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As we begin a new decade may we strive to live a God-Centered life open to the ways the Holy Spirit is leading us individuals and as a community of faith. May we embody God's hospitality and embrace the graces offered to us each day. I offer as a blessing these words by Jan Richardson. Angela

THE YEAR AS A HOUSE

Think of the year as a house: door flung wide in welcome, threshold swept and waiting,

a graced Spaciousness opening and offering itself to you.

Let it be blessed in every room. Let it be hallowed in every corner.

Let every nook be a refuge and every object set to holy use.

Let it be here that safety will rest. Let it be here that health will make its home.

Let it be here that peace will show its face.

Let it be here that love will find its way.

Here let the weary come let the aching come let the lost come let the sorrowing come.

Here let them find their rest and let them find their soothing and let them find their place

and let them find their delight.

And may it be in this house of a year

that the seasons will spin in beauty,

and may it be in these turning days

that time will spiral with joy.

And may it be that its rooms will fill with ordinary grace

and light spill from every window

to welcome the stranger home.

— Jan Richardson ©

JANUARY CALENDAR

Sunday Worship 10:00 am
Bible Study Wednesdays 12:15 pm

January 5 Deacons Meeting 11:15 am
January 14 Session 7:30 pm

Deacon's Corner

Happy New Year to everyone! After a busy December, we are back at our regular duties. We delivered beautiful Poinsettias that decorated the sanctuary to people who went through difficult times in the past year. Hopefully, it brought a little joy into their lives. The Deacons joyfully assisted at the memorial service for Bill Saum in December. This January we happily welcome Diane Conklin who is joining us as a new Deacon. The Deacons are ready to serve all in need! For rides to and/or from worship contact Margaret Allen, for casseroles contact Madeleine Bassil, for special prayers call Stephen van Dyk, and if a memorial service or any other event is being held at the church contact John Guzewich to help coordinate the service and provide any support needed. Prayers for those who are sick and need God's healing presence, including Bill McGivney, Josh, Ernie and Rich, Jack, Mary Ann, Bigelow, and Helen. May God be with all who continue to grieve in our church community and throughout the world.

Gifts for Youth for Seniors

Thank you to everyone who donated Christmas presents that were delivered to hospitalized children in Harlem.

Church Decorations

Thank you to the faithful and the new workers who helped decorate the church for the Christmas festivities.

Parking Reminder

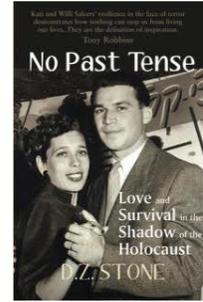
During the snow season, everyone must park on the church side of the street so that traffic can pass when the snow piles up.

Weather Alert

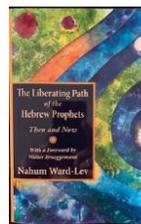
In the event of an extreme weather event, please call the church and listen to the message or check the church website to find out if worship is canceled. Notice will be given by 8:00 am on the day of the service.

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Book Discussion & Signing at Palisades Presbyterian Church



The Palisades Presbyterian Church in Snedens Landing, NY, will host local author D.Z. Stone for a book discussion and signing on Sat., Feb. 29 at 2pm. Admission is free. Stone is author of the recently published and highly acclaimed, [*No Past Tense: Love and Survival in the Shadow of the Holocaust*](#) (Valentine Mitchell; Oct. 2019), biography of Kati and Willi Salcer, two Czech Jews who as teenagers were swept up by the Holocaust in Hungary. Based on more than 100 hours of interviews and covering their entire lives, *No Past Tense* is unique for Holocaust memoirs, weaving in the Salcers' real time voices as if they are watching a documentary about themselves, a structure that provides a distinctive 'whole life' view of the Holocaust. *No Past Tense* has received praise from esteemed Jewish book critics such as Phil K. Jason, "[*Soon-to-be-classic Holocaust narrative is a gripping tale of reinvention and romance*](#)," and is featured in The New York Jewish Week's, "[*A Roundup of New Fall Titles*](#)," as well as Faith Columnist and author (and Presbyterian elder) Bill Tammeus, "[*A Holocaust story not to miss*](#)", as well as a [Twitter shoutout](#) to millions by author and life strategist Tony Robbins. To purchase a copy before the event, *No Past Tense* is available at these outlets: [Amazon](#) [Barnes & Noble](#) [VMBooksusa](#) Admission is free but space is limited. To RSVP please email: ppc10964@gmail.com



Bible study begins Wednesday,

January 15, 2020 12:15-1:30 pm.

Join us for a fresh look at the Hebrew prophets.

All are welcome.

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