

Focus on Faith

Come home ... to Faith

To All at Faith.....

*Let's get together for an evening of fellowship
And to commemorate one of the most holiest of days,
Holy Thursday. We will be having a "Pot luck" dinner
starting at 6pm followed by Worship service and
communion at 7:30pm. Pastor Frank Guter will be
leading us in worship that evening. Hope to see
everyone there.*



Come, now is the time to Worship!



Faith Reformed Church

Upcoming April dates to remember!

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| <i>1st</i> | <i>5:30pm</i> | <i>CCNS</i> |
| <i>6th</i> | <i>9:30am</i> | <i>Communion Together</i> |
| <i>6^h</i> | <i>9:30am</i> | <i>Easter plant orders due</i> |
| <i>6th</i> | <i>11:00am</i> | <i>Finance</i> |
| <i>13th</i> | <i>9:30am</i> | <i>Palm Sunday</i> |
| <i>17th</i> | <i>6:30pm</i> | <i>Pot Luck Dinner</i> |
| <i>17th</i> | <i>7:30pm</i> | <i>Holy Thursday Service</i> |
| <i>20th</i> | <i>9:30am</i> | <i>Easter Service</i> |
| <i>27th</i> | <i>11:00am</i> | <i>Consistory</i> |

*SAT classes –Thursdays (3rd, 10th, 24th),
6:30-9:30pm*

*Every Tuesday AA meetings are held in the
Fellowship Hall.*

*For information contact Joe at 732.547.7247
The Zion Baptist Church service Sundays 11:30AM
Contact Pastor Kevin DeAngelo at 721.567.0608*

*Join us for worship every
Sunday morning at 9:30 am*

CREATIVE CAMPUS NURSERY SCHOOL

. Well, we made it through the winter and hopefully all the snow is behind us. The children are looking forward to going outside to play and run around. They were busy in March and it is not going to slow down in April either. We are continuing with the letters of the alphabet, numbers and starting to learn poems and songs for our Mother's Day celebrations. Take a week out for Easter vacation and it will be a busy month.

We are still accepting registration for the 2014-2015 school year and are excited to be offering Summer Camp again this year. Please tell your friends, family and neighbors about our school. We would LOVE to show them what we offer.

Thank you to all who supported the Old Monmouth Fundraiser.

Jamie Brockie

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A time for prayer

MISSION OF THE MONTH OF APRIL

Mort's Mission

Thank you for supporting this mission serving the people of Newark. Newark has the distinction of being the second poorest community in the metropolitan area. Only the Bronx surpasses it and it is in first place.

The spring weather is still cold and there is still a need for warm clothing and blankets for the people. Mort can always find a home for a sweater or a jacket.

KEYPORT MINISTERIUM FOOD PANTRY The need is great at this time of the year and never ceases to grow. Food is always requested. There, just, is never enough pasta, sauce, cereal, tuna, peanut butter, fruits and vegetables.

If you have passed the pantry on Elizabeth Street, you may have been surprised to see the building taking shape. The four sides are enclosed and the roof is on and ready for shingles. The basic building should be ready for use in early June.

MISSION of the MONTH APRIL Personal Grooming Items for Mort's Mission

Toothpaste, soap, shampoo, wide- toothcombs, deodorant, emery boards, tissues etc.

Family Goats Congratulations, all your generous donations have made it possible to supply five goats and a brood of chicks to poor families. Thank you so much for your generosity.

DIMLA BHOI There is not much hope for families living in poverty. Each mother and father prays for a better life for his or her children. Over many years, our support has helped give boys and girls a better life. Won't you please check pockets and drawers for loose change to improve a child's life?

The Mission billboard is full of thank you notes from all the people you have helped. You have made a difference in the lives of many.

Helen Duthie

Psalm 146:6-8 (NIV) He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them he remains faithful forever. He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free, the Lord gives sight to the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, the Lord loves the righteous.

God of compassion, bless us and those we love, our friends and families, that, drawing close to you, we may be drawn closer to each other, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. Let us pray especially for those we lift to you by name:

Robert Preston, Alice Gottlieb, Charlie Russo, Susan And Barry Cutler, Pastor Dey, Stanley Reid, MaryAnn Martinek, Rev. Bob Bender, Pat Cutler (ongoing Chemo), Dan Gervasio Jr. and the Schaeffner Family.

Please provide comfort and strength for all our friends and family living through their grief and all challenges that come when our hearts are broken. God we call to you for all the unnamed who face issues of health, addictions, violence and the many issues of unstable mental health. Hear our prayer for families and friends who struggle with crisis; who struggle with poverty – poverty of resources; poverty of spirit; poverty of friendship; poverty of hope. We lift our hearts for all people living in oppression and strife in the entire world, we pray for you, dear, gracious Lord, to hear the cries of your people.



Property Update

Bob Martinek

The property committee will have a spring clean up on Saturday, April 5th from 9 AM to 3 PM. We need men, women and young people. It would be appreciated if you could give an hour or two since we have a long list of items to be accomplished. If rain is forecast it will be postponed to Saturday, April 12th.

The Bob Cat tractor has been picked by Cerlione for service and the lawn mowing schedule will start April 14th.

Our rear parking lot is in bad shape from this winter. Since we cannot afford to have a paving company fill the holes, we will gradually patch them when we have the manpower. Let Bob Martinek know if you are willing to donate an hour or two.

Thanks to Dan Gervasio & Bob Martinek for setting up the inside of the new shed. We now have plenty of shelving and you can actually walk around in the shed even with all of our equipment.

Thanks to Patty Altland and Susan Flynn for keeping our church looking spotless. This is an area where we have had problems for years. THANKS FOR A GREAT JOB.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Finance

Bob Martinek

TITHING REPORT - Envelope giving for February was \$861.00 a week which is \$24.00 a week OVER budget. Thank you for keeping your commitment during the difficult winter we have had.

Designated offerings for February were:

<i>Deacons fund</i>	<i>\$122.00</i>
<i>Classis dues</i>	<i>225.00</i>
<i>Mission envelope</i>	<i>88.00</i>
<i>Goats</i>	<i>67.00</i>
<i>Childrens fund</i>	<i>30.00</i>

We continue to spend a fortune on snow removal this winter season. As of February 28th we have paid \$5,525.00 for snow removal. PRAY FOR WARM WEATHER THIS SPRING. Since we have gone over budget by thousands of dollars in snow removal the finance committee has decided any overages in the special offering envelopes, ie Easter, Lenten envelopes, etc. we will use to reduce the snow deficit. Thanks for your support.

We have signed a contract for a Web site for the church and the Nursery school. John Meyer and Christine Berkowicz are heading up this committee. Look for more information on this over the next couple of months.

Matthew 5:13-15 Be Salt and Light“ You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

Greeting you at Worship:

- April 6th John Meyer
- 13th Julie Hertzog
- 20th Patty Altland
- 27th Marilyn Erbig

Serving Communion:

John Meyer

Hosting Coffee Hour

- April 6th Dot & Jim Aumack
- 13th Dot & Jim Aumack
- 20th Lucy Perez & Bob Foster
- 27th Michelle & Doug Andrews

Altar Flowers:

- 6th Given in honor of Karen Novak's birthday
- 13th Given in honor of Paul & Debbie's 22nd Anniversary
- 20th Easter Lilies
- 27th Open

The flower chart and envelopes are located on the Faith & Community Bulletin Board. The cost of each arrangement is \$15.00.



April Lectionary Readings

- 6 Ezekiel 37: 1-14, Psalm 130, Romans 8: 6-11
John 11: 1-45
- 13 Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 , Matthew 21: 1-11
- 20 Acts 10: 34-43, Psalm 118: 14-24, Colossians 3: 1-4 , John 20: 1-18
- 27 Acts 2 14: 2-32, Psalm 16, Peter 1: 3-9, John 20: 19-31

Guest Pastors for April

- 6 Rev. Theodore Muller
- 13 Rev. Eltje Brunemeyer
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- 27 Pastor Bob Erbig

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