

The Weekly Bulletin  
*of the*  
Oxford Second Presbyterian  
Church  
OXFORD, NEW JERSEY



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PASTOR

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One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.—Psalm 27:4.

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### STATED MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH

#### SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.

Church Worship, 10:30 a. m. - 7:30 p. m.

The Trustees meet on the first Tuesday of the month.

The Ladies Aid Society meets on the first Wednesday of the month, at 2:30 p. m.

The Lord's Supper is observed at Easter, and on the second Sundays of July, October and January.

The Annual Business Meeting comes in last week of March.

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## Morning Worship

Doxology  
 Invocation and Lord's Prayer  
 Psalm 37 sel. 13  
 Hymn 35  
 Creed and Gloria  
 Scripture Lesson  
 Prayer  
 Anthem  
 Offering  
 Hymn 267  
 Sermon  
 Hymn 315  
 Benediction

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 TEXT

Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: . . . for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. ----Isaiah 56:7

" O God, in prayer may we be ever grateful and humble; in the continuance of prayer earnest and persevering; at times of prayer reverent and believing; awaiting thine answer to prayer patiently, and with a restful assurance of thy love and mercy. Amen."

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The day-light saving time that begins to-day will require special effort on the part of many of people if they do not neglect their religious duties in attendance upon Sunday School and Church. Sunday morning sleeping costs too much if paid for by the loss of religious and spiritual interests.

The Young People meet at seven o'clock this evening. This may be the only meeting for prayer for three weeks and all should attend it. Mr. Chris Seiple will have charge of the service.

Next Sabbath evening May 1st, the union meeting will be in our church, and Mr. Callender will preach.

Sabbath May 8th, is Anniversary day for our church, and in the morning the Rev. Henry M. Bruen will preach; in the evening Rev. W.A. Wagar will be with us.

## Mrs. Fowler's Sunday School Class

Mrs. Fred. Fowler, who taught a large class in our Sunday School about thirty years ago, sends the Bulletin a list of her scholars so far as she can recall them. They were :

Ella Trezise	Myra Kadel
Willie Nelson	Ella Nelson
Emma Belkey	Floyd Dreisbach
Frank Stinson	Edna Wright
Bertha Lapelt	Martin Wurtemberg
Bertha Badrow	Bertha Riddle
Annie Badrow	Flora Dreisbach
Alvina Raddatz	Ed. Mewhinney
Geneva Cooper	Will. Mewhinney
Robert Cook	Charlie Cook
Stella Cook	Fred Raddatz
Fred Renner	George Konisky

Mrs. Fowler thus describes the class activities: "In looking over some papers, a short time ago, for something I wanted to find, I came across a Bank Book from the First National Bank of Washington, D.C., in which I found \$100. had been deposited in the savings department. I was delighted for I hoped it had not been drawn and I could send it to Oxford. But I think that must have been when 'Class 10' raised so much money; as they painted the Church steeple etc., had new stained windows, painted the manse, furnished the Pastor's study, etc. etc. For they were always doing something, and as soon as one affair was over they were ready for another.

"They had Pink Teas; Rummage Sales. Pig Roasts; Supper etc., of all kinds, and such a crowd of faithful, helpful workers, it would be hard to find.... Some of them are gone. Some still there; but they will all always be fondly remembered by their 'Teacher of Class 10'."

Mrs. A.M. Weston writes for an extra copy of last Bulletin to send to a distant friend, for in it "Mr. Humphrey has paid a fine tribute of respect to my husband, and I would like to thank him for it. Also I appreciate the testimonial Mrs. Fowler's kindness and her earnest desire for the well-being of the merry people with whom she came in contact.

"Your weekly budget with its pleasing reminiscences is bringing together friends long separated, and we are all glad we are not to be denied the pleasure of a reunion this year."

## More about the Small Pox Plague

Dr. L. B. Hoagland's memory, stirred up by Mr. Weston's reference to the small pox epidemic, has given the Editor some very interesting details. He came to Oxford October 27th, 1881, and bought the practice of Dr. Hartpence, who moved immediately to Washington, N. J. Only a few months after he settled here the small pox broke out. This was in the early spring of 1882.

Dr. Hoagland was called to attend the first case, - a freshly arrived German immigrant by the name of Henry Stelter. On the first visit the young physician was not sure it was small pox, but the next visit made it certain, and the proper measures were taken. The town was agog with excitement, the more so when new cases developed, and every body was ordered to be vaccinated. Dr. Powers was appointed town physician by the Town Committee, but there was plenty of work to keep all of the doctors busy. For there were 47 cases of the dread disease in Oxford alone, and these all developed from the first case of Mr. Stelter. Fully one third of them proved fatal.

The Doctors carried the vaccine with them, and on the streets and everywhere people who thus sought preventive help were told to roll up their sleeves and be vaccinated. The fee was 25 cents.

Rev. E. C. Cline, pastor of our Church at that time was indefatigable in his pastoral attention to them, and called in all homes where there were cases, whether in Protestant, Catholic or whatnot." He was the only clergyman in the community to do so.

Mrs William Hornbaker is keeping a file of the Bulletins and cherishes them highly. From her we learn that her father, Henry Repp was an expert miner, and that he opened the first coal mine in Scranton, Pa. He returned to Oxford in the 1830's and reopened the old mine Hill shaft. Her brother Matt. Repp was engineer in the old furnace in the middle 1860's and she recalls that as a girl in early teens she took him dinner on Sunday evenings when he was on double shift. This would be at the period of the Civil War when the furnace was busy night and day in casting cannon balls car wheels etc.

Another Topic Card (1888)  
for the young people.

Mrs. Wm. Hornbaker has found an old topic card for the young people's society.

It is undated but by internal data it belongs to the summer of 1888 just about the time of the organization of the Christian Endeavor Society, whose first topic card began in the fall of 1888.

The prayer-meetings were held in the Chapel at 6:30 Sunday evenings.

The officers were:

President- J.H. Scranton--Vice P.--John Cooke  
Treasurer--Amanda Haycooke..Sec. Mary Weber.

The leaders of the meetings were:

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---- Committees ----

In addition to the names already given there were the following on the various committees: Carl Zapp, H. Hornbaker,

Thomas Thomas	Henry Snyder
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Olga Johansen	Fanny Cooper
Mrs Matt. Repp	Mrs Fred Fowler
Mrs Isaac Hunt	Edith Baylor

Nineteen of these were put on the Missionary Com. alone. That indicates the enthusiasm of the church people then in this great forward movement of the Church. What a change from the present ?

The young folks who took part in the play "The Wild Oats Boy" made a trip to Allentown last Wednesday evening, attended a movie, saw a good deal of the city, (by getting lost and parted from each other) taking refreshments at way side station, and altogether had a jolly time. The Pastor and wife were along as chaperons.

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