

# MASKS

The Session, by recommendation of the COVID response team of the First Presbyterian Church of Michigan City has made the decision that **MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES WHILE YOU ARE IN THE BUILDING, EVEN IF YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED.**

FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL, PLEASE WEAR A MASK  
AND CONTINUE TO OBSERVE DISTANCING

We would like for all to feel safe and comfortable when they worship with us. Thank You

## HERE WE GO AGAIN.....

Just as many of us were becoming comfortable with hosting family get-togethers, returning to work or rejoining the gym, a new variant of the coronavirus is creating fresh uncertainty.

Not knowing what's in store with Omicron can take us back to other turbulent times during the pandemic, when confusion was a regular part of life.

Wear your mask, get your vaccine, and stay home if you're not feeling well. Let science not Facebook dictate your decisions.

**Dina Gasaway, RN**

Clinical Supervisor

**Beacon Health System**

Beacon Medical Group-LaPorte

## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM FPC'S COVID RESPONSE TEAM

- People at high risk of complications from a COVID infection should consider attending worship via YouTube.
- Mask types and masking procedures that were sufficient for the virus in its first year are no longer sufficient. We recommend that the congregation be urged to use genuine N95, KN95, KF94, or at least ASTM certified medical masks, and to wear them correctly. As we have mentioned before, mask compliance is generally good but every week there are a small number of people who are wearing clearly inadequate masks, and/or not wearing their masks properly. This increases risk not only to them, but to everyone.
- Distancing should be maintained.

## UPCOMING EVENTS ADDED TO THE CALENDAR OR REMINDERS

- ✚ February 27<sup>th</sup>, Outreach is having a special "Shepherd" meeting for Elders and Deacons in the undercroft. See Michele Bartels or Peggy McAnally for details
- ✚ Live @ 5 February 27, 5pm, in the northwest transept
- ✚ Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6 pm
- ✚ Table repair in undercroft, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9am—Building & Grounds will appreciate any and all help! No reservation needed ☺ Thank you



February 01 Nancy Kissinger  
 February 01 Debbie Langley  
 February 01 Carrie Zerbe  
 February 06 Laura Ransom  
 February 07 Rolland Kelley  
 February 07 Donald Willis  
 February 09 Carol Baker Bulger  
 February 10 Sherry Altherr  
 February 13 Carol Roessler  
 February 14 Hailey Kelly  
 February 15 Anthony Yacullo  
 February 16 Rob Seedorf  
 February 16 Jeremy Willis

February 17 Susan Stephenson  
 February 18 Ruby Kohler  
 February 19 Mathew Smith  
 February 20 Donald Bowman  
 February 20 Ina Tite  
 February 20 Diana Wray  
 February 21 Lydia Scott  
 February 21 Mary Steider  
 February 24 Pearl Coffin  
 February 26 Doug Sims  
 February 28 Rachel Krentz  
 March 03 Brenda Branch  
 March 04 Garnett Williams  
 March 06 Stan Holdcraft

## CHURCH CHAT

“ANY OR ALL INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTIFICATION”

### 2022 PER CAPITA

Per Capita for 2022 is \$42.03 per person. Remember this should NOT be included in your check for regular offering because it goes into a dedicated fund. Thank you

### GIVING STATEMENT

Giving statements for 2021 were emailed on January 18, 2022. If you did not receive your email or wish to have a printed copy, please contact me.

Thank you,  
 Diane Yettaw  
 Administrative Assistant

### 150 Year Celebration Trivia

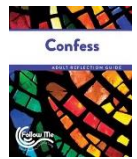
Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, March 2. It marks the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday derives its name from the placing of repentance [ashes](#) on the foreheads of participants to either the words "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" or saying "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The ashes are prepared by burning [palm leaves](#) from the previous year's [Palm Sunday](#) celebration. Join us, in person or on You Tube at 6:00PM this Wednesday.

## JOIN THE BLUE OUT! WEAR YOUR BLUE ON MARCH 6TH

The first Sunday in Lent every year is designated "Wear your blue t-shirt to church Sunday" as a testament of one of the ways *One Great Hour of Sharing* makes a difference. Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing support disaster recovery efforts in the United States and around the world.

Let's show our support for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance - wear BLUE on March 6. Your 150th Anniversary t-shirt (or any blue shirt) proclaims the faithful service of both First Presbyterian of Michigan City and of our denomination. Together let's tell the story of hope out of chaos.

## ADULT CURRICULUM GUIDES



Today we finished the current guide.

We will start our fourth unit the beginning of March.

The Practice Spiritual Disciplines and Confess guides are in. IF you have not paid for them, please do so. You can pay on PayPal, by check to the office, or cash. If paying by cash you MUST have exact change, we do not have a way to make change.

We will post when we are taking orders for future guides.

Please remember that when it is time to order guides you can use the link below to place your order, if you care to have one or contact Diane Yettaw in the office. When placing your order, please pay using PayPal or sending your payment to the office.

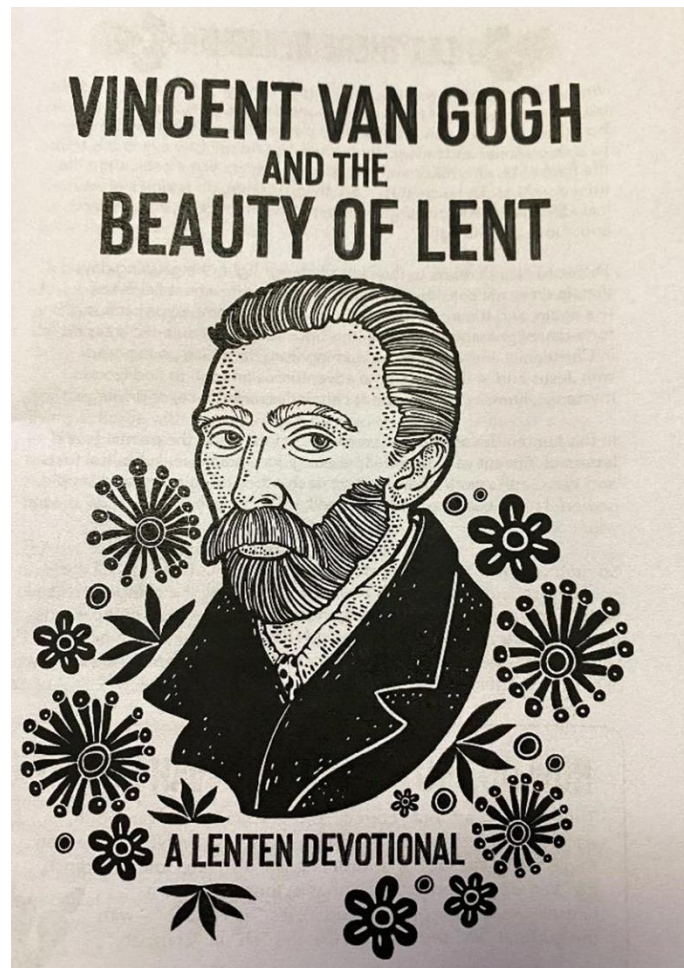
**In the future, please use this link to reserve your \$8.00 copy**

<https://forms.gle/HnAUDV7gcygxYEhU6>

(This can also be found on Facebook) or scan this bar code:



## LENTEN DEVOTIONAL



A limited amount of paper copies of A Lenten Devotional "Vincent Van Gogh and the Beauty of Lent" will be available on Ash Wednesday, at the 6pm worship service

If you would like a paper copy or a digital copy, please email [dyettaw@fpcmicity.org](mailto:dyettaw@fpcmicity.org) or call (219) 879-4501, so that the devotional can either be printed for you or emailed to you. All who request or receive a devotional will also be sent the usage, printing, and assembly instructions, and also links to the Van Gogh paintings.

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## Prayer Chain



For prayer requests  
Contact Brian Spiece at  
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[Link to schedule appointment with Pastor Ericka:](#)

<https://calendly.com/pastorericka/60min?month=2020-09>

YouTube - First Presbyterian Church Michigan City

Facebook - First Presbyterian Church Michigan City

WiFi password: 1holyGod!

