



Between the Bricks

May 2012

A Message from the Pastor

Between the Bricks is the mortar that binds the individual bricks together to form a strong, unified structure. This newsletter, published for the members of the Old Brick Reformed Church, is the mortar that binds us together, and helps us to minister as a vital congregation of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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Dear Friends,

Only days after Easter Sunday, I stopped into a shop and extended Easter greetings. A gentleman in the little shop said he had overheard someone note "that Easter is the only holy day celebrated 52 weeks of the year." Amen! Indeed our Easter Sunday was a bright, beautiful day but, well we know in community of faith, it is a season that takes us to Pentecost Sunday, 50 days after Easter Sunday. Additionally, however, every Sunday is a celebration of Christ's resurrection and therefore a celebration of Easter. Yes, and "When Easter Happens to Us" we, too, are raised to be the resurrected body of Christ in the midst of one another and all the world. Thus, we gather every Sunday never to forget, always to remember who we are. Be encouraged to invite others to join us as we celebrate God's gift of new life Easter declares in the living presence of the Risen Christ.

Shifting gears a bit, I have just signed an already Consistory and Classis approved contract to be your Interim-Pastor for one additional year, from June 15, 2012 to June 15, 2013. Technically, of course, from a Classis perspective, I'm known as minister under contract though the reality is that Old Brick is in an interim time-frame. I trust this has been a good chapter for Old Brick as surely it has been a positive experience for Susan and myself. Given my retirement date, we will soon begin a self-study process exploring a variety of options that will ultimately inform and lead to the formation of a search committee. Surely we will all want to keep Old Brick in our prayers as we attempt to discern God's future for this wonderful congregation.

Grace and Peace,

Kent E. Huyck

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Interim Pastor

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MAY SUNDAYS

10 AM

WORSHIP

Coffee Hour Follows Worship!

***“Why not bring or invite
someone to worship with you!”***

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| May | 6 | Fifth Sunday of Easter - <i>Open Door Canned Goods Offering</i>
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Sermon - Flowers in the Post Office |
| May | 13 | Sixth Sunday of Easter
<i>Mother's Day - Bring, Adopt a Daughter or Mother to Church!</i>
Sermon - Thank God for Mothers |
| May | 20 | Seventh Sunday of Easter - <i>Tent City Collection</i>
Little Bricks Sunday School
Sermon - Isn't It Enough to Do No Harm? |
| May | 27 | Pentecost Sunday
Sermon - Can People Change? |



“When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one place. Suddenly, there was a noise from the sky which seemed like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then they saw tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages, as the Spirit enabled them to speak.”



Acts 2:1-4

Palm Sunday...



...Jill Lambert, Florence Voorhees & Pastor Kent.

Maundy Thursday...



...awaiting simple meal & Lord's Supper.

Easter Sunday...



...church choir members, Jill Lambert, Florence Voorhees & Linda Millward

Little Bricks Sunday School...

Little Bricks Children's Sunday School will meet **May 20th**, with Kim Bynoe teaching, and on **June 10th**, with Melissa Olivarez teaching.



Quilting, "etc." Group...

The Quilting, "etc." Group will have its next meeting on **Sunday, May 20, 2012, at 2:00 PM.** Come enjoy some crafting or just a little fellowship!

Thanks ...

Thanks to...

Thomas Bynoe for his ongoing update of our church website as well as answering computer questions as they arise!

Laura & Bill Hogan who have contributed 6 new light weight tables for Volharden Hall & some chairs in memory of Laura's Mom & Dad.

New Wheelchair ...

A new wheelchair has been purchased out of the Memorial Fund for use at the church.

'My School' ...



"My School" celebrated Spring and learned about the life cycle of a butterfly by making a giant caterpillar, caterpillar cookies & wearing caterpillar anten-

nae! When the time comes, they will release the newly born butterflies as is the "My School" spring tradition!

Tent City Homeless Shelter Collection...

Sunday, May 20th...we will be collecting water, summer clothes and canned goods for the Tent City Homeless Shelter. Please take a moment to check your closets for clothes in good condition but that you no longer need!

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First Class

Quote of the Month...

*"A church is a place
where we try to create
an atmosphere
for a miracle to take place."*

Anonymous



Our Mission

We are the people of God committed to doing the work of Christ in our congregation, our community, and the world.

Our Vision

As we walk on our journey of faith together we will seek opportunities to share our resources, respond to need, and welcome growth to show God's love for all. We will do so by the giving of our gifts and talents for the glory of God.

Our Values

Perseverance, Supportive, Faith, Sharing,
Caring, Praying