



the Lantern

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Sunrise Service Highlights Easter Activities at First Presbyterian

The Easter season brings many activities to First Presbyterian, and the highlight this year will be a sunrise service on Easter morning.

Palm Sunday, April 1, brings a special service to First Presbyterian, led by the Presbyterian Campus Fellowship (PCF) group.

On April 5, Maundy Thursday, a light supper will be served by FPC's Board of Deacons at 5:15pm in Fellowship Hall, with worship following at 6pm.

This year's Good Friday Ecumenical service will be held at First Presbyterian on April 6 at noon.

The McCormacks will host an Easter Egg hunt for children 1-12 years of age at their home, 109 E. Burton, on Saturday, April 7 at 10 am.

Although our sunrise service won't be held at the actual time of sunrise, it will still take place pretty early on Sunday morning, April 8. The Deacons will begin setting up at about 6am for the service that will be held at 7am

on the grassy area between Westminster House and Rollins Apartments.

A carry-in breakfast will follow the service, replacing the usual "Second Sunday Brunch" that day.

No Sunday School/Small Groups will be held on Easter Sunday.



Potatoes Go Like Hotcakes!

On Sunday, March 25, First Presbyterian's Senior High youth group hosted a Potato Bar Fundraiser following the morning worship service. Hot baked potatoes and all the trimmings, including Jerry Haman's famous chili, a veggie tray, and cookies were on the menu. The turnout was fabulous and the congregation's donations have moved the PYFers about \$400 closer to their Montreat trip fundraising goal.

Bob Keough and Erin Gill, PYF leaders,

would like to express their gratitude to all who helped make this event possible, especially Teri Haman and Barb Ayers. And, of course, all the PYF youth send a huge **Thank You** to everyone who donated so generously.



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Mark Your April Calendar

Lectionary Readings

- **April 1 (Passion/Palm Sunday)**
Liturgy of the Palms:
 Luke 19:28-40
 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Liturgy of the Passion:
 Isaiah 50:4-9a
 Psalm 36:9-16
 Philippians 2:5-11
 Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

- **April 2 (Monday of Holy Week)**
 Isaiah 42:1-9
 Psalm 36:5-11
 Hebrews 9:11-15
 John 12:1-11

- **April 3 (Tuesday of Holy Week)**
 Isaiah 49:1-7
 Psalm 71:1-14
 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
 John 12:20-36

- **April 4 (Wednesday of Holy Week)**
 Isaiah 50:4-9a
 Psalm 70
 Hebrews 12:1-3
 John 13:21-32

- **April 5 (Maundy Thursday)**
 Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14
 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
 John 13:1-17, 31b-35

- **April 6 (Good Friday)**
 Isaiah 52:13-53:12
 Psalm 22
 Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
 John 18:1-19:42

- **April 7 (Great Vigil of Easter)** *(For more readings, see www.pcusa.org)*
 Genesis 1:1-2:4a
 Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26
 Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21
 Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13

Sundays

- **4/1—Palm Sunday.** Worship, 9:30am; Fellowship/Coffee-time, 10:30am, Fellowship Hall; Sunday School, 11am; PCF, 5:30pm, Westminster House.
- **4/8—Easter Sunday — Sunrise Service, 7am; Carry-In Breakfast, 7:45am;** Regular Worship, 9:30am; No Sunday School/Small Groups; **Highland Crest Service, 2:00pm;** No PCF supper this week.
- **4/15—**Worship, 9:30am; Fellowship/Coffee-time, 10:30am, Fellowship Hall; Small Groups/Sunday School, 11am; **Twin Pines Service, 2:30pm;** PCF, 5:30pm, Westminster House.
- **4/22—**Worship, 9:30am, **Congregational Meeting** after worship; Fellowship/Coffee-time, 10:30am, Fellowship Hall; Small Groups/Sunday School, 11am; PCF, 5:30pm, Westminster House.
- **4/29—**Worship, 9:30am; Fellowship/Coffee, 10:30am, Fellowship Hall; Small Groups, 11am; PCF, 5:30pm, Westminster House; **Children's Choir Musical, 4:30pm,** Snacks following in Fellowship Hall.

Mondays

- **4/2, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30—**Sr. High PYF, 7pm, Travers Room

Tuesdays

- **4/10—**Session and Deacons Meetings, 7pm, Fellowship Hall
- **4/24—**Presbyterian Women's Meeting, 7pm, Fellowship Hall

Wednesdays

- **4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25—**Mid-Week Bible Study, 1pm, at a member's home; Operation J.O.Y./Mid-High PYF, 3:15pm; Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7pm, Choir Room

Thursdays

- **4/5 — Maundy Thursday,** Light supper 5:15pm in Fellowship Hall, worship 6pm

Fridays

- **4/6 — Good Friday Ecumenical Service,** 12 noon, First Presbyterian Church. Office closed after noon.
- **4/13 or 4/20—**Parent's Night Out, 6pm, contact the church office for details.

Saturdays

- **4/7 — Easter Egg Hunt** for children 1-12, 109 E. Burton (McCormack's) 10am
- **4/14—**Presby Seniors, 9am, Ponderosa Restaurant

Food of the Month:

Applesauce



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Mike's Page

"What's your pastor good for? Nothin'"

Not exactly. As a pastor, I find that my role is a bit strange. There are only a few things I'm "good" for. I cannot remodel a house. I cannot do your taxes. But, I am not worthless. I can perform weddings. I can perform baptisms. I can, with the help of the session, welcome new members into our church. And, I want to do those things.

If you have children that have not been **baptized**, I would love to talk to you about baptism. And, one wonderful thing about being a Presbyterian is that we can do immersion baptism, if that is something you might want. I performed an immersion baptism for a small African-American Church that I moderated in Bowling Green. We went over and had to fill up the baptismal pool. With cold water. I'll tell you about that some other time.

Another worship service, or aspect of worship, that I am eager to perform is services of healing and **wholeness**. In the Companion to the Book of Common Worship, it shares this regarding Services for Wholeness:

"All healing comes from God. Sometimes miraculous healing occurs. Generally, God works through human skill, knowledge, and training to bring about healing... Healing was an integral part of the ministry of Jesus. Jesus healed from a distance (Luke 7:1-10), but he more typically used touch in the process of healing (Matthew 9:18; Mark 16:18; Luke 4:40). ... The Service of Wholeness reaches out and touches those who need healing in body, mind, or spirit." (260)

I like the idea that we as the church continue the healing ministry of Christ (260). The Book of Order speaks, as only it can, "These services should be open to all and not restricted to those desiring healing for themselves or for others of special concern

to them. The services should be held in a place readily accessible to those who may be seeking healing." (W-3.5402) I mention this now to let you know both "What your pastor is good for" and also what the church wants to provide for you. We very much want to continue Christ's ministry of healing. Indeed, we all stand in need of his healing, within and without.

I also want to welcome **new members** into our church. I have mentioned a quality of some of our church visitors: "Chronic Visitors." CVs are people who have been visiting us for YEARS. In fact, when you find out that they aren't members, you typically respond, "they're NOT? Reeeeaalllly?" I want to encourage them and you (to encourage them) to meet me in the parlor each third Sunday following worship. We will have a time of discussion about membership for those who are curious about it. For those who are ready to become members, we will have a small service of membership, welcoming them into our community (formally, if they're CVs). At worship the next week, we will report that they joined our family of faith.

I hope there are many more things I can share with you in the future, but, at least for right now, these are a few things I am "good for."

—Mike

Mike's Office Hours

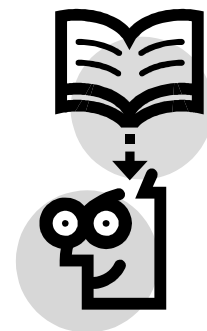
MONDAY: 8:30am-Noon; 1pm-5pm

TUESDAY: 8:30am-Noon

WEDNESDAY: 8:30am-Noon

THURSDAY: 8:30am-Noon; 1pm-5pm

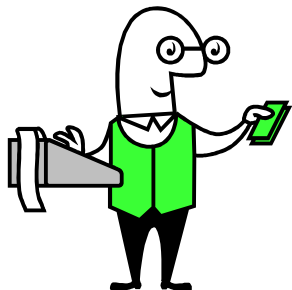
FRIDAY & SATURDAY: No office hours



Lectionary Readings (continued)

- **April 8 (Easter/ Resurrection of the Lord)**
Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12
- **April 15 (Second Sunday of Easter)**
Acts 5:27-32
Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150
Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-31
- **April 22 (Third Sunday of Easter)**
Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)
Psalm 30
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19
- **April 29 (Fourth Sunday of Easter)**
Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

Financial Report, 28 February 2007



	Month Income	Month Expense	YTD In- come	YTD Ex- pense
Giving & Other Revenue	\$9,743		\$21,087	
Restricted Program Transfers			1,416	
Designated Income/ Expense	170	\$224	848	709
Direct Mission		1,100		2,300
Pastoral Leadership		9,391		14,797
Worship & Music		951		1,675
Christian Education	110	2,058	150	2,412
Administrative Support	50	4,611	60	9,797
House & Grounds		2,438		5,423
General Needs				28
Campus Ministry	1,055	683	1,055	744
Membership Shepherding		153		206
Community Ministries	78	712	202	727
Rollins Ministry	2,466	1,588	4,960	3,309
Westminster House Ministry	<u>0000</u>	<u>344</u>	<u>0000</u>	<u>642</u>
Total	<u>\$13,672</u>	<u>\$24,253</u>	<u>\$29,778</u>	<u>\$42,769</u>
Undesignated Cash Checking Account: \$1,871.09				

*My dear friends,
Thank you for the beautiful altar flowers. They are so lovely. Also, thanks for
your concern and prayers. As I enter this difficult health
path I will put my trust in the Lord...completely.
Yours in Christ, *Linda Hudnall**



Notes and Reminders

Children's Choir Musical

Don't forget *The Music Machine*, to be presented by the Children's Choir on Sunday, April 29, at 4:30pm in the church sanctuary. Light snacks of finger foods will be served afterward in Fellowship Hall.

J.O.Y. & Mid-High PYF Members and Parents: Rehearsal for the musical will be noon on Sunday April 29; Lunch will be provided for the kids, with rehearsal following. Please pick up your children at 1:45 and return at 4:00.

Encourage your children to listen to the sound track on their CD.

Covenant Point Camp

Did you know that:

- All the cabins at Covenant Point now have heat and air-conditioning?
- The 2007 camping season schedule is already out?
- You can plan ahead to attend camp this summer?
- First Presbyterian pays half the registration fee for camp?

Well, it's all true! Please give serious thought to attending camp and get it on your summer schedule before it's too full. Contact Ronnaug Bull for more information and for brochures that include the dates for camp. If you and/or your children are interested in seeing the camp before you decide, just call Ronnaug.

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS:

Brian Bloskovich	Apr. 5
Eddie Hodges	Apr. 7
Haily McClanahan	Apr. 8
Tiffany Barnes	Apr. 9
Tim Carroll	Apr. 12
Sarah Traylor	Apr. 18
Tim AuBuchon	Apr. 19
Steven Carroll	Apr. 19

Branson Bloskovich	Apr. 19
Robert N. King, Jr.	Apr. 19
Bonnie Collier	Apr. 22
Blair Riley	Apr. 26
Derek Jones	Apr. 28
Tisha Barnes	Apr. 30

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Janna McLean	Apr. 7
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PCF News

March has been a somewhat quiet month for the PCFers. At the beginning of the month, they enjoyed a week off from school, thus missing two Sundays of SOS. Upon returning though, the students are getting back in the swing of things planning the worship service they are leading on April 1st.

Plans to make the Westminster House more accessible are in the works, despite the slight setback experienced recently. Unfortunately, the Westminster has seen better days, as it got hit by a car, knocking down the new sign and crashing into the brick wall of the

porch. Not that this will stop the PCF crowd, however.

The group is still meeting each Sunday evening for food and fellowship! There are only a few more weeks left to volunteer your culinary skills before summer! Contact Cheryl Gracey if you'd like to volunteer.

—Emily Ward

Help Wanted: The Hospitality Committee of the Board of Deacons seeks friendly people to help with greeting and ushering in 2007. Contact Teri Haman or Janis Keough to volunteer, or sign up on the sheet in the South stairwell leading to the Narthex. Thanks in advance!



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