

# The PRESSbyterian

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April 2021

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

will be observed on  
**Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021,**  
in the 11:00 a.m. service of worship.

Pre-packaged elements will be used.

## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

The annual PCUSA One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be received on Easter Sunday, April 4. This offering supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Self-Development of People, and Presbyterian Hunger Program as they help communities recover from natural or human caused disasters, hunger alleviation, oppression, poverty and injustice.

## CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Children's Choirs will meet each Wednesday from 5:45 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. through the end of April. Carol Choir will practice with the Orff instruments (Julianne Shuler and Cheryl Smith), and Raymond Tucker will direct handbells for Crusader Choir. Cherub Choir continues meeting 5:45-6:30 p.m.

## WELCOME, DR. MASSIE!

The Rev. Dr. Danny Massie has agreed to serve as our limited interim. His first service of worship will be on Easter Sunday, April 4, and he will be with us for a minimum of three months. Dr. Massie will preach each Sunday and serve as Moderator of our Session.

We are pleased to welcome Danny back to First Presbyterian!



## SANCTUARY SOUND AND VIDEO FUND

Goal	\$30,000
Received/pledged	<u>\$14,200</u>
Needed	\$15,800

Improvements in our sound and video capabilities have recently been approved by the Session. These changes will enhance our mission and ministry both within the walls of the sanctuary and beyond through live streaming of worship services and other events. Prayerfully consider a gift to this fund. If you are so led, call Susanne in the Church Office (534-0088) and let her know what amount you wish to give to the "Sanctuary Sound and Video Fund."

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

John 12:25-26 ...“whoever serves me must follow me. Wherever I am my servant will be also. My father will honor whoever serves me.”

In her *d365* devotion of March 17<sup>th</sup>, Wendy Johnson said, “One of the great ironies of life is that when we focus on ourselves-----our desires, our fears, our possessions-----the smaller our life becomes. While we may get all the things we wish for, along the way we lose the purpose to which we are called by God.”

Lent is one of those times we can more intentionally not focus on ourselves. We can spend time freeing ourselves from our self-focus and focus on our relationship with God. We can strive to become a part of the story God has planned for us. We must pray, listen, really listen, pray some more and then obey. Is your focus changing during Lent? Will your life look different after Lent? How long will this continue?



On Easter Sunday morning, as the curtains come down in our sanctuary, as the LIGHT comes in, as we celebrate the resurrection, where will your focus remain? Always

remember, God created us in His own image, loves us and is always with us!

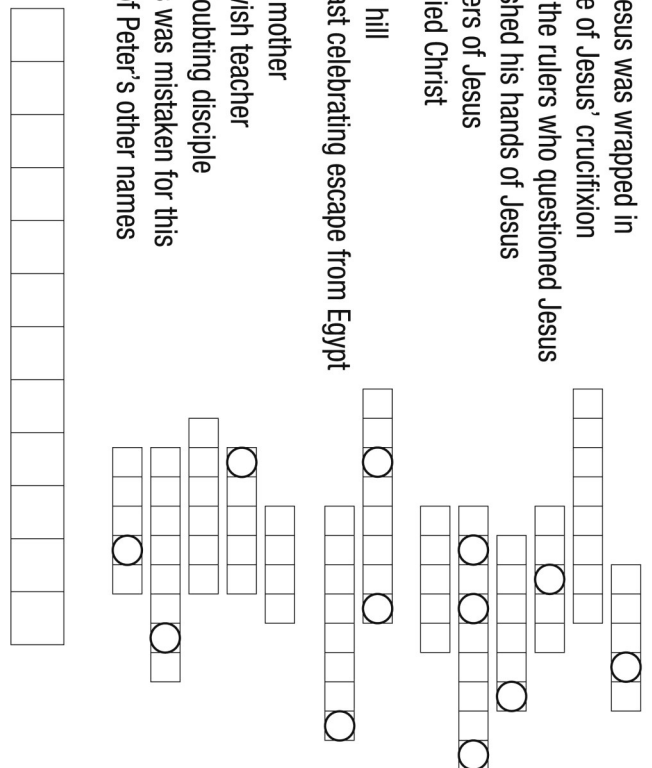
**Prayer:** God, help us accept Your love with gratitude and help us always focus on You and Your call that gives our lives meaning and purpose. Amen.

Kaye Borgstedt  
Christian Education Coordinator

# Puzzle!

After completing this Easter crossword, unscramble the circled letters to discover a special word:

1. What Jesus was wrapped in
2. The site of Jesus' crucifixion
3. One of the rulers who questioned Jesus
4. He washed his hands of Jesus
5. Followers of Jesus
6. He denied Christ
7. A large hill
8. The feast celebrating escape from Egypt
9. Jesus' mother
10. A Jewish teacher
11. The doubting disciple
12. Jesus was mistaken for this
13. One of Peter's other names



Answers: 1. cloth, 2. Golgotha, 3. Herod, 4. Pilate, 5. disciples, 6. Peter, 7. mountain, 8. Passover, 9. Mary, 10. rabbi, 11. Thomas, 12. gardener, 13. Simon; resurrection

## GENERAL FUND

For month ending February 28, 2021

	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
General Fund Income	\$20,906.07	\$45,713.49
General Fund Budgeted Expenses	<u>\$23,873.64</u>	<u>\$59,484.02</u>
	<b>\$ 2,967.57</b>	<b>\$13,770.53</b>

# FLOWERS BEAUTIFY OUR SANCTUARY



The Sanctuary Flower Calendar has openings on May 2, May 30, and June 6. If you wish to place flowers in the church on one of these Sundays please contact Katherine Patterson

(katcalpat@aol.com or 533-8340) or Denise Seymore in the church office (534-0088).

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## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/01	Abigail Sterling	4/25	Laura Fogle
4/02	Bari Cuttino	4/26	Jean Davis
	Augustus Burroughs		Dryden Smith
4/10	Ben Davis	4/28	Janet Branan
4/12	Charles House		John Hutto
4/15	Robert Richardson		Courtney Sterling
4/17	Jim Fowler		Rylee Wofford
	Drew Shuler		Maddie Shaw
4/22	Emily Shepherd		Charley Sterling
	Carson Gué	4/29	Leslie Lovelace
4/24	Dodd Buie	4/30	Walt Turner

# NOTES OF THANKS

- ◆ To the congregation of First Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for the telephone calls, cards and prayers concerning my recent incident. I'm thankful to be alive and not injured after this nightmarish ordeal. I feel blessed to have such a wonderful and caring church family.

Sincerely,  
Lewis Fogle

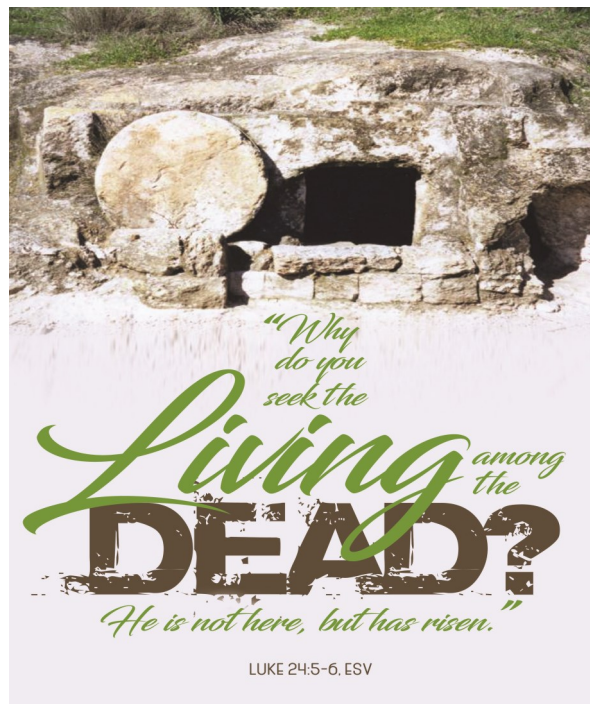
- ◆ To my Church Family at First Presbyterian,

I wanted to thank you for your recent calls, cards, and concerns regarding my Dad's carjacking incident.

Warm hug,  
Danny Fogle

- ◆ A very special thank you to everyone who has stopped by for a visit, sent cards, and prepared food for me. I miss all of you and pray for you daily.

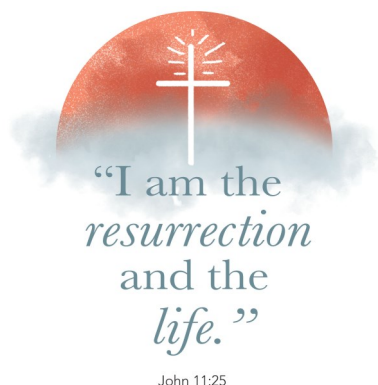
Love,  
Nancy Runager



**First Presbyterian Church**

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**MEMORIALS**

**In Memory of:**

Peggy Crocker

Carolyn Davis

Dean Flansburg

Jewell Booth

**GIVEN BY:**

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bradley  
Mr. George Ware  
Mr. and Mrs. Dean Dibley  
Mrs. Barbara Welch  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hays  
Roger Russell  
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. John Bumgarner  
Holly and Larry Anderson

Mrs. Frances Lytch  
Dr. and Mrs. Lawton Salley  
Greg and Sue Rustay  
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Frierson  
Lisabeth Boudreaux  
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rustay  
John Knox Sunday School Class  
Mr. Alan Headden  
Renee and David Eubanks

Mr. and Mrs. C. David Biswell  
Ken and Becky Stovall  
Mr. Gordon Huddleston  
Beverly Jones  
David Oswald  
Mr. and Mrs. John Shuler  
Nancy Bennett Hicks  
Cynthia C. Kennedy