

4/9/26

# Fellowship Presbyterian Church

## Welcome Coco and Kathy!!



Sunday we welcomed our newest members Coco Readdick and Kathy Bailey. Thank you for joining our church family!

# Thriving Congregations

Over the last two and a half years the Thriving Congregations team has listened to our congregation and learned from evangelism leaders to develop a plan for the future of our congregation focused on meeting our gifts with needs of our community.

This Sunday they will share with you what they have learned and where we are going. We hope you will make plans to be here on Sunday as they lead us in worship and share their vision for the future.

## Bond Elementary School

One of the core missions for our future is to continue to nurture our relationship with Bond Elementary School. Over the next few weeks we will be supporting teachers and students in a number of ways.

Next week is their annual book fair, and once again we have the ability to provide a book for every child using our local benevolence trust. Last year, we used this fund for our Bed Build. We hope to use it for another project later this year.

On May 7 we will once again sponsor their Teacher Appreciation Lunch from Honey Baked Ham. This will be our 4<sup>th</sup> year sponsoring this event.

On May 3 during worship we will honor the work of Brenetta Lawrence. She is retiring after serving nearly 30 years in the Leon County School System. Without her hardwork and relationship building Bond would not have risen from a “D” grade to a “B” grade over the last four years. We are grateful for her and our partnership. We hope to see on May 3.

# Capital Area Justice Ministry

This year our community has a unique opportunity, three of the five city commission seats will be on the ballot. Currently, there are 13 candidates running for 3 seats. Right now I know next to nothing about any of the candidates. And I know even less about their views on the issues that are important to the Justice Ministry.

For the Nehemiah Action this year we will hold a candidate forum where we will focus on our issues, we are calling it the Nehemiah InterAction.

All city commission candidates have been invited to participate. Our people need to know how these new voices will address the concerns that keep our community up at night. This is an opportunity to use our people power to ensure our city comes up with plan for affordable housing; that they actually implement a gun violence INTERRUPTION plan; that we protect our most vulnerable who are hungry; those who need help for mental health issues; and we support our immigrant neighbors serving our community.

We hope you will join us for the Pep Rally on March 24 to find out more. Begin inviting your friends and neighbors today to the Nehemiah InterAction to hear from the candidates.

**Nehemiah Interaction April 21 @ 6pm  
2344 Lake Bradford Rd. 32310**

Register by clicking here: <https://www.capitalareajustice.org/event/2026-nehemiah-action/#rsvp-now>

# VBS is coming!!! July 20-24



Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms.

We need many volunteers to make this week happen, so please consider what area you can share your time and talents. Registration is now open. Please click the link to register as a volunteer or register a child to participate.

<https://vbspro.events/p/fellowship>

We have another planned workshop to make decorations at Killlearn Methodist Church on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm. Your help is very much appreciated! Please message Heather Kidd at (850)510-6281 with any questions or interest in volunteering.

# Dogwood Acres Summer Camp

Dogwood's staff gently encourages children and youth to explore their beliefs and relationship with God, as they're ready, and to continue building their sense of accomplishment, appreciation of others' abilities, and a new perspective on what they're capable of achieving. It is our goal to provide an environment in which individuals and groups can grow in Christian faith as they experience fellowship and recreation in an outdoor ministry setting. Find more information at <https://www.dogwoodacres.org/summer/>.

## Dates

## Programs

Week 1: June 21-26 HS Youth  
Week 2: July 5-10 2-8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Week 3: July 12-17 2-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Intro: entering 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (3 nights)  
Discovery: entering 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Adventure: entering 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Interested? Let the office know! The youth will not be going on a mission trip this summer. If your child or youth wants to attend we would like to help send them to camp and grow in their faith.

## YOUTH DINNER VOLUNTEERS

There are only TWO  
Youth Group meetings left.  
Volunteer to provide  
dinner for May 3rd:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CA8A82EABFF2-58617002-fellowship#/>

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# NEWS TO KNOW

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### April & May Schedule

**Apr 19 - Thriving Congregations Worship Service**

**Apr 26 - Confirmation Sunday**

**May 5 - May Day Celebration**

**May 10 - Mother's Day**

**May 17 - A.J.'s Last Sunday before Sabbatical**

 JOIN **ZOOM** MEETINGS 

### CENTSABILITY SUNDAY

The Cents-Ability Offering will return this Sunday.  
The jar will be in the foyer to receive your "cents"  
for the Presbytery's feeding program.

**BUNCO  
MONDAYS**  
2:30PM ZOOM

## NEWS TO KNOW

**Sunday, April 19:**

CENTSABILITY SUNDAY  
THRIVING CONGREGATIONS

9:30AM Sunday School  
10:30AM Worship  
11:30AM Fellowship Hour  
11:45AM Session  
5:00PM Synago Square  
5:30PM Youth Group

**Monday, April 20:**

2:30PM Bunco (Zoom)

**Wednesday, April 22:**

6:30PM Choir

**Sunday, April 26:**

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

9:30AM Sunday School  
Session  
10:30AM Worship  
11:30AM Fellowship Hour

Livestream is available on [YouTube](#).

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Church Family

Dick Buys      Fisher, Audree, & Josh Yaney      Cecelia Novak  
Duane Woods      Larry Everett      Wanda Alford  
Tom Shields

### Friends of Family

Kim McDaniel      Gloria Byard  
and Rosey Jones (friend)      (Joyce Blocker)  
(Jan Bell)      Freightlin Cox, Kevin Sattler  
Dan & Joanne Bohl, Ashley Moore      (Elaine Wilbur)  
(Alice & Chuck Saunders)      Jill Dooley & Family,  
Ruth Jamieson (Rita Schumm)      Tammy, Nureatha, Kim,  
Heather Bailey Ray, Lisa &      Cathy, Gregory, Nancy  
Mrs. Kristine Joubert      (Laura Harrison)  
(Lisa and Lacy Bigham)      MaryAnn King (mother),  
Tim and Aunt Liz Williford,      Patrice High-Pinder,  
Chris Beers (neighbor)      Thomas High  
(Cochran & Beth Keating)      (Diane Bodenhamer)  
Nikita Mac      Karen & Joe Rodesta (cousins)  
(Jamie Seidman McDonnell)      (Rita Sockman)  
Dan Mercer      Carol (sister)  
(Beth & John Mercer)      (Elaine Hebenthal)  
Charlie Sinclair      Phil Ashley (father), Sarah White  
(Jane Fletcher)      (Phillip Ashley)  
Carolyn Parsons      Bob Roller  
(Michele & David Reed)      (Duane & Shannon Woods)  
Shelia (niece)      Daniel Godwin (David's brother)  
(Louise Sadler)      (The Godwins)  
Minne Lee Vann (mother)  
(Gerome Brown)      All Military & Families,  
Robert Gamble & This Child Here

## FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Rev. A.J. Mealor

Phillip Ashley

Karey Fowler

Kim Bergstresser

Gerome Brown

Pastor

Music Director

Organist

Office and Finance Manager

Sexton

If you have a prayer concern or celebration, or are interested in becoming a part of this rewarding ministry, please call the office at (850) 893-0617 or send an email to [fellowshipprayer24@gmail.com](mailto:fellowshipprayer24@gmail.com).

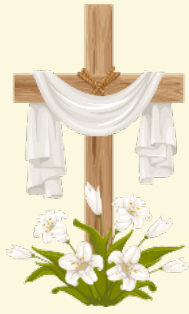
### The Session

Jan Bell, Cliff Jordan,  
Melissa Wyllie Beth Keating,  
Mike Novak, Joyce Blocker,  
Shannon Woods, Heather Kidd,  
Jamie Seidman McDonnell  
CLERK: Beth Keating

### The Diaconate

Louise Sadler, Laura Hall,  
Rita Schumm, Cathy Sheridan,  
JoAnn Schlorholtz,  
Melanie Jordan

TREASURER: Hillman Brannon



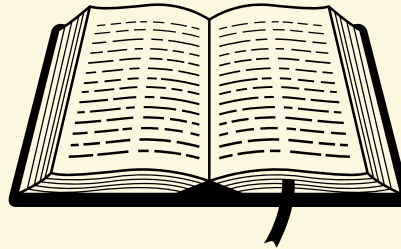
# April



## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### APRIL 19

Luke 4:16-21  
Matthew 28:16-20



### APRIL 26

Ezekiel 34:7-15  
Psalm 100  
1 Peter 2:19-25  
John 10:1-10

#### Ushers:

Apr 19 - Jessica & Abbey Novak  
Apr 26 - Cliff Jordan/Joyce  
May 3 - Arlene/Linda Davis  
May 10 - Cathy Sheridan/Jan B

#### Counters:

Apr 19 - Tara B/Carolyn Hoe  
Apr 26 - Laura H/Gail Hill  
May 3 - Sarah Benson/Jan  
May 10 - Jan Bell/Tricia Holmes

#### Greeters:

Apr 19 - Louise Sadler  
Apr 26 - Laura Harrison  
May 3 - Joyce Blocker  
May 10 - Ben Godwin

#### Fellowship Hour

Apr 19 - Kathy Bailey  
& The Sheridans  
Apr 26 - Confirmation Sunday  
May 3 - May Day  
May 10 - Men of the Church

Please sign-up in the  
Fellowship Hall to host  
Fellowship Hour.

#### Deacon:

Rita Schumm

#### AV:

Apr 19 - Nathan/Donna/Melissa  
Apr 26 - Nathan/Cochran/John

#### Lay Leader:

Apr 19 - Thriving  
Congregations Committee  
Apr 26 - Confirmation Class  
May 3 - Dottie Lee  
May 10 - Sarah Godwin

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1: Angelyn Bagwell  
3: Pam Bodin  
6: Mary Bowers  
7: Mary Wheeler  
7: Matti Seidman  
7: Melissa Wyllie

10: Bill Bell  
15: Cathy Sheridan  
15: Shannon Woods  
17: Jan Everett  
17: Jane Fletcher

22: Ann Burris  
22: Nancy Herndon  
22: Marie Currier  
25: Lou Jerrett  
26: Becca Bertoch  
29: Macyn Melgaard  
29: David Reed



# April

**JESUS**  
HAS RISEN

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<b>29</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 9:30 AM Sunday School Confirmation Unity Circle 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour 5:30PM Youth Group	<b>30</b> Yoga 9:00AM  Bridge 12:15 PM  Bunco 2:30PM  Worship Cmte 7PM Scouts 7PM	<b>31</b>  Yoga 10AM	<b>1</b>  Yoga 9:00 AM  Bridge 12:15 PM	<b>2</b>  Yoga 10:00 AM  <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY 6PM</b>	<b>3</b>  Bridge 12:15 PM  <b>GOOD FRIDAY 6PM</b>	<b>4</b>  Tai Chi 5:00 PM
<b>5</b> <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 7:00 Sunrise Service 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Fellowship Hour	<b>6</b> Yoga 9:00 AM Bridge 12:15 PM Bunco 2:30 PM  CE Meeting Zoom 7PM  Scouts 7:00 PM	<b>7</b>  Yoga 10AM	<b>8</b> Yoga 9:00 AM  Newcomers Lunch 10AM-1PM  Bridge 2PM  Choir 6:30PM	<b>9</b>  Yoga 10AM  Cub Scouts 6:30 PM	<b>10</b>  Bridge 12:15 PM	<b>11</b>  Harmony Circle 10AM  Capital City Prep Prom ALL DAY
<b>12</b> 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Fellowship Hall  5:30 Youth Group	<b>13</b> Yoga 9:00 AM Bridge 12:15 PM Music Makers 2:00 Bunco 2:30 PM Scouts 7PM	<b>14</b> Yoga 10AM  Joy Circle 10:00 AM  Senior Friends 12PM	<b>15</b>  Bridge 12:15PM  Choir 6:30 PM	<b>16</b>  Yoga 10AM  Cub Scouts 6:30 PM	<b>17</b>  Bridge 12:15 PM	<b>18</b>  Tai Chi 5PM
<b>19</b> <b>CENTSABILITY SUNDAY</b> 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Fellowship Hour 12:00PM Session  5:00 Synago Square 5:30PM Youth Group	<b>20</b> Yoga 9:00 AM Bridge 12:15 PM Music Makers 2:00 Bunco 2:30 PM Scouts 7PM	<b>21</b>  Yoga 10AM	<b>22</b> Yoga 9:00 AM Bridge 12:15 PM Choir 6:30PM	<b>23</b>  Yoga 10:00 AM	<b>24</b>  Bridge 12:15 PM	<b>25</b>  Car Wash & Bake Sale 9-11am  Cub Scouts AOL Crossover 4-7pm
<b>26</b> <b>CONFIRMATION SUNDAY</b> 9:30AM Sunday School Unity Circle 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Fellowship Hour	<b>27</b> Yoga 9:00 AM Bridge 12:15 PM Music Makers 2:00 Bunco 2:30 PM Scouts 7:00PM	<b>28</b>  Yoga 10AM  PWCT 4:30 PM	<b>29</b> Yoga 9:00 AM Bridge 12:15 PM Choir 6:30PM	<b>30</b> Yoga 10:00 AM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM	<b>1</b>  Bridge 12:15 PM	<b>2</b>