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Christians Serving, Learning and Loving

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1st Sunday  
February

# Christians Serving, Learning and Loving

## Reflections

### “A Change of Mind and Heart”

***17 Now this I affirm and insist on in the Lord: you must no longer live as the Gentiles live, in the futility of their minds. 18 They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of their ignorance and hardness of heart. ... 22 You were taught to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its lusts, 23 and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, 24 and to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.***

Ephesians 4:17-18, 22-24

I was fortunate, very early on, to have a different understanding of discipleship and instruction shared with me, by some wise and spiritual individuals. One was a rabbi who became very agitated when I spoke of Jewish people being “under the law.” He exclaimed: “Under the law?! That’s like being under a fortune of wealth! That is like being under the knowledge of life and peace!” His vision of the “Law” was like being lost in a wilderness and then given a map and a compass, from on high. If you are smart, you will live in obedience to what the map and compass tell you, as you navigate your way. Law is not the burden of obligation and instruction. Law is the key to wisdom and fullness of life.

I was also given a different point of view on what it means to “sacrifice.” This view coming from another source of insight into the early Jewish perception. We tend to base our perception of sacrifice on our understanding of what slaughtering an animal is like today. In our experience, it is a violent and bloody event. From the point of view of people who raise their own meat, there is a different point of view. Sacrifice is what it takes to put meat on the menu. A sacrifice was not a penalty or a punishment, it was a pathway to move from one stage of existence to another. This is illustrated in the laws of “redeeming” a child at birth and sacrifices related to transitions in life. The sacrifice was a power to move spiritually and open a path of change. The cost of the sacrifice was originally geared to the means of the person offering it. There were sacrifices of gratitude, of forgiveness, and of celebration. Largely because of our focus upon the sacrifice of the cross, we tend to miss the point that sacrifice is not about having to give something up, it is about creating a bridge to something different.

This is important as we go into Lent and the sacrifices we choose for this season. It is easy to think, “With all that has gone on over this past year, haven’t we sacrificed enough?!” Strictly speaking we’ve given up a lot, and we suffered. However, the point of real sacrifice is to renew and transform. In that frame of mind, what we desperately need right now is a sacrifice so that we can be whole and renewed.

The sacrifice that God wants from us is transformation, healing, wisdom, and renewal. That is also what we want for ourselves. We need to stop thinking of sacrifice, and Lent for that matter, as a one-way transaction weighted on God’s side of the bargain. If you wish to give something up for Lent, do so to make space for something better – kind of like cleaning out your closet for a whole new wardrobe. This is what the passage from Ephesians describes. The passage describes our goals for Lent.

Our aim is to use the “Law” as our compass, our sacrifice, as our bridge to move from what is corrupted, polluted, and toxic into what is whole, at peace and fulfilling. It is a process! Lent is our time for focusing on what God can do to make us the people we would really like to be.

Peace,  
Pastor Jack

# Christians Serving, Learning and Loving

## Coming Up in Worship

### **02/03/2021** Midweek Service

Sermon: "Letting go of the Darkness"

Theme: We choose to submit our egos to the gift of transformation rather than holding on to the bitterness and resentment that keeps us from knowing wholeness and peace.

Purpose: We will be conscious of the ways that our egos trap us in cycles of resentment, guilt, and blame.

Scriptures: Romans 13:11-14 Time to awake from sleep. Lay aside the works of darkness.  
John 3:16-21 Light has come into the world. And all who do evil hate the light.

#### Questions:

What keeps us from being open to the light of Christ from healing our wounds and setting us free from our self-destructive ways? What causes us to be trapped in the darkness of guilt, resentment, self-centeredness, and blame? How do we learn to begin releasing our attachment to the destructive attitudes and patterns that keep hurting us? What is Christ's gift that can set us free?

### **02/07/2021** Communion

Sermon: "The Light that Moves Us"

Theme: Strength comes with purpose, as we align our hearts with a call to serve and use our gifts our energy and capability comes from the Holy Spirit.

Purpose: We will understand the need for call and purpose in our lives.

Scriptures: Isaiah 40:21-31 He gives strength to the powerless, they shall run and not be weary, they shall mount up as eagles.  
Mark 1:29-39 Jesus heals Peter's mother in law and she responds by getting up and serving. Jesus leaves the crowds of Capernaum to proclaim the message in other towns.

#### Questions:

What difference does it make in our lives to have a meaning or purpose that gives us a focus for our lives? How does living for God enable us to live better for ourselves? What is the cost of self-centeredness and living a shallow life? How do we discover our purpose? What practices do we need to develop in order to experience the fullness of God's presence so that we may know our gifts and desires? How do we work together as a church to encourage each other in discovering their mission and purpose?

### **02/10/2021** Midweek Service

Sermon: "Do the Labor of the Light"

Theme: The work of our salvation is to experience new perception of God's love as we do the work of Christ in the places where we can show God's love.

Purpose: We will perceive the connection between serving and knowing Christ.

Scriptures: Philippians 2:12-18 Work out salvation with fear and trembling, holding fast you shine like stars in the sky.  
John 9:1-7 We do the labor of light, Jesus is the light of the world.

#### Questions:

What is the connection between the way we feel about ourselves and the way in which we treat the people around us? How does our service for Christ affect our faith? How do we discern what is our personal role and function in service of Christ? What do we need to do in order to become healthy in serving God rather than acting out of guilt or obligation? How do we learn and grow in faith through doing God's work?

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## Coming Up in Worship

### **02/14/2021** Transfiguration Sunday

Sermon: "The Light Shines Out of Darkness"

Theme: We submit ourselves to the process of being transformed by the light by letting go of darkness within us.

Purpose: We will acknowledge and confess the darkness within us.

Scriptures: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 It is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness" who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Mark 9:2-9 Jesus is transfigured before the disciples.

Questions:

Why do we cling to assumptions and attitudes that lead us into greater fear, blame, and guilt? What do we believe about Jesus and our faith that is not rooted in the love of God? How do we let go of our thinking that causes us to see fault and sin in ourselves and others rather than God's redeeming love? How do we revisit the gift of God's grace and redemption in a way that will set us free to know real peace and joy?

### **Wednesday, February 17, 2021 Ash Wednesday**

Message: "It's Time to See Things Differently"

Theme: Our souls crave freedom from our continued anxiety, blame, guilt, and fear, so we will choose to be part of a Lenten discipleship process to be set free.

Purpose: To begin our Lenten practices with an affirmation that we want something more for our spiritual lives.

Practice: Renunciation of our pride and self-centeredness.

Scriptures: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 Rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord.

Isaiah 58:1-12 A fast of humbling oneself and undo the bonds of injustice.

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 When you fast, do not do so for others to see.

Questions:

What is it that we want for our minds and our hearts? Are we tired of a constant sense of fear, hostility, guilt, and dread shaping our perceptions? What keeps us from growing to be more confident and full of joy? How might we use these forty days of Lent to experience transformation and hope? How might we use the challenges of this time to be a source of growth rather than continuing to be exhausted by our own emotional issues and fears?

### **02/21/2021** 1st Sunday of Lent

Sermon: "A Promise of Steadfast Love"

Theme: God's promise is that love will be the way in which the struggles and issues of humanity will be resolved.

Purpose: We will understand God's promise of unconditional love.

Scriptures: Genesis 9:8-17 The covenant of the rainbow.

Mark 1:9-15 Jesus is baptized, the voice of God affirms him.

Questions:

What is God's promise to us? Does God promise that if we do the right things our lives will be easy and without troubles? What is the covenant of love that is reflected in baptism? How do we see the gift of God's promise that troubles will not destroy us? What does it mean to us to share the promise of God's steadfast love with a culture that is intent on judging, dominating, and controlling? How do we discover peace in the love of God without worrying about what we cannot control?

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## **Wednesday, February 24, 2021 “Awaken”**

Message: We are tired of meaningless living.  
Theme: We open ourselves to God moving us from our prison of bitterness and despair as we affirm that we need Jesus to work within us to transform us.  
Purpose: We will practice letting go.  
Practice: Awareness that we live in the past.  
Scriptures: Proverbs 30:1-9 Weary of foolishness, wanting to know the Lord and wisdom.  
Matthew 4:1-11 The Temptation of Jesus

### Questions:

What causes us to be burned out and weary? How do we deal with feelings of dissatisfaction with our circumstances and our lives? How do we move from focusing on what is not satisfying to re-discovering our true joy in Christ? What causes us to be unhappy with our current state of living? In what ways will engaging in practices of fasting and prayer give us direction to change our lives? What do we need to do in order to begin to learn new direction for our mind and our soul?

## **02/28/2021 2nd Sunday of Lent**

Sermon: “God Promises to Walk with Us”  
Theme: God is always with us through trials and suffering, and leads us to grow in wisdom, confidence, and lasting peace.  
Purpose: We will see that the covenant grows through hardships.  
Scriptures: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 God calls Abram to walk with God and to enter a covenant.  
Mark 8:31-38 Jesus instructs the disciples that the Son of Man will undergo great suffering, be rejected, and killed, then after 3 days rise again.

### Questions:

What does it mean for us to “walk with God?” Why are we surprised that we experience trials and difficulties? How much of our worry and hurt is because of our perceptions and beliefs rather than the reality of our experiences? What is the difference between experiencing the sorrow and suffering of the world and being absorbed in our own issues and resentments? What is the benefit of sharing with God a love for the world?

## **Wednesday, March 3, 2021**

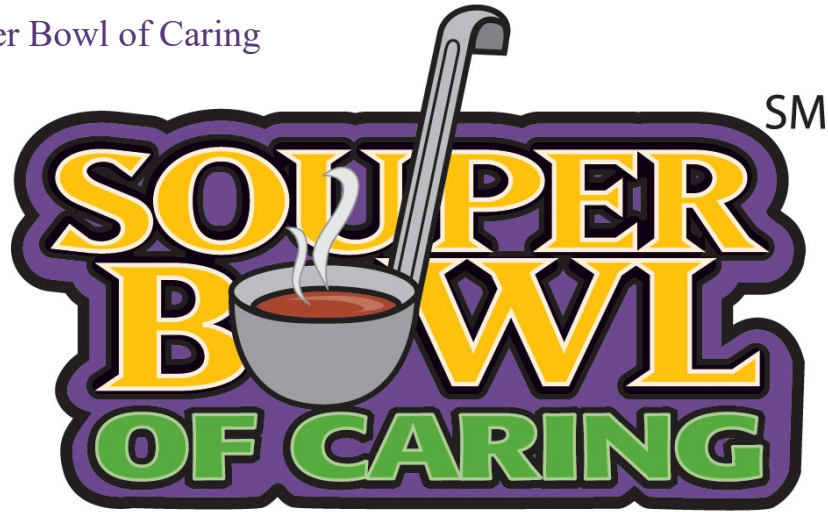
Message: “We Live the Life We Have Chosen”  
Theme: We acknowledge that we live the life we ourselves have shaped and recognize our need to be willing to choose differently.  
Purpose: We will cease to blame others for our outcomes.  
Practice: Prayerfully acknowledge “I have chosen this, I can choose differently.”  
Scriptures: Jeremiah 30:12-22 You cry out because of your wounds, but do not open your hearts to the grace of God.  
John 12:36-43 The unbelief of the people and blindness.

### Questions:

How does blame, criticism, and complaining undermine our ability to have peace or joy? What causes us to be trapped in patterns of believing ourselves to be victims of our situations? How do we go about moving out of the prison of hostility and blame? How do we embrace our choices to grow in our faith and take responsibility for our lives? In what ways do we move from negativity and hostility to see our lives as a gift from God? How does our spiritual hardness of heart make us blind?

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February 7 - Souper Bowl of Caring



**tacklehunger.org**

### Souper Bowl of Caring 2021

On Sunday February 7th, millions of Americans will tune in to the Super Bowl football game. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and a hot meal. Please join young people around the country as they demonstrate God's love by loving their neighbors through the Souper Bowl of Caring. It is a simple, yet significant act of caring for others.

On Sunday, February 7, from 12pm to 2pm, youth will be collecting soup, peanut butter, and paper products at the front entrance of our church. You can drive up to the east entrance, drop off your food/paper products or put your financial donation in the soup pot. COVID-19 protocol will be followed. If you would like to make a monetary gift, without leaving your home, you can donate online through our secure [church website](#). All money, food and paper items will be donated to the Fond du Lac Food Pantry.

Since the Souper Bowl of Caring began in 1990, young people have raised more than \$163 million for local charities across the country. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around the Super Bowl, into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.

Last year we donated 104 food items and \$450 to the Fond du Lac Food Pantry. Over the years, our PYA has collected \$5470 and 1478 food items in conjunction for the Souper Bowl of Caring! Again, all money and food/paper items will stay Fond du Lac. Our young people are developing hearts for giving that can last a lifetime. Please support their efforts.

Please support the youth of our church in this effort to "love our neighbors" on February 7.





## Moving from Darkness into Light

### A Lenten Journey

We are putting together a Lenten season that is geared for our current challenges, with the continued issues of the Pandemic. We are ready to move from darkness into light, from fear and bitterness into wholeness and joy.

We will begin with a virtual Ash Wednesday service that will take place on February 17, 2021. We will begin with a virtual "Soup Supper" fellowship from 5:00-6:30pm. A Zoom link will be sent via email. The same link will connect us for supper and fellowship. We will have an Ash Wednesday service at 6:30pm followed by an introduction to our Lenten Practices at 7:30pm.

The remaining Lenten Wednesdays will include a Virtual Soup Supper from 5:00-6:00pm and a Lenten Devotional Service from 6:00-6:30pm. Lenten Practices will take place from 6:30-7:00pm, for those who wish to participate.

Our Lenten Practices materials will also be available for those who would prefer to use them at another time or to use them as a family or personal devotional time. We will have that information available to download from the website as we get closer to Ash Wednesday.

The schedule is as follows:

Ash Wednesday	02/17/2021	<b>6:30pm</b>	"It's Time to See Things Differently"
Lenten Service and Devotions	02/24/2021	6:00pm	"We are Tired of Meaningless Living"
Lenten Service and Devotions	03/03/2021	6:00pm	"We Live the Lives We have Chosen"
Lenten Service and Devotions	03/10/2021	6:00pm	"Love and Forgiveness are the Path to Living Differently"
Lenten Service and Devotions	03/17/2021	6:00pm	"God Has Given You All You Need"
Lenten Service and Devotions	03/24/2021	6:00pm	"Seek to Know God Daily"
Maundy Thursday	04/01/2021	<b>6:30pm</b>	"Washing Feet and Being Cleansed"

# Christians Serving, Learning and Loving

## Angel Tree Review 2020

In 2020 we served 47 Head Start children and one family request in a most amazing and successful virtual project! Because of COVID-19 restrictions, the usual Angel Tree could not be up in the Narthex. However, the joy of loving and giving certainly remained in the hearts of our congregation and the Unitarians, who share our Head Start mission.

Our new system worked very well. The Angel Tree requests were placed in the newsletter with sign-up opportunities, thanks to Deb Zorn. Participants had the opportunity to look at all the available requests and chose their favorites. Unwrapped gifts, with their usual letter/number identification tags, were dropped off on Friday and Saturday evenings, at church. Our volunteers brought them in to Fellowship Hall. There they were immediately placed in well-organized, labeled bags and delivered to Head Start on Monday morning.

Gifts for children included clothing: tops, pants, underwear, socks, pajamas, snow pants, boots, coats, gloves, and hats, and baby clothes and blankets as well.

All kinds of toys were requested! Among the request were: many different kinds of dolls, Barbie playsets, My Sweet Love playset, Baby Alive, Princess dolls, Barbie Club Chelsea Camper, Baby Alice Shimmer-n-Splash mermaid, Zulu Sparkle Dolls, LOL Surprise!, Unicorn Surprise Lizzie. There were doll hair-styling heads as well. Whoever knew there were that many dolls? The answer is: Girls!!

Younger boys requested action toys: Spiderman and Batman, Paw Patrol, cars and trucks, stacking blocks and Magna-tiles sets, kinetic sand, school bus, ambulance, fire truck and garbage truck. Older boys selected a Build a Car set and more complicated Lego sets. Arts and crafts items, as well as, the always well-loved play dough sets, remain popular. Books, including a set of "The Diary of a Wimpy Kid," were given. Quite a few games requests - more than usual - were fulfilled. Stay-at-home quarantine may have had a part in the game requests.

We received thank you notes from Head Start families and from Jenny Dehn, our contact person. Here are parts of them:

1. "...the gifts...were truly a blessing and put a smile on my baby's face."
2. "Thanks to all the people who donated and helped."
3. "It's people like you who are making the biggest difference...a kindness, bringing joy..."
4. "God bless you all."
5. And from Jenny:

"Dear Congregation of First Presbyterian Church,  
I am sending this with the biggest heartfelt "Thank You for another fantastic holiday season. There were so many families touched by your generosity in donations to make their Christmases better! I can't express enough how much this helps us to help them. We look forward to collaborating again next year. Blessings to You All!  
Jenny Dehn and the Head Start Staff and Families"

Our Head Start Angel Tree remains a way that we continue in our journey together to be people who treasure "serving, learning and loving." We have been blessed in brightening the lives of children and families in Fond du Lac, while enjoying and rejoicing in the process of giving to others.



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The Angel Tree also received a wonderful gift from Linda, a relative of Lew and Carol Smith: a wonderful box of beautifully hand-knit winter hats in various sizes. Head Start staff was grateful to receive them and will pass them out to the children.



# Thank You!

## What is Per Capita?



### Per Capita

In the Presbyterian Church USA system of governance, each member of the congregation is assessed a *per capita* amount to support the work of the church through its three governing levels.

The per capita money is divided as follows:

Winnebago Presbytery - 66% Winnebago Presbytery - 66%  
Synod of Lakes & Prairies - 14%  
General Assembly (the national ruling body) - 20%

This *per capita* covers the cost of operating these three separate entities, various committees and commissions, along with funding the annual General Assembly Meeting.

Our congregation has supported this assessment as an appropriate way to assist in helping to meet the needs of our denomination.

For 2021, the per capita amount is \$37.00 for each church member. First Presbyterian Church will pay this amount regardless of whether you contribute. The per capita amount is a separate charge from the money you have pledged, to the church, for its operations.

You can pay your per capita amount in the following manner:

Check (Write Per Capita on the memo line.)  
Electronically (Click [here](#) to go to Online Giving.)

Thank you for prayerfully considering the opportunity to help First Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church USA system. We appreciate your generosity.

*“Honor the Lord by giving him the first part of all your income, and he will fill your barns with wheat and barley and overflow your wine vats with the finest wines.”*

Proverbs 3:9-10 (TLB)



There is an impending crisis in our community, and you may be able to help.

If you haven't already, please consider donating some, *or all*, of your stimulus money to St. Vincent DePaul. SVDP can place your money where it is needed the most. **One Hundred Percent of the donated money goes to help those in need, as there are no administrative fees!**

Here's how you can help:

- You can mail your check to  
(Write "Save a Home" on the memo line):  
St. Vincent DePaul  
Attention: Hartzheim  
330 N. Peters Ave.  
Fond du Lac, 54935
- If you have a Paypal account, you can donate electronically on the SVDP website by clicking [here](#).
- You can deliver a check directly to their store
- You can send a check to the church office (Write "Save a Home" on the memo line)  
Your check will be forwarded to St. Vincent DePaul

**Your donation will only be used to pay rent or utilities bills.**

Please pray about this opportunity to be part of the healing that our community will need in the months to come.

The Serving Team

# Lenten SOUP Supper



The Loving Team invites you to join us on  
**Ash Wednesday,**  
for a Virtual Soup Supper.

**February 17**  
**5:30-6:30pm**

***You provide:***  
soup, bread/crackers and dessert

***We provide:***  
the ZOOM link and fellowship

**Invite a friend, too!**

Ash Wednesday service will follow our Soup Supper, at 6:30pm. Lenten Practices will follow worship at 6:30pm.

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## Information @ Church

February 10 -  
Women In Faith

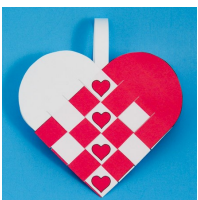
*A friend is someone who  
reaches for your hand but  
touches your heart.*

Join us for fun and fellowship  
on Wednesday, February 10  
from 6:30-7:30 pm on Zoom.  
We will make Woven Hearts that  
you could gift to others.

Supply packets will be prepared  
for you. Please RSVP to:  
[jzander@fdlpresbyterian.org](mailto:jzander@fdlpresbyterian.org)  
by Tuesday, February 9 so you  
can receive your supplies. We  
will create at home together, via  
ZOOM.

**Please contact Jennifer if you  
have any questions.**

Let me know if you have any sug-  
gestions for future meetings.  
Contact Jennifer if you need the  
Zoom link.



February 18 - FPC Families

# FAMILIES

## FPC FAMILIES

Join us on Thursday, February 18  
at 7:00pm for FPC Families. Our  
meeting will take place via ZOOM.

We will check in, laugh and discuss.  
If you have any questions, please  
contact Jennifer for the Zoom link  
or questions.



## February 20 - Warming Shelter

For a few years, some dedicated members of our congrega-  
tion have spent an evening at the Fond du Lac warming shelter and provided a  
meal for those staying overnight. This year, they house and feed approximately  
30 people per night.

On Saturday, February 20, First Presbyterian Church will be helping to serve  
dinner at the Salvation Army Warming Shelter. Because of COVID-19 protocol,  
we are requesting only two or three people to help.

If you are not serving the meal, here are a few other ways to assist:

- provide food for the evening - a casserole or dessert
- fresh fruit is always welcome
- a cash donation

A sign-up sheet is available [here](#). If you are providing food, it should be brought  
to the Warming Shelter parking lot (237 N. Macy St.) at 6:00pm, on February 20.  
Steve Ziegler (920.904.0488) will be available to take your food and take it inside  
the building. You will not have to leave your vehicle.

Thank you for your help!

The Serve Team



February 24 - Virtual Bingo



**Day  
Date  
Time**

**Wednesday  
January 20  
6:30pm**

Please click [here](#) to register.

A ZOOM link will be emailed to you,  
**after you register.**

Won't you join us?

**Warming Shelter Sign-up Sheet can be found [here](#).**

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## Information @ Church



Online giving is easy, convenient and secure. You can use a credit card, a debit card, electronic check or electronic funds transfer, through your bank. You can change or cancel your amount at any time.

Click [here](#) to get your questions answered and to set up your account. We think you'll be pleasantly surprised at how convenient it is!



### Help if You Need It -

If you, or someone you know, is in a crisis situation, please consider getting help.

Suicide	800.273.8255
Addiction	800.662.4357
ASTOP	920.926.5395

Crisis Intervention FDL County  
920.929.3535



Thank You -  
From the Finance Team

The Members of the Finance Team wanted to share some of our Mission totals for the past couple months.

First Presbyterian Church has generously responded to local mission needs through the Alternative Gift Fair. We received \$5665.00! The proceeds were divided as follows:

- Solutions Center \$2475.00
- Fondy Food Pantry \$2165.00
- PDA \$1025.00

Our Virtual Cookie Walk received \$2485.00 in donations. The proceeds of the Cookie Walk go into the Compassion Fund, which is managed by the Deacons. The Deacons use the money to help with emergency needs of church members and for the "Save a Home" project. So far, the "Save a Home" project has received a separate \$2,300.00, from generous donors! This money will help to keep people, who have been impacted by the Pandemic, in their homes!

In total, that is \$10,450.00, dedicated to serving immediate and significant needs of those in our community. We celebrate the compassion and concern this shows.

Many Thanks,  
The Finance Team

## Liturgists Needed

### Here's What You Need to Know



#### EMAIL ADDRESS

To receive liturgy copy  
To email recording back to  
Worship Coordinator-  
kbatelt@fdlpresbyterian.org

#### VOICE RECORDING APP

On smart phone or tablet  
(Apps are free from Google  
Play or iTunes.)

#### DEADLINES

Wednesday Liturgy due  
Tuesday End of Day  
Sunday Liturgy due  
Wednesday End of Day

#### ZOOM Communion Worship (First Sunday of the Month)

The individual who records the liturgy for the Podcast/YouTube, is asked to read the liturgy "live" during ZOOM worship.

If you have any questions, please email:

kbatelt@fdlpresbyterian.org.

Pronunciations:

<https://biblespeak.org/>

Liturgist opportunities  
are available !

# Christians Serving, Learning and Loving

Every Week

## Midweek Podcast

Pastor Jack continues to reach out to us via Wednesday Podcasts. You can find the link to our podcast on our website:

[www.fdlpresbyterian.org](http://www.fdlpresbyterian.org)  
under Church News.

Previously aired podcasts can be found under Pastor Jack's Blog and Podcasts.

## WASH YOUR HANDS.



We worship "together" as we practice Social Distancing. Every Sunday, our service is on our YouTube channel. It is also provided in Podcast form.

We have a variety of liturgists, hymns, and special music. And, of course, a special message from Pastor Jack.

The links to our worship service and podcast are posted early Saturday evening on our website:  
[www.fdlpresbyterian.org](http://www.fdlpresbyterian.org)

Our YouTube channel can be found by clicking on this [link](#).

We hope you'll be able to watch or listen to our services.



Welcome to an exciting faith-filled year of educational opportunities at the First Presbyterian Church. Sunday School is full steam ahead at 10:00am, every Sunday! We meet via ZOOM.

Each week we will offer a virtual education hour that will include Talkback and Church School for children and youth.

We will begin our education time together, all ages. Then, we will separate into groups for Talkback, and Church school.

Watch your email for more information and a Zoom link!



## Virtual Coffee Hour

A Zoom link will be emailed to you. It's a great time of conversation and fellowship.

## Opportunities for Worship

- YouTube Every Sunday
- Podcast Every Wednesday  
Every Sunday
- Radio Sunday
- ZOOM 1st Sunday of the Month

Information on Worship, and many other activities can be found on our website:

<http://www.fdlpresbyterian.org/>

## TALKback



A Zoom link will be emailed to you.

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## In February

### Deacon

Lew Smith  
lewsmith2568@yahoo.com

### Elder

Mary Bacon  
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## First Presbyterian Focus

Please send submissions for the Newsletter to:

fdloffice@fdlpresbyterian.org.



**Prayer**  
REQUESTS

If you need prayer, or know someone who does, please contact the church office at:

fdloffice@fdlpresbyterian.org.

## Prayers and Praises

Homeless and disbursed people, particularly those who are positive for the Covid-19 virus and struggling to find shelter

Pat D.  
Dan M.  
Peg D.  
Gib D.  
Arnold L.  
Ruth S.  
Lincoln D.  
Chastity G.  
Jesse F.  
Silas W.  
Chastity G.  
Roland H.  
Joyce J.  
Carol M.  
Cathy W. - Death of her mother  
Jerry and Mary H.  
Bonnie and Jack H.

Jodi, Marc, Liam and Graham

Leisa Wagstaff – PCUSA worker for South Sudan unsure of when she will be able to return to South Sudan

### Prayer Partners

Send prayer requests to  
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Rejoice: The gift of growing together in the body of Christ.

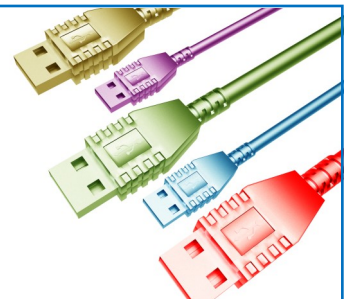
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