

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025

*We welcome you here today. May you experience the awesome love of God as we worship together.*

**PLEASE** provide the information requested on our Friendship Pads which the ushers give out.

**HEARING DEVICES** and **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available at the back of the sanctuary. Please ask an usher if needed. Hearing aids with Bluetooth can utilize our sound enhancement by downloading the Wave-Cast app from wherever you get your smartphone apps.

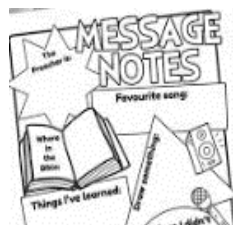
**THANK YOU**

**LITURGIST:** Diane Cooper

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Sharon Layman

**THANK YOU** for your continuing support of the Ecumenical Food Pantry. Please bring **SPAG./SAUCE** next week.

**STARTS TODAY!** Engage and apply the Sunday **SERMON**. Round table discussion led by Elder Jane Capo during Fellowship Hour immediately following the service. It will last maybe ten minutes, or twenty, or? A First Presbyterian Lent 2025 Special.



### **WEDNESDAY LENTEN SUPPERS:**

Lent is a 40 day period of discipleship reflection in anticipation of the cross and tomb of Jesus. Take on board our special fellowship time on **Wednesdays at 5 pm** for potlucks and devotionals. (March 12—April 2) *Your daily life relates to God's epic, eternal story. Your journey of faith will come alive as you explore the divine story in the New Testament and contemporary characters, and discover how the ancient stories of Scripture reveal God's plans for you today. This Wednesday's Lenten video devotional is by renowned author, Max Lucado, and will be shown after supper. Join us.*

**LIT LOVERS BOOK CLUB:** Monday, March 17, 4 p.m.

**CHOMP N' CHAT:** Brown bag lunch with Pastor Jeff. March 18 at noon.

**MARTHA CIRCLE:** Wednesday, March 19, 11:30 a.m. Bring your lunch and fellowship with your Sisters in Christ.

**VOLUNTEER for THE SENIOR EXPO on Thursday, March 27th!**

Two shifts available: 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. SIGN UP IN THE GATHERING ROOM!

**MUSICAL NOTE:** Beginning with stanza 7, *“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”* has traditionally been the opening hymn in Methodist hymnals throughout the world since the time of Wesley’s *Collection of Hymns for the Use of the People Called Methodists* (1780). The number of stanzas tends to vary, but the complete eighteen (seventeen of which are included in No. 58) seem never to have been used as a hymn, and the poem’s original content is little known. It was written in 1739 by Charles Wesley to commemorate his conversion on May 21, 1738, and was published in *Hymns and Sacred Poems* (1740) with the title *“For the Anniversary Day of One’s Conversion.”* The first six stanzas deal with Wesley’s own emotions upon his spiritual transformation. The climactic stanza, however, is apparently an echo of an expression used by Peter Bohler: *“Had I a thousand tongues, I would praise him with them all!”* This itself may have been a reminiscence of a hymn by Johann Mentzer (1658-1734) which was published in Freylinghausen’s *Gesangbuch* (1704), beginning with same words in German: *“O dass ich tausend Zungen hütte.”*

**EVERYONE TO COFFEE “HOUR” on MARCH 30:** Have you not been to our coffee "hour" following church? Have you not been for a while? Are you a regular? No matter how you answered, we want you to come to the coffee and fellowship time. We're shooting for everyone to come on this date.

**PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY** on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. will not occur during Lent. Class will resume after Easter.

**MEN’S BIBLE STUDY:** Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Pastor Jeff has a weekly **E-DEVOTIONAL** that you might like to sign up for. It's short. It's just once a week. Interested? Call the church office to get on the email list.

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*Please join us in the Gathering Room after worship  
for coffee and fellowship.*



## CHURCH AT PRAYER

### Current Health Issues:

Joyce Anderson's daughter Cheryl  
& grand-daughter Kim  
Ben Ashton, & his aunt Minnie  
Ed Bachus  
Linda Banks' mother & friend  
Loretta Martin  
Jean (Les) Bell  
Karen Bowser's granddaughter,  
Laura  
Clark & Jean Brillhart's friend,  
Shirley  
Roger Carey's friend, Chris Z.  
Sally Clark  
George Chamberlin  
Diane Cooper's friends, Jamie B. &  
Ed F.  
Dawn Durling  
Barbara Eisenbach's friends, Mike  
K. & Rev. Richard Adams  
Carol Ernst's son, Robert  
Diane (Richard) Grant, her sister,  
Barbara, & brother-in-law,  
Herb  
Ray & Gayle Green's daughter, Sa-  
mantha, & grandson Melvin  
Barbara Harding  
Mildred Hartman  
Rev. Sandy Hill  
Donna Jackson  
Ron Kelly  
Mary Keogh's sister, Calista  
Joan Kraftchak's neighbor, Chris  
Sharon Layman's friend, Bill, & sis-  
ter, Robin DeRosa  
Juanita Leioatts' sister, Shirley, &  
friend, Teri  
Doreen Lynch's brother, Richard,  
friends; Jessica, Judy, Chris, &  
neighbors, Linda & Al

Marshall (Patsy) McCammack  
Cornelia Mills' daughter, Dawn and  
son-in-law, Charles  
Kathy Morrison  
Dan Sharrow and his friend, Charlie  
Ralph Smith  
June Taylor's daughter, Cheri  
Norma (Al) Tebbs' friend, Esther  
Juanita & Bill Welsh  
Jane Wilson  
Carol Wise and her son, Jimmy  
Julie Wylie, and grandson, Austin

### Persistent/Chronic Illness:

Pam Carter  
Pat (John) Carroll  
Stan (Helga) LaVoque

### Homebound/Care facilities:

Patci Blackwood  
Ray Bratberg  
Dale Kuckenbecker

### Grieving:

Family and friends of Donna Jack-  
son, on the loss of her mother  
(2025)  
Family and friends of Kim Hislop,  
on the death of her mother,  
Margaret (2/25/25)



**TO REQUEST PRAYER:** Contact the  
office or speak to a team member.  
**PRAY WITH US**—Tuesday 9:15 a.m.  
**PRAYER TEACHING** — 4th Tuesday  
at 9:30 a.m. **(MAR. 25)**

**TEAM MEMBERS:** Joyce Anderson, Clark Brillhart, Jane Capo, Pat Carroll,  
Sally Clark, Barbara Eisenbach, Juanita Welsh (Rev. Jeff Wood)

**CALENDAR: MAR. 10-16**

**MONDAY, MAR 10**

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**TUESDAY, MAR. 11**

9:15 a.m. Church at Prayer

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

6:15 p.m. Step Group

7:30 p.m. WS-AA

**WEDNESDAY, MAR. 12**

NO Pastor's Bible Study

3:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**5 P.M. POTLUCK SUPPER**

6:30 p.m. Men's Step Study

**THURSDAY, MAR. 13**

9 a.m. Building & Grounds

10-2 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

5 p.m. Men's Bible Study

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**FRIDAY, MAR. 14**

9:30 a.m. Weight Watchers

10-2 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**SATURDAY, MAR. 15**

10- 2p.m. Thrift Shop Open

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**SUNDAY, MAR. 16**

10 a.m. Worship

11 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship

5 p.m. AA Sundowners



**ANNIVERSARIES**

3/12 Larry & Shirley Drewyor (71)

3/22 Fred & Becky Augenstein (39)

**BIRTHDAYS**

3/05 Betty Letrick

3/07 Beverly Killian

3/07 Ralph Monnett

3/10 Joan Wells

3/12 Ray Green

3/17 Priscilla Spear

3/18 Mildred Hartman

***Are we missing YOUR special day? Call the church office to let us know! 772-589-5656***