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*But now we are discharged from the law,
dead to that which held us captive,
so that we are slaves not under the old written code
but in the new life of the Spirit.*
Romans 7:6

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Church Calendar

Week of May 14-20

8:00am Main Street: The Ascension Acts 1:1-11
10:30am Main Street: What is Under God's Foot is Over My Head Ephesians 1:15-23, Luke 24:44-53
Spring Pancake Breakfast following worship
11:00 Meadow Lakes: Reflections on a Pilgrimage Psalm 121 *Ascension Sunday*

Committee Meetings

7:00pm Session, Deacons

Ongoing

Carol Duryea is selling gift cards during coffee hour *See Gift Cards, page 3*
Dine @ City Streets 20% of your bill is donated to Mission: *see page 3*
Dine @ TGI Friday's 20% of your bill is donated to Mission: *see page 3*
Breakfast Mission at Trenton Church *see page 3*
4:30-6:00pm Community Supper First Baptist Church Food donations and Volunteers needed - *see page 3*
5-7:00pm KIDS CLUB *see Great Kings, right*
<http://www.pcusa.org/pda>
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance account #DR000064

Service

Jean Ray, Dave Teich, Milly Brown, Dave Marcus
Roberta & Christina Cass, The Devlin Family
Mark Dahlinger Tammy Barkalow

Upcoming

King Josiah Fair *see Great Kings, right*

Time for Hymn Requests

The hymn request cards will be in the pews at the beginning of May. We will be starting our planning earlier than usual, so use the month of May to jot down your favorite hymn(s) to be included in the list for summer, 2010. Don't forget to also include any favorites you might have from the newer hymnal, "Sing the Faith," as well as favorites from other sources. If you include your phone number or e-mail address, we'll contact you to let you know the week your choice is being sung. Please include the hymn numbers and sources along with your choices, as that would make the record keeping easier and assure that we sing the correct choice!

As has been the case each year, Bryan will be conscientious about including as many of the hymns from the list as he is able each week. So fill out your selections and drop the card in the offering plate at Offertory time. We will begin using the list the last week of June, so start looking for those favorite hymn numbers!!

Pancake Breakfast

Mark your calendars and come hungry! The Youth are hosting on Sunday, May 16 a Pancake Breakfast following worship. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. Proceeds will benefit the 2010 Senior High Mission Trip. Starting May 1, see any Senior High Youth to purchase tickets. Thanks for your support!

Great Kings Come in Small Packages

KIDS CLUB will be sharing music and the story of King Josiah on Friday evening, May 21. Come see what the program is all about and enjoy wonderful desserts after! Anyone interested in seeing what the program is all about are invited to come at 6 pm to visit classrooms with their children. The musical will begin at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. We look forward to seeing you there!

May 16

May 18

Gift Cards

Wednesdays

▶ Third Monday

Second Saturday

▶ Third Saturday

Wednesdays (ends-May 26)

Haiti Disaster Relief

Greeters

Ushers

Counters

May 21

▶ TAKE NOTE

The blue callout arrow highlights a recurring event which is taking place this week

Church Family News

Connections is a calendar of the current church week as well as important church family news. Do you have an event coming up that you'd like your church family to know about? A faith story? Or just a really good photo that's too good to keep to yourself? Submit via email to connections@hightstownpres.org. Please submit any written material as text only or as a Word document; photos must be less than 5mb in size.

Revive! 2010

Want to renew your faith in Jesus Christ? Want to engage in the work for Justice? Ever been to a revival? If you answer yes to any of these, then you will want to attend Revive!, an ecumenical revival to be held June 11-13 at Trinity Cathedral in Trenton, NJ. Revive! is a new conversation—over a full weekend—about being passionate for both Jesus and justice, and about what it means to be a follower of Christ seeking to apply the gospel to the real pain of the world. Revive! is also a revival. If you attend you will witness Spirit-led preaching and worship and inspiring speakers, such as Cornel West, Shane Claiborne, Brenda Salter-McNeil, Bart Campolo and many more, who will renew your faith and give you new tools to engage in the work of justice. To learn more and to register, go to: www.revivejustice.org. Flyers will also be available in the Narthex and in the worship bulletins.



Service Opportunities

Community Supper

The First Baptist Church of Hightstown has a Soup Kitchen also known as The Community Supper. We have a hot meal every 3rd Saturday of the month and serve the meals from 4:30pm - 6:00 PM. The volunteers meet at FBC at 3:00pm to help set up and cook. Contact Adrienne Cheshier with any questions on how you can help and to donate food items: (609) 308-2381 and please leave a message.

Hot Breakfast Mission at Trenton Church

Volunteers are needed to help the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton serve the needy in their community. The second Saturday of every month we go there to set up, cook, and serve a hearty breakfast. Meet at our church at 6:30 AM to carpool there and be back by 10:00. Sign-up on the Mission bulletin board in fellowship hall or email Dave Marcus at damarcus1@verizon.net

Breast Cancer Fundraiser

In October, five members of the congregation will be participating in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure: Lauren Christie Reardon, Kim Christie Mickler, Jenna Christie, Kristin Compton and Meredith Compton. The girls will be walking 60 miles over the course of three days to help find a cure for breast cancer. Please visit their team home page and donate at: http://www.the3day.org/site/TR/2010/PhiladelphiaEvent2010?pg=team&fr_id=1468&team_id=150170

Mission Trip Fundraisers

Dine at TGI Friday's the third Monday of each month for dinner and 20% of your bill will be donated to FPCH mission trips. In addition, if you pay with a gift card purchased from Carol Duryea, 9 to 10% of the cost of the card will go to the church as well. Dine at City Streets every Wednesday for lunch or dinner and they will also donate 20%. No coupons are necessary at either restaurant - just tell your server.

Gift Cards Available

Carol Duryea is selling gift cards during coffee hour. Support the Adult Mission Trip Program; over 600 retailers available, some local retailers and TGI Friday's in stock. THIS WEEK'S FEATURED SPECIALS: Staples \$25 card worth \$26.25; \$100 card worth \$105; order by 5/16. Lands' End \$25 card provides 18% rebate vs usual 16% rebate, order by 5/16. Gap/Old Navy/Banana Republic \$25 card provides 12% rebate vs usual 9%; order by 5/23. For more info call the church office, or Carol at 609.448.5316

Deacon Food Box

The Deacons collect non-perishable food items every Sunday! You can place your donation in the Deacons Food Box in the Narthex at any time. Thanks!

Adult Ed & More

Adult Education Opportunities

"The Parables of Jesus" adult education program is held at 9:15 am in Kendall Lounge. The class, written and led by Rebecca Weltmann, will run through June 6. All are welcome to join our discussion. If you have any questions or would like more information about adult education opportunities, please contact Student Pastor Rebecca Weltmann at rweltmann@hightstownpres.org.

Vacation Bible School August 2-6

Children, pre-school age through 8th grade, are invited to Galactic Blast: A Cosmic Adventure Praising God. This year's Vacation Bible School takes kids on an outer space voyage praising God. Our fun-filled activities will include singing songs in Music, playing cosmic games in Recreation, exploring art in Cosmic Crafts, and learning "green" Earth tips in Discovery Time. For more information contact the church office.

