



## Pastor's Page

Lent is traditionally a season of fasting and prayer. During this time, Christians pay close attention to spiritual disciplines that deepen our understanding of what God is doing in our lives and in the world. As a church, we spend time together hearing about and praying for the ministries of compassion and justice done through our support of One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS).

Jesus' ministry was among those who were most vulnerable. He preached good news to the poor, and release to the captives. One Great Hour of Sharing helps us share this same good news to those same vulnerable people in our world today: those who are hungry, who are suffering from disaster, who are dealing with oppression and injustice in society.

Every gift made to this offering will meet the needs of people. While we trust our OGHS programs to respond to the needs of our most vulnerable neighbors, those programs can only do so to the extent of our generosity. Like last year, I challenge each of you to give strong consideration to increasing your gift to the offering — you'll see how giving opens your heart to God's work in your own life.

So I hope that you'll join us on **Sunday, April 14**, and that you'll join Christians all across the country in opening their hearts to witness tangibly to the abundant love of God through One Great Hour of Sharing.

Blessings,

Pastor Karen



## Holy Week

Services will be held at Delmar (DPC) or New Scotland (NSPC)

Monday	4/15	12:15 pm	Communion	DPC
Tuesday	4/16	12:15 pm	Communion	NSPC
Wednesday	4/17	12:15 pm	Communion	DPC
Maundy Thursday	4/18	7 pm	Worship Service	NSPC
Good Friday	4/19	7 pm	Worship Service	DPC
Holy Saturday	4/20	11 am - 2 pm	Prayer Vigil	NSPC
Easter Sunday	4/21	5:45 am 6:30 am 10:00 am	Sunrise Service Breakfast Communion	Thacher Park DPC DPC & NSPC

# April 2019

<b>Bells of Praise: Thursdays at 6:30 pm</b>				<b>Women's AA: Sundays at 7:15 pm, Tuesdays at noon</b>		
<b>Choir Rehearsals: Sundays at 9:00 am</b>				<b>Closed Meeting AA: Thursdays at noon</b>		
<b>Monday Study Group: Mondays at 10:00 am</b>				<b>Prez Deadline for May: April 21</b>		
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	Monday Painters 10	Scouts 7:15 pm CE Mtg. 7:30	Art Class 9 am		Rental 4 pm	Rental 2 pm
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
Choir 9 am Communion 10 am Refreshments 11:15	Monday Painters 1 BCC Garden Club 1 pm		Art Class 9 am	Rental 4 pm		
<b>14 PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
Men's Breakfast @ NSPC 7 am Choir 9 am Worship 10 am <b>OGHS Offering</b> Refreshments 11:15	Monday Painters 1 Communion 12:15 pm @ DPC	Communion 12:15 pm @ NSPC	Art Class 9 am Communion 12:15 pm @ DPC	Maundy Thursday 7 pm @ NSPC	Good Friday 7 pm @ DPC	Prayer Vigil 11 am – 2 pm @ NSPC
<b>21 EASTER SUNDAY</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
Sunrise 5:45 @ Thacher Breakfast 6:30 @ DPC Worship 10 am Refreshments 11:15	Monday Painters 1 Scouts 6 pm		NO Art Class  Ladies Who Care 12 pm			Rental 8 am
<b>28 HOLY HUMOR</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>				
Choir 9 am Worship 10 am Refreshments 11:15	Monday Painters 1					

Date	Liturgists	Hostess	Greeters	Deacon in Charge	Ushers
<b>7</b>	Nancy Braaten	Linda Miller Lowry	Bob and Linda Miller Lowry	Ginny Gajewski	Randy Morse and Susan LaFlamme
<b>14</b>	Nina Nichols		Patrick and Sarah Carroll	Midge Trivers	TBD
<b>21</b>	Laura Scott		TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>28</b>	Dave Austin		TBD	TBD	TBD

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### Church School



Congratulations to Joani Jameson as she takes the next vital step toward her ordination in the United Church of Christ. Church School will continue to flourish under the capable leadership of Sarah Lewis and Cheryl Gardiner and a group of faithful Christian Education volunteers. More news will be forthcoming in the May Prez.

### RPMS

#### Mission Trip 2019

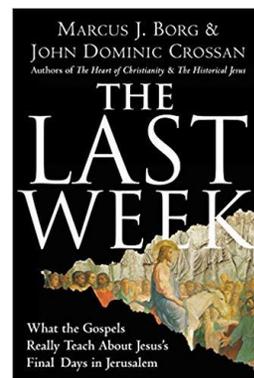
The RPMs are headed to Beaumont, TX for our annual mission trip in April! This group of 40 (students and adults) will once again work with the organization *World Renew* helping with home repair to homes that were damaged during Hurricane Harvey in 2017.



**YOU CAN HELP MAKE THIS TRIP A REALITY!!!** While each family contributes towards the cost of the trip, the remainder of the expenses is covered through fundraising activities, corporate donations and assistance from congregations. **Look for the RPMs as we will be visiting your church soon to tell you more!** To donate please make your check payable to “**RPM Seniors**”. You can deliver it to the RPM mailbox at the Church Office.

### Lenten Book Study

On Tuesday evenings, we will continue our Adult Study with an in-depth look into the last week of Jesus' life. The book, *The Last Week*, came highly recommended and we hope you will want to join us in the study. Copies are available in the Narthex. A small donation is appreciated.



*The Last Week* depicts Jesus giving up his life to protest power without justice and to condemn the rich who lack concern for the poor. In this vein, at the end of the week Jesus marches up Calvary, offering himself as a model for others to do the same when they are confronted by similar issues. Informed, challenged, and inspired, we not only meet the historical Jesus, but meet a new Jesus who engages us and invites us to follow him.

## DEACONS

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1	Ted Putney
3	Claiborne Walthall
17	David Rees
18	Linda Krzykowski
19	Sigrid Braaten
27	Dana Hebert
28	Jan Messina
28	Charlie Wilson

Don't see your name? Email your birthdate (not year) the office at [info@delmarpres.org](mailto:info@delmarpres.org).

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

# Easter Breakfast



We are hosting the Easter Morning Breakfast after the joint Easter Sunrise Service. So we are in need of bakers and a few early morning people to help out.

If you are able to help in any way, please contact Nancy Braaten.

Thank you!  
[Braaten.jack@gmail.com](mailto:Braaten.jack@gmail.com)

*Ladies Who Care*  
Wednesday, April 24 at noon

*Ladies and Gents are invited to*

### "The Art of Ugo Mochi"

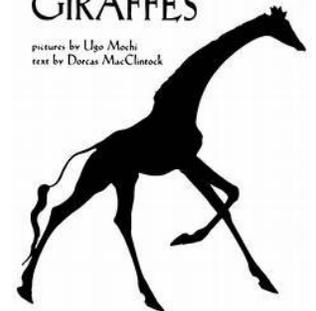


What a treat it will be to have Jeanne Tartaglia present a program on her father, renowned Italian artist Ugo Mochi (pronounced "mo-kee"). Each of Mochi's artworks was cut from a single piece of black paper with a lithographer's knife. He is known worldwide for his silhouettes that are accurately and intricately portrayed on a variety of subjects.

Jeanne will discuss Ugo Mochi's background, art education and the types of work that he did. She will have some framed original art pieces for us to view and then will show a professional video that was made of the last exhibit in Albany that Jeanne had of her father's work.

### A Natural History of GIRAFFES

pictures by Ugo Mochi  
text by Dorcas MacClintock



Date: Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

Time: Noon

Place: DPC Lounge

Bring: A bag lunch. A dessert and beverages will be provided.

RSVP: Sign up in the Narthex or email Pam Taft at [pamtaft73@gmail.com](mailto:pamtaft73@gmail.com) or Judy Riopelle at [jjriopelle@gmail.com](mailto:jjriopelle@gmail.com)

## SESSION DIGEST

### Highlights of the March 19, 2019 Session Meeting for the Prez

The regular meeting of the Session convened at 7:15 p.m. in the library. The meeting opened with candle lighting and prayer by Rev. Pollan.

#### **Attendance:**

**Present:** The Rev. Karen Pollan, moderator.  
Elders: Laura Scott, Irene Harbison, Tricia Hertz, David Rees, Lynda Spielman

**Excused:** Matt Cooper, Ravindra Bolleddu, Nancy Braaten, Robert Lowry, David Austin, David Andersen, Nina Nichols

A quorum was declared by Karen Pollan and the agenda was reviewed.

**Approval of the Docket:** *A motion was made to approve the meeting agenda; the motion was seconded, and carried unanimously.*

**Clerk's Report:** Submitted a report regarding the Presbyterian Per Capita funding.

**Consent Agenda:** The consent agenda included:

- Approved Laura Scott to take minutes
- Approved minutes from the February meeting of Session
- Established Communion for April 7 pew service, April 18 Maundy Thursday at NSPC by intinction, April 21 Easter sunrise service by intinction, and April 21 Easter pew service.
- Building Requests: **Community at Large:** Ashwini Kalagotla for April 6 and set up on April 5. Megan Coons for 4/10 and 7/13.

*A motion was made to approve the consent agenda; the motion was seconded, and carried unanimously.*

Strategic Planning: Those present expressed a free thinking on what the church should look into for the coming years.

#### **Ministry Areas**

The Administration and Nomination: Committee led a discussion regarding last month's presentation by Common Energy. A page was distributed showing our current electric usage and encouraged us to get on with the group for the reduction in the bill and to show leadership in the community in the continuation of greener initiatives. Security issues regarding closed circuit tv, or other monitoring possibilities was brought up but we are passing on the issue for the meantime as isn't a big concern yet and we need more research before implementation.

The Christian Education Committee mentioned the Tuesday night sessions are going strong and that the current confirmation class met recently and is going well.

The Communications Committee discussed the updating of the membership directory. They are asking people to send in their own photos for the directory and there will also be a photo booth setup on Easter Sunday for families to take new pictures. The committee will also be starting a new social media program called "Meet the Church" where a member or leader of DPC will be interviewed every month to help us get to know each other and let others know what DPC is all about. This will be published on the website and DPC's Facebook. Also updating the bulletin boards to be more relevant.

The Personnel Committee has started to get to know members and staff of the church. They will be preparing a staff appreciation dinner

and a general meeting of the deacons and session.

The Outreach Committee believes the congregation as a whole is a part of our outreach program every day. A report was submitted a report that included who helped out with each activity that has occurred recently. They are looking forward to the next activities which include One Great Hour of Sharing and more Family Promise host weeks.

The Worship Committee reports we are currently using the revised common lectionary but will switch to the narrative lectionary starting in September for one year. NSPC and DPC have been sharing services during Holy Week and look forward to doing it again this year.

**Pastor's Report:**

- Karen will travel April 1-5 to spend time with her father.
- Karen has been working closely with Christian Ed and worship.
- Dana, our office administrator, is on vacation until March 27, but Laura has stepped up to help in the office during this time!
- Presbytery meeting is on March 26 and we appreciate the many volunteers that have stepped up to help make this a success and meaningful time for all included!

There was no other business.  
The meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:09 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer  
The next Session meeting will be held April 16 at 7:15 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted, Laura Scott, Elder

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Throughout Lent** we would love for our members to send us photos of you and your family that you already have! Feel free to send them to Laura Scott at

[whispr0784@gmail.com](mailto:whispr0784@gmail.com). Recognize you give us permission to use and edit them however we deem suitable.

On Easter Sunday, we also plan to have a photo booth set up so you can make more family memories, and take new pictures for the directory if you wish. The directory represents our entire Christian family. And it's a great way to see God every day!

**WORSHIP**

***Holy Humor Sunday***  
**April 28**

On April 28th we'll again celebrate Holy Humor Sunday. It is a very old tradition, begun in medieval times, of observing the second Sunday of Easter with hilarity -  to echo the belief that God's victory is so complete, so total, and so all-encompassing as to render Satan, symbolic of all evil and destruction, a joke. It is a Sunday dedicated to celebrating and reveling in God's joy at the triumph of Jesus.

Laughter is a part of celebrating isn't it? In older times the Second Sunday of Easter was observed with jokes, pranks and general silliness. It was thought that the devil could not stand laughter or the indignity of being the object of laughter.

So come to church on Sunday ready to giggle, chuckle, even laugh out loud, not because we are daring or irreverent - but because laughter is an entirely appropriate response to the life-giving, surprising power of God. Men wear your most colorful Hawaiian shirts. Women bring on the outrageous hats. And let us rejoice and be glad!



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**Holly S. Cameron, Pastor**

April 3, 2019

Dear Friend,

You are cordially invited to attend the 69th annual Palm Sunday Men's Communion Breakfast on April 14, 2019, hosted by New Scotland Presbyterian Church, located at 2010 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands, New York.

The Rev. Holly Cameron will conduct the communion service at 7:00 a.m. and following the service, breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

After breakfast, we have a speaker, Darren Gundrum. Darren comes to us from Trinity Presbyterian Church in Scotia. He is also the Protestant Chaplain at Sage College. Darren will speak about his recent participation in the Presbytery's mission trip to Guatemala.

Please join with us as we worship and enjoy the fellowship of this event.

Sincerely,

*Cindy Brickman*  
*Bonnie O'Shea*

Cindy Brickman & Bonnie O'Shea  
Congregational Life Co-Chairs