



The First Presbyterian Newsletter

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“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” Matt. 28:19-20

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Rejoice! Despair! Descend! Arise!!! Holy Week

The Central Christian Experience

- Palm / Passion Sunday, March 29
8:30 Worship
9:30 Christian Education
10:45 Worship

Join us for a special worship service with a two-fold experience. Rejoice as we celebrate as Jesus arrives in Jerusalem and is welcomed with a triumphant reception. Then, as sinister forces gather around him, the Passion of Christ begins, pointing us toward Good Friday and a sense of foreboding.

- Maundy Thursday, April 2, 7:30 pm

Come and experience both the intimate joy of the Last Supper with our Lord, and the despair of the descent into darkness as Jesus is deserted by his followers and arrested. This Maundy Thursday Tenebrae worship is one of the most moving services of the year. An event for the whole family!

- Good Friday, April 3, 6:30 pm

Jesus has been tried and hung on a cross to die. Come and mark this climactic event in our Lenten journey. Has our journey with him been for naught? Experience this darkest of days in music and in art as our worship team and First Friday team come together to offer a unique faith experience (see below and p. 5).

- Easter Sunday, April 5
6:30 FOCUS Sunrise Service, West Capitol Park
8:30 Worship
9:30 Brunch
10:45 Worship

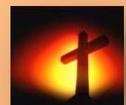
He is risen! Hallelujah! Easter will be celebrated at the 8:30 and 10:45 services. The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be received. A special breakfast will be served at 9:30. Come and celebrate the central miracle of the Christian faith!

April 3, 6:30 pm • Good Friday • First Friday

The Good Friday Experience in Music and Art

Pergolesi, *Stabat Mater*

Deborah Rocco, Carla Fisk, Fiona McKinney
First Friday Chamber Orchestra
Todd Sisley, organ/continuo
Michael Lister, Music Director



Followed by – **Faces of Jesus:** Photographs by David Hinchon

see p. 5.

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First Presbyterian Church
Albany, NY
Founded in 1763

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Dr. Michael Lister
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Stephanie Kite
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John Myers
Phillip Riddle
Roseline Takor

Deacons

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Peg Schalit
Gail Scott
Deb Shoup
Grace White
Robert Willower
Barbara Woodruff
Margaret Zettle

Pause Here a Moment ...

As the Father Sent Me, So I Send You

Editor's note: This article from The Christian Century was penned by John Buchanan, editor. He is the retired pastor of Fourth Presbyterian Church, Chicago.

What's not to love about Easter? Sanctuaries and worship spaces are decorated with beautiful flowers. The hymns are triumphant, often with brass players augmenting a strong organ and full choir. Children sport new outfits and some women even wear hats. Some preachers scold those who last showed up at Christmas- "Chreasters," as Molly Worthen called them in a *New York Times* editorial (December 23, 2012). I sometimes poked a little fun at Chreasters by reminding the crowd that we "do this" every Sunday, same time, same place. It always got a laugh. But if you come to church just once a year, why wouldn't you come on Easter, when the church lays it all on the line?

Most pastors take a break after the intensity and busyness of Lent, Holy Week services and then the full schedule of Sunday services on Easter Day. Almost every year I took off a week or two. Yet I have always felt that the days and weeks after Easter are the most important of the church year. Those who come to church on the Sunday after Easter are the deeply faithful, the steady, loyal heart of any congregation. Theologically and homiletically, the issues in the days and weeks after Easter are "Now what?" and "So what?" Those in the pews during Eastertide have these questions on their minds.

I've always loved the authentically human way Jesus' friends conduct themselves after the crucifixion and resurrection appearances. According to the fourth Gospel, they essentially did nothing. They hid in a locked room in Jerusalem, waiting for things to settle down so they could sneak out of town and return to the lives they'd had "before Jesus." Then Christ appeared to them, and his first words were: "Peace be with you," followed by "As the Father sent me, so I send you." Send. That's the answer to "Now what?" People who experience resurrection are "sent." And that's the answer to "So what?" People who have experienced the victory of life and love over evil and death are to leave the room - the safe, secure place - and go back out into the world. That is why the days and weeks after Easter are so important. Friends of Jesus, fresh from triumphant celebration, were sent back out into the same world that rejected, tortured and killed him - which is to say into the world in which we live.

I understand the impulse to stay in that room. The world looks ominous and disconcerting and frightening. The "Now what?" and "So what?" of Easter are that people who have experienced resurrection are sent into the world to live intentionally, faithfully, courageously- and with those haunting first resurrection words burning in their hearts. "Peace be with you - As the Father sent me, so I send you."

First Presbyterian Church - Called by God to reduce the widening gap between rich and poor.

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Living Out Your Baptism

From Lent to Pentecost

Our Lenten journey started in darkness on Ash Wednesday, February 18, and ends on Good Friday, April 3. This year we are focusing on baptism during this season. Part of our Lenten observance will continue on past Easter and to Pentecost, namely, the “Lentecost” pledge taken to do acts of love and service in our church and city. Another part – the baptismal focus – will continue even further than Pentecost. We began this year’s unique journey remembering Jesus’ baptism, traveled directly into the wilderness with the words of John the baptizer echoing in our ears, and we will carry this emphasis on through Easter, Pentecost and beyond. We have been asked to contemplate “living out our baptismal vows” as an ongoing observance. Most of us in the church do not remember in a regular, disciplined way that we are claimed by God in our baptism. As a way to remedy that forgetfulness, a new, more movable baptismal font has been added to the sanctuary, created by Jack Holmes. He has gathered and created a work of art. Here is Jack’s description:

“The baptismal font that we are using in our Lentecost observance incorporates a traditional design with some very contemporary touches. I designed and built it primarily to be portable. Several people contributed to it. The free form, hand carved bowl was made by local potter, Kathryn Larsen. The metal work dove of peace was made by Jonas Solouque, an artist who lives in Haiti. He uses recycled oil drums and creates a variety of wonderful pieces, all by hand. I purchased it from a small company in Baltimore, MD, called Three Stone Steps. They are committed to fair trade imports from Haiti and other places around the world. I mounted the dove of peace against a backdrop of a very abstract descending dove. Finally, some of the wood I used was also recycled, including an old piece given to me by Susan and Al Easton. It forms the larger table top. The smaller table top which the bowl sits on is from a board left over from the renovation of the third floor and the creation of The Upper Rooms.”

Jack Holmes (right) with the special baptismal font that he created (pictured also below).

Jonas Solouque (below right) standing by his crafted metal work.



We hope that you will take the opportunity when entering worship to pass by this baptismal font currently at the back of the sanctuary. Place your fingers in the water to remind yourself that you are baptized. You may want to take your fingers and place them on your head, on your heart, on your forehead or wherever it makes sense to you. Through this symbolic act of touching the water, we are reminded that we are baptized children of God. Baptism is a sacrament given to us all; we invite you to touch the water in the font. There is no right way or wrong way to do this. There is no magic that can only happen if you touch the water in a certain way or touch your head in a certain way. But there is mystery ... and we invite you, in touching the water, to remember that you are loved by God.

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Alexis O'Neill



Katherine Paterson

Partnership with Giffen Elementary School

Author & Illustrator Day

By Debra Fagans, Outreach and Mission Committee Chair

We've spent the school year planning for it, and on April 18, it will take place: Author & Illustrator Day. It will be the place to be. Come and have fun, help out and hear the award winning authors and illustrator that will be there – Katherine Paterson, Alexis O'Neill, and Lesa Cline-Ransome & James Ransome.

If you haven't signed up yet, please do. (See Debbie Fagans) The first 50 people will get a t-shirt. You will get to meet Griffen, the Giffen Gator (who is lurking under that costume, anyone you know?), buy a book or two and get it signed. (If you'd like to help out being Griffen, speak to Glenn.)

We will also have the pleasure of having Katherine Paterson speak in church on Sunday, April 19. She is one of our denomination's greatest writers. If you get the chance, you might want to read a book or two of hers before then – *The Bridge to Terabithia*, *Bread & Roses, Too*, *The Great Gilly Hopkins*, *Jacob Have I Loved*, or many others.

See the Giffen webpage on Author & Illustrator Day, or scan this QR into your mobile device.

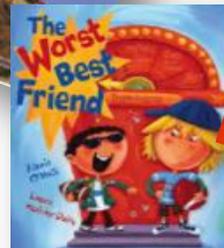
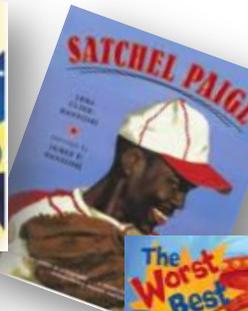
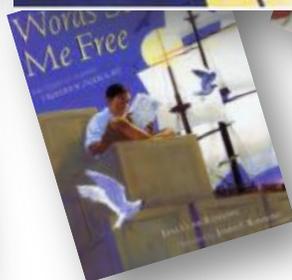
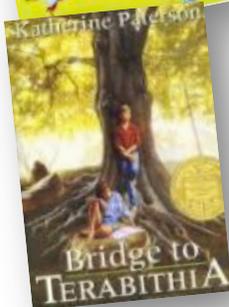
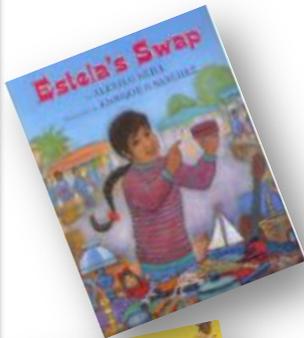
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James Ransome



Lesa Cline-Ransome



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First Friday / Good Friday, April 3, 6:30 PM **Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater***

By Michael Lister, Music Director

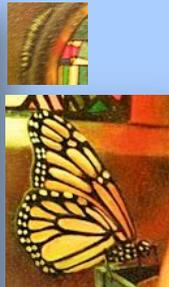
April's First Friday happens to fall on Good Friday, the occasion of one of our most deeply meaningful worship services. In honoring the First Friday experience that has become a part of the Albany community, we will again be providing music and art for the evening. Therefore, we will be presenting the music and art series in a unique manner in order to provide a moving and worshipful experience in the spirit of Good Friday.

The music portion of the evening will feature a performance of Giovanni Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater*. The *Stabat Mater* text is one of the oldest texts from the Catholic Church tradition that presents Mary, the mother of Christ, standing at the foot of the cross, bearing witness to the Crucifixion. The words provide a somber reflection on Christ's love and sacrifice and have been set by composers through the centuries. Pergolesi was a composer of the late Baroque, a contemporary of Vivaldi, Handel, and Bach, and his setting of the *Stabat Mater* was composed during the

last years of his life and has become one of the most beloved settings of the text. Scored for female voices and strings, First Presbyterian's performance of this work will feature our soloists, Deborah Rocco and Fiona McKinney, with guest soloist Carla Fisk, a chamber string ensemble, and Todd Sisley on organ.

The art display that coincides with the music is titled "Faces of Jesus" and will include stained glass photography by David Hinchey. The display will be presented in a way that encourages prayerful reflection, rather than the traditional gallery and reception. The art display will open immediately following the performance of the Pergolesi *Stabat Mater*, which will begin at 6:30 pm. We hope that you will be able to join us and invite others for this special service of music and art.

We are pleased to welcome our interim organist Todd Sisley to the bench. We know that Todd will add a great deal to the Lenten and Easter seasons as well as through the remainder of the choir season.



First Friday in March

• **Music**
Riverstone:
flute, cello,
oboe, harp, viola



• **Art**
Brian Cirno,
Paintings and
collage



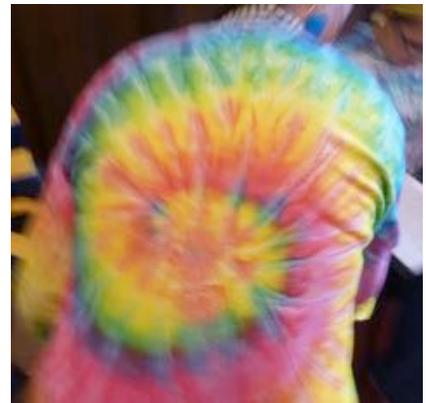
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The Gospel According to the Beatles

*There's nothing you can do that can't be done.
Nothing you can sing that can't be sung ...
All you need is love. All you need is love.*



*So we sailed up to the sun
Till we found the sea of green
And we lived beneath the waves
In our yellow submarine.*



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The Gospel According to the Beatles

*When I find myself in times of trouble
Mother Mary comes to me
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be.*



*Say the word and you'll be free
Say the word and be like me
Say the word I'm thinking of
Have you heard the word is love?
It's so fine, it's sunshine
It's the word, love.*



The Gospel According to the Beatles

All You Need is Love!!!

By Christy D'Ambrosio, Youth Director

*Imagine all the people
Sharing all the world.*

*You may say I'm a dreamer
But I'm not the only one
I hope someday you will join us
And the world will live as one.*

That and many more songs from the 60's provided a text for **The Gospel According to the Beatles**, performed in the sanctuary immediately after worship on March 1. Twelve young and talented First Pres youth, ranging in age from 4th through 12th grade, kicked off this year's musical in full Sgt. Pepper regalia with instruments provided by John Keal Music, courtesy of Chris Trombley.

The performers were accompanied by a twelve-piece orchestra, comprised of Emma and Ben Eisenbraun, violin, Helen Lewis and Maddy Eisenbraun on cello. The string quartet was joined by four St. Rose students: Michael Barranco, percussion; Patrick Flores, guitar; Alex Boccio, trumpet and David Paul, trombone. They were joined by Susan Gierthy on oboe, clarinet, sax and flute; Peggy Schalit on violin; Christian Diefendorf on bass (also providing orchestration for the entire musical) and last, but certainly not least, Michael Lister, Music Director.

The music was good, the message uplifting and the congregation had an opportunity to experience the 60's once again. Imagine that!



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Annual United Nations' Youth Leadership Forum **Christianity and Race in 21st Century**

During the winter break in February, eleven young people, Akap Takor, Lauren Kuo, Jenna Scarlett, Elizabeth Leupold, Katie Myers, Eleanor Haase, Katie Lamar, Emma and Maddy Eisenbraun, Mia and Maggie Robinson, and chaperone Christy D'Ambrosio joined forces with youth delegates and chaperones for the New York State Council of Churches' annual trip to the United Nations.

This year's focus was "Christianity and Race in 21st Century America." The days were filled with lively discussions, seminars, films, guest speakers (including the Peace Poets) and touring the newly-renovated United Nations building, but in the evening the participants had the opportunity to check out midtown Manhattan.

We enjoyed dinners featuring international cuisine and at Jekyll & Hyde's in Times Square. This year the group attended *Les Miserables* on Broadway and shopped in Times Square. It was a great time. We learned a lot and look forward to going again next year



Youth Fundraiser **Annual Easter Sunday Brunch**

On Easter Sunday, April 5, the Youth of First Pres will host a fundraising breakfast from 9:30-10:30 in the Assembly Hall. All attendees will have an opportunity to make a donation to help fund all the activities available through the youth program.

Families attending second service are asked to help set up the brunch between 8:30 and 9:30. Families attending the first service are asked to help clean up after the brunch at 10:30. We hope that all families with children will volunteer to help with the brunch and make a food donation.

The entire congregation is also encouraged to contribute an egg casserole (we can provide the recipe), breakfast bread, fruit, OJ or other breakfast foods. If you would like to volunteer and/or contribute food for the brunch, please contact Christy D'Ambrosio at 423-4763 or via e-mail (christy@firstpresalbany.org).



The Upper Rooms **The Road to Emmaus**

A new rotation in The Upper Rooms (our Christian education program for children in kindergarten through grade 8) begins April 12 and runs through May 10.

This rotation's theme is "The Road to Emmaus." The children will be exploring Luke 24:13-35 through drama, cooking, movie, art, computers and games.

Teaching this time around is Pastor Miriam in Galilee Gallery, Charlie Kite in Sinai Stage, Sarah Sperry in Capernaum Café, Chas Kite in Memory on the Mount, Diane Cornell and Cindy Winter in Tower of Scrabble and Tara Lindsley in Jericho Theater.

A Quiet Revolution A Wagemark Certified City?

This is the first year that First Pres has been certified by Wagemark as a workplace whose wage scale is reasonable and fair. We have a 4 to 1 ratio between our highest paid employees and the lowest. Wagemark certifies an 8 to 1 or better ratio.

As a congregation that is concerned about the widening gap between rich and poor, we see the ever widening pay gap between management and “labor” as central to the problem. When too much pay goes to the top, there’s not enough for everyone else. Would it not be great if you could support companies and agencies that offer a fair wage to their employees? Wouldn’t it be great if there were an easily identified “seal” in a store window – akin to the Better Business Bureau sticker – that would let you know this? That’s exactly what the Wagemark emblem does. Think of it as the “Good Housekeeping Seal” for businesses, non-profits and municipal organizations.

It is our hope to spread the word about Wagemark and to get others on board. It is hoped that the FOCUS ministry will also become certified, something that is under consideration this year. Who can you talk to about being certified? Can you help spur a quiet revolution in fair pay in the Capital District? Talk to your local hardware store, bookstore, restaurant or grocer. Anyone you talk to can find out more information on Wagemark by going to wagemark.org and start by watching their introductory video.

Sundays, May 3 and 17, 9:30 am Inquirer Classes

Have you been visiting First Presbyterian Church? Are you interested in learning more about us and, possibly, about becoming a member? If so, please plan to attend two Inquirer Classes on Sundays, May 3 and 17, from 9:30-10:30 in the Library.

Come and explore with Pastor Miriam church membership, the nature of the commitment that it entails, and your hopes and dreams for what you most want your church to be. Those people who decide to join will be recognized in worship on a Sunday on May 24.

Register to attend by calling the church office (449-7332). If you have any questions contact Pastor Miriam at the church.

Easter Offering – Sunday, April 5 One Great Hour of Sharing

By Debra Fagans, Outreach and Mission Committee Chair

Did you know that besides helping out all around the world, your One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering helps out right here in the Albany Presbytery?

The OGHS Offering is made up of three parts: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), the Self Development of People (SDOP) and the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

When disaster strikes, our denomination steps in. When the Schoharie Creek flooded, PDA helped churches and families in the Schoharie Valley. Recently Synod of the Northeast leaders reached out to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for financial support for this winter’s crises. “The repeated and powerful snowstorms have had catastrophic impacts on our congregations where heavy snowfall, cancellation of services and limited resources have created a second perfect storm—increased vulnerability,” says Laurie Kraus, PDA coordinator. “PDA is responding to the synod’s request for \$300,000 and [for] disaster-support services to provide emergency relief and long-term recovery efforts in the affected presbyteries.”

Self-Development of People helps people help themselves. The residents of Albany’s South End have benefited by an SDOP grant that was awarded to AVillage..., Inc., a program to improve life in the South End run by the people of the South End. Elder Willie White of Westminster Pres. helped apply for the grant and a number of programs have started there.

The Presbyterian Hunger Program not only alleviates hunger in places of famine or disaster, it works at eliminating its causes. It teaches about the environment and sustainable farming. It truly does not just give someone a fish but teaches a person how to fish.

On Palm Sunday and Easter, you will have the opportunity to give to this worthwhile offering. We hope you will give generously. Envelopes will be in the pews during Holy Week and Easter for your convenience.

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CROP Hunger Walk

By Debra Fagans, Outreach and Mission Committee Chair

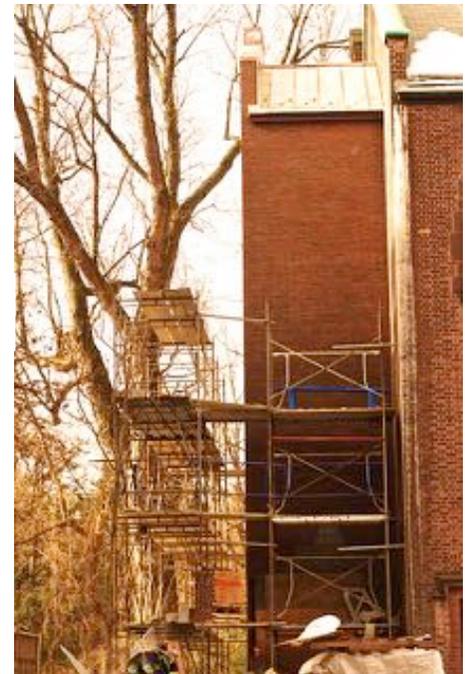
Save Sunday, May 3, and join us for the CROP Walk. This is sponsored by Church World Service. The goal for our area is to raise \$100,000. Twenty-five percent of the money raised goes to local food pantries and soup kitchens. CWS tells us that "with more than 40,000 people in our region utilizing local free meal programs to provide adequate food for their families, this percentage is very helpful."

If you would like to help organize this year's efforts by FPC or simply want to sign up to walk, please get in touch with Debbie Shoup (477-1382 or dshoup.graves@gmail.com).



Grand Finale of *The Gospel According to the Beatles*.

Behold, an elevator shaft!



Ushers and Greeters

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| Apr 2 | 7:30 pm | Maundy Thursday Team 4 – Jeff Durgee, Ray Henrikson, Prudence Iyok, Rachel Smith, Roseline Takor |
| Apr 3 | 6:30 pm | Good Friday Team 5 – Don Mark, Jessica Piacente, Jason Piacente, Phillip Riddle, Barbara Woodruff |
| Apr 5 | 8:30 am 10:45 am | Easter Sunday Bruce Brynolfson Team 6 – Diane Cornell, Fay Fairfax, Lee Helsby, Harriet Seeley, Cynthia Winter |
| Apr 12 | 8:30 am 10:45 am | Ellen Eisenbraun Team 7 – Carol Bullard, Joseph Mathias, Alice Schrade, Deb Shoup, Ann Songayllo |
| Apr 19 | 8:30 am 10:45 am | Jackie and Lynn Ellsworth Team 1 – Elizabeth Leupold, Helen Lewis, Katie Myers, Mia Robinson, Ofu Takor, Jenna Scarlett |
| Apr 26 | 8:30 am 10:45 am | John Myers Team 2 - Joanne Gascoyne, Richard Gascoyne, David Hannay, Margaret Hannay |

Education Grants

By Carol Bullard, Membership Committee Chair
First Presbyterian Church awards education grants to members who seek financial assistance in continuing their education. These funds may be used in any way during the school year for any type of studies beyond high school. A simple Education Grant Request form can be obtained from the church office.

Completed forms must be received by Tuesday, August 11, 2015.

Deacons' Flower Ministry

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| Apr 5 | Delmar – Stephanie Ragone, Gail Scott Barbara Woodruff |
| Apr 12 | Downtown Albany & North – Lee Helsby, David Hinchin, Judy Mark |
| Apr 19 | Latham-Loudonville – Prudence Iyok, Ron Pettis, Margaret Zettle |
| Apr 26 | Rensselaer & East – Diane Cornell, Leslie Roccario, Deb Shoup |

The Guilderland-Schenectady Neighborhood Flock hosts April Coffee Hours.

Fair Trade Market is Sunday, April 12.

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1 Wednesday

12:00 pm JI/JO
6:00 pm Good Friday Rehearsal
7:15 pm Small Group B³

2 Maundy Thursday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service
8:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

3 Friday

6:30 pm First Friday Art & Music/ Good Friday Service

5 Easter Sunday

6:30 am FOCUS Sunrise Service
West Capitol Park
8:30 am Worship (Communion)
9:30 am Easter Brunch
9:30 am Chancel Choir
10:45 am Worship (Communion)
11:45 am Fellowship

7 Tuesday

7:45 am Men's Bible Study
5:30 pm **Committee Night**
• Membership
• Outreach & Mission
• Property
• Worship
7:00 pm Dinner
7:30 pm • Comm. & Tech.
• More Light

8 Wednesday

12:00 pm Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Small Group B
7:30 pm Dads' Small Group

9 Thursday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
12:00 pm Endowment Sub-Committee
6:00 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

11 Saturday

9:00-3:30 Home Repair Volunteer Work Day

12 Sunday

8:30 am Worship (Communion)
9:30 am Education for All Ages
9:45 am Chancel Choir
10:45 am Worship
11:45 am Fellowship
Fair Trade Market

14 Tuesday

7:45 am Men's Bible Study
6:45 pm Deacons
7:30 pm WPNA

15 Wednesday

12:00 pm JI/JO
7:15 pm Small Group B³

16 Thursday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

17 Friday

12:00 pm Newsletter Deadline
6:00 pm Potluck Dinner

18 Saturday

10:00-2:00 Author & Illustrator Day
Giffen Elementary

19 Sunday

8:30 am Worship (Communion)
9:30 am Education for All Ages
9:45 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
10:45 am Worship (Communion)
11:45 am Fellowship
1:00 pm Vintage Pride

21 Tuesday

7:45 am Men's Bible Study
10:00 am Clergy Meeting
7:00 pm Session

22 Wednesday

6:30 pm Small Group B
7:30 pm Dads' Small Group

23 Thursday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

25 Saturday

9:00-3:30 Home Repair
Volunteer Work Day

26 Sunday

8:30 am Worship (Communion)
9:30 am Education for All Ages
9:45 am Chancel Choir
10:45 am Worship
11:45 am Fellowship

28 Tuesday

7:45 am Men's Bible Study

30 Thursday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Italics = Outside Group

AA Meeting Schedule

Mon 5:30 pm
Tue 5:30 pm
Wed 5:30 pm
Thurs 5:30 & 7:30 pm
Fri 5:30 pm
Sat 5:30 pm
Sun 5:30 pm

Heldeberg Music Schedule

Mon 5:30 pm
Wed 10:30 am & 5:00 pm
Thurs 9:30 & 10:30 am

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Lectionary

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| Apr 5 | Resurrection of the Lord / Easter Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8 | |
| Apr 12 | 2nd Sunday of Easter Acts 4:32-35 1 John 1:1-2:2 | Psalm 133 John 20:19-31 |
| Apr 19 | 3rd Sunday of Easter Acts 3:12-19 1 John 3:1-7 | Psalm 4 Luke 24:36b-48 |
| Apr 26 | 4th Sunday of Easter Acts 4:5-12 1 John 3:16-24 | Psalm 23 John 10:11-18 |

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