


SUNDAY December 30	There will be NO SUNDAY SCHOOL on December 30 th . 10:30 am Choir gathers (Chapel) 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary) 12:00 pm Coffee Hour (FH) 12:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Chapel & Sanctuary)
MONDAY December 31	9:00 am Senior Fitness (FH) 11:00 am Delaware Opportunities Senior Meals (CR)
TUESDAY January 1	 OFFICE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY January 2	6:30 am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study (Red Room) 9:00 am Senior Fitness (FH) 10:00 am Fitness for Moms (FH) 11:00 am Delaware Opportunities Senior Meals (CR) 6:00 pm A Pealing Sound (Chapel and Sanctuary) 7:00 pm Fellowship & Friendship Committee (Library)
THURSDAY January 3	11:00 am Delaware Opportunities Senior Meals (CR) 6:00 pm Yoga (Chapel)
FRIDAY January 4	11:00 am Delaware Opportunities Senior Meals (CR)
SUNDAY January 6	9:45 am Sunday School (Chapel and CE Wing) 10:30 am Choir gathers (Chapel) 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary) 12:00 pm Coffee Hour (FH) 12:05 pm Raitt Room Open 12:30 Mission Committee (Red Room) 12:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Chapel & Sanctuary) 4:00 pm Boy Scout Troop Meeting (FH)

RR – Red Room; CR – Conference Room; FH – Fellowship Hall; BR – Blue Room

A reminder to all committee leaders that the ANNUAL REPORTS must be turned in to the church office by January 7th. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

December Mission Emphasis – Christmas Joy Offering

FOOD BANK MISSION REMINDER! Help us fill the food box each week and help our friends and neighbors in need. In addition, cash donations may be placed in the offering plate (clearly marked), given to Ed Goff or left in the church office. Please make checks payable to the Delaware County Food Bank. Thank you for your continued support of this important mission.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DELHI, NEW YORK



CHURCH LIFE: WEEK OF DECEMBER 30, 2012

May the Word of God, become flesh in Jesus, dwell in our hearts richly during this worship service and throughout the week.

We invite everyone to take a moment during the offertory to sign the **Church Attendance Register** found in each pew. A special welcome is extended to all who are visiting with us this morning. We hope that your worship experience will be meaningful and enjoyable. If you are interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church or becoming a member of this congregation, please speak with Pastor Sarah, the Clerk of Session, the Church Office or any Elder.

Our **GREETERS** this morning are Tom and Barb Leo.

The **FLOWERS** this morning remain from the funeral service of Evelyn Bedient.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Ben Bray and Joe Cantwell. The Trustees responsible for counting on January 6 are Joe Cantwell and Ed Goff.

Gia Cantwell will be in the child-care room today during the worship service. There is a list of who will be providing care each week posted on the Nursery door. Child care is provided from after the children's sermon until the end of worship most Sundays. If you are in need of care earlier in the service arrangements can be made by locating a nursery attendant prior to the service.

**The Elder on Call for December 30 – January 12 is Betty Ann Clark.
You may reach Betty Ann at (607) 746-2829.**

The Session has established guidelines for the **Elder on Call** which includes responding to an emergency as a caring presence, representing the church at community/ecumenical events/disasters, and offering prayer for personal needs. Please feel free to call the Elders with any concerns you may have.

Thoughts on Giving: *“Beloved, see what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.” (1 John 3:1)*

During this season of giving, let’s also remember the gifts that God has given to us, including the gift of making us His children. Are we as grateful for that wonderful gift as we are for all the material gifts we have received? How do we show our gratitude to God for the gifts He gives to us all year?

Stewardship Prayer: That we may be grateful for all the blessings that have come into our lives in the past year, recognizing that God has surely given us more than enough to share.

The **Per Capita amount for 2012** has been set at **\$31.59 per member.**

Attendance Last Week	92
The amount needed each week	\$2,130.00
The amount given last week	\$1,812.19
The amount needed year-to-date	\$110,760.00
The amount given year-to-date	\$107,225.09
Fuel Fund given year-to-date	\$1,264.00
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Mission giving last Sunday	\$40.00
Mission given year-to-date	\$4,437.00
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Apportionment Needed 2012	\$7,234.11
Apportionment received year-to-date	\$3,008.22

If you have not already turned in your **pledge card and time and talent survey for 2013**, please prayerfully consider your stewardship for 2013 and turn these in as soon as possible. You may send or bring them to the church office or place them in the offering plate. **Thank You!**

The **Church envelopes for 2013** are located on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Please pick yours up after worship this morning. Please see Gia Cantwell if you are unable to locate your envelopes.

If anyone wants to know if they are up to date with their pledge, have paid their apportionment, or any other **information about their giving**, please give me a call at 746-3611 or e-mail giajoe@delhitel.net. Thank you, Gia Cantwell, FPC Financial Secretary.

The **2013 Flower and Coffee Hour Sign-up posters** are up in the Fellowship Hall. We are in need of people to help with Coffee Hour. Please sign up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall or see Janet Maxwell. Thank you for helping with this time of Fellowship!

The Deacons invite anyone interested in helping transport Gene Vandenbord back to Robinson Terrace following Worship and Coffee Hour to sign up by calling the church office. Please call the church office if you feel God calling you to serve in this way.

Remember, Sunday School will resume on Jan 6th at 9:45am. Please plan to attend and bring a friend.

The PW is collecting the **Christmas Stockings** that were sent in the January 2012 Courier. As of December 26th, they have collected \$416.04. Following the poem, the total amount to fill a stocking is \$7.80. The money will be divided equally between Habitat for Humanity and Hospice. If you need a stocking, please contact Janet Maxwell or stop by the church office. Stockings may be left in the church office until January 15.

A Call has been issued by the Session for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, according to the terms of the church By-laws, to be held immediately following worship on Sunday, February 3, 2013. The purpose of the meeting will be to review annual reports, receive the budget, accept the terms of call of the Pastor, approve change to by-laws for the election of Elders and address any other business that may come properly before the Congregation.

You are cordially invited to the Service of Ordination and Installation for the Reverend Sarah Hooker as Pastor of The First Presbyterian Church of Delhi, 4 Clinton Street, Delhi, NY 13753 to be held on Sunday, January 27, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. Please join us for dinner and a time of fellowship immediately following the service in the church Fellowship Hall.

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY SUB & CHILI SALE - The Youth Group is currently selling subs and homemade chili to raise funds for their mission trips. Order forms are available from any Youth Group Member, in the January Courier, in the office and on the bulletin board in the narthex. All orders are to be placed by January 27th.

Order your chili and subs today! All subs and chili must be picked up on February 3rd following the annual meeting in Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your continued support!