

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

4th Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

Prayer List

Today: 10:00 a.m. - Worship service, sanctuary
Time for Fellowship following worship service, Narthex
No Youth Fellowship
11:15 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, Fellowship Class, upper level
3:00 p.m. - Memorial service for Joe Jones, chapel
Reception to follow in fellowship hall
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Catawba First Insurance), fellowship hall

Monday: 10:00 a.m. - Creative Hands
7:00 p.m. - Session meeting, conference room

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Classical Conversations Homeschool
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Chapel reserved, Classical Conversations Homeschool
10:00 a.m. - Book Club, parlor
3:00 p.m. - Sanctuary reserved, Classical Conversations Homeschool graduation practice
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - M/S & H/S Youth Room reserved, PEERS group

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon - Wednesday Work Group
9:30 a.m. - Staff meeting
7:00 p.m. - Choir

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - Bible study w/David, Library
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Shower Ministry, lower level

Friday: 12:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall reserved, Classical Conversations Homeschool

Saturday: 12:00 p.m. - Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall reserved, Classical Conversations Homeschool (Graduation & Reception)

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter
10:00 a.m. - Worship service, chapel
11:00 a.m. - Youth, Planning for Youth Sunday
11:15 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, Fellowship Class, upper level
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Calvary Baptist), f. hall

Personal hearing devices are available. Please see an usher. **Persons interested in joining the church** should speak to David Roquemore, Pastor, or contact the church office.

Please sign the "Friendship Book" located in the pew during the Offertory and then pass it along. When it reaches the end of the row, send it back down the row, and note the names written down. Please speak to others you do not know, or who may be visiting and help them feel welcome in our worship service.

Greeters/Ushers: Deward Clark, Rob Inscoc, Gary McDonald

Week of April 21st

Elder on Call: Charles Moody
Lay Leader: Elizabeth Philhower
Time for Fellowship: Mark & Eva Bonnema
Sound System: Bruce Deese

Week of April 28th

Elder on Call: Amy Owensby
Greeters/Ushers: Jay & Sylvia Bajorek, RaeAnn Hennes, Lynette Inscoc
Lay Leader: Karen McDougal
Flowers: Jim & Sandra Teubner
Time for Fellowship: Suzanne Rhinehart
Sound System: Bruce Deese

Attendance - April 14th

10:00 a.m. Worship - 108
Shower Ministry April 11th - 4

CHURCH MEMBERS: Lee Cranford, Julie Jones, Sondra Phillips, Nancy Gargis, Laurie Joplin, Jim Teubner, Kay Long, Jeannie Clark, Jo Todd, Judy Fulton, Terryl Anderson and family, David Roquemore, Rick Knowles, Ron Valentini, Dale Whitaker, Tom Witherspoon, Eric Ellis, John Taylor, Dennis DeBalso, Scott Cranford, Richard Hedrick, Heidi Jonas, Brian, Ericka, & Emmy Krueger, Angela Mauney, Bud Beers, Frances Ennis

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Zachary Ausel, Zak Kuhn, Cora Compton, Luke Ohman, Michelle Nelson-Beers, Nanelle McAlpin, Robin Wood, Mary Williams, Bob Kupits, Bill Clark, Dean Holland, Nicole Nelson, Amanda McDonald Miller

Condolences:

To Brenda Jones, Joey & Julie Jones, Chris & Cindy (Jones) Bensen & families on the death of Joe Jones, April 17th.

Prayers for those with Long-term Health Concerns:

CHURCH MEMBERS: Pete Keel, Robin Miller, Frankie Sigmon

Prayers for those in Assisted Living/Homebound:

CHURCH MEMBERS: Dennis DeBalso, Betty Epps, Frances Inscoc, Frances Ennis, Wanda Hicks, Ann White, Peggy Templeton, Richard Hedrick

Prayers for those in the Military:

Major Christopher Walker, U.S. Army, Fort Knox, KY
(*Tammy Walker's son*)
LT Max Morrill, U.S. Navy, Virginia Beach, VA
(*Joan Inscoc's grandson*)
Captain Patrick Day, Chaplain, U.S. Army Multinational Force
Observers, Egypt
(*Amy Yenderusiak's brother*)

STEWARDSHIP REPORT through End of March, 2024

2024 Pledge Budget	475,000.00
Pledge Budget through March 31, 2024	118,749.00
Pledge Receipts through March 31, 2024	164,629.22

Announcements – Week of April 21st

Invitation to the Congregation

The congregation is invited to a celebration next Sunday, April 28th from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the FPC Parlor to celebrate Madison Loyer's completion of her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree.

Madison will be moving to Cleveland, Ohio on May 2nd where she will begin her residency at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital as a Pediatric Pharmacist. We appreciate all of your thoughts and prayers during this next journey in her career. We welcome you to celebrate with us!

Dan & Amy Loyer

Equal Exchange News

There are 4 Dark Hot Chocolate Mixes remaining on the shelf—It may be too warm for HOT chocolate right now, but consider making COLD chocolate or adding to coffee to make a Mocha?

Equal Exchange has stopped offering Single Serve Cups except for decaf--and we have a good many of them--including several marked down \$1 because they are past their "best used by" date. That doesn't mean they are no good--just cheaper now! Both of these are on the shelves in the narthex and in the workroom.

Adult Sunday School Class for April

The Adult Sunday School class meets in the Library (2nd floor, across from the elevator) at 11:15 a.m., after worship. We are currently studying an excellent video series called "Witness at the Cross". Below is our schedule for the next two Sundays:

April 21st "The Women" led by Joanne Strike
April 28th "Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus" led by Gary McDougal

We'd love for you to join us in our discussion-format class!

Mother's Day / Father's Day Card Project

Every year Circle #5 sponsors a Mother's Day/Father's Day alternative giving card project to benefit organizations that strengthen the family. This year our circle has chosen to sponsor Men in the Mirror, Int.

Men in the Mirror (MIM) is a biblically based 13-week curriculum for men that asks them to examine their beliefs about what it means to be a man and to learn to express their masculinity in a Christ-like manner. It challenges men to improve their relationship skills by following the example of Jesus in his interactions with men, women, and children.

Men in the Mirror was written by the Rev. Dr. Kevin Frederick, a retired minister of our presbytery, to counteract domestic violence. The curriculum is being taught in Guatemala with plans to use it in all 800 congregations in the Nkhoma Synod in Malawi. Kevin Frederick will be with us on June 2nd to share a Moment for Mission during worship and will lead a presentation during Sunday School. Please plan to come to learn more about this important ministry.

Men in the Mirror alternative giving cards will be available for purchase in the narthex beginning in May through Father's Day.

Adult Fellowship Dinner

Come join us for the next Adult Fellowship Dinner on Thursday, May 9th beginning at 5:45 pm in the H/S Youth Room on the lower level. Each person is asked to bring one of the following: an appetizer, main dish or dessert.

Please call Barb or Alan Forshey by Monday, May 6th to let them know what you plan on bringing. Cell/text: 828.244.1200 or email cleefor@yahoo.

5:45 p.m. - Appetizers
6:00 p.m. - Dinner
6:40 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Program

The Rev. J Charles Sisti, Youth Pastor at Highland Baptist Church in Hickory, will be doing our program. He does a scripture reading while he draws an unique chalk art presentation. After the drawing is completed, a black light is used to reveal a hidden picture. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

In addition to having a program guest, we will be celebrating Mother's Day on this evening as well!