

GERMONDS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
39 Germonds Road – New City, New York 10956

May 24, 2026

Ten-thirty o'clock



CORE VALUES OF GERMONDS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We answer Christ's call by:

Worshiping God

Welcoming All

Caring for Human Dignity

Serving in the World

Participating in Worship

Pastor and Teaching Elder

Music and Choir Director

Organist/Pianist

Liturgist

Ushers

Fellowship

Rev. Abbie Huff

Melissa Alexander

Susan Buffington

Karin Valvo

Marjorie Soomair, Lou Valvo



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, May 24

10:30 am Worship/Pentecost/Wear Red

11:30 am Fellowship

Herald Deadline

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day (office will be closed)

Wednesday, May 27

10:00 am Bible Study at the Manse

7:15 pm Session

Thursday, May 28

7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 30

11:30 am Memorial Service for Walter Powers, followed by reception in Jensen Hall

1:00 pm Memorial Service for Martie Siegrist at her home.

Sunday, May 31

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Fellowship

12:00 pm GRO meeting

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LIFE IN THE CHURCH

We extend a warm welcome to all this morning! We invite you to join us for the fellowship time after worship. If you are looking for community, fun, fellowship, and a place to go deeper in your faith, we would be happy to tell you more about Germonds Presbyterian Church. Find out more on our website at germondschurch.org.

The Per Capita for this year is \$41.31 per member.

Soup Angels

CIS has created a Germonds Team for an ongoing volunteer opportunity to assist **Soup Angels** in Nyack on Mondays approximately every 7 weeks, from 4 pm to 7 pm. Volunteers will be working in their Food Pantry, including helping with the distribution of prepared meals-to-go.

Upcoming dates for 2026 are: July 13, Sept. 21, and Nov. 2. Registration is required.

Please talk to Des Olori (descobb@gmail.com) if you're interested in volunteering. For more information on Soup Angels go to: www.nyackreformed.org/soup-angels.html

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

The memorial service for Walter Powers will take place on Saturday, May 30th, at 10:30 am. All are welcome to attend the service in the sanctuary with a fellowship luncheon afterwards.

Looking ahead

“Conversation on Facing Death”

June 14th after worship with a light lunch provided.

We don't like to talk or even think about death, and our society is even more avoidant of the topic. So, how do we prepare ourselves or process our emotions and fears around death and dying?

Sixth Annual Germonds Ladies' Tea Party

Saturday, June 20, 12:00 pm, Jensen Hall.

Sign up on Sunday outside of Jensen Hall. All ladies are welcome!

“Books for Africa” Book Drive-

End date: June 30

We will be collecting in the Walk-Through Room. Please use sturdy bags or boxes so they can be easily transported. If you're looking for a reason to clean off your bookshelf, consider donating any books you no longer want. They are especially looking for reading books for middle-and high school students. Learning games and gadgets are also welcome for the little ones.

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Day of Pentecost

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

The gift and the presence of the Holy Spirit is the greatest and most wonderful thing which we can experience - we ourselves, the human community, all living things and this earth. For with the Holy Spirit it is not just one random spirit that is present, among all the many good and evil spirits that there are. It is God himself, the creative and life-giving, redeeming and saving God. Where the Holy Spirit is present, God is present in a special way, and we experience God through our lives, which become wholly living from within. We experience whole, full, healed and redeemed life, experience it with all our senses. We feel and taste, we touch and see our life in God and God in our life.
~ Jürgen Moltmann

PRELUDE *Medley: Now Glad of Heart/Hilariter* Trad. German, 16 c.

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O Lord, your works are wonderful!

All: The earth is full of your handiwork.

One: When you open your hand, we are filled with good things.

All: When we resist your Spirit, our lives are empty.

One: Breathe your Spirit into us, O God, and renew us as your people.

All: On this day of Pentecost, we rejoice and find ourselves bound together as one people.

*HYMN *"Lord, Prepare Me"* GG: 701

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Holy Spirit, we're not sure we're ready for your awesome power to blow through our lives; we've grown comfortable with our familiar habits and our bland routines; we're afraid to give up our waking slumber and face the truth that we do not truly live. When we cling to our ways and the safety of familiar paths, wake us up, shake us up, heat us up, and breathe your life into us. Walk with us, O God,

and give us the courage to follow the way that is lit by the fire of your Spirit. On this Day of Pentecost, we pray for the audacity to ride the winds of change.

One: Assured of God's grace, let us silently confess our sins before God.

(A time for silent examination and confession.)

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: The spirit of the Lord is upon you! You are redeemed by grace and made new creations.

All: Forgiven and made new, the power of the Holy Spirit pushes us to heal, to move, and to grow.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit* GG: 408

**There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Hear the teaching of Christ: A new command I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you. The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

HEARING THE WORD

ANTHEM Choral Prelude on *Veni Sancte Spiritus* Alec Rowley

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*HYMN *"Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"* GG:280

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 104:24-34, pg. 555

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:1-21, pg. 119

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Day of Pentecost”

Rev. Abbie Huff

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Come Down, O Love Divine (Down Ampney)

R. V. Williams

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

GG: 606

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN

“This Is My Song”

GG: 340

*BENEDICTION

Please be seated for the Choral Benediction and Postlude. Instead of applause at the end, please respond with a loud, “Amen!”

POSTLUDE

Welcome, Holy Spirit

Hilde Bedsvaag/Mary Tim

*All who are able please stand