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The Lighted Spire April 2024



Good Friday Community Cross Walk
March 29
Sponsored by the First Church of God,
the walk will begin at 10:00am in the
Walgreens parking lot. They will end up at
the First Church of God by the high
school (3-mile walk). Transportation
back to the starting point will be provided.

First United Methodist Church
will have Stations of the Cross on Good Friday
It will be a self-guided tour and their church
Will be open from 2:00-7:00pm

Easter Sunday Worship Service
March 31 10:00am
Children and Youth will be singing Introit
Easter Egg Hunt during Sunday School
Bring a basket from home or we will provide baskets
There will be no time of fellowship following worship

Easter Monday April 1
The church office will be closed

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG

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Gretchen Schneider, Transitional Pastor

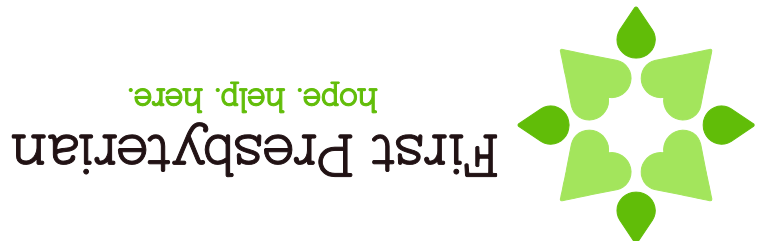
Max Muska, Associate Pastor

Cynthia Morningstar, Director of Music

Jane Runshe, Office Manager

Sara Roberts, Sunday School Coordinator

Dan Runshe, Sexton



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Per Capita

Every year the local church sends in a per capita on each of our church members. The amount for this year of \$43.61 per individual member is set by the Presbyterian Church (USA) and is used by General Assembly, the Synod of Lincoln Trails, and the Presbytery to help cover the costs of running the denomination. Some members in our church elect to pay their own per capita to help offset our church budget. If you would like to do this, please make your check payable to our church and mark "per capita" in the memo section.

Team~Session Meeting

The Teams and the Session will meet on Monday, April 15 at 6:15 in fellowship hall. Everyone is invited for a pitch-in dinner, then stay for team meetings beginning at 6:45. A short Session meeting will be held following the team meetings if there are things that require a vote. If you haven't had a chance to join a team, please come on the 15th and decide which team you would like to be on! If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Gretchen or Pastor Max.

Walker Place 2216 North Riley Highway

Pastor Gretchen and Pastor Max are leading worship services on the second Sunday of each month at 1:00pm at Walker Place. Please feel free to attend, or if you would be willing to help with one of these services, please talk to Gretchen or Max.



**If you have a love for
music, share it!**

Wednesday Rehearsals

7:00pm

Choir Room

Sunday Warm Up

9:30am

Sanctuary

Hospitality Team

The Hospitality Team has organized for the coming year. We have two groups on the team which can be seen on the Church Officers sheet elsewhere in the *Spire*. The months they serve are listed. Every third month will be "volunteer" month when we are asking families to sign up for one Sunday to plan, prepare, serve and clean up for our time of fellowship. There is a dry-erase calendar in fellowship hall by the kitchen where you can pick a Sunday for your family to serve. The choir has volunteered to take the month of June, so the next month for volunteers is September. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Gretchen or Jane.

Prayer Shawl Ministry **Fourth Monday of each month 1:30pm** **They will meet on Monday, April 22 in the church parlor**

This small, fun group knits and crochets prayer shawls and other items for those going through transitions in their lives.

Guests are always welcome to come and join this ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, come and check out this group. Even if you don't know how to knit or crochet, they will be glad to teach you and get you started. This group is open to men and women. Even if you don't want to knit or crochet, you can always just come and enjoy the company.



Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00am to 4:00pm
May be closed during lunch time
Office will be closed on Fridays

Sound and Screen Update

We offer our thanks to Cate Crouch and Karla Crouch for learning to run the sound and video equipment for Sunday mornings. More volunteers would be welcome, so please let Gretchen, Max or Jane know if you would be interested in learning.

Sunday School

The children go with Jon Orem and Sara Roberts for their lessons following the Children's Time in worship.



Grades 6-12 Sarah Smith teaches our Middle and High School students at this same time. They meet in the Wall Room upstairs.

Nursery care is provided for **infants and toddlers** during worship.

If you would like to volunteer to help with Sunday School, please talk to Jon, Sarah, or Sara.

Time away

Max will be out of the office from April 5-April 8
Jane will be out of the office from April 8-April 12
Gretchen will out of the office from April 17-April 21





Confirmation Class

The Confirmation Class will meet on Sunday, April 7, at 11:30am in the Noah's Ark Room. They will also meet on Sunday, April 14 at 11:15am in the Noah's Ark Room. Please talk to Pastor Gretchen if you have any questions.



Statler Study Group

Fellowship Hall

Breakfast Served

Wednesdays at 8:00am

Beginning Study Breakfast April 3 at Cow Palace

New Study begins April 10

What's So Amazing About Grace?

by Philip Yancey

New members & visitors always welcome!

Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander	John & Jody Linton
Shane Appleton	Judy Mitchell
Jeanne Boback	Janet Orem
Shelby Bowers	Sharon Orem
Charline Brown	Bill & Joyce Runshe
Joanne Bubar	Jonita Smith
Marilyn Bushfield	Megan Smith & Dahlia
Vickie Butler	Kevin & Penny Springman
Woody Collins	Deloris Sorrell
Annette Craft	Eric Sorrell
Bert & Irene Curry	Walter Stone
Hugh Garner	Marilyn VanCleve
Becky Gattis	Wilma Weaver
Phil & Linda Howell	Dawn Whitfield
Ron Kramer	Nancy Wittekind

Church family and friends

Matthew & Michael Berndt, Steven Binder, Elizabeth Bir, Mary Brown, Kristi Burton, Wyatt Cameron, Bill Collins, Betty Craft, Lida Craft, Cory, Dakota, Teri, Amber, Britney & Justin Douglass, Esther Gahimer, Julie Harris, Deloris Hassebroek, Vicki Hassebroek, Ashley Hedges, Hunter, Cammi Hooker, Jaxon, Betty Nichols, Chelsea Overhage, Lynn Pitts, Jon Ross, Mark Rowe, Darryl Runshe, Natalie Sargent, John Scudder, Chera Shaub, Shannon Trimnell, Peggy Trittipio, Brady Vanes, Cheryl White, Susan Wooledge

Those in military service

Curtis Bridgewater	Alex Dillon
Rocky Iaria	Deacon Marshall
Adam Smith	Deryk Smith
	Brett Walburn

If the situation for any of these people has changed or someone needs to be added to our list, please let the church office know.

**CHURCH OFFICE TO BE
CLOSED APRIL 1 FOR
EASTER MONDAY
AND APRIL 8 BECAUSE OF
THE ECLIPSE**

If you would like to come to worship on Sunday mornings, but don't have a way



Rides Available

to get there, Jon and Sharon Orem are offering to pick people up on their way to worship. Please call them by Saturday if you would like a ride so they can make plans.

For more information or to schedule a ride, call Sharon Orem (317-512-1842) or Jon Orem (317-517-1341)

Where Everyone is Welcome!

CCC's

The next meeting of the CCC group will be on Thursday, April 4, at 1:30pm for lunch at 3 Sisters Bookmark on the circle.

The May CCC meeting will be held on Thursday, May 2 at The Branch in Greensburg for dessert. The van will be going if you want to ride. Time of departure is still being determined. Talk to Sheila with questions.

Mark Your Calendars and sign up to help

Please make sure you have July 7, 2024 marked on your calendars as we will have

special events to mark the **200th anniversary** of the church. Plans are being made to make this a memorable day. If you would like to help with the planning, there will be a meeting on Tuesday, April 2 at 6:00pm in the Noah's Ark Room. Please plan to enter the building through the front door by the offices. If you have any questions, please talk to Pattie Stone or Sarah Smith.



Family pictures

The Easter/Spring photo booth in the Apple Entry is all ready for you to take family pictures, either for Easter, Mother's Day or just spring. The photo booth as it is decorated will stay this way until mid-June when it will be updated for our 200th celebration.



**Say
Cheese!**



Earth Day Celebration

The Deacons invite you to stay following worship on April 28 to celebrate Earth Day (which is April 22). This is a celebration for all AGES with crafts, games, gardening, and food! Hot dogs will be provided! Let Jon Orem (317-517-1341) or Sharon Orem (317-512-1842) know if you can bring chips or a dessert. Thanks



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

On Sunday, February 25 we had a delicious meal of soups, hot dogs, salads and desserts followed by the fun of building our structures out of cans. Posted here are pictures of our Souper Structures and the groups that built them! There was no end to the creativity that our five groups showed in planning and building their structures. Phil Howell brought his empty truck to the church on Tuesday morning where it was overloaded with 1049 items. There were also monetary donations of \$340. The food was delivered to the local food pantry at Human Services and a check sent for the donations. We have also turned these totals in to the **Souper Bowl of Caring** to be added into the national total for this year! Many, many thanks to all of you for your generosity in making this much-needed contribution to the local food pantry such a success. Watch for this again next year!

DEACONS



SESSION

**More
pictures
on next
page!**



CHOIR



STATLER GROUP



SUNDAY SCHOOL



DELIVERY

Church Officers

Session

Christian Education/Nurture

Becky Gattis
Sarah Smith
Pattie Stone

Property/Finance

Glen Hobbs
Phil Howell
Jim Marshall
Dan Runshe

Worship/Evangelism/ Benevolence

Sheila Palmer
Melody Skipton
Mike Whitfield

Clerk of Session

Dawn Whitfield

Treasurer

Glen Hobbs

Deacons

Sharon Orem—Moderator
Emily Campbell—Treasurer
Carolyn Statler—Secretary
Jim Browning
Linda Howell

Debby McLeod
Judy Mitchell
Jon Orem
Ron Kramer

Hospitality Team

Jan-Apr-Jul-Oct

Glen Hobbs
Debby McLeod
Sharon Orem
Deb Hassebroek

Feb-May-Aug-Nov

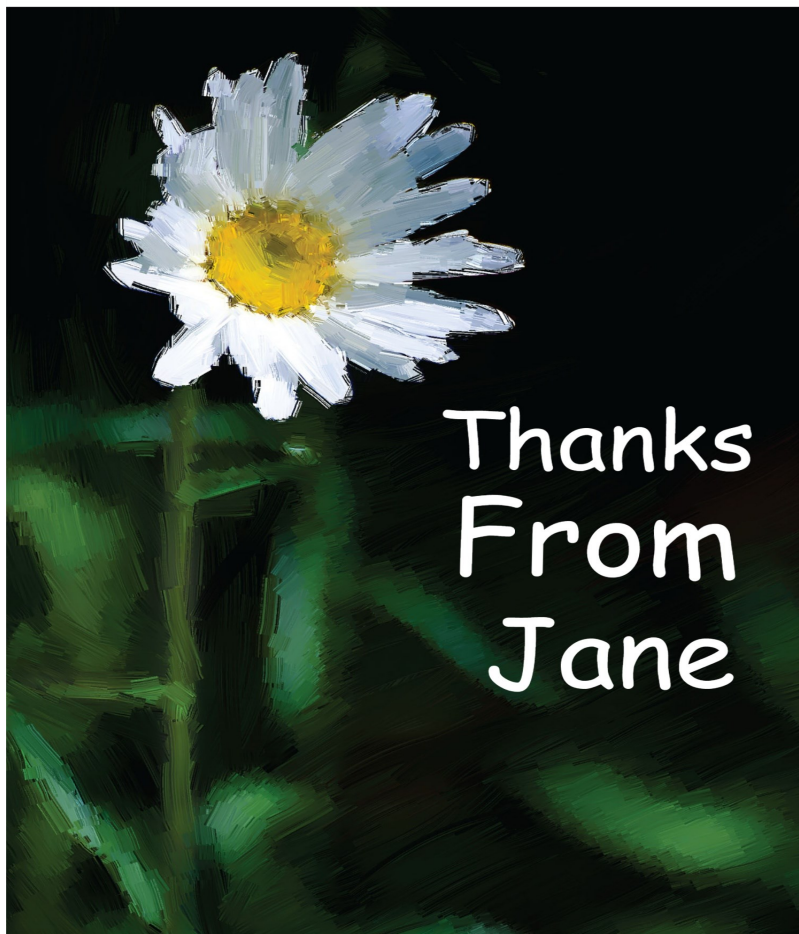
Shane Appleton
Jim Browning
Vickie Butler

Mar-Jun-Sep-Dec

Volunteer months
See calendar in
fellowship hall to
sign up

Alternates - Ron Kramer & Pattie Stone

***You do not need to be a member of the church to be
on the Hospitality Team***



I can't thank you all enough for my special surprise on March 17 in celebration of the 49th Anniversary of working at the church. I truly had no idea that anything was going on and was totally surprised!



I have been so blessed to work in a place with so many wonderful people surrounding me. You all ~ as family, members and friends, pastors and staff of First Presbyterian Church ~ have made this the best place to work. I am forever grateful for all your love, support and help.

Being recognized during worship with hugs, handshakes and kind words, handmade gifts by the children, gorgeous roses, flowers and so many beautiful cards and notes lets me know that this is truly the place that I was meant to be for all these years.

Then to have such a wonderful, delicious lunch in my honor made the day even brighter.

The memory of Sunday will be one that I will hold in my heart forever!

P.S. I had no idea you all could be so sneaky!!!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Schedule 9:30 Choir Warm up 10:00 Worship - on-line and in sanctuary Following children's moment: Children's and Youth Sunday School 11:15 Time of fellowship	1 EASTER MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED 7:00 Called Session Meeting	2 6:00 200th Comm 6:00 BRYC-s & p 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	3 8:00 Statler Group breakfast at Cow Palace 6:00 HS Youth Group 7:00 Choir-cr	4 A-Tom & Cheryl Miller 1:30 CCC-lunch at 3 Sisters Bookmark	5 Office Closed	6 B-Sara Roberts Max Gone
7 B-Linda Thopy Sunday Schedule 11:30 Confirmation Class Meeting-nar Max Gone	8 B-Alexys Tucker ECLIPSE OFFICE CLOSED	9 B-Mike Whitfield 6:00 BRYC-s & p 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh Jane Gone	10 8:00 Statler Group-fh NO Choir Jane Gone	11 B-Aimee Tillison B-Clay Browning 6:30 Craft Group Stone - fh Jane Gone	12 B-Shelby Runshe Office Closed	13 8:00-PEO-fh 12:00 Pearce-fh
14 Sunday Schedule Max preaching 11:15 Confirmation Class Meeting-nar 1:00 Service at Walker	15 6:15 Teams/ Session dinner & meeting-fh	16 A-Steve & Christi Drake 6:00 BRYC-s & p 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	17 8:00 Statler Group-fh 6:00 HS Youth Group 7:00 Choir-cr Gretchen Gone	18 B-Sharon Orem Gretchen Gone	19 Office Closed	20 A-Bill & Jayne Barnes Gretchen Gone
21 B-Caroline Pearce A-Tom & Karla Crouch A-Glen & Tina Hobbs Sunday Schedule Hannah preaching Gretchen Gone	22 B-Wren Orem 1:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry-parlor	23 6:00 BRYC-s & p 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	24 8:00 Statler Group-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	25 B-Shari Gabbard B-Linda Howell Office Closed	26 B-Jim Hedrick Office Closed	27 fh-fellowship hall p-parlor nar-Noah's Ark Room s-sanctuary cr-choir room k-kitchen
28 Sunday Schedule Earth Day Celebration following worship	29 B-Tim Barrick	30 6:00 BRYC-s & p 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh			B-Birthdays	A-Anniversaries

