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Pray each day for WHBC

Happy New Year!

It is hard to believe that we've begun a new year. My, how time flies. And time flies regardless of whether or not we perceive it as fun. Time is important. Time is the stuff that life is made of. The Bible says that we ought to redeem the time, understand the time, be good stewards of our time.

As you begin this new year, how will you manage your time differently than you did in 2015?

What practices of 2015 didn't make the cut into this new year?

Hopefully, your new year will include time to attend to your spirit and connect with God in a way that grounds you even in the midst of uncertainty and change.

I have a request for each of you. I am asking that you spend 5 minutes of the 1,440 that you get in every day, praying for the church: the members, the mission, the ministries, and the money. The Bible says we have not because we ask not. It's time to ask God!

*By
Pastor Jill*

It will be interesting to see how 2016 develops. To be sure, it will have highs and lows, and things that take us by surprise. One thing we can be sure of as we journey onward into the year, is that God is with us.

May the year ahead be filled with God's rich blessing!

Your Interim Pastor,

Rev. Dr. Jill F. Bradway

*Annual
Meeting
and Potluck
following
Worship
on Sunday,
Jan. 17*

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December Interviewing Don

January 3

Invocation: Marti Faiola
Scripture: Mary Bailey
Prayer: Clara White
Greeter: Marti Faiola and Val Bandemer
Fellowship: Kathy Gosnell

January 10

Invocation: Connie Necaster
Scripture: Don Peoples
Prayer: Leanna Shirley
Greeter: Marti Faiola and Val Bandemer
Fellowship: Don's Party

January 17

Invocation: Kathy Gosnell
Scripture: Joyce Shutts
Prayer: Valerie Bandermer
Greeter: Marti Faiola and Val Bandemer
Fellowship: Potluck

January 24

Invocation: Valerie Bandermer
Scripture: Lynne Stewart
Prayer: Connie Necaster
Greeter: Marti Faiola and Val Bandemer
Fellowship: Kathleen Serianni

January 31

Invocation: Leanna Shirley
Scripture: Betty Heisig
Prayer: Clara White
Greeter: Marti Faiola and Val Bandemer
Fellowship: Joanne Wilbert

Our Don Peoples is turning 100 on Jan. 14. Born in Highland Hospital on that day in 1916, Don faithfully attends the church he loves for its antique appearance, choir, and great preaching.



DON PEOPLES

"The bell made it perfect," he said. Only recent broken limbs have kept him away.

A member of South Avenue Baptist Church at the time of its dissolution, Don started coming to WHBC "for David" after hearing him preach.

Married for 57 years, Don has been widowed since his wife, Jane, died in 1999 at 78. He lives alone, which is fine as long as he can socialize enough--and keep up with the laundry. He has two daughters, ages 70 and 71, five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren with one more on the way.

Don went on the road as a jazz musician playing sax and clarinet as a young man. He returned to Rochester and published *Consensus* in which he gathered reports and editorials on topics of interest from newspapers across the country. Publishing led to a printing company of the same name formerly located at East Henrietta and Westfall Roads.

The biggest change Don has observed in people's lives is an "increased superficiality." The constant use of cell phones and texting leads him to believe the communications lack depth.

Don is still busy in the woodworking shop in his garage and is continually renovating his home. He loves history, philosophy, and is an avid investor.

He credits his longevity to "parents, doctors, and lifestyle," but offered no advice. "People wouldn't take it anyway," he observed. However, before breaking his arm twice recently, he was walking two miles a day at Marketplace Mall. Now he walks a mile.



Annual Meeting

Sunday, Jan. 17

Men's Breakfast

7 a.m. Tuesdays at Peppermints

Prayer Meeting

9 a.m. Saturdays

Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Wednesdays

Pastoral Search

6:30 p.m. Jan. 7



- Jan. 10 -- Rachel Gress
- Jan. 14 -- Don Peoples
- Jan. 15 -- Loretta Hirschman
- Jan. 20 -- Barbara Zima
- Jan. 23 -- Jasmine Morse
- Jan. 24 -- Kimberlee Musham
- Jan. 25 -- Linda Heintz
- Jan. 26 -- Eric Heisig
- Jan. 26 -- Laurel Heisig
- Jan. 27 -- Steve Wenth
- Jan. 28 -- Anne Greco
- Jan. 30 -- Kimberly Relyea
- Jan. 30 -- Marti Faiola
- Jan. 31 -- Virginia Bliss



"LIVING THE LEGACY"



9TH ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING CELEBRATION

FOR THE HENRIETTA & RUSH COMMUNITIES

JANUARY 14, 2016
7 P.M.

HENRIETTA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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It's 2016: A new gift of time



Love Gifts of Time

Twelve packages arrive each year

Which we anticipate,

All valued as forever dear

With blessings that await

Grove of Grace

In January, joys appear
 Wrapped up in snowy white;
 Fresh dreams revealing thoughts of cheer
 To share with those in sight.

When February "bundles" in,
 It heartens and inspires;
 Our strength renews where it begins:
 In God's whose never tires.

Big box of March holds seeds of spring
 Cold winter liberates;
 Presenting promises that cling
 Though storms reach fury rattles.

Delivery of April's prize
 Brings happy shower tears;
 Fresh hopes spring forth and blossoms rise,
 Abound for higher spheres.

May's offering is heavenly,
 With beauty everywhere;
 How sweet the shelter of a tree,
 Which shows God's loving care.

June flourishes a pleasure chest
 Of soothing sights and sounds,
 Warm days invite a summer fest;
 Church chimes ring: "Love abounds!"

July reveals a pack of days
 Which "rocket" into place.
 Independence opens way
 That testify God's grace.

Rich August's bounty starts to show
 Soft touch of misty haze;
 Abundant harvests are aglow
 With colors that amaze.

September doles bright jewel hues,
 Fast-spreading lavishly,
 As if to pay its season's dues
 So all the world may see.

October opens trails of gold,
 In leaves of loveliness,
 More beautiful than can be told
 As autumn changes dress.

November offers graciousness,
 Reflects fall's harvest store;
 Ripe crops from farmland's spaciousness
 Make our thanks givings soar.

December's gift of priceless love
 Comes through the Christ Child's birth
 This crowning blessing from above
 Assures our peace on earth.

-- *Evy Shoots*