





# CHURCH CALENDAR

## PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday School, Classrooms
- 10:20 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall



## Monday, March 30

- 7:00 p.m. Arts Chorale Practice, Fellowship Hall

## Tuesday, March 31

## Wednesday, April 1

## MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2

- 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Anniversary Room
- 5:00 p.m. Deacons, Anniversary Room
- 6:30 p.m. **Maundy Thursday Service, Sanctuary**  
*The Lord's Supper will be shared*



## GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3

- Church Office closed*
- 5:00-6:30 p.m. Soup Supper, Fellowship Hall



## Saturday, April 4

## EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary  
**NO Sunday School**
- 10:20 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall



# WELCOME

*“Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!”* As we wave our palm branches in praise, we remember the King who entered Jerusalem in humility and love. May our hearts welcome Him anew this Holy Week.

**A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS** worshiping with us this morning. We ask that you please include your name and address when filling out the Friendship Pads and pass the pad along the pew so others may do the same. After everyone has registered, send the pad back along the pew so you can learn the names of those sitting with you. Attendance Last Sunday: 83

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| <b>PASTOR:</b>          | Rev. Scott Cress                |
| <b>WORSHIP LEADER:</b>  | Alan Dimmers                    |
| <b>CHOIR/ORGANIST:</b>  | Dean James                      |
| <b>BUILDING CLOSER:</b> | Marsha Rollins                  |
| <b>DEACONS:</b>         | Beverly Fall                    |
| <b>USHERS:</b>          | The Cress and Portteus children |

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Charles Cress (*Pastor's Father*), Michael Brown and Robert Jones (*Irma's Nephew & Husband*)

**CONTINUING PRAYER REQUESTS:** Sarah Price (*Daughter B.Barron*), Marlene Risedorph (*Wife Stuart*), Barbara Craine & Susan Wilson (*Sisters C.Hoffman*), Nancy Leutheuser, Andre Portteus (*Kevin's Father*), Tom Osborn (*Brother-in-law B.Kneen*), Norma Baldwin, Melinda Foulke-Beckwith, Carissa Benavides, Jack Bowles (*Cousin Vida*), Keith Brown (*Friend H.Wood*), Elizabeth Burke (*Friend B.Kneen*), Kimberly Burlew, Rosie Dryer (*Friend S.Kinney*), Kevin & Bridget Fowler (*Parents B.Portteus*), Maxine & George Gaffney & Snookie Ham (*Friends B.Kneen*), Sheila Hall (*Friend C.Erholtz*), Ashley Hightower, Shirley McIntyre, JoAnne Rollins (*Sister-in-law M.Rollins*), John Scott (*Friend C.Ringenberg*), Lois Shrock, Theresa Tomas (*Friend C.Erholtz*), Laura VanWormer (*Friend L.Fogarty*), Amy Wright, and Elijah Wright (*Son Karen Lagasee-Wright*);

**PRAY FOR MILITARY:** LT. Andrea Cornett (*USN*); LT. Col. Garron Garn (*US Marines*), Commander Zachary Laden (*US Navy—Grandson B.Taylor*), Major Ben Larson (*Nat'l Guard--Grandson C.Dear*); Army First Lt. Cheryl Jackson (*Granddaughter W.Schneider*), and LT. Sydney Rouble (*USN RN—Granddaughter Bishers*); **PRAY FOR MISSIONS:** Lingap Children's Foundation, Father's Table Food Pantry, King's Cupboard, Love, INC, Salvation Army, Samaritan's Purse, and Share the Warmth;

**PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS:** Diane Eames and Warren Schneider

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** will be closed on Good Friday to honor the crucifixion of Jesus and his death at Calvary. Wishing you a holy and meaningful Good Friday!

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:** This week Irma will still be home taking care of her husband Robert so again, the Church office hours will not be as normal. So, if your calls don't get answered or if the Church isn't open, please remember office is not as usual! In case of an emergency please call or email Pastor Scott at (636) 422-0075 and/or [pastorscottcress@gmail.com](mailto:pastorscottcress@gmail.com) or an Elder. We ask for your understanding and continued prayers for her husband and family.

**DEACONS MEETING (April 2):** The Deacons will have their regular monthly meeting this **Thursday, April 2 at 5:00 PM** and will share a light dinner together before the Maundy Thursday Service at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary.

**EASTER OFFERING:** All that we collect in the loose offering and Easter offering envelopes will be given to the Salvation Army for their work in our community to feed the hungry and to help those in need. Easter Offering envelopes will be accepted throughout the month of April.

**MANY THANKS:** Thank you for joining our Lenten Dinners and sharing in fellowship, prayer, and study with our friends at the Methodist Church. Your presence made this sacred time, marked by togetherness and simple meals, truly special. We hope it strengthened your Lenten journey of hope, trusting that God will lead us to the JOY of our Savior's Resurrection.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE (April 2):** Join us for a reflective **Maundy Thursday Service at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary** as we remember the night Jesus shared a final meal with His disciples. We'll gather for Scripture, prayer and communion as we reflect on Christ's call to serve one another. All are welcome — bring a friend and share this meaningful start to Holy Week.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Join Pastor Scott for a weekly Men's Bible Study **Thursday mornings at 9 AM** in the Anniversary Room. Come ready for a great time together studying God's Word together. Pastor hopes to see you there!

**SAVE THE DATE! On April 18th at 9 AM we will host a dual training session.** First, we will review the tasks of the Ushers for all those involved in this ministry. Second, we will review CPR and AED procedures. Please join us. Coffee and donuts provided.

**STRONG FOUNDATIONS CLASSES (February 3-April 28):** The Strong Foundation Classes are sponsored by Love, INC and will conclude on April 28th. Classes are **Tuesdays from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM** with dinner included in the Anniversary Room. If you or someone you know would like to attend or you'd like to see your Church support this transformational ministry through volunteers, dinner, or incentives, speak to Pastor.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** There will be **NO Sunday School on Easter Sunday.** Classes will resume for all ages next Sunday morning at **9:40 AM** before worship. It's a wonderful opportunity to study God's Word, ask questions and grow in faith together.

**WORSHIP LEADERS:** When giving the offertory prayer, please grab the hand mic on the table next to the lectern to use for the prayer. Thank you for serving in this vital ministry. **Worship Leaders for the month of April are:** 4/5 James Brandon, 4/12 Tom Conner, 4/29 Rebecca Portteus; 4/26 Steve Ross. Thank you for your dedicated service as a Worship Leader, which is crucial in all of our services.



**FPC is excited to announce that we will be hosting the Easter Egg Hunt once again in the sanctuary following our Easter service! Anyone who would like to hide the eggs will meet at the back of the sanctuary immediately following the service. All kids who would like to hunt will meet in the Parlor until the Egg Hunt.**

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**You are invited to come share in the joy of Easter, reflect on the supreme sacrifice Jesus made on the cross, and celebrate His resurrection with us next Sunday, April 5!**

**We hope you will also invite family and friends to come with you to hear the best news ever, "Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!"**



**JOIN US  
EASTER SUNDAY  
10:30 AM**