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New Thrift Store Focuses On Providing Quality Goods at Affordable Prices.

Sponsored by The Peekskill Presbyterian Church, "The Lord's Attic" will open officially at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 20.

Store is located at 705 South St. on the corner of Washington and South. Goods available will include children's clothing, appliances, glassware, books, other items.

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PEEKSKILL, NY—City residents have a new resource when it comes to everything from children's clothing to small appliances with the opening of "The Lord's Attic," a thrift store sponsored by the Peekskill Presbyterian Church.

"The Lords Attic" carries everything from books and jewelry to brick-a-brack, says Mission Committee Chairperson John Burke, but its real specialty is in children's items, including clothing, books, videotapes and toys.

"We're doing two things with The Lord's Attic," Burke says. In part, the store is a community outreach effort that will provide people with quality items at a very reasonable cost. And in part the store was created to raise money for the many different projects the church is involved in.

“It’s wonderful to see that the volunteer spirit is so strong in Peekskill, and that our citizens have this great resource,” says Peekskill Mayor John Testa. The store will officially open on Saturday, March 20 at 11:00 a.m. Mayor Testa and other dignitaries will be present.

One of the most attractive aspects of “The Lord’s Attic” is its setting. Housed in the historic Fowler House, the store is clean, brightly lit, well organized and very accessible despite its relatively small size of around 800 square feet.

Church volunteers refurbished the building and will operate the store, Burke says. Projects that will be funded will range from “shoebox mission” efforts that provide local day laborers with gloves and goggles to support of international programs, he says. “We have a blanket drive where we donate five dollars, and that provides a blanket to somebody around the world in a crisis situation.”

“The Lord’s Attic” is located down the road from the Peekskill Post Office, right on the corner of Washington Street and South Street. Its official address is 705 South Street. Store hours will be Wednesdays and Thursdays 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The Peekskill Presbyterian Church is one of the City’s most famous and recognizable buildings. It was constructed in 1846 and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Besides the store’s regular products, works have been donated by some of the city’s most respected artists, including noted photographer Joe Deutsch and painter Leela Bora. Anyone who wants to donate goods to The Lord’s Attic can contact the store at 914-737-7555.

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