

The Inkling

The News of First Presbyterian Church

March 2015

Lent - A time to look back and a time to look forward

The month of March calls us more deeply into the season of Lent and a time to look back on both the blessings and challenges of our lives. Lent also provides us with an opportunity to lean in to the hope that awaits us in living as Christ's faithful disciples. Each Sunday morning we gather to lift our voices in prayer and in song as we remember who and whose we are. Each Sunday morning we gather to hear an ancient word that still gives meaning to our lives and our faith. Each Sunday morning we gather as a community of Christ's own called to love and called to serve.

We journey through the season of Lent as individuals and as a community as we walk with Jesus into Jerusalem and all the way to the cross. It is a season that brings us to our knees even as we stand up straight to glorify God.

Join us in community as we worship God, learn more about ourselves and about one another, and as we extend our hands and open our hearts to our hurting world.



Palm Sunday: We Are On the Road with Jesus

Professor Thomas Troeger will be our guest preacher on Palm Sunday, March 29th. Tom, the J. Edward and Ruth Cox Lantz Professor of Christian Communication at Yale Divinity School and a Teaching Elder in the PCUSA, will invite us to hear the stories of those closest to Jesus as they recognize the ways Jesus has changed their lives as he prepares for death. In story and in song, Tom will take us back in time but also help us see ourselves in this story of Jesus' passion. This is a worship service you will not want to miss.

Adult Education News

Who and Whose We Are in This Time and Place ... is the theme for the Adult Education class on March 15 and March 22. Co-Pastor Maria LaSala will propose some questions inviting reflection on spiritual matters and invite conversation from among the generations present on those mornings. Some of the questions to be considered: Am I practicing new spiritual disciplines from ones I practiced before? Why? Looking back to when I was in my twenties, how has my faith been challenged? Has the church changed or have I changed the way I relate to the church? How do I handle disappointment? What rocks my world? This is sure to be a lively conversation. Come and join us. The class begins at 9:30 a.m. Coffee and tea will be available.



Spring Forward on March 8: Daylight Savings Time

Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 8 at 2 a.m. Remember to set your clocks forward one hour.

Texts for the Sundays in March:

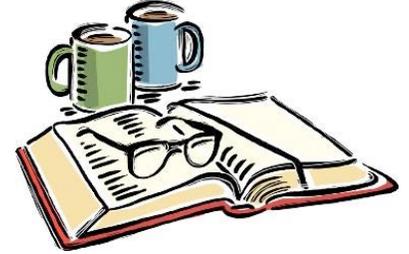
March 1: Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16; Psalm 22:23–31; Romans 4:13–25; Mark 8:31–38

March 8: Exodus 20:1–17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18–25; John 2:1–12

March 15: Numbers 21:4–9; Psalm 107:1–3, 17–22; Ephesians 2:1–10; John 3:1–21

March 22: Jeremiah 31:31–34; Psalm 51:1–12 or Psalm 119:9–16; Hebrews 5:5–10; John 12:1–8

March 29: Isaiah 50:4–9a; Psalm 31:9–16; Philippians 2:5–11; Mark 14:1—15:47 or Mark 15:1–39 [40–47]



20@12 Bible Studies on Wednesdays

Join friends for a mid-week, mid-day prayer and Bible study program. Co-Pastor Maria LaSala and YDS Intern Jackie Spycher, leads a twenty minute time of prayer, scripture reading and song followed by lunch and a discussion of one of the lectionary texts for the following Sunday. Come just for prayer, or lunch, or Bible Study, or join us for the whole hour! All are welcome.

March Potluck – A Simple Lenten Meal

Plan to stay for the community potluck on Sunday, March 15th following worship. This Lenten potluck invites us to eat simply with soups and sandwiches. Soups will be provided and we invite you to make a plate of sandwiches or bring a loaf of bread to share - please note that there will be no dessert at this potluck lunch, but the sweetness of sitting with friends new and old will surely bring a smile to our faces and warmth to our spirits. If you have not yet picked up your Bread for the World "Prayers for a Hungry World" table tent, they will be available on each table.

College and University Student Monday Pizza Nights and Sunday Bible Study

College and university students are welcome to join YDS Intern Jackie Spycher for pizza and conversation on Mondays at 5 p.m. at Wall Street Pizza, 90 Wall St. Students: Stop by and have a slice on us! You are also welcome to join us for a weekly Lenten Bible study following Friendship Hour. We will be reading and discussing the lectionary texts. A light lunch will be provided. The Bible Study will *not* meet during Yale's Spring Break (March 8, 15 and 22). For more information, see YDS Intern Jackie Spycher.

New Member Luncheon

On Sunday, March 1st, following the Friendship Hour, all who wish to learn more about membership at First Presbyterian Church of New Haven are invited to join Co-Pastors Bill Goettler and Maria LaSala for lunch at the manse. During the lunch we will talk about the ways of Christian faith and about what it means to be a member of First Presbyterian Church of New Haven. Questions? Please talk with Bill or Maria after church on any Sunday.

In Session:

February's Session meeting took place in the Manse, rather than the usual venue of the Miller Gathering Hall. The reason, of course, was the church's ongoing sewer issues. The good news is that despite two weeks of disruption, the church's activities have continued wherever possible: even in blizzard conditions! Session discussed the scheduled repair work – which is primarily the responsibility of the *Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority* – and, all going well, hoped for a resolution by Sunday, February 25.

The Session continued to discuss proposals for how best to carry out the work of the church. This includes potential changes to our familiar committee structure. Any changes will be gradual, but are intended to renew our life together by: (1) keeping doing what we do well; (2) increasing the number and range of members involved in thinking about what we should do and how to do it; (3) ensuring that no one is isolated or overly-burdened in leadership; and (4) making sure we share ideas and experiences across all our groups and activities.

Please speak with any Session member if you have questions, or advice you'd like to share.

Andrew Forsyth
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Bryce Wiebe named Manager of Special Offerings for Presbyterian Mission Agency

Bryce Wiebe, former Christian Educator at First Presbyterian Church, has been promoted to the position of manager of [Special Offerings](#) for the Presbyterian Mission Agency. Bryce, who currently works for the Presbyterian Hunger Program, will assume his new role on March 2. He will lead a staff responsible for promoting the PC(USA)'s Special Offerings, including One Great Hour of Sharing, Pentecost, Peace and Global Witness, and Christmas Joy. Congratulations, Bryce!



CLOC Corner

The first thought for some of you may be “What the heck is CLOC?” CLOC is short for Community Life and Outreach Committee. A mouthful - now you know why we use an acronym.

Great, but what does CLOC do? Glad you asked. CLOC is a committee of Session (governing board of the congregation) that is charged with 3 main responsibilities:

Congregation Life – Organizing monthly, quarterly & annual social activities to bring us together as a community

Evangelism and Congregation Connections – Providing a welcoming and inviting community to encourage, promote and make connections in the life of our congregation

Caring Ministry – Provide responsive ministry to meet the needs expressed by the members of the church community

More details about these three areas will be coming in future Inklings. If you have questions or would like to be involved, please feel free to contact me (sfunston66@gmail.com).

Sincerely – Scott Funston

Receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion this Lent

During the season of Lent the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be offered each Sunday. On March 1st, the Sacrament will be offered during the morning's worship service. On March 8, 15 and 22 the sacrament will be offered following the Postlude. All who wish to receive the sacrament are welcome to make their way to the front of the sanctuary where a brief service of prayer will take place and will include the receiving of bread and cup.

God's Justice and Love - The Lenten Booklet is now available

A daily Lenten reflection booklet has been created by members of the First Presbyterian Church community. Each day during Lent, you are invited to read a passage of scripture and then a reflection on that passage written by friends from the congregation. This year's book invites us to see how mercy and reconciliation, goodness and hope, doubt and worry, justice and love inform our faithful living. The book also includes the Gospel readings for each of the Sundays of Lent as well as Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter. The booklet is available in paper form and can be found on the Welcome Table in the Copeland Room. An electronic version is available by request at firstpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com.

Visit the Library Cart this Lent

The Library Cart is back for Lent and is filled with books for young and old. Read works by Henri Nouwen, Michelle Alexander, and others. And, pick up a book to learn more about the social injustice of the mass incarceration of young black and Hispanic men. We hope to keep the Library cart full - suggest some book themes, We will scan our Library shelves and make them available to you. Or, visit the Library and see the wonderful books available to read this Lent. The cart can be found next to the Welcome Table.

This Lent, we'll feature these children's books on the Library cart:

The Runaway Bunny / *Margaret Wise Brown*

Read this timeless story alongside Psalm 139 or the parable of the prodigal son in Luke 15:11-32 and explore how God loves us as relentlessly and unconditionally as Mother Bunny loves her baby.

A Quiet Place / *Douglas Wood*

Like *The Runaway Bunny*, this poetic prose never mentions God or religion directly, but captures the quiet nature of a reflective Lenten season. Where will you find your quiet place?

The Tale of Three Trees / *Angela Elwell Hunt*

You'll treasure this powerful traditional folktale recounting three significant events in the life of Jesus.

Love One Another / *Lauren Thompson*

Immerse yourself in this illustrated retelling of Jesus' teachings and love, as well as the details of his last days.

The First Easter / *Rachel Billington*

Journey with this illustrated retelling of the Easter story from Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem to the resurrection.

What Is God? / *Etan Boritzer*

Grappling with some big questions? Try this broad introduction to faith and how we might understand what God is and means to different people.

Folk Fridays Concert March 6

Connecticut Folk Society's Folk Fridays concert will take place this Friday, March 6, featuring the Asberry Boys. Doors open at 7 and the concert begins at 7:30. The church receives 10 free tickets. E-mail firstpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com to reserve yours.

A Devotion on Clean Water: Andrew Forsyth

The *Deuteronomic Code* is the name given by scholars to the law code within the Book of Deuteronomy. The Code contains a variety of topics including religious ceremonies and ritual purity, civil and criminal law, and the conduct of war. It tells the Israelites how they should conduct themselves in Canaan.

Within the general discussion of what we might call *civil law* (laws about property, work, debt), there are rules concerning the Israelites' camp ground, and keeping it clean:

"You shall have a designated area outside the camp to which you shall go – *the text reads* – With your utensils you shall have a trowel; when you relieve yourself outside, you shall dig a hole with it and then cover up your excrement."

The Session met at the manse last month because of failed plumbing. Concern for the proper management of human waste concerned the Israelites, as it did other ancient peoples, and we can marvel at the archeological evidence for what we might call *flush toilets* in the Indus Valley, in Knossos, through the Roman empire, and even in the Neolithic village of Skara Brae in Orkney (to the north of mainland Scotland), where 5,000 years ago villagers used hydraulic technology: channeling a nearby river to wash waste away.

Yet today, 750 million people lack access to safe water. Now, numbers so large are often hard for us to imagine. But that's roughly 1 in 9 people. Or twice the population of the United States. And more than 840,000 people die each year *directly* from a water-related disease. That's more than the population of San Francisco.

Securing access to clean water is not straightforward. (Particularly as most of those who are effected live in rural areas.) And comparisons are always invidious, but I can't help think about the degree of newspaper and television coverage given to the Ebola virus, which – as horrifying as it is – has so far killed 2 people in the United States, and around 30,000 worldwide. Ongoing needs often fall away from sight.

So last month we worried about our own church plumbing, and our responsibilities for its repair. We were ever aware of our wider responsibilities as a church - to ensure that the Gospel is preached, the sacraments administered, and this community of Christ's disciples nurtured. And we gattered to give thanks for having plumbing – with all its problems – and to remember the world's continuing need for clean water.

Mothers for Justice Featured in *Unbound*

Christian social justice website *Unbound* featured New Haven's own *Mothers for Justice* in an article this month. Born out of Christian Community Action, *Mothers for Justice* is a grassroots advocacy group that organizes, trains, and mobilizes women living in poverty to be civically engaged, to speak out on social justice issues in order to bring about positive change and transformation in their community. You can read the article here: <http://justiceunbound.org/carousel/learning-from-organizers-in-new-haven-interview-with-mothers-for-justice/> Mothers for Justice received a PCUSA Self Development of People grant in 2014.

Afghanistan Memorial Stone

We have been told that the wars are over, but they are not. Reclaiming the Prophetic Voice will again be marking the cost of the continuing violence in Iraq and Afghanistan by placing the stone on the Memorial Cairn at the intersection of Broadway, Elm and Park streets in New Haven on Monday evening, March 2, at 6 p.m. The stone will be inscribed with the February death toll of US military personnel and the approximate documented numbers of Iraqi and Afghani civilians killed during that same period of time.

Plumbing Repaired!

Dear friends: As you know, the church was without working plumbing for three weeks. We are a strong people, and weathered the storms and portable toilets together. What follows is a report about the repair of the drainline under Whitney Ave—the cause of the plumbing problems.



Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority (GNHWPCA) was hired to repair the drainline under Whitney Avenue. A pneumatic jackhammer on the excavator was used to break up the pavement and frozen ground. They said the ground was frozen solid nearly 24" deep before it was soft enough to switch to the bucket for digging. Once the main was exposed, that section of both the main and our drainline connection were replaced. Then the shoring was removed, the trench refilled, and the road was repaired and temporarily patched (until spring/summer). We are grateful for their hard work.

Some interesting facts from David Miller:

This main is actually one of the oldest in New Haven - from the 1890's. It's also unusual in that it is not a cylindrical cross-section, but it is tear-drop shaped section. The "point" of the tear-drop is at the top. The drainlines from the adjacent properties enter the "sloped" sides nearer the top of the section. (A modern main is a concrete cylinder and the lines enter through a "chimney" or vertical pipe cut into the very top of the round section.)

The main at this location is 14 ft under the street. This and preventing potential damage to the adjacent under-street utilities is the main reason they need to install shoring on the sides of the trench. The shoring added a day or two to the expected work schedule. The work was completed on Friday, February 20th.

Mission Committee to Screen Two Films about Incarceration in the U.S.

March 8, 6:30 p.m.: *The House I Live In*

Americans have long celebrated justice and freedom, but director Eugene Jarecki's *The House I Live In* shows viewers the policies that have turned the nation from a haven of freedom into the No. 1 jailer in the world. He makes a compelling argument that policies supposedly put in place to protect us have resulted in a massive incarceration machine that is neither just nor morally defensible. *The House I Live In* is of special interest to us because of its New Haven tie-in. Jarecki's family lived in the city, and he shows how the War on Drugs affected the family of his beloved housekeeper. From this autobiographical standpoint, he moves out to look at the incarcerated across the nation, and the policies that put and keep them there.

March 22, 6:30 p.m.: *Prison State*

Prison State (2014), one of two *Frontline* documentaries about prisons, takes an intimate look at the cycle of mass incarceration in America. It follows four residents, two teenagers and two adults, of a single housing project in Louisville as they go in and out of jail. The documentary is particularly moving in the intimacy of its portrayal of these four people. And it shows how the state of Kentucky is implementing new measures with the goal of reducing recidivism. The film is timely viewing, given Gov. Malloy's announcement of a "Second-Chance Society" policy for Connecticut.

How We As A Faith Community Might Respond To The Crisis Of Mass Incarceration by Art Hunt

On February 22, Rev. Marilyn Kendrix moderated a panel discussion at First Presbyterian Church on *How We As A Faith Community Might Respond To The Crisis Of Mass Incarceration*. The Rev. Kendrix is an expert on mass incarceration, a contributor along with our own Jen Herbst, to the book, "The Justice Imperative" and the Associate Pastor for Faith Formation at the Church of the Redeemer.

The panelists were strong advocates for compassion, redemption, mercy and love. They each asked that we devote part of our time, talent and treasure to welcoming the formally incarcerated back into our community. They emphasized how important it is to the success of the newly released to be loved and cared for as they reconnect to the community. The panel members were Rev. Gini King, Marcia Myhre, and Kevin Dean, members of First Congregational Church of Guilford's Prison Re-Entry ministry, and Cindy Clooney, who spoke from her personal experience of being incarcerated at York Correctional Institution in Niantic.

The panel was the kick-off event at First Presbyterian Church for of our Mission Committee's year of responding to mass incarceration. The year will include speakers, movies, book suggestions, discussions and opportunities for service. The Mission Committee has purchased several books on mass incarceration for the library that you might consider reading. The books are currently on display on the cart next to the Welcome Table.

Mass Incarceration is a problem for the whole community but it is a critical problem for black males. One third of all black males will spend time incarcerated at some point in their lifetime. And after incarceration, there are hundreds of statutory and policy restrictions on housing, employment, public benefits, immigration and voting rights.

In the book "Ghettoside A true Story of Murder In America", Jill Levy describes the injustice of living in South Los Angeles. In this neighborhood, murders and shooting violence went unsolved while minor transgressions were aggressively prosecuted. She writes, "It is at once oppressive and inadequate."

Matthew quotes Jesus saying: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me." And from James 2:17, **mercy triumphs** over judgment.

The panel discussion centered was around how we might provide assistance to former inmates upon their release. People are currently released with only the clothes they are wearing and their few personal possessions they were allowed to have in prison. Men are released in front of the Whalley Avenue jail and women are released in front of the courthouse. Some have no one to meet them.

Some of the local programs we might volunteer with or provide donations to are:

- First Congregational Church Guilford has an active Prison Re-Entry Program. As part of that program, Marcia Myhre provides duffle bags to as many released women as she is able to each year. The duffels are filled with a variety of basic clothing and personal care items that a women needs in the first day after release. She asked if we could help by providing 20 filled duffels per year.
- St Luke's Church on Whalley provides a welcoming space for the newly released.
- The Manson Youth Correctional Facility in Cheshire welcomes volunteer mentors.
- Family Reentry Inc. in Bridgeport (<http://www.familyreentry.org/aboutus.jsp>) has many needs.
- Families in Crisis in New Haven and Hartford (<http://www.familiesincrisis.org>) provides counseling and other services to families people who are in prison.
- Community Partner's In Action runs a resettlement program with a broad variety of services in Hartford (<http://www.cpa-ct.org/resettlement/>)
- The Malta Justice Initiative is working on legislative changes to improve the chance of success for former inmates.
- The book, "The Justice Imperative", includes 30 recommendations plus desired outcomes to reduce the prison population, reduce the recidivism rate and close prisons while maintaining public safety.
- The Phoenix Association is a Connecticut-based organization, mainly of formerly incarcerated people, helping other people, both inside and outside prison. (<http://www.phoenixassociation.org>) They are working to help the correctional systems move from a punishment model to a rehabilitation model.

Any member of the Mission Committee would be happy to talk with you about the crisis of mass incarceration. Please prayerfully consider your response and watch the Inkling and weekly Bulletins for announcements of future events.

Kids Ask

Because kids want to know!

Christian Educator Kimberley Fais answers your questions about this season in the Christian Year.

What is Lent?

We celebrate Easter on just one day, but Lent lasts over a month! Lent is a season of 40 days – 46 including Sundays – which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter.

Like the season of Advent prepares us for Christmas, the season of Lent prepares us for the important events of Holy Week, the very last week of Lent. Advent is like getting ready for a birthday party or a new baby. It's exciting! Lent, well... Lent is like Advent's serious and quiet cousin. Lent is a time for exploring what Jesus means to us when he's all grown up and even when he dies. Lent is a time for reflecting on our lives and how we can better live the way that God hopes for us.

Does that sound like a challenge? It can be! We'll learn more about different ways people practice Lent in Children in Worship this season.

And in case you're concerned that Lent seems gloomy, remember this: We don't count the Sundays in the 40 days of Lent because each Sunday is like a little Easter. Even at our most serious time of year, the Church can't help but hold on to signs of hope and joy!

How could there be a first Easter?

Like much of our Christian faith, Easter as we know it now is a tradition that developed over time. The holiday is closely related to springtime holidays of other ancient religions. What they all have in common is a celebration of new life. Where do you see new life? Some people see new life in symbols like bunnies and baby chicks. Some people see new life in green grass and blossoming flowers. Some people see new life in Jesus. Some people see new life in all of these examples and more!

As faithful Christians, we celebrate Easter because of what happened in the life of Jesus. Just like the very first Christmas was the day that Jesus was born, the very first Easter was the day that Jesus rose from the dead. If that sounds like an amazing story to you, you'll want to come to church throughout the rest of Lent to hear more about it!

Youth Group Events

March 15, 1-3 p.m.: Well fed at our All-church Potluck, the Senior Youth Group (grades 9-12) will go snow-tubing at Powder Ridge, weather-permitting. In the event of a (blessed but ill-timed) reprieve from this season's snow, we will stay in the Miller Gathering Hall for an Art Day painting extravaganza. Otherwise we'll save our artful plans for April!

March 29, 1-3 p.m.: Following Friendship Hour on this Palm/Passion Sunday, the Junior Youth Group (grades 5-8) will remain in the Miller Gathering Hall for Easter-season activities. We'll help fill eggs with goodies for the children's egg hunt on Easter morning, and then we'll dabble in the culinary arts - should we dye eggs or decorate cookies or BOTH? You decide!

April 12, 1-3 p.m.: Following Friendship Hour, the Junior Youth Group will hold its rescheduled event to make blankets to donate to those in need. Meet in the Miller Gathering Hall. No experience necessary! Congregation members, please talk to Kimberley Fais if you would like to donate fabric or funds toward this effort.

Activities and Reflections for Lent

Use the calendar below or link to this "Creation Care" Lenten calendar put together by the PC(USA):
http://www.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/environment/pdf/lent_2015.pdf?utm_content=buffer198c1&utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook.com&utm_campaign=buffer

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
March 1 Pray for your family and friends.	2 Share extra time with someone you care about.	3 Send a note to a relative you haven't seen lately.	4 Eat lunch with someone new to you.	5 Pray for your classmates or coworkers.	6 Tell someone what makes them a good friend.	7 Help or visit with a neighbor.
8 Sing a song about God that makes you joyful.	9 Learn the "Make Me an Instrument of Peace" Prayer of St. Francis.	10 Draw a picture of enemies becoming friends.	11 Try to understand a point of view you don't share.	12 Pray for peace in the world.	13 Think of 3 nice traits of someone you don't always like.	14 Forgive or ask someone for their forgiveness.
15 Bring a food item for the CCA wheelbarrow.	16 Give up a favorite treat for today.	17 Conserve water and electricity.	18 Learn more about Columbus House.	19 Pray for the poor and homeless.	20 Share a game, toy, or treat with someone.	21 Sing a song about God that comforts you.
22 Visit someone who's sick or lonely.	23 Send a card to cheer someone up.	24 Read a story with someone.	25 Notice if places you go are (or aren't) wheelchair accessible.	26 Pray for people who feel left out.	27 Give up envy and self-comparison for today.	28 Invite a friend or acquaintance to dinner.
29 Quietly meditate on God's love.	30 Learn why this week is called Holy Week.	31 Write about a time that you knew you had hope.	April 1 Surprise someone with a heartfelt gift.	2 Learn about the Last Supper.	3 Reflect on a time that you sensed God's presence.	4 Take a walk outside and look for examples of new life.

Presbytery News

The Presbytery of Southern New England says goodbye to Dana Lindsley, who retired as Presbytery Executive in February. Join friends on Friday, March 20 from 6-8 in the Common Room at Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT. There will be a microphone for those who want to send him on his way with a few kind words. Email Pam Garner at pam.garner@psne.org to reserve your place.

A Note About Winter Weather

In the event of inclement weather on a Sunday morning, we will hold worship at 10:45 a.m. trusting that you will use your best sense about traveling to church. If there is any reason to cancel a church program, we will send an email alert. Please remember that parking is available at the Red Cross and Hooker School on Sunday mornings when lawn or street parking is unavailable due to winter weather.

In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. (Philippians 4:6)

When you pray, offer prayers for ...

Church members and friends who seek God's healing grace, including Ken Haynam, Eugene Smith, and Ned Castner.

Ian and Nora Johnston, Rona Johnston Gordon's parents, who are increasingly frail.

Liz Copeland, whose brother-in-law Don Gregor died this week.

The men of Abraham's Tent and the congregations hosting them this winter.

The people of Nigeria, Paris, Turkey, Syria, South Sudan, Egypt, Israel and Palestine, Iraq, and for all across the Middle East, during this time of unrest, violence, and discord, for the girls who were abducted in Nigeria.

David Meeske, serving with the Peace Corps in Mongolia.

James Smit and Patrick Copeland, who are serving in the armed forces.

Those who are unable to worship with us on a regular basis.

Prayers for other people and situations in need of our supplications.

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