

## Creed and Deed

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When we started our "On the Road..." Series at the beginning of Lent, we had no clue our lives would be so upside-down by the time Holy Week arrived. Yet here we are, on this road together. Our church is highly relational, so this time is especially hard as we all long for deeper connections. We miss each other! As a way to celebrate Holy Week and stay connected, we are offering two ways to engage with God and each other next week: **Resurrection Tool Kit** (ALL AGES) and Maundy Thursday Worship (via Zoom).

#### **Resurrection Tool Kit**

As we travel the road to Jerusalem, this is an activity for ALL ages. Don't think of this as a children's sermon, but a way for YOU to engage with the events of Holy Week in a new way. Have fun, be creative, share about your Tool Kit with others.

Step 1: Get a shoe box: don't buy anything, something around the house is fine, feel free to decorate it.

Step 2: For each day of the week, find the assigned object, place in your box, and follow "on the road" of the gospel story:

- Sunday: Palm (Triumphal entry; Luke 19:36-38)
- Monday: Coin (Judas's betray; Luke 22:5)
- Tuesday: Plate (Passover; Luke 22:8)
- Wednesday: Purple Cloth (Adorned him; Luke 23:11)
- Thursday: Nail (Crucifixion; Luke 23:33)
- Friday: Dice (Cast lots for Jesus' clothes; Luke 23:34)
- Saturday: White cloth (Linen wrap; Luke 23:53)
- Sunday: Rock (Stone rolled away; Luke 23:53)

Step 3: Have your box ready on Easter Sunday for interactive worship via Facebook Live at 9am.



#### Maundy Thursday Worship Opportunity (via Zoom Meeting)

In this unique time, our Session has approved for us to celebrate the Lord's Supper on Thursday, April 9, around the table together while in our own homes. We will be using the Zoom platform to video conference call. Pastor Timothy will lead us in worship and the Words of Institution as we take communion together at our own household tables. Two important dates:

- Tuesday, April 7 6:00pm Instructions and Preparation for the Service

  This will be a Zoom meeting to talk through the expectations, preparations (purchasing your own bread and wine/grape juice, but moreover, preparing your heart), and working out the details of the Zoom platform. You are not required to attend this call in order to participate, but it is highly recommended.
- Thursday, April 9 6:00pm Fellowship Time / 6:30 Worship with Communion in Homes
  Pastor Timothy will open the meeting at 6pm for those who are interested in "Fellowship Time" before the service. This will be like a virtual coffee hour. It will be good to "see" everyone. This will also give some time for everyone to log in to Zoom. The Maundy Thursday service will begin promptly at 6:30. We will sing together (your mic will be muted), pray, confess, read scripture, and remember and celebrate what Christ has done for us through his saving death and resurrection. Lord willing, it will be a powerful and intimate time together.

The link and meeting ID for both of these meetings is:

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4855270780 Meeting ID: 485 527 0780

If you do not have Zoom, please contact the church office for the step by step guide to setting up your free Zoom account.

#### **Christian Education Schedule**

#### **Sunday**

10:00 am – Book Study (Kay Colley, Host)

10:15 am – Ladies Library Class (Suzie Wilson, Host)

10:30 am – K3-K5 Sunday School Class (Jesse Cannon, Host)

11:30 am – Youth Sunday School Class (Angeline Brock, Host)

#### Monday

6:30 pm – GAP Prayer Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, Sherry Shumann, Host)

#### **Tuesday**

4:00 pm – BASIC Sunday School Class (Gene Williams and Tom Towne, Hosts)

6:30 pm – Griefshare (Charlene Atkins, Host)

8:00 pm – Men's Discipleship and Acie Edwards Classes (Timothy Scoonover, Host)

#### Wednesday

11:00 am – Prayer Time (Timothy Scoonover, Host)

3:30 pm – LOGOS (Angeline Brock, Host)

5:00 pm – Youth (Angeline Brock, Host)

8:00 pm – Small Group (Ashley Scoonover, Host)

### **Minutes in a Minute**

On Monday, March 16 the Session of First Presbyterian Church:

- Opened with prayer and devotion led by Elder Marie Bowles
- Approved minutes from the 2/17/20 Session Meeting
- Approved the wedding of Madeline Buitenhuis and Cody Hartman for 6/6/20
- Canceled, in response to government requirements, all in-person gatherings of the congregation:
  - Moving us to "online" only worship services (live streaming at 9am and uploading the services to YouTube)
  - Closing the church office—phone and email only
  - Creating Care Teams led by Angeline Brock, Gene Williams, Ann Williams, Suzie Wilson, Kim Hoffer, Neva Peagler, David Brown, Rin Page and Timothy Scoonover
  - Approving communion for our first Sunday back together in person
- Approved a Resolution of Thanks to recognize Mike Stasiak for leadership in coordinating the usher assignments
- Received written and oral reports from each Ministry Team
- Closed with prayer by Rev. Scoonover

The next session meeting will be Monday, April 20 at 6pm.

On Friday, March 27 the Session of First Presbyterian Church (special meeting via video conference call):

- Opened with prayer and devotion led by Elder David Brown
- Approved the building use for the April 7<sup>th</sup> Blood Drive
- Approved the special occasion to celebrate communion on Maundy Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> in our homes led by Rev. Scoonover via video conference call
- Closed with prayer by Elder Rin Page

Our Mission: Making disciples who reach UP to God, IN to one another, and OUT to the world!

<sup>\*</sup>If you would like to connect through these classes, please contact the host or the church staff.



**Grass Cutting Season**—If you would like to volunteer to cut the grass at the church, there is a signup poster in the atrium. Call Sally at the church office, 843-761-8469, and she can sign you up or tell you what weeks are available. Do not come in and signup—call Sally.

**Offering**—Please continue your generous response to God's grace by giving financially even though we are not meeting in person. You can <u>mail</u> in your tithe or offering to the church office, <u>or</u> this is a great time to explore our <u>online giving options</u>. Go to First Presbyterian's website by visiting the Giving page at *firstpermonekscorner.org/giving/* or you can log in directly to Breeze at *firstpresbyme.breezechms.com*. Create an account or sign in. You can also bring your offering by the church but you must call Sally at 843-761-8469 and arrange a time with her since the church office is closed.





#### April

- 1 Carole Edwards
- 5 Ben Shuler
- 7 Brant Bayless
- 8 Laura Bates Jane Hood Jary Hulst Corinne Page
- 9 Susan Ford Oliver Harrelson Claudette Lusk
- 10 Pompey Harvey Madeline Williams
- 11 Abby Bell
- 13 Kevin Lusk Nancy Svagerko
- 14 Margaret Huggins
- 15 David Baumann George Svagerko
- 16 Ellen Berry Barbara McRee Lynne Shepherd
- 17 Tom Williams
- 21 Samantha Belken
- 23 Elizabeth Cannon
- 25 Jesse Cannon Kevin Murray
- 26 Melissa Matthews Lynnette Oliver Devlin Worten
- 28 Pearl Miller
- 29 Katy Bates Will Davis Arilynn Murray



#### Did you know...

a single blood donation can save up to 3 lives?

## FPC Blood Drive Tuesday, April 7 in the Gymnasium 1:00 — 6:00pm

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