



**Chester Associate Reformed  
Presbyterian Church  
CHATTER**

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April 23, 2009

**FROM THE MAILBOX.....**

Dear Members of the Congregation,  
Thanks so very much for all the prayers, cards, and telephone calls that I received during my recent illness. It is such a blessing to have a church family that is so kind and loving. I am truly feeling much better now and I will resume chemo treatments every three weeks. Please continue to pray for me that I should be strong enough to endure the upcoming days ahead.  
Love in Christ, Ruby Orr

Dear Women of the Church,  
Thank you so much for the wonderful cookies you sent me for Valentine's Day. I miss you all so much and hope to see you soon. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Please continue to keep me in your prayers.  
Love, Taylor Roof

Dear Fellow Members of the Chester ARP Church,  
I have been encouraged by your constant communication with me during my sadness over the death of my daughter Rita. She was and is a blessing and an inspiration to so many people. I glory in the fact that although her life was too short, she lived it to the fullest and enjoyed each day as she reached out to others. Whenever she was complimented on a task well done she always said, "It was accomplished by team work. I am a team worker." I miss being able to attend church but I always listen to the service over the radio and read the Chatter, so I still feel a part of the church. Thank you again for your many kindnesses to me and my family.

Sincerely, Harriet H. Stringfellow

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE HERE....**

Pick up your copy of Pictorial Directory in the Barron Room. Each Directory is labeled by name. Please mark your name off when you pick your directory up. Thank you!

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER  
MAY 7, 2009**

The **WM** would like to extend you an opportunity to remember the 58th Annual National Day of Prayer that will be observed on Thursday, May 7th, 2009. The Sanctuary of the ARP Church will be open for prayer from 9:00am - 12:00pm if you would like to come by and pray for our Nation, State, and Local leaders. Information on the National Day of Prayer will be on the table in the Narthex.

**Community Prayer - Chester County Courthouse @  
12:00 noon - May 7<sup>th</sup>**

Please join the efforts of Rev. John Porter and Ministers from the Ministerial Association to take part in this very important prayer time on behalf of our nation. All members of church families are asked to please join them in a time for prayer at the front of the Courthouse on May 7<sup>th</sup> at noon.

***MAY BIRTHDAYS***

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| May 1  | John Sherer  |
| May 2  | Kyle Graham, Julia Preston Faircloth                     |
| May 6  | Louise Farley  |
| May 7  | Rachel W. Johnson, Bryson Pope                           |
| May 8  | Kenneth Mobley   |
| May 9  | May S. Rhea  |
| May 11 | Keith Wade, Grace Elizabeth Webb                         |
| May 13 | Kay Loving   |
| May 15 | Sam Stone, Isabelle Young, Kathy Reid                    |
| May 16 | Ryan Raines, Chris Oates, Elizabeth McBrayer, Sarah Wynn |
| May 17 | Robert Lynn, Freda Lombardo                              |
| May 18 | Sally Crocker, Danielle Marie McFalls                    |
| May 19 | Harold E. Love   |
| May 20 | Jay Sherer   |
| May 21 | Laura Marion, Robin Lunger-Milgate                       |
| May 28 | Timothy Raines   |
| May 30 | Joe McElwee, Clint H. Davis,<br>Evan C. Roddey           |
| May 31 | Pam C. Roddey  |

**CHESTER ASSOCIATE REFORMED  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MAY ~ 2009 ~ Calendar**

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**8:30am - Session Meeting**

9:30am - Fellowship  
9:45am - Assembly/Church School  
10:40am - Session Prayer Time  
11:00am - Worship  
6:00 - 7:00pm - Handbell Choir

**6**

8:30am - Morning Bible Study  
6:00 pm - Covered Dish Supper/Team # 1 - Isabelle Young, Sandy Jordan, Jim & Janice Fuller, Tony Pope, Jeff Orr, Frances & Bobby Morrow, Valerie Taylor, Jeff Kerr, Billy Raines, & Rebekah Shillinglaw  
6:45pm - Children/Youth Groups  
7:00pm - Mid-Week Bible Study  
7:30pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal

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**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

Chester ARP Sanctuary will be open for prayer 9:00am - 12:00pm  
**Community Prayer @ Noon**- Chester County Courthouse Lawn (sponsored by Ministerial Association).

**7**

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study

**10**

9:30am - Fellowship  
9:45am - Assembly/Church School  
10:40am - Session Prayer Time  
11:00am - Worship  
6:00 - 7:00pm - Handbell Choir

**12 CIRCLES**

**13**

8:30am - Morning Bible Study  
6:00pm - Mid-Week Meal - Vinnie Lombardo, Ed Mauney, & Dwight Pearson - Team #2: Walt Whitman, Debra Singleton, Annette Strickland, Sarah & Ed Wynn, John & Barbara Sherer, Lee & Pam Roddey, Linda Barrett, & Linda Tinker  
6:45pm - Children/Youth Groups  
7:00pm - Mid-Week Bible Study  
7:30pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal

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7:00 am - Men's Bible Study  
6:00pm - **RELAY FOR LIFE @ Lewisville Stadium**

**17**

9:30am - Fellowship  
9:45am - Assembly/Church School  
10:40am - Session Prayer Time  
11:00am - Worship  
**12:15pm - Diaconate Meeting**  
4:00pm - Young Women's Ministry - Fuller Home  
6:00 - 7:00pm - Handbell Choir

**20**

8:30am - Morning Bible Study  
6:00 pm - Mid-Week Meal - Russ & Gina White  
Team #3: Jenell White, Frances Gaston, John & Martha Taylor, Penn Colvin, Lois Hall, Brenda Mason, Freda Lombardo, Becky Dellaney, Wayne Raines  
6:45pm - Children/Youth Groups  
7:00pm - Mid-Week Bible Study  
7:30pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal

**22**

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study

**24**

9:30am - Fellowship  
9:45am - Assembly/Church School  
10:40am - Session Prayer Time  
11:00am - Worship  
6:00 - 7:00pm - Handbell Choir

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**MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY** - Church Office Closed

**26- 29 Food Pantry @ Purity Presbyterian Church**

**27**

8:30am - Morning Bible Study  
6:00 pm - Mid-Week Meal - Bill Marion, Alice Addison, & Frances Ann McDowell ~ Team #4: Elders & Deacons  
6:45pm - **Senior High School Graduates Honored**  
7:00pm - Mid-Week Bible Study  
7:30pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal

**29**

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study

**31**

9:30am - Fellowship

9:45am - Assembly/Church School

10:40am - Session Prayer Time

11:00am - Worship

5:00pm - Psalm Sing @ Hopewell ARP Church

6:00 - 7:00pm - Hand bell Choir

**Ushers**

Brian Gibbons (1), Bobby Bass, (2),

Mike Ritchie (3), Bob Lynn (4),

John Strickland (5)

**Opening Assembly**

May 3 Ruth Whitman

May 10 Doug Marion

May 17 Peter Stone

May 24 Bill White

May 31 Sims Lynn

Opening Church: Brian Gibbons