# Setauket Presbyterian Church

of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



# Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 6th, 2019

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# Order of Worship

Communion Sunday

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**INTROIT** 

Come All You People

Alexander Gondo arr. John L. Bell

Uyai mose tinamate Mwari, uyai mose Zvino

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker; Come now and worship the Lord Rachel Carter-White, Soloist, and the SPC Children's Choir

**The Light Enters** 

CALL TO WORSHIP

Paget Witalis

We gather today as children of God who trust that there is enough.

Thank you, God, for the parents, grandparents and others who raised us with a spirit of courage, not fear.

We gather today around a family table that is as wide and long as God's love is for us.

Thank you, God, for connecting us with Christians around the world on this World Communion Sunday.

We gather today, asking for the Holy One to open our hearts wide to receive.

Thank you, God, for surrounding us with your grace, mercy and peace.

₩ HYMN no. 385 All People That on Earth Do Dwell

#### PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

God of compassion and mercy, we are your wounded and wounding children.

We bring our wounded selves, our divided society, and our broken world.

We seek your healing and transforming grace. It is easy for us to point the finger at others, yet we know that we too need your forgiveness. We lift into your presence today the victims of conflicts and those we have called enemies. Break down the wall of hatred, distrust and bitterness and open a way for us to reach one another in truth and love. Enable us to build a world where all can belong, to share our gifts and to seek for the new future, which you offer us through Jesus the Christ.

(time for silent confession) Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, God has made love and reconciliation known in human flesh. We are loved, we are forgiven, and we are set free to continue this holy work of reconciliation in the world.

Thanks be to God for love, forgiveness, and freedom.

# **SUNG RESPONSE** no.**750** *Goodness is Stronger than Evil* (sing twice)

Goodness is stronger than evil, Love is stronger than hate;

Light is stronger than darkness, life is stronger than death;

Victory is ours, Victory is ours through God who loves us.

Victory is ours, Victory is ours through God who loves us.

# SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION no. 288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...

FIRST LESSON Psalm 138

**ANTHEM** O Lord Increase my Faith

Orlando Gibbons

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in thy true faith; endue me with wisdom, charity and patience in all my adversity. Sweet Jesus say Amen.

SECOND LESSON Luke 14:16-24

**SERMON** "The Table Will Be Wide"

Rev. Ashley McFaul-Erwin

#### **BLESSING OF THE TABLES**

And the table will be wide.

And the welcome will be wide.

And the arms will open wide to gather us in.

And our hearts will open wide to receive.

♣ HYMN no.411 Dios está aquí (God Is Here Today)

(choir will sing the first verse in Spanish and the congregation will join and sing it in English twice)

#### MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

Martha Porter

#### **OFFERTORY**

# **♣** DOXOLOGY

You are invited to sing any of the following versions of the Doxology, or words that are familiar to you.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### **♣** DEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

God of grace, we give you thanks for your faithfulness to us,

we give you thanks for your hope in us,

we rejoice in the knowledge of your unending grace.

In the light of your mercy,

and confident in your love,

we dedicate these offerings, and ourselves, to you. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise....

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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#### SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Please join in singing the communion hymns as the elements are distributed, and we will partake together after all are served.

## **Communion Hymns**

Hymn no. 525 Let Us Break Bread Together

Let us break bread together on our knees;

let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with

my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Hymn no. 507 Come to the Table of Grace

Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not

yours or mine.

Let us drink wine...

Let us praise God.

Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of ...peace...

...love...

...hope...

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. We will become bread for a hungering world. We will become drink for those who thirst. The blessed will become the blessing and everywhere will be the feast. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

## \* HYMN no. 769 For Everyone Born

We invite children to bring their offerings forward and place them in the baskets on the tables.

#### ♣ BENEDICTION

We say this blessing in solidarity with our sister church in San Antonio de los Baños, Cuba

The benediction of the God of Sarah, Hagar and Abraham,

The benediction of the Son, who was born of Mary,

The benediction of the Holy Spirit of love,

Who watches over us like a mother for her children,

Descend upon us all. Amen.

#### **CHORAL RESPONSE** Cuban Benediction

Arr. by Mark Orton

La bendición de Dios de Sar' Agar y Abram; La bendición del hijo que de María nació; La bendición del Santo Espiritu de'amor Que vela por nosotros, cual madre por sus hijos, Descienda sobre todos, Amen.

#### **POSTLUDE**

₩please rise in body or in spirit; unison prayers are in bold.

The liturgy has been adapted by the Worship Leader from *Iona Abbey Worship Book, enfleshed,* and *Jan Richardson*.

#### Next Sunday, October 13th, 2019

- 9:30 Worship Service with Baptism and Church School
- 10:30 Fellowship Hour
- 11:00 Youth Group

No Adult Education Class

## THE SESSION

The Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Moderator Stuart Campbell, Clerk

CLASS of 2020	CLASS of 2021	CLASS of 2022
Mark Aicher	Barbara Curtis	Greg Bellias
Debra Dwyer	Jean Hrbek	Kathy Coen
Linda Obernauer	Harry Janson	Chris Dere
Greg Senf	John Leser	Mae Hultin
Anne Shybunko-Moore	Bonnie Schulz	Arlene Rogers

### THE BOARD of DEACONS

CLASS of 2020	CLASS of 2021	CLASS of 2022
Anne Campbell	Karen Carroll	Lynn Campbell
Joan Kahnhauser	Pam Crum	Elena Grossman
Bruce Lloyd	Lindsey Moser	Justin Kirik
Frank Miranda Jr. Co-Mod	Alice Leser	Pat McCumber
Patricia Siegal	Melanie McDermet Co-Mod.	Lisa McGrath
Susan Spagnoli	Beth Senf	Christopher Roth

#### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Founders Circle: Carol Ullo and Arlene Rogers, Co-Moderators

#### THE STAFF

Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Interim Pastor Rev. Ashley McFaul-Erwin, Community Outreach Pastor Noby Ishida, Director of Music

Aaron Watkins-Lopez, Church Administrator and Assistant to the Pastor
Heather Klein, Preschool Teacher/Co-Director Yvonne Sterrett, Preschool Teacher/Co-Director
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#### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 6TH

#### **SUNDAY**

9:30 Intergenerational World Communion

Worship Service

10:30 Fellowship Hour

11:00 Adult Education Class

11:00 Confirmation Parents/Guardians &

Students meeting in parlor

#### **MONDAY**

2:00-9:00 Music Lessons

4:00 Soup Kitchen Prep

7:00 Peace & Justice Committee Meeting in

Parlor

#### **TUESDAY**

9:30 Bible Study

6:00 Youth Group at ODE

7:00 Stewardship Committee Meeting

7:30 Al-Anon & Al-Ateen Meetings in Martha

Jayne Room

#### WEDNESDAY

6:30 Early Christians

2:00-9:00 Music Lessons

4:00 Soup Kitchen in Port Jefferson

7:00 Narcotics Anonymous Meeting in

Fellowship Hall

7:00 House and Grounds Committee Meeting in

Parlor

7:30 Finance Committee Meeting in Kate's Office

#### **THURSDAY**

11:00 Founders in Parlor

2:00-9:00 Music Lessons

2:00 Mah Jong in Parlor

7:00 Choir Practice in Loft

7:00 Bridge Class in Parlor

#### **FRIDAY**

2:00-9:00 Music Lessons

7:15 Bell Choir in Loft

#### **SATURDAY**

9:00-5:00 Piano Lessons

9:00-4:00 Music Lessons

9:30 ODE Volunteer Day

11:00 Jaeggi Wedding Rehearsal in Sanctuary

6:00 AA in Martha Jayne Area

7:30 Wulff Trip Picture Viewing in Parlor

# 2019 PRESBYTERIAN PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

## Peace at all TIMES in all WAYS

2 THESSALONIANS 3:16

# Opening Doors to Peace - Come to the Table

On **World Communion Sunday, TODAY**, our church participates in the **Peace and Global Witness Offering** of the Presbyterian Church USA. The offering supports conferences on peace and justice issues, International Peacemaker partnerships, development of educational resources on peacemaking, and local peace projects in our churches, presbyteries, and synods.

Each congregation is invited to use 25 % of the offering in local peacemaking programs in their church and community. 25% is used by presbyteries and synods and 50% by the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program of the PCUSA. (www.pcusa.org/peacemaking). This year the Peace and Justice Committee has chosen to donate our portion of the Peacemaking Offering to working in partnership with the Salt and Light Committee of the Presbytery of LI to help resettle a family of four (two adults and two children) soon to arrive in Lindenhurst under the direction and guidance of the International Rescue Committee (IRC) in New York City. We plan to deliver needed furniture, help provide school supplies, and work with other churches in the Presbytery who will respond to other requests for immediate and long-range aid and support in the resettlement of the family. When we know more about the family, we will share their story with our congregation.

This year we are encouraged by the Peacemaking Program to overcome anxiety and fear, discord and division in our country and to embrace God's mission to those around the corner and around the world. We are Opening Doors to Peace and sharing Communion when we welcome a refugee family as neighbors on Long Island. Please join us in supporting peacemaking efforts around the world by contributing to the Peace and Global Witness Offering. Envelopes are available in the pews. Thank you for your support and prayers.



#### The Sympathy of the Congregation is extended to:

the family of Greg Senf on the death of his mother, Marlie Ann Senf, who was born on Halloween in 1915 and passed away under the Harvest Moon of her 104th year.

the family and friends of former member Christine Draves, who died on September 15th in North Carolina.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Eileen Orr** (Pat Strong sister); **Steven Patrick** (nephew of Diane Melidosian); **Cindy Fronhofer** (sister of Sheila Towers); **Lucas Wright** (son of a friend of Kate Zvokel);

Ann Davis (former member); Richard Porter; Jim Towler; Ron & Vicki Loveland; Matt Zender (Student of Noby and Rachel Carter-White); Florence Gettler; Doug Waldhauer (Virginia Sassano's Son); Tim Wheeler and C Company, 1-508th PIR, 82nd Airborne; Al Reimers; Anne M. (friend of Betty); Don Richtberg; Ernie Bump; Grace Rossi; Ken Page (former Associate Pastor); Don & Barbara Overfield (friends of Mike and Helene Bicknell); Mary Seigle; Jim Sassano; Ed Wittman; Kaitlyn Diogo (niece of Helene Bicknell); Kimberly Janson; Peter Sarant (Pam Crum's brother); Joan Kuhns (Dan Winter's motherin-law); George Hammarth and Kim Liroult (co-workers of Sherri Aicher); Stacey Irizarry (friend of Diane Curtiss); Hank Crum (husband of Pam Crum); Peter Hertling (friend of the Dawes'); Suzanne Wallace (friend of Diane Melidosian); Eric Brooks (husband of Kathy Gray's niece, Danielle); Danielle Asher & the Marshak Family (friends of the Obernauers); Jody Riggio, Dawn Vogel and Lorriane Vogel; Our Sister Church in Cuba; Cort Bunning; Sandy Williams (Al Reimer's sister-in-law); Dottie Devoe (at Mills Pond rehab.); Lynne Richardson (Chris Richardson's mother); Robert Price; Daniel (Dan) Shybunko; Michael LaVecchia (Bonnie Schlagel's cousin); Ross & Lyn Saddlemire (Sue Powell's parents); Kathleen Pfeiffer (Diane & Roger Curtiss' cousins); Maryellen Trimboli (Alice Dawes' student); Margaret Jackson; Honor Dexter; Don Alberts (Trisha Pearson's father); Paige Pearson; Jon DeVoe; Geri Wells; Jack Fennimore (Dottie Trump's son-inlaw); Jack Hayes (Joellen McNamara's cousin); JoanMarie Schiemel; Ruth Whyte; Ed Loveland (Ron Loveland's brother); Debbie Price (Karen Carroll's friend); Katherine **Dodd** (Robynne Haliotis' sister-in-law)



#### WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP THIS

**MORNING.** If you are searching for a church home in this community, we would be happy to speak with you about exploring what membership means at this church. Please feel free to take a "Welcome" booklet from the

pews for information about Setauket Presbyterian Church (SPC) and its programs. If you would like to learn more about the programs of this church, please call the church office (941-4271) or Membership Moderator Jean Hrbek, indicate your interest on the Friendship Roster, or speak to the pastor.

**DEACONS** perform a ministry of sympathy, witness, and service to the congregation and the larger community. If you or someone you know is in need, speak with any of the deacons assisting in worship today. The Deacons' Operation Care is always available to provide short-term assistance with meals, shopping, transportation, and childcare. **Today's Deacons are: Lindsey Moser, Frank Miranda, Pat McCumber and Chris Roth** 

This Sunday, the Christian Education Committee invites a new practice for children to participate in offering their gifts to God. On the first Sunday of each month when we celebrate the Lord's Supper together, we'll collect a special offering during the final hymn of the service for children to give to a nonprofit organization chosen by the Church School. Children and youth will be welcomed forward to share their gifts of any size and experience the joy of giving as part of the worship life of the whole congregation.

**SOUP KITCHEN NEWS:** Soup Kitchen will be meeting this Monday, October 7th. We meet about 4:00 pm on two Mondays a month, we're usually finished by 6:30, and we welcome all volunteers! No experience is necessary! We will prepare and freeze 4 meals, which will then be used throughout the year at our weekly serving at St. Paul's church in Port Jefferson. If you'd like to join us or if you'd like more information please contact Barbara Curtis at 631-786-3112 or bacpj@optonline.net.

Pastor Kate will be out of the office October 7-10 attending a conference at Montreat Conference Center called *CoInspire: Liberating Imagination, Eviscerating Racism.* This program is part of her work with the Presbyterian Church (USA) Special Committee on Racism, Truth, and Reconciliation, which will be issuing reports to our denomination regarding the state of institutional racism and oppression within the church.

Ashley will be on vacation from October 10th-October 15th. She will reply to all correspondence on her return! Please contact Kate or the church office if you need anything while she is away.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH:** What are your hopes and dreams for Setauket Presbyterian Church? What ideas do you have about community outreach? Pastor Ashley would love to meet you over a cup of coffee (or a meal) to get to know you better and to hear your answers to these questions. Please get in touch with her to arrange a time to get together. You can email her at <a href="mailto:ashley.mcfaul-erwin@setauketpresbyterian.org">ashley.mcfaul-erwin@setauketpresbyterian.org</a> or call the office.

# TODAY: INTRODUCTORY CONFIRMATION CLASS PARENT/GUARDIAN & STUDENT MEETING

11:00AM in the Parlor

All youth in 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to be a part of this year's Confirmation Class. Come to the meeting today to learn what confirmation is all about!

#### **Adult Education Classes**

When: Sundays after church at 11 AM

Where: The Martha Jayne Room.

Here is the schedule for October and a hint of what to expect at the start of November. We hope you will come.

#### TODAY: Cuba - What is it Like to Go There?

Please join Martha Porter and Herta Wulff as they share their recent experience visiting our sister church in Cuba. Learn about the people and their culture.

October 20: A Rabbi's Insights on Death. Rabbi Stephen A. Karol, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Isaiah in Stony Brook, will speak about his book, *Finding Hope and Faith in the Face of Death, Insights of a Rabbi and Mourner*. It is based on his experiences throughout his forty-year career as a rabbi in helping his congregants deal with the emotions and thoughts that occur when a loved one dies.

November 3: Music for Everyone. Daniel's Music Foundation is a non-profit organization based in East Harlem that empowers individuals with developmental and physical disabilities through music. Hear from the Trush Family and a member of the management team, Carla Sullivan, as they share the compelling story of how turning tragedy into empowerment became the springboard for the future of the foundation. A focus that uses social action and awareness to create the opportunity for people of all abilities to engage and appreciate each other while experiencing the joy of music together. The presentation captures how the Trush family's story was the inspiration for the foundation, followed by discussion on the "disability universe", a look into the challenges that individuals with disabilities face.

**SMITHTOWN/SETAUKET PRESBYTERIAN BRIDGE GROUP** invites you to join us for a fun night of bridge the third Saturday of each month at 7pm. Individuals and new bridge players welcome. For more information, please contact Bethany Ehrlich at 631-689-3027 or Stephen Ehrlich at <a href="Sehrlich@kpmg.com">Sehrlich@kpmg.com</a>.

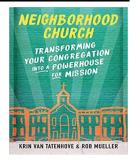
#### FROM SETAUKET PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL:

The doors of SPP opened to welcome families new and old. We are looking forward to a wonderful school year! This year we will continue to foster our successful Music Together program as well as our STEAM workshops. If you have an interest in sharing your gifts or talents with the children please let us know. We humbly ask for your continued prayers for a prosperous school year.

Setauket Presbyterian Preschool registration is still OPEN for the 2019-2020 school year. We have been caring for the children in our church and community for over 50 years! There is currently still some availability in our 4 year old program.

Visit our Website: <a href="www.Setauketpreschool.org">www.Setauketpreschool.org</a>
Call us to schedule a personalized tour at <a href="631-941-4271">631-941-4271</a> (press 8 for the preschool)

You are Invited to a Congregation-Wide Book Study! As we move through this interim period at SPC, our session will be reading together the book *Neighborhood Church: Transforming Your Congregation Into a Powerhouse for Mission* by Krin Van Tatenhove and Rob Mueller. This book was selected by the current moderators of the Presbyterian Church (USA) as the denomination-wide recommended reading for 2019. It contains meaningful discussion about the possibilities for congregations to be a vibrant community partner with the families and neighborhoods living around them and to revitalize as life-giving entities



neighborhoods living around them and to revitalize as life-giving entities that anchor their neighborhoods. The SPC session will be reading one chapter a month starting in September, and you are invited to read alongside them. We'll provide opportunities for dialogue and feedback along the way. If you'd like a copy of the book, please email or call the church. The cost is \$15 per book if you order through us, or you can buy/download directly through various online vendors. We look forward to an energizing conversation about the future as we engage this book together. The Session is currently reading the Introduction and Chapter 1. Videos and conversation starters are already on our SPC Facebook group. You can join the group by searching for the "Setauket Presbyterian Church" closed group in Facebook and asking to join.



**DON'T SING? RING!** Want to make music, but saving your vocalizations for the shower? Consider joining SPC's Handbell Ensemble! We meet on Fridays at 7:30-8:30 PM and enjoy making music on a set of exquisite Schulmerich handbells. The Handbell Choir performs 4 times per year, including the 11 PM

service on Christmas Eve. We have some exciting new arrangements planned for this year, and we hope that you will join us! To join the Handbell Ensemble, contact Noby Ishida at: <a href="mailto:nobyishida@yahoo.com">nobyishida@yahoo.com</a>, or 646-418-1127.

THE SPC CHOIR WANTS YOU! Did you know that when you sing, you pray twice? Noby Ishida and The SPC Choir are pleased to invite teens and adults to join the choir for another exciting year of music, fellowship, and fun. We will be singing an eclectic array of works by Bach, Mozart, Vivaldi, Händel, Fauré, Gjielo, Palestrina, Copland, Parker, Hogan, Hayes, The Gaithers, and many, many more!

Rehearsals take place on Thursday evenings from 7-9 PM & on Sundays at 8:30 AM preceding the 9:30 AM service. All are welcome! Note: If you would like to join, but can



only attend one of the rehearsals, or if you would like to join for special services and holidays, please let us know. Childcare is available during the Sunday rehearsal and service!

If you have questions or would like to be added to our email list, please contact Noby Ishida at: <a href="mailto:nobyishida@yahoo.com">nobyishida@yahoo.com</a>, or 646-418-1127.

#### MUSIC FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS AT SPC

Does your child or teen love music? We would love to welcome them to our Children's Choir! We meet from 11-11:30 AM on Sundays. **Children ages 3+** are welcome to join us!

Using the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) training program, children learn the fundamentals of music theory, church music history, and singing technique and perform beloved hymns, sacred songs, and Spirituals in an age-appropriate and fun way. Children also learn how to ring handbells and chimes, play percussion instruments, and enjoy solo opportunities. **Teens** at SPC have the option of joining the adult choir or singing in the children's choir. We are blessed to have a number of excellent young instrumentalists in the congregation, and child and teen players who wish to perform as an ensemble and/or as soloists should contact us!

For more information on the Children's Music Program, please contact Lauren Ishida at: <a href="mailto:laurenishida1@gmail.com">laurenishida1@gmail.com</a> or 646-599-5258

**Founders Circle:** Everyone is invited to our meeting on October 10 at 11 o'clock in the church parlor. Jean Hrbek will be our study leader for our lesson, "Words of Love: Don't Trivialize My Name". This year our Bible study focuses on the Ten Commandments, considering how these words were understood in their earliest forms and how that understanding can unlock fresh insights for our lives today. Lunch will be provided. Our circle promotes spiritual growth, mission, justice, and fellowship. All are welcome - come and be a part of this active group! For more information, contact Arlene Rogers (arleners@optonline.net) or Carol Ullo (cjsullo@hotmail.com).

The Children's Library is open on Sunday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Do come in to find that perfect book for holiday reading! We have books for both children and adults. And many thanks to Jan Kavazanjian for agreeing to become the new Children's Librarian. Please stop by, say hello, and welcome her to this role!Note: If you have books at home you borrowed and are no longer using, please be sure to bring them back to the Children's Library. You may leave them in the church office if the library is closed.

THE PEACE & JUSTICE COMMITTEE is very excited to host a bra drive to support the charitable initiative "Support the Girls", an organization that collects bras and other products to donate to homeless women and girls, locally and nationwide. Bras are so essential for Women's health, self-esteem, employment and more. People rarely donate bras yet all women and teenage girls could benefit from them. Can you look in your drawers for any used bras that you no longer wear? Any kind of bra: sports, maternity, nursing, training, lacy and more. Your efforts will help Support the Girls and countless homeless women. To learn more, check out www.isupportthegirls.org or check them out on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter.

Will **YOU** help us "Support the Girls" to address the needs of thousands of homeless women and girls please?

**HURRICANE DORIAN:** Presbyterian Disaster Assistance are on the ground helping those impacted by Hurricane Dorian. They will also help communities rebuild after the storm has passed. You can make a donation to their hurricane relief fund by going to the PDA website or calling 800-872-3283. To send a check, please designate "Hurricane fund" on the memo line and mail to:

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

P.O. Box 643700

Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

Giving is Easier than Ever! We are excited to announce that SPC now accepts one-time and recurring donations, offerings and pledges conveniently from our website! You can make your secure donation, offering or pledge via electronic check or debit/credit card by simply visiting setauketpresbyterian.org and selecting "Give" on the menu ribbon at the top. More information is available on the web site under "Give" or by e-mailing Financial\_Secretary@SetauketPresbyterian.org. If you didn't receive your Year-end contribution statement, or if you have errors or concerns to report, please contact Mark Aicher by email, by phone at 516-903-3546 or by mail to the church office, attention Financial Secretary.

Prayer Shawl Ministry...For those of you who don't know what the prayer shawl ministry does, read on. We make shawls and give them away to people who are sick, grieving, celebrating, or facing a crisis. Check out our bulletin board to see how much they are appreciated. We are currently on hiatus but normally we knit or crochet together on Sunday mornings at 9. Our supply is now very low. We need your help! Please consider making a shawl for our ministry or joining us when we resume meeting. Check out <a href="https://www.shawlministry.com">www.shawlministry.com</a> for information and directions for shawls if you want to get started now. Hope to see you when we start up again. If you have any questions contact Bonnie Schlagel or Diane Melidosian.

# You Are Invited to a F.O.C.U.S. Seminar Five Opportunities for Cultural Understanding Seminars

Adult Education, Founders Circle, and Session are sponsoring an all-day seminar to raise personal awareness so that participants may reflect on ways in which they could more comfortably interact and respond when in cross cultural interactions. Our church has many opportunities for a variety of diverse interactions and intercultural relationships. SPC has a wide array of differences including, but not limited to, race, ethnicity, age, gender identity, ability, socio-economic status, and the least noticed but equally important, personal life experience.

#### Seminar Objectives:

- 1. To create a seminar atmosphere that is conducive and responsive to difficult, yet courageous dialogue, thus allowing participants to share feelings and thoughts freely.
- 2. To ground participants in the church's initiative to foster cultural humility and a culturally conscious climate within the church.
- 3. To introduce participants to the concept of privilege and how it has an impact on the church environment.
- 4. To create an environment which reflects current society where participants can experience the impact of either having privilege or not having privilege, based on random and arbitrary characteristics.
- 5. To foster an understanding of the inter-relationship between power and privilege in relation to various cultural venues.
- 6. To enable participants to engage in thoughtful dialogue about ways in which to foster cultural appreciation throughout the church.

The participants are guided through five activities designed to enable each to recognize their own personal level of cultural humility in a non-threatening and non-judgmental environment. The seminar leader is Robbye E. Kinkade, MPH, Dr.PH, Kinkade Consulting, LLC. Lunch will be provided. The deadline to register is **October 26**.

Date: November 2

Place: Setauket Presbyterian Church

**Time:** 8:30AM-4:30PM

**Cost:** \$25

The number of participants is limited to 20 people. If more people register, there will be a lottery. To register, please check your email for the link to use Sign-Up Genius. If you have any questions about the seminar, please contact Arlene Rogers (arleners@gmail.com) or Carol Ullo (cjsullo@hotmail.com).