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Morning Worship April 2nd

Lectionary texts for Sunday

First Scripture Lesson: Matthew 21:1-11

Second Scripture Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

Sermon Title: "Within Reach"

Rev. Steve Fortenberry, Pastor
Elder for April, Shane Fortner
Chris Teutsch, Liturgist

We praise you, Jesus Messiah! Keep us faithful as we follow you, even to the cross.

Holy Week services



Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday, April 6th at 7 p.m. we will have communion followed by a Tenebrae remembering the last supper, Gethsemane, arrest and Calvary. Missy has put together a wonderful service of music and scripture, a tender time of remembering.

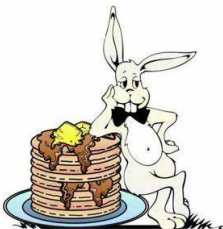
Jesus, help me serve others humbly and lovingly, following your example.



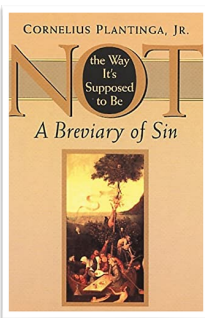
Good Friday

Good Friday, April 7th at noon we will have a brief service commemorating the death of Christ. We will gather at the front of the sanctuary and contemplate together the John, chapters 18 and 19.

"Calvary's mournful mountain climb. There, adoring at his feet, mark the miracle of time: God's own sacrifice complete."



Saturday, April 8th at 8:30 a.m. we will have The Bunny Breakfast with the Children's Choir, with an egg hunt to follow provided by the Youth Group. This **church-wide event** is for choir member's families and friends and our church family and serves as our main fundraiser supporting the choir trip to Discovery Park. Thank you to our choir parents and youth for this special treat to which we look forward every year.



Book Study

This last Tuesday of Lent we finish the book by Cornelius (Neil) Plantinga, Jr., Not the Way It's Supposed to Be: A Breviary of Sin. We meet at 9 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

What is in our actions that disturbs this flow, which we see as the divine design of God for his creation? This Tuesday we discuss chapter 10 - Flight.

News from the Mission Team

The Mission Team is organizing for tornado relief outreach:

(Jenny reached out to PDA tie-ins in our presbytery recognizing that we would want to respond with the care that we'd received. This letter is a good response from Bailey Pickens, Franklin Presbyterian Church)



—Rebuilding in western KY is going to take years, so a volunteer group that's raring to go can be connected to the volunteer coordinators in Calvert City or Madisonville and jump right in. I would expect that eastern KY can also receive volunteers to help with rebuilding after the floods last summer and those contacts would be helpful.

The tornadoes in MS were so recent that there's no ability to field and organize volunteers yet. It's still first responders. A National Response

Team from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is deploying to begin assessing needs and forming partnerships for ongoing support there. If you'd like to support financially, you can donate here and make a note (in "comments/instructions" at the bottom of the second page) that it's for March '23 Tornadoes:

[Donate MS Relief Fund](#) .

One of our contacts at PDA also offered this link, with MS volunteer opportunities—it also notes that it's too soon for volunteers but it'll be a place to see opportunities when they are available:

[Volunteer Opportunities MS](#)

And, here's a list of active PDA volunteer work team sites:

[PDA Volunteer Sites](#)

You can see under KY and then under Referral Sites Calvert City and Madisonville; when there are similar sites in MS, they'll be added here.

Here's a hopeful article in the meantime:

[Article of Interest re: MS](#)—

Steve's former church in Greenwood, MS is also in close touch with the Rolling Fork community which has been devastated. He may have further contacts for us going forward.

And we do go forward.

Other Opportunities

Food Prep for Local Volunteer Groups

April 6 (20 volunteers) and

April 20 (6 volunteers).

Please contact Jenny Franke if you're able to bring a side, cornbread or dessert.

Community Need for children on the autism spectrum



Based on 2022 data, the CDC estimates 1 in 44 children is diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. Our own Jackie Murray has been the leader providing community services for families affected by ASD for years.

Jackie wears many hats and is looking for 1-2 individuals who have a passion for the needs of these families and would commit to assisting in the biweekly support group activities. Please see Jackie for more info.

Mission offering emphasis for April will be the Autism Camp PACT

Parents with Autistic Children Together is a local support initiative offering resources to families learning to cope with the special needs of their children and families.

This year VBS will take place on Saturday June 10th from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Four local churches are collaborating in this effort (First Christian, Ogden, CPC and St. Paul). We are looking for adult volunteers, as well as Middle/High School volunteers.

Here are the links for the online registration:

[Child \(participant\) registration](#)

[Adult Volunteer Registration](#)

[Middle/High School Vonteer Registration](#)

Camp Noah also seeking volunteers...

Camp Noah is coming to Princeton **June 12-16** and we need your help. To make the local camp a success, Central Presbyterian needs partners/ volunteers from across the community to help with food, registration, curriculum delivery, music, drama, crafts, and more.

We have a special opportunity to serve children in our community. Will you help? Please contact Stacey Menser or Janie Tomek.

This weeks Birthdays and Anniversaries

APRIL



4th - Chet Freeman

6th - Jeff McDaniels

7th - Dean and Kelly Hughes

Update on plumbing Issues! Important!!

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ANY PRODUCTS OTHER
THAN TOILET PAPER**

NOT EVEN "FLUSHABLE" ITEMS


THANK YOU