



**PASTOR'S POINTS**

One of my favorite expressions is “God is Good”. But it is the definition of “Good” that is in question. “Good” is not defined by everyone the same way.

Just as God is defined to each of us differently, so is “Good”.

“Good to” and “Good for” are often a matter of circumstance.

Where I am (age wise); with whom I am (family or other).

I think everyone defines “Good” in terms of their own experience. How they have lived, what they have achieved.

So when we say “God is Good”, say it with a smile, meaning a positive and happy life to live. Like God is Good – “to” “for” and “with” me; now and always (forever).

*Fr. Dugger*

## PRAYER CONCERNS

The United States Government  
President Obama  
Governor Cuomo  
Supervisor Benson  
Pope Francis  
Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts Schori  
The Right Rev. William Love, Bishop  
David Ball  
Daniel Herzog  
Priest Assigned Rev. Canon Clinton Dugger  
Deacon Rev. Randolph Lukas  
Pastor Jim  
Brother Bill  
Fr. John  
Deacon Peter

Jake Franchi	U.S Military and families
Spiritual Life Center	Kylie White
Chad Field	Sherri Boutard
Ann DeVost	Kimberly Harrington
Eva Helen Egan	John & Teri Koepp
Richard Jones	Heather O'Grady
Roberta Page	Kristen Thompson
Michelle Kowalczk	Wayne Vincent
Edgar LaCombe	Melissa
Vince Flanigan	Sue Frew
Sue Bull	Tiffany Flowers
Jane & Wayne Garnsey	The Rev. Christian Agunwamba
Mindy Case	Ruth Mary Deuel
Margie & Steve	Lois Johnson
Bessam	Daeson Warne
Fred Desnoyers	Mike & Annie Delaney
Peter Guiler	Elaine Berrier
Al & Jean Mayer	Dale Snyder
Jayne Sawin	Diane Sanford
Robin	Ray Garrison
Lou Amendalora	Nancy Mills
Florence Stock	Josie Bates
Virginia Moore	Doug
Robin Bahrnum	Barbara Felter
Marie	Nathaniel
John Doris	Malina
Beth	Fr. Duncan McQueen
Michael	Sharon
Tina	Linda, Mike, Pat & Bob Gluckman
Pat Ruby	Debra Kelly
People of Iraq and Sudan	Sabina Terrades
Betty Hicks	James Cross

Sean Lynch  
George Ertel, Jr.  
Hank Gallucci  
Ted Beek  
Rose G.

Loretta Hendrickson  
Heather Kromer  
Dusty and Carol  
Ayden Maguire  
Kathy Lepore

### **REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS:**

Sherri Boutard  
Churchill Road  
New Lebanon, NY 12125

Florence Stock  
1055 County Route 32  
Malden Bridge, NY 12115

Fr. Duncan McQueen  
Kimball Farms Skilled Nursing  
40 Sunset Avenue #55  
Lenox, MA 01240

### **BIRTHDAYS**

6 – Donna Faulkner

11 – Kris Smith

19 – Rosa McKeon

21 – Eugene Browning

22 – Jeanne Marriner

23 – Kent Mooney

24 – Eric May

25 – Ginny Dugger

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

11 – Kris and Steve Smith

If you know of a birthday or anniversary that we haven't included in past newsletters, please

- Call the church office at 794-8702 and leave a message
- Leave a note in the church secretary's mailbox in the office
- Email Kris Smith at [pioneer03@aol.com](mailto:pioneer03@aol.com)

with your birthday or anniversary date so that we can update our list.

Thank you!

## VESTRY'S VIEWS

January brings the annual meeting where the parish comes together to worship, break bread, and conduct the work of the church. I enjoy these meetings because we are all here for Our Saviour and to honor those who have done the good work of the church. It's a wonderful way to start the year and to set the agenda for the work ahead. I look forward to seeing you at our meeting.

*Bitsy*

## DOLLARS AND SENSE

As I sit here looking out at the blowing snow squall, I think how lucky I am – a warm home, a running vehicle, a loving church, and wonderful friends. I know I am blessed. I must be an optimist because look at the glass as being half full.

Some people I know walk around with a scowl or angry face. They're the ones who see the glass as half empty and the world bleak. For myself, I do pray for them but I also try and stay away from them as they can turn the day from bright sun to threatening clouds in an instant.

Do you have folks like that in your life? Prayer sometimes helps. Try praying for them – maybe they have someone or something they are worried about. One of the best times to pray is during a drive – maybe to work when traffic isn't too heavy or doing dishes – soapy water is good for both dishes and prayer.

Church of Our Saviour has taught me a lot over the years – like the old adage about walking in someone else's moccasins. May God supply you with what you need – and as we all know, that sometimes isn't what we asked Him for. Should I have ended a sentence with a preposition? Oh, well – it is from the heart!

Father Dugger says it best: "God is Good – All the Time!". Thank you God for ALL our blessings!

*Susan Darcy*

## CHURCH HAPPENINGS

*Community Bible Study*

**The Bible Study** continues every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.. Everyone is welcome in the Fellowship Hall. The group chooses the study and everyone has a part in the development of the discussion.

*Mission Updates*

The **Berlin weekend food program** box is in the back of the sanctuary for your gifts. Jacob attends Berlin Central and he will be sure the donations get to the proper people.

**Charlie's' Pantry** send their thanks for our continued support. They continue to have a need for peanut butter and toilet paper. Thank you to all you donate to this project.

The **women's shelter for Columbia and Greene County** is always grateful for donations. The empty box is in the back of the sanctuary and awaits new donations of toiletries. The next delivery date will be February 15<sup>th</sup>.

*Worship*

Randy and Eric are leading Morning Prayer every Monday at 6:15 a.m.. Eric leads Morning and Evening Prayer as his schedule allows.

*Thank you to:*

Our **snow angels** that shovel the walkways and sprinkle them with ice remover.

**Lebanon Springs Excavating** for the snow plowing.

**Everyone who helped** with the putting up and taking down the Christmas decorations.

**COMING UP:**

*Lenten Programs*

Please watch your Sunday bulletin for the upcoming list.

The newsletter deadline for the March issue will be ***Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>***. If you have any news to share, please send it to Susan Darcy at [susan@darcy-systems.com](mailto:susan@darcy-systems.com), Kris Smith at [pioneer03@aol.com](mailto:pioneer03@aol.com) or leave a note in the "Trumpet" mailbox in the church office.

*Future Event*

**Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> – Bishop Love** will join us for a combined service at **9:00 a.m.** Mark your Calendars for this special event. A brunch will follow. Everyone is asked to please bring a dish to share.

**FEBRUARY CALENDAR**

Sunday, February 1 -	
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Monday, February 2 –	
6:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Thursday, February 5 –	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

Friday, February 6 – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
Sunday, February 8 - 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Sunday School
Monday, February 9 – 6:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Thursday, February 12 - 7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Friday, February 13 - 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
Sunday, February 15 – 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b><u>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!!</u></b> Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Sunday School
Monday, February 16 - 6:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Wednesday, February 18 - 12:00 noon 7:00 p.m.	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> Service Service
Thursday, February 19 - 7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Friday, February 20 - 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
Sunday, February 22 – 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Sunday School
Monday, February 23 – 6:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Thursday, February 26 - 7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Friday, February 27 - 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
Saturday, February 28 – 8:30 a.m.	Leadership Conference at Christ the King Church