

The Trumpet

A Monthly Newsletter Publication from Twin Falls First Presbyterian Church April 2022 Edition

The Most Important Week of the Year

Depending on who you are and what your interests are the most important week of the year will vary. If you are really into sports it might be the week when Pitchers and Catchers report for Spring Training or the week leading up to the Super Bowl. If you have ever been in retail, then the following Black Friday is vital to making the year's profits. Or if you are a political junkie then the last few days leading up to November's election will top your list of the most important week of the year. But for those of us who follow Jesus; even sports fans, retailers, and those who like to stay up to date on current events, for Christians the most important week of the year is Holy Week.

While many of us eagerly look forward to the events leading up to Christmas, the events Holy Week, those that commemorate Jesus's last week are mentioned in all four Gospels. Whereas the events of Jesus's birth are only mentioned in the Gospels according to Matthew and Luke and so, what we will observe and remember beginning April 10th covers events that are central to our faith. Listed below are both the days when both scripture and tradition say the most important events unfolded, as well as indications of which of these days we will observe as a congregation and what the plans for worship will be.

Palm Sunday: The Sunday prior to Easter, commemorating Jesus' entry to Jerusalem with shouts of "Hosanna" (Hebrew "O save now!") and the waving of palms, "So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet [Jesus], shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel" (John 12:13).

April 2022 we will observe this first day of Holy Week, April 10th, with an interactive worship service that will cover the events of Holy Week from the Gospel According to Matthew.

Maundy Thursday: (From Latin *mandatum*, "mandate," "commandment") Holy Thursday before Good Friday, when Jesus commanded his disciples to follow his example of service in the washing of feet, "Then [Jesus] poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him" (John 13:5). The term derives from the Latin *mandatum novum*, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another" (John 13:34).

Although we will not be observing this day of Holy Week as a congregation, I encourage you to put some time aside on April 14th to remember Jesus's commandment of Love.

Good Friday: (Middle English from "God's Friday") The Friday of Holy Week, before Easter Sunday, commemorated in the Christian church as the day on which Jesus Christ was crucified.

April 2022 we will observe Good Friday with a Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m. Tenebrae comes from the Latin word for darkness and is used for a worship service where lights are gradually extinguished as the Passion story of Jesus is read.

Easter Vigil: The watch held on Holy Saturday night, prior to Easter. It dates from the mid-2nd century and is seen as the culmination of the entire church year. It rehearses salvation history (Biblical events narrated from the perspective of faith and indicating God's redemptive purposes for the world) and is marked by a service of light and Scripture readings, with Communion.

Again, since we will not be formally observing the Great Easter Vigil, I encourage you to set aside some time to remember Jesus's life, ministry, and death and anticipate gathering on Easter Sunday to celebrate Jesus's resurrection. Whether you set aside time each day of Holy Week to reflect on Jesus's journey to the Cross and beyond the Empty Tomb or you simply show up on Palm Sunday and Easter, the most important week of the year is soon upon us!



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Session Summary for February 2022

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Twin Falls held its regularly scheduled meeting on February 15th, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room.

- Marion Ford has asked to join our church by Reaffirmation of Faith. The Session voted to approve this request. She will be welcomed as a new member during worship on February 20th, 2022.
- Session members will meet on Saturday, February 19th at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Room to continue the discussion regarding the future use of buildings two and three.
 The potato bar on January 30th following worship went well. Suggestions are welcome for the fifth Sunday in May.
- A bulletin insert explaining the meaning of paying per capita will be provided to the congregation along with a short summary of the church's monthly financial activity.
- Pastor Phil will be out of the office from March 17th through Wednesday, March 23rd. Elder Mark Koffer will be preaching on Sunday, March 20th.
- Following worship on May 15th, Pastor Phil will be leaving to attend the The Festival of Homiletics in Denver, Colorado. This continuing education conference on preaching concludes on Friday, May 20th.

Melanie Halsell, Clerk of Session

FINANCIAL REPORT

January thru February 2022

Total Member Contributions - \$36,538

Total Other Income - \$2,055

Total Income - \$38,593

Total Expenses - \$27,003

Administrative - \$21,674

Office - \$2,476

Facility - \$2,853

Mission - \$5,040 -- from outside

Net Profit - \$9,535

MISSION GIVING

2022

- The CSI Refugee Center-\$1,000
- The Twin Falls Humane Society-People for Pets-\$1,000
- Pledge to Presbytery/Synod/GA-\$12,000 to Basic Mission Support + \$1,000 to the Theological Education Fund + \$2,000 to Synod.
 - Christmas Joy Offering- \$1,060
 - Twin Falls School District Food Pantry Program-\$2,000
 - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance-\$1,000 for Ukraine
 - Church World Services-64 Hygiene kits

Preaching Schedule

April 3rd 5th Sunday in Lent (communion—separate elements)
1st Reading Isaiah 43:16-21 Restoration & Protection

2nd Reading John 12:1-8 Mary Anoints Jesus

Sermon Title "Centered in Jesus"

April 10th Palm/Passion Sunday

"The Story of Holy Week through Scripture and Song" is an interactive order of service that will lead worshippers through the events of Holy Week, from the palm parade through Jesus's death and burial.

April 15th Good Friday – 7 p.m.

We will observe this most holy of days on the Christian calendar with a Tenebrae Service, one where candles are extinguished as we make our way through the Passion of Jesus.

April 17th Easter Sunday

1st Reading Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 A Song of Victory
2nd Reading John 20:1-18 The Resurrection of Jesus

Sermon Title "The First Apostle"

April 24th 2nd Sunday of Easter

1st Reading Psalm 150 Praise for God's Surpassing Goodness

2nd Reading Revelation 1:4-8 Salutation

Sermon Title "Alpha and Omega"



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celebrate the resurrection •

Adult class is held before worship at 8:30 am in the Fellowship room CHILDREN ARE WELCOME to remain with their families in the sanctuary for worship.

Sunday Worship services start at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary and conclude around 11:00.

Please join us for Social Time each Sunday in the Fellowship Room, right after worship. Light snacks, juice, coffee and tea are served.

Kindergarten – 5th Grade Sunday School

Children's Sunday school is happening inperson in the multipurpose Christian Education Room off the Fellowship Room downstairs. We continue to wear masks whenever appropriate.

If you are unable to attend, we will mail the at -home materials each week. If you would like to be included, please contact Linda Howar at (208) 420-1990

<u>CHILDREN ARE WELCOME</u> to remain with their families in the sanctuary for worship. There are worship bags containing items for children to use in their pew during this time.

WIGGLE ROOM FOR CHILDREN:

There are two family-friendly spaces in the church:

The Family Room at the back of the sanctuary offers rocking chairs, a changing table and books and toys for the very young.

Downstairs in the Fellowship Room, there is a corner off to the left with a toy bin containing puzzles, soft toys, a board books.

Questions? Call Linda Howar at 208-420-1990

First Presbyterian Church of Twin Falls

2022 SESSION ELDERS

Mark Crothers (Worship)

Terry Fletcher (Personnel)

Phil Winn (Stewardship)

Bob Parkinson (Mission)

Judy Wright (Fellowship)

Lawrence Flournoy (Building & Grounds)

Chris Talkington (Fellowship)

Carol Benson (Worship)

Kristin Keller

(Christian Nurture)

Judy Pollow

(Stewardship)

ELECTED OFFICERS

Melanie Halsell, Clerk of Session **Bob Parkinson,** Treasurer

GIFTS, MEMORIALS & ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Phil Winn — Chair Deanna Baxter, Rick Horner, John Howar, & Phil Price

COMMISSIONED DEACONS

Darlene Annen & Candee Hawk (Memorial Dinners)

Charlotte & Bill Eberlein (Mission | Christmas Project)

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Darlene Annen & Susan Harris Co-Moderators

Joan Leir – Secretary

Colleen Miltenberger –

Treasurer



OPPORTUNITIES

MEN'S BREAKFAST

At 7:00 am every Wednesday morning at Idaho Joe's for breakfast & topical discussion.

Contact Phil Winn

BOOK CLUB

Thursday April 28 at noon,

In the Fellowship room
We will be discussing "The Day the World Came to Town"

by Jim DeFede Please bring your own lunch and we will see you there!

Questions? Contact Kathy Price

"CARING & SHARING" SUPPORT GROUP

Meets at **4:00 pm each Thursday**If interested please call the Church Office
Or Gerrie Hansen

CIRCLE FIVE

Thursday, Aptil 14th at 10:00am at Marjorie Gebauer's house 775 Mountain View Dr. TF Come and join us for fun, fellowship. Contact Darlene Annen 208-308-6681

ABIGAIL CIRCLE

The Abigail Circle Bible Study for 2021-22 will be "What My Grandmothers Taught Me"-learning from the women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus Abigail Circle will meet April 14th at 1:30 in the Fellowship Room.

All are welcome to join us. If you are interested contact Deanna Baxter, Susan Harris, or Joan Leir

PRAYERS FOR US

COVID has changed how we worship at our church and how we continue bonding as a congregation. Join in a prayer time asking God to lead us forward in worship and fellowship.

Starting 1/20/2022 in the Fellowship Room 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 12:00pm Contact Anita at 208-329-2293 for more info.

Bring your lunch

How Can We Pray For You? Pray for one another

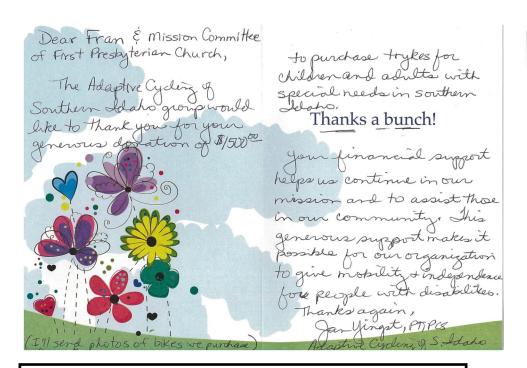
For the month of March "Prayers For Us" prayer group prayed for: Session members, all other leaders in our congregation, Paster Phil, Kathy Price,

Eric Price, Linda and John Howar and their daughters; Anita Klott, Ed Klott, Worship Planning Team, Deanna Baxter, Carol Benson, Mark Crothers and Terry Fletcher. We will meet again Thursday April 7 in the Multi-purpose Room, noon to 1pm. Join us...wonderful things are happening within our congregation!

Dear Darlene. I have a mom that left a domestic violence situation and I'm taking her shoe cards for her children. She is so grateful to know she can get shoes for her children. I have given 198 gift cards to children and youth this year. That's a lot of shoes that have been a true blessing to many, many students. Please let everyone know how grateful we are. Thanks for all you do!!! Becky Jaynes, LCSW At-Rick Services Twin Falls School Dist.

Kathy explains the reasons for the items on the Lord's table





Dear Friends,

Through your gift of \$1,000 to Disaster Relief on 12/29/21, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and our partners are able to shine as light in dark places and support the incarnate presence of divine love in the healing and recovery of communities afflicted by disaster across the world. On their behalf, and our own, I thank you for being a vital part of this spirit of compassion bringing out of chaos, hope.

Grace and peace, The Rev. Dr. Laurie A. Kraus Director, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance



DISASTER ASSISTANCE



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

John Howar	4/5
Tom Billington	4/6
Camille Flournoy	4/6
Michelle Keller	4/6
Gwenyth Frost	4/8
Gene Baxter	4/10
Eli Daisher	4/10
Jade Mayer	4/11
Nathan Beck	4/11
Charlotte Eberlein	4/15
Miles Daisher	4/16
Debbie Bergen	4/21
Brent Bergen	4/23
Margie Howard	4/30

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES:

Bill & Charlotte Eberlein	4/5
Rod & Faye Potthast	4/12
Kerm & Joan Leir	4/14
Rob & Kelly Probasco	4/25
Robin & Vivian Wells	4/26

Is your birthday or anniversary information incorrect or missing from this
list? If so—please contact FPC Office Manager
Cheri Pollard at
(208) 733-7023 or churchoffice@twinfallsfpc.org to help update our records!

Circle 5 enjoyed fellowship and crafting while we made and sent cards to our home bound church members.





Sandwich Saturday Ministry

Sandwich Saturday began serving sack lunches in October 2020. We have grown from preparing 25 sack lunches to 70 sack lunches. Each lunch includes 2 Smucker's peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, an apple or an orange, 2 cookies, a bag of chips and a bottle of water. Lunches are packed in an assembly line manner. 20 lunches are placed on a table set up on the sidewalk in front of the church and banners are hung inviting anyone needing a lunch. Any left over lunches are placed in the blessing box. We have reached out to the community and learned that a number of families with children are living in the motels on Addison Avenue West. We now deliver 25 lunches to the Apollo Inn who in turn distributes to families in need living in that group of motels. We also learned that the SureStay Hotel on Blue Lakes has a need and deliver 25 lunches to them. 70 lunches are now being prepared and distributed every other Saturday. The motels and their guests often express their appreciation.

We appreciate all the volunteers who are helping with the purchasing of groceries, setting up the assembly line, filling the lunch bags, hanging the banners, delivering the lunches, and helping with clean-up. Thank you to all of those who have helped and continue to help!!! We start filling the bags at 11:00 and are usually finished with that component by 11:15. The lunches are then delivered and others stay to help with clean-up or preparation for the next serving date. We are completely finished by 1:00. Most helpers are finished by no later than 12:00.

We welcome others to come and join this ministry. Please contact Darlene Annen at dcannen@gmail.com or call 208-308-6681.

This ministry not only helps others but provides an opportunity for fellowship among our congregation as well.







April 10, 2022

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

This Lenten season please give generously to One Great Hour Of Sharing

WAYS TO GIVE -

- Through your congregation
- Donate by credit card online at pcusa.org/ give-oghs
- Text OGHS to 91999 to give



Circle 5 crafted these beautiful Easter cross necklaces to donate to the Salvation Army. As community members come into the Salvation Army for food, they are offered a choice of a necklace to be used for themselves or to gift to others. Thank you Circle 5 for your creativity and generosity!







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 8:30am Worship Mtg (FR) 11:30am Sandwich Saturday
3 Communion Sunday 8:30am Adult Class (FR) 10:00am Worship	4 7-9pm Narcotics Anonymous (MPR)	5	6 7:30am Men's Breakfast 5:45pm "Brave Church" Soup Supper	7 12:00pm Prayers for Us (MPR) 4-5:30pm Support Group	8	9
10 8:30am Adult Class (FR) 10:00am Worship	11 7-9pm Narcotics Anonymous (MPR)	12 1:00pm Build- ing & Grounds (FR)	13 7:30am Men's Breakfast	14 10:00am Circle 5 (FR) 1:30pm Abigail Circle (FR) 4-5:30pm Support Group	Good Friday 7:00pm Sanctuary Stations of the cross	16 11:30am Sandwich Saturday
17 Easter Sunday 10:00am Worship	18 7-9pm Narcotics Anonymous (MPR)	19 5:30pm Stated Session (FR)	20 7:30am Men's Breakfast	21 12:00pm Prayers for Us (FR) 4-5:30pm Support Group	22	23
24 8:30am Adult Class (FR) 10:00am Worship	25 7-9pm Narcotics Anonymous (MPR)	26	27 7:30am Men's Breakfast	28 12:00pm Book Club (FR) 4-5:30pm Support Group	29	30 11:30am Sandwich Saturday

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

