

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 Sharon Metcalfe.

Visitors Last Sunday were Kerry Davis, Jerry Watkins, Nelle Johnson, Ellen Carlson, Jenny Odden.


Ushers for this morning are Neva Kay Ross & Sarah Ross and Bob Herbst & Ruth Needle.


Coffee host today is the Christian Education Committee.

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

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 "The 12 names of Jesus". This class will be team taught by Kathy Brown, Melissa Harris, Sandy Wilhelm, and Julie Harrison.

 **In support of our local FISH Food Pantry, the April Meal a Month-** 1 lb. package of pasta, Can of spaghetti sauce, Can of carrots or peas, Can 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.

Thanks to Judy Rueseler and those who have assisted in the floral arrangements.

CALENDAR

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| Sunday 3/27 | 9:30 am | Easter Egg Hunt |
| | 10:00 am | Coffee & fellowship |
| | 10:30 am | Worship Service |
| Wednesday 3/30 | 7:30 pm | Choir Practice |
| Thursday 3/31 | Pray for | Byron & Wyn Ward (anniversary) |
| Saturday 4/2 | Pray for | Sarah Holt (birthday) |
| Sunday 4/3 | 10:00 am | Coffee & fellowship |
| | 10:30 am | Worship Service |
| | 4:30 pm | Faith & Film |

NEXT SUNDAY—

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!

DAYTIME CIRCLE--The Daytime Circle will meet in the Chateau dining room at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 12, 2016. We will order off the menu and each person will be responsible for their own lunch. Please call Sharon Metcalfe at 651-5274 or Ruth Needle at 334-4515 to let one of them know you plan to attend. The discussion will be on Lesson 9 from our study book, PSALMS, by Sue Edwards. Or - read Psalm 98 and you will be ready to participate.

The Book Club will meet on Thursday, April 14 at the home of Rebecca Nelson and we will discuss Anne La Motts' "Thanks, Help, Wow: Three Essential Prayers". In May, we will meet at the home of Ruth Needle. We will discuss *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman.



For your faith enrichment throughout the coming week, the Bible passages for next Sunday are: Acts 5:27-32, Psalm 150, Revelation 1:4-8, John 20:19-31

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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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.

Barbara Calvin, Clerk of Session
 Shirley Sullivan, Church Secretary
 Charles Wiles, Treasurer
 Rebecca Nelson, Keyboard, Music Ministry Team
 Kathy Woodfin, Nursery Attendant
 Joanna Shaver, Wedding Coordinator
 Gina Thomas, Maintenance
 Rev. Dr. Kim L Nelson, D. Min. Pastor

♪ **Music Notes**

The word “Alleluia” is used in both Hebrew and Christian traditions as a way to praise God with thanksgiving. From Easter to Pentecost we will be using many hymns with the word “Alleluia” to affirm our joy in the risen Christ.

We are using the hymn tune “Lasst Uns Erfreuen” (German for “let us delight”) for our Doxology of praise. The term Doxology, derived from the Greek, is often a small statement of faith to the Triune God. It is similar to a worship practice found in Jewish synagogues. “Lasst Uns Erfreuen,” harmonized by English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), is commonly associated with “All Creatures of Our God and King,” “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones,” and other hymns.

We give thanks on this Easter Day for the many talented members that participate in our Music Ministry program throughout the year—Will Bahn, Dave Bengtson, Stephanie Bengtson, Ed Burford, Jean Cairns, Harvey Hecht, Lea Hecht, Peg Hirschburg, Pete Hirschburg, Lizbe Knote, Stan Latko, Alex Mitchell, Sheri Mitchell, Pastor Kim Nelson, Rebecca Nelson, Judy Rueseler, and Janna Tuck. And for our SEMO Student Choral Scholars—Riley Kurré, Brittany Moleski, Christopher Morgan, Trevor Roberts, Tayrin Sain, Kendall Staggs, Nate Thomas, and Elisa Williamson.

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

THE SESSION

CLASS OF 2016
 Nancy Bray
 John Broeckling
 Caroline Manuel
 Joanna Shaver

CLASS OF 2017
 Paul Farris
 Melissa Harris
 Janna Tuck
 Dale Watkins

CLASS OF 2018
 Barbara Calvin
 Scott Harrison
 Harvey Hecht
 Jeanne Hirsch

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

**LILLIES HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY
IN MEMORY OF**

Our Parents, from Don & Shirley Gibson

Austin & Martha Cairns, her parents, from Jean Cairns

Dorothy Baron, her cousin, from Jean Cairns

Vince Rueseler, her husband, from Kitty Rueseler

Mr. & Mrs. A. P. Rueseler, her parents, Ruth Knot

Charles Knot, her husband, & **Barbara Knot Head**, her daughter, from Ruth Knot

Bob & Rogene Stoup, from Dave & Stephanie Bengtson

David & Esther Bengtson, from Dave & Stephanie Bengtson

Tom Phillips, from Willie Phillips

Our Parents, from Willie Phillips

Ed Calvin, from Barbara, Jennifer, Greg and Whitney

David S. Metcalfe, her husband, from Sharon Metcalfe

Bill Needle, from Ruth Needle & Family

Charles, Mark, & Sam Hopkins, from Dixie Hopkins

Bill Stover, from Evelyn and Family

Betty Sitter, from Ralph Sitter

Fred Henry, his father, and **Dwayne Henry**, his brother, from Daryl Henry

Maxine Buxton, from Harold, Kirk & Dick Buxton

John Ritter, from Ray & Ann Ritter

Our parents Raymond A. Ritter, Helen Ritter, John S. Wescoat & Jessie B. Wescoat,
Lillian K Ritter from Ray & Ann Ritter

Mary Lou & Paul Bray, from Nancy Bray

Lou Sewell, her husband, from Betty Sewell

Pat Rowland, Peg's sister, from Peg & Pete Hirschburg

Jim & Kathryn Hopkins Hathoway, Rebecca's parents, from Rev. Dr. Kim & Rebecca
Nelson

Virgina Ann Osborn Nelson, Pastor Kim's mother, from Rev. Dr. Kim & Rebecca Nelson

**LILLIES HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY
IN HONOR OF**

Sarah & Greg Hopkins, from Dixie Hopkins

Pat Rowland, Peg's sister, from Peter & Peg Hirschburg

Loved ones, from Jean Miller