



## Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

**Today, March 31, 2019, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent.** The Scripture Lessons are Matthew 6:1-18, and the Proclamation of the Word is entitled "Disciples: Prayer."

**Point to Ponder:** This week, ask yourself, "In my prayers, do I trust God to know how best to answer?"

**Point of Action:** This week, practice short prayers, trusting God to know the details and how best to answer.

### Meetings and Activities This Week

Today		4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent
	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	9:30 am	An Exercise in Yoga
	3:00 pm	Mad Hatters
	6:30 pm	Spiritual Life Committee
	7:00 pm	OCD Support Group
Wednesday	9:30 am	Prayers and Squares
Thursday	10:00 am	Property Team Meeting
	6:30 pm	Believers
	6:30 pm	LAP Quilters
	7:30 pm	Celebration Choir
Sunday		5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent
		Change for Change
	10:00 am	Worship

### Next Sunday

**Sunday, April 7, 2019, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent.** The Scripture Lessons are Matthew 6: 19-34, and the Proclamation of the Word is entitled "Disciples: Treasure." We will be collecting our monthly Change for Change to support children's ministry.

### Announcements

**Let Us Know.** When you have prayer requests, would like a visit, are going to be out of town, or have a change in your contact information, please fill out a Communication Update form (next to the guest register) and place it in the box.

**Prayer Requests** may be made using several methods. You may call or email the office, send an email prayer request (look on back page of these announcements for details), or you may fill out a pink slip that is available at the Commitment Center and turn it in at either the sound desk or the church office.

**Check out "The Senior Stop"** on the corner wall near the Commitment Center. It is full of helpful information on services available for our senior members.

**Weekly Reminders.** Delta sends out weekly email reminders of upcoming worship services and other events. If you are not currently receiving these emails and would like to, please contact the church office at [office@deltapresby.org](mailto:office@deltapresby.org) and we will add you to the list.

**Visit the Commitment Center** and sign up to:

- Help with **Sunday Coffee Hour**
- Support **Advent House Meals** (for the homeless in Lansing) by providing food, assembling sandwiches
- Help in the **Toddler Room**
- Attend the **Easter Sunday Breakfast**

**Visit the blue Friday Night Fun** bulletin board and sign up to:

- Help with **Friday Night Fun, 6-9 pm, April 12, 2019**

**Friday Night Fun.** Our next Friday Night Fun is Friday, April 12, 6:00-9:00 pm. Sign up at the blue bulletin board to help.

**Toddler Room.** We have a sign-up sheet at the Commitment Center for people to help in the Toddler Room during worship.

**Easter Garden.** TODAY is your last chance to order flowers for the Easter Garden. If you do not wish to order flowers, you may purchase and bring in your own flowers for this garden. Order forms are at the Commitment Center.

## Adult Education

**Living Christianity: Challenging Conversations.** Delta is inviting the community to join us for a series of forums in which we will consider current issues from a Christian perspective. The forums will start with a video to present information and give us background. Then people with expertise in the subject will be available to answer questions and guide our discussions. All perspectives are welcome to join us in an atmosphere of respect and understanding. Our next forum will be Apr. 14: Gun Safety, 4-6 pm. Child Care will be provided.

**An Exercise in Yoga**, led by Jane Thomas, meets on Mondays at 9:30-10:30 am. The class is held in the multi-purpose room, so please use the downstairs entrance at the back of the building.

### Opportunities to Serve at Delta and Beyond

**Kids Hope, USA.** If you are interested in mentoring an at-risk child, please contact Jan or Roger Small, 323-9238.

**Mad Hatters, Knitting & Crocheting** service group is meeting in the La Leche room downstairs on Mondays, 3-5 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Flora Gilbert at 517-708-0529.

**Prayers and Squares** is the new name for the Delta Quilters, who meet on Wednesdays, 9:30 am.

**Coffee Hour.** We are inviting the congregation to help with the coffee time following worship. Please sign up at the Commitment Center.

**Mission Project for April & May.** During the months of April & May, we will be collecting Personal Needs Kits for Women. These kits will include a small tote bag and personal needs items. Check out the list of items at the Commitment Center. (The small tote bags will be provided by Mission Committee.) The finished kits will be donated to Advent House Ministries.

## Lenten Schedule

**Palm/Passion Sunday** join us on Sunday, April 14 at 10:00 am as we celebrate Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem and remember some aspects of his suffering.

**Maundy Thursday** will be April 18 at 7:00 pm. We will share in communion and then remember Jesus' suffering with a Tenebrae service, a dramatic descent into darkness.

**Good Friday** we will join with other area churches at 7:00 pm at First United Methodist Church at the corner of Waverly and Delta River Drive to remember Christ's suffering and death. If you would like to sing in the choir, rehearsal is at 6:00 pm.

**Easter Breakfast** begins our celebration of the resurrection at 8:15-9:30 am on April 21. Please sign up at the Commitment Center if you plan to attend and indicate number of people attending.

**Easter Worship** is April 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00. Bells and choir will help us celebrate Christ's resurrection. We will also receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering.

**One Great Hour of Sharing.** Around the world, 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. You may use the special envelopes in your pledge packet or the OGHS envelopes found at the Commitment Center.

## CHURCH STAFF

Wendy S. Pratt, Pastor  
Jane Elsinga, Clerk of Session  
Sarah Dymond, Handbell Choir Dir.  
Mark McElwee, Adult Choir Dir.     Frederick Isaac, Accompanist  
Fran Johnston, Financial Secretary     Joe Frick, Treasurer  
Art Kelley, Website Coordinator  
Jan & Roger Small, Program Co-Directors of KIDS HOPE USA  
Jane Thomas, Assistant Director of KIDS HOPE USA  
Jillien Bishop, Child Care Provider

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## SESSION MEMBERS

### Class of '19

Kerri Buchanan  
Doug Dykstra  
Sharon VanCourt

### Class of '20

Jane Elsinga  
Jack Keys  
Jane Thomas

### Class of '21

Meredith Jackson

## DEACONS

### Class of '19

Kris Fry  
Mark McElwee  
Rhonda Fort

### Class of '20

Holly Brock  
Jim Dexter  
Jon Vogler

### Class of '21

John Elsinga  
Jan Small

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We want to minister to you and support you, so if you, someone in your family, or others are in the hospital or in need of a visit or prayer, please contact the office or your deacon.

**Email Prayers.** If you would like to receive email prayer requests, send an email to [deltaprays@gmail.com](mailto:deltaprays@gmail.com) indicating your interest. If you have a situation in need of prayer, send an email to [deltaprays@gmail.com](mailto:deltaprays@gmail.com) and we will send it out to those who have expressed a willingness to pray.

Wendy's day off is Friday. If you need to contact Wendy, her home phone is 721-1075, or she can be reached through e-mail at [wendy@deltapresby.org](mailto:wendy@deltapresby.org). Please feel free to contact her at any time if you have an emergency.

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## Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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## Delta Presbyterian Church

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## Servants

### Lay Leaders

Today: Joe Frick  
Mar.31: Meredith Jackson

### Communion Servers

Thurs., Apr. 18: Meads, Smalls

### Door Greeters

Today: Seppalas  
Mar. 31: Smalls

## Prayer Care, March 24, 2019

Mary Jo K., surgery recovery  
Chuck J., surgery recovery  
Jack K., carpal tunnel surgery recovery  
Carolyn E., knee pain  
Family of Lucille J., Lucille died March 21, aunt of Ellen J.  
Shirley, new cancer treatment, neighbor of V.  
Shirley C., hospice care, sister of Roger L.  
Elizabeth N., recovering from pneumonia, on oxygen 24/7  
Jackie B., ongoing pain  
Casey & Roy C., health, financial & transportation issues, friends of Jon V.  
Brenda K., recovery from knee surgery, friend of Jon V.  
Chuck J., health issues, brother of Sharon M.'s late friend Mitch  
Jimmy T., dealing with death of friend, friend of Sharon M.  
Beth G., cancer, pastor of Leslie Congregational United Church of Christ, friend of Joe & Trudie F.

## Continuing Prayers, March 24, 2019

Marianne O., infection due to kidney transplant  
Kathy P., stroke recovery, rehab at Masonic Home, Alma  
Sue K., recovery & rehab, broken left arm  
Flora G., health concerns  
Adam L., Roger & Holly L.  
Parents of Joe G., both injured in falls, friends of Jon V.  
Kaleb B., non-Hodgkins lymphoma, 5 year old son of Todd and Dustie B., friends of Frank & Ellen J.

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**Cards may be sent** to Kathy Peters at: Kathy Peters, c/o Mike Peters, 980 W. Buchanan Rd., Ithaca, MI 48847

Each week, the Presbytery of Lake Michigan lifts one of our faith communities in



prayer as part of their mission in Christ. This week, the Spring Lake Presbyterian Church seeks prayers for:

- **Our secretary, Ruth**, who recently lost her mother following an extended illness.
- **Our pastor, Rev. Dan**, who lost his uncle for whom he had been a caregiver.
- **Our congregation members** who are facing health concerns.
- **Our growing staff** as we continue building the preschool and infant daycare ministries in our Kinderkirk Preschool and Daycare.
- **Our congregational efforts** at outreach via the radio and live-streaming services.

**Spring Lake Presbyterian Church—tucked on the corner of Savidge and DeWitt Street—is the site of almost constant activities from our playground and pavilion (that many people presume is a public park) to indoor exercise groups. You can join topical discussions, make crafts, volunteer...or just observe life. Potlucks, auctions, concerts, educational programs and other events happen during the year.**

**What we believe:**

- We are a member of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) which means that we respect a breadth of perspectives under the umbrella of the Christian Faith.
- We refer to ourselves as “Progressive” and “Christ-Centric,” which is to say that we attempt to follow the example of Jesus as we welcome people from all walks of life, regardless of sexuality or race (or other issues that seem to separate us) into our faith community.
- We believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God through which we seek guidance and direction; recognizing that it has also been used as a justification by sinful people to harm others.
- We seek in the church, through worship, study, dialog and contemplation to grow mature in our faith and to be the people God is calling us to be in the world. We do not claim to be perfect and we acknowledge this is our lifelong struggle.
- We do not seek to be political, but we attempt to hold up a desire for justice, mercy and humility in the world where Jesus calls us to live out these principles.