

FEBRUARY 2026

Hamburg Presbyterian Church

# The TOWEL AND BASIN

Mission: To be a spiritually passionate congregation that lives out Christ's teachings; through love-filled relationship building, we prayerfully seek to share our lives and resources with the community and the world



# From the Pastor's Heart

Jesus says, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength... [and] love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." ~Mark 12: 30-31

As Christians, our love for others is a reflection of who God is. We are called to love God and love others. When we do this, our loving behaviors and attitudes point back to God and who He is.

Reflect:

- What does Love your neighbor as yourself mean to you?
- What is one way you can show love to stranger?
- List at least 10 first names of people you love and pray for them all month to experience a deeper love from you and God?
- Let us pray: Lord, fill our hearts with your love, that we might pour that love out to our neighbors, family, friends, and even strangers. May all who crossed my path feel loved. Thank you for loving me. In Jesus name I pray, amen.

Remember: you are loved

John 13:34: love one another as I have loved you



## CONNECT - GROW - SERVE



### Bells of Praise & Chancel Choir!

Tuesday  
5:30pm - Chancel Choir  
6:30pm - Bells of Praise

**"I have found the one whom my soul loves."**

Song of Solomon 3:4

(USA)

### Al Anon/AA

Mon. -  
AlAnon 7:30pm (FH)

Wed. -  
AA 7:30pm (FH)



PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN

### The 2025-2026 Horizon's Bible Study is "Celebrating SABBATH"- Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight By Carol M. Bechtel

Key ideas: As Lord of the Sabbath, Jesus invites all of us who are weary to celebrate a Sabbath that is more about "yes" than "no." Sabbath celebration is something that God has built into the structure of creation. Receiving that gift is part of what deepens our friendship with God, others and the rest of creation and it also involves a commitment to hospitality. Sabbath is first about honoring God.

**Community is key for sustaining us in our Sabbath journey.**

**We would like extend a warm welcome to every woman to join our monthly  
Circle meetings for Bible Study and Fellowship.**

**PW Coordinating Team**

February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30pm in the ALR.

#### **Hannah Circle**

February 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in the Amy Low Room

#### **Elizabeth Circle**

February 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am at Jean Coffey's home.

#### **Ruth Circle**

February 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm in the Amy Low Room.

#### **Mission Quilters**

February 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY

### USHERS

FEB. 1 – JANIE SMITH

FEB 8 LINDA RYDER

FEB. 15 – JOSEPH SMITH

FEB. 22 – MARCIA SKUSE

### LITURGISTS

FEB 1 – CHRIS BURNS

FEB. 8 – TONY CIMORELLI

FEB. 15 – CHRISTEL BEERS

FEB. 22 – ELYSE PERRY

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

FEBRUARY 18TH, 2026

~NOON IN THE CHAPEL

(JOIN PASTOR RACHEL AT THE COMFORT ZONE AFTER THE SERVICE)

~7 PM IN THE CHAPEL



## PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

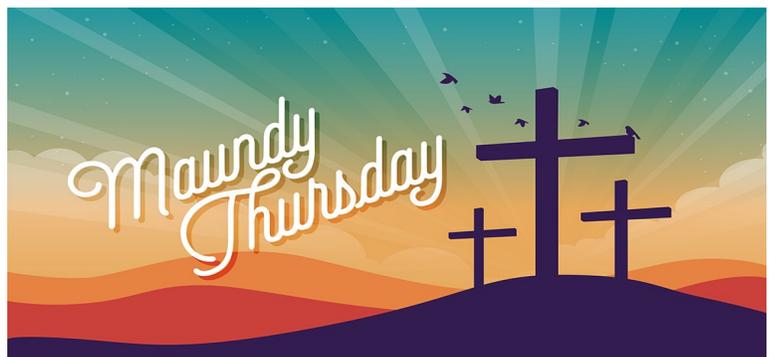
MARCH 29TH, 2026

10AM IN THE SANCTUARY

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 2ND, 2026

7PM IN THE CHAPEL



## EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 5TH, 2026

10AM IN THE SANCTUARY



# Donations Requested

Help to fill our blessing box with  
non-perishable food items



Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

Consider putting hats, mittens, and scarves in Ziploc bags and attach them to our blessing tree



The CIA is filling another home for a needy family.

Can you contribute any items?

**DONATIONS NEEDED**

Silverware, toasters, coffee pots, casserole dishes, large mixing bowls, strainers, cooking sheets, working vacuums, extension cords, bedside lamps, collapsing laundry baskets, wash cloths, kitchen hand towels, shower caddy, kid and adult hangers, over door hangers, full and twin sheets and comforters.

CONTACT JENNIFER @ (716) 997-3669

An illustration showing three people (two women and one man) standing around a large cardboard box labeled "DONATE". They are placing items into the box. In the background, there is a logo for "CIA" with three vertical bars.

The Mission Team would like to encourage you to return any recyclable cans and bottles to the Can Bottle Return at 4255 Clark Street in the Village of Hamburg. At the register, you can request the returned money be given to Hamburg Presbyterian Church. The donations will go toward the Blessing Box.

# SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY



## SOUP COLLECTION

*On Sunday, February 8, please bring 2 cans of soup (or more!) to worship at 10 AM! If you can't make it then, drop off your cans at HPC from 9 AM to 2 PM, Monday to Thursday, or ANY Sunday morning (HPC kids will collect and stock the Blessing Box!)*

OFF



**Save the date**

HAMBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**MEAT**  
*Raffle*



**SAVE  
THE  
DATE**

APRIL 18  
First Spin  
6:00PM

\$15/Ticket  
\$100 Table of 8

Hamburg Moose Lodge  
45 Church Street  
Hamburg, NY 14075

Chinese Auction      50/50 raffle      Special Raffle

— TO BENEFIT LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES —

# February Devotional Readings

**Sunday, February 01, 2026:**

[Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany](#)

**Monday, February 02, 2026:** [Psalm 37:1-17; Ruth 1:1-18; Philemon 1-25;](#)

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[Presentation of the Lord](#)

**Tuesday, February 03, 2026:** [Psalm 37:1-17; Ruth 2:1-16; James 5:1-6;](#)

**Wednesday, February 04, 2026:** [Psalm 37:1-17; Ruth 3:1-13; 4:13-22; Luke 6:17-26;](#)

**Thursday, February 05, 2026:** [Psalm 112:1-9; Deuteronomy 4:1-14; 1 John 5:1-5;](#)

**Friday, February 06, 2026:** [Psalm 112:1-9; Isaiah 29:1-12; James 3:13-18;](#)

**Saturday, February 07, 2026:** [Psalm 112:1-9; Isaiah 29:13-16; Mark 7:1-8;](#)

**Sunday, February 08, 2026:** [Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany](#)

**Monday, February 09, 2026:** [Psalm 119:105-112; 2 Kings 22:3-20; Romans 11:2-10;](#)

**Tuesday, February 10, 2026:** [Psalm 119:105-112; 2 Kings 23:1-8, 21-25; 2 Corinthians 4:1-12;](#)

**Wednesday, February 11, 2026:** [Psalm 119:105-112; Proverbs 6:6-23; John 8:12-30;](#)

**Thursday, February 12, 2026:** [Psalm 2; Exodus 6:2-9; Hebrews 8:1-7;](#)

**Friday, February 13, 2026:** [Psalm 2; Exodus 19:9b-25; Hebrews 11:23-28;](#)

**Saturday, February 14, 2026:** [Psalm 2; 1 Kings 21:20-29; Mark 9:9-13;](#)

**Sunday, February 15, 2026:** [Transfiguration Sunday](#)

**Monday, February 16, 2026:** [Psalm 78:17-20, 52-55; Exodus 33:7-23; Acts 7:30-34;](#)

**Tuesday, February 17, 2026:** [Psalm 78:17-20, 52-55; 1 Kings 19:9-18; Romans 11:1-6;](#)

Lent

**Wednesday, February 18, 2026:** [Ash Wednesday](#)

**Thursday, February 19, 2026:** [Psalm 51; Jonah 3:1-10; Romans 1:1-7;](#)

**Friday, February 20, 2026:** [Psalm 51; Jonah 4:1-11; Romans 1:8-17;](#)

**Saturday, February 21, 2026:** [Psalm 51; Isaiah 58:1-12; Matthew 18:1-7;](#)

**Sunday, February 22, 2026:** [First Sunday in Lent](#)

**Monday, February 23, 2026:** [Psalm 32; 1 Kings 19:1-8; Hebrews 2:10-18;](#)

**Tuesday, February 24, 2026:** [Psalm 32; Genesis 4:1-16; Hebrews 4:14-5:10;](#)

**Wednesday, February 25, 2026:** [Psalm 32; Exodus 34:1-9, 27-28; Matthew 18:10-14;](#)

**Thursday, February 26, 2026:** [Psalm 121; Isaiah 51:1-3; 2 Timothy 1:3-7;](#)

**Friday, February 27, 2026:** [Psalm 121; Micah 7:18-20; Romans 3:21-31;](#)

**Saturday, February 28, 2026:** [Psalm 121; Isaiah 51:4-8; Luke 7:1-10;](#)

# February Birthdays

February 01 Carolyn Gunning & Brian Obenshain	February 13 Gue Robinson	February 25 David Bortel
February 03 Rebecca Gunning	February 14 Samuel DellaPenta & Patty Ring	February 26 Robert Bickel, Diane Buzy & Gerald Stitt
February 04 Tony Cimorelli, Jim Koelmel, & Vicki Quinn	February 16 Ben Pyne	February 27 Lamont Beers
February 05 Wayne Hines & Steve Tothoro	February 17 Lilyanna Harris & Connor Low	February 28 Grace DeLang & Justin Shuttleworth
February 07 Shelly Ring & Eric Rupp	February 18 Christian Lovelace	
February 10 Riley Hummel	February 22 Anna Reagan, Clara Rich, Madison Rich & Zach Tone	
February 12 Michael Weyand	February 24 Scott Nelson	



### Sandwich Sunday 2/15

Please bring individually wrapped sandwiches to church on the third Sunday of the month and put them in the coolers in the coat room. They will be delivered to the Hamburg Hotels. Sign up in the Narthex if you are able to assist in delivery.

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### IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

- Tracy Tone,
- Jane Davis,
- Doug Lehman,
- Lois Cavanaugh,
- Nancy Woods,
- George Ackerman,
- Jonah DeLang,
- Donna Burns,
- Jackie Kalisz
- Wayne Arcangel

\*Contact Church Office with prayer needs.

**February Coffee Hour!**  
Meet in the lounge after service for a time of fellowship!

- Feb. 1 Adult Bell Choir & CE**
- 8 PW (all circles)**
- 15 Deacons & Caregivers**
- 22 Church Life**

**We love because he first loved us**

**~1 John 4:19**

# You Belong

*At Hamburg Presbyterian Church*

**"So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love" - 1 Corinthians 13:13**

*"My command is this:  
Love each other as I  
have loved you."*

—John 15:12



**"But God proves his own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" -Romans 5:8**

This February, I am joining a group of high school students and adults from Young Life on a mission trip to Los Naranjos, El Salvador. Prior to our trip, each of us will be fundraising our own part, gathering supplies, and preparing spiritually. While we are there, we will be building, completing work projects, running a medical clinic, and ministering to the local people. My hope is that I will grow in my faith as we dedicate ourselves to serving others. Please consider supporting me as I embark on this trip to serve the people of Los Naranjos. I am collecting Visine Eye Drops, toothpaste, child and adult vitamins, liquid Tylenol, tums, cough drops, soap and shampoo at church. If you would like to make a financial contribution to my mission trip, please see me at church or send a check made out to Young Life and put my name in the memo. Checks can be sent to Sarah Reagan at 120 Long Avenue Hamburg NY 14075. ~Thank you, Sarah Reagan



# February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> <b>10am</b> <i>Worship Service &amp; Communion</i>	<b>2</b> <b>1pm</b> Fin Mgmt (ALR)	<b>3</b> <b>12:30pm</b> PW Coordinating (ALR) <b>11am</b> Worship Planning <b>5:30pm</b> Chancel Choir <b>6:30pm</b> Bells	<b>4</b> <b>10am</b> Mission Quilters (FH)	<b>5</b> <b>7pm</b> YogaFaith (FH)	<b>6</b> 9AM Homeschool Program	<b>7</b> <b>9am</b> United Church of God (FH)
<b>8</b> <b>10:00am</b> <i>Worship Service</i>	<b>9</b> <b>7pm</b> Session (L)  <b>7:30pm</b> AIAnon	<b>10</b> <b>11am</b> Worship Planning <b>4pm</b> Mission (ALR) <b>5:30pm</b> Chancel Choir <b>6:30pm</b> Bells	<b>11</b> <b>10AM</b> Hannah Circle (ALR)  <b>7pm</b> CIA <b>7:30pm</b> AA (FH)	<b>12</b> <b>9:30am</b> Elizabeth Circle (Jean Coffey's Home)  <b>7pm</b> YogaFaith (FH)	<b>13</b> 9AM Homeschool Program	<b>14</b> <b>9am</b> United Church of God (FH)
<b>15</b> <b>10:00am</b> <i>Worship Service</i>  Sandwich Sunday	<b>16</b> <b>7:30pm</b> AIAnon (FH) <b>7pm</b> W&M(Z)	<b>17</b> <b>11am</b> Worship Planning <b>5:30pm</b> Chancel Choir <b>6:30pm</b> Bells	<b>18</b> <b>10am</b> Mission Quilters (FH) <b>12:30pm</b> Ruth Circle (ALR)  <b>7:30pm</b> AA (FH)	<b>19</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Deacons <b>7pm</b> YogaFaith (FH)	<b>20</b> 9AM Homeschool Program	<b>21</b> <b>9am</b> United Church of God (FH)
<b>22</b> <b>10:00am</b> <i>Worship Service</i>	<b>23</b> <b>7:30pm</b> AIAnon (FH)	<b>24</b> <b>11am</b> Worship Planning <b>5:30pm</b> Chancel Choir <b>6:30pm</b> Bells	<b>25</b> <b>7:30pm</b> AA (FH)	<b>26</b> <b>7pm</b> YogaFaith (FH)	<b>27</b> 9AM Homeschool Program	<b>28</b> <b>9am</b> United Church of God (FH)





# HAMBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

177 Main St.  
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**Pastor** - Rev. Rachel  
**Minister- of Music**- Jesse Bonaventura  
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YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtZVuwF9DN62b-WK-iXq5Ug>



## Sunday Worship & Christian Ed Schedule

10:00am Worship Service  
in the Sanctuary and on Facebook

### Worship Online with us!

Visit [www.hamburgpresbyterianchurch.org](http://www.hamburgpresbyterianchurch.org) and click on the Media tab to the drop down Bulletin tab. Select the bulletin of the week and access [Facebook Live](#)

**March  
Newsletter  
Deadline  
is  
February  
17, 2024**



### HPC OFFICE Staff Listing

#### *Pastor*

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Katie Gertner: 400-4892

#### *Church Office*

Hollis Bahruth: 649-1970

#### *Sexton*

Dave Monaco: 931-5213

**Church Office Hours.** The church office is open on Mondays through Thursdays from 9 AM until 2 PM. . Thank you!

