

Share the Warmth

The Community Center of Northern Westchester is seeking the following NEW, unwrapped items for children, infants through 18 years:

Warm Sleepwear

Socks and Slippers

Hats, Scarves and Gloves

Drop off at 84 Bedford Road, Katonah, NY, Tuesday-Friday, 10-4 and Saturday 10-1.

If you would like to assist with the distribution of collected items, please call 232-6572 or email info@communitycenternw.org

Midnight Run

The following items are being collected for an upcoming Midnight Run! Please purchase new items and drop off in the basket outside the Church Office.

Men's and Women's Socks and Underwear

Men's Long Underwear

Men's White Undershirts

Checks made out to PBC memo line Midnight Run.

Ringling handbells this morning are the following ringers: Bing Carlson, Bob Alspach, Brian Hiller, Chris Perry, Kathy Perry, Mari Hurry, Marcy Carlson, Pat Ferguson, and Hope Black. Directing is Heidi Michaels. All of us enjoy ringing a great deal, and encourage anyone interested in trying the bells to speak to one of us.

We also all want to thank all those who have contributed to our bell fund this past year. This fund goes to the refurbishment of our bells, an octave at a time, which is needed after years of ringing. We sent two octaves to be refurbished two years ago January, and two more octaves the next year. Last January we sent another octave, and after the first of the year, we plan to send another octave. The support shown by the congregation is very much appreciated, and is still needed by the Bellringers.

EMERGENCY SHELTER PARTNERSHIP

BPC is hosting the ESP from December 31 –January 6.

We need volunteers for the following:

Thank you to all who have volunteered to prepare & serve dinner! All our dinner spots have been filled.

The Following Spots are Still Open:

- 1.** Prepare breakfast bags. Breakfast items such as bagels, muffins, hard boiled eggs, fruit and a juice have to be bagged and brought to the church the evening before.
- 2.** Stay overnight in the Church. The ESP has a paid staff member who sleeps in Fellowship Hall with the group. In addition, we like a member of our congregation to spend the night, in a separate space, (Kathy Di Biasi's office), to be available in case of an emergency. We have never had an emergency situation, but we do need a church member to stay over. You can leave as early as 6:00 AM the next morning.
- 3.** Our guests have a shower at the Church during the week. Donations of soap and shampoo will be welcome. Please drop it off in the designated container outside the Church office.

Please contact Shirani at shiranip@gmail.com, telephone 845-797-6435 or Joan at the Church Office, 234-3672. A sign up sheet is available in Fellowship Hall .

We really appreciate your help with this wonderful program which provides shelter for homeless men and women in Northern Westchester.

Our sanctuary looks beautiful each holiday season thanks, in part, to the stunning poinsettias that mass the alter and grace the aisle. Please consider donating to the flower fund so this lovely tradition continues. All who contribute can dedicate their contributions. Send contributions marked Christmas Flowers to the church office and dedications to joan@bedfordpreschurch.org no later than Wednesday for inclusion in the Christmas Eve bulletins.

Please Send in Your 2019 Pledge

By now you should have received 2019 pledge cards in the mail. Please fill them out and return them to the church office, or pledge online by clicking the link below. Your donations contribute not only the maintenance of the church itself, but directly fund our programs and missions throughout the year. Your pledge helps us budget and plan for our activities so that together we can touch lives through our shared faith.

Thank you, as always, for being a part of our community.

This Week – December 16

Today

10:00 AM	Service led by Rev. Patrick Vaughn
Following Worship	Christmas Pageant
11:30 AM	Decorator's Lunch
1:00 PM	Deacon's Meeting (Chapel Room)

Tuesday – December 18

9:45 AM	Senior Exercise (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 AM	Bible Study (Conference Room)
4:30 PM	Joyful Noise

Thursday – December 19

9:45 AM	Senior Exercise (Fellowship Hall)
4:00 PM	RPS (Chapel Room)

Friday – December 20

9:00 AM	Yoga (Chapel Room)
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