

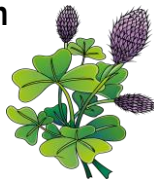


# "THE GRAPEVINE- 2024"



## FLOWER CALENDAR

- March 3: **Roy & Marie Patterson**
- March 10: **Sandra deVos**
- March 17: **Rosemary Lara**
- March 24: **Belle Twitchell**
- March 31: **Easter Lilies from the Congregation**



## CHURCH CALENDAR

**Joint Worship Service & Luncheon w/ FKEC**  
Sunday, March 3 @ 11am (This Sunday only.)

**Feeding the Hungry (Good Shepherd Church)**  
Tuesday, March 5 @ 430pm

**Men's Circle of Faith (Lea Lounge)**  
Saturday, March 9 @ 830am

**Sunday School / Daylight Saving Time Begins**  
Sunday, March 10

**Men's Breakfast (Four Corner's Restaurant)**  
Saturday, March 16 @ 8am

**Joint Session/ Deacons Meeting**  
Tuesday, March 19 @ 630pm

**Maunder Thursday Service**  
Thursday, March 28 @ 7pm

**Easter Worship/ One Great Hour of Sharing Offering (OGHS)**  
Sunday, March 31 @ 10am

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
Sunday, March 31 after worship



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY:



- 1- *Onalee Koster*
- 2- *David Edwards*
- 6- *Daisy Hamilton*  
*Lynda Mendoza*
- 16- *Robert Opie*
- 18- *Rick Hanson*
- 21- *Tricia Winkler*
- 23- *Shirley Gahm*
- 28- *Steven Payne*
- 30- *Char Bisbee*  
*Justin Patterson*

## *Happy Anniversary:*

20- *Carolyn & Larry Gamino*



**DON'T FORGET TO "SPRING FORWARD",  
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS  
SUNDAY, MARCH 10**



**SET YOUR CLOCKS 1 HOUR AHEAD**

## DEACON'S BARREL ITEM:

*"Soups & Crackers"*

## FEEDING THE HUNGRY NEWS

First, I would like to thank Sessions promise to make "Feed the Hungry" a sub-committee of the Mission Committee. I would like to thank Pastor David Hill and Clerk of Session, Bob Opie for their support. A special "thank you" to Harold Reich for his offer to help at different times.

On Tuesday, February 6, we served 45 meals. Menu: Spaghetti with ground beef, green salad, oranges, bread, cookies, and a bottle of water. Marie and I prepared the main dish and salad. Jean Shipman provided the oranges. Marietta McLellan provided the bread and cookies from Tracy Interfaith Ministries. Those who helped me serve were Liz Hanson, Carolyn Gamino and her grandson, Nathan, Don Burnett, and Marie Patterson. I would like to thank all who provide food and those who continue to support "Feeding the Hungry" through financial support. For those who would like to contribute to this program, please make your checks out to First Presbyterian Church, and mark clearly in the memo or envelope with "Feeding the Hungry".

In Christian Service,  
Roy Patterson

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### "Easter Lilies"

We will be decorating the Sanctuary for Easter Sunday with Lilies! If you would like to donate a lily in honor or memory of a loved one, complete the form below and return to the church office by March 24. Drop off: Thursday, March 28

This Lily is given in: HONOR\_\_\_ or MEMORY\_\_\_

OF: \_\_\_\_\_

FROM: \_\_\_\_\_

(your name)

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## DEACONS DOINGS

Several people have mentioned that they would like the Thanksgiving baskets packed at the church and delivered by our members. The Deacons are now a smaller group and an older group. We need help to accomplish this. There will be a meeting after church on April 14 in the Agnes Lea Lounge to see if there is enough help. We need people to get the boxes and put them together, someone to pick up the food and deliver it to the church, people to deliver the boxes, someone to use their computer skills to make the maps, and someone to take any leftover boxes to Tracy Interfaith on Monday. We hope there will be a good turnout of willing people. The Deacon's Barrel Item for March is: Soups & Crackers.

## **PASTOR'S ARTICLE:**

We have now come to the season of the year known as Lent, Holy Week, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the great day of Jesus' Resurrection; from the agony of His crucifixion to the glorious day of Jesus' resurrection from the dead! This is a powerful time of the Christian year. Jesus created the first communion or Lord's Supper and gave a new commandment for us to love one another as Jesus loves us! This would be the sign of our new life in relationship to our Risen Lord and Savior!



Jesus was arrested, questioned by the religious leaders, and turned over to the Roman government. He was then beaten and whipped 39 times, then sent out to carry His cross to the Golgotha. He was crucified for the sin of all humanity. Then He was buried in a stone tomb. Three days later as He predicted God raised Him from the dead and He showed all of humanity God's Love and forgiveness!

This powerful loving event gave all people the promise of forgiveness, healing, and eternal life that reconnected our Creator with us, God's beloved creation! This was the most powerful in our human existence on this planet!! Let us rejoice and be glad in the gracious love of our creator to give Jesus to us for our salvation and reconcile us to our Lord! Christ Has Risen! Blessing to you all in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior. See you in worship!

*Pastor David*

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## **SESSION**

The current contract between the church and Rev. Dr. David Hill runs until the end of April 2024. Session voted to extend this contract for another year, with the financial details changed to conform to the approved budget, but no change in the scope of work. This contract has been sent to the Presbytery for ratification by the Vitality in Ministry Committee.

The Christian Education Committee will resume the Sunday School program beginning on the second Sunday of March. This will be a "one room" Sunday School, with a range of age groups learning together.

Session voted to amend the Standing Rules by making the Feeding the Hungry program a subcommittee of the Mission Committee. At the same time administrative changes were made by deleting responsibilities related to the Children's Center from the Building and Grounds and Stewardship and Finance Committees. Since the church no longer owns this property, we have no responsibility for repairs to the facility, the payment of property taxes, and similar duties.