Fircrest Presbyterian Church

FPC Update April 3, 2024

Eastertide

Happy Eastertide FPC Family,

This past Holy Week and Easter Day have been so meaningful and such a joy to journey through with you all.

I was so encouraged by the ways in which our community engaged in the deep work of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. We had 32 people participate in Maundy Thursday dinners at host homes, and our joint Tenebrae service with Redeemer & St. John's Lutheran was very moving and contemplative. Together these experiences led to such a joyous Easter celebration, full of wonderful music from bagpipes to bells to choir to congregation! The celebration didn't end there though. At 2pm over 100 kids and adults gathered here at FPC for a community Easter Egg hunt organized by Ashley Stillmaker and family! Thanks for contributing toward all those eggs, they were gone in minutes! Families loved being here and hung out in the fellowship hall looking over their goodies – it was beautiful to watch (and my kids loved it too!). All that happened in just one week!

Now we move into the season of Eastertide and our journey turns from walking with Jesus toward the cross to learning how to walk out our faith as everyday disciples. We will be in the book of 1 John for a little while – I suggest you read it in one fell swoop (it is only five chapters) to get a great overview.

Grace & Peace, Pastor Taeler





Easter Egg Hunt



Opportunities / Events

New Member Class

Are you interested in becoming a member of FPC? A New Member Class will be held Saturday May 4, 2024 from 10am-1pm at Pastor Taeler's house. Please sign-up in the Narthex or contact the office.

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!

<u>Worship</u>

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: <u>fircrestbooks@gmail.com</u>.

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.

Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:30pm: Team meetings via Zoom. Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30pm: Session meeting via Zoom. Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 2:00pm: Memorial Nancy Caughlan. Saturday, May 4th at 10am: New Member Class.

April Food Bank Donations:

Families Unlimited: Cereal, Pop-top Pasta Dinners, Canned Fruit, Pancake Mix, Baby Wipes.Proctor Food Bank: Heavy plastic and paper bags.Oasis: Individually packaged snacks.We are still collecting egg cartons!

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