

First Press Weekly Update

April 13, 2025



Prayer List

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK – Sam, Maggie, Elizabeth and Henry Booher; Lewis and Johnnie Stubblefield; John Bovender; and Gray and Liz Stothart.

MISSIONARIES – Eliane Menezes, Guatemala.

Palm Sunday Events Today

Our Spring Care Ministry Luncheon and Easter Egg Hunt will be held today following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

Second Harvest Workday

First Presbyterian Church volunteers will be working at Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee on **Wednesday, April 16**. Please join us if you can! Call or text Bob Stoots at (423-782-6280) to sign up and register your time preference: morning (9:00-11:00 a.m.) or afternoon (1:00-3:00 p.m.).

Dinner, Worship, and a Special Offering for Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 17 ~ 5:30 p.m. ~ Fellowship Center

When you walk into the Fellowship Center for Maundy Thursday Dinner at 5:30 p.m., worship has begun. We will have a donation basket out to help cover the cost of the meal and 25% of the donations collected will go towards the *KCS Homeless Education Program*. If we collect enough to cover the cost of the meal the remaining will go towards the offering - whichever amount is greater. This program funds needs of students battling homelessness in the area. During dinner we will have pauses for readings, music, reflections, and communion. Sign up for this special dinner worship service as we begin to end the Lenten Season together.

On the Menu for Maundy Thursday Dinner

Food City: Fried fish, chicken tenders, tater tots, coleslaw, hummus, pita bread and dessert.
(*CF&N Committee Serving*)

Although there is no cost for the meal, we still need your reservations to ensure that we have enough food.
To sign up, fill out the pew pad this morning, call the church office at (423) 245-0104 or register online:
www.firstpresningsport.org. Reservations are due by noon on Tuesday.

Living Waters Speaker for CNS Program

Steve Young from the Living Water's Nashville Office will be speaking after CNS on **Wednesday, April 23** at 6:00 p.m. about clean water projects in Haiti and/or Guatemala for FPC Outreach sponsorship consideration. Please come support him and learn what we can do to help.

First Workday

We will have a workday on **Saturday, April 26** starting at 9:00 a.m. All members and friends are invited to participate. Jobs are listed on a poster in the foyer and in the newsletter. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer so we have an approximate number of people that are going to be coming. Thank you for your help.

Looking Ahead to Summer Worship

A combined summer worship service at 10:00 a.m. will begin **Sunday, May 18** and conclude **Sunday, July 27**. Our regular schedule will resume Sunday, August 3.

Birthdays This Week

April 13: Betty Dickson

April 15: Everett Bond

April 17: Ivey Redmon

April 18: Ron Dixon, Cheryl Rice

April 19: Leslie Heindselman, Lewis Stubblefield

April 20: Mark Ward

New in the History Room

A collection of Easter and Lent photos is now available for viewing in the History Room.

Holy Week & Easter

April 13-20



Holy Week & Easter Services

Sunday, April 13

Palm Sunday Services

8:30 a.m. ~ Chapel

10:00 a.m. ~ Space for Grace

11:00 a.m. ~ Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday, April 17

Maundy Thursday Dinner & Worship with Communion

5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Center

Sunday, April 20

Easter Services

8:30 a.m. ~ Chapel

10:00 a.m. ~ Space for Grace

11:00 a.m. ~ Sanctuary



Care Ministry Luncheon & Easter Egg Hunt

Palm Sunday

April 13, 12:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Maundy Thursday, April 17

Stations of the Cross will be open at 9:00 a.m.

Good Friday, April 18

Stations of the Cross will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Enter through the Breezeway door and follow the signs.

This Holy Practice invites you to walk through the life of Jesus' last days through different prayer stations. All are invited to come as we walk through Holy Week together.



STATIONS of the CROSS

Flowers for the Cross

This year we continue our tradition of placing flowers on the cross on Easter Sunday morning. Please help celebrate new life in Christ by bringing flowers, from your yards or local grocery, and placing them on or at the base of the cross outside and in the sanctuary.