

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

Prayer List

Today: 10:00 a.m. - Worship service, sanctuary
Daily Change Offering received
Time for Fellowship following worship service, Narthex
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Youth, Lunch & Homebound Communion
11:15 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, Fellowship Class, upper level
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Trinity Baptist), fellowship hall

Monday: 10:00 a.m. - Creative Hands

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Classical Conversations Homeschool
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
Newsletter Deadline
6:00 p.m. - Handbells
7:00 p.m. - Choir

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - Bible study w/David, Library
Noon - 5:00 p.m. - H/S Youth Room reserved
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Shower Ministry, lower level

Saturday: 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Rise Against Hunger, f. hall

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter
10:00 a.m. - Worship service, sanctuary
11:15 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, Fellowship Class, upper level
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Catawba First Insurance), f. hall

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, Joe Jones, 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

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 Inscoe, 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 Inscoe's grandson*)
Captain Patrick Day, Chaplain, U.S. Army Multinational Force Observers, Egypt
(*Amy Yenderusiak's brother*)

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 Inscoe, Gary McDonald

Week of April 14th

Elder on Call: Gary McDougal
Lay Leader: Margy Butterfield
Time for Fellowship: Amy Owensby
Sound System: Bruce Deese

Week of April 21st

Elder on Call: Charles Moody
Greeters/Ushers: Deward Clark, Rob Inscoe, Gary McDonald
Lay Leader: Elizabeth Philhower
Time for Fellowship: Mark & Eva Bonnema
Sound System: Bruce Deese

Attendance - April 7th

10:00 a.m. Worship - 93
Shower Ministry April 4th - 6

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 14th

Rise Against Hunger Food Packaging Event

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!! *Rise Against Hunger's* packaging program is a volunteer-based initiative that coordinates the assembly-line packaging of highly nutritious dehydrated meals comprised of rice, soy, vegetables, and 23 essential vitamins and minerals. During the four past events, volunteers have packaged over 65,000 meals. Our church will again sponsor an event on **Saturday, April 20th** at 12:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Again this year, we are excited to be working with our friends from Beth Eden Lutheran Church. We will also be assisted by a group of young adults from the Junior Beta Club at Riverbend Middle School. This event is for all ages and we encourage everyone to participate as they are able. Set up will begin at 11:00 am and several volunteers are needed for this. To volunteer, please visit the following link:

<http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/FirstPresbyterianNewton2024>

or fill out the form below and return it to the church office by **Monday, April 15th**.

April Youth Events

- April 20th** 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Rise Against Hunger Event, Fellowship Hall
- April 21st** 11:00 a.m. - Noon
Confirmation Class Make-Up Day
- April 28th** 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Lunch & Faith Journey

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 few weeks:

- April 14th** "The Beloved Disciple" led by David Roquemore
- 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)v 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!

Rise Against Hunger
Saturday, April 20th (12:30 - 3:00 p.m.)
FPC Newton Fellowship Hall

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

I will: Volunteer: ____ Donate financial-ly: ____

Help Set-Up: ____ (11:30 a.m.)

Family Members Volunteering: _____

Names: _____

Return to the church office by Monday, April 15th