

This week at FPC

March 13—March 19, 2024

The Importance of Fellowship

On Sunday we'll have another church luncheon, a St. Patrick's Day lunch with special food and decorations. I hope you will make plans to come join us for the meal and especially the conversations around the tables.

Community and fellowship is so important for a church. It is great to worship and sing and listen to my sermons, but being friends with other church members is just as important. We end up doing things together, serving on committees, going on mission trips, and becoming friends when we get to

know each other better. Church friendships go all the way back to Jesus and his disciples. Friendships!

One of the things I've enjoyed most about serving First Presbyterian is getting to know so many of you. I don't know everyone well, and I still struggle with names. But knowing each other and enjoying each other's company is one of the things that makes a church special.

See you Sunday!
Walk

This Sunday
St. Patrick's Fellowship Lunch

Join us after worship for a "Luck of the Irish" lunch that will include Shepherd's Pie, Waldorf Salad, Irish soda bread, assorted Irish cookies, and various beverages. Yes, the lunch is free, but donations towards the Montreat Youth Conferences will be much appreciated! And, the youth group will be helping to set up the room and serve the food.

*"For each petal on the shamrock this brings a wish your way -
Good health, good luck, and happiness
for today and every day."*

Sunday, March 17th

The Fellowship Committee is looking for volunteers willing to provide cookies and punch after church members' funerals and memorial services held in the church hall. Interested persons will be added to our on-call telephone volunteer list. Please call Cathy Hancock at (352) 875-7684.

HAPPY EASTER

Please don't forget to bring flowers on Easter morning to decorate our Living Cross.

MARCH 31ST

Monday, April 1st is the DEADLINE to apply for

FPC Post-secondary school education **Scholarships!** Applications for the fall 2024 term are available in the church Office.

One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offerings for Hunger, Disaster and Development will be collected at FPC on Palm Sunday, March 24th

First Presbyterian Church of Ocala

Holy Week 2024

Palm Sunday - March 24 10:00 a.m.
Maundy Thursday - March 28 7:00 p.m. with Communion
Good Friday - March 29 Service at Noon
Easter Egg Hunt - March 30 10:00 a.m.
Easter Sunday - March 31 10:00 a.m.
Sanctuary (bring flowers for the living cross)

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Presbyterian Pilgrimage There will be a wonderful Christian retreat weekend here in Ocala from **April 11-14** at The Retreat. Pilgrimage is a spiritual renewal weekend to renew and invigorate your faith in Jesus Christ and to build a greater understanding of God's love for you and His will for your life. The retreat is a long weekend, from Thursday at 4:00 pm to Sunday at 4:00 pm; three days to celebrate and express Christ's love for you. It will be held at The Retreat 6455 East Silver Springs Blvd. For more information check out the website: www.floridapresbyterianpilgrimage.org

PRAYER LIST

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| <p>Pat Bishop
Bill Blackwell (brother of Mary Kauffman)
Tania Blackwell (sister-in-law of Mary Kauffman)
Andy Carlisle
Ella and Ray Charnley
Shirley Cochran
Billy Davis (grandson-in-law of David Demarest, cancer diagnosis)
Linda Deyton (sister of Annette Pickard)
Mina DiGeronimo
Ruth Fraser
Gabby Gates (friend of Dave Bice)
Joe Glenn (friend of Mary Kauffman)
Dorothy Halliwell (sister-in-law of Pat Interdonato)
Bill and Barbara Harrel
Andrea Mogg Jacque
Victoria Johnson (great-granddaughter of Christine)
Lloyd Kauffman (husband of Mary)
Lanier Lance (sister of Bill Tucker)
John Koch (brother in law of Debbie Koch)</p> | <p>Cordelia Bree McCully (granddaughter of Mike and Teresa Poteet)
Gloria Miller
Jodi Miller (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)
Wendi Moore (on the death of her uncle Bob Dillinger)
Annette Morris (friend of Mary Kauffman)
Fritz Rain (friend of Marybeth Olson)
Ruthanne and John Reiss
Frank Roberts
Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)
Mike Scalf (loss of his mother, friend of Julia Wirono)
Kim Scalf (fighting cancer, friend of Julia Wirono)
Janie Scott
Rev. Ed Tenhor
Marion Thomas (fall)
Bob and Renee Timmer
Ann VanDenburgh
Robert Webber (brother of Ginny Miller)
William Wright</p> |
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This Week's Daily Bible Readings					
God's Saving word: Prayer			Saturday	March 16	Esther 9:20-32
Wednesday	March 13	Esther 6:14-7:10	Sunday	March 17	Psalms 22
Thursday	March 14	Esther 8:1-17	Monday	March 18	Psalms 23
Friday	March 15	Esther 9:1-19	Tuesday	March 19	Psalms 25