



North Church

In Focus

RIDE FOR ROSWELL

Celebrate 30 years of impact as we ride to end cancer!

30 YEARS

RIDE *for* **ROSWELL**
TO END CANCER



Presented by **WEST HERR**
NEW YORK

Saturday, June 28

University at Buffalo, North Campus

Since 1996, Ride for Roswell has grown into one of the nation's largest cycling fundraising events that brings a community of people together to raise funds for Roswell Park, celebrate cancer survivors, pay tribute to those we've lost and share in the passion that connects us all: finding cures for cancer. *For 2025, there is a \$200 fundraising commitment for riders 16 and older.*



FAST FACTS

- Ride Day is Saturday, June 28 at the University at Buffalo. Thousands of Ride fundraisers, supporters and volunteers gather together to ride and celebrate.
- There are nine routes available for fundraisers ranging from 4 to 100 miles.
- For every dollar raised through Ride for Roswell, Roswell Park scientists are able to leverage an additional \$23 in external funding toward their research projects.
- By registering, each rider commits to raising \$200 to play a direct role in funding crucial programs, services, or resources that change lives at Roswell Park. Every dollar raised brings us closer to achieving our mission.
- Ride is more than just one day. Ride's Celebration of Hope is Friday, June 27 at the University at Buffalo and is an opportunity to experience the impact of fundraising.

WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE

- **ATTEND** On May 11, North Church will welcome mission speaker, Mitch Flynn, from Ride 4 Roswell.
- **RIDE** Visit <https://rideforroswell.org/> to register a team
- **DONATE** Visit North Church member, [Pete Somerville's page](#) to join his team or to donate. Pete is riding in memory of family members and friends who have suffered from cancer. Since 2018, Pete has raised almost \$30,000 for cancer research!
- **VOLUNTEER** With many positions to choose from, you can find a [volunteer](#) role that best matches your interests, skills, experience and abilities. Volunteers include campus set up, parking and traffic, hospitality, start/finish line and more

RUMMAGE



SALE

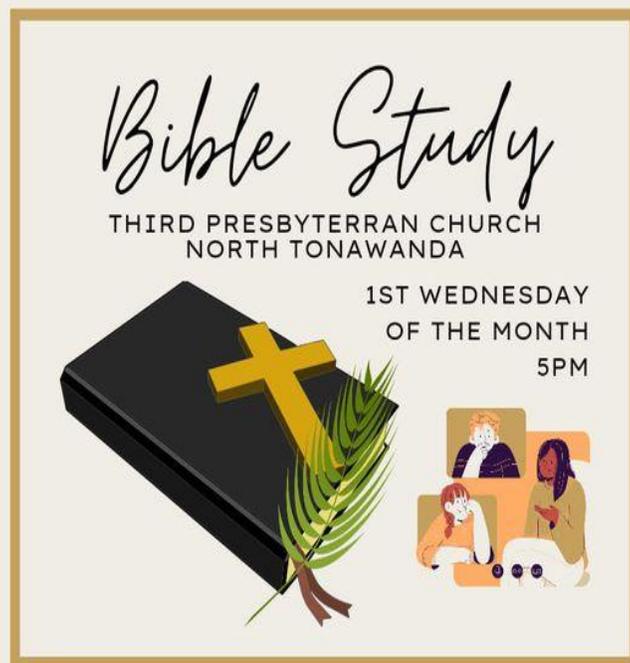
**North Presbyterian Church
168 Payne Avenue
(next to Police Station)
North Tonawanda 14120**

APRIL 5
11 AM - 1 PM

SESSION SUMMARY

Session Minutes:

- Peter Somerville elected as Clerk of Session
- Received report from Pastoral Nominating Committee
- Reviewed Building Use Policy and fees
- Reviewed building use request forms from Kriten H and Jessica F
- Approved – Task Force for the Homeless to receive portion of One Great Hour of Sharing Collection



It is with sincerest appreciation that we acknowledge your generous contribution to the North Tonawanda Inter-Church Food Pantry.

As always, your contributions are invaluable in our continuing effort to distribute food and other necessary personal care items to the less fortunate citizens of our area.

Contribution: Personal care & gift bags.

Sincerely,

Bonnie J. Shaffer

NT Inter-Church Food Pantry

HELP WANTED

RUMMAGE SALE

SET UP

Saturday, March 29

1 pm – 3 pm



CHURCH CLOSING INFORMATION

In the event of weather-related cancellations, closing will be posted on website, Facebook and church phone. Call church office at 716.693.7030 and listen to message left on the church office phone, if no closing information is posted, church will be open as usual.

We also report closing to Channel 2 WGRZ but church closings are not always put on TV just their website.



“Peace, I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”

[John 14:27]

Dearest Heavenly Father, we pray for our North Presbyterian Family. We also lift up in prayer those who need special prayers including Jean W, Judy L, Andrew, Patricia, Roger, David, Jessica, Jane, Elaine F, Michele, Terry R, Jean, Mary, Ruth, Justine, Michele, Deborah T, Lindsay, Tim, Jeff, Jim, Gloria, Alex V, David P, Ginger M, friends and family of Barb Z and Jim K

If anyone wants weekly bulletin or chimes sent to home address, please contact the office (716) 693-7030.

If you would like to submit item to be placed in bulletin, please call or email office by Monday for submission to be added to Sunday's bulletin.

If you would like to submit information to be added to Chimes, please submit to office by the 20th of the month before issue (ex. Submit by Apr 20 for May Chimes).

Office Hours M, T, W 9-2

EASTER



BRUNCH 10 AM

EGG HUNT 10:30

CHURCH SERVICE 11 AM WITH MARK AQUINO

April Birthdays

As you grow another year older, may you also grow deeper in your faith and closer to God. May His wisdom guide you and His love comfort you.

Emma Cox 1

Leslie Michael 3

James DeMatteo 3

Devan Knittle 3

Bev Traina 8

Pete Somerville 14

Barb Zalewski 15 ♥

Nancy Treichler 18

Leighton Ciminelli 21

Jacob Brock 23

Amy Matikosh Michael 24

William Kish Jr. 24

Charles Mye, Jr. 27

Grant Kish 30

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Carolyn Zimmerman – Drums 4 Life

MAY 17

Drum Circle at North Presbyterian



EASTER FLOWERS

It's been a long winter and what a delight it will be to see spring flowers!

Easter flowers will be supplied again by R, L, Treichler Florist. They will be wrapped in foil and delivered to the church for use during the Easter Sunday Service. Afterwards, you may take your plant home or leave your plant for a shut-in. Please indicate your desire on the form below. Flowers available are limited, so order early to guarantee your plant of choice.

Please include your payment with your order, make checks payable to:
North Presbyterian Church.

Order forms will also be available on our website, with online payment.

North Church Easter Flowers

Name _____

Will pick up _____ Will leave for a shut in _____

Lilies _____ @ \$15.00 Tulips _____ @ \$10 Daffodils _____ @ \$10

Total enclosed \$ _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

SAVE THE DATE

Presbyterian Youth Triennium!

JULY 28-31, 2025



The Presbytery of Western NY will be traveling by bus to the Presbyterian Youth Triennium in Louisville, KY in July 28-31, 2025. **THIS IS A NEW LOCATION!** The PYT will take place at the Kentucky International Convention Center. Participants will stay at nearby, PYT-designated hotels at special event rates

WHO CAN ATTEND: Rising 9th graders-graduated seniors; Young Adults:19-23 year olds & Adult Advisors. If you have a youth who like to attend, you are not required to have an adult advisor from your church--that's why we travel as a delegation!

COST: Currently, the cost is approximately \$425pp. However, we are looking into grants and sharing transportation costs with Genesee Presbytery

WHY: PYT is one of those life-shaping faith forming events that youth will never forget! The theme is: If We Were Dreaming. God has reminded us again and again that when our young people "dream dreams" and see visions, the church wakes up. Please consider helping your young people, your friends, and your churches join in making this great dream become a reality

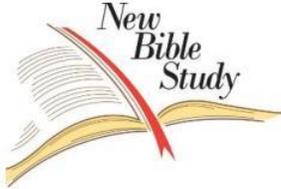
DO YOU HAVE SOME YOUTH INTERESTED? OR QUESTIONS: Please contact PYT Registrar Monica Barner, Youngstown Presbyterian Church at 716-940-7582 or monicabarn@yahoo.com

Center of Renewal at Stella Niagara

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The Cries of Our Heart Retreat Series



Praying the Psalms Bible Study

Monday Mornings

April 28th, May 5th, 12th & 19th

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

This 4-week Bible study will be presented by Bonnie C. Mazur, a member of our Center of Renewal Staff. Bonnie has an anointed vision to proclaim the Word of God from a sensitive reassuring non-denominational Christian perspective. Bonnie is a retired attorney as well as retired ordained pastor.

Participants will be led to openly discuss their heartfelt reactions to the selected Psalms and to share the important life application principles that these Psalm readings stimulate within.

Retreat includes the book

“Praying the Psalms”

A LifeGuide Bible Study

by Juanita Ryan

Call today to make your reservation

Reservation deadline - April 14th

716-754-7376, Ext. 2

(MasterCard, Visa & Discover Cards Accepted)



Reservation Form

Mail with check to: The Center of Renewal, 4421 Lower River Road, Stella Niagara, NY 14144

THE CRIES OF OUR HEART - Monday, April 28th, May 5th, 12th & 19th

Reservation Deadline - April 14, 2025



Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Emergency Contact _____ **Phone** _____

- \$50.00 - The Cries of Our Heart Retreat Series (Make check payable to "The Center of Renewal")
- \$9.00 - Sisters at Stella Niagara



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BEATITUDES:

A Retreat on the Practical Dimensions of the Beatitudes for Today

Presented by Sr. Marcella Kiesel, OSF

May 15-18, 2025

(Thursday, 10:30 AM through Sunday, 2:00 PM)



Blessed are those who follow Jesus. Would you like to:

- ✓ Deepen your sense of God's unconditional love for you?
- ✓ Be more accepting of your own feelings?
- ✓ Tap into your inner strengths?
- ✓ Recognize oppression and deal with injustice?
- ✓ Accept your own human limitations?
- ✓ Unclutter your heart?
- ✓ Make your contribution to world peace?
- ✓ Preserve in walking in Jesus' footsteps? **Then this retreat is vital for you!**

Sr. Marcella is a Stella Niagara sister of Penance and Christian Charity.

Her ministries include directing retreats throughout the USA, Canada, and in Tanzania, East Africa.

Call Today for Reservations - 716 754-7376

(Limited Number of Reservations Available)



Reservation Form

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BEATITUDES RETREAT

Reservation Deadline - April 30, 2025

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Medical Dietary Restrictions _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone #: _____

- \$350.00 Overnight Retreat (includes meals & overnight room with retreat)
- \$180.00 Commuter Retreat (includes meals with retreat)
- \$50.00 Stella Niagara Sisters on formal meal plan (retreat with no overnight room)

\$50.00 non-refundable deposit required. Full payment due upon arrival. (MasterCard, VISA or Discover Cards accepted)

We are Family

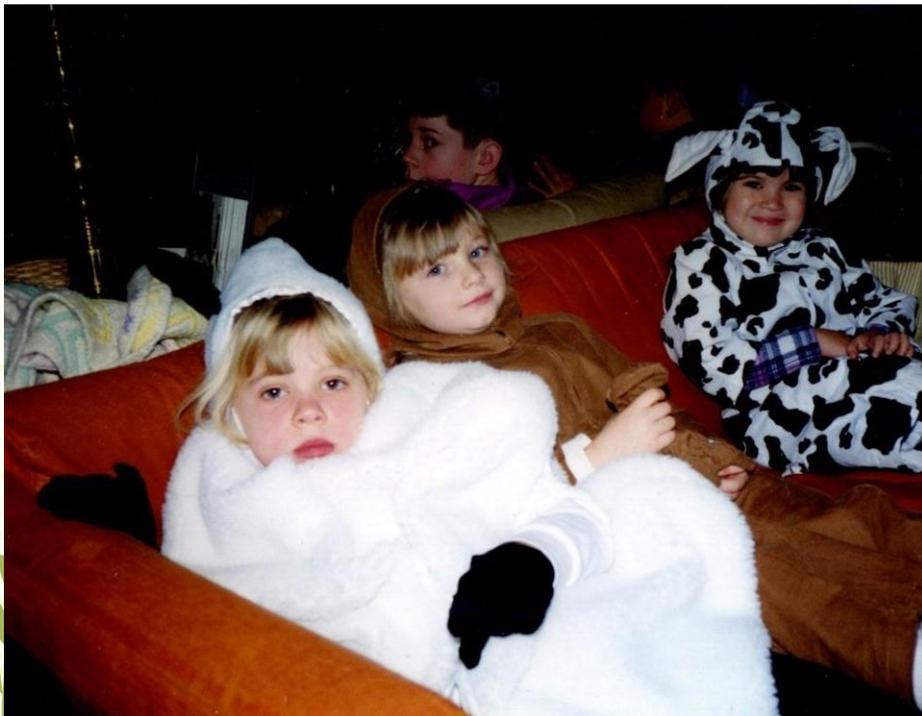




CONFIRMATION CLASS - June 12, 1966

Cleveland Evans	Linda Gerogi
Donald Hayes	Alana Lafler
Daniel Little	William McKay
Christine Nicholson	Janet Norris
Peggy Pardue	John Reuther
Marjorie Pendleton	Rilla Sparks
Marlene Whitcomb	Robert Webb
Collins Drosendahl	

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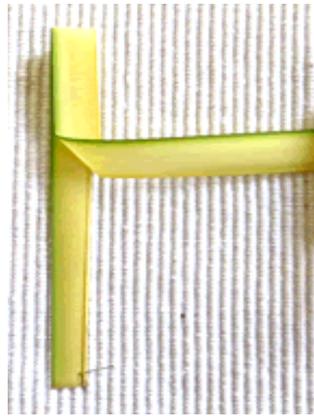
MAKE PALM CROSSES

Everyone always wants to know how to make palm crosses. Here is a simple way—a little tricky, perhaps, but once you've mastered it, it will be easy to do. Enjoy!

Most palm fronds are actually double; split the frond into two long separate strips. Remove any stringy bits.



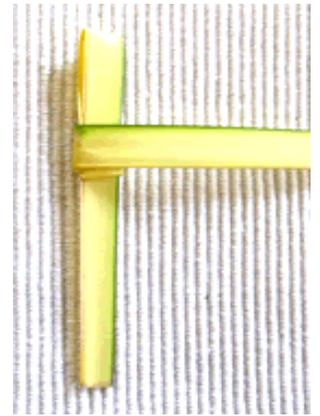
1. Hold palm pointing up; about 5-6 inches from the bottom, fold top over keeping the long part toward you.



2. About 1½-inches from the top, fold long end on the diagonal to the right, making a right angle.



3. Wrap the long end around the upright 2½ times; this is important!



4. Flip it over.



5. Make an arm about 1½–2-inches, folding the long end toward you.



6. Make second arm, folding on the left.



7. Make a diagonal fold so the long end points up.



8. Slip the point of the long end behind the center loops.



9. Loop the long end a 2nd time behind the center loops; pull taut to secure the cross. The top piece may be adjusted by pulling on the base.



Finished cross!