



The Good News

November 2014

For the members and friends of the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN-CELL

LECTIONARY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

All Saints Day

November 1 ~

Revelation 7:9-17

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

31st Sunday in Ordinary

Time

November 2 ~

Joshua 3:7-17

Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

Matthew 23:1-12

32nd Sunday in Ordinary

Time

November 9 ~

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Psalm 78:1-7

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

33rd Sunday in Ordinary

Time

November 16 ~

Judges 4:1-7

Psalm: 123

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

Christ the King

November 23 ~

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalm 100

Ephesians 1:15-23

Matthew 25:31-46

1st Sunday of Advent

November 30 ~

Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37

Reminders:

NOVEMBER 2 OUR CELEBRATION SUNDAY – We are encouraged to celebrate God's gifts. Everyone encouraged to bring their Commitment Cards for 2015 and we receive "lights" to wear. There will also be a **CELEBRATION LUNCHEON** for all. We have communion together.

NOVEMBER 2 IS ALL SAINTS SUNDAY and we remember those who have been lights on our path and now abide with their risen Lord in the church triumphant. Turn clocks back at 2:00am on November 2 or how about 10:30pm on November 1.

NOVEMBER 9 – NEW MEMBERS CLASS – 4:30PM

NOVEMBER 16 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS - New Members' Brunch 11:30am

NOVEMBER 23 THANKSGIVING SUNDAY and Christ the King Sunday. Everyone is encouraged to **BRING SOMETHING FOR THE PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD TODAY** as an expression of thanks. It is the last Sunday of the year.

NOVEMBER 23 ADVENT BRUNCH – yes it is the Sunday before Thanksgiving and the Sunday before Advent begins, so we can make wreaths before we light our 1st Advent Candle, on November 30.

NOVEMBER 23 – A NEW BIBLE CLASS begins – 8 weeks taught by Rev. Dr. Rod Frohman

NOVEMBER 30 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

You really don't want your bathroom scale saying, "One at a time, please!" That was my thought a pair of weeks ago when we reached the theme, "Encouragement to Honor God's Temple" and I offered to post my weight until November 2 with the hope of dropping about 5 pounds by that day. A post it note now has Psalm 143:3 on my refrigerator – "Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord, keep watch over the door of my lips!" Weight progress is posted outside the church kitchen.

We took the Apostle Paul at his word where he writes that our bodies are the "temple of the Holy Spirit." It matters what we do with them, what they see, what they touch, what they hear as well as what they say and do. We have explored the theme, "Encouragement to be Light" as our Stewardship Theme and as much as we want to make the world "brighter" with our ministry and mission, some of us see the need to make ourselves a bit lighter, literally.

Mostly I encourage you to come on November 2 and join in the celebration. We will have lots of light. Some will wear white (the liturgical color is "white" in honor of All Saints Day), there will be extra candles in the aisles, we will bring our commitment cards for 2015 and people will be given lights to wear. Yes, November 2 is the day we turn our clocks back and we will recognize how short the days become for a while, but with the feeling of an extra morning hour, let's all make worship a priority that day and make our sanctuary, God's sanctuary, ablaze with light.

Remember, Jesus said, "You are the light of the world!" So may it be.

OPTIMISTS GOOD NEWS FOR NOVEMBER 2014

Give thanks... the Optimists will gather on November 14th to partake in a very special Thanksgiving dinner, with all the trimmings, from Rene's Café. Prepare to be enlightened, entertained and educated by our own Dr. Nevan Fisher, professor of Asian Studies at Nazareth College, as he brings a "China Surprise Presentation". His recent trip to China will bring us his new reflections and perspectives on the people and the Christian Church in China.



We gather at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall for a social time with dinner being served at 6:00pm. Tickets can be purchased at \$10 in the Fellowship Hall after each service on Nov. 2nd and Nov. 9th or in the Church office during normal business hours. Reservations are appreciated no later than November 12th. Please bring your table service (cup, plate and silverware) along with a paper goods donation to the Pittsford Food Cupboard. For additional information please contact Bob Thompson at 381- 4966 or for meal information contact Betty Willert at 381-8983.

ALL ARE WELCOME!.

CONCERT SERIES 2014-2015

November 7, 2014—Friday 7pm Cordancia Chamber Ensemble

The Concert Series opens this season on November 7 at 7pm with Cordancia Chamber Ensemble. The concert entitled, "Paints: Light & Dark", is inspired by paintings with highly evocative imagery. The music will paint every thing from beautiful French scenery to a spooky night in Central Park. Suggested donations, Adults \$10, Students \$5.



December 14, 2014—Sunday 7pm Sacred Favorites: Christmas

Many of you enjoyed our 2006 and 2008 **Sacred Favorites Concerts** featuring our Chancel Choir directed by Dr. James Douthit, and with special guest tenor soloist Harold McAulliffe. Dr. Douthit has compiled another program of favorites featuring **all** our church choirs for **Sacred Favorites: Christmas**. It will be an evening of Carols and Anthems, with arrangements by Handel, Rutter, Lauridsen, and Danyew. In addition to our voice and bell choirs, Cordancia Chamber Orchestra, tenor soloist Harold McAulliffe and organist Dr. Bruce Frank will participate. Conductors will be James Douthit, Dede Holmes, Steve Danyew, and Ashley Danyew. Mark your calendars now and join us for some joyful and inspiring Christmas music.



NEWS FROM THE NURSERY SCHOOL

Autumn is my favorite time of year! Here at the preschool, our time has been well spent helping the children become more confident and feeling secure in their environment. The children have acclimated very well to their new surroundings and we have become their extended family. Our parents got to know each other better at our Fall gathering, fundraising T Shirts have been distributed and we are now full into pumpkins and Halloween! In the month of November we collect food for the Pittsford Food Cupboard. At the end of the month, right before our Thanksgiving Break, we have a feast! We have much to be thankful for. I wish all of you a wonderful Thanksgiving!

SAVE THE DATE

Advent Brunch
November 23, 2014
11:30 am
Fellowship Hall
Sign up 11/2—11/16
Everyone is invited for crafts,
food, and fellowship

"GENTLE YOGA CLASS ~ continues to meet 10:30 TO 11:30 Thursdays in the Chapel. Abby MacRae is our teacher. The cost is \$10 a class. Just drop in, bring a yoga mat and join us. Questions call Margaret Mecredy, 381-6430.

Our next rotation for RAIHN is Nov. 23-30, which includes Thanksgiving day. RAIHN is a non-profit organization that provides housing and food to homeless families in our own church. If you think you may be able to help out, please contact Barb Smith at 586-0754

STEPHEN MINISTRY NOVEMBER



Overwhelmed? A Stephen Minister can help!

As we survey the landscape of our lives, we observe many molehills and imagine them to be mountains! Are you concerned about the challenges of your life? Do you worry about the future? Do you worry about finances? Perhaps you are overwhelmed with grief, loneliness, or fear. Stephen Ministers are faithful Christians sent by God to help you through a life crisis. You do not have to go it alone when life's challenges you must bear, just let us know of your need and a Stephen Minister will be there!

To learn more about Stephen Ministry for yourself or someone you know, contact one of our Stephen Leaders: *Jane Hunter, Alice O'Dwyer, Barbara Smith, Dick Sprenkle, Carol Tiemann* or one of our pastors. **Our Stephen Ministers are here to care!**

HAM SUPPER ON DECEMBER 14TH

Join us for the Ham Supper at 5:30 PM, followed by the Choir and Cordancia Concert at 7pm. There will be faith, fun and fellowship as well as a delicious meal served with a delectable assortment of homemade cookies and punch.



Tickets go on sale in Fellowship Hall after worship on November 23rd: \$7 (Adult) \$3 (Child)

SH-H-H-! This is a secret!

There will be a surprise visit from an important someone from "way up North!"

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PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

MARY WELLER ~ will meet on Monday, November 10 at 11:30 AM in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your lunch and least coin and enjoy the fellowship and help work on a new blanket. All women of the church are invited to attend. If not a regular member, please contact Shirley Lawrence.



NAOMI CIRCLE ~ will meet November 17, 11:30, upstairs at the church. Our own Barbara Rarrick will give a presentation on the Caregiver's Support Group here in our church. Please remember your mug, lunch, and contribution to the backpack ministry. Guests are always welcome.

ANTHONY CIRCLE ~ Our circle emphasizes mission and women's fellowship. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 18 at 9.30am in Room 200—all women are invited to join us. For more information call Janette Henderson 248-9386.

THE EVENING CIRCLE ~ will continue with fellowship and their study of the General Epistles on Monday, November 24 in Room 200 at 7pm. Copies of Lesson 8 will be on the office counter. Any questions call Norma Ryther 385-6953 or Margaret Mecredy 381-6430.



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED WORLD COMMUNITY DAY 2014

Date: Friday, November 7, 2014

Theme: "Through God Our Hands Can Heal"

Speaker: Dr. Ruth Scott

Time: 9:30am—1:00pm

Place: Mt. Olivet Baptist Church
141 Adams Street
Rochester, NY 14618

Reg: \$3.00

Lunch: Brown Bag Lunch

CAMERON COMMUNITY MINISTRIES UPDATE

I probably don't have to tell you that the weather has changed, so it's a good time to change closets too. We will be delighted to accept your donations of gently-used, clean winter clothing for Cameron's Clothing House.



Please remember to have them in manageable boxes or bags when you place them in the bins in Fellowship Hall for pick-up. Delivery will begin on November 1 and continue through the winter on the first Saturday of the month. Outerwear, boots, shoes, hats, gloves, underwear and socks and hygiene items are all needed and appreciated. The underwear and socks that you donated back in September were a big hit! Keep them coming!

Questions? - Liz, 223-3052

KNITTERS

PREPARE TO BE AMAZED!!!!

**KNITTING PROJECTS HAVE BEEN
DISTRIBUTED:**

**MITTENS: 60 PAIRS HATS: 107
SCARVES: 29**

**INFANT HATS: 70 BABY BLANKETS: 2
BOOTIES: 9**

WORLD VISION CHILDREN;S SWEATERS: 40

PRAYER SHAWLS/LAP ROBES: 24

These gifts go to Cameron, Calvary St. Andrews, Strong Nursery, Kirkhaven, World Vision and our church.

**THANKS TO ALL THE BUSY PEOPLE WHO
CONTRIBUTE HUNDREDS OF HOURS!!**

If you have sports or worsted yarn in acrylic that you would like to donate, please leave it in the church office.

Knitting Group meets the last Tuesday of each month from 11-1:30 or anytime you can come. We are casual—no membership, dues or pressure. We bring our own lunch and tea and coffee are furnished.

Questions? Kay Saxum 385-9807



COMMITMENT CARD
Encouragement to be
LIGHT

1st Presbyterian Church
 21 Church Street
 Pittsford, New York 14534

In 2015 I will express my love for God and others through First Presbyterian Church

(here indicate gifts of service, time, or talent)

And giving _____ per week, month, quarter, year (**circle one**)

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Offering Boxes yes no

~ Additional Thoughts on the Back ~

Encouragement to be Light
LIGHT CELEBRATION SUNDAY
November 2



Commitment Cards will be made available on Sunday, October 26 and through the mail. Everyone is asked to bring their commitment cards to **LIGHT CELEBRATION SUNDAY, November 2 at either the 8:30 or 10:00am service.**

Every family member will be given a small light to wear on November 2 as Commitment Cards are given. Look for our officers wearing them on October 26. Let's light up Pittsford with our generosity and with our encouragement to be lights in a world that needs the brightness of God's hope.

A CELEBRATION LUNCHEON FOLLOWS WORSHIP ON NOVEMBER 2 – LUNCH IS FREE AND FOR EVERYONE (ALTHOUGH WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO WEAR YOUR LIGHT AND TURN IN YOUR COMMITMENT CARD).

ELECTRONIC AND DIGITAL! – clicking away

<http://www.pittsfordpres.org/> - Our Church's Website

<http://www.pittsfordpres.org/blog/2014/10/16/mission-trips-to-kitale-kenya>

- Our Mission Work in Kenya

<http://www.pittsfordpres.org/2015-stewardship/?q=Stewardship> –

- On Line Stewardship

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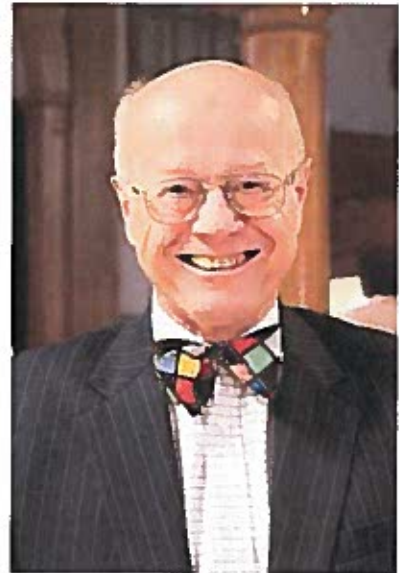
FROM LEGEND TO HISTORY

THE FIRST FIVE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

An Introduction to their myth, message
and metaphor

Taught by **DR. ROD FROHMAN**

Sundays at 11:30am – 12:30pm
November 23 only starting at 12:00
The Chapel (accessible by elevator)
Light Snacks will “tide us over”



- Session 1** **23-Nov-14** *What is the Pentateuch/Torah All About?*
- Session 2** **30-Nov-14** *The Uses of Hebrew Scripture by Jews and Christians*
- Session 3** **7-Dec-14** *Israelite Religion in the Context of Her Neighbors*
- Session 4** **14-Dec-14** *Israel As Yahweh's Partner*
- Session 5** **4-Jan-15** *The Human Person as Yahweh's Partner*
- Session 6** **11-Jan-15** *The Nations as Yahweh's Partner*
- Session 7** **18-Jan-15** *Creation as Yahweh's Partner*
- Session 8** **25-Jan-15** *Summary of the Course*

During the summer of 2014, Rod read through all 750 pages of Dr. Walter Brueggemann's definitive work on the Theology of the Old Testament. He thought that the thematic approach by Dr. Brueggemann would be just right for a course on the first five books of the Bible.

Members of the Presbytery of Genesee Valley have known Rod as a moderator, a bowtie wearing pastor from Third Presbyterian Church. After 40 years of urban ministry, 14 of which were at Third Presbyterian the Rev. Dr. Frohman officially retired on July 1, 2012. Rod has served churches in Philadelphia and Gary Indiana. At Third his Rod's title was Associate Pastor for Church and Society with a primary hat as the pastor for Adult Faith Development.

Rod is one of the founders of RAIHN (Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network), a mission in which First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford is a part. He guided Third church to the development of a partnership with the Kihumo Presbyterian Church in Kenya.

Rod is a fourth generation pastor, a 1967 graduate of the University of California at Berkeley with a degree in American Intellectual History. He is twice graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity Degree in 1971 and a Doctor of Ministry Degree in 1983. His dissertation, "Pastoral Hospitality with Worship Visitors in a Multi-racial Setting" gives evidence of his affection for urban ministry. Rod is a member of the Martin Luther King Commission of Greater Rochester. Rod's hobbies are baseball and genealogy. His wife, Marcia is an Associate Manager of One World Goods in Pittsford Plaza. The Frohmans have two adult daughters. Rod is an avid cyclist, too.

Christian Education



Faith and Film Series

Continuing Friday December 5th at 5:30pm we will be offering a film with underlying Christian themes. We are hoping you will bring a salad or vegetable dish to pass and a readiness to share a film with the family. This year the movies are appropriate for all ages. Childcare will be available.

December 5th: Veggie Tales - The Little Drummer Boy

"When it seems you have nothing to bring... What gift can you give the King? In this Veggie- version of a holiday classic, Junior Asparagus stars as The Little Drummer Boy, a lonely child who finds the true meaning of Christmas when he stumbles upon the birth of baby Jesus. A story of hope, love and forgiveness, this timeless tale will warm the hearts of children everywhere!"



This is a new film, released last year. All ages invited.

Christmas Pageant Volunteers Needed

This year the pageant will be both a traditional vignette of Biblical characters and animals and also character portrayals during each Advent Candle lighting. Each week of Advent we need volunteers to be Christmas characters, light candles and speak monologues. Then on December 21st during Sunday morning worship, all the traditional characters will bring the pieces together in one service.

Children are invited to sign-up to help with the pageant. During sign-up please specify if you are available to help Nov. 30, Dec. 7, or 14 for Advent Candle lighting or Dec. 21 for the full pageant.

Upcoming Events	
Men's Prayer Breakfast	11/2 7:00 am
Mary Weller Circle	11/10 11:30 am
Optimists	11/14 5:30 pm
EVening Circle	11/24 7:00 pm
Naomi Circle	11/17 11:30 am
Anthony Circle	11/11 9:30 am
Not so Basic Bible study	Mondays 7:30 pm
Prayer Support Group	Mondays 1:30 pm
Wednesday Evening Book Club	10/15 7:30 pm
Lectionary Study	Weds. 7:15 pm
Men's Ecumenical Group	Thursdays 7:15 am
Friday Women's Bible Study	Fridays 9:30 am
Friday Night Fellowship	3rd Fri. of month 6:30 pm
Adult Study	Sundays 8:15 am



Youth Happenings

JASY MEETING

NOVEMBER 10TH @ 7PM

Some of the youth spending time with the children at Mary's Place



SO-SO & EVENTS
(7TH-12TH GRADERS)

Oct. 24– Moonlight Maze
 Oct. 26– SO-SO
 Nov. 2– SO-SO
 Nov. 16– SO-SO
 Nov. 21– Sky– Zone



Some of this year's Confirmands during the confirmation retreat

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:	
[for more information on any opportunity, contact Joelle at (585)993-0142 or joelle.truax@pittsfordpres.org]	
RAIHN	Nov. 1st 12:30-3pm
Stuff-a-Bus	Nov. 22nd 10:30am-2:30p
Advent Brunch	Nov. 23rd
Ham Supper	Dec. 14th
Christmas Party for JPC	Dec. 16th 5:30pm

HOLIDAY PIES



FOR HABITAT HOUSES



Flower City
Habitat
for Humanity®
Rochester, NY



Holiday Pie Sale for Flower City Habitat for Humanity

- Homemade pies are from Kelly's Farm Market in Hilton, NY
- Made from scratch without preservatives with fruit grown on their farm
- Pies are deep 10 inch homemade fruit pies, weighing about 4.5 lbs
- Pies freeze nicely, buy now and serve at Christmas
- Pie proceeds go to Flower City Habitat for Humanity projects in Rochester

**Order your pies by
Friday, November 21st
and you'll have them by
Tuesday, November 25th**

LET YOUR DESSERT DO GOOD, ORDER YOUR HOLIDAY PIES FROM HABITAT TODAY!

HABITAT HOLIDAY PIE SALE ORDER FORM *(Please print clearly)*

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ ORGANIZATION'S GROUP NAME: _____

PIE VARIETY	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL ENCLOSED
Apple Crumb			
Apple Raspberry			
Pumpkin			
Christmas Crumb (Apple, Cranberry, Pineapple)			
Apple Crisp			

In lieu of or in addition to pies, I would like to make a donation to Habitat for: _____

Please make checks out to: First Presbyterian Church GRAND TOTAL _____

Write in the check Note section, Group Name that you want the pie(s) credited to: 1st Pres. - HIP

Elders of the church form a group called the Session, which is the governing body of the church. Elder responsibilities at our church include overseeing the congregation's programs, receiving new members, leading the congregation in mission, serving communion about eight times a year, charing and/or serving on one or more committees:

- Personnel,
- Music & Worship,
- Membership & Evangelism,
- Outreach,
- Christian Education,
- The Generosity Team,

as well as challenging the congregation in the stewardship of time, talents, and financial resources. Session meets the second Tuesday every month (except July).

Deacons are often referred to as the heart of the church. They provide care and support for the congregation through the ministry of:

- Sunday Services,
- Fellowship,
- Parish Zone,
- Parish Life,
- Care Giver, and
- Communications Committees.

Deacons also host coffee hours and deliver flowers after worship. Deacons meet the second Monday every month (except July).

Trustees oversee the financial life of the church and manage the church's resources and physical facilities. Members serve on one of the five sub committees:

- Finance & Planning,
- IT Communications,
- Office & Procedures,
- Buildings & Grounds,
- Insurance & Legal.

Trustees meet the second Thursday monthly (except July).

WDS- Nominating Committee

UPCOMING DEACON FUN ACTIVITIES

BUNCO, Tuesday, November 11th, 7 pm, at Claudia Williams 5 Rustic Pines. Bring snack or beverage to share. Sign up in Fellowship Hall.

SUPPER CLUB- Korean Menu - Sunday November 16 at 5pm in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up. Cost is \$7

Join the FPC Fall Intergenerational Beginning & Intermediate Handbell Choirs!

November 3, 10, 17, 24; December 1, 8, 13, 14, 22. Come ring with us!

Bell Choir



Opportunities for ringers of all ages and abilities. The Beginning group is open

to people of all ages - no musical experience required! Learn and polish your music reading skills and beginning bell technique in a fun environment. The Intermediate group is open to people of all ages who have a little bit of prior ringing experience. If you read music and are looking for a little bit more of a challenge, this group is for you! Each group will play two times in worship during

this Fall session. Please let us know you're coming by sending us a quick note:

ashley@ashleydanyew.com. Looking forward to ringing with you!

Ashley & Steve Danyew

Meets Mondays, **6:30-7:15 pm (Beginning)** or **7:30-8:15 p.m. (Intermediate)**; one Saturday rehearsal with adult choir, time TBD; and two Sundays.

FLOWERS FOR SANCTUARY

Donating flowers for the sanctuary on Sundays is a great way to celebrate new babies, wedding anniversaries, marriages, etc.

The flowers also give us an opportunity to remember special people in our lives who are no longer with us.

The flowers do not have to come from a florist. They can be plants or arrangements you have chosen from your garden (in season) or prepared yourself.



There is a sign-up board in the front hall or you can call the church office to request a date.

The entire congregation thanks all who have contributed to the beauty of the sanctuary.

STEWARSHIP NOTE

Sunday, November 2, is Celebration Sunday when we will receive your Commitment Cards indicating your giving plan for 2015. Your generosity enables us to meet our mission objectives and be "lights" encouraging others in our faith journey.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BOOK CLUB UPCOMING SCHEDULE

All meetings are individual homes at 7:30 pm.

Nov. 12 **"Orphan Train"** by Christine Baker Kline
at home of Dianne Brown,
1094 Yorkshire Drive, Victor.
Phone Dianne, if you plan to attend at 398-7083.



Between 1853 and 1929 two charitable institutions through a supervised welfare program attempted to transport homeless children between the ages of 8-18 from crowded Eastern cities to foster homes in the rural areas of the Midwest. Records indicate that as many as 250,000 orphaned, abandoned, or homeless children were part of this program. This is the story of one of these children, Mary Ayer, a teenage Penobscot Indian, and an Irish immigrant named Vivian who had been part of this program. As their lives intertwine the story reveals their interconnection, resilience, resourcefulness and the redeeming power of grace.

Dec. 10 **"The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother"** by James McBride at home of Nancy Sprenkle,
103 Stuyvesant Rd., Pittsford.
Phone Nancy at 381-8990 if you plan to attend.

"The son of a black minister and a woman who would not admit she was white, James McBride grew up in "orchestrated chaos" with his eleven siblings in the poor, all-black projects of Red Hook, Brooklyn. "Mommy," a fiercely protective woman with "dark eyes full of pep and fire," herded her brood to Manhattan's free cultural events, sent them off on buses to the best (and mainly Jewish) schools, demanded good grades, and commanded respect. As a young man, McBride saw his mother as a source of embarrassment, worry, and confusion—and reached thirty before he began to discover the truth about her early life and long-buried pain." from Amazon Book Reviews.

THE NEW PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE

HERE! ~ If you had your photo taken this year, you will find your labeled copy alphabetically arranged in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays after worship. You can also collect your directory during the week in the church office. Many thanks to our Deacons for their excellent work creating this helpful and attractive communication tool. If you have any questions, please contact Carrie Mitchell at cnm@pittsfordpres.org or (585) 586-5688.



Christmas at Grace House

Grace House is a transitional residence program that houses and guides men returning to the community from prison. As the Christmas season approaches, many of these men have no means to provide gifts for their children, much less receive any gifts themselves. We would like to bless them and their children by demonstrating the generosity of the Lord and show them how much they are loved and cared for.

Grace House has 50 beds to help these men come home. They come with one set of clothes, a bus pass and nowhere to go. Grace House provides for their needs through people like you who are motivated by Christ's message. Many of these men have no means to provide gifts for their children, much less receive any gifts themselves.

The men are told of your donations and why you helped them, and that now that God has touched their lives also. After serving 704 men since 2008, 346 men have dedicated their lives to Christ. Grace House has a 70-80% success rate, as determined by not consuming drugs, remaining crime free, and not returning to incarceration.

We are asking for donations to help with a Christmas Party for the residents on 12-17-14

Gifts for men /50 Residents

***Winter outerwear, gloves, hats, coats, boots,
Underwear & socks, hygiene products***

***Gift cards in \$10 denominations for McDonald's,
Tim Horton's, Dunkin Donuts, Wal-Mart.***

Most of our residents are fathers, so another way to be a blessing to them is with toys for their children. These gifts will be given to the men and then the men will deliver the gifts to their children. Many of the children have never had a Christmas with their father.

***Gifts for boys and girls
Between ages 5-18***

If you are able to provide any of the above items, please place them in the GRACE HOUSE bin in the Fellowship Hall so that they can be delivered on December 9.

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<p>First Presbyterian Church 21 Church Street, Pittsford, NY 14534 Phone 585 586-5688, Fax # 586-8090 E-mail admin@pittsfordpres.org Web page www.pittsfordpres.org</p> <p><u>WORSHIP WITH US</u></p> <p>Please join us for Sunday morning worship. Worship Services: 8:30 & 10:00 AM Communion is offered the first Sunday of each month.</p>		