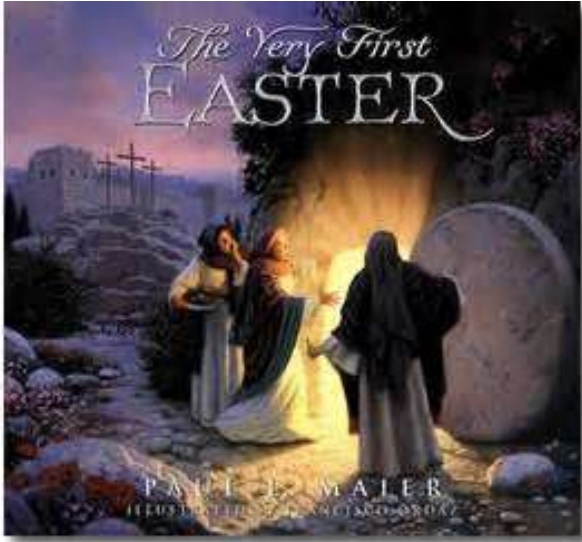


# *The Messenger*

## Palmyra Reformed Church Newsletter

*April, May 2018*



### **SUNDAY MORNINGS**

- 10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
- 10:00 a.m. - Nursery
- 11:00 a.m. - Coffee & Goodies
- 11:30 a.m. - Sunday School

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### **Palmyra Reformed Church**

236 Canandaigua St.

Palmyra, NY 14522-0323



# Easter. . .



is celebrated by Christians around the world to remember that Jesus died on the cross so that the sins of humanity would be forgiven. Matthew says when the women visited the tomb of Jesus an angel tells the women "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said he would".

## How Wonderful the Resurrection

Suppose there were no Resurrection.  
That Christ remained within the tomb,  
That human hopes and dreams were fables  
Born to fade like ocean spume.

The day would lose its lusty freshness,  
The perfumed flowers pale and die,  
Gay summer moves in frightened zigzags  
With clouds across a moody sky.

The world would seem a dreary desert,  
Hope flounder in the human heart,  
And words would hold no lilting cadence  
With love no longer to impart.

But Easter opened wide a doorway,  
The Master breathed the morning air;  
White lilies now proclaim his victory,  
And love and joy are everywhere.

How wonderful the Resurrection!  
The promise of another spring,  
In spite of life's chaotic struggle,  
The soul can know full blossoming.

# Palmyra Reformed Church<sup>1</sup>



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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Consistory               | First Wed. of the mo. |
| Women's Mission Ministry | First Mon. of the mo. |
| Prayer Meeting           | Last Wed. of the mo.  |
| Christian Education      | Second Sun. of mo.    |
| Youth Group              |                       |

## CHURCH DIRECTORY:

### CONSISTORY AND COMMITTEES:

|                     |                         |              |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Rev. Willard Barham | President               | 585-319-8729 |
| Chris Bucknam       | Vice President.         | 315-597-5668 |
|                     | Sacraments Co.          |              |
| Jack Thompson       | Building & Grounds Co.  | 315-597-9394 |
|                     | Education Co.           |              |
| Gary Wood           | Treasurer               | 315-521-6212 |
|                     | Finance Co.             |              |
|                     | Sacraments Co.          |              |
|                     | Music Co.               |              |
| David Ondra         | Pulpit Supply Co.       | 585-831-1941 |
|                     | Music Co.               |              |
|                     | Building Superintendent |              |
| Dave Fanelli        | Clerk                   | 585-545-0908 |
|                     | Finance Co.             |              |
|                     | Head Usher              |              |
|                     | Building & Grounds Co.  |              |
| Scott Thompson      | Building & Grounds Co.  | 585-944-9177 |
|                     | Building Superintendent |              |

### SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS:

|                |                   |              |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Superintendent | Lisa Premyslovsky | 315-597-4877 |
| Ass't Super.   | Jack Thompson     | 315-597-9394 |
| Treasurer      | Gary Wood         | 315-521-6212 |

<sup>1</sup>Member of Reformed Church in America

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## FOR PRAYER SUPPORT:

- Call Rev. Barham at 585-319-8729
- Leave a message on the church phone 315-597-4341
- Fill out a Prayer Request Form (in tract rack)
- To have the Prayer Chain started, call Carol Fanelli at 716-512-0589

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### **Prayers Are Asked For:**

- ♥ **Jean Craft** (she is back at the W.C. Adult Home)
- ♥ **Gordon Bushart**
- ♥ **Judy O'Daniel** (she is home)
- ♥ **Candy Barham**
- ♥ **Chuck Lehman**
- ♥ **Charlie Meck**
- ♥ **Rev. Ed Allatt**
- ♥ **Larry Murphy** (Mysty Wadsworth's son)
- ♥ **Cheryl Opdyke**
- ♥ **Ruth Lonneville** (Carol Wandersee's friend)
- ♥ **Marilynn Amberger** (Carol Fanelli's sister)
- ♥ **Kailee** (Anita Manuel's granddaughter)
- ♥ Those facing personal challenges
- ♥ PRC members in assisted living facilities
  - **Lillian Barham** (Hill Haven, Webster)
  - **Jean Craft** (Wayne County Adult Home)
  - **Clara DeNearing** (Wayne County Home)
  - **Ann Milliman** (Wayne County Adult Home)
  - **Ruth Moore** (Wayne County Adult Home)
  - **Phil Proeto** (Jewish Home)
- ♥ Palmyra/Macedon Food Pantry
- ♥ Good Neighbor Fund
- ♥ Meals-On-Wheels
- ♥ Victims of hatred
- ♥ Our Armed Services currently in active service
- ♥ Our faithful veterans
- ♥ Missionaries locally and around the world
- ♥ Our political leaders, may God be their guide
- ♥ The victims of natural disasters
- ♥ Our work here at PRC and our wonderful members



that was easy.

### Grieving

Our sincere sympathy to the family of **Gene Bucknam**. He went home to our Lord after a long fight with cancer. This is **Cal's brother and Chris' uncle**. Cal & Joan's address is 4271 Canalside Dr., Palmyra, NY 14522 and Chris & Joyce is 220 Howell St., Palmyra, NY 14522. Gene's wife, Barbara's address is 3070 Bear Hill Dr., Palmyra, NY 14522.

### New Address:

**Thelma Schuldt** has moved to Parkwood. Her new address is 1340 Parkwood Dr., Apt. 135, Macedon, NY 14502.

**Congratulations** Saturday, March 17, 2018 wedding bells were heard in our sanctuary for **Elizabeth Mariconti** and **Lee Burnette**. Elizabeth is the daughter of Lisa & Dave Ondra and granddaughter to Cal & Joan Bucknam.

**Happy Birthday** (Please contact Carol Fanelli for corrections or additions)

|       |    |                   |
|-------|----|-------------------|
| April | 2  | Hana Premyslovsky |
|       | 3  | Zhoie Thompson    |
|       | 4  | Judy O'Daniel     |
|       | 4  | Virginia Wilson   |
|       | 8  | Chuck Lehman      |
|       | 9  | Allie VanEpps     |
|       | 10 | Carol Fanelli     |
|       | 12 | Cody Quick        |
|       | 16 | Mollie Clark      |
|       | 25 | Joy Ike           |
|       | 26 | Dave Fanelli      |



|     |    |                     |
|-----|----|---------------------|
| May | 1  | Elaine Bushart      |
|     | 3  | Lisa Premyslovsky   |
|     | 4  | Michele Mariconti   |
|     | 6  | Sadie Gowen         |
|     | 7  | Thomas Premyslovsky |
|     | 9  | Carolena Mariconti  |
|     | 14 | Eunice Reynolds     |
|     | 20 | Candy Barham        |
|     | 27 | Tom Thompson        |
|     | 28 | Charlie Meck        |
|     | 31 | Jarod Ramos         |

### Happy Anniversary

|       |    |                         |
|-------|----|-------------------------|
| April | 7  | Steve & Marcia Marsille |
|       | 12 | Doug & Janet Bushart    |
|       | 28 | Lenny & Roberta Main    |
| May   | 6  | Gordon & Elaine Bushart |
|       | 11 | Chris & Joyce Bucknam   |

**Lord, please bless all of these friends!!**

## THANK YOU

We'd like to thank those who participated in the Lenten Readings: **Doug Bushart, Cal Bucknam, Dave Fanelli, Kit Hohenboken, Deb Thompson, Steve Marsille** and the Easter reading by the **Premyslovsky family**.

**Thank you to ALL who brought in used postage stamps.** The Women's Ministry sent a large 9 x 13 envelope to the Stamp Alliance Ministry in Dec. and

we received the following thank you and information back: "In January of 2018 we had already earned \$2,000 for Sunday School materials. In 2017 we received enough stamps to enable us to send \$29,000 in supplies to our Sunday School locations. We supply Sunday School materials to Central America, South America and in the USA. Thank you for making this work possible."

A BIG thank you to **Elsie VanGee** who, even while she has been ill, has cut the stamps that were brought in to the appropriate size so they can be sent to the Stamp Alliance Ministry in Ft. Myers, FL.

**Chastity & Scott Thompson** have installed new cubbies for use in the Nursery. They look very nice and will be a much-needed addition.

The **Youth Praise Band** performed at our Corned Beef Luncheon. What talent - thank you, thank you!

Thank you to **Scott Thompson, Jack Thompson and Dave Fanelli** – they installed a big light in the old storage shed. It certainly will make it easier to get things out and put them away.

Thank you to those who helped the Youth Group and their spaghetti dinner. **Chastity & Scott Thompson and Lisa Premyslovsky** – thank you!

Roberta & Lenny you are good – Thank You!

*From our Associate Editor – Calvin Bucknam - -*  
**We Have Been Invited – Have You Attended?**

I am speaking about the monthly consistory meetings. Now that it seems to stay lighter in the evenings and weather is somewhat improving we have fewer excuses and should exercise a stronger interest in the workings of the church by our elected elders and deacons. Not only in the immediate activities but much more the future spiritual decisions of the direction we should be thinking about our individual lives, our church and the community we have as our responsibility. Please give this some serious thought now.

In the last few years many material improvements have been decided by those leaders and I would like to remind you at this time of just the major ones.

1. Greatly improved parking lot area which is so much better than the old gravel. Gravel was much more difficulty in winter time for plowing and in spring time it was wet and dirty.
2. Our elevator which has truly been a tremendous improvement for so many over the stair challenge.

3. New carpet both downstairs hall, steps and of course the sanctuary.
4. New heating system which is so much more comfortable and dependable during our Sunday morning services.
5. Additional new shed for needed storage.

Much money has been disbursed; however, the real improvement is the final success of securing a truly strong bible-based preacher/leader/pastor by the name of Will. God has truly blessed us in so many ways. We should be thinking and praying that we are worthy in the eyes of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Much that has been given much is expected – am I right?

Please read and understand and become more willing to attend services more faithfully. Not just consistory meetings but monthly bible study. Pastor Will has been there for us so let us be there for him and say YES to any of his request and those others that might ask for a helping hand. It is our church so please help it grow not just in numbers but a renewed spiritual revival. It will give you a GREAT feeling within your heart.  
GOD IS LOVE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **March 30 - Tenebrae Good Friday service.**

Tenebrae, the service that uses gradually diminishing light (through the extinguishing of candles) to symbolize the events of Holy Week; from the triumphant Palm Sunday entry through to Jesus' burial; the darkness of Jesus' death and of the hopelessness in the world without God. Worshipers leave in silence to ponder the impact of Christ's death and await the coming Resurrection.

### **April 1 – Easter Celebration**

- Starts at 6:30 a.m. with a beautiful sun-rise service at the Friends Church in Farmington. It is open to the public.
- **Our service begins at 10:00 a.m.**
- Fellowship Time will be held but Sunday School is cancelled.
- **The children's Easter Egg Hunt** is held immediately after the service. Please invite your children, grandchildren and neighbor's children. **ALL children are welcomed!**
  - ◆ The Easter eggs represent Jesus' emergence from the tomb and resurrection - a symbol of "new life".
  - ◆ The eggs are filled with Christian toys and candy.



- April 1 - Focus on Children Around the World
- May 6 - For the people of Brazil
  - A special offering will be taken during the Offertory at these services
  - The Missionary Program will be presented by Lisa Premyslovsky during Sunday School time at 11:30

### **Bible Study/Prayer at 7:00pm at the church**



#### **Open to all!**

- March 28th
- April 25
- May 30

Silent Auction items are needed for the Camp Fowler **Spring Fling**

- ♥ Knitted items, wood crafts, gift certificates, antiques, etc. are welcomed items.
- ♥ It does not have to be new items.
  - Last year Candy Barham donated a couple of her photo (framed) and they received a nice tidy sum for them
- ♥ See the flyers on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for donation information.

### **Women's Ministry 4:00pm**

April 2<sup>nd</sup> - with devotions/topic and refreshments by Carol Wandersee

May 7<sup>th</sup> – devotions/topic Joan Bucknam  
Refreshments by Chastity Thompson

**These meetings are open to ALL ladies!**

### **April 13, 14 – Rummage Sale**

- **Receiving days are April 11 and 12**
  - Bring your donations on those 2 days.
  - This is a new procedure but we are hoping it will relieve the clutter that accumulates in the church.
  - Please use these dates.
- Setup is April 12, come when you can
- A sign-up sheet for workers is on the bulletin board. Please sign up if you can help – workers **are** needed.

**Children's Clothing Closet** at the Methodist Church in Palmyra

- ♥ March & April supervision is the responsibility of our church (each Wed.)
- ♥ Someone is needed to help from 6:30-8:00 pm.
- ♥ Tell Lisa Premyslovsky if you can give 1 1/2 hours of your time in either month
- ♥ Invite your family, friends and neighbors – all the children's clothes are free!! Just come and select which ones you would like

**IT IS ALL FREE!!!**

**Mission of the Month and Mission Program:**

The Palmyra Historic Preservation Committee will be spotlighting the Palmyra Reformed Church in the month of April – Watch for it! I will share information as I learn how we are being honored. How exciting.



## Ham Loaf Dinner - April 23<sup>rd</sup> 4:30pm till gone

Palmyra Reformed Church  
236 Canandaigua St., Palmyra, NY

|                      |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| Adult (14 and up)    | \$9.00 |
| Ages 7-13            | \$6.00 |
| 6 and under          | Free   |
| One-pound loaf alone | \$7.00 |

- Eat in or Take Out is available
- One-pound ham loaves with sauce will be available to sell
- Proceeds go for Mission Programs

## Camp Fowler Spring Fling

Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 5:30 pm

Young Sommer Winery  
4287 Jersey Rd., Williamson, NY

The evening includes hors d'oeuvres, dinner, storytelling, music and silent auction.

Please call Karen Manahan at 315-589-2703 or contact her at [kmanahan@pultneyville.org](mailto:kmanahan@pultneyville.org) if you have questions. Check out the poster on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall if you would like to attend.

### May 13 – Mother's Day Reception

We are honoring our mothers with a reception following the morning church service. Bring your Mom!



### May 19 – Sewing and/or Repair Day

Come join us in a new project – sewing dresses for little girls being sold into slavery because they do not have a decent cloths.

Bring your sewing machine we will have the directions for making the dresses. It is a very simple design.

- Bring a cotton material – 2 yds. are needed per dress
- There will be limited supply of material available
- If you don't sew, bring in any craft you are working on

- **OR** do you have something that needs a button, a seam sewed up, etc.? – bring it in and we will fix it.

This should be a fun day! Salads or pizza? Which sounds best?

### Communion Sunday - May 20

- Rev. Will and elders are available to serve communion to those unable to receive it at church. Call Rev. Will or an elder.
- Gluten-free bread is available for those with special diets



### Memorial Day May 28 - Prayer:

“May the members of our armed forces be supplied with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support. In the name of Jesus. Amen”.

### Camp Fowler Christian Camp Registration

If you are interested in going to camp, please check out [www.campfowler.org](http://www.campfowler.org) or call 518-631-6789.

See the poster with the Summer Camp schedule on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

**Pal-Mac Food Pantry** is in need of **cereal, bread and milk** in addition to:

|                     |           |               |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Spaghetti sauce     | All soaps | Hygiene items |
| Canned/boxed meals  | Pasta     | Jelly         |
| Pancake mix & Syrup | Juices    | Canned fruit  |

Please leave all donations in the kitchen on the recycling shelves.

**Work as a missionary**, bring in the following items (boxes and containers are in the kitchen):

- Food Pantry donations
  - Used stamps - Alliance Stamp Ministry
  - Used greeting cards – VA Hospital
  - General Mills box tops for education
  - Pull top tabs from beverage cans – helps pay for dialysis
  - Bring used magazines to Newark Hospital
- Note that the Campbell label program has been discontinued.

Life's too short to wake up in the morning with regrets, so.....

'Love the people who treat you right. Pray for the ones who don't.'  
LIFE IS A JOURNEY.

ROLL DOWN THE WINDOW AND ENJOY THE BREEZE. –

## HELPING HANDS

See Carol Fanelli if you would like to help in any of these areas (i.e. flowers when there is an opening)

### Greeter(s):

April 1 Gordon & Elaine Bushart  
 8 Dave & Carol Fanelli  
 15 Hohenboken family  
 22 Chuck & Sandy Lehman  
 29 Lenny & Roberta Main

May 6 Steve Marsille  
 13 Nies family  
 20 Dave Ondra  
 27 Premyslovsky family

### Flowers:

**April** 1 EASTER SUNDAY  
 Women's Ministry  
 8 Dave & Carol Fanelli in loving  
 memory of Margaret & Marinus  
 Michielsen  
 15 Women's Ministry  
 22 Virginia Wilson in loving memory of  
 Ken Wilson, M/M Frank Wilson, and  
 Dorothy Wilson  
 29 Petr & Lisa Premyslovsky in loving  
 Memory of Jim Ondra

**May** 6 Tracy Lush in loving memory of  
 Betty, Norm & Scott Lush and  
 M/M Sam Cook  
 13 MOTHER'S DAY  
 Cal & Joan Bucknam in loving

20 memory of Jake & Florence Cleason  
 Doug & Janet Bushart in loving  
 memory/honor of their parents  
 27 Eunice Reynolds in loving memory  
 of Lewis & Mina DeMay

### Nursery:

Apr. 1 Scott, Chastity, Kaylie Cauthen  
 Apr. 8 Scott, Chastity, Tom Premyslovsky  
 Apr. 15 Scott, Chastity, Emily Pulcini  
 Apr. 22 Scott, Chastity, Quinton Holcomb  
 Apr. 29 Scott, Chastity, David Premyslovsky

May 6 Jack, Lisa, Kaylie  
 May 13 Jack, Lisa, Thomas  
 May 20 Jack, Lisa, Quinton  
 May 27 Jack, Lisa, Emily

### Refreshments:

Apr. 1 Tina Haak  
 Apr. 8 Chastity Thompson  
 Apr. 15 Deb Thompson  
 Apr. 22 Linda VanderMere  
 Apr. 29 Mysty Wadsworth

May 6 Carol Wandersee  
 May 13 Tina Haak  
 May 20 Deb Wood  
 May 27 Candy Barham

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1 – EASTER CELEBRATION  
 – Mission of the Month  
 April 2 – Women's Ministry meeting at 4:00 pm  
 April 4 – Clothing Closet supervision  
 April 8 – Mission Program  
 – Christian Education (Sunday School  
 Meeting)  
 April 9 – 4H meeting at 6:00pm at PRC  
 April 11 – Consistory Meeting at 7:30pm  
 – Clothing Closet supervision  
 April 11 & 12 – Receiving days for the Rummage  
 Sale  
 April 12 – Set Up Day for Rummage Sale  
 April 13 & 14 – RUMMAGE & BAKED FOOD SALE  
 April 18 – Clothing Closet supervision  
 April 23 – Ham Loaf Dinner Fundraiser for missions  
 April 25 – Bible Study & Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm

– Clothing Closet supervision  
 April 30 & May 2 – Food Pantry Supervision  
 May 2 – Consistory Meeting at 7:30 pm  
 May 6 – Missionary Sunday  
 Mission Program  
 May 7 – Women's Ministry meeting at 4:00 pm  
 May 7 – 4H meeting at 6:00pm at PRC  
 May 13 – Mother's Day Reception  
 – Christian Education (Sunday School  
 Meeting) at 11:45 am  
 May 19 – Sewing or Repair Day  
 May 20 – Communion Sunday  
 May 20 – Pentecost Sunday  
 May 21 – 4H meeting at church  
 May 28 – Memorial Day  
 May 30 – Bible Study/Prayer Meeting



# The Funny Page

## PLAY IT SAFE -

1. Do not get in the way of an automobile...20% of all fatal accidents are caused by automobiles.
2. Do not stay at home...17% of all accidents happen at home.
3. Be careful where you walk...14% of all accidents occur to pedestrians.
4. Do not travel by air, rail or water...16% of accidents result from these activities.
5. Only .0001% of all accidents occur in church

Obviously, the safest place to be is at worship in church!!!!

Let God completely control your life and you'll be in the right place at the right time.

-Submitted by Marvin Sloane

## Church Bulletin Bloopers!

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

## Holy Humor

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, 'I know what the Bible means!'

His father smiled and replied, 'What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?'

The son replied, 'I do know!'

'Okay,' said his father. 'What does the Bible mean?'

'That's easy, Daddy' the young boy replied excitedly, 'it stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.' (This one is my favorite.)

## For the Kids

Match the letter to the picture that starts with that sound. Write the letter.

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SHEKNOWS

# MEMORIAL DAY TRIVIA

1. On what day of the week is Memorial Day always celebrated?

- Sunday                       Friday  
 Wednesday                 Monday

2. Why was the end of May chosen for this holiday?

- the war ended  
 it's the first day of summer  
 flowers are blooming  
 the declaration was signed then

3. What war was Memorial Day started to commemorate?

- Revolutionary War         WWII  
 Civil War                     WWI

4. What would you traditionally fly on Memorial Day?

- remote airplanes         kites  
 American flag             boats

5. What year (many experts believe) was the first memorial day observed ?

- 1865                             1818  
 1888                             1902

6. In which city and state is the official birthplace of Memorial Day?

- Waterloo, New York  
 Richmond, Virginia  
 Charleston, South Carolina  
 Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania

7. What sporting event is always celebrated on Memorial Day?

- Kentucky Derby         Super Bowl  
 Indianapolis 500         World Series

8. What were decorated in remembrance of this day?

- cemeteries of family     homes  
 tombs of fallen Union soldiers     yards