Central Presbyterian Church

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> Morning Worship April 23rd Lectionary texts for Sunday

First Scripture Lesson: 1 Peter 1:17-23 Second Scripture Lesson: Luke 24:13-35 Sermon Title: "Not From, but Through"

> Rev. Steve Fortenberry, Pastor Elder for April, Shane Fortner Stacey Menser, Liturgist Bebby Lewis, Children's Message

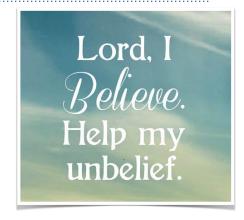


As you walk with me through life, Jesus, help me recognize you and invite you to stay.

Vibrant belief

The disciples did not bother to try to understand the resurrection body. They doubted, and then they believed. They believed something so wonderful that it changed this broken, fragmented, beaten-down little group of men and women in a moment from depression to enthusiasm, from despair to new life, vibrant and unafraid.

—Madeleine L'Engle, The Rock That Is Higher



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.

Special Offering this Sunday, One Great Hour of Sharing



in a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial

disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

There will be a special envelope in your bulletin this morning, or you give on-line here:

Donate: One Great Hour of Sharing

Resource information: One Great Hour of Sharing

The Mission Team is organizing for tornado relief outreach:



National Response Team from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is deploying to address needs and form partnerships for ongoing support in MS. 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

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.

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 Volunteer Registration

Camp Noah needs a few more volunteers...

Camp Noah is coming to Princeton **June 12-16** and we need your help.

Camp Noah is a camp for children who have experienced trauma or lived through a disaster. The Red Cross, Lutheran Social Services and Central Presbyterian Church are partnering to bring this fabulous program to Caldwell Co KY to serve children who have been impacted by the 12/21 tornado. The truth is all the children in the county have been impacted to some degree.

We are in need of volunteers! Please see the link below to register, as a background check (necessary for all volunteers who work with children these days) will need to be completed. You don't have to be a teacher, social worker or counselor to volunteer. There is an opportunity to use any skill set you might have. Also, please help get the word out to children who have completed kindergarten thru 5th grade! Many thanks to Stacey Menser and Janie Tomek for leading up this effort! Volunteer Hub for Camp Noah

Upcoming mission opportunities will include

Back to Buckhorn in the fall. John Mahan is in touch with their needs and the possibility of partnering with other groups this October.

We will continue to help with meals for smaller groups serving our community in tornado relief. at the Christian Church as we can.

News from Session

- The **Finance Committee** has amended the yearly budget to reflect an adjustment to the choir director salary and to cover the cost of a mandated telephone in the elevator. This will result in (4130) operating loss from the original budget.
- The **Trustees** are modifying the kitchenette in the office hallway to update the microwave and free up counter space for the pastor and the office manager.
- The **Tasks Force decorators** will begin parlor design and placement of new signs in office basement soon. We thank Bebby Lewis and Lucy Stevens for overseeing this project.
- The Calvert situation remains difficult. Having lost their home to fire, they are temporarily in a relatives home, but that's not permanent. Jenny Franke is helping them navigate possible solutions.
- Presbytery is looking at 2 possible international missions address the "Living Water" initiative. More news on these projects to come.

We have received thank you notes from:

Christ Tabernacle for our support of the Community Food Pantry **The Junior Class** for our support of their spring projects.

This weeks Birthdays and Anniversaries



25th - Steve Fortenberry, Beth Kanipe, Buz Taylor