presbyterian Church.

Dear PPC,



As kids and teachers head back-to-school this month, we are excited to be launching PPC's ministries for fall. This newsletter is packed with ways to worship, connect, learn, and serve with us.

Many of you provided feedback about worship times for fall through a survey earlier this summer. We discovered an overall preference in the congregation for our later service to take place at 10:30am and session voted unanimously to support this request. We are planning for two services—one at 8:30am and the second at 10:30am, with a joint Christian education and choir time in between. We recognize that this schedule will be different for us all and that it will provide some new opportunities as well as challenges. Session agreed to see how it goes and reassess at our November meeting, adapting as needed.

One key question posed by a church member at our July Pastors' Chat was how we can engage and support families with young children in the church, especially amid the challenges of COVID. This question was a spark, igniting the creativity of the Holy Spirit in my own mind and heart and in our Worship Committee. At our August Worship Committee meeting, we began planning a special approach to our 8:30am service to intentionally include our youngest worshippers.

This 8:30am service will be highly interactive and accessible for worshippers of all ages and abilities. We encourage the whole congregation to experience it at some point this fall. At its best, Christian worship is an intergenerational experience, with people of all ages connecting with God and one another, so we hope to include young children and their families as well as those who can be the spiritual aunts, uncles, and grandparents to these families in the church.

Join us, starting September 12, at 8:30am, 10:30am, or both! God's peace,
Pastor Laura



Session Update

At our August 3 session meeting, we discussed a draft of the PPC Worship Values as expressed by our Worship Values Team earlier this summer. We are excited to share these with all of you and believe they will resonate in very meaningful ways with the congregation, expressing PPC's approach to worship as part of our larger Presbyterian tradition and the church universal. We're currently polishing this document, with input from session and the Worship Committee, and hope to approve these core worship values at our September 7 meeting to share with the congregation. Watch for a fall sermon series exploring these values, starting September 12.

At our meeting we also received a COVID update from Kerry Katlic and agreed that, for the time being, we will return to masking in the church building. With this precaution, and care regarding sanitizing surfaces and careful serving of food, session authorized a full return to two worship services and Sunday morning Christian Education, starting September 12.

In preparation for World Communion Sunday on October 3, Session authorized Rev. Dr. Marlowe Washington, a United Methodist pastor and Senior Diversity Officer at St. John Fisher, to preach and lead a conversation with our youth. We're excited to welcome Rev. Dr. Washington to lead us in worship.

Session also approved inviting the congregation to submit suggestions for naming the 5 trails on the hill, began discussing a possible Scripture to be added to the empty panel of our main sign, and authorized Communion for our September 18 youth retreat.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 7, 7pm.

Name that Trail!

The church is so blessed to have the beautiful acreage up on the hill for our congregation and community to enjoy. We have 5 trails on the hill above the church that session would love your help naming. Note: We prefer not to name the trails for people, so as to honor the whole community of faith. Any other ideas are welcome. We encourage you to walk the trails and prayerfully consider ideas as you walk. Share your trail name suggestions here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFltQI-bdgKFv6JZNuv28TqHBHxAHwEC4ubS3LOHaOHPreDA/viewform?usp=sf_link

After all the names are submitted, you'll have the chance to vote for your five favorites!

The logo features the text "From the Deacons" in a sans-serif font. "From the" is in a dark purple color, and "Deacons" is in a larger, bold, red font. The text is set against a yellow rectangular background with a green and white striped border.

From the Deacons

As the summer is coming to an end, the Deacons are thankful for the continued support from our faithful congregation. We were honored to have a reception following the funeral for our beloved Jean Daniel in August. We lost her 6 months short of her 100th birthday. She contributed so much in her life including transcribing books into Braille.

The deacons are in the process of working with the Monroe County Sherriff's Office to set up a scam awareness event for our congregation. More details on the date will be coming. Congratulations to everyone involved with the VBS. We had a turnout of approximately 55 participants. Kudos to all who helped out with the Flower City Habitat for Humanity effort. If you are interested, please contact the office. On Thursday September the 23rd there will be a "Darkness to Light -- Stewards of Children" speaker at our church. Starting Sunday, September 12th the hours of service will be Early service - 8:30 – 9:15 CE – 9:30 – 10:15 later service- 10:30 – 11:30.

Thank You to Two Amazing Staff Members!

As you may already know from our worship service and reception on Sunday, August 29, Jill Bazer and Alexis Frederick are leaving PPC for exciting new opportunities. Jill, who has faithfully served as our part-time office administrator since 2017, has accepted a full-time administrative position with another employer. We want to thank Jill for all her hard work at PPC and bless her as she begins this new position. Alexis, who has faithfully served as our part-time co-leader for youth ministry, is now starting a master's degree program in Occupational Therapy at Keuka College. We bless and celebrate Alexis as she pursues this degree.

We will be looking for a new office administrator as well as a youth co-leader. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please contact the Personnel Committee--Becky Girouard (chair), Craig Chormann, Amie McMullin, Debbie Saylor, and Mark Stevens.

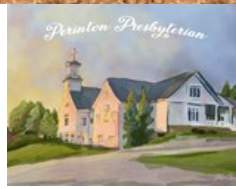
We give thanks to God for these two individuals who have blessed PPC so well—thank you Jill and Alexis!

Pastors' Chat

Join Pastors Laura and Harry for another Pastors' Chat on Sunday, September 5 at 10:30am. This is a great opportunity for you to share ideas, ask questions, and offer your thoughts on our shared ministry as a congregation. Join us!

Please join us in celebrating the ministry and legacy of Don Besig on Sunday, September 26!

If you are a current or former member of the PPC Choir you are warmly invited to join us in premiering a special anthem commissioned for Don Besig in recognition of his years of service at Perinton Pres. The anthem, *Take My Life and Let It Sing*, was composed by Don's good friend and colleague, Joe Martin, and utilizes musical material from a number of Don's compositions. Nancy Price has graciously agreed to direct this special anthem during our 10:30 worship service on September 26. We will hold two Wednesday evening rehearsals ahead of time: September 15 and September 22 at 7:45PM. Spread the word to any and all who may wish to join this extra-special ensemble, and, if you aren't a singer, plan to attend our 10:30 worship service on 9/26! Contact Music Director Julie Smith at musicdirector@perintonpres.org for more information.



Perinton Presbyterian Church Presents

Community Wellness Series #6

Darkness to Light, Stewards of Children™

Protecting children from sexual abuse

Thursday, September 23rd, 2021 ~ 7:00 p.m.

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6511 Pittsford-Palmyra Road,

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Presented by Bivona Child Advocacy Center

Are you an: educator, coach, childcare provider, youth service organization member, part of a faith-based community, adult family member?

This two-hour workshop teaches adults practical actions to prevent child sexual abuse or to intervene if abuse is suspected.

Participants will explore the five steps adults can take to protect children:

1. Learn the facts
2. Minimize opportunity
3. Talk about it
4. Recognize the signs
5. React Responsibly



In person event. Covid-19 protocols will be followed.

Masks required.

Call or email Perinton Presbyterian Church to register

(585) 223-1203 or office@perintonpres.org

Fall Adult Education and Retreat

- Lisa Chormann is going to teach a class on Revelation. She is working out with the group when and how they will meet, in person or via Zoom. If interested, contact Lisa Chormann.
- Sonya and Maurice Verrillo are leading a study of the Lord's prayer starting on 9/ 19 or 9/26 during CE time on Sundays. Please contact Sonya if you are interested.
- Mark Fish is willing to offer the Grace Based Parenting class but will have to do it around his coaching time frame. So, we will know more about that a bit later.
- The Spiritual Zoom group will continue on Zoom as it has all summer. It is wonderful and going strong! If interested in joining, contact Jennifer Ransome.
- Plans are beginning for the Fall Retreat at LeToureau on 10/2. Mark your calendar! If you would like to work on this, contact Jennifer Ransome.



Sunday, September 12, 4:30-6pm: Youth Ministry Launch! We invite youth and parents to attend this event together to learn about our youth ministry plans for the year. Location: Sanctuary.

Saturday, September 18, 8am-9 or 9:30pm: Youth Retreat at Casowasco Camp. We're excited for a great day with the ropes course, lake front activities, devotional time, craft project, and concert with singer/songwriter Colin Pritchard. Our theme is "God is Greater than our Highs and Lows." Sign up here: [Retreat](#) Retreat Fee to cover all activities, meals, and snacks is \$85. For secure payment processing, please use our online giving platform: <https://ppc6511.breezechms.com/give/online> or mail/deliver a check to Perinton Presbyterian Church, memo: Youth Group Retreat. To request scholarship assistance, talk with Pastor Laura.



Sunday, September 19, 9:30am: Youth SERVE and SING You choose—SERVE with a Sunday school class or SING with music director Julie Smith and the PPC choir. *No youth group*

Sunday, September 26, 9:30am: Youth breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. **4:30-6pm:** Youth Group



Wanted: Parent Volunteers

This fall we'll be relying on parent volunteers to help make our youth events a success. We're asking all our families to sign up to help with one event. Depending on the event you may be helping coordinate logistics, setting up/cleaning up snacks, leading a game, or being an extra adult engaging with our youth.

Questions? Comments? Ideas?

Reach out to Pastor Laura at pastor@perintonpres.org or 223-1203

All About Confirmation 2021-2022

We're starting a new confirmation class for youth in 7th-12th grade! We invite all our youth who haven't yet participated in confirmation to consider joining the class. This is an opportunity for you to go deeper in your faith and discover more about how God is working in your life and calling you to be a disciple.

At PPC we believe that the decision about whether or not a youth participates in confirmation is between the youth and his or her parents while the ultimate decision at the end of confirmation about whether the youth will profess his or her faith and join the church as a full member is between each youth and God.

This year confirmation classes will take place on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15am, approximately two times per month, for a total of 12 classes.

Confirmation Dates:

October 17, October 31

November 14, November 28

January 9, January 23

February 6

March 6

March 20

April 3

May 1, May 15

June 5: Confirmation Sunday Worship Service

Each youth will have an adult faith partner who attends classes with them and supports them in the confirmation journey. Typically this person is not an immediate family member (ie: not a parent or grandparent). Please think about an adult in the church who you would like to invite to be your faith partner. If you'd like help finding this person, just let me know in the sign up and I'd be happy to help. We anticipate requesting a donation of \$10 per youth for class materials. If you have questions about confirmation or would like to learn more, please reach out to me at 223-1203 or pastor@perintonpres.org. I'm excited for a great year with you!

Pastor Laura

Sign up here: [Confirmation](#)



MOPS & MOMSnext will shape you, ground you, teach you and encourage you. God wants you to thrive in your role as a mother, no matter where you are on your journey.

MOTHERS OF ALL AGES WELCOME!

MOPS

Moms who are expecting or with kids up to kindergarten

MOMSnext

Moms with school-age kids through grade 12

Mentor Moms

Moms with adult children or grandchildren

2nd Thursdays
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Perinton Presbyterian Church
6511 Pittsford-Palmyra Rd, Fairport
Facebook.com/PerintonPresMOPS



2021-2022 Meeting Schedule

September 16
 October 14
 November 11
 December 09
 January 13
 February 10
 March 10
 April 14
 May 12

Register & Get Info



or contact Group Leader Sonya Verrillo at sonyaverrillo@gmail.com or 585-330-3991



ALL FOR LOVE

Spiritual Zoom (Bible Study)

Wednesday mornings 10:00 am to 11:30 am Bible Study via Zoom Anyone interested please contact Jennifer Ransome (djm168@aol.com or 585-704-4435.)

We welcome new faces!



The numbers are in.....

Stewardship Message

*Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness.
Kindness in giving creates love. - Lao Tzu*



Results through July

Below are the results through the first seven months of 2021. Our financial position has softened over the past month due to lower giving levels. This is typical during the summer month and generally rebounds in the fall.

Thank you for your support of the ministries and missions of the church.

Perinton Presbyterian Church			
Summary			
7/31/2021			
Performance Year-to-date through July			
<u>INCOME</u>			
Operating Fund	\$	176,121	
Building Fund	\$	64,354	
Total Income	\$	240,475	\$ 240,475
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Operating Fund	\$	172,260	
Building Fund	\$	68,649	
Total Expenses	\$	240,909	\$ 240,909
<u>SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</u>			
Operating Fund	\$	3,862	
Building Fund	\$	(4,295)	
Net Surplus (Deficit)			\$ (433)

General Information

There is a two-month lag in reporting finances in the newsletter due to mailing deadlines, timing of bank statements and report processing. Contact Mark Stevens at (585) 739-8452 or mwstevens63@gmail.com if you have questions or to request copies of financial statements. Our Operational Fund supports the day to day operation of the church and its programs. The Building Fund supports our Mortgage and building expansion program. Like several churches in the Presbytery we embrace a "faith-based" financial plan and thus we do not budget our income. If you have questions about your individual contributions or personal statements please contact the Financial Secretary, Al Norby at (585) 223-2126 or anorby1@rochester.rr.com

Stock Donations and Bequests

If you have appreciated stock you may find it to be a tax advantage to donate stock to the church. Several people have provided PPC with stock donations which have personal tax benefits. Please consider a bequest to PPC in planning your Will. We have received bequests in the past year and are blessed that at the passing of life other lives can be impacted in this special way. If you are interested in learning more about these giving options please contact Al Norby or Mark Stevens.

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Summer Worship Time:

Sundays 9:30am

In-Person, Online or Call-in Option

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