

March 2020

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This March@ FPC

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

2 Joy Eldridge	11 Caden Hassel	22 Marlene Avery
Brad Jungers	Jill Jennings	24 Tristen Murray
Amy Profit	Connor Kueper	25 SuCha Moffitt
Mark Voss	12 Roger Lahm	Rose Top
3 Mary Ann Jansen	13 Leah Jensen	Tony Weber
Sandy Kasson	14 Shirley Funk	26 Art Attema
Roger Andersen	Nancy Haas	Don Clauson
4 Nick Poolman	Rick Hayes	27 Bev Cother
Molly VanDyke	16 Dave Dreeszen	Cindy Knabe
6 Marilyn Grice	Pam Kroese	28 Jackie Jenkins
Katherine Webber	Jim Radcliffe	Angie Peterson
7 Tony Jennings	17 John Calsbeek	Kelly Stecker
Amy Stover	Phyllis Egeland	29 Erin Davelaar
8 Katherine Stucker	Macy Jennings	Doug Kueper
Susan Travis	18 Shaunna Harrand	30 Paul Pritts
9 Sue Ewen	John Knabe	Abby Tillotson
Presten Murray	Rob Oldson	31 Sarah Kennedy
Milly Tillotson	19 Shaunna Poduba	
10 Becky Welch	20 Sharon Ringsdorf	
	20 Josie Byers	

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

1 John and Sue Ziegenbusch	18 Doug and Carol Stueven
5 Russ and Pat Thomson	25 Todd and June Howatt
7 Chuck and Gloria Ditsworth	29 Wayne and Maryl Glasnapp
15 Dave and Carolyn Butterworth	

DEACON HOSPITAL/RIDE FOR MARCH

1 Pat Thomson	15 Jan Bowles	29 Jim Nygaard
8 Ron Williams	22 Pam DenHerder	

NURSING HOME MINISTRY

March 8 Accura 2pm April 12 Wel-Life 2:45pm

Important Dates to Remember

Lenten Bible Study and Soup Supper begins.....	March 1
Recharge Spring Semester Kickoff.....	March 4
World Day of Prayer.....	March 6
Daylight Savings Time begins.....	March 8
PW Projects Day.....	March 12
Camp Sunday.....	March 15

Lenten Bible Study and Soup Supper

Everyone is invited to join us in this year's Lenten study, "Looking at Ourselves Through the Enneagram." We will be using this spiritual tool to examine ourselves and some of our basic assumptions, fears, motivations, and traits based on the 9 typologies of the Enneagram. We hope this will be a journey of self-discovery, self-awareness, and spiritual growth. Join us whenever you can or check our website for weekly resources including: video of every Sunday session, weekly handouts, and a podcast intended for those who would like to personalize some of the general ideas. Sunday sessions will begin with dinner at 5:00 and study from 5:30-6:30pm. There is no cost and childcare is provided if requested. A sign up for soup and desserts is available in the Narthex.

Sunday Sessions

March 1 – Learning Your "Spiritual Type"
 March 8 – The 9 Types in Focus
 March 15 – Exploring our Foundational Brokenness
 March 22 – The Enneagram as a Map
 March 29 – Being Our Best With Others
 April 5 - The Journey Toward Our True Self

Podcasts

February 27 - What is the Enneagram
 March 5 - How You Became You
 March 12 - Exploring the Heart, Mind, & Gut
 March 19 - Dis/Integration
 March 26 - The Enneagram & Relationships
 April 2 - Identity Under Construction
 April 9 - Where Do We Go From Here?

Recharge Spring Semester Kickoff

Wednesday, March 4th we will be kicking off our spring semester of Recharge. Please join us for our multi-generational gathering of families, youth and adults. The family style meal starts at 5:30pm and is followed by educational classes & fellowship for both youth and adults at 6:10pm (children will meet in the sanctuary).

World Day of Prayer

This year the World Day of Prayer will be held at Grace Lutheran Church in Spirit Lake at 1:00 PM on March 6, 2020. Join this ecumenical gathering of Christians who pray together for the concerns of our community, nation, and world.

PW Projects Day

Attention all Women!! Please plan to attend Presbyterian Women Projects Day on Thursday, March 12th from 9:30-noon in the Fellowship Hall. Morning coffee & treats will be provided. This is a fun morning to work on various projects with some great fellowship. If you haven't attended before, we would love to have you join us.

High School Mission Trip Registration

Registration for the 2020 youth mission trip is now open! All high school students are invited to join us on our service trip to North Carolina where we will once again this year partner with our friends at First Presbyterian Church in Jamaica, Queens. Registration cost for the trip is \$350 and the registration deadline is March 4th. Online registration, scholarship applications, and more information to be found on our website at fpcspiritlake.org/mission-trip.

Outdoor Project at FPC

First Pres is considering adding an outdoor meeting space and play area to our campus to the north of the fellowship hall/kitchen area. This would include a covered area with seating and firepit for informal meetings, Bible studies, etc. and a playground area for kids and families. We think both of these components would be well used and would add to our facilities and enhance our programs.

Drawings of the proposed plan as well as additional information can be found on the church website at www.fpcspiritlake.org/project

Easter Lilies

Again this year, our lilies will have even more meaning. We have decided to add to the cost of each lily and use these proceeds to benefit the Timber Bay Ministry. So while we celebrate the resurrection, we will also be ministering to people less fortunate. The lily alone will be \$11.00, but if you choose to give to Todd McQuown & the Timber Bay ministry, it will be \$15.00. Please call Megan at the church office at 336-1649 to place your order, and please let us know if this is in memory of or honoring someone.

Vacation Bible School

The dates have been set for this year's VBS. Save the date for June 15-18th and more details will be coming soon!

Upper Des Moines Opportunity Food Pantry

The congregations of our county take turns supporting the Upper Des Moines Opportunity Food Pantry. Long ago it was decided by the churches that the county would be best served by having this pantry. Our congregation has the opportunity to provide to the pantry for the months of April and October. Please consider donating your items during the month of April. Items may be placed in the wagon in the Narthex. Monetary gifts are welcome as well.

Lent Sermon Series

March 1 - Cleaning House
March 8 - Anointed With Tears
March 15 - The One Who Got Away
March 22 - No Fruit For You!
March 29 - Carrying the Wrong Cross
April 5 - Singing the Wrong Kind of Songs (Palm Sunday)
April 9 - Sheathing Our Swords (Maundy Thursday)
April 10 - The Problem with Power (Good Friday)
April 12 - Why Nobody Got Easter (Easter)

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday Services	April 5	8:50 & 11:15am
Maundy Thursday Service	April 9	7pm
Good Friday Service	April 10	7pm
Easter Sunday Services	April 12	8:50 & 11:15am

PRAYER LIST

Each month we remember First Pres families in prayer, this month please pray for:

Kathy Huitink, Oakhill Assisted Living, 1126 Oakhill Dr, Hawarden
Meghan Humphrey, 902 13th St SW Unit 13, Spencer
Doug VanderWilt, 2107 Ithaca Ave, Spirit Lake
Edna VanderWolde, 2408 25th St #75, Spirit Lake

Please pray for our members and friends of this church family who are facing various health concerns: Maddie DeWitt, Chris Koehler, Jody Ferguson, Lori Johnson, Pat Kelly, Mike Wiley, Kathy Huitink, Denice Wiersma, Bart Duncan, Macy Jennings, Elaine DenHerder, Kristen Martin, Marty Jenkins, Bill Cramer, Connie Rohlk, Tom & Sherry Fuhrman, Bob & Martha Graham, Colin Jensen, Denise Beimer, John, Jacinda & Braylynn Tracy, Joan Sterner, Mary Larsen, Todd Livingood, Ashlyn Clark, Terry & Bev Cother, Dave Ashlock, David Render, Norma Thompson, Curtis Stover, Ron Harris, Paul DenHerder, Travis Caskey, Niles Swancutt, Jack Burrell, Barry & Lois Holtgrewe, Laurel Webber, Ken Westergard, Betty VanderZwaag, Thea Ennema, Rick Hayes, Marilyn Rees, Jeff DeWall, Oz Nelson, Sharon Caskey, Jean Croft, Jaris Bronson, Laurie Phillips, Mike Ewen, Phyllis Walburg, Jamie Nebelsick, Laura Behrens, Ron Niebruegge, Jeremiah Knabe

Please pray for our members and friends who serve in the Armed Forces: Staff SGT Jamie Lewis, 1st LT Whitney Lewis, 7017 Arnold Ave., Unit A, JBER, AK 99506; SFC Frederick, Jesse; SSG Amy Frederick, 134 Newburg St., Ft. Leonardwood, MO 65473; 1st Class PO Billy Joe Travis, 8583 Aero Drive, Apt 2043, San Diego, CA 92123; PFC; Colton Petersen, CPT James Fliss, PSC 41 Box 6588, APO, AE 09464-0066, United States; SGT Kenten Murray, Unit 4090, Box 2011, DPO, AP 96521-2011; Dillon VanderWilt, PSC 201, Box 6240, APO AE 09522-9998, Justin Theisen

Each month we pray for Missionaries that we support:

The Banquet, 900 E 8th St, Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Volunteers are the heart and soul of The Banquet ministry in Sioux Falls, now at two locations. Their mission is to equip volunteers to provide food and fellowship to those served through this ministry. They provide a safe place where people can gather, receive nourishment and experience love in action.

Our church joins with our local Methodists one Saturday annually to prepare and serve the noon meal. It is a rewarding experience to serve and fellowship with the guests of The Banquet.

Bruce Ahlberg, 3RA AV 1-30 ZONA 6, Ciudad Vieja, Guatemala

Bruce is the Director of Youth With a Mission Antigua. He oversees all aspects of the ministry: Finances, Ministries at the base, Kids Club, Homeless feeding program and cafe, Literacy class, Bible distribution, English worship service, Discipleship training school and evangelism, working with short term teams and Summer MAD program. Bruce has one daughter. First Presbyterian Church has supported Bruce since 2004.