



March 2017

# The Franklin Presbyterian

*Responding to God's grace through worship, study, and service.*

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## LENT AND EASTER AT FPC



**The sanctuary will be open during office hours, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., each day during Lent.**

**Ash Wednesday Service** - Wednesday, March 1- 6:45 p.m.

**Midweek Lenten Services** - Wednesdays, March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5 - 6:45 p.m.

**Spirituality Center** - Sunday, March 12 - thru the season of Lent - A sacred space for all ages.

**Palm Sunday** - Sunday, April 9 - All children of the church are invited to join in the Processional of the Palms to begin the morning service.

**Maundy Thursday** - April 13, 6:00 p.m. - We will gather for a meal and worship in Wilson Hall. We will eat the Lord's Supper around the tables in Wilson Hall. Reservations are needed. Sign up at [www.fpcfranklin.org](http://www.fpcfranklin.org).

**Good Friday** - April 14, 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Choral presentation

**Easter Egg Hunt** - Saturday, April 15, 11:00 a.m. - The children of the church enjoy games in Wilson Hall and an egg hunt on the grounds.

**Easter Sunrise** - April 16, 6:00 a.m. - First Presbyterian Church, Franklin - We will welcome again our friends from Historic church for a joint service celebrating the Resurrection.

**Easter Day** - April 16, 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Easter Day Worship

## NEWS FROM OUR PASTORAL ASSISTANT, ANNE KEENER



### Lent in Community

We are embarking once again on the journey of Lent. We will start this journey in community as we gather in the sanctuary for the Ash Wednesday service. We will share liturgy, sing hymns, hear the Word read and proclaimed, come forward to receive Communion, and then hear the words, "Dust you are, and to dust you shall return" as you are marked in the sign of a cross with ashes.

The journey of Lent is individual yet communal. You will walk forward as an individual, but you are also walking forward with your church family. We come together to acknowledge that we are not in control. We will die but our identity as God's child will never die.

These words from [All Shall Be Well: Readings for Lent and Easter](#) really spoke to me, "For 46 days we move beyond the shadow of our egos so the light of Christ that opened a tomb can open our eyes to the astonishing realization that we are in him, and thus in God and each other, and all is well." What a powerful image that the same light that opened the tomb opens our eyes and hearts to realization that Christ is in us and we are in Christ.

The readings in this book are described as "candles to light your Lenten path." I encourage you to find your candle. Many give something up for Lent while other choose to take something on during Lent. Whichever you decide, let this season of Lent be about paying attention, about recognizing where we most need God's grace, and then choosing something that will help us grow and deepen our relationship with God. As we open ourselves up, may the same light that opened the tomb, shine into our cracks and remind us that Christ is in us, so all is well.

As I mentioned before, the journey of Lent is individual yet communal. I pray you find time to pause each day and connect with God whether that be through reading a book, studying Scripture, spending time in silence and/or encountering God through prayer. I also encourage you to take this another step further and share your insights and reflections with others whether that be family, friends, a Growth Group, a Sunday School class or any other group. We are called to be in community, and when we share our discoveries with others, we further open ourselves to grow.

In the beautiful words of Trevor Hudson in [Pauses for Lent](#), "Lent, therefore, is not only the time when you prepare yourself for a richer, deeper, and more vital encounter with the living Christ but also a time when you open yourself more widely and generously to those companions with whom he wants to you travel along the discipleship road."

I pray this season of Lent is a meaningful time for you as individuals and for us as a community of faith.

Peace,

Anne Keener

## COME AND PRAY AT THE LENTEN SPIRITUALITY CENTER



Our Lenten Spirituality Center opens Sunday, March 12. You are welcome to visit the self-guided meditation centers anytime you are at church during Lent. All children and youth Sunday school classes will be assigned a specific Sunday to visit and explore the Spirituality Center. This is a meaningful space for all of God's children no matter the age. Please make time to take advantage of this Lenten gift to our congregation. The center is located in the Barr Conference Room (211).



## FAMILY TIME AT NaCoME MAY 6

Come spend the day with your church family at NaCoMe enjoying God's beautiful creation. You may spend Saturday night or just come for the day. Either way, mark your calendar and join us! You will be glad you did.

## WEEKLY WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERVICES WITH COMMUNION

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| March 8, 2017 - 6:45 p.m. - Anne Keener   | March 29, 2017 - 6:45 p.m. - Janelle Brinker |
| March 15, 2017 - 6:45 p.m. - Kim Joiner   | April 5, 2017 - 6:45 p.m. - FPC Youth        |
| March 22, 2017 - 6:45 p.m. - Chris Joiner |  |

## EASTER LILIES - MEMORIALS/HONORARIA



Donations in the amount of \$10 are being accepted. If you would like to give an Easter Memorial/Honorarium, please fill out the form in the announcements and return to the offering plate or call the office at 794-5114. Checks should be made payable to:  
*First Presbyterian Church (Easter Memorial/Honoraria).*

## FLOWERING THE CROSS

Easter Sunday we will once again flower the cross in the narthex.

Please bring fresh cut flowers and place on the cross as you arrive in worship.



## EASTER EGG HUNT

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt for children age 10 and under will be held on Saturday, April 15 at 11:00 a.m. Please bring 12 filled eggs (per child) and designated snacks. We are requesting that those attending please bring the following refreshments: If your last name begins with: A-I sweet snacks, J-R salty snacks, S-Z water/juice boxes. We will gather at 11:00 in Wilson Hall and the eggs will be hidden outside at 11:15. In the event of inclement weather this event will be held in Wilson Hall.



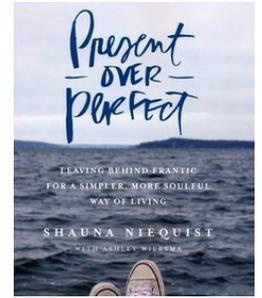
## WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Now through April 5, 10:30 a.m. - Noon

*Present Over Perfect: Leaving Behind Frantic for a Simpler, More Soulful Way of Living*, by Shauna Niequist.

Pastor Chris is leading this study.

We are exploring this book together, as the author offers a compelling vision for an entirely new way to live: soaked in grace, rest, simplicity, prayer, and connection with the people that matter most to us. Along the way, we will engage in the practices she recommended and share our experiences. Using her book, the Bible, and the experiences we bring, we will offer the opportunity to grow, leaving behind the futile quest for perfection for the sake of being present to ourselves, those we love, and the God we worship. We ask each participant to purchase your book.



## ROOM IN THE INN

### Room In The Inn Campus Tour

11:00 am- 12:00 p.m. Monday March 13, 2017



Thank you for your wonderful support for our homeless outreach work with Room In the Inn this year. Since November, Room In The Inn guests have been visiting our church every Wednesday night. They have shared meals with us at WNL, gotten clothes from your donations, and enjoyed sleeping on a cozy bed in a warm room. With warmer weather soon approaching, the end of March will mark the end of our hosting season. However, Room In The Inn operates 365 days a year at the Nashville Campus. *Join us for a personal tour of the facilities and learn more about the RITI mission and services. If you've never been, you will be blown away! We will meet at the RITI campus (705 Drexel Street Nashville) on Monday, March 13th at 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.* Please RSVP to Namaste Anderson ([nammer2649@aol.com](mailto:nammer2649@aol.com)) or signup on the RITI bulletin board. Contact: [mission@fpcfranklin.org](mailto:mission@fpcfranklin.org).

## SILENT AUCTION AND SUNDAY DINNER MARCH 12TH

The youth of our congregation are hosting a Silent Auction and Sunday Dinner on March 12<sup>th</sup>. We are asking that you help by donating items or services to the silent auction and purchasing lunch tickets in advance. All the funds raised will be used for the youth summer mission trips to Detroit and Asheville.

As family is important to all, we're focusing on donations that support those family time ideas together. We're very excited about some donations we've already received..(4) Disney One Day Park Hopper Tickets, Gift Cards to Local Restaurants, Tickets to a Nashville Symphony Concert...this is only a Sneak Peak into some exciting items we have available. However, our youth are trying to reach their goal and we're still in need of auction donations. Do you work for a company, or have a friend who would be willing to donate items for the auction (ie. tickets to sporting events or concerts, autographed memorabilia, timeshare vacations, or actual items or gift cards that represent your company)? Some great sellers too are your personal talents: baked goods (maybe cookie of the month club), monogramming, painting, knitting/crochet, gardening services (do you have that green thumb to help others), meals (are you willing to create a meal for a special occasion)? Contact Heather Reimer at [heatherreimer@comcast.net](mailto:heatherreimer@comcast.net) if you have any questions.

Lunch reservations, along with any items or services to donate will be taken every Sunday during the month of February in Wilson Hall between the 8:30 and 11:00 services. You can also make reservations by emailing Heather Reimer at [heatherreimer@comcast.net](mailto:heatherreimer@comcast.net) or by calling the church office at 615-794-5114. Please drop your payment in the office on weekdays or in Wilson Hall on Sunday morning. Checks should be made payable to FPC – Note Auction Luncheon. Donations can also be brought to the church office before March 1<sup>st</sup>, please make sure that you complete the donation form. Monetary donations are welcomed as well.



## PRESCHOOL SUNDAY IS MARCH 5

The fourth annual I LOVE BOOKS! DAY was celebrated at First Presbyterian Preschool February 15. Students were invited to sit around “campfires” on quilts or benches and hear books read by volunteers. New books as well as beloved classics were enjoyed. A Scholastic book fair was part of the fun and fund.... raising of the day. Yes, we agree! WE DO LOVE BOOKS! and WE LOVE PRESCHOOL at FPC!

**Preschool Sunday is March 5.** The preschool children will sing just before the 11 o'clock service. Plan to be in the sanctuary early that day for a special blessing.

**Want to know more about the preschool?** Registration is open for the 2017-2018 school year. First Presbyterian Preschool classes are for ages 2 :00 - 5:00 p.m. Children must be two years old by August 15, 2017, to enroll. Preschool hours are 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. with aftercare to 2:55 p.m. Call Cheri Lindsley for information or to schedule a visit at 615/971-9061.



## STEPHEN MINISTRY

**“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”**

— Revelation 21:4.

Life’s struggles can sometimes be too much to bear alone. If you or someone you know could use a caring Christian friend to help bear burdens, consider calling our Stephen Minister confidential telephone line at 615-746-7888 or email [stephenministry@fpcfranklin.org](mailto:stephenministry@fpcfranklin.org). Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you.



# PREPARING FOR LENT - ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday this week. The Confirmation Class gathered with Chris and Anne to burn the palm branches from last year's Palm Sunday service in order to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

We were all reminded that "you are dust, and to dust you shall return." This is the fundamental meaning of all the practices of Lent, that we everything, even our next breath, is an act of grace.

Let us observe a holy Lent.



# FPC CHURCH BUDGET FOR NEW FISCAL YEAR

At a recent meeting of the session, the budget for the church fiscal year, which begins March 1, was approved. This is a budget we believe reflects the vision for ministry God has given us this year. Within it there is still room for growth in mission and ministry. If you have not made a commitment of giving for this year, please consider joining in what God is doing in this place to impact lives by contacting the church office and making a pledge or going to our website and pledge there. If you have joined the church recently, prayerfully consider how God is calling you to join with us in funding the mission and ministry of this place.

A few highlights from this budget –

We continue to fund the Mission Committee’s expanded budget. Last year, we were able to significantly increase our mission and involve a substantial number of members and friends in hands-on service, in addition to providing funds to agencies near and far.

The Outreach Committee will once again have an expanded budget. 2016 saw an expansion of our outreach efforts in welcoming guests and helping them find their way into meaningful membership. This year, Outreach plans several initiatives so we can tell the story of what God is doing here out in the community.

The Administration budget includes funding for raises for our staff of 3%. The staff of this church does what they do as more than a job, but as a calling. They fulfill their calling with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love.

The Worship Committee budget is increased in order to provide resources to continue the choral scholarship program, providing eight scholarships to students from area colleges and universities to be section leaders in our choirs.

|                             | 2017-2018        |
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|                             | Proposed Budget  |
| Pledges                     | 879,000          |
| Loose Plate                 | 97,500           |
|                             |                  |
| User Group                  | 8,000            |
| Preschool                   | 17,160           |
|                             |                  |
| Transfer/Restricted Account | 5,000            |
|                             |                  |
|                             |                  |
| <b>Total income</b>         | <b>1,006,660</b> |
|                             |                  |
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| Administration              | 619,000          |
|                             |                  |
| Christian Education         | 29,000           |
|                             |                  |
| Congregational Care         | 2,000            |
|                             |                  |
| Denomination Support        | 30,000           |
|                             |                  |
| Facility Management         | 180,600          |
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| Fellowship                  | 7,500            |
|                             |                  |
| Mission                     | 85,500           |
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| Outreach                    | 12,000           |
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| Stewardship Finance         | 1,000            |
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| Worship                     | 40,000           |
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| <b>Total Expenses</b>       | <b>1,006,660</b> |
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## MISSIONS



# Rebuilding Rainelle

Join the growing crew for the April 23 thru April 29 "Rebuilding Rainelle Team" who will travel to Rainelle, WV to aid families affected by the 2016 flooding. It has now been over 200 days since floodwaters devastated parts of Southern West Virginia. Volunteers in the flood zone who have been down multiple times since, said not much has changed. "It's kind of fallen off the radar screen of a lot of people, The flood was a long time ago and now you think everyone has moved on, but these types of floods effect people for their lifetime," Thousands of homes and businesses were damaged or destroyed and at least 23 people were killed when up to 9 inches of rain fell in a short span, causing perhaps the worst flooding the state has seen in three decades. More than 400 people were living in shelters across the state. Some of the worst destruction was in Rainelle, a town of about 1,500 people surrounded by hills, the Meadow River and several tributaries. Founded by the Rainelle brothers, Thomas and John, and once home to the largest hardwood lumber mill in the world, the town's motto is "A town built to carry on ... building great things since 1906," according to its website. When the waters receded, 99 percent of the town's businesses were gone and 60 percent of the town's homes were destroyed. The town has a population of about 1,200 people. For more information check the Connection Card or contact: [mission@fpcfranklin.org](mailto:mission@fpcfranklin.org)



**February 2NDSAT a Sweet Success!** We bagged and loaded over 8000 pounds of sweet potatoes. Our sweet potatoes for the last two years were donated by Mack Rogers, a third generation farmer in Lincoln County who has donated many times to SoSA. Noting the five-acre farm first owned by his grandfather, Mack said, "The Lord blessed us and we just keep the blessings flowing." If you know of local farmers willing to tithe a portion of their crops, let's connect them with The Society of St. Andrew!



**The potatoes were distributed to Louie E. Johnston Jr., Director for Layman Lessons, (a Mobile Church for Homeless, Hungry, Needy Americans).**

Mr. Johnston spoke with us and invited us to share in his ministry to homeless veterans. Potatoes were also distributed to our Mission Partners at GraceWorks, OneGenAway and Martha O'Bryan.



## Volunteers...not only from Tennessee

by Kim Joiner

Our shift with Euro Relief began each day with a short devotion, prayer, briefing about the prior shift and reminders of the rules for the volunteers. Then by a simple raise of your hand you volunteered for an area to work. Most areas within Camp Moria, refugee camp on the Greek island of Lesvos, are staffed with one male and one female.



To the refugees, we were known as the Americans, to the other volunteers we were quickly known as the Tennesseans. Our team of eight (Jenna Crunk, Kim Joiner, Chris Jones, Vance Lahey, Stephanie Lahey, Cathy McCall, Sharon Quintana and Elizabeth Stivers) were joined by Rachel from Atlanta and Jill from Texas. The Servant Group International's Director of Team Development, Lisa Harris, and the Executive Director, Dave Dillard completed our team of twelve.

We were serving with volunteers from around the globe: Athena from Pennsylvania, Kathy from Canada, Dusty and Steph from California, Fernanda from Brazil, Ann from Ohio, Karen from Denmark, and the list goes on. There were approximately 35 volunteers working with Euro Relief the same week we were there.

The youngest volunteer I met was Sam. My own Samuel Caleb is 25, this Sam from Pennsylvania was a mere 20. He was on his second trip to serve the refugees in Lesvos. This time he was staying for three months. We had plenty of time to chat with the refugees and share stories of our own lives. I kept thinking about his parents and church family; they have taught him well. He was very kind and respectful to each person he met.

We worked together at the Olive Grove Camp outside the main Camp Moria. Our shift included serving lunch which consisted of pasta, pita bread and chicken. We learned quickly that the chicken was a favorite once a week meal. Some men were greedy and took a meal when no one was looking. Sam tried his best to encourage honesty but no one would confess when the delivery boxes were empty and we were short seven meals. Some men were oh so generous and put their meals together and added rice and spices.



**COME HEAR MORE ABOUT THE LESVOS  
MISSION TRIP THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 5,  
AT 9:45 A.M. IN WILSON HALL**

Sam and I were invited to sit “at table” (there was no table, we squatted on the dirt ground outside their tent around one large mixing bowl) and communed with six men from the Republic of the Congo, Africa. Sam quickly offered for me: she’s a vegetarian. The chef took one of two spoons and scooted the chicken away and gave me a spoon to eat rice and pasta. I remind you it was a large common bowl that we ate from and the chef was the only other one with a spoon. The other men dug in with their hands. There was only one of the Congolese that spoke English but each smiled and no words were necessary to convey the hospitality that we had received. As we squatted in our circle I gazed into the eyes of men that accepted us all as one and offered a true hospitable spirit. I prayed for their asylum to be granted to a safe, welcoming country and their generosity to spread throughout the camp.

The oldest volunteers I met were John, 78, and Kris, 74, from Michigan. This retired couple has served in many places and most of their lives. I know their children and grandchildren must be very proud of their servant hearts. They served as one and you didn’t see one without the other. No task was too small or too large for John and Kris.

As was the case for our FPC Tennessee group. We served in small, seemingly minor ways that caused us to wonder how we were helping at all: like when we offered smiles and handshakes to refugees; small talk and delivering tea to a fellow volunteer; unlocking a gate; and sorting the abundance of coats in the warehouse. Yet we also served in physically and mentally challenging ways that brought us to tears: like receiving “first arrivals” to the camp; tearing down and clearing out abandoned tent sites; relocating groups by nationality; serving meals and not having enough for the late comers; hauling wet and used blankets to the bins up a long hillside, and saying no to a request simply because this was not the day for soap to be distributed. No matter the task our FPC – Tennessee volunteers offered our best and brought the light and love of Christ to each task we were asked to do.

I was blessed immensely by the opportunity to return to the island of Lesbos, Greece and very proud to serve alongside such devoted disciples of Christ. Thank you to all who prayed for us and I ask you to continue to fervently pray for the refugees. They may no longer be in war-torn countries but they are “stuck” in a political battle and have no home and only a back pack of belongings. My prayer is that borders will open and all our brothers and sisters can begin a new life without a wristband and number to get to a warm, safe bed that they can call home.



## 3rd and 4th Grades at FPC

The 3rd and 4th grades have a joint Sunday school class that meets in room 115. They enjoy the Musical Gathering as their beginning each Sunday. They are led by Mark Blackburn, Lashlee Garafola and Chris Pianta. They enjoy the variety of activities and experiences the Feasting on the Word lectionary based curriculum provides the students. They have had two memorable lessons in the last few weeks:

On the Sunday they talked about Deuteronomy 30: 15-20 which tells of Moses leading the people to the promised land and about how the people of God had to make a choice, the class focused on choosing God and putting God first in all that they do. Then, since it was the Sunday before Valentine's Day, they made valentines to hand out to people in the fellowship hall to remind them and themselves of loving others and doing what Christ has called us all to do.

On another Sunday they learned about the Beatitudes. The students mixed all the ingredients to make trail mix. As they mixed it all together they had a great discussion about how the Beatitudes are the ingredients and the recipe that God gives us for a happy and blessed life. At the end of the lesson, if the kids were able to match the first half of each Beatitude with its second half, they would get to eat the trail mix. Of course, they got them all right!



**PATH 34:** This is another group for 3rd and 4th graders that meets at Sunday Night Summit about twice a month. They are led by Valerie Blackburn and Kelly Oldham. The group has been enjoying lessons on respect and individuality the past two meetings. They have played games, experienced activities and read books on these topics. After reading "Mr. Peabody's Apples" by Madonna they discussed how our words and actions can hurt people. "You are Special" by Max Lucado was read to reinforce that being an individual is a good thing and the way God made us.

Path 34 also sponsored a night at Room In The Inn where they did all the set up and made the lunches!



## Tweens and Teens Benefit from Sexuality Courses I and II

The Leadership Team is Sarah Brown, Leanne Hoeffler, Rebecca Wilson and Elizabeth Stivers. Not pictured but the team also included Janelle Brinker and Claire Crunk. FPC thanks them and a parent of a 7th and 5th grader sent in her note of appreciation:

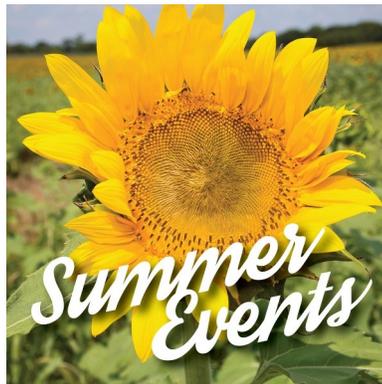
Dear Rebecca, Leanne, Sarah, Elizabeth, Janelle and Claire,

Thank you so much for giving your time and talents this weekend to teach the Sexuality Retreat for some of FPC preteens and youth. It is such a blessing to have this program at our church. Each one of you added your own personal and professional expertise to teach our youth that they are perfect because they are created in God's image. This is so important because we live in a time where teens are overwhelmed with so many mixed messages about sexuality and relationships. As a parent, I am so thankful that they have the opportunity to learn about these sensitive subjects in a nurturing environment surrounded by people who truly care for them. This class has sparked some really good conversation in our home and lit a pathway for an ongoing discussion for years to come. Thanks again, Jennifer Godwin



### Summer GIFTS:

Growing  
In  
Faith  
Together



Summer Sunday School will be all about **Growing in Faith Together**. We will have three multigenerational opportunities to learn and grow together!

June 18

July 16

August 6

Regular Growing Sundays: MAY 28—AUGUST 27



VBS 2017 is quickly approaching! This year's VBS will be June 19-22 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. We are busy planning exciting experiences in science, recreation, Bible storytelling, music, and arts and crafts. Each day, our "heros" will gather for delicious snacks and learn about our daily mission focus.

Registration for students and adult/youth volunteers will open on March 15, 2017! To register, go to <http://2017.cokesburyvbs.com/fpcf franklin2017>. Registration closes June 1st and there will be no onsite registration.

Ages 4 (must be 4 years old by 8/15/2017) through 6th grade are welcome! Class sizes are limited and we will close registration once we reach capacity. However, children of volunteers are guaranteed a spot!

There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$10 per child that may be paid online at <https://fpcf franklin.logosconnect.com/funds/give>. The registration fee is waived if you are able to volunteer for all four days of VBS or an equivalent amount of time (12 hours) before and/or after VBS. If you are able to volunteer for two days (or 6 hours before and/or after VBS), the fee will be reduced to \$5 per child. The nursery will be available for young children of volunteers. Scholarships are available and you may contact Tony Inglis at [vbs@fpcf franklin.org](mailto:vbs@fpcf franklin.org) for more information.

## YOUTH



### FPC Youth Sunday: March 12th

#### Preparing for Youth Sunday:

The youth have been very busy planning for Youth Sunday! Jan. 29th they began the process by digging into the Lectionary texts, and coming up with a theme for the service. Feb. 12th a great group of youth broke into groups based on their interests to plan various aspects of the service. Music was facilitated by Music Director Michael Snoddy, time with the Young Church was facilitated by Kim Joiner, prayer Writing facilitated by Anne Keener, and sermon writing facilitated by Pastor Chris Joiner. I am so thankful for the thoughtfulness and support of both youth and adults who have been involved in the planning of this very special service.

Even before we began our preparations for Youth Sunday, our 7th-12th graders and our SNS adult participants took the time to consider this question "Why do we have a Youth Sunday service?" and here is what our youth came up with:

- Practice leadership skills
- Learn to read and understand scripture
- Speaking to share the Word
- Learn about why and how we worship
- Share our gifts
- Show what we can do
- Connect with the congregation

This is our hope, that through this process our youth would learn about and grow in their faith, and have an opportunity to collectively share their gifts and make a connection with the congregation. I am certain that you will be inspired by the enthusiasm and thoughtfulness of our youth here at FPC. Join us for our Youth Sunday services March 12th and stay for the Youth Silent Auction and Luncheon following the 11am service. If you have donations for the Auction email [heatherreimer@comcast.net](mailto:heatherreimer@comcast.net). And buy your tickets for the Luncheon in Wilson Hall between Sunday services from now until March 12th! **We hope to see you all March 12th for the Youth Sunday Services, Silent Auction, and Luncheon!**

# YOUTH

## Summer Opportunities for Youth!



### Volunteer with Vacation Bible School (June 19-22)

This Summer at VBS dozens of children will come through our church to go on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. And perhaps more than any of the other volunteers, our children see our youth as their heroes. The children connect with our youth, and watch them sing, dance, and participate in activities, and they follow along with enthusiasm. So mark your calendars for June 19-22 if you have a desire to lead our young children to grow in faith and discover their strength in God!

### High School Mission Trip: Detroit, MI (June 25-July 1)

All rising 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade youth are welcome to join us on our mission trip to Detroit, MI with Motown Mission. While we are there we will be working alongside local organizations that are working to bring people out of cycles of poverty and restore the city. Some of our work will include urban gardening, abandoned lot clean up, home restoration, and serving the homeless. Each day will include working together, eating together, and worshipping together. We will also have on half day of serving so that we can tour the city, have Dinner out in Detroit, and go to a Detroit Tiger's baseball game! Email [jbrinker@fpcfranklin.org](mailto:jbrinker@fpcfranklin.org) if you are interested going on this trip!



For more info check out their website: <http://motownmission.org/>

### Middle School Mission Trip: Asheville, NC (July 9-14)



This summer all rising 7th and 8th grade youth are welcome to join us on our mission trip to North Carolina with Asheville Youth Mission. This trip will include a Sunday evening to Friday morning program that includes volunteering at 4 to 6 worksites and debriefing programs that include Bible study, group discussion, and art projects as a means of reflection. Towards the end of the week our group will be led in an urban awareness walk, discernment of a plan on how to “take the experience home” with them, and a closing worship. And on our fun day we will spend some time hiking and sliding down “Sliding Rock”! This trip will be a wonderful opportunity for learning, and growing in faith together. Email

[jbrinker@fpcfranklin.org](mailto:jbrinker@fpcfranklin.org) if you are interested going on this trip!

For more info check out their website: <https://asheville.youthmissionco.org/mission-immersion/>

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF MUSIC, MICHAEL SNODDY

### The Lenten Walk

Sunday, March 5 is the first Sunday in Lent and is at the beginning of our spiritual pilgrimage of the season. It is the time when we especially identify with the sufferings of Jesus and is one in which we also journey the way of the cross. In Advent we longed for his coming, at Christmas we celebrated his birth, and during Epiphany we encountered Christ in many manifestations. Now, the mood shifts and we begin to reflect upon his rejection and upcoming passion. But our reflection does not necessarily end in itself, it can also become a place of renewal, rejuvenation, and resolve, especially through our worship, study, and service.

We will close worship on March 5 with the African-American Spiritual *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*, it is a reminder of the journey ahead, one that leads to the cross. It also a prayer as we begin our walk.

*I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me.  
All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials Lord, walk with me.  
When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me.  
When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

Many African-American slaves converted to Christianity and sought comfort in the Savior who promised to be available to them as they made their journey out of bondage to the promise land. Many spirituals reflect this longing, but many of their sources remain largely unknown. It is thought that *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* is probably one which thrived for more than two hundred years in the rural Appalachian culture. If correct, this particular spiritual may have had its roots in the early nineteenth century camp meeting attended by African-Americans, Native-Americans, and Anglos alike.

Regardless of origin, it is a wonderful way to begin our Lenten discipline. May its words, an affirmation that the Jesus of salvation will journey with us, help to remind us that others have also walked the heavy road to the cross, doing so with unimaginable burden and sorrow. Like them, let us not grow weary along the way that lead to light.

A blessed and holy Lent be yours,

Michael

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## Musical Offerings for March

### *Chancel/Chapel Choir*

**March 1** – *Treasures in Heaven*, Joseph W. Clokey

**March 5** – A Spiritual: *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*, David A. Wehr

**March 12** – Vocal Student Ensemble and Youth: *Here I Am, Lord*, David L. Schutte

**March 19** – *Come to the Water*, John B. Foley

**March 26** – *Open My Eye*, K. Lee Scott

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### *Carillon Adult Handbell Choir*

**March** – *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*, arr. Barbara Kinyon

### *Mid-week Lenten Services*

As part of our regularly scheduled services, a number of our Vocal Scholarship Students will be sharing their varied vocal and instrumental gifts with us in worship.

### *Requiem Presentation*

The Chancel/Chapel Choir will be joining with the choirs of Historic Presbyterian and St. Andrew Lutheran Churches in a presentation of John Rutter's *Requiem*. Scored for soprano solo, mixed choir, small orchestra, and organ, this multi-movement choral work is based upon texts as found in mass settings that are utilized in remembrance of the departed. One presentation only.

**Sunday, March 26, 3:00 p.m. at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Franklin**



## 2017 Schedule Reminders

**Children's Music Gathering Time – Each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. (Room 215)**

**Carillon Adult Handbell Choir – Each Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. (Room 213)**

**Chancel/Chapel Choir – Each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. (Room 215)**

## WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

We give thanks for each member of our faith community but are especially grateful for our newest members who joined in February. Please take the opportunity to introduce yourself. It is with joy and thanksgiving that we welcome each of them into our church family.

**Janet Bozeman** has lived in the Nashville/Franklin area for years but had recently been searching for a new church home. She felt welcomed at FPC from the first Sunday she worshiped with us. Janet has a heart for mission work and loved learning we're sending a mission team to Lesvos, Greece to reflect God's love. We are grateful she has already gotten involved with Room In The Inn and are glad she found a church home at FPC.



**Tim Churchill** grew up the child and grandson of Presbyterian ministers. He has worshiped with his family at the Catholic church for years but recently felt led back to his roots. Tim, his wife, Mabel, and their teenage children, Robert and Mia, live in Franklin. Tim has commented that it feels like home being back in the Presbyterian church and we give thanks that he is part of our community.

**Rachael Dzedzic**, her husband, Matthew, who attends a Catholic church, and their daughters, Kate and Georgia, recently moved to Franklin from Arizona. Rachael grew up Presbyterian and is happy to have found a community of faith similar to her home church where her daughters can also grow up surrounded by people who will reflect God's love on them. Kate will be in kindergarten next year and Georgia will attend our FPC Preschool. We are glad they have found a church home at FPC.





**Carolyn Hoyer** and her mother, **Dee Griner**, recently moved to Morningside in Franklin from southern California, where Dee's other daughter and Carolyn's son and daughter still live. Carolyn and Dee decided to move to Tennessee in search of community and quality of life, and they hope more family will follow them. They are both avid crafters, sewers, and readers and are happy have found a church home so quickly.

**Dale and Barbara Roos** recently moved to the area from Pennsylvania with the benefit of being close to two of their grandchildren. They were both very involved in their church in Pittsburgh and have already been singing in the choir for a few months. Dale and Barbara are happy to have found a community of faith where they can joyfully worship and respond to God's grace.



**David and Dianne Green** have been worshipping with us for a while, and we are grateful they decided to join our community of faith. They were long time active members at Germantown Presbyterian in Memphis. Grandchildren were the motivation to move to Franklin, and they spend much of their time with them. We have enjoyed Dianne being part of our Wednesday morning Bible study and are glad they are part of our community.

Please look for their photo in the Enews.

*March 5, 2017  
1st Sunday in Lent*

**Scripture:** Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

**Sermon:** "The Root" - Chris Joiner

**Liturgists:**

8:30: Bill Carver  
11:00: Steve Lewis

**Children's Worship:**

**Story - Lenten Puzzle (Lent)**

8:30: Kim Joiner; Anna Marie Love  
11:00: Christine Grisham; Emma Sower

**Acolytes:**

8:30: Anna Marie Love  
11:00: Braden Stivers

**Hospitality Team 1**

8:30: Fred and Sue Banner; Margaret, Phillip, Sanders and Shelby Whiteside; Paul, Rebecca, Hannah, Emma and Jake Wilson  
11:00: Jenna Crunk; Kay Hartman; Tony, Lauren, Claire and Kinley Inglis; Dave Peacock; Cary, Robin and Lexie Pulliam

*March 12, 2017  
2nd Sunday in Lent*

**Scripture:** Genesis 12:1-4a

**Sermon:** Youth Sunday Preachers

**Liturgists:**

8:30: Youth Sunday  
11:00: Youth Sunday

**Children's Worship:**

**Story - Jesus and the Children**

8:30: Lindsey Ball; Emma Wilson  
11:00: Patti Kelly; Nicole Reimer

**Acolytes:**

**Water**  
8:30: Acolyte Needed  
11:00: Elijah Sower

**Candle**  
Acolyte Needed  
Acolyte Needed

**Hospitality Team 2:**

8:30: Betsy Adgent; Duke Ellis; Myers Parsons; Tim and Leah Stein; Bruce and Betty Waterman; Susan Williams  
11:00: J. Edward and Brenda Campbell; Roberta Chamberlain; Mike and Judy Darnell; Bruce, Jaclyn, Sammy and Joseph Tarkington

**Communion Preparation**

Duke Ellis; Karen Sartin

**Communion Clean-up**

Millard Jefferson

**Communion for Shut-ins**

Steve Lewis; Jim Mahurin

*March 19, 2017  
3rd Sunday in Lent*

**Scripture:** Exodus 17:1-7

**Sermon:** "Troubling the Water"

- Chris Joiner

**Liturgists:**

8:30: Hugh DuPree  
11:00: Sue Mahurin

**Children's Worship:**

**Story: Jesus and Baritmaeus**

8:30: Karen Sartin ; Helper  
11:00: Jaclyn Tarkington; Helper

**Acolytes:**

8:30: Acolyte Needed  
11:00: Sammy Tarkington

**Hospitality Team 3:**

8:30: Chris, Jennifer, Meryl, Brooks and Hollis Godwin; Chris, Casey, Jack, Julia and Sam Pianta  
11:00: Jean Ramsay; Brent, Jennifer, Emma, Elijah and Owen Sower; Ken, Ann, Josh and Madison Zander

*March 26, 2017  
4th Sunday in Lent*

**Scripture:** 1Samuel 16:1-13

**Sermon:** "Seeing as God Sees"

Chris Joiner

**Liturgists:**

8:30: Hugh DuPree  
11:00: Sue Mahurin

**Children's Worship:**

**Story - Jesus and Zacchaeus**

8:30: Leader; Helper  
11:00: Leader; Nicole Reimer

**Acolytes:**

8:30: Acolyte Needed  
11:00: Braden Stivers

**Hospitality Team 4:**

8:30: Will Crunk; Priscilla Duarte; Ryan, Sarah, Hannah and Elizabeth Fox; Keith and Linda Legenzoff; Ruthie Moulton Don Savage  
11:00: Chris, Julie, Spencer, Ellie and Gracie Jones; Jessica Queen

Rev. Joiner and Friends,  
Thank you for the generous support by your congregation of Insight Counseling Centers in 2016. Because of your gifts lives are being restored to wholeness. With gratitude for the difference you are making.  
  
Insight Counseling Centers



Dear Friends,  
Thank you for your generous donation. Your gift makes it possible for Bridges Domestic Violence Center to assist victims of physical, mental and sexual abuse. Bridges is here to provide a safe place for victims to make those decisions and to regain control of their lives.  
Thank you again. We could not do it without your support.  
With deepest appreciation,  
Linda Crockett Jackson, Executive Director



Dear Rev. Joiner and our friends at FPC church, Martha O'Bryan Center has served our city's most distressed communities for 122 years, living out our core values of faith, hope and love. Thank you for being an important part of the work we do, and thank you for your generous donation. We are an organization dedicated to building relationships in our community, creating innovative educational, employment, and wrap-around programs that affect the root causes of poverty and demonstrating impact in lives of those we serve. Thank you again for your support.

With faith, hope and love,  
Marsha Edwards  
President and CEO

Dear Friends of BrightStone,  
With your recent donation you are providing hope to the families currently served by BrightStone. You are providing opportunities for success for adults who live with developmental disabilities. On behalf of our adults at BrightStone, we thank you for changing lives. May God bless you.  
Sincerely,  
Brenda K. Hauk, Executive Director



# CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

## DEATHS

The First Presbyterian Church family extends prayers and sympathy to the following people and to other members of their family during their time of loss:

The family of Bill Beavers on the death of his sister, **Louene Vila**, who died on January 27, 2017.

The family of Garry Collins on the death of his father, **Charles Douglas Collins** who died February 1, 2017.

The family of Jerry Houston on the death of a close family friend, **Eliza Austin** who died on January 27, 2017.



The family of Sally Bullock on the death of her sister, **Virginia Dabney Hill**, who died February 10, 2017.



## THANK YOU

Dear FPC,

On behalf of The Outreach Foundation, I want to thank the mission committee and the congregation for the gifts that we recently received from First Presbyterian Church Franklin. Please pass on our sincere thanks. The gift from the mission committee for support of Rev. Nedson Zulu and public health nurse Sebber Banda is greatly appreciated. These dedicated servant leaders have been very instrumental in the growth and success of the Holistic Evangelism Project in Tete Province, Mozambique and raising their support is one of our highest priorities. Nedson and Sebber enjoyed meeting new friends at the church during their October visit, and they felt the warm hospitality and love of the congregation. They were greatly encouraged by their time with you.

We are also very thankful for the gifts from the congregation to help furnish and equip the Leadership Training Center. The LTC is nearing completion, and this long held dream is about to become a reality. The 70+ Presbyterian congregations in rural Tete Province are served by only 4 pastors. The lay leader training, designed and led by Nedson and Sebber, is vital for the growth of these congregations. Having a centrally located facility with adequate arrangements for cooking, dining, and sleeping will be a tremendous blessing. We are very thankful for the response from the congregation to help make this possible.

In His service,

Berry Long





## Living Waters for the World

Dear Members,  
 On behalf of Living Waters for the World, the global mission resource of the Synod of Living Waters, Presbyterian Church (USA), I thank you for your generous gift. Together we are an empowered people who are changing lives in real and tangible ways through water purification systems and health education. We are deeply grateful for your partnership.

May the blessings of Christ be yours,

Lynn Kszos, President  
 Living Waters for the World Board of Directors



## Monroe Harding

Healing happens here.

Dear FPC,  
 Thank you for your generous donation. At Monroe Harding, we do our best to make sure every youth feels at home. Since our founding over 100 years ago, we have served over 15,000 youth in Middle Tennessee. Our continued work would not be possible without your help and we are excited to see what the new year will bring to the Monroe Harding community!

Warmly,  
 Mary N. Baker, President & CEO



Dear Friends,  
 At Room In The Inn, home is experienced in tangible and intangible ways. Shelter. Respect. Food. Independence. Family. Safety. Health. Love. Support. For 30 years, the heart of Room In The Inn has been to provide these to our neighbors who struggle with homelessness. Your continued support allow us to walk with our neighbors on their journey out of chaos and through periods of change. Because of your generosity, over the past years. We thank you.

Because you give, you are joining us in continuing the creation of a community where none of our neighbors is left behind.

With grateful hearts,  
 Rachel Hester  
 Executive Director

Dear Friends at FPC,  
 Sharing the pulpit flowers is such a warm and living ministry for shut-ins and those just needing a smiling face with a bouquet of flowers! Thank you for remembering me.

God Bless,  
 Gail Trapnell Fontaine

What a delightful surprise to receive the lovely bouquet of flowers from First Pres! We appreciate your thoughtfulness/remembrance, as we continue to acclimate to our new residence at Steeplechase. Though we miss our country home, we are enjoying all the new experiences and being among mutual friends from First Pres. We hope to be among the congregation in the near future.

Most Sincerely,  
 Bill and Alberta

## The Communion of Saints

Every Sunday when we stand to say what we believe, one of the things we say is we believe in “the communion of saints.” When we say this, we are affirming that we trust (another word for believe) God binds us together as the church into a community (communion) that cannot be broken, not even by death. We invoke this communion of saints most frequently during the Liturgy of the Table at the Lord’s Supper, when, during the Great Prayer of Thanksgiving, we hear the words:

“Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the people of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosanna in the highest.”

When I hear us say or sing these words while presiding at the Table, I can feel the presence of that great communion that extends beyond our time and space, and I often think of particular persons whom I have had the honor of serving from the Lord’s Table. I know that in the mystery and power of God’s Spirit, they are present and feasting with us, and that our bond is unbroken. The love that holds us close in life does not cease after death. This we believe when we say trust in the communion of saints. Another time we remember the wider communion of which we are a part is during the Prayers of the People. One of the most meaningful prayers we pray expresses these words:

“We give thanks for those who have died in the faith,  
 especially those known to us,  
 who have entered into the joy and peace  
 of your nearer presence.  
 Grant that we may follow their example,  
 and come to share with them  
 the glory of everlasting life...”

Those of us participating in Growth Groups are reading “Mudhouse Sabbath: An Invitation to a Life of Spiritual Discipline,” by Lauren Winner. Winner converted from Judaism to Christianity, and in this book she reflects on some of the Jewish practices in which she participated that Christians may find meaningful in our own spiritual walk, both individually and in community.

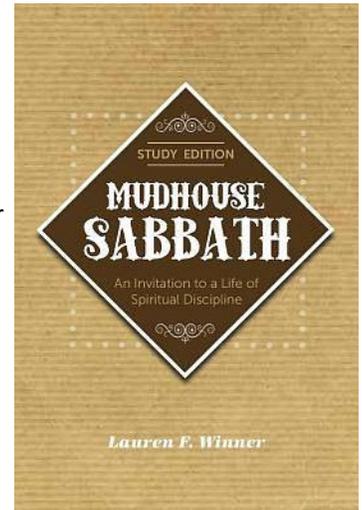
One of the recent chapters talked about Jewish practices around death and mourning. The chapter led to a rich discussion in our group about the ways our congregation names the greater communion of saints and gives space for remembering. While none of us thought we should adopt wholesale the very unique practices of Judaism, we did believe there were some small ways we, as Presbyterians, could acknowledge the communion of saints.

One way I believe we can do this in worship is in remembering the anniversary of the death of members of our congregation by naming them in the Prayers of the People. We will do this by going through our computer records, extending back fifteen years, and naming these in worship.

If you have someone who was a member of this church and died before 2002 who you want remembered on the anniversary of his or her death, please contact Glenda Andrews ([gandrews@fpcfranklin.org](mailto:gandrews@fpcfranklin.org)) with the name and date. And if you have persons who are in our records but you would rather not have them named in worship, please contact Glenda with that request as well.

I pray this small step will help make us even more aware of the great cloud of witnesses, the communion of saints with whom, in Christ, we are one.

Peace, Pastor Chris





### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

**1**  
Tory Garst  
Rebecca Weaver  
Rylan Ball

**2**  
Eddy Jackson

**3**  
Josh Zander  
Megan Townsend  
Georgia Dziedzic

**4**  
Jim Skillen  
Lee O'Neil  
Brett Hawley  
Brent Sower

**5**  
Marc Lively  
Tim Lampley

**6**  
David Crumley

**7**  
Erik Lund  
Gunner Davidson Elrod  
Avery Holland DeYoung

**8**  
Knox Burns  
Steve Kelly  
Emma Rose Smith

**9**  
Alvin Clayton  
Sarah Brown

**10**  
Reed Cothron  
Miller Sartin  
Joe Henson

**11**  
Will Stanfill III

**12**  
Fred Williams Jr.  
Maggie Carroll  
Michael Bowling

**13**  
Ellison Ball

**14**  
McLean Haws  
Scott Bowden

**15**  
Cara Moyers

**16**  
Robert Nichols Jr.  
Molly Hoeffler

**17**  
Carol Busby  
Elise Burns

**18**  
Brad Dorman  
Audree Saltmarsh

**20**  
Kristian Lewis  
Paul Gaddis  
Carolyn Keller

**21**  
Samuel Weaver  
Erin Gwydir

**23**  
Ryan Clark  
Adam Fuller

**24**  
Janet Cothron  
Emma Kate Carroll  
Julie Hughes  
Joe Duarte

**26**  
Valerie Blackburn  
Melinda Henderson  
Aaron Lopacinski

**27**  
Lauren Claire Roberts  
Maria Mielnik  
Keith Legenzoff

**28**  
Randy Frame  
Gary Osburn  
Rachel Sturm  
Bill Lewis  
Leah Stein

**29**  
Tim Stein

**30**  
Vickie Ellis  
Chris Lewis  
Ali McLain  
Skylar Baines

**31**  
Sue Mahurin



*Please note: Birthdays are published weekly in Enews and monthly in the newsletter. If you would prefer not to be listed, please email [rgarner@fpcfFranklin.org](mailto:rgarner@fpcfFranklin.org) for the Enews and the newsletter.*

### CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

*Stewardship and Finance would like to report to the congregation the following financial information.*

|                | January Actual | January Budget | March—Jan. Actual | March—Jan. Budget |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Income         | 73,714.67      | 77,932.00      | 935,263.48        | 933,230.00        |
| Fixed Expenses | 72,298.74      | 68,595.00      | 763,638.13        | 747,890.00        |
| Other Expenses | 24,678.37      | 21,091.00      | 163,113.47        | 177,931.00        |
| Profit/(Loss)  | (23,262.44)    | (11,754.00)    | 8,511.88          | 7,409.00          |

# MARCH 2017 DAILY LECTIONARY

*These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox)*

## Wednesday, March 1

Ash Wednesday Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 27; 51 Jonah 3:1–4:11 Heb. 12:1–14 Luke 18:9–14

## Thursday, March 2

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102 Deut. 7:6–11 Titus 1:1–16 John 1:29–34

## Friday, March 3

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130 Deut. 7:12–16 Titus 2:1–15 John 1:35–42

## Saturday, March 4

Morning: Pss. 43; 149  
Evening: Pss. 31; 143 Deut. 7:17–26 Titus 3:1–15 John 1:43–51

## Sunday, March 5

1st Sunday in Lent Morning: Pss. 84; 150  
Evening: Pss. 42; 32 Jer. 9:23–24 1 Cor. 1:18–31 Mark 2:18–22

## Monday, March 6

Morning: Pss. 119:73–80; 145  
Evening: Pss. 121; 6 Deut. 8:1–20 Heb. 2:11–18 John 2:1–12

## Tuesday, March 7

Morning: Pss. 34; 146  
Evening: Pss. 25; 91 Deut. 9:(1–3) 4–12 Heb. 3:1–11 John 2:13–22

## Wednesday, March 8

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 27; 51 Deut. 9:13–21 Heb. 3:12–19 John 2:23–3:15

## Thursday, March 9

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102 Deut. 9:23–10:5 Heb. 4:1–10 John 3:16–21

## Friday, March 10

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130 Deut. 10:12–22 Heb. 4:11–16 John 3:22–36

## Saturday, March 11

Morning: Pss. 43; 149  
Evening: Pss. 31; 143 Deut. 11:18–28 Heb. 5:1–10 John 4:1–26

## Sunday, March 12

2nd Sunday in Lent Morning: Pss. 84; 150  
Evening: Pss. 42; 32 Jer. 1:1–10 1 Cor. 3:11–23 Mark 3:31–4:9

## Monday, March 13

Morning: Pss. 119:73–80; 145  
Evening: Pss. 121; 6 Jer. 1:11–19 Rom. 1:1–15 John 4:27–42

## Tuesday, March 14

Morning: Pss. 34; 146  
Evening: Pss. 25; 91 Jer. 2:1–13, 29–32 Rom. 1:16–25 John 4:43–54

## Wednesday, March 15

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 27; 51 Jer. 3:6–18 Rom. 1:(26–27) 28–2:11 John 5:1–18

## Thursday, March 16

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102 Jer. 4:9–10, 19–28 Rom. 2:12–24 John 5:19–29

## Friday, March 17

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130 Jer. 5:1–9 Rom. 2:25–3:18 John 5:30–47

## Saturday, March 18

Morning: Pss. 43; 149  
Evening: Pss. 31; 143 Jer. 5:20–31 Rom. 3:19–31 John 7:1–13

## Sunday, March 19

3rd Sunday in Lent Morning: Pss. 84; 150  
Evening: Pss. 42; 32 Jer. 6:9–15 1 Cor. 6:12–20 Mark 5:1–20

## Monday, March 20

Morning: Pss. 119:73–80; 145  
Evening: Pss. 121; 6 Jer. 7:1–15 Rom. 4:1–12 John 7:14–36

## Tuesday, March 21

Morning: Pss. 34; 146  
Evening: Pss. 25; 91 Jer. 7:21–34 Rom. 4:13–25 John 7:37–52

## Wednesday, March 22

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 27; 51 Jer. 8:4–7, 18–9:6 Rom. 5:1–11 John 8:12–20

## Thursday, March 23

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102 Jer. 10:11–24 Rom. 5:12–21 John 8:21–32

## Friday, March 24

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130 Jer. 11:1–8, 14–17 Rom. 6:1–11 John 8:33–47

## Saturday, March 25

Morning: Pss. 43; 149  
Evening: Pss. 31; 143 Jer. 13:1–11 Rom. 6:12–23 John 8:47–59

## Sunday, March 26

4th Sunday in Lent Morning: Pss. 84; 150  
Evening: Pss. 42; 32 Jer. 14:1–9 (10–16) 17–22 Gal. 4:21–5:1 Mark 8:11–21

## Monday, March 27

Morning: Pss. 119:73–80; 145  
Evening: Pss. 121; 6 Jer. 16:(1–9) 10–21 Rom. 7:1–12 John 6:1–15

## Tuesday, March 28

Morning: Pss. 34; 146  
Evening: Pss. 25; 91 Jer. 17:19–27 Rom. 7:13–25 John 6:16–27

## Wednesday, March 29

Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 27; 51 Jer. 18:1–11 Rom. 8:1–11 John 6:27–40

## Thursday, March 30

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102 Jer. 22:13–23 Rom. 8:12–27 John 6:41–51

## Friday, March 31

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130 Jer. 23:1–8 Rom. 8:28–39 John 6:52–59



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## FPC CHURCH CALENDAR



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