

Irvington PRESBYTERIAN Church • 1Q • March 2023

THE CARILLON



HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday Worship April 6, 7:30 p.m.

St. Barnabas Episcopal 15 N Broadway, Irvington

Good Friday Worship* April 7, 7:30 p.m.

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Ecumenical Easter Sunrise April 9, 6:30 a.m.

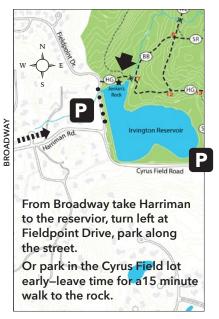
Jenkins Rock, Irvington Reservoir Parking available on Fieldpoint Drive or in the lot off Cyrus Field Road. Donuts to follow at IPC

Easter Worship* 10:30 a.m.

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*Good Friday and Easter Worship is livestreamed on youtube.com.

Come to Jenkins Rock for Easter Sunrise Service!



THE LAST MONTH *at* IPC HAS BEEN RICH AND life-giving—from the baptism of Gabriel Angarita, to celebrating first communions of Emma Kaskawits, Belle Harris, and Maggie O'Shea, to ordaining and installing a new elder and new deacons, to celebrating Black History month in worship through readings and in art through the Paul Glenn Art Show.

In this edition of *The Carillon*, you'll be introduced or maybe re-introduced to our newest church leaders and our newest members; you'll also see all that's in store as we journey through this Lenten season in anticipation of the resurrection celebration on Easter.

ONE GREAT HOUR of SHARING

Restore Hope, Feed the Hungry, Empower the Oppressed

IPC will once again be receiving a special offering for One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) at Easter. Each gift to OGHS supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.



Emma, Maggie and Belle's first communion.

NEW LEADER BIOS

Melissa Campbell, Deacon

A Presbyterian since birth, Melissa Campbell has been attending IPC since 1999. In the past she has served on both the Session and the Deacons, and most recently she was moderator of the PW. Melissa lives in Sleepy Hollow with her husband, Brian Krall, who is a teacher at Good Shepherd. They are the parents of Zachary and Aidan Krall, both of whom were raised and confirmed at IPC.

Keach Hagey Harris, Deacon

Keach Hagey Harris is a reporter at the Wall Street Journal. She is a board member of the Irvington Historical Society and co-leader of two Girl Scout troops in Irvington. At IPC, she chairs the Playground Committee and has served on the Presbyterian Women and Christian Education committees.

When not attending evening zoom meetings, you can find her skiing, sailing, playing tennis or running through the woods. She and her husband, Wesley, have three daughters – Belle 9, June 6, and Pearl 3, all current or former Good Shepherd students, and one elderly but extremely handsome rescue dog, Grits.

At IPC, she values the lively intellectual discussions in the adult ed classes, the chance to serve alongside passionate people on projects like welcoming the Afghan refugees, and the fact that her kids actually look forward to Sunday School. Also the windows. She's excited about the potential for IPC to grow its role as a gathering place and amplifier for what's best about Irvington: its generosity, energy, curiosity, gratitude, openness, empathy and beauty.

Erika O'Shea, Deacon

Erika moved to Irvington in 2014 with her husband Francis. Together they have two daughters, Margaret 8, and Edith 5,

and a sweet rescue dog, Molly 3. Erika joined IPC last year and has served on the PW committee and has been helping with streaming of the worship service.

Erika deeply appreciates the sense of belonging that the IPC community has provided her and her family since joining. She loves the space for guidance and personal reflection that worship services have brought into her life and Maggie and Edie look forward to Sunday School each week. As a deacon, she looks forward to serving the church, making stronger connections with IPC members and hopes to help broaden the church's impact on the wider community.

In addition to being a wife and mother, Erika is the Director of Development Management Information Systems at The Rockefeller University. She is also a co-leader of a Daisy troop in Irvington. In her free time Erika enjoys training for marathons (and talking about all things running), hiking, cooking, and spending time with her family and friends.

Boyang Zhang, Elder

After finishing my doctoral studies in economics at Cornell, I moved to NYC to work in the financial industry. Later, Yichen and I searched across numerous Westchester towns and decided to call Irvington our new home. I still remember that it was a lovely summer Sunday in 2017 when we first visited the Irvington Presbyterian Church, and Rev. David invited us to stay for the coffee hour. The welcoming community and high quality worship service are what we love the most about the IPC and why I decided to dedicate my time to serving in the Session. The IPC has played a very important role in our community life in Irvington and where we made many new friends. I look forward to many more years of joy and peace at the IPC!

Maggie eloquently invites the congregation to participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring. The ordination and installation of the new elder and deacons.









New Members Rob, Laura, and Hannah Graafland

Rob, the oldest of 3, grew up in the The Netherlands; born in Gouda then moved to Aalsmeer at age 5, where his father served as the Reverend of the Ooster Kerk. Rob served his childhood church by playing guitar for the worship band, managed the video team for service recordings, and remembers ringing the church bell every Sunday as a young child. He looks back fondly on his youth group years, where the majority of his first and lasting friendships were formed. He completed his undergraduate degree in Dutch Tax Law from the University of Leiden and subsequently achieved his LLM in International Tax Law from Boston University before marrying his wife, Laura. His career initially included consulting for investment funds, however his focus has shifted towards development and management of vacation rentals. He enjoys carpentry, skiing, hiking, reading, and spending time with his wife and daughter.

Laura grew up in Watertown, CT along with her 3 older siblings. She began regularly attending a local church at age 11, accepted Jesus Christ and was baptized just before age 13. Laura served her childhood church by working in the nursery, singing in the worship band, and teaching every summer at Vacation Bible School. She attended Messiah University in Mechanicsburg, PA where she completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing and met her husband, Rob. For several years after, she worked as a bedside nurse while pursuing her Master of Science in Nursing and subsequently her Doctorate in Nursing Practice from Columbia University, where she now teaches as an Assistant Professor. Her career as a Nurse Practitioner has been primarily focused on caring for women and men with breast cancer; most recently working to grow a new breast cancer center in Yonkers and Dobbs Ferry. In her free time, she enjoys cooking and baking for family and friends, hiking, skiing, and taking walks at the waterfront.

Souper Bowl of Caring: Charlotte, Cameron and Heidi collect donations to stock a local food pantry.







Rob moved to the US permanently following the completion of his LLM and he and Laura were married shortly after, in October of 2014. They lived in Manhattan for the first 4 years of their marriage, where they helped with the launch of a friend's church in the Bronx. During that time, Rob served on the financial team and Laura participated as a member of the worship band. In April of 2018, they purchased their first home in Dobbs Ferry and subsequently had their daughter, Hannah, who is turning 3 in May of this year. As a family they enjoy movie night, walking with their dog at the Rockefeller Reserve, and baking treats.



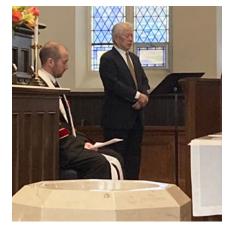
New Member Nancy Hertz

My desire in joining the congregation is to enjoy belonging to a community of Christian fellowship, to be more intentional as a Christian, to learn how to communicate my faith in better ways, and use my talents accordingly. My maternal grandfather was a Presbyterian minister out of Princeton Seminary. I was a very active member in my former congregation as a deacon and choir member, the annual rummage sale and most of the children's activities, etc.

I have known my husband since 8th grade and we raised our two children in Briarcliff Manor where we continue to live. Our eldest is a teacher in the public school system of Philadelphia. The youngest is a project manager with a privately held company that develops wearable devices. We are also blessed with two grandchildren.

My favorite activities include singing with Hudson Chorale and swimming. Professionally, my husband and I co-own a business and I manage the administrative side of the business on a part-time basis. I have a real estate license and spent four years on the Board in a leadership capacity with the Women's Council of Realtors. I also work about 20 hours per week as a paralegal. I look forward to being part of the congregation and getting to know everyone!

Don Kim sings a spiritual for Black History Month. Gabriel's baptism.





Good Shepherd playground fundraiser save the date Sunday, May 7 at 12 noon.

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Irvington Presbyterian Church is called by Jesus Christ to glorify God in worship through word and song, grow as disciples through study, engage in mission to the world, joyfully extend hospitality and fellowship to all and, with God's help, to allow the Holy Spirit to work through us.

We seek to be a place of healing, where individuals can feel safe and find sanctuary from their own hurts, and can then turn that healing spirit outwards, to help others. We believe God is calling each of us to ministry,

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*Committee assignments will be made at March meetings.

and we seek to be a place where each member will feel helped and supported in discovering their gifts.

The CARILLON is published quarterly by the Irvington Presbyterian Church to inform congregation and friends of church activities, invite participation in our Christian fellowship and spread the good news of the Gospel. Submissions for The Carillon are due the 15th of the month prior to publication. Please submit completed articles to **Melissa Brown** or the church office.

NEWS from your BOARD OF DEACONS

THE HUNGER WALK registration is open!

This year we will sign up together as 'Team IPC' to make room for more churches. Please join 'Team IPC' today at the link to the right—friends, family and dogs are welcome too! We hope to keep growing our walk throughout the community to further help meet the needs of local and global hunger. Last year we raised \$7,000—for Ukraine through Church World Service and for local hunger through Feeding Westchester. *Stay tuned for more exciting news!*

TWO WAYS: Please help Deacons with IPC Missions.

The DEACONS FUND is used to contribute to causes such as local food pantries, camperships for students and IPC related needs among others. *Please give to the Deacon's Fund so that we can continue this Mission.*

Through the AGAPE FUND we help individuals and families in our area. Last year, we donated to seven families burned out of their homes in Sleepy Hollow and also helped our refugee family, the Khpolwaks. We need your help to tell us of anyone in need.

The Rivertowns CROP Hunger Walk registration is open! Walk is Sunday April 23 @ 2pm. Click + join NOW in 'TEAM IPC'

https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/team-ip

Red Cross Blood Drive at IPC Saturday March 25, 9am-2pm. Sign up use code Irvington.

https://www.redcrossblood.org/

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