

CALENDAR

FRIDAY, June 11

Al-Anon/10 am/Fireside

SUNDAY, June 13

Childcare/9 am/2nd Floor

Prayers/9:05 am/Fireside

Worship/9:30 am/Sanctuary

Church Picnic/Following Service/DeWitt Park

APNC/7:30 pm/Heritage

MONDAY, June 14

Personnel/6:30 pm/Fireside

JPIC/Meditation

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

Bagpipers/7:00 pm/3rd Floor

AA/7 pm/Dodds

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

Memorial Committee/1:30 pm/Heritage

Finance/Heritage

Thursday, JUNE 17

Missioners/7:00 pm/Heritage

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

Al-Anon/10 am/Fireside

Paolangeli-Birchenough/Rehearsal/4:00 pm/
Sanctuary

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

Paolangeli-Birchenough/Wedding/4:00 pm/
Sanctuary

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

Childcare/9 am/2nd Floor

Prayers/9:15 am/Narthex

Worship/9:30 am/Sanctuary

Lemonade in the Park/10:30 am/Dewitt

APNC/7:30 pm/Heritage

MONDAY, JUNE 21

CVE Board/5:30 pm/Fireside

Deacons/7pm/Dodds

TUESDAY, JUNE 22

CVE Board/5:30 pm/Fireside

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- BASSOON RECITAL, DANIEL SNEDEKER, JUNE 12 AT 4PM
- NEW CHOIR DIRECTOR AND ORGANIST WELCOME
- ALL-CHURCH PICNIC, FOLLOWING SERVICE, JUNE 13
- ADULT EDUCATION, BOOK OF RUTH, JUNE 20, 11:10 AM

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 315 N. Cayuga Street Ithaca, NY 14850

Rev. Dr. James Henery, Pastor • Rev. Joanne Bartel, Parish Associate

Saying farewell to Larry Doebler

We had a wonderful party last Sunday. Too bad, in a way, that it was a retirement celebration, and it's not easy to close the chapter on 26 years of service as Larry Doebler has done so capably.

But we tried. The choir sang an anthem that Larry remembered as his first anthem as a church choir director years ago in Westlake (Ohio) when he was still connected to Oberlin.

The benediction choral response, "The Lord Bless You" probably left very few dry eyes as former choir members and anyone who wanted joined the choir, and it was a moving moment we won't easily forget.

Thanks to the planning of Joan Albern and Mary Berkelman for the morning, a reception followed with speeches, a song (based on the Beatles "When I'm 64") with words written by Marjorie Smart and sung by the choir, and the announcement of establishing the Doebler Music Library.

My sermon included a tribute to Larry—at least I tried to put his 26 years in perspective. And, as I have appreciated his work and ministry, I also learned that to him music itself was always secondary to the primacy of worship and how it would contribute, not dominate.

His service began with the pastorate of Dan Little in 1874 and has included 11 pastors, associates and interims. I am privileged to have been one of them.

Later in this newsletter is information about the selection of the next director, Scott Tucker, who officially begins in August. And this coming Sunday, we welcome our newest (and returning) organist, Jean Radice.

We had a wonderful party last Sunday. I want to think that each of us does a little every week as we greet and welcome people and celebrate a common joy and fellowship in worship. It takes all of us here—not just musicians or elders or deacons or ushers or choristers or a preacher. All of us are in this together.—Dr. Henery

Please Welcome **SCOTT TUCKER**, our new **CHOIR DIRECTOR**

After Larry Doebler announced his plan to retire after 26 years of leading the choir, the Session charged a search committee to find a new director for the chancel choir. The committee consisted of two members from the Personnel Committee, two members from the Worship & Music Committee, and three additional volunteers from the Choir. After placing advertisements on-line and in print, as well as reaching out to faculty members at Cornell and Ithaca College, the search committee received several applications from extremely talented and qualified musicians. The committee interviewed candidates and the choir met with (and rehearsed with) three finalists, any of whom would have done a great job as the next choir director. All of this led to the selection of our next choir director, Scott Tucker.

Scott is the Director of Choral Music at Cornell University. He conducts a number of



ensembles there, and is an extremely popular director (both on the hill and out in the guest conducting world). His first degree was in trumpet performance, and he followed that with his degree in Choral Conducting. His full biography is available on the Cornell web site, of course, but the best way to get to meet Scott will be to see him in action as our new choir director. Whether you decide to join the choir or continue to enjoy the music from your seat in the pews, please give Scott as warm and friendly a welcome as was Larry's farewell.

ORGANIST--JEAN RADICE

Jean Clay Radice starts as organist at First Presbyterian Church this Sunday.

Jean held this position from 1991-1998, working under the direction of Larry Doebler. She has taught organ



and harpsichord at Ithaca College since 2007. She studied organ at Syracuse University before obtaining a bachelor's degree in organ performance from Boston University and a master's degree in organ performance from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. Her major teachers have been Donald Sutherland, Will Headlee, George Faxon, Jack Fisher, and Roberta Gary. She has been an accomplished church musician and most recently has served as organist and choir director at the Episcopal Church at Cornell, and in similar capacities at other churches in the Finger Lakes area. She specializes in the historical keyboard literature for organ and harpsichord up to and including Johann Sebastian Bach, and has performed in many all-Bach recitals at Ithaca College, including collaborative performances of the complete Book II of *The Well-Tempered Clavier*, the *Goldberg Variations*, recitals of solo cantatas with other faculty, and accompanying choral groups. She hopes to continue developing student continuo playing on the continuo organ in the School of Music, purchased in 2008, as well as on the School's three harpsichords, and also encourages and supervises the placing of her students into church music positions. She maintains a large private teaching studio, and is an active recitalist in area churches.

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Please remember and pray for:

Peggy Darsie
Rich Favaro
Ben Franklin
Ellen Humphrey
Dorothy Park
Martha Ullberg
Elaine Weiss



June 11th and 12th, 2010



The AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE

is a life-changing event that gives everyone in communities across the globe a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease.

Jennifer Wilcox is participating in the Relay for Life at Ithaca College on June 11-12. If you would like to sponsor her, checks made out to the American Cancer Society may be delivered or mailed to the church office at 315 North Cayuga Street, Ithaca, NY 14850.

FREE RECITAL

open to the PUBLIC

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 2010 at 4:00 PM

**DANIEL SNEDEKER, BASSOON with
Madeline Zehnder, Clarinet and**

Jeffrey Snedeker, Piano

Works of Mozart, Vivaldi, Galliard, Osborne
and Beethoven

Free will contributions to the Arts Alive
Fund of the Ithaca Community Fine Arts
Booster Group will be gratefully accepted

Thank you from LARRY DOEBLER

I want to thank the congregation, the choir and Jim for the wonderful tribute I was afforded on Sunday. From Jan Parson's beautiful bowl, to Jim's sermon, to the choir, to my brother and his wife Ann, and my son Geoff and his wife Liz and my wife Patty to those who joined us for the choral benediction, to those who led the reception in Dodd's I am truly thankful!

I am so touched by your gifts that enable us to improve the choral library. And it is an honor to have it named the Doebler Choral Library!

It has been a very fulfilling twenty-six year adventure! We have watched so many children grow into young adults, some of whom sang in children's choir and later in the Chancel Choir or have enhanced our worship in the Bell Choir or with instrumental music.

It has been a pleasure! Thank you for welcoming us into this fellowship at First Presbyterian. Patty and I will continue to worship with you.

I know that the music program will continue strong as ever with the return of Jean Radice, organist and Scott Tucker joining as director of the Chancel Choir.

ADULT EDUCATION, JUNE 20— BOOK OF RUTH

Famine, marriage, death, and leaving one's homeland are common events in the Old Testament, but where can you find all those plus the intrigue of matchmaking, the drama of gleaning, a barley harvest party on the threshing floor, and a shoe exchange? Come to the June 20th adult ed offering on the Book of Ruth led by Cindy Weaver and see how much can fit into just four chapters of the Bible. We will look at the themes in this Book and discuss what meaning we can take from them.

PW WOMEN HEAR NUTRITIONAL COMMENTARY

Highlights follow for those unable to attend PW Luncheon: Extra dark chocolate containing 65 percent cocoa, green tea, and red wine are minor but possibly helpful diet contributors but cautions are necessary. An apple a day, a daily walk around the block and more humor are highly recommended. Give new attention to decreasing sodium and increasing Vitamin D. Watch this coming Fall for new national dietary guidelines for both. New understanding of antioxidant “flavonoids” as key constituents in vegetables helps explain benefit of eating bright red, yellow and purple foods.

Research on the Cornell campus has been addressing both breast cancer and the obesity epidemic. Studies in the Food Science Dept. and Animal Science Dept. have shown that fresh apple extract and apple peel and modifying milk fat have promising anticarcinogenic benefits for breast cancer.

The obesity epidemic is being addressed by several initiatives in the Div. of Nutritional Sciences at Cornell: Working with youth age 9-13, with pregnant women, with low income women and with teams of professionals taking an on-line course with the goal of addressing obesity in their communities.

Consider accessing www.nutritionworks.cornell.edu for keeping up to date with reliable information selecting timely topics and current research.

Last pick up the church leaflet “HUMOR: IT HELPS AS WE AGE” when the new supply comes in.

by Martha Mapes

TOUR DE CURE -- June 26

Barb Gegg will be cycling in the Tour de Cure to benefit the American Diabetes Association (ADA). Barb is Diabetic herself, and along with tandem partner, Russ Traunstein, she will be riding 63 miles to help the ADA continue its research and programs. Anyone wishing to sponsor Barb may contact her at 273-2938.

Annual All-Church Picnic Sunday, June 13, 2010 following service

Rolls, cold cuts, pasta salad, condiments and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share as well as your place setting from home.

Do join us for this first welcome to summer.

Suggestion for what to bring by last name:

A-J: Main Dish

K-R: Vegetable/Salad

S-Z: Dessert



**YOU'RE INVITED TO...End of the year
CHILDRENS' AND YOUTH**

CHOIR PARTY

**Looking forward to celebrating together and
starting the Summer!!**

**Come Celebrate: The end of the
school year and the beginning of
summer**

Who: You and your family

**What to Bring: A Dish to Pass.
*Drinks and items from the grill
provided by our hosts**

Where: Claire and Gavin's House

**When: June 11th , 2010
-- 4:00 to 6:30pm**



**RSVP: Margaret
Shackell-Dowell at 607-
319-4654, mbs242@cornell.edu. 21
Placid Terrace.**

**Directions from Ithaca: From 13,
exit at Stewart Park/East Shore
drive. Turn left onto East Shore
Drive. Turn right on Waterwagon.
Cross Triphammer (road becomes
Triphammer Terrace). Cross
Hillcrest. Turn right on Aspen Way.
Left on Placid Terrace. We're on the
Right, #21.**

**CONGRATULATIONS
GRADUATES**

Robert W. Boardman
Doctor of Musical Arts
Conducting - Orchestral
University of Michigan - Ann Arbor

Staci Chen
Bachelor
Cornell University - Hotel School

Heather Lane
Masters of Business Administration
Ithaca College

Rachel Mead
B.S. in Studio Fine Arts
Magna cum laude
Judson University, IL

Nate Parsons
B.S. in Engineering - Physics
Magna cum laude
Cornell University

Trevor Scheer
High School Diploma
Trumansburg High School

Lauren Schrader - Igelzi
High School Diploma
Miss Porter's School, Farmington, CT

Angela Sparrow
Bachelor
Elon University, NC

