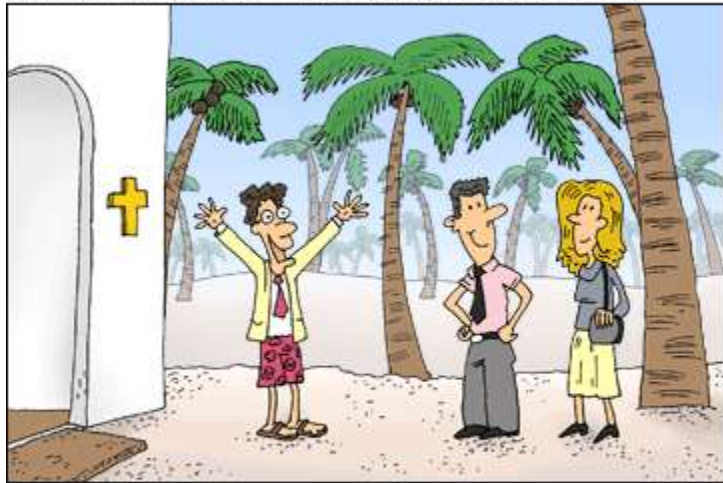




Faith and Film Discussion Group for April. We are again excited to have more new movies for upcoming conversations and intergenerational fellowship. On **Sunday, April 3, 4:30-6:00 pm**, we will meet at Pastor Kim's home to discuss *The Young Messiah* (opens March 11) and *Miracles from Heaven* (opens March 16). The former is based on the Anne Rice novel, "Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt" and focuses on a seven year old Jesus returning from Egypt to Nazareth. Will the movie reveal when Jesus knew he was the Christ? Something to think about, for sure! The second movie is based on the true story, and subsequent book, about a young girl's miraculous healing. Are there medical mysteries that truly defy explanation? Come and have some pizza with the pastor and discuss these movies. Call the church office at 573.335.2579 or Becky Nelson at 415.517.9444 to RSVP, and for directions and more information, if needed.

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ON OUR ISLAND, EVERY SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY

Welcome in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ

We are pleased you have joined us for worship this Sunday morning. We are a faithful congregation of the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA) and within the bounds of the Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery. Worship is one of the many ministries that are facilitated by this historic and active congregation. A small group of Presbyterians began this ministry in 1835 and we are called by God to continue their faithful witness of Jesus Christ to our community and world. Bible studies and mission projects punctuate our weekly activities. If you would like more information about our ministries and/or becoming a new member, please call our church office during the week or talk to our pastor after worship. *Visitors and members alike are encouraged to complete the registration pad located on the main aisle of each pew.* Your contact information is never shared with any other identity.



Lay Leader is Ruth Needle.

Visitors Last Sunday were Susan Ross, Jordan Ross, Nelle Johnson, June Owen, Wayne & Karen Wilde.


Ushers for this morning are Neva Kay Ross & Sarah Ross and Bob Herbst & Daryl Henry.


Coffee host today is Ruth Pautler.

Pastoral Care: Dixie Hopkins, Becky Parkinson, Donne Williams, Ray Ritter, Barbara Taylor, Paul Rice, Bruce Woods, Joe Hirsch

In the Military: Michelle Bryan, CA; Eric Rueseler, LCPL; David Parkinson, Travis Air Force Base, CA; Col. Richard Parkinson, MacDill Air Force Base, FL; Jeff Parkinson, Elgin Air Force Base, FL. (Bob & Ann Parkinson's nephews); John Raimondo, Camp LeJeune, N. Carolina (Sharon Metcalfe's grandson); Ryan Bloomingdale, Ft. Campbell, Ky (grandson of Sharon Metcalfe) Eric Yocom, Air Force, Mountain Home, Idaho (Ray & Sandy Wilhelm's grandson)

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES Both Children's Sunday School Classes will meet after the Kid's Message in worship. The Lower Grade's Class will meet in their classroom next to the Nursery. Kathy Woodfin and Cherie Herbst will be teaching this class. The curriculum will focus on "The Stories of the Old Testament" based on the *Read and Learn Bible*. The Upper Grade's Class will meet in their classroom on the second floor. Their curriculum will focus on studying "The Parables of Jesus". This class will be team taught by Kathy Brown, Melissa Harris, Sandy Wilhelm, Kate Broeckling and Julie Harrison.

 **In support of our local FISH Food Pantry, the March Meal a Month-** Can of Tuna, Can of Cream of Mushroom Soup, Package of Noodles, 2 cans of Fruit. Please put in the box in the Narthex.

 **Flowers for Worship:** Flowers for worship may be shared to celebrate your anniversary, someone's birthday, or in memory of a loved one or friend. They can also just say "Thanks, God!" Please call the church office (335-2579) to sign up for flowers.

The flowers today were given by Jean Cairns in memory of her father, Austin Cairns, who would have turned 100 on Tuesday, March 22.

CALENDAR

Sunday 3/20	Pray for	Phillip & Joanna Shaver (anniversary)
	9:30 am	Adult Sunday School Class
	10:00 am	Coffee & fellowship
	10:30 am	Worship Service
	Noon	Session Meeting
Tuesday 3/22	10:00 am	Bible Study
Wednesday 3/23	Pray for	Ed Kaiser, Sheri Mitchell (birthday)
		Bob & Donna Pikey (anniversary)
	5:30 pm	Lenten Service
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 3/24	Pray for	Ann Bartlett (birthday)
		Holy Service
Friday 3/25	Pray for	Ruby Rice, Ricky Ruditys (birthday)
Sunday 3/27	9:30 am	Easter Egg Hunt
	10:00 am	Coffee & fellowship
	10:30 am	Worship Service

Birthdays, Anniversaries, and the Heifer Project--

Today is our Celebration of Birthdays and Anniversaries. We celebrate these milestones in our church family on the third Sunday of the month. As we acknowledge and honor our church family members we also support the work of the Heifer International Project. This is a nonprofit charitable organization that provides sustainable farm animals to impoverished people all over the globe. For more information visit their website at: www.heifer.org.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt --Please gather in the fellowship hall at 9:30 a.m. on Easter morning.

We will have the children hunt for eggs and then return to have snacks and activities. You may bring your own Easter basket if you like, but we will have some available.

Holy Week services

Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday)—7:00 pm

Good Friday, 7:00 pm, Community Service at First Baptist Church, corner of Lexington & Cape Rock

Easter Sunday, 10:30 am

Sunday, April 3 will be our annual **Holy Humor Sunday!** This is a wonderful way of celebrating our joy in the Risen Lord on the Sunday after Easter. It is also sometimes called “Bright Sunday” and has been around for centuries. In recent years, many denominations, including Presbyterians, have joined the merriment to show that redeemed Christians are not all dour and sour. Join us in two weeks for a joy filled Sunday!

♪ Music Notes

On this Palm Sunday we wave our palm branches. It is a reminder that God led his people many years ago, and that our God still continues to lead us. Now think about this: Where are you in this crowd? Are you standing and cheering? Or are you turning away? How will God lead you this week? And, what will be your response?

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna is a hymn of praise written in 1873 that came out of dire circumstances. Its English author, Jeanette Threlfall (1821-1880), was an orphan and an invalid. One might think that such a person would have written about Good Friday, not Palm Sunday. So . . . how might *we* learn from this?

March is Women’s History Month. The Presbyterian website, www.pcusa.org/women, says that it is “a time to look at the women who came before us and women in our midst” and “it is a time for us to celebrate the stories of accomplishment and wonder in each woman’s life.” Throughout this month we have been using several music selections written by women.

The term **Doxology** is derived from the Greek and is usually identified with a short hymn of praise, often to the Triune God. It has its origins from a similar worship practice in the Jewish synagogues. These songs of praise, actually small statements of faith, were frequently added to the last verse of a hymn, psalm or prayer. Today we are using a Doxology to the tune of “Amazing Grace.”

O Lord, Hear My Prayer (#471) is from the ecumenical community of Taizé, located in the Burgundy region of France. Both Protestant and Roman Catholic Christians from many nations gather there each week for prayer and meditation. Last fall we sang “In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful” (#654), another chant from Taizé. Several of their musical prayers are in our hymnal including “Jesus, Remember Me” (#227), written in 1981 for the World Council of Churches. For more information visit their website at: www.taize.fr.

What Wondrous Love is This? is an American Folk hymn of unknown origin, perhaps from 1811. It first appeared in print in 1835.

May you be inspired to meditate on the music and texts.

For your faith enrichment throughout the coming week,

The Bible passages for next Sunday are:

Acts 10:34-43, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, 1 Corinthians 15:19-26, & John 20:1-18.

Did you know that you can hear these readings in a podcast version? Check it out at the National Presbyterian Church website: www.pcusa.org/devotions/podcast.

You also may want to look them up at: www.biblegateway.com

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SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL

9:30 A.M. Adult Education
10:30 A.M. Worship Service
10:45-11:30 Children and Youth Sunday School

GENERAL NOTICES

Childcare for infants, toddlers and preschoolers is provided during worship.
The Session meets the third Sunday of the month.
The Church Choir rehearses Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M.
The Church sponsors Boy Scout Troop 4, Marcia Warren Scoutmaster, and
Cub Scout Pack 15, Brian Hall Cubmaster