The First Presbyterian Church in Carlstadt hosted the Peace Islands Institute in a Friendship Gathering on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> 2011. Rev Donald Pitches introduced Dr. Levent Koc, Executive Director the Peace Islands Institute for New Jersey. He discussed PII programs and event that are held throughout the year. Dr, Koc also told the story of his friendship with Rev. Pitches and especially stressed upon that Rev. Pitches had introduced him to many clergy anf community leaders thereby helping him expand PII's network and programs portfolio. Rev. Pitches serves on the Advisory Board of PII.

Many community members attended this event, including Mayor William Roseman who too serves on PII's Advisory Board. PII volunteers prepared home cooked meals that all the guests enjoyed. It was unforgettable day, new friends were made. We thank Rev. Donald Pitches for hosting us at his Church.

If you want to host a friendship gathering at your church, please contact us at 973-353-9333.

## Pictures from the event:









