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The News of First Presbyterian Church

March 2017

LENT BEGINS

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 1st. Traditionally, Lent is a season of penitence and preparation. Liturgical calendar texts walk us through the life and ministry of Jesus, and we prepare for the death and coming resurrection. Unlike the disciples, we know the outcome of Jesus' story – or at least part of the outcome. So we walk through the season of Lent with increasing heaviness, but also with a sense of inevitable and undeniable hope.



Customarily, Christians have given up something for Lent. Some give up candy, sweets, red meat or on another level will fast or reflect during Lent. I have become increasingly convinced that giving up is only part of the story of Lent.

The other part of the story is what we will take on for Lent. Some may say, I'm too busy to take on anything else. Maybe you take on 10-20 minutes of meditation a day. Others spend too much time alone. Perhaps you take on a shift at a food kitchen or a willingness to help a refugee become more well acquainted with life in the US. If you are burdened by depression or guilt, maybe you take on some time of losing yourself in something beautiful – like music or art or nature.

The bottom line question is this: What will bring you closer to God and God's purpose in your life? Is it journaling for 15-30 minutes a day or spending time in quiet? It may be giving away some of the many possessions we have stored up, or taking on a new activity that gets you outside yourself. Whatever will draw you closer to God, take some time to give that your attention and your heart as you walk the road of Lent.



-Pastor Susan

LENTEN READING AND PREACHING

For the Lenten season, Pastor Susan will be preaching a sermon series on Forgiveness. Part of the basis of the sermon series is Marjorie Thompson's book, Forgiveness.

March 5 - Genesis 2:15-25, Psalm 133, Luke 15:11-31

March 12 – Psalm 139, Psalm 51, Luke 23:32-43

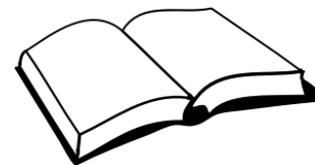
March 19 – Matthew 5:43-48, Psalm 94:1-7, Matthew 7:1-6

March 26 – I Corinthians 12, Psalm 85:1-9, Luke 24:42-49

April 2 – Romans 14:7-12, Psalm 103:1-12, Matthew 18:23-35

April 9 – Philippians 2:5-11, Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, Luke 7:36-47

April 16 – Easter – Jeremiah 31:1-6, Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24, John 20:1-1



LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

A number of people in our congregation and nearly all of our Session members have written or will write short reflections for the Lenten Devotional this year. The devotional is being sent out week by week in the Thursday email. The coming week's reading will also be available on Sunday morning at the Welcome table.



CT FOLK Concert on March 3rd

CT Folk's March 3rd concert (@7:30 p.m.) will feature The Kennedys, who play folk, folk-rock, country, pop, with amazing guitar work and beautiful vocals.

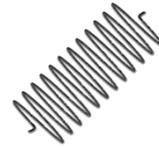
The church receives ten complimentary tickets. E-mail or call the church office to reserve yours.

Memorial Cairn Prayer Service on Monday March 6th

Reclaiming the Prophetic Voice will mark the cost of the continuing violence in Iraq and Afghanistan and elsewhere in the Mid-East with a 15 minute prayer service at the intersection of Broadway, Elm and Park streets in New Haven on Monday evening, March 6th, at 6 p.m.

Daylight Savings Time begins on March 12th

Don't forget to "spring ahead" and set your clocks one hour ahead.



Report on Session 2/21/2017 Meeting

One of the new things Session has been doing is to have a discussion on a topic which is relevant to our congregation. To prepare for this month's topic we were told to read the section in the Congregational Study Report having to do with mission and social justice. Two things were suggested for consideration: advocacy and hands on activities. We felt that it would be beneficial for the church to have an over-reaching theme that all the committees could work on. We could then have integrated opportunities providing many ways to help with tasks for all ages and abilities. We all agreed that these opportunities should be well publicized so the whole congregation could participate.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education- Received permission to organize a short-term committee to consider re-writing our Mission Statement.

CLOC- March 19 will be the next potluck lunch, a Lenten "Simple Soup and Sandwich" meal.

Communications- One of our first tasks will be to improve our Facebook presence.

Mission- Asked for and received approval to post actions suggested by the PCUSA Office of Public Witness on our Facebook page. This will give opportunities for advocacy in a timely manner. There will be a disclaimer that these suggestions come from that office and not from our particular church. Also there will be a postcard writing session on March 5 after worship to express our individual opinions to our politicians. They will all be mailed on March 15 as part of a national protest.

Personnel- We voted to extend Pastor Susan's term for another 6 months.

Property- Repair and renovations on the manse are proceeding.

Worship- Received permission to have communion on non-communion Sundays in Lent.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 21, 2017

--Submitted by Lynn Autry

FPCNH Mission Statement Revisited

One of the suggestions that came out of the six-week adult Sunday school class on gender was revisiting our Mission Statement. If you don't know what it says, it's on our website and printed below:

First Presbyterian Church is a worshipping community of progressive Christian believers in the greater New Haven region. We are a broadly diverse and welcoming congregation, and include people from the city of New Haven and all of the surrounding towns, as well as many from the university communities.

We gather on Sunday morning to worship God, and throughout the week to be about the work of God in the world. We are a part of the Reformed tradition, which means that we value the Word of God in Scripture, and as we understand it in the midst of today's world. In the Word of God read and proclaimed, in music which stirs the soul, in the nurture of children and adults alike, we seek to serve God together.

First Presbyterian Church is a congregation long committed to mission and outreach. We are involved in a broad range of activities of compassion and social justice, seeking to rebuild creation.

In our midst you will find a range of theological perspectives, all falling broadly within the Reformed tradition of Biblical integrity and social justice. We are committed to issues of inclusiveness, and warmly welcome the full range of family models into our church family

Some of the members of the class felt that we could perhaps make our statement say more about who we are and what we believe. We consider ourselves to be welcoming to all, but maybe we could be more explicit about that. So anyone who is interested in this project can talk with Pastor Susan. The committee will be chaired by Lynn Autry. We are planning to meet 2 or 3 times to accomplish this task. The first meeting will be in the Senior High Sunday school room in the Miller Gathering Hall on March 12 at 12:15 after worship to find convenient meeting times and dates. For more information see Lynn Autry, or call 203-407-1833, or e-mail lynnecat@sbcglobal.net.

Pastor Nominating Committee UPDATE

Your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) continues to move forward with the search process. PNC has prayerfully established a step by step review process that allows both the candidates and our PNC to let God guide and support us in our decisions in calling our next pastor(s).

FPCNH PNC process:

1. Review all of the candidates from both the Church Leadership Connection (CLC) match and self referral and determine our best match knowing our church family. Email all candidates to communicate our continued interest – or not.
2. Conference Call Chat – a 20 minute chat with a candidate which includes general questions to assist in determining if we move forward in prayerfully considering the pastor(s).
3. Reference Check by email for all candidates moving to the next review step.
4. Skype Interview between the PNC and candidate – both a common set of questions for all candidates and specific questions directed to that candidate for clarity of information.
5. Live Preaching Opportunity – Neutral Pulpit or individual visits to present candidate's church.
6. In person Interview and Prayerful discernment.

Please share with others our Ministry Information Form (MIF) which is on the [CLC](#) and our [FPCNH Facebook page](#) also includes this information.

We thank you for your continued prayers.

Beth Aura

Simple Soup and Sandwich Potluck on March 19th



Plan to stay after service on Sunday, March 19th for our "Simple Soup and Sandwich" potluck. Please bring soup or sandwiches to share as we come together to share a simple meal. In keeping with our simple Lenten potluck theme, please DO NOT bring desserts. If possible, please bring soups already heated and/or in a crockpot, as there is limited stove space.

Mission—Let's Speak Up!

Every day we open our newspaper or internet news feed and find something appalling: the people in charge of this country are busy attacking the free press and members of the judiciary; they seem not to care about facts; they are taking steps to make the air and water dirtier, healthcare harder to find and more expensive. And they seem to have emboldened those among their supporters who would judge others by their races and creeds.

Many of us are enraged or depressed. But it is time to be productive; to channel those emotions into action! As concerned compassionate Christians we now see that whatever social justice actions we were taking before are not enough today: we have to step it up. And stepping it up in a group is both more fun, and much more effective. Here are three plans for you to consider from the Mission Committee of First Presbyterian.

First, we want to make it easier for all of us to communicate quickly with our elected representatives. The church's Facebook page will be updated regularly with the feed from the Presbyterian's Church's "office of public witness" in Washington DC. These alerts will tell us when we should call or email Senators and members of Congress. Note that the First Pres Facebook page is public, which means you do not need a Facebook account to see it. You can send the address below to your friends and relations who can all check it regularly and call! We will start including the url in the bulletin and other handy places. <https://www.facebook.com/FPCNH/>

Your representatives may agree with you, in which case they need to hear that standing up for what is right is what you want. If they disagree with you, they need to hear that they will lose your support. The Facebook page will provide phone numbers.

Second, after church on March 5 we will have postcards available for people to write their opinions of President Trump's behavior and policies. We will mail these together on March 15, a date on which many other groups will be sending Trump postcards. Tell your friends! That day we will also have available a little card on which everyone in the congregation can record the phone numbers of his or her Senators and congressperson to keep by the phone, or use to enter into your contacts. We will have internet access at coffee hour so that we can help everyone in the congregation look up the correct information. Each person will be encouraged to fill one out for a committed friend in another location so that you can let them know of these social needs and encourage them to be active also.

Third, on March 26 we will gather after church to discuss what concrete actions people would like to take to resist political trends that run contrary to our Christian mission. The Mission Committee would like to know how to enable groups in the congregation to work on issues of concern to them. Everyone is welcome; please bring your children as we care about what they – and their parents - would like to do. A light lunch will be provided and the meeting will be relatively short.

Fiona Scott Morton, chair, Mission Committee

FAITH into ACTION!!

Come join us for a weekend of education and advocacy in Washington, DC!

Confronting Chaos, Forging Community
Racism, Materialism and Militarism
April 21-24, 2017
Washington, DC

This year's advocacy days in Washington DC are a timely way to put our faith into effective action while learning about the challenges. At least three people from First Presbyterian are already going. Check out the details below. Speak with Art or Mary Hunt or Ralph Jones.

Compassion Peace and Justice Training Day – Friday, April 21 8:00 – 4:30

Join fellow Presbyterians to learn what the Presbyterian Church (USA) and its partners are doing to forge community in this chaotic time. Learn skills and strategies you can take back to your church and your community to combat the ills of racism, materialism and militarism.

Ecumenical Advocacy Days – April 21-24

After Compassion Peace and Justice Training Day join hundreds of our ecumenical brothers and sisters for a weekend of study, action, and advocacy.

For more information and to register click here!

<http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/compassion-peace-justice/washington/advocacy-training-weekend/>

EMERGE CT YouthBuild

YouthBuild is a new effort at EMERGE CT. It is for New Haven high school drop-outs, ages 17 to 24, who are willing to make a long term commitment to the program. It aims "to prepare them for success as adults by significantly improving their basic academic skills and preparing them for career path employment or training." The program will run more than 20 weeks. Stop by March 8th between 10 AM and 2 PM for an open house, to see the space and learn more about the possibilities. Visit EMERGECT.NET/YOUTHBUILD



Out of Order—April 2nd Film Showing

Save the Date! The new film *Out of Order* will be screened Sunday, April 2 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2080 Boulevard, West Hartford, CT.

Out of Order, by British filmmaker Amanda Bluegrass, focuses on five LGBTQ seminarians trying to become ministers in the Presbyterian Church (USA) at a time when the denomination prohibited LGBTQ ordination. *Out of Order* is the story of personal courage and persistence in the face of organizational misunderstanding, fear, and bigotry. It shows the costs of faith and the story of faith prevailing. As Presbyterians, this is our story. Alex McNeill, Executive Director of More Light Presbyterians and one of the subjects of the film, will be present to engage in conversation about the film and his experiences as a transgender person of faith.

Doors open at 2:30 p.m. and the screening starts at 3:00. A reception follows the showing. If you have questions or want to arrange carpooling from New Haven, contact Dick Hasbany, (203) 208-0578. Here is a link for more information: <http://www.outoforderdoc.com/about/#synopsis>.

Christian Education for Children and Youth –March Updates

List of Upcoming Events for Christian Education

Sun., March 12,	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Easter Play Rehearsal
Sun., March 12,	12n-1 p.m.	Youth Group Spy Luncheon
Sun., March 12-- Sun, Apr 2		Lenten Canned Food Drive
Sun., March 19,	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Easter Play Rehearsal
Sun., March 19,	12n-1 p.m.	True Colors Report
Sun., March 26,	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Easter Play Rehearsal
Tues., March 28		Youth RSVP for Columbus House Dinner
Sat., April 1,	3:30-7 p.m.	Youth Group serves Columbus House
Sun., April 2,	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Easter Play Rehearsal
Sun., April 2,	10:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy for the Wall of Cans
Tues., April 4,	6:30-7:30 p.m.	CE Committee Meeting
Sun., April 9		Palm Sunday Intergenerational Celebration
Sun., April 9,	10:45 a.m.	Easter Play Rehearsal in Children in Worship
Sun., April 9,	12-1 p.m.	Easter Play Rehearsal & Easter Egg Prep
Sun., April 16,	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Easter Breakfast & Children’s Play
Sun., April 16		No Children in Worship Program
Sun., April 16	12-12:30 p.m.	Children’s Easter Egg Hunt
Sun., April 23	12n-3p.m.	Youth Group Art Afternoon
Sun., April 23 – Sun., May 28	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Sunday School Block 3

Easter Play Rehearsals (for Interested Children)

This year, 10-year-old Lauriann Burt is writing our Easter play based on the text of John 20:1-18. Children and youth who would like to participate and can help present the play on Easter Sunday, April 16th, should write to Kimberley at firstpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com.

Rehearsals will take place in the Choir/Children in Worship Room from 9:30-10:30 a.m. on the following Sundays: March 12th, March 19th, March 26th, and April 2nd.

Due to the Palm Sunday Celebration at that time on April 9th, we will rehearse during that day’s Children in Worship program after 10:45 a.m. and again after worship at 12 noon, at which time we will also fill the Easter eggs for the upcoming hunt.

Seconds: Youth Group Spy Luncheon (for Ages 10-18)



Our next meal for Seconds does not fall on a church potluck date, so it will be just us. Let’s have a SPY PARTY! Bring a secret agent prop (a hat, a tie, sunglasses, a disguise, invisible ink, a gadget...) and join Tyler, Kimberley, and your friends in the Gathering Hall on March 12th from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

We’ll go on missions, diffuse bombs, and eat top-secret delicacies. Lunch and games will all be provided. Friends from outside of church are welcome, too!

RSVPs are not necessary, but will help us in planning the food and entertainment.

Lenten Canned Food Drive

We're building a wall! And when it comes down, it will provide warmth and care to vulnerable people. Will you help us?

From March 12th to April 2nd, bring your canned food donations to the church for a special effort - a literal and symbolic wall of hospitality to strangers and resistance to xenophobic policies. We will build in the sanctuary where everyone can see our progress.



On the final Sunday of our drive, all are welcome to join us after worship. The children of our church will lead us in a liturgy to dismantle the wall and send the cans on their way to nourish people through Christian Community Action.

Let us pray with our hands and feet that the question, "How high, how wide, how deep will we build?" may go on to mean, "How many will we feed?"

True Colors Report

Those who have attended the True Colors Conference over the weekend will have an opportunity to share their different experiences with one another and all others who are interested to hear about them. Meet in the Community Building during Friendship Hour on March 19th at 12 noon.

The Conference is an opportunity to celebrate LGBTQIA+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, Agender...) youth, children, and adults. We commit to better understanding the frameworks which shape their lives and well-being. First Presbyterian Church is sponsoring two out of a total of five people representing the community with their registered attendance. Others may also volunteer to help Presbyterian Promise at the event on March 17th and/or 18th.

Youth Group Serves Columbus House (Ages 10-18)

On Saturday, April 1st, the Youth Group will be cooking and serving dinner at Columbus House! All youth ages 10 and up are invited to help out. Friends are welcome as always, and parents are also welcome (but not required). Erin and Tyler will organize and supervise.

The evening's menu is not finalized yet – it will depend on the level of interest we get and the ages of those participating. In any case, cooks should wear appropriate clothing that you don't mind possibly getting dirty. Erin and Tyler will pick up the ingredients earlier in the afternoon and then around 3:30 p.m. we will begin cooking as a group in the Columbus House kitchen. We plan to begin serving at 5:30 p.m. sharp.

We ask that cooks arrive to the Columbus House (586 Ella T Grasso Blvd, New Haven, CT 06519) around 3:30 p.m. on Saturday afternoon. The entrance to the kitchen is around the back. If anyone needs a ride, please let us know and we'll arrange to pick you up. We'll finish up at the Columbus House by 7 p.m.

The more we have involved in the cooking and serving, the better! Please RSVP by Tuesday, March 28th to tyler.wadzinski@yale.edu so we can plan accordingly. If you have any meal ideas, let us know in your RSVP.

Palm Sunday Intergenerational Celebration

On Sunday, April 9th, we'll begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. with refreshments and our tradition of celebratory parachute games for all ages – promptly, because we have a lot of other great activities to explore in the hour! Check out all of these creativity stations:

Easter Eggs: Decorate hard-boiled eggs with dye, crayon, stickers, and more. *Facilitators: Marcia and Adam Mecca, Sarah and Keith Wallman*



Prayer Beads and Jewelry: Design your own prayer beads, jewelry, and decorations with a variety of supplies, including elastic and suede cords, beads, vintage keys, cross pendants, and charms with guiding words. *Facilitator: Lauriann Burt*

Perler Bead Art: Press perler beads with an iron into a number of Easter patterns. *Facilitators: Charlotte and Kathryn Miller-Jensen, Elizabeth and Rob Williams*

Wreaths: Form wreaths celebrating Easter and spring with colorful fabrics and a variety of materials. *Facilitators: Candice Gray and Sandra Malan-Bowles*

Tapestry: Collaborate with others to assemble a large fabric tapestry for the church. *Facilitator: Lynn Autry*

Window Art: Decorate the main windows of the Gathering Hall with a new display befitting the season. *Facilitator: Ellie Latham*

Easter Bags: If you plan to participate in our Easter egg hunt, you might want to use crayons, colored pencils, stickers, stencils, and more to decorate a bag to carry your findings. *Unfacilitated station.*

We'll also have one of the side rooms set up as our Donation Station. We need donations of new and used plastic Easter eggs and the supplies to fill them! We'll gladly use individually-wrapped candy, sticker sheets that can easily be cut to fit, and other toys and treats under 1" x 2".

After church on Palm Sunday, all children and youth who have decided they would like to fill and/or hide the eggs rather than hunt for them this year can join us to prepare them. (Don't worry – we'll have some treats for you, too!)

Presbyterian Peace Fellowship's Activist Council

The Presbyterian Peace Fellowship is a wide network of peacemakers who engage issues of both national and international import. They are called to be movers and shakers within the PC(USA) and beyond, encouraging one another to take seriously God's call to God's people to participate in God's nonviolent work of love, peace, and justice in the world.

Activist Council members are the hands and feet of the PPF working for peace. Anyone who commits to follow the nonviolent way of Jesus and be active in and contribute to the work of PPF is welcomed and encouraged to join the Activist Council.

Activist Council members lead and participate in nonviolent actions and demonstrations, set the priorities for the PPF, and elect the members who serve on the Executive Committee. The AC gathers two times per year for learning, planning, worship and action.

For more information, email Emily Brewer, Executive Director, at Emily@presbypeacefellowship.org or join online [here](#).

All are welcome at the next Activist Council Gathering: April 27-29, 2017 in Chicago.

If you are called to peacemaking, you will find your people at the Activist Council.

--Art Hunt



Music during Lent

Lent is a time for reflection, and the choir will be singing music to encourage that reflection over the next few Sundays. On March 5 the choir will sing “The Handiwork of God,” by Mark Miller. Mark teaches at Drew University and the Yale Institute of Sacred Music. He’s the director of the Gospel Choir at ISM. He’s many a valuable addition to the gospel tradition, including a musical setting of “The Lord’s Prayer” that we’ve sung a number of times at FPCNH. He wrote both the lyrics and the music for “The Handiwork of God;” the opening lines give a sense of what it says and does:

Stitched together piece by piece,
Sewn with purpose and with care,
Scraps once thought to have no worth
Now become a sacred treasure.
A quilt of love made by holy hands,
Every pattern known by heart,
Stitched together by the sewer of our souls,
A quilt of love, a work of art.

As a complete change of pace, later in the month we’ll sing the final movement, “Agnus Dei – Dona nobis pacem” - of Mozart’s *Missa Brevis* in F Major, written when the composer was only 18 years old.

And, looking ahead into April, on April 2, the last Sunday before Palm Sunday and Easter, we’ll have a special treat. Our own Rory Latham, whom you may have heard sing Leonard Bernstein’s *Chichister Psalms* with the New Haven Symphony, and also with our choir, in the fall, will join us in a short cantata by Felix Mendelssohn, “Hear My Prayer.” Scored for boy soprano and choir, the cantata will offer an extraordinary musical reflection as we move into April, and soon thereafter into Holy Week and Easter.

-Pat McCreless, Music Director



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 ...

Our country and its leaders.

Church members and friends who seek God’s healing grace, including Ken Haynam, at Benchmark Senior Living in Hamden.

For Susan Fulton Raymond, Diane Goudreau’s friend, who unexpectedly lost her husband David last week.

For the family of Gary Cline’s sister-in-law, Terri Cline, who passed away last week; especially her husband Don and their children, Stephanie, Aaron, and Heather, who mourn her death.

For Jeff Miller, brother of David, who will be continuing cancer treatments.

Ed Miller, father of David, who is preparing for surgery

For Caty Poole’s daughter London and her husband, Ruddy, who are currently awaiting response on his non-immigrant Visa to be able to come to the US.

Jeanette Murphy, for healing and strength.

Joan Wells, who is undergoing chemotherapy.

Prayers for those seeking safety in the U.S. but being turned away.

Prayers for those who have had to flee their homes, that they may be safe.

Andrew McCloskey, serving with the Peace Corps in Mozambique.

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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