

# WEST HENRIETTA BAPTIST CHURCH

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## REBUILDING THE CHURCH

**Grace and peace to you from God our Father.**

The renovation of our church was long overdue. There were questions to be answered by our church leadership, concerns to be heard, money to be raised, plans to be made, and this process took two years. I want to use this medium to register my appreciation to all of you for all the wonderful support that you gave to make the renovation of our church a reality.

This message would be seriously lacking if I didn't identify the following groups for recognition: To you the members of our Church, please accept my profound gratitude for your sacrificial giving. Thanks to the Financial Committee who creatively raised significant sums of money through Art & Craft sale events and a GoFundMe campaign. Thanks to friends of our Church who contributed money through the aforementioned events, through the mail, and those who sent us love gifts anonymously. We also salute local organizations for their financial contributions.

As a Church, we are greatly indebted to the Board of Trustees who managed the renovation project. Notably, they secured the services of a Painting Company that met their own deadlines, did a great job, and showed respect for our Church from the beginning to the end of the project. I praise God that our Church is aesthetically more beautiful than it ever looked in recent history.



The renovation of our Church was necessary, but it is not primary to our ministry. Making disciples, winning souls for the kingdom of God, worshipping our Lord Jesus Christ, and sharing the Gospel in incarnational ways must remain the priorities. So, what's next? We will be having a service of rededication of the Church building and ourselves to the service of God on Sunday, October 29, 2023, at 10:00 am, and I am making a special appeal to you to be in attendance. In other words, make no other plans for this Sunday and be in attendance if you are not sick. Please help us in spreading the news, so that we can have your family members, neighbors and friends in attendance.

I close with a lesson I learned many years ago: A successful renovation is just a template for success related to our Church's mission—discipleship. Using momentum from this renovation project, we look forward to new and effective ways to rebuild our church membership, reaching our community, and finding ways to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Yours truly,

Rev. Dr. Peter E. Grinion, Pastor



## CAPTURE GOD'S LIGHT

By Evelyn M. Shoots

*Capture the Light  
Of our Holy Bible  
And Protect to stay well lit*

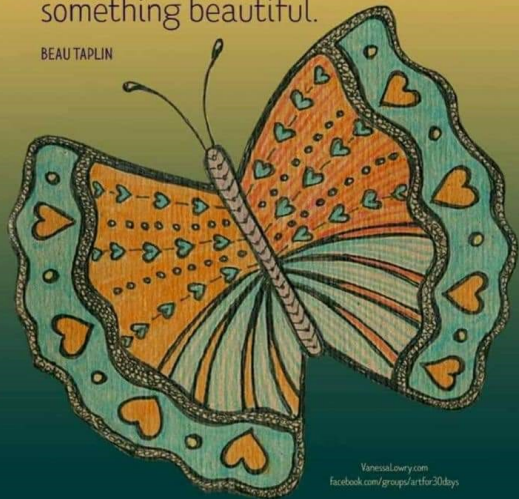
*As you use it day and night  
We give God thanks  
For giving us this light*

*Such protection to keep us  
Living right!*

*Alleluia!*

Perhaps the butterfly is proof  
that you can go through a great  
deal of darkness yet still become  
something beautiful.

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### October 1st Communion Sunday

Greeter: Connie Frank  
Invocation & Call to Worship:  
Rev. Peter Grinion  
Scripture Reader: John Miller  
Offertory Prayer: Laurie Wenthe  
Fellowship: Laurie Heisig

### October 8th

Greeter: Connie Frank  
Invocation & Call to Worship:  
Rev. Peter Grinion  
Scripture Reader: Kathy Gosnell  
Offertory Prayer: Valerie Bandemer  
Fellowship: Pastor Peter Grinion

### October 15th

Greeters: Connie Frank  
Invocation & Call to Worship:  
Rev. Peter Grinion  
Scripture: Mike Shirley  
Offertory Prayer: Loretta Hirschman  
Fellowship: Roger Smith

### October 22nd

Greeters: Connie Frank  
Invocation & Call to Worship:  
Rev. Peter Grinion  
Scripture: Valerie Bandemer  
Offertory Prayer: Laurie Wenthe  
Fellowship: Gretchen Young

### October 29th

Greeters: Connie Frank  
Invocation & Call to Worship:  
Rev. Peter Grinion  
Scripture: Laurie Heisig  
Offertory Prayer: Connie Necaster  
Fellowship: Celebration Reception







Oct. 5 ~ Ryan Scurlock  
 Oct. 11 ~ Karl Hirschman  
 Oct. 30 ~ Patricia Floyd  
 Oct. 30 ~ Kathy Juby



**Prayer Group**  
 Saturdays at 9:00 AM

**Choir Practice**  
 Saturdays at 10:00 AM

**Sunday Mornings**  
 Choir Practice at 9:30 AM  
 Worship at 10:00 AM  
 Fellowship at 11:00 AM

**Bible Study**  
 Wednesdays at 10:00 AM

**Deacons Meeting**  
 October 6 at 10:00 AM

**Trustees Meeting**  
 October 6 at 1:00 PM

**LINK deadline for  
 November 2023 is  
 October 18**  
 Sharon Scurlock

**Cabinet Meeting ~ TBA**

**Garage and Craft Sale**  
 October 21, 2023

**Church Celebration**  
 October 29, 2023

## West Henrietta Baptist Church Garage Sale and Craft Sale October 21, 2023



**Donations for Garage Sale can  
 be dropped off at Church:**

Sept. 27, 9:00—10:00 am

Sept. 30, 9:00—12 Noon

Oct. 4, 9:00—10:00 am

Oct. 18th, 9:00—10:00 am

Volunteers are needed. If you  
 can help out, contact Joanne Wil-  
 bert or Laurie Wenthe.

## *TREE JUBILEES*

*By Evelyn M. Shoots*

*Fruit blossoms on a tree  
 Is Proving Victory!  
 Birds will sing in glee!*

*Some Trees were Historic gifts  
 And it makes our Spirits Lift!  
 We are ever glad*

*We feel God's smile  
 Join ours in joy  
 And we are all blessed with His Love*

*Alleluia!*



Many thanks and appreciation  
 go to Laurie Wenthe for the  
 new picture of the Church on  
 page 1, taken on Friday,  
 Sept. 22, 2023.

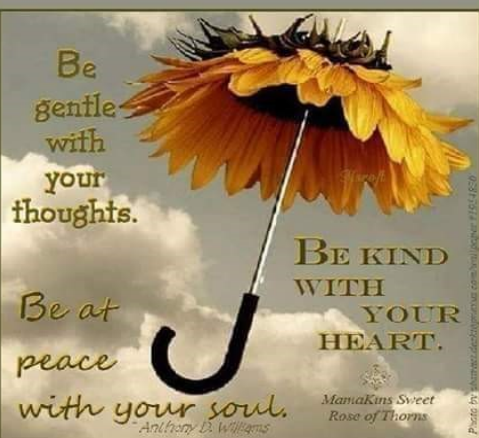
**WELCOME HOME DAVID!**

Each year, Honor Flight Rochester (HFR), "honorflightrochester.org", transports approximately sixty (60) military veterans from Rochester to Washington D.C. to visit most of the war and military memorials on and around the "D. C. Mall" area. HFR transports these veterans, free of cost, in honor of their military service to our country.

Upon return to the Rochester Airport, these veterans and their guardians, are "welcomed home" by hundreds of individuals who wish to express their appreciation of the sacrifices these vets made during their military service. Most of these vets did not receive the "ticker tape" celebrations as shown on TV.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, early in the morning, our own David Chase and his "Guardian", grandson Jared, arrived at the local airport to begin their "Trip of a Lifetime", HFR "Mission 79". On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 10, David and Jared returned to Rochester, and were greeted by hundreds of "well-wishers" expressing their gratitude to David for his service to our Country. A local band, politicians, many veteran and patriotic groups, alongside a throng of "thank you" greeters, loudly celebrated David and the other returning vets. David and Jared were grandly "welcomed home" from their trip. WHBC is proud of David, and the other military vets of our congregation, who have proudly served to protect the freedoms of our Country.

David: WHBC thanks you for your military service, for the many years you have served our community as a volunteer firefighter, and for your decades of service to WHBC as a previous active board member and long-time congregant!!!



**The LINK Deadline**  
Please submit your articles, news, humorous stories, activities, etc. for the November LINK by October 18th to Sharon Scurlock