#### Remember in Prayer:

Mission:

• Danny Sharpe & Hollman Mendoza (Vida Joven Nicaragua)

• Nicaragua's Santa Lastenia Clinic

| Baby Asher<br>Beverly Barwick | Dr. Mark & Susie<br>Hannis | +Austin Riggs<br>+Anthony Sasscer    |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| *Ellen Canupp                 | Jim & Sarah Hornsby        | Maggie Jóy Selmeski                  |
| Linda Crum                    | Ellas Hughes               | Maggie Jóy Selmeski<br>Terry Stewart |
| +Andrew Dalton                | *Iackson Teter             | +Charlie Wilcox                      |
| David Dalton                  | *John Lopez                | +Robyn Wilcox                        |
| Lisa Deans                    | Mary Borden Neas           | +Wyatt Wilson                        |
| Shelia Fillers                | Susan Powell               | +Clay Yancey                         |
| Haskell Fox                   | Tim Price                  | •                                    |
|                               | Sherry Quillin             |                                      |

<sup>+</sup>Military serving stateside. \*Military serving overseas. Please remember military and first responders with PTSD.

#### A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God, the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophet and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls, women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others, for justice, freedom, and peace.

First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 17, 2024 11:00 a.m. 5th Sunday in Lent



Greetings

Prelude"Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" arr. Oliver Russell (Text may be read at Hymn #228)

Hymn Introit "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" (vs. 1 & 2) No. 216 (Congregation sings along with the choir)

Call to Worship (from Psalm 119)

(One) Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes.

(Many) With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth.

(One) I delight in the way of your decrees as much as in all riches.

(Many) I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

Prayer of Adoration and Praise. . . through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*Hymn "At the Name of Jesus"

No. 264

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

We confess, O God, that we're really good at offering you advice. We go through the motions of handing things over to you, but when we think no one's looking, we try to take them back.

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We have a hard time, O Lord, seeing beyond our own hopes and dreams; and these are so easily colored and limited by our own experiences and understandings. In your gentle mercy, O God, open our ears, eyes, and hearts to the grand plans and promises that you have had for us since before we were born; through Jesus Christ, the prince of peace and dreamer of resurrection. Amen.



\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Response "You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy" No. 437

First Reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-44

Psalm 119:9-16 "How Shall the Young Direct Their Way" (from "Lift Up Your Hearts" hymnal) (see insert for text)

Second Reading Hebrews 5:5-10

Anthem "I See, I Hear, I Know" Craig Courtney
(See insert for text)

Third Reading John 12:20-33

\*Hymn "For the Fruit of All Creation" No. 36

Sermon "Seed to Fruit" Todd Jenkins

Response to God's Word

Prayers of Petition and Intercession

God of Mercy...

hear our prayer.

\*Confession of Faith: A Brief Statement of Faith

(see back page for text)

\*Response "Glory Be to the Father" No. 581

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "How Firm a Foundation" (I, II) arr. Gilbert Martin

(Text may be read at Hymn #463)

\*Response "Common Doxology" text at No. 606

Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" No. 265

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude "How Firm a Foundation" (IV) arr. Gilbert Martin

(Text may be read at Hymn #463)

\*Please rise in body or in spirit

Please see the Prayer List on the back



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(from "Lift Up Your Hearts" hymnal)

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Sincerely I have sought you, Lord; O let me not from you depart; To know your will and keep from sin, Your word I cherish in my heart.

O bless-ed Lord, teach me your law, Your righteous judgments I declare; Your testimonies make me glad, For they are wealth beyond compare.

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#### **Anthem Text:**

#### "I See, I Hear, I Know"

Brokering / Courtney *CCLI* #11423725 & #20454448

Now I see, O Lord,
I see the light inside eternity,
The tree, the bloom,
The feast inside the upper room,
A whippoorwill, a mourning dove,
The song of wind, the hymn of love
Have called my soul to see
The light inside eternity.
Now I see, O Lord.

Now I hear, O Lord,
I hear one tune to drive away all fear.
I hear the sound life
In sea and air and ground
I hear a river running through the sky,
While choirs of angels sing on high,
Be glad, my soul, and hear
One tune to drive away all fear.
Now I hear, O Lord.

Now I know, O Lord,
I know why every seed
Must die to grow.
I know the tree of life inside eternity,
I know the throne, I know the Lamb,
The Christ, the Lord, the One,
The great I AM.
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#### Sunday, March 17 5th Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Worship service in Christ Chapel

9:15 a.m. Coffee & Pastries (2nd floor) 9:30 a.m. Church School meetings

10:30 a.m. Coffee & Pastries (3rd floor)

11:00 a.m. In Person Worship in Sanctuary FaceBook live service

1:00 p.m. Session Meeting

7:00 p.m. Library Class ZOOM meeting

#### Monday, March 18

### Tuesday, March 19

### Wednesday, March 20

12:00 p.m. Lenten Service

@ Reformation Lutheran Church

# Wednesdays at First Church

2:45 p.m. Activity Programming

5:30 p.m. Family Meal 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

### Thursday, March 21

10:00 a.m. Staff meeting 10:00 a.m. N2N Free Showers

11:00 a.m. Agape Circle meeting

### Friday, March 22

### Saturday, March 23

9:00 a.m. Explore the Arts

#### Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m. Worship service in Christ Chapel

9:15 a.m. Coffee & Pastries (2nd floor)

9:30 a.m. Church School meetings

10:30 a.m. Coffee & Pastries (3rd floor) 11:00 a.m. In Person Worship in Sanctuary

FaceBook live service

12:00 p.m. PW Baked Potato/Salad Bar

7:00 p.m. Library Class ZOOM meeting

# Thank you to those who provide leadership each week!

Head

**Usher:** Jay Oberfeitinger

**Ushers:** Zack Barnes

Eddie Barnes

**A/V:** Aaron & William Caton

**Lector:** Sally Causey

**Main St.Door** 

**Greeter:** Peggy Bible

**Side Door** 

Greeter: Chris Kilday

# Serving Next Week March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday

Head

**Usher:** Jay Oberfeitinger

**Ushers:** Nich Mitchell

Randy Harley

**A/V:** Aaron & William Caton

**Lector:** John Smith

Main St.Door

Greeter: Ann VanBuskirk

**Side Door** 

**Greeter:** Chris Kilday

Weekly Budget: \$8,604.00 03/10/2024 Offering: \$8,083.00

Early Worship Service Attendance: 26

11:00 Combined Worship Attendance: 96

#### March Menu

3/20

Taco Salad with all the fixin's

3/27

NO WFC Holy Week

# Please make dinner reservations for WFC by noon on Tuesday.

Please remember "A reservation made is a reservation paid"

March Food Bank needs: Crackers

# Lectionary Readings, March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday

Mark 11:1-11 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Philippians 2:5-11 Mark 14:1 - 15:47

# Easter Lilies for March 31

On Easter Sunday you can have Easter Lilies placed in Christ Chapel or the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of loved ones. Lilies are \$10 each. A portion of the proceeds will go to Community Outreach. If you would like to request one or more Easter Lilies, please complete this order form and drop in the offering plate, put in Chris Thorpe's mailbox, or drop off at the Church Office.

Make checks payable to Presbyterian Women.

March 18 is the order deadline.

# **Easter Lily Order Form:**

| Class 2024           | Class 2025    | Class 2026    |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Kidwell King         | Mike Hartsell | Sally Causey  |
| Jay<br>Oberfeitinger | Bob Lodge     | Tim Miller    |
| Felecia Payne        | Nick Mitchell | Leeann Smith  |
| Jim Warner           | David Sallee  | Jeanne Stokes |
| Zach Wallin          |               |               |

#### THE SESSION

Aaron Caton, Clerk of Session

#### SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Finance and Facilities
Education and Enrichment
Mission & Outreach
Congregational Life
House Chairs:

Bob Lodge
David Sallee
Mike Hartsell
Nick Mitchell
John Maddux
David Easley
Tim Miller

#### **TREASURERS**

Receiving Leeann Smith
Benevolence Dot Culton
Youth Accounts Tonya Easley
Special Funds Disbursing
Treasurer of Record Jeanne Stokes

#### **CHURCH STAFF**

Todd Jenkins Pastor Associate Pastor for Family Ministries Greg Cartwright Ed Logan Organist/Choir Director Church Secretary Mindy Meade Sexton Marsha Bowers Nursery Attendant Iensen Shell WFC Caterer Bonnie Brownell **FPkids** Angie Spranger Student Chorus Kasie Shelnutt

#### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Co-Moderators
Leeann Smith
Jeanne Stokes
Treasurer
Dot Culton

# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

March 20 TU Women's Soccer team joins us for Wednesday night dinner March 24 PW Baked Potato Bar March 28 Maundy Thursday Service Good Friday Service March 29 @ FPC 7 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt 12 pm @ March 30 the Sam Doak House at **Tusculum University** March 31 Easter Sunrise Service @ Mt. Bethel Cem. 7 am in addition to our regularly scheduled Worship Services

July 28 Church Picnic

October 27 PW Baked Potato Bar

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