Fircrest Presbyterian Church

FPC Update March 20, 2024

Blessed Is the One

Hey FPC,

This Sunday we'll mark Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. We will be in Mark 11:1-11 and we will have a processional using our native trees to remember the procession of Jesus toward the cross.

Holy Week holds a number of meaningful opportunities. On Maundy Thursday you are invited to sign up for Dinner Together at a host home. This Sunday is the last day to sign up for that! Good Friday we will gather at FPC with Redeemer/St. John Lutheran for a shared Good Friday service, and Easter Sunday we will celebrate the resurrection of our Lord at 10:30am. Easter celebration is always so much more meaningful having traveled the Holy Week journey, so I want to encourage you to find a way to move deeper into the cost of Jesus death, before we arrive at celebrating the new life we find in Christ.

Here are a couple great online resources to support that journey:

1) Stations of the Cross (audio)

https://pray-as-you-go.org/series/10-Stations+of+the+Cross

2) Reflection on a Holy Week Prayer, plus the prayer (Anima Christi)

https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/anima-christi-holy-week/

https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/ignatian-prayer/prayers-by-st-ignatius-and-others/anima-christi/

Also, a couple quick reminders for this weekend:

Saturday we'll have the all-church Spring Clean, come out between 9am - 12pm and join together to spiffy up the Church ahead of Easter!

Sunday we will all start seeds for the community garden together after service, so bring some gloves and an apron and we'll have a great time supporting the garden!

Lastly, don't forget to invite your friends and family to join you on Easter Sunday here at FPC. You'd be surprised how many people would love to receive an invitation!

Grace & Peace, Pastor Taeler









Opportunities / Events

Volunteer to lead the **kids JOY program** on Sunday morning: this is a great opportunity for the kids to get to know you better and it is a gift to families to experience the value of intergenerational relationships here at FPC. Sign up on Sunday morning!

We Dig Fircrest Presbyterian Church Community Garden

Join Cindy and Maureen as planning is already underway for spring!

Worship

We worship each Sunday at 10:30 am both in person and via Zoom. If you would like to worship via Zoom, <u>click here to join Sunday morning worship</u>. Or you can join worship by calling 253.215.8782 and using Meeting ID: 986 5172 9320 and Passcode: 423758.

Bookkeeper/Treasurer Email

Please use this email to contact Robin for any financial communications: **Bookkeeper/Treasurer email: fircrestbooks@gmail.com.**

Church Calendar

You can find the church calendar here. Please let us know if you have any problem accessing the calendar, and/or whether you have any updates for us to add.

UPCOMING GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

Wednesdays at 5:00pm: Kids Group.

Wednesdays at 6:00pm: Youth Chimes Choir.

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm: Adult Bell Choir. Wednesdays at 7:10pm: Adult Singing Choir.

Saturday March 23rd at 9:00am: Spring Clean-up. Sunday, Mar 24th: OGHOS offering received.

Sunday, March 24th following worship: Seed Starting Party.

Thursday, Mar 28th: Maundy Thursday Dinners and Devotionals. Sign-ups in the Narthex.

Friday, March 29th: Good Friday Service.

Sunday March 31st: Easter Service @ 10:30am. Egg Hunt @ 2:00pm. **Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 2:00pm:** Memorial Nancy Caughlan.

March Food Bank Donations:

Families Unlimited: Tuna, Canned Fruit, Rice (1-2 lb. bags), Toiletries: Soap, Pads & Tampons.

Proctor Food Bank: Heavy plastic and paper bags.

Oasis: Individually packaged snacks. We are still collecting egg cartons!

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