

Old First Church
WEATHERVANE

Huntington, NY

March 2005

HE IS RISEN!

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

10:00 a.m. Worship
"Requiem Mass in C Minor"
by Cherubini
Sanctuary Choir

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 20

10:00 a.m. Worship
Children's Processional
11:00 a.m. Pancake Breakfast and
Easter Egg Hunt

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

7-10 p.m.
"The Passion of the Christ"
film by Mel Gibson
Video and Discussion

**MAUNDY THURSDAY,
MARCH 24**

8:00 p.m. Worship and Communion

**GOOD FRIDAY,
MARCH 25**

Two Meditation Services in
partnership with Bethany
Presbyterian Church

12:00 noon - Worship
at Old First Church

8:00 p.m. - Worship
at Bethany Presbyterian Church
425 Maplewood Road
Huntington Station

**EASTER SUNDAY,
MARCH 27**

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Worship includes
Children's Sermon, after which
children may participate in a
special Easter program.

Nursery and Child Care available at
both services.



THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION *of the First Presbyterian Church of Huntington, New York, will be held in the Sanctuary immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, March 6, 2005, for the following purposes: (1) to receive reports of the various organizations of the church and (2) to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.*

Please plan to participate!
Thomas Bosch, Clerk

THE ANNUAL CORPORATE MEETING *of the Presbyterian Congregation in Huntington, commonly known as the First Presbyterian Congregation in Huntington, will be held at the Church at 125 Main Street, Huntington, New York, on Sunday, March 6, 2005, immediately following the Congregational Meeting, for the following purposes: (1) to review the 2004 and 2005 operating budgets and (2) to transact any other business which may properly come before the meeting.*

Please plan to participate!
Wendy Van de Walle, Secretary

DINNER CONCERT SATURDAY, APRIL 9

The Old First Church Sanctuary Choir would like to invite you to an evening of fellowship and song in the Parish Hall. At 6:00 p.m. hors d'oeuvres will be served, followed by a candlelight dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Menu

*Salad with Balsamic Vinegarett
dressing and Breads
Crepe Manicotti with Justine's
Special Marinara sauce
Cannellini Shrimp Salad and
Herbed Green Beans
Cannoli, with Coffee or Tea*

After dessert, enjoy a concert presented by Solo Noi Tre (Only Us Three) – Justine and Gary Lorentzson accompanied by Ken Friese.

Please reserve in advance. Tickets will be on sale starting March 13 for \$25 each. The money raised will go toward operating expenses of the choir and new music. Donations above the ticket price would be most welcome.

We promise that all will have a good time so plan to join us for this

special event.

ELLYN SAMMIS
MEMORIAL
CHURCH LIBRARY



In March the library committee will have two Book Processing Parties to get more books ready for the library shelves. We are almost done. All are welcome to join us in Room 101 on Tuesday, March 15 from 10 a.m. to noon, and/or on Wednesday, March 16 from 7-9 p.m. Call Marian Simpson (754-8936) for more information.

We are asking for volunteers to be part of the Library Circulation Committee, a volunteer to chair this committee and a person who would deal with publicity. The responsibilities for this committee would include checkout, check-in and shelving of the books that are ready for circulation during the library hours. The Chairperson's responsibilities would be to schedule volunteers. Betty Raum will train all volunteers. If you are interested in getting involved with the new library positions, please contact Marian Simpson.

I want to thank the following people who have volunteered their time processing the library books. It has been such a pleasure working with you all. Rizz Dean, Ellen DeRiggi, Sheri Gaitings, Amy Girimonti, Madge

Gould, Priscilla Jahier, Penny Janosick, Lisa Kasper, Linda Ketcham, Betty Libert, Barbara Macchiaroli, Vera Murphy, Gloria Nass, Jan Poole, Cindy Samuels, Eloise Shakeshaft, Jeannie Stewart, Beverly Thomas, Heather Wanamaker, Nancy Weinlandt, and of course Betty Raum.

Marian B. Simpson

THANK YOU

January 26, 2005

Old First Church

125 Main Street

Huntington, NY 11743

I join Huntington Hospital President, J. Ronald Gaudreault, in gratefully acknowledging your donation of toys to the Dolan Family Health Center.

Everyone was very touched by your generosity and your efforts to bring joy to others. Your support means a great deal to the families we serve.

As our way of saying "thanks" for your donation, Old First Presbyterian Church will be listed among our contributors in our Annual Report mailed to over 100,000 households in Huntington and its surrounding communities. Again, thank you.

Sincerely,

*Robert Mottola, Vice President
Development & Community Relations*

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives, and work together to strengthen their families and communities. Recognizing that the hope we have in Christ is lived out in our hope for one another, we respond with gifts that help our sisters and brothers around the world find the hope for a brighter future.

The Presbyterian Hunger Program receives 36% of undesignated One Great Hour of Sharing gifts, while the Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance each receives 32%. We collect this offering on Palm Sunday, but of course gifts are welcomed at anytime throughout Lent.

Charles Worledge, Chair
Mission/Peacemaking Committee

ADULT STUDY
"Dietrich Bonhoeffer:
Called by God"
Sunday, April 10
2:00-5:00 p.m.

German Pastor/Theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer was executed on April 9, 1945, for his role in resisting the Nazi regime. To mark the 60th anniversary of his death, a three-hour workshop will be offered at Old First led by Rick and Betty Raum.

Participants may want to read the book, "Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Called By God," by Elizabeth Raum (Continuum Publishing, 2002) in preparation for the workshop, although this isn't required for participation. Copies of the book are available in usual ways, including by special order from the Book Revue in Huntington.

EASTER EGG HUNT
Palm Sunday
11:00 a.m.



Bring a basket and a smile and get ready to have some fun during our Old First Easter Egg Hunt on the front lawn of the church (weather permitting). Children from ages of toddler to 4th grade are

PANCAKE
BREAKFAST
Palm Sunday
March 20
11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Please come, bring your family and friends for an excellent Pancake Breakfast, including sausage, eggs, coffee and tea.

Advance tickets can be purchased in the Parish Hall after worship.

\$7 adults
\$5 youth (ages 3-12)
Children under 3 are free.

Tickets will also be available at the door the day of the breakfast. Prices will increase \$1 so plan ahead and purchase early.

welcome to participate. The hunt will

be held right after worship service/Church School so that you, too, will have time afterwards to enjoy the pancakes. Small children must be accompanied by an adult. Don't forget to bring a basket to hold your child's eggs.

DEACONS' DOINGS

By the time this article is printed the Deacons will have baked and delivered Valentine cookies to those people who cannot get out to church. We want all of those people to know everyone thinks about them and wishes them well.

We are looking forward to our Pancake Breakfast on March 20. Plan to be there to enjoy the delicious pancakes, eggs, bacon and coffee.

Watch for our upcoming events in the next *Weathervane*.

Ginny Thompson
Board of Deacons

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The snow is still with us, the harbor is starting to thaw, but we in our hearts are thinking about spring. It is a time of renewal. In this Lenten season, come join one of our groups. Whether your interest be in quilting or crafts, Bible study or

conversation, you are welcome in any of our groups or activities. Experience the warmth of Christian fellowship.

PW Coordinating Committee ... The PW Board will meet on Tuesday, March 1, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fiske Room. Refreshments will be served at 9:30 a.m.

Circle 1 ... Monday, March 21, 7:30 p.m., Fiske Room. Our speaker will be Homaira Mamoor, a native of Afghanistan. Her topic will be "American Muslim Women, Our Next Door Neighbors". Homaira is currently working on her MBA at St. Joseph's College and is a board member of Women for Afghan Women and the Islamic Center of Long Island. She is also a wife and the mother of three young daughters. All are invited to attend this informative program. .

Circle 2 ... Wednesday, March 30, 11:30 a.m., Fiske Room. Candace Moose will discuss her newly released book, "The Grateful Heart." Please bring a sandwich for lunch.

Circle 3 ... Tuesday, March 15, 12:30 p.m., Fiske Room. The group continues their Horizons Bible study. All are welcome to join in the study at any time.

Circle 4 ... Thursdays, 9:30 a.m., Craft Room upstairs. We are

working on shoulder covers for oncology patients at Huntington Hospital. New and experienced quilters welcome.

Circle 6 ... Tuesday, March 8, 10 a.m. The group will assemble health kits. Upon completion of that task, Circle members will help with the PW kitchen cleaning. On Tuesday, March 15, Circle members will help organize the church library.

Crafts ... Fridays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., craft room upstairs. The group can use your help with various craft projects.

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE HEALTH KITS REMINDER

At our March meetings, all Circles will put together Church World Service Health Kits. Please bring:

1 comb

1 metal nail file or nail clipper

1 tooth brush

1 4-7 ounce tube of toothpaste

1 bar of soap

6 band aids

1 gallon size plastic zip-lock baggie.

PW HOUSECLEANING DAY

On Tuesday March 8 at 9:30 a.m. all PW members are encouraged to show up with gloves and rags, ready to make the kitchen sparkle. Your participation will make the job go faster.

