



First Presbyterian Church

meets at
292 West Main Street · Newark, DE 19711
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Communicator

*A nurturing community in Jesus Christ
reflecting God's love for the world as we
Worship, Grow and Serve.*

We look forward to you worshipping with us!.



Scripture: *Learning to See*
Sermon: *1st Samuel 16:10-13; John 9:1-41*
Given By: *Rev. Eric Markman*

Ushers: Ron Olson, Carol Olson, Ted Koser, Faithe Koser
Counters: Ron Olson, Mimi Lovelace
Closers: Ron Olson
Liturgist: Francis Kwansa
Greeters: Laura Tuttle, Rosemarie Beron, Dede Kirwan
Guest Organist: Sue Fuhrmann

MARCH 17, 2023



You Tube Channel
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMgrr0yHvgO-iUPphSOFgxxA>

Website
www.firstpresnewark.org

Church Calendar
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<https://firstpresnewark.org/giving-at-fpc-n/>

Next Week's Worship
March 26, 2023

Ushers: Joe Huggins, Bob Wunder, Sarah Huckleberry, Nancy Lewis
Counters: Harvey Connor, Francis Kwansa
Liturgist: Doris Brewer
Closer: Joe Huggins
Greeters: Mimi Lovelace, Anne Lewis

Office Hours

Monday-Friday
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Prayer Concerns/Praises.....

If you know of someone who is hospitalized, please contact the church office and let us know. Prayer email: prayers @firstpresnewark.org Prayers will remain in the bulletin for 3 weeks. New names are listed in bold.

Praise:

Sandy and Pam-helping Grace
Beth Marshall's friend found a home
Grace Laughinghouse-Office Administrator
Spiritual Gifts Class
First Saturday Breakfast

Healing:

Pat Nelson-back surgery 3-16
Rosemarie Beron-heart procedure
Brandon Terranova-friend of Koser's-cancer
Robert Weer-hand injury
Kathy Oller-Marian Bowen's friend-valve replacement
Jody Wagner-neighbor of Jynx-surgery
Ann Ferreira-back surgery

Grief/Sympathy:

The Family of:
Bill Lewis-died 3-15
Betty Thompson-died 3-14
Eva Lessig-friend of Judy Baker-died 3-13
Nancy Storch-Mimi's friend-father died 3-14
Kirk Rafetto-cousin of Mimi Lovelace
Jewel Biggs-Memorial Service-March 18 at 11:00

Comfort and Protection:

Nancy Lewis
Randi Gage-friend of Jynx-Hospice
Nancy Storch-friend of Mimi
5 Families in Odessa displaced by fire
Pam Rafetto

Wisdom:

Pastor Nominating Committee

Pastor Eric

Session

Dr Bowman-Pat Nelson's surgeon

Sunday School Teach Search

Waqif-Starting a non-profit for refugees
For decisions and insight on Westminster House
For our congregation to be open, honest, loving
Olivet Presbyterian Church, Glasgow, DE
Children's Learning Team
Outreach to the community

Long Term Prayer:

JoAnne McNeely

Jim McNeely

Doris Brewer-as she waits for answers

Lea McMurtry

Pat Steele

Opioid/Fentanyl Crisis

Marian Bowen

Tom Brockenbrough

Rhetta Brighton

Carlton and Martha Tappan

Evelyn Hayes

Heather Agnello

Laura Tuttle

Betty Hoagey

Margaret Catts

Betty Dalton

Crystal Norman

Stacy Wenner

Michael Fox

Christi Fox

Phyllis Sisk

Nancy Stevens

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DONATED BY

Ron and Annette Mehan

In loving memory of Laura Mehan Eliasekyi

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Chancel Flowers—Cost \$31.00

Flowers can be dedicated in honor or memory of family, friends and loved ones. You may keep or donate. A sign-up form is located in the Narthex. Checks *clearly identified for Communion Table flowers* may be placed in the offering plate or brought to the church office.

LOST & FOUND

In a box on the table
in the Narthex.

Items not retrieved

APRIL HEARTBEAT UPDATE

We are planning to have an April Heart Beat released by the end of March. **ALL** articles must be emailed to

swenner@firstpresnewark.org

by **Friday, March 24th** to be included!

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
CIRCLE MEETINGS**

TUESDAY, MARCH 21ST

Rachel Circle 1: **10:00 am** – MH Gliwa

Ruth Circle 2: **1:00 pm** – MH Gliwa

Esther Circle 3: **10:00 am**– MH Parlor

Elizabeth Circle 4: **1:00 pm** – Melody Bock's
7 The Horseshoe, Newark, DE 19711

Lydia Circle 5: **7:30 pm** – MH Parlor and Zoom

Announcements

Pick up a bag to fill as you are leaving today!

HELPING HAND

Food for the Hungry, Hope for the Homeless
Kingswood Methodist Food Closet

Sunday, March 26, 2023

Priority needs include:

- Cereal, peanut butter
- Tuna fish
- Canned Meats (beef stew, canned ham, Spam, Vienna sausage)
- Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta
- Ramen Noodles, Macaroni
- Canned Vegetables (peas, corn, carrots, beans, tomatoes)
- Canned Fruit, Fruit Snack Packs, Applesauce, Boxed drinks
- Cookies (individually wrapped)



Also welcome: checks, made out to:
"First Presbyterian Church"

Memo line: Kingswood Methodist - Food Closet

Sight and Sound Theater

Presents:

"Moses"

March 10 to October 7, 2023

Anyone interested in organizing a group to experience it?

Please contact the church office.

Building "Walls of Faith"

The event is scheduled to start Saturday April 22nd, 2023 at 9AM in the Newark United Methodist Church (NUMC) parking lot, with a rain date of Saturday, April 29th. Over a five (5) hour time frame (excluding an hour for lunch), 4-6 member Teams will be asked to sign-up for one (or more) of thirty (30) time slots available over the five (5) hours. During each time slot, Teams will be asked to build one (1), possibly two (2), wall panel(s) - each approximately 8 feet high and 10 feet long - using hammers, squares and other non-electric powered tools.

Registration sign-ups for "pre-assembled" Teams or individuals looking for a Team will begin in the next 1-2 weeks. Registration will also include sign-ups for other activities required to make the event a success - such as:

- Preparing wall bundles/kits at Habitat For Humanity of New Castle County (HFHNCC) facilities in March
- Loading the wall bundles/kits at HFH, transporting them to, and unloading them at, NUMC on Friday afternoon April 21st (or April 28th)
- Loading the wall panels at NUMC and transporting them to, and unloading them at, HFH facilities on Sunday afternoon April 23nd (or April 30th)

Besides building wall panels, other activities are envisioned, such as a small building/painting project for children (e.g. a bird houses), music and refreshments (including lunch). Volunteers are welcome to staff these as well.

And finally, if building walls is not your thing, consider monetary donations to help off-set material, transportation, food, and other event costs (such as toilet and trash receptacle rental, banner creation, etc.) - which are expected to exceed \$25,000.

Interested? Please contact the event organizer: Nancy Lewis - 302 598-5021

In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression



Millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing -

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger

Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in

different ways to serve individuals and communities in need.

From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

Donations will be collected on Sunday, April 2nd or can

be dropped off in the church office.

For more information, please see the flyer in this week's bulletin.

Giving envelopes will be included in the March 26th bulletin.

Adult Education is still going on and
YOU, yes YOU, are invited to come!

We meet at **11:30** in the parlor, with snacks and coffee, and are finished in time for you to go to lunch with your friends... Please come be a part of God working in our church and growing us as individuals.

We are continuing to explore *the third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit*, for the next two weeks.

We will then expand into *3 Simple Rules for living as a Christian* for the remainder of the spring into early summer.

No homework and no book required!

See you Sunday!



Holy Week and Easter Schedule

- Palm Sunday Service 10:00 AM
 - Maundy Thursday Community Wide Service 7:00 PM in Memorial Hall
 - Good Friday Service 12:00 noon in Memorial Hall
 - Easter Sunday
- Sunrise Service 7:00 AM** in Memorial Garden
- Festival Service of Worship 10:00 AM** in the Sanctuary

LIST OF OFFICERS BY CLASS

SESSION

CLERK OF SESSION—Nancy Lewis

Class of 2023: Greg Hills, Mimi Lovelace, Don Tancredi

Class of 2024: Melody Bock, Pat Nelson, Bob Wunder

Class of 2025: Joe Kowalski, Nancy Lewis, Mark Sisk

DEACONS

MODERATOR: Jane Moore

VICE MODERATOR: Norma Salomon

Class of 2023: Angela Abankwa-Opoku, Nancy Boulden,
Anne Lewis, Norma Salomon

Class of 2024: Rosemarie Beron, Jane Moore, Pat Steele,
Nancy Stevens

Class of 2025: Judy Agnello, Stephanie Birdsall,
Jan Huckleberry, Bob Wenner

TRUSTEES

PRESIDENT: Ron Olson

VICE PRESIDENT: Ken Lewis

Class of 2023: John Bock, Francis Kwansa, Ken Lewis

Class of 2024: Jim Annett, Joe Challburg, Jerry Holt, Kern Piser

Class of 2025: Bill Lewis

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 9:00am—1:00pm

This week's schedule

Sunday, March 19, 2023

10:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Confirmation Class – Zoom

1:00 pm JFS meetings – Gliwa

1:00 pm Girl Scouts – LS Rms 2/4/6

1:30 pm Newark Community Band set up –
Sanctuary

3:00 pm Newark Community Band 40th
Anniversary Concert –Sanctuary

Monday, March 20, 2023

3:00 pm String Family Studio – LS (as needed)

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

10:00 am PW Circle 1 – MH Gliwa
Circle 3 – MH Parlor

1:00 pm PW Circle 2 – MH Gliwa
Circle 4 – Melody Bock's

3:00 pm String Family Studio – LS (as needed)

7:30 pm PW Circle 5 – MH Parlor and Zoom

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

9:00 am Prayer Group – Zoom

12:00 pm Band of Brothers – Library

7:00 pm Handbells – LS

7:00 pm Troop 56 – MHW

Thursday, March 23, 2023

7:00 pm Session – Zoom

Friday, March 24, 2023

9:00 am Finance/Bill Pay – Zoom

Saturday, March 25, 2023

8:00 am CFC Youth Family Culture Teaching

11:00 am Chesapeake Brass Rehearsal –
Sanctuary

Sunday, March 26, 2023

10:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Confirmation Class – Zoom

1:00 pm JFS – Gliwa

1:30 pm Chesapeake Brass set up – Sanctuary

3:00 pm Chesapeake Brass Concert – Sanctuary