



The Belltower

April 2023

The Newsletter of the Clover Hill Reformed Church

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Sunday, April 2, at 10:00 am

Palm Sunday / Communion
Matthew 21:1-17

Maundy Thursday, April 6,

6:00 pm Seder Dinner and
7:30 pm Worship with Communion Service
hosted by Neshanic Reformed Church
715 Amwell Rd, Hillsborough NJ 08844

Good Friday, April 7,

7:30 pm Tenebrae Worship Service
Service of Light and Darkness
hosted by Clover Hill Reformed Church

Easter Sunday, April 9,

6:15 am Sunrise Service (rain or shine) &
10:00 am Worship
Matthew 28:1-10 Psalm 118:19-24

Sunday, April 16, at 10:00 am

Second Sunday after Easter
Matthew 28:16-20 Psalm 40:9-10

Sunday, April 23, at 10:00 am

Third Sunday after Easter
Acts 10:1-17,34-35 Matthew 9:36-37

Sunday, April 30, at 10:00 am

Fourth Sunday after Easter
“The Church has Left the Building”



Communication and Contact Information

Clover Hill Reformed Church, 890 Amwell Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844
908-369-8451 / chrc1834@gmail.com / Website: www.cloverhillchurch.org / Like Us On Facebook

The office of CHRC is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm.
The office administrator will be working remotely each Wednesday and available by
phone (908-369-8451 by leaving a message) and email (chrc1834@gmail.com)



Worship With Us Online

Sunday's at 10:00 am

Our live-streamed services will be accessible in real-time through:

YouTube [Click Here to check out our YouTube Channel!](#)

Zoom Login for meetings only

By computer:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/3847369806>

Meeting ID: 384 736 9806

Passcode: 5hhNCv

By phone:

+1 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 384 736 9806

Passcode: 544042

[Click here for COVID Precautions Update](#)

Streaming Worship Services

We have 2 trained volunteers (Amy Frank and Gary Tully) who are qualified to operate our newly revised and very simple streaming system. We are seeking new volunteers to step in and help. Training takes about one hour (depending on how comfortable you are with operating a computer) and would be an ideal situation for high school aged teens to earn service credits. Currently our YouTube broadcast services some 30-35 families and individuals per week and we would hate to have this service curtailed. Anyone interested please contact the church office at CHRC1834@gmail.com or 908-369-8451 or Bob DiMilia at redimilia@gmail.com or 917-855-5335.



And Check Us Out on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/loverhillreformedchurch>



Remember, to increase the church's presence on Facebook, like, and share.

Even if you are not a Facebook user, you can still see our church's Facebook page.

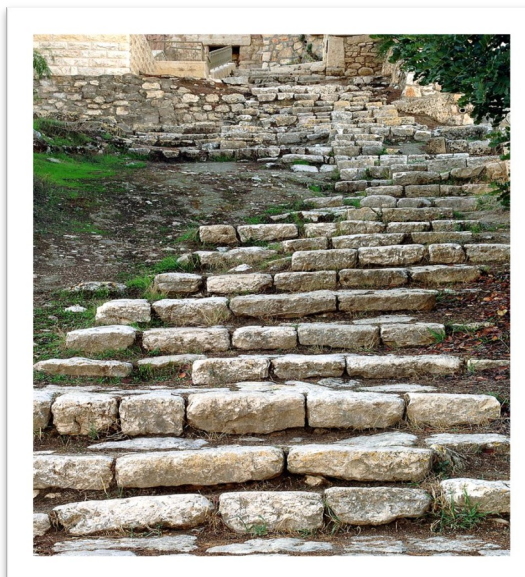
If you have any content that you would like to see up on Facebook, send to the Office Administration

chrc1834@gmail.com.

Dear Clover Hill,

I only know one way to walk into Holy Week - committed to the whole story, one foot in front of the other, with open eyes and a curious heart. But the thing is - I have the luxury to set an intention for walking into this week. Jesus' friends didn't know what they were walking into. They didn't know how to respond to the Roman authorities or the religious elite. They didn't know it would be the last Passover meal together. They had no clue how to watch their friend die - which, I suppose, is why most of them chose not to watch.

As they put one foot in front of the other, they were met with grief and disappointment, shock and loss. (*The internet tells me that these are the steps that lead to Gethsemane, the garden where Jesus and his friends prayed before his arrest.*)



Gary Tully shared a book on grief with me; it's titled Grieving Is Loving by Joanne Cacciatore. Here is the contents of page 20:

Recipe for Raw Grief

- 1 heaping cup disbelief
- 1 TB reluctance to say goodbye
- 16 oz excruciating pain
- 3 cups brutal sadness
- 2 TB confusion (substitute questioning)
- ½ cup constant obsessing
- 8 oz anger (substitute being misunderstood)
- 2 tps agonizing guilt
- ¾ cup embarrassment
- 1 qt loneliness
- Dash of untimely and needless

It's hard to put ourselves in the shoes of the disciples on this last week of Jesus' life. I wonder if remembering how much loss they were facing and how much grief they were carrying with them would help us to understand them more. After all, they thought they had a solid plan. And their plan did not work as they had hoped.

And for us, generations later, we often have plans. We often put hope into this or that - a job, home, relationship, child, (fill in the blank). What do we do when we face loss and carry grief? Before we rush to Easter Sunday, commit to the whole story, one foot in front of the other, with open eyes and a curious heart.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Beth

www.bethscib.com

Cell: 732-735-2112

Use this [calendar link](#) to schedule time with me

Message from the Pastoral Search Team

Search Team Update:

Seeking Part-time Pastor. That's what a recent church Facebook post said, as does our website. We are 'officially' seeking. In the weeks and months since the Search Team first formed, we have talked, we have read and discussed a book about calling part-time pastors, we have twice surveyed our congregation, we have completed a self-study (reflected in the Mission Study), we have completed the Church Profile, and we have 'posted' our want ad.

In addition to our Facebook page and our website, our want ad is on the RCA website, several of the local Presbytery websites, the website for the Christian Reformed Church in North America, the United Church of Christ website and the website of three seminaries.

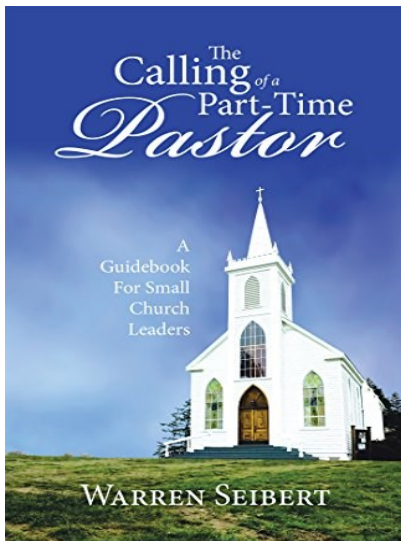
While we wait to receive Pastor Profiles from prospective pastor candidates, we have put together a list of questions for first round interviews and held a 'mock interview' with Pastor Beth sitting in as our 'prospective candidate'. We will continue to prepare ourselves for assessing prospective candidates by going over the important points we gathered from reading 'The Calling of a Part-Time Pastor', by Warren Seibert and by reviewing the Mission Study.

We ask for your prayers for patience and openness to the Holy Spirit as he works on our hearts to help us see the person that God has already selected to lead us, and walk along side us as we live out our call as the church as Clover Hill.

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'The Calling of a Part-Time Pastor' By Warren Seibert



In the final chapter of the book, Warren summarizes what he considers "the essential areas that need careful attention in order to provide and maintain a healthy relationship between a church and their part-time pastor." (p82)

Warren lists seven areas, all which begin with 'C': Christ, Calling, Confidence, Clarity, Cooperation, Competence, and Compensation.

Each month we will share what Warren says about one of these areas with you. We will begin this month with 'Christ'.

1. Christ

Always remember, your church belongs to Jesus. You belong to Jesus. He alone is the Head of the Church. He is the true leader in the church. As you are calling a pastor, know that you already have a leader for the church. Christ is present with you now. And even after you call a part-time pastor, Jesus will still be the full-time leader of the church. Having a pastor doesn't change this.

Also remember, Jesus declared, "I will build my church" (Matthew 16:18). Although we all should desire a growing church and faithfully work for a growing church --- to make disciples --- ultimately the outcome rests in the will of God. Our task is to be faithful to our calling, whatever size we are right now, trusting that Christ will do the rest according to His good pleasure.

The part-time pastor you seek to call will have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Their life and ministry will be led by a great love and devotion for our Savior, a joyful obedience to our Lord, and a passionate commitment to His church. Everything else about your pastor and their ministry with you will proceed from this vital relationship with Christ. Therefore, let me emphasize, all church leaders will do well to inquire at length about the faith and life of every pastoral candidate. (P 83)

Message from the Pastoral Care Team

Coordinator: Nancy Lane (nlanes54@gmail.com)

Pastoral Care



Did you know that Clover Hill Reformed Church is forming a pastoral care team? The purpose of this team includes but is not limited to providing comfort in times of need; supporting persons through their journey of healing; offering guidance and resources through major life changes; providing companionship; and praying for those in need.

Would you like to find out more about pastoral care? Please reach out to the Church Office 908-369-8451, Pastor Beth, Ann Cucchiara or Nancy Lane.



News from the Spiritual Growth Team

Coordinator: Carolyn Keck (carolynkeck64@gmail.com)



Holy Week starts on Sunday April 2, 2023 with our Palm Sunday Service.

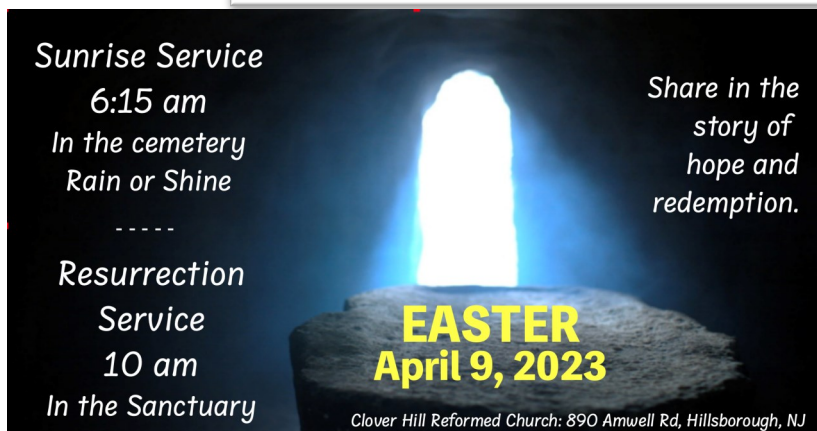
Join us for Holy Week. What is Holy Week? Christians mark the week before Easter to remember the last week of Jesus' life, beginning with his rather dramatic entry to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, then his last holy meal with his friends on "Maundy" (or holy) Thursday and a reading of his last hours on earth on Good Friday. These services help us to remember the cost of standing against oppression and trusting that nothing can separate us from the love of God shown in the actions of Jesus.

Thank you to the Flemington Floral Company for the donation of palms for our worship service. They have donated the palms for our Palm Sunday worship services for many years. Flemington Floral Company & Greenhouses, Inc., 22 North Main St., Flemington, NJ 08822, 908-782-2219, <https://www.flemingtonfloral.com/>

We have been invited to join with our sister churches Neshanic and Three Bridges in Maundy Thursday worship with communion and for a Dinner with a Study of Passover Seder at Neshanic on Thursday April 6, 2023. You are welcome to attend either one or both the Dinner with a Study of Passover Seder and/or Maundy Thursday Worship Service with communion.

As advertised, 3/26 was the deadline for registering to participate in the dinner.

There is no deadline for attending the Maundy Thursday worship with communion at 7:30 pm.



By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also.
 1 Corinthians 6:14 (NIV)

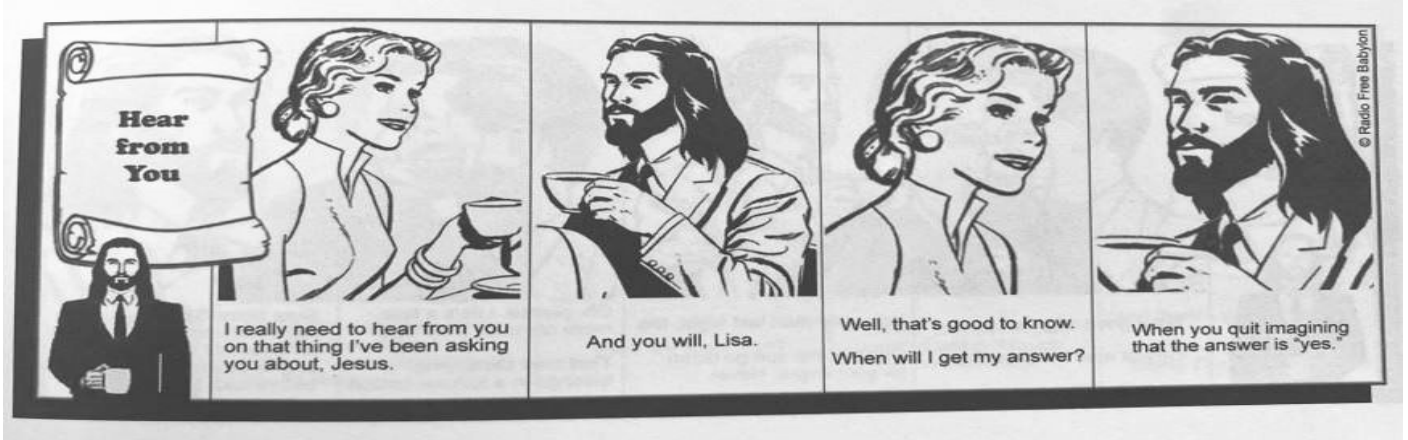
Thanks to @TurnBackToGod for the photo

If you cannot attend in person Palm Sunday, Good Friday or Easter services, you can live-stream, or watch the service later in the week on our YouTube channel.

Easter Sunrise is in-person only.

News from the Spiritual Growth Team, continued...

Who Sees What is Done in Secret



Gary Tully and I were talking and he shared an interesting anecdote from the television show *Yellowstone*. It was said, "the answer to prayer can be three things: yes, not now, or I have another plan." Let's talk about talking to God and God talking to us. Let's talk about God's plans and our plans. (And we'll also talk a bit about the sermon and any other questions we want to kick around.)

After Easter, we'll gather for two more weeks of "Coffee with Jesus." Join us April 16 and 23.

Pastor Beth: 732-735-2112 or pastorbeth.chrc@gmail.com

Save the Date: April 30, 2023



The Church Is Leaving the Building!

On Sunday April 30,

the sister churches of

Clover Hill, Neshanic, and Three Bridges

will once again be expressing our love and support to our surrounding communities.

Rather than a typical worship service, we will serve our mission partners.

Watch for your church's communications for the different opportunities to choose your service project and you will also have a chance to purchase some of the needed materials.

News from the Spiritual Growth Team, continued...

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

We are looking forward to seeing you in
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
this summer, July 10-14, 2023.

Registration will open in April on the Clover Hill church website.

We will notify you again so you can reserve your seat.

We are looking forward to Camp Light and sharing God's Light and Love
with your family. The VBS 2023 Team



FREE for
age 3 - 5th grade
Volunteers
grade 6 - adults

Clover Hill &
Neshanic Reformed
Churches
Hosted at Clover Hill

890 Amwell Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844 / 908-369-8451 / chrc1834@gmail.com

Discover God's Light and Love at Camp Light, with Bible Stories, Music, Crafts, Games, Service and Science.

- Campers will learn about light, colors, and God's promises and love for them.
- Campers will discover God's light in all of us and what we need to do with that light.
- They'll explore Old and New Testament stories and how the Bible's lessons connect to their lives.
- They will celebrate how God's Love works in the lives of familiar Bible characters and explore how that light works in their own lives as they follow and serve God.

Serving age 3 through grade 5- FREE- Volunteers, age 11 and up, welcome.
(Parents with children younger than age 3 may register as a volunteer with their children).



Questions: Contact the church office at
908-369-8451 or chrc1834@gmail.com
Family VBS Resources:
www.cloverhillchurch.org



News from the Spiritual Growth Team, continued...

"The prayer offered to God in the morning during your quiet time is the key that unlocks the door of the day. Any athlete knows that it is the start that ensures a good finish."

- Adrian Rogers



Devotions and Prayer Time

Come and be in community with others while we seek God's guidance for the new day.

Come join in each Wednesday at 6:30 am on Zoom for a 10-15 minute time of devotion, scripture, sharing of concerns and joys, prayer, and lifting those on the CHRC prayer list to God.

Wear your pajamas and robe. Now we know why you can unmute sound but hide video for early birds on Zoom.

Please use the Zoom information provided on page 2 of this Belltower or in your Friday's "Coming Up" email.



We invite you to take a moment or so, as you can, between the hours of 8 and 11 Wednesday mornings, and pray for all of those who are called by God to be connected to Clover Hill. He will guide our Church, our country, and our world on a path of faith and benevolence to all.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Come - Be - Reflect -
Share an hour of enjoying a meal, touching base with God and each other.

Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2023
Time: noon- about 1:00 pm
Location: Nevius Fellowship Hall or behind the parsonage, weather permitting (bring a chair)
Bring: something to drink, your lunch, and yourself

An opening prayer, 15 minute discussion on Bible/religious topic, fellowship, closing prayer will be provided to deepen our experience together.

No need to RSVP, you do not need to attend each one, just show up!
If you need further information please contact the church office (908-369-8451 or CHRC1834@gmail.com)

"And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers." Acts 2:42



Confirmation Classes will be held at Three Bridges Reformed Church at 11:30am on Sunday's April 2, 23, 30. If you have any questions, please ask Pastor Beth (732-735-2112 / pastorbeth.chrc@gmail.com) or Amy Frank (908-963-8810 / frankfmly@yahoo.com).

Confirmation Sunday for CHRC is May 7, 2023. Worship with communion will be at 10:00 am.

News from the Spiritual Growth Team, continued...

CHRC Choir Rehearsals Sundays at 9:00 am.

George Farrell, organist/choir director / (deuscaritasest@aol.com) or cell number (732) 599-4077

We've been pilgrimaging through Lent in anticipation of the greatest day in the church calendar: Easter. A pilgrimage is a religious journey taken for a spiritual reason. I like to think of Lent as a kind of pilgrimage or retreat in anticipation of the Paschal Mystery, which is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

I would imagine in the early days of Christianity people took pilgrimages to many of the places in which Jesus ministered, suffered, died, rose from the dead, etc. Can you imagine our earliest ancestors in the Faith, climbing the Mount of Olives to see the place where Jesus endured the agony in the garden? Can you picture them standing to meditate on the rock quarry of Calvary where Jesus was crucified? Think of them sitting and praying inside the empty tomb where the Lord rose from the dead.

While I was in seminary I remember reading of Egeria. In the early 380's A.D., Egeria made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. She wrote what amounts to a long letter detailing her journey and her experiences of the trip. She addresses this letter to her "sisters" back home. She likely was wealthy, because her pilgrimage lasted three years. What makes Egeria's travels so interesting is this: it's the earliest written account that we have of a Christian pilgrimage. It's fascinating for the glimpse it gives us of one of our ancestors in the Faith experienced some 1,600 years ago on a journey we may still make today.

Egeria visited sites connected with the Old and New Testament and apparently used Jerusalem as the base for her travels once she arrived in the Holy Land. Although her accounts are interesting to read for any Christian, Egeria has left us an invaluable resource because she describes in great detail how the Christian community of that time worshipped God. She describes not only the sites she saw, but how prayers were said, liturgy was celebrated, and how great feasts and seasons were observed. She especially describes in detail attending the liturgies in Jerusalem during what was then called "The Great Week;" what we now refer to as "Holy Week."

If you'd like to read what she had to say go to: <https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/liturgy-in-4th-century-jerusalem-the-travels-of-egeria/>

Here in 2023, we'll make our own pilgrimage through Holy Week starting on Palm Sunday, and in a special way through the Sacred Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter). We started our pilgrimage at Three Bridges for Ash Wednesday. We'll complete that pilgrimage on Maundy Thursday at Neshanic and Good Friday here at Clover Hill, and of course each community will celebrate Easter in their own church buildings. I know it's difficult to go to church so many times in a week, but I really encourage you to consider completing the pilgrimage of Lent to Easter. If we miss Thursday and Friday, we miss a major part of the story. I look forward to journeying through the week with you and can't wait until Easter to sing Alleluia with all of you.

Sincerely in Christ,
George Farrell

News from the Fellowship Team

Coordinator: Barbara Sarzillo (barbarasuesarzillo@gmail.com)



Skeins of Hope

Skeins Zoom meetings will be on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 8:00 pm.
Diana Reinhardt (908-369-4362 or greinhardt9@gmail.com)

Fellowship and Service Teams meeting will be on Monday, April 3, at 2:30 pm on Zoom

SAVE THE DATE

April 2

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt



Immediately
Following Worship
Kids bring a basket
to collect your eggs.

Hillsborough Food Pantry

C.A.N. – Community Assistance Network
(Food Pantry) ... to

Hillsborough Township
Community Assistance Network,
379 south Branch Road,
Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Along with food and monetary donations the pantry is in need of paper goods for their clients if you are able the following is an urgent need:

- Toilet paper
- Tissues
- Napkins
- Dish washing detergent
- Laundry detergent
- Pop top canned food

News from the Service Team

Coordinator: Barbara Sarzillo (barbarasuesarzillo@gmail.com)

Each month the service team will spotlight a local service organization.



In the Spotlight

This information will be based on the organization's activities and is intended to create awareness in our communities. If you have an interest in donating or volunteering, please follow the link supplied for more information.

MEALS ON WHEELS IN HUNTERDON, INC.

5 Walter E. Foran Blvd. Suite 2006 Flemington, NJ 08822

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to assist the homebound elderly and/or disabled residents of Hunterdon County, NJ maintain their independence by enhancing their nutritional health thereby avoiding unwanted institutionalization.

Home Delivered Meals

A program designed to deliver a nutritionally balanced meal and an assurance check each weekday between the hours of 11 am and 1 pm to the home-bound senior of Hunterdon County.

Congregate Nutrition

Designed to meet the social and nutritional needs of the independent senior. A nutritious meal is served Monday through Friday between the hours 11:45 am to 1 pm at our nutrition sites with educational and recreational programming.

Weekend Meals

A program offering two nutritionally balanced cold meals for weekend consumption delivered on Friday to the home-bound senior.

Nutrition Education

Nutrition Counseling

For more information visit the website or call

Phone: (908) 284-0735 Fax: (908)284-0708 or info@mowih.org

NOTES FOR SENIORS

We are looking to brighten our senior's day by adding a small note to their lunch bag. Notes should be written on an index card, a piece of paper or a card, approximately 4x6 inches big. We encourage you to be creative! Feel free to add stickers, color, and small drawings.

Finished notes can be mailed or dropped off at the main office:
5 Walter Foran Boulevard, Suite 2006, Flemington, NJ 08822.

News from the Communication & A/V Teams

Consistory Facilitator: Communication – Michelle Clover (miclover@gmail.com)



If you take pictures at any church event please share with the church office admin (chrc1834@gmail.com) so we may include in our social media and Belltower. Not all pictures will be used but it is good to have them on file.



Please be aware we have a Family Photo Release form on file in the church office that limits the publication of the minors in our church family. Please check with the office admin before posting any photos on social media platforms.

Office Hours Information

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm.

The office administrator works remotely each Wednesday and is available by phone (908-369-8451 by leaving a message) and email (CHRC1834@gmail.com).

Belltower Deadline

Please submit all write ups to be included in the May issue, to the church office (chrc1834@gmail.com), by Thursday, April 20, 2023.

Whether we are social distancing or gathering at church, you can always stay on top of what is going on through:

- Belltower and bulletin announcements/inserts
- Facebook
- Instagram
- church website: www.cloverhillchurch.org
- emails from MailChimp
- Zoom worship/meetings/activities



If you would like to join our 'team' and help us spread the word about what is going on at our church, contact Michelle Clover (miclover@gmail.com).

Communications Team Members:

Bob DiMilia, Janet Durborow, Marilyn Fineman, Lynn– Totten,

All social media items must go through the church office before they can be posted. Please send all write ups to Lynn– Totten at CHRC1834@gmail.com Thank you!

News from the Stewardship Team

Consistory Facilitator: David Gwin (CDavidGwin@gmail.com)

Many Thanks!

Thank you to everyone who sent in gifts to help cover the cost of our Classis Denominational Assessment. As previously mentioned, this is money that we owe to Classis each year. The total bill for Clover Hill in 2023 is \$7800, or \$100 per church member.

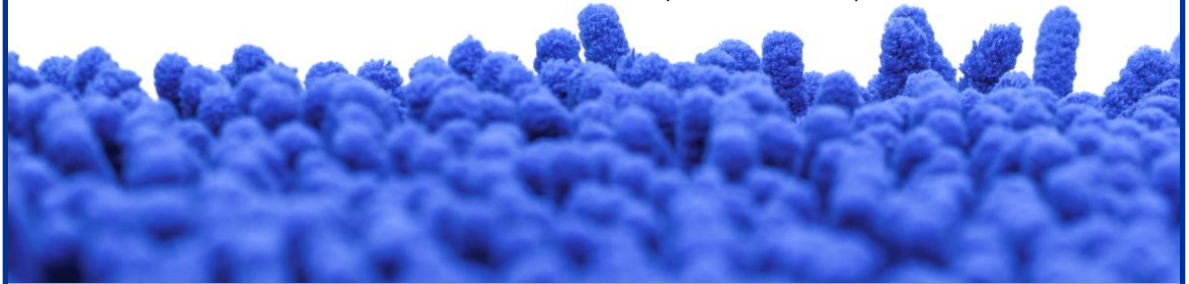
So far this year, we have collected \$2495 toward this expense!

That is more than five times what we received last year for assessment gifts. We make quarterly payments throughout the year, so we are grateful to receive these gifts at any time during the year.



The Stewardship Team is Carpet Shopping!

As you may have noticed, the carpet in the Narthex and parts of the Sanctuary has stretched and developed ripples. It appears that the carpet is too old to be restretched to remove the ripples, as it was installed just over 20 years ago. We are in the process of collecting bids to replace the areas that could become tripping hazards. Initial estimates are in the \$11,000 to \$20,000 area.



***Next Stewardship
Team Meeting:
May 11, at 7:00pm Zoom***

News from the Stewardship Team, continued...

GARDENING ANGELS

On April 12th, at 8:30 am
the Gardening Angels
will meet at the
Church Parking Lot Garden

All are welcome!

Contact Diana Reinhardt
908-369-4362



New members always welcome!

**Next Clean Team Meeting:
April 4 at 8 am**

**Contact Yvette du Fosse'
908-246-1966**

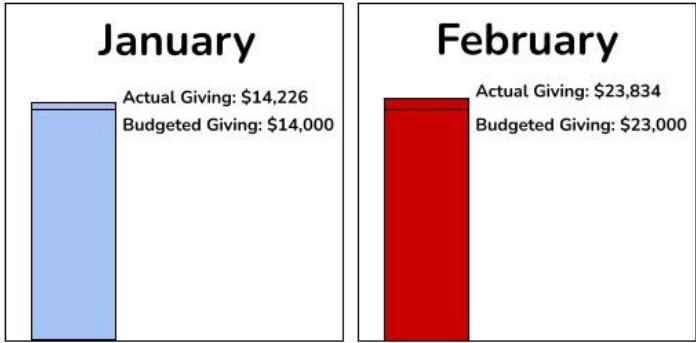
Disbursements/Reimbursements

Did you ever buy something for the church and then fill out a disbursement form in the church office to be reimbursed for it? While your intentions are good, due to the financial limitations of the church, all reimbursements for purchases made for the church must be approved by the Stewardship Team, and depending upon what the purchase is, there is a chance you might not be reimbursed. Please hold onto your receipts in case returns need to be made. Please contact any member of the Stewardship Team if you have questions before you make a purchase that you might seek reimbursement for. We are grateful for your thoughtfulness, but as we are trying to stay within our budget, we need to pay attention to each purchase made. The Consistory member on the Stewardship Team is David Gwin.

News from the Stewardship Team, continued...

Cash Financial Snapshot (as of 3/30/2023)	
Income Year to Date	\$53,403.65
Expense Year to Date	\$36,248.96
Balance to Date	\$17,154.69
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TD Checking Balance (Operating Cash):	\$10,199.01
TD Money Market Account (Savings)	\$184,195.06
TD Money Market Account (Restricted Funds)	\$38,800.11
<i>Accessibility Fund</i>	\$5,089.63
<i>Benevolence Fund</i>	\$423.03
<i>Building Fund</i>	\$5,330.95
<i>Castellano Scholarships Fund</i>	\$1,099.61
<i>Kris Kanach Library Fund</i>	\$646.52
<i>Mary Nevius Music Fund</i>	\$5,118.08
<i>Memorial Fund</i>	\$18,416.29
<i>Paving Seal Fund</i>	\$2,676.00
Total of all Operating and Funds Cash:	\$233,194.18

2023 MONTHLY GIVING RECAP



Year to Date (thru February)	
<i>attributable & non-attributable gifts - excludes Memorial Gifts</i>	
Actual Giving:	\$38,060
Budgeted Giving:	\$37,000
Difference:	\$1,060

New Jersey Botanical Garden Haiku Poets of the Garden State

Wednesday, April 26 -
RAIN DATE Friday, April 28 -



Please join us for a visit to the New Jersey Botanical Garden in Ringwood, New Jersey.

In April, the Haiku Poets of the Garden State places haiku on signs throughout the park. Kathe Palka, a member of the Haiku Poets of the Garden State and one of the coordinators of this installation, will stroll with us as we enjoy this little-known and lovely site. (A link to a slide show of last year's installation is included below.) While we walk through the grounds, Kathe will share some insights into this poetic form to enhance our experience of the haiku in this beautiful setting.

There is no fee for admission. **We'll meet at the New Jersey Botanical Garden at 10:15 a.m.*** Please e-mail Amy Frank to let us know if you're interested in joining us. (If it is necessary to go to the rain date, we'll communicate with those who've signed up via e-mail.) frankfmly@yahoo.com

*Please use the directions provided on the New Jersey Botanical Garden website.

[New Jersey Botanical Garden](#)

Experience indicates that this is the best way to get there.

**SPRING 2023
BIBLE
CONFERENCE!**

****Join Sue McGeown!****

WHEN: Saturday, May
13th, 9:30 a.m. – Noon

WHERE: North Branch
Reformed Church Fellowship Hall,
Bridgewater, NJ

HOW: Please register via email
susanmcgeown@gmail.com or call
NBRC @ 908-725-2313.

****It's Free!****

**RUTH &
NAOMI
PARTNERS IN
ADVERSITY**

*"Where you go I will go, and where
you stay I will stay. Your people will be
my people and your God my God."*

Ruth 1:16

Bring a friend!
Wear your slippers!

We are a
Reformed Church
in America
Christian Camp
located in
Warwick, NY

Become a Camp Warwick Nurse

Our number 1 priority during camp is the health, safety, and wellbeing of all of our campers and staff. This includes having an RN or LPN each week.

Paid, overnight position
Apply for individual 1 week sessions

Camp Nurses are responsible for the following:

- Ensuring that we have enough supplies in the Health Center and first aid kits.
- Being present throughout the day to assist campers and staff if a health or wellness concern arises.
- Be the first response to a medical emergency.
- Store and administer all camper medications for Day Camp, In Camp, and/or Camp Sunrise (see our website for more information!)
- Prepare and administer necessary treatments.
- Communicate with the Board of Health on visits and as necessary. Keep logs of all medication administered, health center visits, and parent communication.

Private living space and all meals are provided. Receive 1 free week of camp for an immediate family member! Family members are welcome to come with you!



Contact us!

Rev. Linnea Berry (she/her)
Minister of Camps, Camp Warwick
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Apply on our website or send your resume
and cover letter to Rev. Linnea Berry.
Website: www.campwarwick.org

We are a
Reformed Church
in America
Christian Camp
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Become a Camp Warwick Summer Chaplain

Being a summer camp Chaplain will provide you with youth ministry experience that you can't get anywhere else!

Paid, 10 week position: June 19-August 25

- Plan and lead Daily Christian Education for Day Camp, campers K-8th grade.
- Plan and lead evening worship for In Camp for 2 weeks, campers 3rd-6th and 6th-12th.
- Work closely with campers, staff, and directors.
- Collaborate with the Minister of Camps to prepare for the summer.

Are you in need of Field Education or Internship placement? Our Minister of Camps is an Ordained Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Reformed Church in America and will provide supervision and work with your program to ensure we meet the requirements.

Visit our website to find out about our Mission, Purpose, and Central Christian Beliefs.

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APRIL 2023

Holy Week 4/2-9 & The Church Has Left the Building 4/30

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 2px solid orange; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Consistory The Consistory will meet on Zoom Tuesday's April 11, at 7:00 pm.</p> </div>						<p>1 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous In-person meeting NFHall</p>
<p>2 Palm Sunday 9:00 am Choir rehearsal 10:00 am Worship & School / Communion 11:00 am Egg Hunt following worship 11:30 am Confirmation Class at 3Bridges RC</p>	<p>3 2:30 pm Fellowship & Service Teams meeting Zoom</p>	<p>4 8:00 am Clean Team 11am-2pm meeting NFHall 11:30 am Sanctuary Piano Tuning</p>	<p>5 6:30 am Early Bird Devotion & Prayer Time Zoom 8:00-11:00 am Prayers 11am-2pm meeting NFHall</p>	<p>6 Maundy Thursday 11:30am sanctuary use by organist 6pm Dinner at NRC with Study of Passover Seder 7:30pm Worship Service with Communion at NRC</p>	<p>7 Good Friday 7:30 pm Tenebrae Worship Service at CHRC</p>	<p>8 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous In-person meeting NFHall</p>
<p>9 Easter Sunday 6:15 am Sunrise Service in the CH cemetery (shine) or sanctuary (rain) 9:00 am Choir rehearsal 10:00 am Worship</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 11am-2pm meeting NFHall 7:00 pm Consistory meeting Zoom</p>	<p>12 6:30 am Early Bird Devotion & Prayer Time Zoom 8:00-11:00 am Prayers 8:30 am Garden Angels meet 11am-2pm meeting NFHall 8:00 pm Skeins of Hope meeting Zoom</p>	<p>13 8:30 am The Church Has Left the Building Zoom 11:30am sanctuary use by organist 7:00 pm Confirmation meeting with Elders NFHall</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous In-person meeting NFHall</p>
<p>16 9:00 am Choir rehearsal 10:00 am Worship School 11:00 am Coffee With Jesus in the NFHall</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 11am-2pm meeting NFHall</p>	<p>19 6:30 am Early Bird Devotion & Prayer Time Zoom 8:00-11:00 am Prayers 9:00 am Pastoral Care Team church office or Zoom 11am-2pm meeting NFHall</p>	<p>20 11:30am sanctuary use by organist Belltower deadline 7:00 pm Communication Team meeting NFHall</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous In-person meeting NFHall</p>
<p>23 9:00 am Choir rehearsal 10:00 am Worship School 11:00 am Coffee With Jesus in the NFHall 11:30 am Confirmation Class at 3Bridges RC</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 Prayer "Refresh" 11am-2pm meeting NFHall 12noon Lunch Bunch meets NFHall or Parsonage Lawn</p>	<p>26 6:30 am Early Bird Devotion & Prayer Time Zoom 8:00-11:00 am Prayers 11am-2pm meeting NFHall</p>	<p>27 11:30am sanctuary use by organist</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30 The Church Has Left the Building</p>						