

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 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

GREETERS: Jonathan and Holly Pratt

LITURGIST: Mary Keogh

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Sharon Layman

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

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.

1st HYMN 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 h"ot*te."

TOMORROW! Monday, March 24 at 10 a.m.— a meeting for all who signed up for (or are interested in helping with) memorial receptions, picnics, potlucks, visiting shut-ins, and congregational life. Please come.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN SUPPERS: (Mar 26—Apr 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 discover how the ancient stories of Scripture reveal God's plans for you today. Lenten devotional by author, Max Lucado will be shown after supper. Join us.*

EASTER MEMORIAL LILY forms are available in the narthex. Orders are due by April 6th. Cost: \$10 per plant.

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're aiming to get as many worshippers as possible to come on March 30th! Special drawing for prizes for those who are game.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY, Saturday, April 5, 9 a.m. until ?

THANK YOU to Karen Pike for handling the beautiful flowers out front in our pots.

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

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

INCOME/EXPENSES			
Month	Income	Expenses	Net
February	\$22,231.00	\$23,670.00	-1,439.00
Year to Date	\$294,389.00	\$290,876.00	\$3,513.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLEDGE CARD!

Total pledged to date: \$204,922

Total pledged 2024: \$205,351

*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. & Terry
Charlie Costello's great-granddaughter, Scarlett
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, Samantha, & 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, & sister, 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 & son-in-law, Charles

Kathy Morrison
Bobbi Mosley's nephew Sean
Dan Sharrow & his friend, Charlie Ralph Smith
June Taylor's daughter, Cheri
Norma (Al) Tebbs' friend, Esther Juanita & Bill Welsh
Jane Wilson
Carol Wise & her son, Jimmy
Julie Wylie, & grandson, Austin

Persistent/Chronic Illness:

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

Homebound/Care facilities:

Patci Blackwood
Ray Bratberg
Dale Kuckenbecker

Grieving:

Family & friends of Donna Jackson, on the loss of her mother (2025)
Family & 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. 24-30

MONDAY, MAR 24

10 a.m. HELPERS MEETING
5 p.m. AA Sundowners

TUESDAY, MAR. 25

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. 26

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. 27

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. 28

9:30 a.m. Weight Watchers
10-2 p.m. Thrift Shop Open
5 p.m. AA Sundowners

SATURDAY, MAR. 29

10- 2p.m. Thrift Shop Open
5 p.m. AA Sundowners

HYMN SING SUNDAY, MAR. 30

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