

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour – Dining Room

12:00 a.m. Games with Geoff - Youth Room

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:00 a.m. Sewing – Fletcher Room

7:00 p.m. Thru the Bible – Assembly Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts – Fletcher Room

7:00 p.m. Last Tuesday Book Club – P W Lounge

7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous – Fletcher Room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

7:45 a.m. Men's Breakfast Bible Study – Eat 'n Park, Greensburg

12:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous – Fletcher Room

1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting – Assembly Room

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

6:30 p.m. Kirk Ringers - Third Floor Bell Room

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir - Third Floor Choir Room

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

8:30 a.m. Worship Committee – Assembly Room

SUNDAY, MARCH 3 COMMUNION SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour – Dining Room

12:00 a.m. Y-Fi - Youth Room

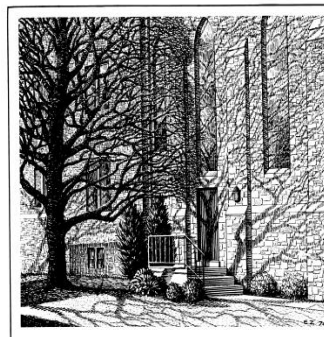
OUR CHURCH PRESCHOOL'S OPEN ENROLLMENT started on January 3, 2019. If you are seeking a preschool for your child, or happen to know someone seeking a preschool, give us a call at (724) 832-0150 or check out our preschool's website at www.fpcgpreschool.weebly.com to learn more about our class offerings for 2019-2020.

ATTENTION!!!! When sending mail to the church office, please be sure to include "P. O. Box 1038" on the address line to assure delivery. Though we have had this P.O. box for many years, new policies at the post office have enforced the use of this designation.



A Report on the Capital Campaign

Pledges totaling \$729,913!
Donations received \$622,726!



February 24 – March 3, 2019

FIRST VIEW: The News @ FPC

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN E-GIVING? Today Crystal Stone and David Kemp will be in the PW Lounge during the Coffee Hour to assist members who are interested in e-giving through the various venues available to us. They will answer questions and demonstrate the on-line site so that participants can register in the privacy of their home or, if participants have their banking information, they will privately assist in the registration process. E-giving provides an easy and disciplined way for members to support the ministry of our church and if you have any questions about the process, Crystal and David will be more than willing to provide answers.

THIS WEEK

THE MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY meets at Eat'n Park on Rt. 30 E. each Wednesday morning at 7:45 a.m. for a time of fellowship, study and, of course, breakfast. We are now studying the Book of Acts under the leadership of Dr. Ankrum.

THRU THE BIBLE ... Are you interested in learning the whole story of the Bible? Have you ever read the Bible in its entirety or at least wanted to? Then this adult study group is for you!! We will gather in the Assembly Room for an hour a month to go through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation! **We will meet on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 7 p.m. to discuss the Book of Deuteronomy.**

LAST TUESDAY BOOK CLUB is always looking for readers of fiction willing to discuss what they find in the novel assigned for the month! We are a very friendly group who enjoy getting together to talk about the meaning and significance of good literature and Christian faith. Dr. Ankrum usually leads our discussion. **We will meet on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 7 p.m. when we will discuss *A Month in the Country* by the Russian author, Ivan Turgenev.**

CORNERSTONE GATHERING: ALL ARE INVITED! SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 6:00 P.M. Cornerstone is a gathering of folks from FPC on a monthly basis for dinner and conversation. We will meet at Abruzzi's, 9745 Route 30, Irwin. This is a very popular restaurant and they have agreed to accommodate our group even though they generally do not accept private groups on the weekend! Please be sure to arrive promptly. Sign up during coffee hours, call Sandy Beauregard or the church office before March 6. See you there!!!

THE LUNCH BUNCH - TUESDAY, MARCH 12 – 11:30 A.M. We are going on a field trip in March. Due to problems with the van, the group will be meeting at the Rialto Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. There is parking in the Bell Garage across the street from the restaurant, several lots and on-street parking. After enjoying lunch we will walk to the Palace to begin our guided tour on stage at 1:00 p.m. Make your reservations soon at coffee hour or by calling the church office. All are welcome.

WANT TO IMPACT THE LIVES OF OUR KIDS? How about helping them grow in faith!? In this format, a Bible story is taught for 3 weeks using a variety of methods. Want to help out this year? Talk to Niki! **Here's our Sunday School Rotation Schedule for the coming weeks!**

	K-2nd Grade	3rd-5th Grade
3/3	Cooking (Kitchen)	Science (Fletcher Room)
3/10	Four Friends	Storytelling Room (3 rd Floor, Room 1)
3/17	Art (1 st Floor, Room 2)	Science (Fletcher Room)
3/24	Science (Fletcher Room)	Art (1 st Floor, Room 2)

ACOLYTE TRAINING! Are you a 3rd grader or older who would like to serve as an acolyte? Or maybe even read the Call to Worship? Would you also like to know what an acolyte is and what acolytes do? Join us on Sunday, March 24th right after worship for training and learning more about this great way you can be a part of leading worship!

VBS...COMING SOON! Are you ready for another epic week of Vacation Bible School?! Join us for a journey to Athens to hear from the apostle Paul! He'll share his stories with us about being a missionary and bringing the good news all around the known world! Mark your calendars for June 17 to 21 to participate in this fun & exciting part of our ministry! Registration opens on April 1.

KIDS & TEENS



TODAY @ 12 p.m. – Games w/Geoff...are you interested in learning how to play role playing games? Come and join with this group to make up a character and solve problems with a group of your friends! Bring your own snacks, your imagination, and a sense of adventure!

March 3 @ 12 p.m. - - Y-Fi is continuing its weird journey in our series "THAT'S IN THE BIBLE?!" You thought you knew all of the stories in the Bible from Sunday School? Think again! Have you ever tried reading the Bible and thought "Wow...this is kind of boring?" Then clearly, you have never read the story of Samson. Betrayal, bad hair days, bloodshed, all the makings of a Hollywood blockbuster! Come hear more at Y-Fi this week about this man and why his story is in the Bible!



March 10 @ 4pm – Young Adult Dinner! Are you between the ages of 18-25? Join us for dinner at the Atkinson home to catch up with your friends and enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal! RSVP to Niki by 3/9.



March 17 @ 11:30 a.m. – Y-Fi Field Trip! Join us to see some real live birds and sloths at the National Aviary with our Y-Fi volunteer and resident bird expert, Dr. Jim Kellam! Cost is \$17 for admission (bring extra for snacks, souvenirs, or feeding the birds!) Parents & siblings are welcome to join us! RSVP to Niki by 3/10! (We will need some transportation help for this event!)

Y-Fi

Y-Fi is now on the 1st & 3rd Sundays from 12pm-2pm (unless otherwise noted.) Stay Tuned for Our Winter Topics!

-Tonight's Special: Quail
Tomorrow's Special: Still Quail
The Next Day's Special: Just Get Used to Quail
-The Young & the Restless (aka "The Life of Samson")
-Ananias & Sapphira (also, "Why You Shouldn't Lie in Church.")

CHURCH STARTS RECYCLING PAPER AND CARDBOARD!

“For there is hope for a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that its shoots will not cease” (Job 14:7).

God has blessed us with trees that feed us and shelter us. Even God’s word is written on pages made from trees! Thankfully, trees harvested for these purposes can sprout up again. But what of the paper and cardboard we use? Technology allows us to recycle it and put it to use again, even though its fibers are no longer living. Recycling paper and cardboard is a modern way to preserve the “hope of a tree” that comforted the writer of Job.



The church Stewardship Committee has placed blue recycling containers at strategic locations throughout the church building. These will be emptied on a weekly basis and deposited in the green and yellow dumpster that was recently placed on church grounds near our parking lot along Third Street. The dumpster is maintained by Royal Oak Recycling

Company, which collects the paper and pays the church a small amount of money for each ton. The company encourages use by the community, so anyone can put their recyclable paper and cardboard in the dumpster at any time.

Items you may place in the dumpster outside (or blue recycling containers inside) include: Church bulletins, inserts, newsletters, newspaper, magazines, catalogs, office and school papers, books, junk mail, envelopes, folders, copy machine paper, colored paper, phone books, shredded paper (bagged), corrugated cardboard, chipboard (e.g., cereal boxes).

Please do NOT recycle plastic, metal, or glass. Also, paper products contaminated with dirt or food should not be recycled; and tissue paper, tissues, and paper towels are not accepted. Questions? Contact Jim Kellam, Chair of the Stewardship Committee.

BLOSSOMS IN THE DESERT – ORGAN AND ARTWORK IN THE LENTEN SEASON

You are invited to come to our beautiful sanctuary for a recital each Friday during Lent. The noon recitals will be presented by current students and recent graduates of Seton Hill University. Following each recital, join us in the assembly room for an art show by Stacey Pydynkowski. A box lunch will be available for \$10.00. Hearing requests from our Advent series, a gluten free option will be available. The first recital will be Friday, March 8 at noon.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE: The Presbyterian Women’s annual rummage sale will be held Friday and Saturday, April 12 and 13, 2019. The donation period will begin Friday, March 1 and continue through Monday, April 8, again using the stage in the Fletcher Room. **REMEMBER:** we do not accept wire hangers, infant car seats, cribs, televisions or large exercise equipment such as bikes or treadmills. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Burchill (724-838-1546) or Lynne Rain (724-672-6738), Co-Chairs.

Behold, the Lamb of God! Lent 2019

Ash Wednesday 2019 Wednesday, March 6 – 7:00 PM Main Sanctuary

We begin our Lenten journey together as Christ’s Church in worship. Join with us Ash Wednesday evening for this simple service of repentance and recommitment. We begin our series “Behold, the Lamb of God!” which will continue throughout Lent with the Mid-Week Chapel Services.

Sundays in Lent ...

Lent 1 – March 10 – 10:00 a.m.	“A Grateful Identity”
<i>Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 10</i>	
Lent 2 – March 17 – 10:00 a.m.	“A People”
Lent 3 – March 24 – 10:00 a.m.	“What Money Can’t Buy”
Lent 4 – March 31 – 10:00 a.m.	“A Self-Assessment”
Lent 5 – April 7 – 10:00 a.m.	“A Path in the Mighty Waters”
Communion is celebrated on Sunday, April 7	
April 14 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday	“Coming Into His Own”

Mid-Week Lenten Services: Behold, the Lamb of God! Wednesdays in Lent – 7 p.m., The Memorial Chapel

During the Wednesdays in Lent, we will gather in our beautiful Memorial Chapel for a thirty minute service of prayer, meditation, music and a homily delivered on the various use of lamb imagery throughout the New Testament in describing our Lord and Savior. Wednesdays, March 13, 20, 27 and April 3 & 10

THE SEASON OF LENT begins with Ash Wednesday on March 6 this year. This year, you will be able to enrich your Lenten disciplines by using a devotional “box” entitled “Lent+@HomeKit.” In this box, you will find a card with a prayer, scripture reading, and devotional activity (with needed materials) to do on your own or with your family. There is a devotion for every week of Lent, as well as Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday. Boxes will be available during coffee hour starting Sunday, February 24. There will be a limited number, so get yours while they’re available! Have a blessed Lent! -Your Christian Education Committee



Jump for J.O.Y.!

Friday, April 19th, 2019
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

This year, our Good Friday Breakfast is undergoing some changes. You'll get to be a part of something new! Join us for a time to Jump for J.O.Y., "Jesus," "Others," "Yourself." We'll have a time of learning to worship God in a different way with Rev. Atkinson & Dr. Salvesson, hearing about how we help to care for others and the earth, and sharing in a meal together with your friends and family!



Please register your child(ren) using the form below or on our church website at <https://www.firstpresbyteriangreensburg.com/jump-for-joy.html>. Thanks and we look forward to seeing your children on Good Friday!

Jump for J.O.Y. Breakfast Registration
RSVP by April 14 – return form to church office

Child	grade/age	health concerns/allergies
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Parent/Guardian	Emergency Phone #
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Willing to volunteer?

Anything else we need to know?

Easter Lilies 2019



Prepaid Orders Due by Sunday, April 7

The Worship Committee is making lilies available for \$10.00 each. If you wish to place

one or more flowers in the sanctuary for Easter, please return this form to the church office with \$10.00 for each plant desired. You may, if you wish, place your lilies "In Memory Of" and/or "In Honor Of" loved ones.

The deadline for orders is Sunday, April 7.
Lilies may be picked up following the Easter Sunday Service.

My Name:

Place my flower(s) "In Memory Of":

Place my flower(s) "In Honor Of":

Enclosed is \$_____ for _____ (quantity) flowers