

Grace Presbyterian News

March 2023

In Person Worship with Masks Encouraged

We continue Sunday worship in person in March 2023 and encourage wearing masks. At least as the month begins, we are not passing friendship pads or offering plates. The link to join the live stream for worship services is at our website www.grace-pres.org.
Pastor Mike Krech

Nursery Available During Worship for Children 5 Years Old and Younger

Childcare in the nursery is available during worship for children 5 years old and younger in Room 103.

Sunday School for All Ages at 9:45 a.m.

Sunday School meets in person Sundays at 9:45 a.m. for children, youth, and adults. The adult class, led by John Price, is studying the Apostle Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Children and youth study lessons related to the day's lectionary readings.

Morning Prayer Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom

Morning prayer on Zoom continues each Wednesday in March 2023. Email Mike at jmkrech@yahoo.com to receive the link to join us. You will get an email by Tuesday noon with the link to join the Zoom chat. We try to open the room by 9:20 a.m. so we can visit, start at 9:30, and end by 10:00.

Thursday Night Study Group at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom

Thursday night study group sessions for Lent "Christ and the Church Year" led by LindaJo and Don McKim, continue in March. The schedule is: March 2 – Christmas, Epiphany, Baptism of the Lord; March 9 – Transfiguration, Ash Wednesday, Lent; March 16: Holy Week, Easter Vigil, Resurrection; March 23: Ascension, Pentecost; March 30: Trinity Sunday, All Saints Day, Christ the King For more information or to be added to the list receiving the links by email, send an email to: jmkrech@yahoo.com

Daylight Saving Time Begins Sunday, March 12

We begin to observe Daylight Saving Time on Sunday, March 12. Be sure to note that as you plan to be part of Sunday School or Worship on that date.

Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings on Zoom (Lesson 7)

Night Circle meets Monday, March 13, at 7:00 p.m. in person and on Zoom.

Day Circle meets Tuesday, March 14, at 10:00 a.m. in person and on Zoom.

PW Gives Focus in March – Johnson Auxiliary Chapel at Regional One Health

Lunch after Worship March 19

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Johnson Auxiliary at Regional One Health, Presbyterian Women of the Mid-South are requesting donations to fund an update of the chapel at the hospital. The chapel/prayer room was started by the Johnson Auxiliary more than 40 years ago and is used by many whose loved ones are being cared for at the hospital.

We will have our next potluck on March 19 following worship, centering on the work of Johnson Auxiliary with emphasis on the updating of the chapel. Rather than purchasing items, consider how your donation will benefit and comfort those who visit the chapel – repainting the chapel, redoing the pew cushions, new carpeting, new wall hangings and lighting. Changes will be made to reorient the pews.

You may bring your donation to the potluck on March 19, and we will mail a check for all donations given that day or send it individually using the forms found on the table in the narthex at church or at the top of the next page of the newsletter.

DONATION TO UPDATE THE ALICE DAVIES CHAPEL AT REGIONAL ONE HEALTH

Name: _____

Address: _____

Please make your check payable to Johnson Auxiliary and mail it with this form to: Johnson Auxiliary at Regional One Health Attn: Barbara Bowling 877 Jefferson Avenue Memphis, TN 38103 The Johnson Auxiliary is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization; all contributions are tax-deductible. An acknowledgement of your contribution will be sent to you.

**UKIRK – Presbyterian Ministry on Campus
Provide Meal – Thursday evening, March 16**

Open House – Saturday, March 25 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Presbyterian campus ministry is now called UKIRK for University Kirk, kirk being the Scottish term for church. We have committed to take a meal to UKIRK at 449 Patterson Street, on Thursday, March 16. If you can be part of helping with that, speak to Matthew Smith, elder chair of the Outreach Committee, or send an email to Pastor Mike Krech at jmkrech@yahoo.com and he will forward it on to Matthew. Then there will be an open house at UKIRK, Saturday, March 25, from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Palm Cross Making and Game Night – Friday, March 31

“You got palm cross on my game night; you got game night on my palm cross.” Stop, stop, you’re both right (to mix a couple of lines from some old TV commercials.) So on Friday, March 31, come at 6:00 p.m. to fashion palm crosses to be worn on Palm Sunday, April 2. Bring snacks if you like. Many hands make light work (once you figure it out), and then the food and focus will shift toward the regularly scheduled game night. So, come to one, come to both, eat, or don’t eat, and we hope a good time will be had by all.

PW Spring Gathering – Saturday, April 22, 9:00-Noon with lunch following at Idlewild

The Presbyterian Women spring gathering is April 22, but registration needs to be sent by March 31.

9:00 a.m. Registration, Fellowship, Coffee and Pastries

10:00 a.m. Program with Keynote Message by Rev. Joshua Narcisse, Director of Spiritual Care at Church Health and Parish Associate at Idlewild Presbyterian Church, 1750 Union Avenue, Memphis

12:00 p.m. Lunch PROGRAM: Highlights of 2022-2023, Reports, Presentation of Grants, Installation of New Officers, In Memoriam, Special Offering and Worship Service

Questions: Contact Diane Meess, Chair, diane.meess@yahoo.com, 901-692-6078

REGISTRATION FORM Registration Deadline: March 31, 2023

Please register by the deadline so the host church can provide food accordingly.

Send one Registration Form per person or send a list of names with requested information.

Name _____ Church Affiliation _____

Address _____ Telephone () _____

City _____ Email _____

State _____ Zip _____ Name on Nametag _____

Cost: \$20 for coffee, pastries and lunch (vegetarian, gluten-free and dairy-free options available)

Make check payable to Presbyterian Women and mail to:

Melissa Still

8634 Riverchase Drive

Germantown TN 38139

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Names <i>in italics</i> on a certain day indicate that day is that person's birthday			1 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	2 7:00 p.m. Study Group on Zoom Christ and the Church Year 7:00 p.m. BartlettChorus <i>Patsy Krech</i>	3 <i>Michelle Clifford</i>	4 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
5 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship In Person & Live Stream Lent 2	6	7	8 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	9 7:00 p.m. Study Group on Zoom Christ and the Church Year 7:00 p.m. BartlettChorus <i>Casey Kehrl</i> <i>Linda Young</i>	10	11 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
12 Daylight Saving Time Begins 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship/Communion In Person & Live Stream Lent 3	13 7:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women Night Circle in person and on Zoom	14 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women Day Circle in person and on Zoom	15 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	16 5:00 p.m. Dinner to Ukirk 7:00 p.m. Study Group on Zoom Christ and the Church Year 7:00 p.m. BartlettChorus <i>Al Hayes</i>	17	18 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 2:00-5:00 pm 80 th birthday party for Al Hayes Fellowship room
19 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship In Person & Live Stream Lent 4 12:00 PW Gives Lunch	20 6:00 p.m. Session Mtg on Zoom <i>Suzanne Wood</i>	21	22 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	23 7:00 p.m. Study Group on Zoom – Christ and the Church Year 7:00 p.m. BartlettChorus	24	25 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 2:00-4:00 pm Open House at Ukirk
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Readings to prepare for Worship:

Mar. 5: Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 121;
Romans 4:1-5,13-17; John 3:1-17

Mar. 12: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95
Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

Mar. 19: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23;
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Mar. 26: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130;
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

A Prayer for Lent

Almighty God, your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness and was tempted as we are but did not sin. Give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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