Grace Presbyterian News April 2020

Holy Week and Easter Worship in this Unusual Year

Because the COVID-19 protocols have been extended through the month of April, we do not anticipate any "in person" events taking place at the church this month, other than the 4 to 6 of us needed to record worship services. You should be able to access online a worship service for Palm Sunday on the morning of April 5, and for Easter on the morning of April 12. We also hope to record a service for Maundy Thursday, which would be available on April 9, and a Tenebrae service available on Good Friday, April 10. We will send notices about these services plus the worship bulletins to the approximately 80 persons/families on our email list, who are the same persons receiving this newsletter by email. We are aware of a few persons in the church who do not have access to the internet, and we are mailing the newsletter, bulletins, and sermons to them. If you are not receiving information from the church, or are aware of another church member who is not receiving these things, please send Mike an email at mkrech@yahoo.com, or call the church office at 901.386.3241, and leave a message if you do not reach us.

Palms

We have received palms from our usual supplier and if you wish to have a palm branch, there are two ways to do so. First, beginning Friday, April 3, we will leave a stack of the palms at the door under the canopy on the west side of the church. Come by the church and take a palm for your family. You may want to place it on or at the front door of your home on Palm Sunday, April 5. Or, we have a couple of volunteers who will deliver palms to your front door most likely on Friday, April 3, or Saturday, April 4. If you wish to have a palm delivered to your home, please send an email to Mike at jmkrech@yahoo.com, or call the church office at 901.386.3241 and leave a message if you do not reach us. There will be no "scheduled time" for your palm delivery, just keep an eye out and check your door from time to time.

Lilies

We have reserved some lilies for Easter from our usual supplier, so that for the recorded Easter service we will have this additional expression of joy. If you wish to honor or remember a loved one through the gift of a lily, please send an email to Mike at jmkrech@yahoo.com, or send by regular mail the names you wish to honor, typed or clearly written to the church office at 6671 Yale Road, Bartlett, TN 38134. We will accept lily orders through Thursday, April 9. The cost of each lily is \$8.00. There are no tulips this year.

Offerings

COVID-19 is a health crisis and an economic crisis. Certainly it is our hope that cuts to the church budget will not be necessary and that the economy generally begins to recover sooner than later. If your personal financial situation is not being adversely affected, I encourage you to continue your financial support of the church on a regular basis by mailing your offering to the church at 6671 Yale Road, Bartlett, TN 38134. We are also looking at other, online methods of giving that may be available soon.

Presbyterian Women Circle (Lesson 8 in the Book)

The leaders of PW are working on the possibility of meeting online in April. If this works out, we will send a notice. The Night Circle would meet Monday, April 13, at 7:00 p.m. and the Day Circle would be Tuesday, April 14, at 10:00 a.m.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Judy Rutkauskas	Grace Lawson	Sierra Fry	Josie Benassi
Worship Online Palm Sunday/ Sunday of the Passion Isaiah 50:4-9 Psalm 118 Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 21:1-11;	6	7	8 Jean Markham	Maundy Thursday Worship Online Exod. 12:1-14 Psalm 116 1 Cor. 11:23-26	Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Online	11
26:14-27:66 12	13	14	15	John 13:1-35	17	18
Worship Online Easter Day Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118 Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 28:1-10 Brooks Keiser	7:00 pm PW Night Circle if online	10:00 a.m. PW Day Circle if online		Chuck Walker		
Worship Online Easter 2 Acts 2:14,22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31 Greg Elmore	5:30 pm Session Mtg If needed or online	21	22	23 Jere Lawson	24	25 Linda Hunter
26 Worship Online Easter 3 Acts 2:14, 36-41 Psalm 116 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35	27	28 Bill McGoldrick	29	30 Kris Benassi	Names on the dates are birthdays	