

# First Presbyterian Church

Ninth at Washington, Michigan City, Indiana

March 19, 2023

10:00 A.M. (Sanctuary)

Fourth Sunday in Lent



## THE WORSHIP OF OUR LORD

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*\* Indicates those who are able, please stand*

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**PLEASE WEAR BLUE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH.**  
(Additional information right after the March birthdays)

## WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

† WELCOME – WORSHIP – CELEBRATE – SERVE †

PRELUDE “Looking Toward the Cross”

L. Smith

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: We love God with all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our mind

**All: *when we wash another's feet.***

One: We love our neighbor as ourselves

**All: *when we wash another's feet.***

One: We love our enemies

**All: *when we wash another's feet.***

One: Lord, in your mercy,

**All: *may we wash another's feet.***

\*HYMN #300 “We Are One in the Spirit” (GTG Hymnal)

## WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION (Rom. 5:5, 8; Heb. 4:16) (Spoken by liturgist)

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God in confidence. Confident in God's grace, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Please join in unison)

*God who embraces us in mercy and acceptance, as we walk our earthly way, we find ourselves dirty and weary from the road we travel and the sorrow we bear. You who walk alongside us have said to come to you with our burdens. So we bring them to you, knowing that you will carry them, and that at the cross you redeemed them even as you redeemed all humanity. We bear the weight of hurt and rejection, and we feel the burden of the memory of hurting and rejecting others. We carry the sorrow and regret of actions left undone. We have not been humble; we have not put others first; we have not loved you, or our neighbors, or one another. Forgive us! Wash us clean and guide our feet in the way of love. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen*

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Psalm 28:6-7)

Pastor: Friends, God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent His Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that God loved us and sent Jesus to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

**All: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.***

\*SINGING GOD'S GLORY: Gloria Patri “Glory to the Father” #567 (Please join in unison)

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen Amen Amen*

Passing of the Peace of Christ

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF GOD (Please join in unison)

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ,  
let us all forgive one another,  
and pass the peace of Christ to each other.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you!**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

### WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Please join in unison)

***Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.***

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 13:1-11

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 13:12-20

SERMON: "We Are Supposed to do What?"

Rev. Ericka Kilbourne

CHILDREN & YOUTH are dismissed for Sunday school (upstairs)

HYMN: #205 "Live in Charity" (GTG Hymnal)

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from the confession of Belhar) (Please join in unison)

***We share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one Name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope. Amen.***

EXPRESSING OUR GRATITUDE IN OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Setting on SLANE"

G. Sewell

Many ways to give and give back  paypal.com **Click on link**

<https://www.paypal.com/fundraiser/112574644767835624/charity/3545525>

OR [Scan here:](#)

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\*Doxology Song #592

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, ending with the Lord's Prayer

### WE GO OUT IN GRATITUDE TO SERVE IN GOD'S NAME

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE: "Recessional"

R. Wilson

## SHARE OUR PRAYERS WITH:

For each of us to share the Gospel with someone this week:

- Dave Dougherty, Johanna Miller, Craig Molden, Jonathan Patterson, Barb Reichert, Thelma Stoakes and Marge Winfield for health needs
- The family and friends of Joyce Bohn as they grieve for her.
- Doug Sims as he is going through cancer treatment.
- Pray for our Military and their families.
- The world as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic

## GUESTS AND VISITORS

We are delighted to welcome you and worship with you today! **First time visitors**-we would love to connect with you. Please text "welcome" to 219-300-9867 and share your contact information with us.

The **WHITE FLOWER** is in memory of Joyce (Potter) Bohn who passed away on March 4, 2023



**The CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given from Peggy McAnally and Michele Bartels in celebration of their Irish heritage and Presbyterian friends!

May your thoughts be as glad as the shamrocks,  
May your heart be as light as a song,  
May each day bring you bright, happy hours,  
That stay with you all the year long.

**The CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God from Diane Hack in loving memory of her sister, Louise (Wezie) Durflinger and in loving memory of her nephew, Mark Durflinger.

## SERVING TODAY

Ministers	All Members of the Congregation
Preacher	Reverend Dr. Ericka Parkinson Kilbourne
Organist	Carol Garrett
Liturgist	Jose Soto
Youth Liturgist	Aiden Thornton
Usher	Penny Russell
Video & Sound Crew	Stan Holdcraft, Rylie Thornton and Antoinette Jackson
Nursery Attendants	Dakota Smith and Aria Keith

## MEMORIALS/DONATION

**The Elevator Fund** received donations in memory of Pat Molden from Rick & Sarah Blank and from Plumbing Manufacturers International. And another donation from Rick & Sarah Blank in memory of Natalie Hellenga. Thank you for your kindness.

## **March Birthdays Have a Very Happy Day**

March 03 Brenda Branch  
March 04 Garnett Williams  
March 06 Stan Holdcraft  
March 07 Amy McDaniel  
March 10 Mary Jo McDonald  
March 13 Jennifer Blank  
March 15 Rick Blank  
March 17 Michael Beans  
March 17 Molly Wray



March 19 Joleen Jackson  
March 20 Walt Barbknecht  
March 24 Thea Mosher  
March 25 Sean Towle  
March 26 Nicholas Simpson  
March 28 Andrea Gasaway  
March 29 Linda Jackson  
March 31 Lester Lincke

## **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING- WEAR BLUE**

One Great Hour of Sharing reminds us to unite to help with disaster relief, support the hunger program and help with self-development of people. Wearing our blue T-shirts, or other blue shirts, shows that we are united in recognizing these initiatives. Please wear blue on Sunday, March 19th.

## THIRD SUNDAY IN UNDERCROFT

Sarah Johnson from Dunebrook will be our speaker on March 19th. April is Child Abuse Awareness Month and Sarah will bring information of a new program that Dunebrook has started to make us aware of this critical problem. The Mission Committee invites everyone in the congregation and friends to hear this valuable message.

If you have any questions, please contact Janice Casper, Mission Committee.

## CHURCH CHAT

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



- ✚ March 19 9:00 a.m. Adult Ed (Love God & Neighbor, lesson 4)
- ✚ March 19 10 a.m. Worship Service
- ✚ March 19 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Undercroft (right after worship service)
- ✚ March 19 Coffee Hour with two Irish Gals (right after worship service)
- ✚ March 20 Pastor off
- ✚ March 20 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts in Undercroft
- ✚ March 21 10 a.m. 3B in Edith Boyd
- ✚ March 21 Elisabeth Circle
- ✚ March 23 10 a.m. 3B in Edith Boyd Lounge
- ✚ March 24 Office Closed -Pastor available by appointment
- ✚ March 25 11:30 a.m.-1:00 Soup Kitchen
- ✚ March 26 9:00 a.m. Adult Ed (Love God & Neighbor, lesson 5)
- ✚ March 26 9 10 a.m. Worship Service
- ✚ March 26 Announcement of Woman of the Year during worship
- ✚ March 26 Coffee Hour hosted by Presbyterian Women (right after worship service)
- ✚ March 26 11:15 a.m. Confirmation Class

### EASTER LILY FORMS

If you would like to order an Easter lily, please complete the form and return to Diane Yettaw, Administrative Assistant, along with your payment by the deadline of March 26<sup>th</sup>. Thank you

### HELP NEEDED TO FEED THE CONFIRMATION CLASS

The confirmation class is meeting after church the 4th Sunday of every month. We are looking for people to provide lunch for the class. A few pizzas and a dessert would be great! If you are willing to support the students in this way please contact Jennifer Casper at 219-575-0135 or [mrsghost628@yahoo.com](mailto:mrsghost628@yahoo.com).



Join Peggy and Michele today after worship for coffee, a green treat, and fellowship to belatedly celebrate St. Paddy's Day. Those attending the Mission Committee's guest presentation should grab a drink and treat before you head downstairs.

Next week, March 26<sup>th</sup>, the Presbyterian Women will host a coffee hour to honor the Woman of the Year who will be announced during worship. Please join them in celebrating this hard working and dedicated woman.

**Marge Winfield**

232 Autumn Trail, Michigan City, IN 46360

If you would like to send a note or card to Marge, her family will deliver it to her. Please mail to her home address.

**David & Johanna Miller**

13 Muirfield Drive, Michigan City, IN 46360

**Family of Joyce Bohn**

Lynn Maritch (daughter)

841 NW Meadowood Circle, McMinnville, OR 97128



**ELEVATE OUR WELCOME”**

Pledge cards are available in the Narthex. If you prefer to pledge online, please use the QR code or use this link:

<https://forms.gle/72QL9QWYZdLxZbmi8>

**CURRENT STATUS OF OUR ELEVATOR FUND CAMPAIGN**

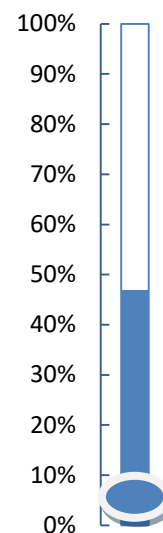
**TARGET:** \$150,000.00 (100%)

**CONGREGATION GIFTS ACHIEVED** \$21,815.00 (14.54%)

**GRANT** \$50,000.00 (33.3%) **ACHIEVED WITH GRANT** \$71,815.00 (48%)

All pledge amounts are welcome. Your pledge can be for two years

**Payments can be made until May 2024.**



**GRANT**

A grant has been pursued and written by a team including Rob McFarland, Pat Molden, and Pastor Ericka Kilbourne.

Further information will be communicated as it is available to us.

**EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m.

The food sign-up sheet is on the Edith Boyd Lounge door.

If you have any questions, please contact Brian Spiece.

**THE WEDNESDAY CIRCLE LUNCHEON**

Ladies- Mark your calendars!

On Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, the Wednesday Circle is sponsoring a luncheon/auction to benefit the Elevator fund.

**SAVE THE DATE!**



### **ON DISPLAY IN THE EDITH BOYD LOUNGE**

Please take a moment to check out Laurel IZARD Art Quilts that are being displayed in the Edith Boyd Lounge. Her bio and artist statement is also available for you to read to learn about the artist. She will be donating 10% of all sales to our Elevator Fund.

### **WEEKLY CHURCH ENVELOPES**

I spoke with the company on February 22 and was told they are now looking at the middle to end of March for shipping the envelopes. They are still experiencing production issues.

**If you are writing a check, an envelope is not needed unless you feel more comfortable putting your check in an envelope. If so, please use one of the pew envelopes.**

Again, please be patient, we will get them to you as soon as they arrive.

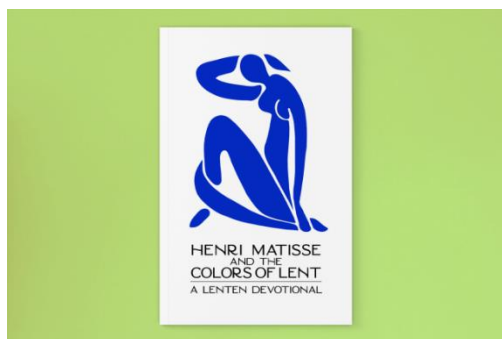
Sorry for the delay but it is out of our hands.

### **SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS**

We want YOU! Volunteers are needed on the second and third Saturdays of the month to help with this vital mission. Bring your family, bring your friends, and feed the hungry of our community.

Talk to Sue Ransom - 219 561-1877

### **LENTEN DEVOTIONAL**



If you would like a paper copy or a digital copy of the devotional, please email [dyettaw@fpcmicity.org](mailto:dyettaw@fpcmicity.org) or call 219-879-4501.

All who request or receive a devotional will also be sent the usage, printing, and assembly instructions.

### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

[\*The Red Studio \(1911\)\*](#)

[\*Red Room \(Harmony in Red\) \(1908\)\*](#)

[\*Woman in a Purple Coat \(1937\)\*](#)

### **ATTENTION PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (AND MEN)**

We are collecting the Birthday offering which has become a tradition for a hundred years. This year's recipients are Making Miracles Group Home in Tallahassee, Florida and Behance Yesus Elementary School Construction in Dembi Dollo, Ethiopia.

We will collect the yellow Birthday envelopes through April.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol Garrett.

### **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

I am hoping to print another church directory around the first of May. If you wish to make any changes to your contact information, it must be submitted to me before April 23<sup>rd</sup>. This will be the last update until next year. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you

Diane C. Yettaw, Administrative Assistant

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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>

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