

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF HIGHLAND



# THE LARGER VIEW



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**MARCH 3**  
 Adult Study - 9:00 AM  
 Worship (Comm) & K-6th grade Church School- 10:30 AM  
 Coffee Fellowship - 11:30 AM  
 Faith Development - 11:45 AM  
 Hospitality - 11:45 AM

**MARCH 10 - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS**  
 Adult Study - 9:00 AM  
 Worship & K-6th grade Church School - 10:30  
 Coffee Fellowship & SOUP SUNDAY - 11:30 AM  
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**MARCH 17**  
 Adult Study - 9:00 AM  
 Worship & K-6th grade Church School - 10:30  
 Coffee Fellowship - 11:30 AM

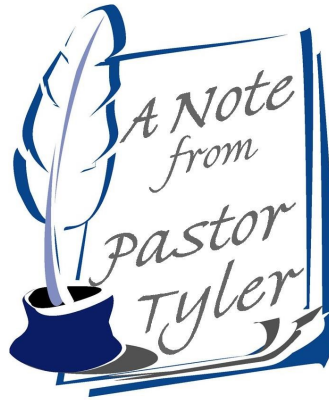
**MARCH 24**  
 Adult Study - 9:00 AM  
 Worship & K-6th grade Church School - 10:30  
 Coffee Fellowship & SOUP SUNDAY - 11:30

**MARCH 31**  
 Adult Study - 9:00 AM  
**LENTEN CANTATA** - 10:30  
 Coffee Fellowship & Soup Sunday - 11:30



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*The Mission of First Presbyterian Church of Highland is to be  
the HEART, HANDS, and FEET of Jesus Christ*



Dear All,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

In our liturgical calendar, we are making our way towards Jerusalem with Jesus. Our scripture readings have been taking us through the life and ministry of the messiah and his disciples. We have engaged these readings by taking an honest look at what it means for us to become disciples ourselves and then to authentically live as disciples. We have seen Simon Peter, James, and John being called on the Sea of Galilee. We have experienced the crowds growing ever larger, pressing in all around Jesus. We have witnessed healings, exorcisms, and revolutionary sermons on the truth of a different Kingdom. We have heard the outrage, heckling, and threatening of the Sadducees, the Pharisees, the scribes, and the teachers of the law. All of this is moving us towards the cataclysmic drama of Christ's passion, when the religious elites and the Roman Empire join hands in an attempt to bring death to this alternative Kingdom and its king.

This month begins our observance of Lent, the Church's major time of reflection, repentance, and renewal. This should be a time for us to really wrestle with the meaning of discipleship. What does discipleship truly look like? What do we need to do differently? What are the risks? How can we better develop ourselves and our congregation in our faith and mission? How can we better obey the great commission of the disciples to share the good news with the world? These are all questions that we must explore and use to guide our journey as First Presbyterian Church of Highland. Such an exploration can lead us to do our part in ensuring the continued life of that Kingdom with its now risen king.

There are several upcoming opportunities to address these questions in our life together. We have the opportunity to support our youth as they respond to the great commission by attending their Saturday Nyte Live event on March 2. We have an Ash Wednesday worship service on March 6. We have a Lenten study and practice class on Wednesday mornings from March 13 to April 17. And of course we have our Sunday morning classes and worship together. I encourage all of us to be intentional in our spiritual life as a community as we strive to be disciples this Lent.

In Christ,

*Rev. Tyler Orem*

# SESSION SHORTS

- Session approved a small capital campaign for updating and replacing landscaping outside the church building.
- Elder Charlotte Abernethy reported that Faith Development is busy during this Lenten season with the Saturday Nyte Live Fundraiser on March 2<sup>nd</sup> for the youth mission trip, a Lenten series taught by Rev. Orem on Wednesdays beginning on March 13<sup>th</sup>, and an Easter Egg hunt and event planned for April 20<sup>th</sup>. A 2-day summer VBS is being considered and a confirmation class taught by Rev. Orem is being planned for youth in grades 7-8 in the fall with a possible time change of 9:00 am for kids' church school.
- The Trustees are working on several projects: the continuing of LED light replacement around the building, purchasing doormats for the entering office and fellowship hall entries, and constructing a shade structure for the parking lot fundraiser in the summer.
- The Ministry of Finance is looking for another member for its ministry. If this is an area of interest for you, please contact Elder Vince Catania.
- Elder Cheryl Steen reported that the Ministry of Mission has donated money this month to the Christmas Joy Fund, to Habitat for Humanity for a home being built in Merrillville for a disabled vet and to the Meals on Wheels "Meal Heroes program" to subsidize meals for those who cannot afford them.
- Elder Bonnie Perryman reported that the ministry is busy planning for the Easter Season with an Ash Wednesday service on March 6<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday services. Fish banks will be distributed for members to participate in One Great Hour of Sharing.
- The congregation continues to be the heart, hands and feet of Jesus Christ as volunteers cook and serve at the warming shelter on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month and at Gladys' table on the last Saturday of the month. More help is always needed. Contact Cheryl Steen for the shelter and Sharon LaFlech for Gladys' Table.
- Please continue to support soup sale Sundays. There are several more Sundays to volunteer to make and buy soup.
- "Shop with Scrip" is an excellent way to make money for our church by shopping where you normally shop. Gift cards or e-cards can be purchased and used at most stores where you shop. See Sharon LaFlech for more details.
- Rev. Orem and Elder Lois Fozkos attended the Presbytery meeting on Saturday, February 16 in Rochester, IN
- Session brainstormed ideas for long range plans for our church. This will continue to be an item for discussion at upcoming Session meetings. If you have any ideas you would like considered, please contact a Session member.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Month of  
January 31, 2019

	Month of January	Monthly Budget	Year to Date
Operating Revenue	\$12,981.59	\$10,087.00	\$12,981.59
Operating Expenses	12,390.76	12,679.00	12,390.76
Excess (Deficit)	\$590.83		\$590.83



**Gifts given in the month of January to the Endowment Fund include:**

In Memory of: Arlene Diekman, Tom Parks

**These gifts were given by the following donors:**

Norma Bauer, Jim & Kim Ernst, Paul & Sandy Nicholls, Robert & Lynn Underwood,  
Jane Vance



**Landscape Improvement Project**

Dear members and friends of FPCH,

Last year, we completed several projects making FPCH a more inviting, welcoming and functioning facility for members and guests. We encourage everyone to read about the projects in the Annual Report. This Spring, we plan to improve the landscape at FPCH and seek your donation for the project.

We plan to install fresh, new landscape making FPCH a more attractive, safe and welcoming place of worship. After removing the old landscape, we'll plant a decorative tree and other plants along each side of the two entrance stairs, install new landscape in front of the center building and along the north fence line, we'll install river rock. The estimates range from about \$9,000-\$12,000, depending upon the final design. To help you visualize the proposed landscape, please see the attached images.

It's our hope everyone can make a contribution so that we can fully fund the Landscape Improvement Project. To help us beautify the church grounds, please make your check out to First Presbyterian Church of Highland and note it's for the Landscape Improvement Project. The Trustees and the Session welcome your support.

If there are questions, contact a Trustee or a Session member.

Respectfully,

The Trustees and the Session





# ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. The Offering provides us a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need. In fact, OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. One Great Hour of Sharing, received during the season of Lent (March 6 - April 21), makes a difference in the world through three impactful programs:

**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People.**

## THREE WAYS TO GIVE

1. Through your congregation
2. Text OGHS to 20222 to give \$10
3. [presbyterianmission.org/give/oghs](http://presbyterianmission.org/give/oghs)

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## February Shelter Activities

We had the teen members of the Nazareth Church of Highland Youth Group join us for cooking and serving in February.

These were young boys and girls that were very eager to participate in the activities of the shelter. There were so many of them, that we had to break down the duties so all could help in some way with the preparation of the meal.

We had our usual mentors, Judy Toren and Lee Ann Cheesebrough that helped with overseeing the preparation and cooking. They are indeed a blessing to have on this team!! Thanks girls!!

We took 4 of the youth to help serve and they all want to have this experience of cooking and serving again! I told them they were always welcome and to please come back soon.

This is a great experience for young folks and truly gives them an idea of how others live!





**MARCH**

**APRIL**

- \*2 2:00 Set up for Talent Show  
5:00 Dinner  
6:00 Talent Show
- \*8-9 Ski Trip  
4 PM Friday until 7 PM Saturday
- \*23 Ronald McDonald House—serve lunch

- \*12 Nerf Nite Overnight with Chesterton
- \*20 Help with Easter Egg Hunt
- \*26-27 STRONGHOLD RETREAT  
Friday at 4 PM to Saturday at 4 PM  
High Ropes, Pamper Pole, Swing



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HUNGER

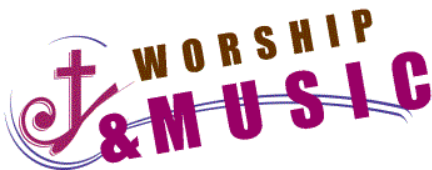
Five of the Youth Group collected food donations and money for SOUPER Bowl Sunday, February 3rd. As always, the FPCH congregation was very generous with \$106 in cash and 73 food items. After church the Youth helped stock the church food pantry with the donations. Thanks to everyone who gave.

## **Lenten Study and Practice: Pilgrimage through Jerusalem**

On the Wednesday mornings of Lent, Pastor Tyler will be leading a series that will tie spiritual practices to a study of the major locations of Jesus' final days in Jerusalem. Join us to study, discuss, and learn ways to deepen our spiritual life together. All are welcome! Bring friends! We will be meeting at 9:30 am in the classroom across from Pastor Tyler's office.

**The dates are 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, and 4/17.**

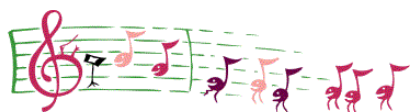




We will be having an Ash  
Wednesday Service on March 6th  
at 7:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church and the Chancel Choir will be presenting a Lenten Cantata on Sunday, March 31st during worship.

Be sure to invite your friends and family to join us in worship that day.



**Cantata Rehearsal**

**There will be a Cantata rehearsal on  
Saturday, March 30th at 10:00 AM.**

### **SECRET PRAYER PARTNER**

During the six weeks of Lent, you have the opportunity to pray for a member of our congregation. You will be praying for this person during the reflective time of Lent and holding this person's life up to God even if you do not know the person you choose very well or at all. Prayers are powerful and keeping another person in your thoughts and prayer life keeps the connection strong among believers and with God.

It is simple to become a participant in this Secret Prayer Partner program. Please follow the directions below.

There will be two red and white checkered boxes on the table in the Narthex before worship and in Fellowship Hall after worship.

One box has slips of paper with space for a name and address.

Fill out one of the slips with your name and address.

Fold the slip twice and put it in the other box with those who have already filled out a slip.

Choose one of the folded slips from the box.

The slip you choose is the person you will pray for during Lent.

Keep that person's identity a secret during this time.

Praying for this person is what is asked of you.

Toward the end of Lent, mail an Easter card to your Secret Prayer Partner.





It's that time again! Time to order your Easter flowers. Daffodils, lilies, and tulips are \$20.00 each and the deadline for ordering is Sunday, March 31st. You may also make a donation in lieu of flowers. Donations will be deposited into the Endowment Fund. All gifts will be listed in the bulletin and Larger View. Please fill the order form below and drop it in with your Sunday offering or mail to the church office at: 8727 Delaware Street, Highland, Indiana 46322.

Order forms are also available in the Narthex.

**EASTER FLOWERS - ORDER FORM**

(Please Print Clearly)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
DAFFODIL	_____	\$20.00	\$ _____
LILY	_____	\$20.00	\$ _____
TULIP	_____	\$20.00	\$ _____
DONATION IN LIEU OF FLOWERS			\$ _____
TOTAL			\$ _____

IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE: 03/31/19**

8727 DELAWARE STREET, HIGHLAND, IN 46322



# PASTOR TYLER'S

**OFFICE HOURS**

SUNDAY	8 AM TO 3 PM
MONDAY	10 AM TO 4 PM
WEDNESDAY	8 AM TO 11:30 AM
THURSDAY	8 AM TO 11:30 AM

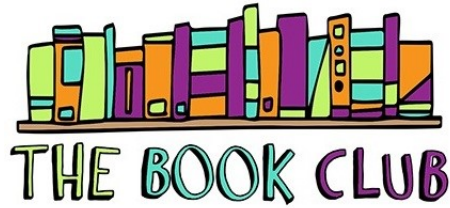


## FREE-WILL DONATION SOUP SALES

There will be Soup available on March 10th and 24th following Worship in



**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS** on Sunday, March 10th. Make sure you turn your clock **AHEAD** one hour.



The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 7th at 2:00 PM at the home of Peggy Fozkos to discuss the book "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown.



## GLADYS' TABLE

The next meal will be on Saturday, March 30th from 12 to 1 PM



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Collin Parker
- 5 Gabriel Martinez
- 6 Nancy Johnston
- Cary Martinez
- 9 Barbara Morton
- 12 Patty Nelson
- 18 Ashley Churitch
- 19 Bill Zuke
- 20 Calvin Scott
- 21 Brandon Chong
- 22 Bill Holmes
- 30 Karen Lounsbury





# The everyday way to make an impact every day

Join us in raising money for our organization simply by using gift cards where you're already shopping. It's easy, rewarding, and fits perfectly into your busy life.

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Nicole, Byesville, OH

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Use your gift cards for your everyday shopping.

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2. Enter our organization's enrollment code:

3. Link your bank account to enroll in online payments and place your first order.

Have a question? Contact our coordinator at: 219.838.3346



# Prayers of Christian Sympathy to:



## Ongoing Prayers

The Prayer Circle prays for the people on this list, and for all other concerns named at that time. Please include the persons listed here in your daily devotional time. Thank you.

- Debbie Abernethy
- Anthony - Suzanne Gruoner's son
- Alaina (Callaway)
- Marge Ashton
- Bapst Family (Callaway)
- Sonny Buono
- Art Calvin
- Ina Chappell
- I Sun Chong (Oprea)
- Marian Clayton (Morton)
- Ede Corten
- Ruth Dekker
- Denise (Kikkert)
- Barb Dye
- Matt Hanft (Oprea)
- Gracie Helmer
- Bill Holmes
- Daniel Litwicki (Debbie Catania)
- Murray Faris
- Marlys Furnas
- David Jones (Oprea)
- Linda Kubiak (L. Fozkos)
- Mary Ann (Perryman)
- Calvin Scott
- Bonita Sutton (Nolen)
- Steve & Melinda
- Dennis VanKooten

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 Due to federal regulations about privacy, ***we are no longer called by hospitals*** about patient admissions. Even if they ask you for your church affiliation when checking in, they do not call. If you or your loved one would like a visit while hospitalized, or would like a home visit, please call the church office at 219-838-6850.  
 Thank you!

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- We pray for those undergoing treatment for cancer, the mentally ill and their families, those recuperating, those undergoing treatments and those waiting for transplants.
  - We pray for our country.
  - We pray for our firemen and police who help keep us safe at home.
  - We pray for our service men and women.
  - We pray for the unemployed, the under employed and the homeless.

- We pray for those who are traveling.
- We pray for those we hold silently in our hearts.
- We pray for all children in the world.
- We pray for the work of the Holy Spirit within the life of FPCH and within each of us, that we may indeed be and make disciples in each new day.
- We pray for our home-bound.

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 In order to keep the prayer list current, we need your input. If there are people you would like to have added or if there is someone who can be taken off the list, please call the Church Office (838-6850).





**USHER SCHEDULE**

**MARCH 3**

Norma Bauer  
Janet Bouchee  
Kelsey Helmer

**MARCH 10**

Tom & Pam Porter  
Ben Porter

**MARCH 17**

Eason & Nancy Engle  
Winnie Owen

**MARCH 24**

Bob Abernethy  
John & Judy Toren

**MARCH 31**

Vince & Debbie Catania  
Cheryl Steen

**LITURGISTS**

**MARCH 3**

Jean Smith

**MARCH 10**

John Toren

**MARCH 17**

Laura Jones

**MARCH 24**

Lois Fozkos

**MARCH 31**

Lenten Cantata

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

**MARCH 3**

OPEN

**MARCH 10**

Deacons

**MARCH 17**

John & Judy Toren

**MARCH 24**

OPEN

**MARCH 31**

OPEN

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS**

3/3 P. Fozkos/L. Fozkos  
3/10: J. Smith/N. Engle  
3/17: H. Kikkert/D. Catania  
3/24: T. Oprea/T. Severson  
3/31: LENTEN CANTATA

**HOSPITALITY HOSTS**

3/3 Nancy O'Donnell  
3/10: Arletta Schaefer  
3/17: Jerry Martinez  
3/24: Debbie Catania  
3/31: Shirley McKnight

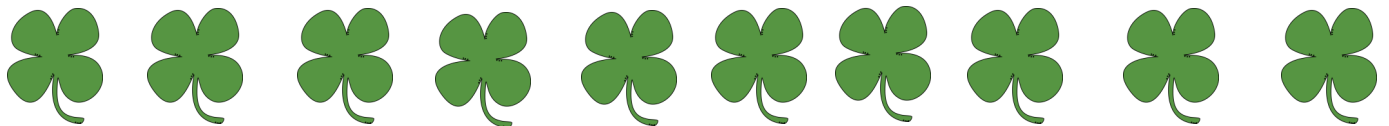
**COMMUNION: March 3**

Peter Churitch  
Carolyn Ham  
Anettia Holmes  
Sharon LaFlech  
Barb Morton

**RIDES TO HERITAGE**

**WORSHIP**

Call the Church Office  
(838-6850)



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Worship  
Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

