



First Presbyterian Church  
of Metuchen

Where God's Love Welcomes All

APRIL 2022

# Parish News

## PASTOR'S PEACE

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*Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.' So God created humankind in God's image, in the image of God, God created them; male and female God created them.*

*God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so.*

*God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.*

- Genesis 1:26-31

In the beginning, God created the heavens and sculpted the earth so that there would be high places to catch the rain and snow, glaciers and aquifers to store the abundance, and rivers, streams and rivulets to carry the goodness to all the living things that God created. And God saw that it was good.

As we approach Earth Day on April 22, we approach another opportunity to examine how we have lived into the call to care for the goodness of God's creation.

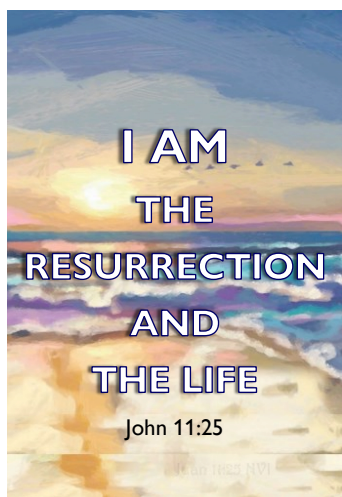
There is cause to pause and lament that the damage of climate change has become such a destructive force to our planet. That we have flattened the high places, made grids upon the land and redirected the flowing waters. The perfected basins that God created to catch the rain and snow no longer define the people, animals and plants. We have created things in the chaos, but we can't call it good.

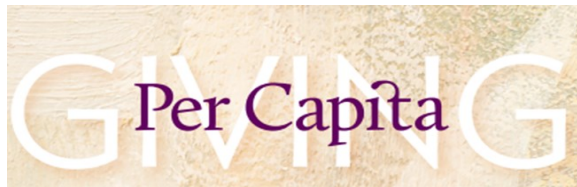
There is cause to pause and remember that this is why the call to care for the goodness of God's creation is such an important one for the church. The active agents in climate change impact us and our neighbors, animal life, and our ecosystem.

So long as fossil fuel companies are hurting our neighbors, this is a church issue. So long as all of our futures are at stake because of the consumption of a few, this is a church issue. So long as people of color and poor communities are impacted first and worst by climate change, this is a church issue.

There is cause to pause and give thanks that when we are working for climate justice and the goodness of creation, we're putting our faith into action.

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Please remember to submit your Per Capita 2022. Our first payment to the Presbytery of \$6,750 is due. You may remit your per capita contribution in various ways, paying the full amount for the year for each adult or confirmed youth (\$40 per member) in your household or family. You can send your check (payable to the church), using the special envelope you received by either mailing or dropping off at the church. If you prefer electronic giving, you may text an amount to (732) 479-8245 or go to [fpcweb.org/give](http://fpcweb.org/give). Vanco is our 3rd party vendor for online giving.

A big thank you to those who have already submitted their Per Capita.

***“Per Capita is crucial to the overall health of the PC(USA), because it binds presbyteries, synods, and congregations together in one church.”***

— J. Herbert Nelson, II,  
Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the PC(USA)



As we venture out into the post-COVID “normal,” the Board of Deacons welcomes you to the updated Session Room and Chapel for fellowship and hospitality following in-person worship. We hope to expand into the Chapel Garden when the weather warms up. Let’s get back to seeing each other and enjoying a moment together.

The following article\* summarizes nicely.

#### **The 4 C’s of Fellowship:**

##### **Coffee, Community, Comfort, and Church**

When it comes to bringing religious communities together, coffee, community, comfort, and church are the foundation of fellowship across religions and denominations. Having a high-quality coffee hour at your church attracts members, encourages ongoing bonding and stimulates growth.

**COFFEE:** Coffee is more than just a java jump in the morning; it’s something we all have in common. Coffee is a tradition that brings people together. When enjoyed at church, it fuels fellowship and underscores the importance of community, not to mention lifting the spirit.



- As a result of continuing improvements to the State of NJ CALI score for the Central East region, Session moved to make masks optional throughout the entire church campus effective 20 March 2022, with the exception of the balcony in the Sanctuary during Sunday Morning Worship service. The balcony is designated as a socially distanced space during Sunday Worship service where masks will be required. Session also moved to resume space rentals throughout the church campus to outside groups. Session noted COVID-19 matters may require more discussion going forward.
- Session approved a resolution retroactive to 1 January 2022 requested by Elder Linda Boughton, Chair of the Personnel Commission to adopt a Further Flexible Spending Account as part of the Church Staff employee benefit plan.
- Elder Jim Krauszer, President of the Trustees and Chair of Finance Commission reported FPC-M received the two cancelled Social Center Building Campaign mortgages from Manasquan Bank which were entirely paid off in October 2021.

**COMMUNITY:** Coffee ministries are about more than just hot beverages. It’s about inviting visitors to stay a little longer, get to know each other better, as we strive to strengthen the bonds of the church community.

**COMFORT:** Coffee is like liquid courage that helps people interact with each other. When you look over and another person is holding the same cup, it’s a simple yet profound connection. It doesn’t matter if you’re 20 or 100, coffee is an unassuming beverage. Suddenly, different generations are getting to know each other at coffee hours, smiling, laughing, and sharing. New friendships form, couples greet each other, and parents exchange stories as their children play.

**CHURCH:** Coffee hours have been used by religious organizations for decades. Church is always the heart, but coffee is akin to the lifeblood of the community. Sure, members come to worship, but they stay afterward for a cup of Joe. The simple scent of fresh brew can entice people of all ages to stay, mingle with each other, or perhaps sit and flip through the church directory. It’s good old-fashioned hospitality, welcoming long-term members and new visitors alike.

\*Edited from: <https://www.churchdirectories.lifetouch.com/4-c-s-fellowship-coffee-community-comfort-and-church>



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### LENTEN CONCERT SERIES

**APRIL 6 , Noon**

**Brenda Day, Organ**

Our very own Music Minister will give an organ recital on the last Lenten Noonday series. This concert is dedicated to the people of Ukraine. A free will collection box will be on hand for anyone who wishes to donate towards the relief efforts of the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.



*Palm*  
SUNDAY

**April 10 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary**

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering and Fish Banks will be received at this Worship Service.

**Noon** Indonesian Language Worship Service led by Rev. Ferdinanda Pattipeilohy.



*Maundy*  
THURSDAY

**APRIL 14 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary**  
**Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service**

The last hours of Jesus' life on earth will be remembered through scripture, in song and with music by our Concord Handbell Ringers, together with the Junior and Senior Chords. The service will be concluded with the extinguishing of lights. Holy Communion will be celebrated in this service.



*Good*  
FRIDAY

**APRIL 15 7:00 p.m.**

**In the Sanctuary**

Indonesian Language Worship Service of Darkness and Holy Communion led by Rev. Hennie Wattimena.



*Easter*  
SUNDAY

**APRIL 17 7:00 a.m.**

**Sunrise Worship Service**

Weather permitting, we will worship outdoors in the cemetery on Easter morning with the Westminster Choir and guitars. If necessary the service will move indoors.

**9:30 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary**

It will be a glorious celebration with Children choirs, Senior Choir, Brass and Handbells, and Communion. Nursery care will be available. Children ages 3 to 4th grade will be in the Social Center and treated to a puppet show, crafts and egg hunt.

**Noon Indonesian Worship Service and Holy Communion**

Rev. Hennie Wattimena will lead the service with the Indonesian Fellowship Nazareth Choir singing and Communion by Intinction celebrated.

*Pastor's Peace Continuation from page 1:*

**DID YOU KNOW...**that one way we can engage in social change is by protecting and nurturing our environment?

We can do that through simple actions like recycling, by using reusable containers in our homes, by walking to church instead of driving? We can do that through actions like supporting our very own community garden that feeds our local system as well as people. We can also do that by protecting some of the smallest victims of climate change: honey bees.

In her February Pastor's Peace, Rev. Bair spoke about how truly vital bees are to our very food chain and survival. Thus, to commemorate Earth Day weekend on April 24, we will unite as a concerned and curious congregation at Rutgers to learn about the effects of climate change on our local pollination patterns from New Jersey beekeepers. We will experience first-hand how amazing these "super-organisms" are and find out what we can do to help. It promises to "bee" an enlightening experience for FPC members of all ages, so we truly hope you'll join Rev. Bair and the Social Justice Committee.

As we finalize details of this trip, **mark your calendar to visit the bees at Rutgers on April 24 at 1:00 pm.** Stay tuned!



# ADULT ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

## HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY



**April 4, Monday  
7:00 p.m.  
In the PW Lounge  
and by Zoom**

Learn from the women in Matthew's genealogy of Jesus. **EVERYONE IS INVITED!** We always have room!

In this month's **Lesson Seven**, we will get to know more of Mary, Jesus' mother. The biblical account reveals a young girl, in danger of complete disgrace yet had the faith and courage to say "Yes" to God. The **Scripture text** is from Matthew 1: 18 to 2:23

Two more lessons remain until June. It's never too late to join. Deb Teall leads the study.

**The lessons may be accessed from our website:**

<https://fpcmetuchen.org/ministries/presbyterian-women>

**Those joining us by Zoom may use the link below:**

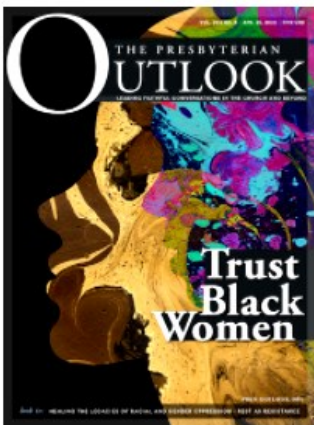
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81327982944?pwd=bHljVXo1bYtaUnN3RGxRdTJPMXJHQTO9>

**Use meeting ID: 813 2798 2944 Passcode: PW270**

Call, text or email Deb Teall to sign up:

Cell: 908.917.3990 | Email: [debteall@optonline.net](mailto:debteall@optonline.net)

## Coming this April from Presbyterian Outlook



A special issue will be released by the Presbyterian Outlook where the entire content will be turned over to Black women to highlight and center the voices of these trustworthy leaders, scholars, theologians, writers and artists.

Extra copies have been ordered and will be available

by mid-April. Get your copy early from the Church office foyer while it is available.



## A Weekly Pastoral Bible Study On the Teachings of Jesus

Wednesdays @10:30 a.m.

PW Lounge / By Zoom

With Rev. Fred Garry

There is always room for anyone and everyone!

The weekly lessons are available from our website. Click on <http://www.fpcweb.org/resources/study-resources/> and look for the Gospel Stories Wednesday Bible Study for the latest material.

Join in person or virtually by Zoom using the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84711673419>

Use Meeting ID: 847 1167 3419



Load up on Rev. Garry's signature breakfast and, most of all, start your day with the fellowship, great conversations and shared laughter!

Call us in the church office if you have any questions.



We are delighted to have our choirs back. Pictured above is the Senior Choir during the March 20 worship service. We hope this encourages you to return and worship in person.

## CHURCH NEWS



**MAY 15 and  
MAY 22  
10:40 am  
In the Library &  
With Zoom Option**

Membership at the First Presbyterian Church of Metuchen is a living legacy. By becoming a member you are joining your faith to over 300 years of worship and service here in Metuchen and the greater community.

We are excited to offer this series of New Member Classes to adults interested in becoming members of the First Presbyterian Church of Metuchen.

They will meet with Rev. Garry to explore what it means to be Presbyterian, what are the opportunities to be part of ministry, and what mission projects and efforts are currently under way for people of all ages.

If you or someone you know would like to attend these classes, even to get answers to your questions, contact us in the church office.

Call: (732) 491-2300 or email: [fpc@fpcweb.org](mailto:fpc@fpcweb.org)

The Zoom details will be emailed closer to the date to those availing of this option.

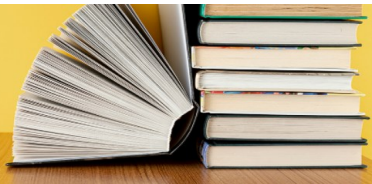
**For Families of the  
First Presbyterian Church of Metuchen  
and Community Nursery School  
Hop on over and have some fun!**

**Easter Egg Hunt  
April 17<sup>th</sup>, 10:30-11:00 am  
Social Center Ball Field**



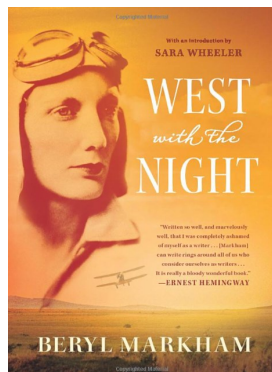
Come visit our ball field on Easter morning. Each child will be given a bag for the egg hunt. Families are encouraged to walk their child onto the field in search for eggs.

### SUNDAY BOOK CLUB



The Sunday Book Club will have their last meeting for the season and will discuss the 1942 memoir of Beryl Markham in her book "West with the Night." Hope you can join as we look forward to a rich and insightful discussions.

**Questions?** Please contact Mary Kay Dangremond at: [mk.VAtrout@gmail.com](mailto:mk.VAtrout@gmail.com)



### FOOD PANTRY EASTER BASKETS

Join us, **Tuesday, April 12 from 7:00-8:30 pm** to pack Easter Dinner baskets for 100 local families in need!

On April 13, from 9:00 to 11:00 am, we will distribute the baskets along with supermarket gift cards to each family so they can enjoy a holiday meal.

#### Donations needed:

Jiffy cornbread mix  
Tomato sauce  
Pasta  
Canned soup and  
Small denomination  
supermarket gift cards



**THANK YOU!**



FROM YOUR: *DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION*

*We are God's children, fearfully and wonderfully made.*

**1st TUESDAY** (Age 4 years thru 2nd Grade)

**April 5<sup>th</sup> / 4:30—5:00 pm**

Meets in the Library, Education Building

**JUNIOR CLUB** (For 3rd to 6th Grade)

**April 7<sup>th</sup> / 5:30 - 6:15 pm**

Meets in Rooms 105/106, Education Building

**K through 4th Grade****LEGO SUNDAYS**

**April 10th**

**In the Social Center**

**With JEN EDGE**

Lego Sunday was in full swing with Mr. Tom Yak.

At each lesson, the children are interpreting the Bible Stories onto their Lego boards. As seen here some of the children placed Jesus on a mountain using their Legos and told us Jesus was telling stories to the people from the mountain.

How creative!



We are so grateful to the many leaders who have joined in at teaching these lessons and guiding the children.

**Save the date!****Monthly Coffee Chat with Grace**

**May 15th @ 10:30 a.m.**

Our Senior High Group enjoyed themselves last month whipping up some Irish cupcakes! They will meet again on May 15th.



**SAVE THE DATE !**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022**



**JUNE 27 TO JULY 1, 2022**

**MON.- THURS. 9-11:45 A.M. / FRI. 9-10:30 A.M.**

**OPEN TO CHILDREN ENTERING K TO 6TH GRADE**

Volunteers are greatly needed for decorations, leadership, clean up, break down. VBS is an outreach to our community...come and join the fun!

Let us know where you wish to volunteer. Contact CE Director Nancy Leardi.

Questions? Contact your CE Director, Nancy Leardi:  
 (732) 491-2264 or [nleardi@fpcweb.org](mailto:nleardi@fpcweb.org)





## WEDNESDAY YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

5:00-6:00 pm	Junior High
6:00-6:30 pm	Jr. & Sr. High Combined Dinner
6:30-7:00 pm	Westminster Choir (Grades 7-12)
7:00-8:00 pm	Senior High
7:00-7:30 pm	Chapel Ringers (Grades 7/8)
8:00-8:30 pm	Good News Ringers (Grades 9-12)

The Youth Group packed over 220 lunches for people at Elijah's Promise experiencing food insecurity. Homeless Outreach Worker, Jason Clay, who works with clients transitioning out of homelessness, spoke to us about the impact of the money we raised and the food we packed and shared. In addition, this year we planted a Peace Pole where youth wrote reflections from the day as a reminder of the work we did and are doing alongside our neighbors experiencing hunger.

Thank you to all who planned, participated, and donated to make Famine 2022 happen. Your participation, fundraising, and service are making a difference in the lives of our direct neighbors. A total of \$4,174 was raised and is earmarked to go to FPC Food Pantry and Elijah's Promise.

In April, we will celebrate Earth Day with the congregation as we learn about our local ecosystem, beekeeping, and what plants we can nurture to impact our community garden.

If you have any questions, any ideas, want to chat, grab a coffee - you can connect with me at [abair@fpcweb.org](mailto:abair@fpcweb.org) and 989-859-2083.

Grateful to be in this ministry with you,  
Rev. Ashley Bair



### COMING UP:

- APRIL 1** Gertrude Hawk Chocolates  
Orders placed may be picked up at the church office.  
Look for Colleen Walker.
- MAY 1** Confirmation Sunday
- MAY 7** Mother's Day Car Wash
- MAY 15** Youth Sunday
- JUNE 18** Father's Day Car Wash



We have a great group of Confirmands who will be affirmed by the Session and extended the opportunity for active membership on Sunday, May 1st. During the year we explored our confession of faith: what is it that we believe? Each confirmand was encouraged to express the parts of the Apostles creed in terms of strength and belief. Please be sure to gather for Worship so to welcome our newest members!

*If interested or have questions on the Youth Program, please email [youthgroup@fpcweb.org](mailto:youthgroup@fpcweb.org)*



Unarmed peacekeepers protecting refugees in war-torn areas –  
**How do they do it?**  
 Join us on April 9 to learn how and meet the heroic members of Nonviolent Peaceforce.

## BUILDING SUSTAINABLE PEACE : A Conversation with Felicity Gray

Felicity Gray, the Advocacy Lead for Nonviolent Peaceforce in Washington, D.C. and Ph. D. scholar at the Australian National University, explains how the same non-violent peacekeeping strategies used to protect civilians in South Sudan, Myanmar, and the Philippines are now being used in Minneapolis and New York City.

Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery in the Coastlands invite all to hear this presentation about proven techniques to counter the violence and abusive attitudes growing in too many communities.

**Saturday, April 9, 10:00 a.m. till Noon**

A short Business Meeting and Officer Installation follows this presentation.

Join this Zoom meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89919922719?pwd=UU5XeHFDdVNWMTIxUkVpSENmczBtQT09>

Use Meeting ID: 899 1992 2719 Passcode: 013022

Dial by location +1 929 205 6099 (US) New York



## From PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA)



As the violence in Ukraine continues and the number of refugees grow, the priority of PDA is to provide funding to Presbyterian churches and ecumenical partners who are already providing assistance with basic items for survival. These are trusted, established partners who have the knowledge and expertise to carry out this important work. Here's how you can support PDA:

**GIVE:** To support emergency relief for those fleeing Ukraine, FPC Metuchen will continue to receive donations towards PDA's efforts. Checks can be made out to FPC Metuchen with a note "Ukraine" in the memo. You can also go to [FPCweb.org/give](https://FPCweb.org/give) and click on the Give Online button and use the Miscellaneous line.

**ACT:** Urge the U.S. government to support generous aid for refugees and civilians suffering in Ukraine, and call for engaging a diplomatic solution to the conflict.

**PRAY:** May we undergird our prayers with tangible resources to help. May we reach deeply, give generously, and welcome extravagantly. May we lift our voices in a strong and unified advocacy. May we all, even as we breathe in lament, breathe out mercy, hope and peace.

And in this Lenten season, when we walk the way toward death and resurrection, repent our complicity in cultures of violence and renew our efforts toward justice and peace.

-Rev. Dr. Laurie Kraus, Director, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Established in 1959, Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center has been central to the life of the church, not only in New Jersey but also across the country and the world. Johnsonburg is a place *"where all may gather, where all are welcomed, and where all are invited to share: gracious hospitality, joyful Christian community, and the wonder of God's creation."*

Today they are taking action to ensure that this ministry continues. A plan and a campaign **Mark the Future of Johnsonburg** was launched in 2021 with the goal to improve the infrastructure supporting their facilities, update existing housing options to accommodate people of all ages, and upgrade the site in support of a broad range of program options.

The board of Johnsonburg is rising up to this challenge and invites every church, every organization, every family and every individual to prayerfully consider supporting this effort. Pick up a copy of Johnsonburg's campaign brochure from the church office to learn more about the campaign, and how you can be part of it.



**CELEBRATING AND ENSURING THE  
 INDELIBLE MARK OF JOHNSONBURG  
 ON THE FUTURE**







## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN 2022 Spring Rummage Sale

Friday, April 29th  
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Outside sales start  
at 4:00 pm.



Saturday, April 30th  
9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Start cleaning out your closets—it's time for the Spring Rummage Sale.

**DROP OFF OF DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

Monday, April 25th through Thursday, April 28th  
from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

*Please note: Old TVs and computers will **NOT** be accepted at the Rummage Sale.*

### PW Wants YOU!

#### Volunteer at Rummage Sale and SHOP EARLY!

If you've volunteered at the Rummage Sales in the past, you know the **great bargains** we uncover. And if you give us an hour or three, helping sort clothes and household items, you can **shop at the same time**, grabbing those hot deals before the public sees them!

#### Mark your calendar for these Rummage Sale dates and times!

**Come help for as long as you want**, as many days as you want – Monday-Thursday, April 25-28, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. When you drop off your treasures for the sale, stay for a few minutes to help sort it all out.

**And if you want REAL excitement**, come help with the sale itself on Friday, April 29, 5:00 -8:00 pm, and Saturday, April 30, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm.

**We will also FEED you** – snacks all week long during set-up, dinner between 4:00-5:00 pm on Friday evening, with breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

**And when you hear on Sunday morning how much money you helped bring in for PW missions, you will feel absolutely wonderful!!!**

**To volunteer**, contact Cindy O'Neill at [mimabook@aol.com](mailto:mimabook@aol.com) or Lori Kellner at [lgkellner@gmail.com](mailto:lgkellner@gmail.com).

**Questions about PW?** Please email Deb Teall ([debteall@optonline.net](mailto:debteall@optonline.net)) or Nancy Kipnis ([njbkipnis@optonline.net](mailto:njbkipnis@optonline.net))



Celebrate Mother's Day with this meaningful gift of a special offering to the Church World Service (CWS) Blanket Fund. This gift from the heart is sure to bring joy shared with another mother somewhere in the world knowing that you are helping **blanket the world with love!** Mothers are the heart of a family, and many are its sole support as well.

CWS provides gifts of hope and help to mothers in need around the world. CWS Blankets provide comfort in communities hit by disasters, and shelters and agencies assisting those experiencing hard times. Hope is powerful, especially in times like these. To a neighbor in need, this is love in action. Donate today.

Return completed form with your contribution on the offering plate or to the Church Office. Checks may be made to: *First Presbyterian Church*, with "Blanket Sunday" on the memo line. A card will be mailed to the honorees and the list of donors will appear in the Mother's Day worship bulletin.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTION (\$5.00/ Blanket) \_\_\_\_\_ PLEDGE ENVELOPE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

### INFORMATION FOR BULLETIN INSERT & ACKNOWLEDGMENT

(Please print)

GIVEN IN HONOR OF : \_\_\_\_\_

HONOREE'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MAIL OR DROP OFF THE FORMS NO LATER THAN: Tuesday, April 26, 2022**



Transforming communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster



And don't forget to do *good* and *share* with those in need.

HEBREWS 13:16





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**REGISTRATION IS OPEN  
FOR THE  
2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR!**

Young Learners, Pre-K3, Pre-K4, K-Wrap and Full Day Kindergarten classes are registering for the fall. Visit our website

**www.communitynursery.org** for more information about our programs.

Call 732-491-2240 to schedule a tour on a school day! Extended options are available for our 4 and 5 year old students.

**The Church office will be closed on  
Good Friday, April 15.**



**First Presbyterian Church  
WEBSITE TIPS**

**Did you know** you can access the church calendar on the website? The website will show you what's coming up and it also gives you the option to view the full calendar. So if you have forgotten what time a meeting is taking place or where you are meeting, check out the calendar on the website.

You can find the calendar in the **Get Involved** tab and select **Events/Calendar**.

**INDONESIAN PULPIT SUPPLY  
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2022**

April 10 Rev. Ferdinanda Pattipeilohy

April 17 Rev. Hennie Wattimena

April 24 Rev. Ferdinanda Pattipeilohy

The **INDONESIAN FELLOWSHIP** Worship Services are held each Sunday at Noon except for the first Sunday of the month when they join the 9:30 am service. If you have any questions, email Norma Tambingon: norma.tambingon@yahoo.com

**"TUHAN Allahmu ada di antaramu sebagai pahlawan yang memberi kemenangan. Ia bergirang karena engkau dengan sukacita, Ia membaharui engkau dalam kasih-Nya, Ia bersorak-sorak karena engkau dengan sorak-sorai."**

*Zefanya 3:17 (TB)*

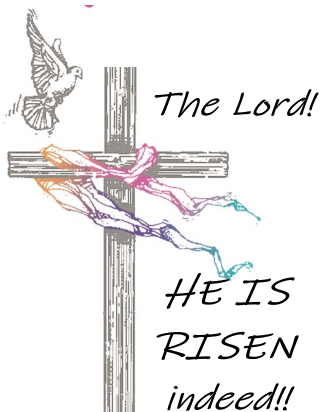
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### Church Office

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### Sunday Worship Service

9:30 am

In-person and Livestreamed on  
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