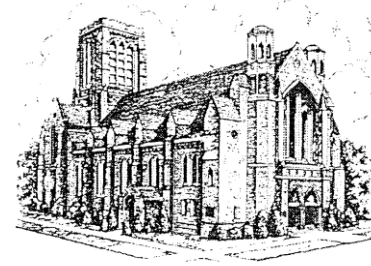


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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

FIRST NEWS:

THE NEWSLETTER OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Email submissions to fpcgreensburg@comcast.net or mail to church office.

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From Matthew 28:

Meanwhile, the eleven disciples were on their way to Galilee, headed for the mountain Jesus had set for their reunion. The moment they saw him they worshiped him. Some, though, held back, not sure about *worship*, about risking themselves totally. Jesus, undeterred, went right ahead and gave his charge: “God authorized and commanded me to commission you: Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Then instruct them in the practice of all I have commanded you. I’ll be with you as you do this, day after day after day, right up to the end of the age.”

The passage above contains what is often referred to as ‘the Great Commission.’ It is Matthew’s unique relating of the resurrected Jesus’ final words to his disciples. He commissions them and sends them out into the world to spread the good news.

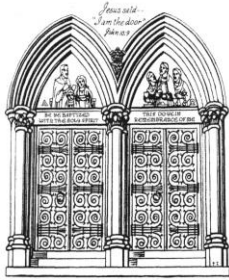
Karl Barth, famed Swiss theologian, whom I quoted earlier in this week, related the following to a gathering of ministers in 1934, implying this instruction from Christ was not leveled just at the ‘professional Christians’ such as pastors, but all followers of Jesus Christ:

As those who are called by Jesus Christ, we have a specific task to fulfill. This task consists in telling others what we have heard, namely, that Jesus Christ is the Savior, the Lord, the Word of God in the flesh. In that we say this, we serve the Word of God. God does not helplessly need this service, but He desires and expects it. ... The world does not know it is lost and redeemed. This it must be told, and this it must hear. And the Church must never forget that grace is a free act of God. This it must be told, and this it must hear.

All of us have opportunity to share with this world the good news of God’s love found in Jesus Christ, Savior, Lord, and very Word of God. We are not called to share our ideals or provide overt criticism of the manner of other’s lives, or even command or insist that others love God, but rather we are called to share what we have heard and what, by the very grace of God, we have come to understand. And this particular ‘service’ is not reserved just for the seminary-trained, but should be a part of all of our experience of life in God’s gracious and merciful light.

Grace and peace,
-Martin

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



PRAYER LIST: Nick Behun, Lisa Bulger, Art Caramella, George Chambers, Sandy Cole, Dan & Ginger Collier, Beverly & William Courtney, Edna Mary Cox, Bob Dittman, Karen Dubosky, Michael Felice, Edgar and Joanne Highberger, Gretchen Highberger, Lucas James, Don Kemerer, Marge Machesney, George Maser, Joanne McIlhattan, John Noel, Dan P., Nancy Pallitta, Kathleen Piekut, Gerry Pricer, Susan Ruff, Judy Rugh, Nancy Skrot, Mary Smith, Nancy Stahl, Eileen Stefl, Crystal Stone, Sonny & Jo Thomas, Lynda Turin, Linda & Tom Turin, Doug Wessling, Don Whipkey.

BIRTHDAYS: Each month we observe the VIP's and fourscore or more birthdays: If you are 80 or older and would like to be listed in the monthly newsletter, please contact the church. May birthdays are:

Betty Davis, 536 Santone Dr., Gbg (04)
Dorothy Russell, 3044 Ben Venue Dr., Gbg (06)
Alan Wood III, 20 Casey Ave., Apt. 106, Wiles Barre, PA 18702 (08)
Ed Bunting, 219 Washington Street, Locust Grove, VA 22508 (17)
Art Caramella, 108 Kilowen Square, Gbg (19)
William Courtney, New Haven Court, 100 Freedom Way, Peach Tree 204, Gbg (19)
Ron Perkins, 4811 Tara View Rd., Leesburg, FL (27)

IN MEMORIAM: Eugene Sember, March 7, 2024; Janice Ann James, April 15, 2024

MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS since March 24, 2024 – Sue C. Woodward, Emmy Lou Noel, Dan and Ginger Collier, Robin S. Jennings, Gerry and Susan Bennett

Stewardship Report

Total Disbursements through March 31, 2024	\$195,417.61
Total Receipts through March 31, 2024	\$167,815.86
Total Income over/under Expense	(\$27,601.75)

If you would rather receive an electronic version of the First News, please let us know at fpcgreensburg@comcast.net and we'll add you to our email list and remove you from the paper copy list. Then you will receive the First News through your computer rather than the mail box, but you'll have to let us know!! A copy of the latest First News can also be found at our website:

www.firstpresbyteriangreensburg.com



Worship: Sundays at 10 a.m.

Sunday morning worship services will be both in-person and by technological means (Simulcast, YouTube, the church's website.) Join us for live simulcast service at:

www.facebook.com/firstpresbyteriangreensburg.

Archived service at: www.firstpresbyteriangreensburg.com/worship-video

First Fridays: News & Updates: If you haven't been receiving our First Fridays: News & Updates, please call Kim at the church office (724-832-0150) to verify and/or update your correct email address.

For Such a Time as This: A Daily Devotional – By ten o'clock in the morning each day, Monday through Friday, Martin posts a new devotion for the day. Please join in the practice of daily devotion for such a time as this.

Have You Considered Sponsoring a Fellowship Hour? Provide 6 dozen baked goods or \$35 donation to cover the costs. Use the sign-up sheet on the Dining Room bulletin board or call the church office. Your contributions and participation are greatly appreciated.

Nursery Open During Sunday School and Worship : Children, Birth – PreK : Drop off care is now available Sunday mornings with Ms. Gali! Pack your child's drinks and snacks and drop them off for the fun! Gali is looking forward to meeting you and your children!



Do you wish to give online?

To set up your own recurring donations, either visit the church website www.firstpresbyteriangreensburg.com or scan the QR code with your smart phone, or contact the church office for help. Your support of Christ's church in this place is greatly appreciated!



Check us out at <https://www.firstpresbyteriangreensburg.com/preschool.html>

The website contains lots of information about our preschool, including upcoming events, our education methods, and more! **Know someone looking for a preschool next year? Open Enrollment is happening NOW! Recommend us to a friend.**



ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEAN UP sponsored by First Presbyterian Church will be on **Saturday, May 4**. The rain date is Saturday, May 11. We meet in the parking lot at Lynch Field across from the Dairy Queen on 119N at 8:30 a.m. Volunteers should be at least 14 years of age (volunteers under age 16 are asked to be accompanied by their parent/guardian). **The more help we get the quicker we will be done.** Please contact Joe Napsha at 724-454-3517 or jnapsha@tribweb.com to volunteer.

THE PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DEACONS OVERSEES A VIP PROGRAM. VIPs are members of our congregation who are unable to attend church services on a short-term or long-term basis. The Board of Deacons, along with the pastor, provides these members with visits, phone calls, cards and reminders of their connection to our congregation, including the Sacrament of Communion, as requested. Please contact the church office (724) 832-0150 for more information and/or to request that you, or someone you know, be added to our list.

THE DEACONS ARE COLLECTING FOR THE BLACKBURN CENTER – They are collecting **new** women's pajamas and sweatsuits, in sizes Small, Medium, Large, XL, and XXL, for the local center that provides housing and other services to promote the well-being and safety of individuals impacted by violence. These pajamas and sweat suits would be provided to women presenting to local hospitals and police stations due to experiencing violence. Often, the clothes the women were wearing at the time of an assault are collected as evidence and a clean set of clothes may provide comfort. You may place your donations in the box located in the Narthex. Thank you so much for helping women in our community who have been affected by violence.

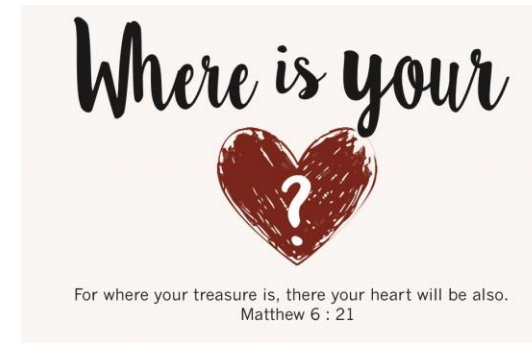
Fellowship Hour: Sundays, May 5 and 19

The Deacons cordially invite the congregation to gather for Fellowship Hour! Join us in the Dining Room immediately following worship for Coffee, Baked Goods AND Fellowship! Coffee provided by the Millers of 19 Coffee! If you would like to sponsor a Fellowship Hour, please use the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Dining Room or call the church office.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY IS JUNE 2!

Confirmation

Join us on Sunday, June 2 to celebrate the confirmation of our 2024 Confirmation Class. The class has been meeting and learning about the faith of the church. They are a wonderful group of five young ladies that wish to unite in membership in our congregation through the confirmation process. Join us on that Sunday as they assist in worship and are have their baptismal promises confirmed.



The Stewardship Committee decided early this year to continue with the theme from last year regarding Jesus's words: **For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.**

Where your treasure is, there your heart shall be. At our last pot-luck we were asked what these words meant to us. The Easter season reminds me that Jesus' promise of salvation is a treasure that neither thief, nor fire, nor diagnosis can take away from us. We hear the message of salvation through both the Word and through instruction each Sunday. I can't think of a more treasured gift. And as I see people who struggle and get lost in the temptations and challenges of this world, I believe it's important to support the great work of our church so that others too can experience the forgiveness, peace and love that we do as members of our church family. Through our mindful action and compassionate service, together, I pray that we take up the challenge to be faithful custodians of God's grace by meeting our church's needs through our stewardship efforts.

-Linda Dickson

Circle Meetings for Presbyterian Women

ABIGAIL CIRCLE MEETS WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 @ 10:00 A.M. ... in the Refectory off the church dining room. The 2023-24 Horizons Bible Study is: **Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts** by Olive Mahabir with Suggestions for Leaders by Wilma Angelica Quiñonez Cubero. Anyone wanting to order the study guide, please call Gretchen Lowry, 724-838-9726. All women are welcome.

For more information about this study visit the PW website:

<https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/product/sacred-encounters-english-edition>.

AN OPEN INVITATION to members and friends of First Presbyterian Church to join the Monday Morning Sewing Circle that meets at 9:00 a.m. Monday mornings in the Fletcher Room. You don't have to be an expert tailor to hem the cotton flannelette baby receiving blankets or to sew the "little dresses for Africa". If you are interested, please contact Sylvia Carlson at 724-755-2288 for information. Membership at this church is not a requirement. Anyone is welcome.



GAMES WITH RICK, Sunday, May 19 from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the youth room. The city of Drakkenheim was devastated by a meteor. A mysterious, magical, mutation-causing haze blankets the buildings and alleyways. Five factions vie for control of the ruins. Our heroes must navigate monsters and intrigue to restore the city and save the kingdom.

YOUTH GROUP MEETING – Sunday, May 5, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Join us in the youth room for lunch, games and Vacation Bible School planning. Lunch will be provided.

CHURCH LOCK-IN – Join us for games, prizes, karaoke, food and fun on May 17 and 18. Drop off is May 17 at 7:00 p.m. and pick-up is Saturday, May 18 at 8:00 a.m. Please RSVP to Jennifer Slater at 724-217-3448 or jennifer1996slater@gmail.com.

Nursery News – Summer Hours to Begin!

On May 26, the nursery's summer hours will begin. There will only be drop off care available during the 10am worship hour. Gali looks forward to seeing you and your children for worship this summer. The nursery will open again at 9am at the start of the new program year in September!

Teens and Tweens: The Sunday school year is winding down. Teens participate in worship May 5, so there is no Sunday school. May 12, we complete the lectionary program with the topic, Praying Through Uncertain Times. We wrap up the year on May 19 with teen fellowship and a light continental breakfast hang out in the youth room.



Children: The Sunday school year is winding down. Children participate in worship May 5, so there is no Sunday school. On May 12, we celebrate Mother's Day with gift crafting. We wrap up the program year on May 19 with an intergenerational breakfast hangout. Parents may join the children in the art room this day for a light continental breakfast, art, and a game.



Overnight Summer Camp! – 371 Pine Springs Camp Road, Jennerstown. Mission Statement: Pine Springs Camp strives to provide every camper with a vital encounter with Jesus Christ that leads to growth in Christian faith and discipleship.

On-Site Day Camp! – For campers who are new to camping or prefer coming to camp just for the day.

Traveling Day Camp! – Is Jennerstown too far for your family to travel? Camps available at partner churches in Murrysville, Norwin/West Hempfield, and Latrobe.

Camps for all! Ages 3 through 12th Grade! All ability levels and needs; Family Camp experiences available.

Leadership Opportunities for Teens ages 16 and up!

For a full list of camp opportunities and registration forms, please visit Pine Spring's Website. www.pinesprings.org

Splash in God's Word

VBS 2024 - June 10 – 14; 9 a.m. – Noon

Calling All Volunteers! Water you up to this summer? Do you like to stay current? Looking for a refreshing experience? Water you waiting for? Join in the floods of laughter! VBS is sure to make a big splash!

**If you are not there, you will be mist!
Sea you this summer!**

**Contact Wendy McCann to volunteer today.
Registration for super so-fish-ticated
child participants coming soon!**

Splash in God's Word

Vacation Bible School 2024 at FPC Greensburg

June 10 – 14 - Activities; 9 a.m. – Noon

June 16 – Participate in Worship (9 a.m. warm up/10 a.m. worship)

All children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join in the water themed fun! Learn about God as you play games, create arts and crafts, participate in musical experiences, and eat creative snacks.

Register now to assist with proper staffing, planning, and preparation.

Child's Name _____

Birthday _____ **Grade Entering** _____

Does your child have any food, latex, bee sting, or other allergies? ____yes ____no

Allergen/Reaction/Treatment Information

Does your child have any other medical conditions we should be aware of? ____yes ____no

Is there anything else that would help us minister to your child?

Parent/Guardian's Name, Address, Cell, and Home Phone Numbers, Email Address

The following Emergency Contacts have my permission to pick up my child in the event of illness or injury.

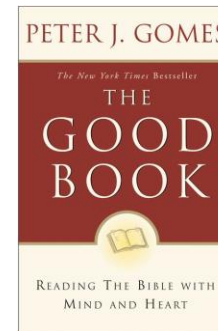
Name, Relationship to Participant, Cell and Home Phone Number

____yes ____no ** My child will participate in worship as part of the VBS choir on Sunday June 16.

____yes ____no ** I will provide a white tee shirt for my child that can be tie dyed. If no, my child needs a size _____

____yes ____no ** I give permission for my child's image to be used in printed and/or online materials (newsletters, FPC website, etc)

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____



ADULT FORUM ON SUNDAY MORNING meets on **Sundays at 9 a.m.** in the PW Lounge on the first floor of the CE Wing. We are reading and discussing a wonderful book written by the late Rev. Peter Gomes: *The Good Book: Reading the Bible with Mind and Heart*. Gomes unpacks the scriptures for his reader, covering how the Bible is often misunderstood by Christians and others alike. The book helps to open up our hearts and minds to the profound words of scripture that give us comfort and challenges our faith as well.

MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY - EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 7:30 A.M.: This Bible study has many wonderful ingredients: warm fellowship, good friendships, open discussions, great breakfasts AND the opportunity to grow in faith together. We gather every Wednesday morning at 7:30 a.m. at Eat n' Park across from Westmoreland Mall. We are currently studying the book of Joshua.

THE LAST TUESDAY BOOK CLUB will meet Tuesday, May 28 at 7 p.m. in the PW Lounge on the first floor of the CE Wing. In May we will read and discuss the following:

John Cheever – Goodbye, My Brother

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John Cheever – The Death of Justina

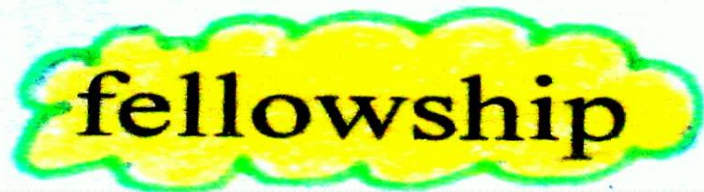
[The Death of Justina--John Cheever \(tripod.com\)](#)

Flannery O'Conner – A Good Man is Hard to Find

[Microsoft Word - AGoodManIsHardToFind.doc \(ufl.edu\)](#)

Copies may also be obtained from Martin.

THRU THE BIBLE CLASS will meet SUNDAY, May 19 at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the church building. We have been working our way through the Bible from cover to cover and will be discussing Titus AND Philemon. The class lasts just an hour and is led by Dr. Ankrum. Please join us for a lively discussion!



THE GATHERING – TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024: 11:30 A.M. – 1 P.M.
SCOTT BROWN, JR. – LOCAL AUTHOR

On the second Tuesday of each month, we reserve space at The Boulevard, a local restaurant and invite those who are available to join us for lunch, conversation and a bit of education. We'll hear from folks that you already know and folks that you haven't yet met. The topics will be informative and helpful to our faith, and some will be just fun and allow us to learn a bit more about each other. **This month we'll hear from Scott Brown Jr., a member of the church and a prolific author. Contact the church office by noon Monday, May 13 to reserve your space.**



FIELD TRIP, AUG. 17 -

We have scheduled a trip to the Dutch Valley in Sugar Creek, Ohio on August 17th. We will be seeing the Sight and Sound production of *Ruth* at the Ohio Star Theater at 1:00 p.m. Prior to the play, we will be

dining at the Dutch Valley Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. We will be taking the church van, but only 14 people will be able to ride in it. Since we purchased 21 tickets, several people will need to car pool and follow the van. The trip will take approximately 2 1/2 to 3 hours one way. We will be leaving from the church lot at about 7:45 a.m. and have one comfort stop. After the play ends (3:00 p.m.) there will be time to visit some of the numerous shops on the campus prior to returning. We should be back at the church by 8:00 p.m. Tickets for this event are \$75 per person and the price includes the play, lunch, tax and tip. Payment is needed by August 1st. There are only 7 tickets left! Persons interested in attending should contact Sandy Beauregard (724-834-2247, 724-331-3457, sandbeau1@verizon.net).

THE CORNERSTONE GROUP INVITES YOU TO JOIN THEM - We will be dining at the First Wok, 321 West Main Street, Ligonier, on May 11, at 5:30 p.m. This is a Thai/Japanese restaurant that is superb. Please sign-up before May 7 by calling Sandy Beauregard (724-834-2247 or 724-331-3457) or emailing her (sandbeau1@verizon.net) to reserve your spot.



THE MEMBERSHIP & EVANGELISM COMMITTEE welcomes you to join them on June 29 at 2:00 p.m. to see "The Color Purple" at the Benedum Center. We have 14 tickets available and we will be offering a ride in the church van. After the theater performance, we will dine at The Juniper Grille in Murrysville. Tickets for the performance are \$70 each and include transportation. Dinner is on your own. Contact Sandy Beauregard (724-834-2247 or 724-331-3457) or email her (sandbeau1@verizon.net) to reserve your spot.



AN OLD FAVORITE RETURNS IN SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER & NOVEMBER!

It's fun! It's fellowship! It's food! Here's how it works: someone hosts and provides the main course, others come with accompanying dishes and a good time is had by all! Please consider participating in this great activity. We will be forming the new Dinners for Eight groups during the summer months with an eye to starting

in September. The hosts for the first month have been recruited, now we need folks to sign up as participants. The gatherings will be created merely by drawing names out of a hat, then the hosts will be informed of who is coming to their house and the guests will be informed of who their host will be. It will be up to the group to determine a mutually acceptable date and time. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Miller or Dr. Ankrum. Look for our sign ups in Fellowship Hours in the summer or call the church office.

BRASS³, A CONCERT OF BRASS MUSIC

SUNDAY, MAY 26 – 4:15 P.M.

FPC SANCTUARY

BRASS³, A CONCERT OF BRASS MUSIC will be held in the First Presbyterian Church of Greensburg sanctuary at 4:15 p.m., Sunday, May 26, 2024, featuring the Blairsville Brass Ensemble, Key of Brass Quintet and Main Street Brass. Repertoire will cover a wide array of musical genres from Baroque to Modern, Beatles to Brahms, Canzonas, Sonatas, American folk music and a Rigaudon. Two of our favorite organists, Dr. Jeffrey Jones and Michael Long, also will be featured with brass. Each brass group will perform separately as well as part of a combined brass ensemble. A light reception hosted by the Worship Committee will follow the concert. This concert is a part of a larger Community Music Series offered by First Presbyterian Church and is free and open to the public. Main Street Brass is based here at First Presbyterian and includes (from left) Bill Markle, Tim Hines, Lee Matchett, Elijah Crowe and Joe Diamond.



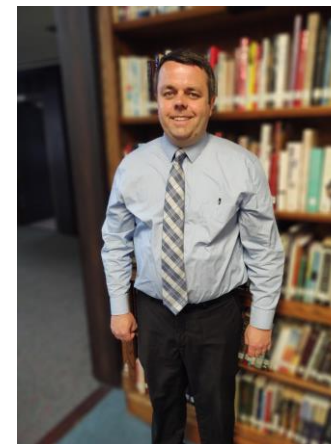
THE WESTMORELAND CHORAL SOCIETY under the direction of Tom Octave concludes its series of "Love" concerts at **3 p.m., Sunday, May 5** in the First Presbyterian Church sanctuary. The concert titled "Spirit of Love" will also feature the WCS Youth Choir. The program will include a broad range of choral styles found in such diverse pieces as 'Festival Sanctus' by John Leavitt, 'In Virtute Tua' by Grzegori Gorczy, 'Sing a Mighty Song' by Daniel Gawthrop, and 'Go Down Moses' by Mark Hayes. Selections also include 'Inscription of Hope' by Randall Stroope and 'There is Peace' by Jim Papoulis, the latter of which will be performed with the WCS Youth Choir. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$15 (Adults), \$10 (Seniors) and \$5 (Students).

NEW MEMBER CLASS – APRIL 21, 2024

The following folks joined our congregation during the worship service on April 21. We are delighted to have them as a part of our faith community. Please take a moment to greet and welcome them when you see them around the church building or out in the community!



David Allen



Matthew Nicholson



Gianna Brant & Tom Bartley



Hope Sehring



Randy & Kathy Wilson



Jonathan & Julianne Muller

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

For Such a Time as This A Daily Devotional

From Matthew 13:

Then the disciples came and said to him, “Why do you speak to them in parables?” And he answered them, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. ... But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

I think we can all sympathize with the disciples. It is not only parables that beguile us, but also sometimes just the straight-forward reading of scripture. We throw up our hands, having dutifully read through some thick and less-than-absorbing text and say: ‘Why can’t it just be clear?’

Well, it may not be so much about God and much more about ourselves as created beings who are truly limited in our comprehension and acceptance of what lies before us. This is not an excuse, but an explanation. It is not that we are legitimized to just shrug our shoulders, admit our ignorance, and move on. No, we are called to struggle with our understanding and comprehension of the text, for one minute it appears a light dawns and in another we experience the drawing of the shades and the descending of darkness.

Charles B. Guignon, commenting on the philosophy of Martin Heidegger, has something to say to this:

...humans are oblivious to the fact that every disclosedness involves concealment, they fall into the illusion of thinking that nothing is hidden and that everything is totally out front.

Truth be told, we are intellectually lazy as Christians! We think that the answers to our deepest and most fundamental questions about life, creation, and the God who liberates our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, ought to be easy to come by and readily understood. How foolish we are and how foolish the unfolding drama of Holy Week proves us to be. We think that we know how God should best handle the problem of human sin and degradation and even when his decisive action is set before us, we would rather return to our own theories than to accept the beguiling truth that God loves us regardless of sin – that God’s mercy reaches out to even those who refuse to welcome it – and that God’s sacrifice in his son Jesus Christ is sufficient even for those who would never accept it as such. This then is the ultimate parable to consider and yet it is at the very heart of the gospel!

**Martin’s daily devotional can be accessed
Monday – Friday on our website.**



Graduation Sunday: June 9

Join us on Sunday, June 9 at 10 a.m.
to recognize the achievements of our graduates.
Please complete below & return to church
office by Wednesday, June 5!!!

Name of Graduate _____

School / Degree _____

Name of Graduate _____

School / Degree _____

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! - SUMMER CHOIR begins on Sunday, June 2. This is your opportunity to give choir a try. All the fun of singing without the commitment! Come to the choir room on Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. ready to learn a simple anthem. This opportunity is open to all adults and youth who would like to give singing a try. There will be several dates throughout the summer for you to join us. No matter what your summer schedule looks like you can join us when you’re in town. The month of June provides two opportunities: June 2 and 9. Come to one or come to both - this is your official invitation and the door is open. Contact Jeff Jones with any questions at FPCGMusicMinistry@gmail.com.

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE BLANKET OFFERING: MOTHER’S DAY, SUNDAY, MAY 12 - PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ask for your support as we honor our mothers on Church World Service Blanket Sunday, May 12. For many years our congregation has generously contributed to this offering that tells people in crisis around the world, “You are not alone. Someone cares.” CWS distributes warm blankets to families around the world (including the United States) recovering from disasters and displacements. For a mere \$10 donation you can provide one of these desperately needed blankets that transforms into a symbol of hope and security as they try to rebuild their lives. Please consider a generous donation to Blanket Sunday. Hebrews 13:16 reminds us, “Don’t forget to do good and share with those in need.” Thank you for your compassion and support.