

Thursday E-blast for March 16, 2023

Easter Candy Donation: The Easter Candy donation bin is in the Narthex.

Purple Prayer Ribbons: We will once again have purple prayer ribbons when you enter the Sanctuary. Pick one up and tie them on the altar railing.

Save your change: We will once again pass out Easter eggs for you to take home and place your loose change in. Return the Easter eggs full and make some noise as you dump them into the soup pot in the sanctuary. Then, fill the Easter eggs up again. We also accept paper money. The Lenten "Noisy" offering will go to PCUSA's One Great Hour of Sharing, which supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self Development of People, all of which work in different ways to provide safety, sustenance, and hope to those in need.

Here is a schedule of 80th anniversary activities. Mark your calendars now! All year- 80 acts of service

May 21st- General Presbyter Lynn Hargrove to preach

July 8th - Talent no Talent show and potluck

Sept 30th - Dessert and Comedy Show

Worship Services: Our midweek Lenten worship this year will be Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p.m. Meals will not be served on Wednesdays. We will be using Holden Evening Prayer and scripture from 1 Kings. Each week there will be a speaker sharing their "Wilderness Faith Journey."

March 22nd Leigh Ann Jacobs will share

March 29th Matthew Jacobs will share

Poly-fill Donations: The Busy Bunch is busy stuffing heart shaped pillows to take to hospitals and nursing homes. They need poly-fill for the pillows. If you have any, you could donate, please drop off in the Craft room.

March 19, Elvis in the house: Ladies, Ladies! MEM1 is having a Sunday Matinee on March 19th at 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. So, put on your blue suede shoes for the showing of ELVIS. Bring your favorite snacks and lawn chairs. Soft drinks will be provided.

New Members' Class: The New Members' Class is scheduled for March 26th. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP by March 22nd. The new member installation will occur April 2, 2023, during worship.

Thursday Bible Study March 30th at 11:00 a.m.: The group will discuss a new topic, *Celebrating Sabbath* by Carol M Bechtel. The group will be exploring Sabbath as ordained by God using passages from Genesis, Exodus, Deuteronomy, Isaiah, Matthew, Luke, and Acts. What does it mean for all creation to "remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy?" For information, contact Elisabeth Schmalstieg.

ATTENTION: Mem1 is shooting a video that will be shown at Synod Assembly in May. Shoot Day is April 1st at 11:00 am. This is not an April Fool's joke! We need actors and extras for scenes in the Narthex and the Sanctuary. Please set this time aside on your calendar and come be a part of this moment. There will be lots of laughs and probably a great blooper reel at the end. Doughnuts and coffee will be provided. Danny Pugh will be directing and Scott Powell will be producing and editing. Contact Danny with questions at 919-264-3263.

Team Trivia: Team Trivia will be held April 22, 2023, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Entry deadline for teams and sponsors is April 19th. Registration forms are available in the Narthex. For information, contact Larry Edrozo.

Garage Sale: The Garage Sale will be held Friday April 28th & Saturday April 29th. 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day. **We are accepting donations starting Sunday, April 23rd** after Church service in the Fellowship Hall. Clean, durable clothes are also accepted. Volunteers are needed to assist with marking the items for sale starting Monday April 23rd and throughout the week. (Feel free to put a price on the item.) If you need assistance with your donation, contact Don Pruns at 409-457-1416.

Servolution: Servolution info is live! Please see Leigh Ann, Facebook, or materials in the Narthex! Completed registration forms for the May 6th event can be left in the box outside the main office. Servolution t-shirts will be available soon for those who need them. Please add your name and shirt size to the list in the Narthex.

VBS volunteers and leaders! Please see Leigh Ann if you haven't chosen a leadership position or if you are interested in volunteering to help at any stage of VBS. It takes place June 19-23, but we have a substantial amount of preparation beforehand, and any help is welcome!

Coffee and Conversation: Would you like a fresh cup of hot coffee before heading out on your morning errands? Well, please join us for "Coffee 'n Conversation' Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is no agenda, just good fellowship! All are invited and encouraged to stop by. Thank you, Joyce Palmer

Attendance: Please remember to sign the attendance roster at the front of the Narthex.

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH!

CCY: Goofy Games Night! March 25th, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

CCY: Tall Ships Event – April 15th in Galveston

LOOKING AHEAD

March 19: Women's Afternoon Movie 3:00 p.m.

March 24-March 26: Women's Annual Retreat

March 25: CYY Goofy Games Night! 5:00 p.m.

March 26: New Members' Class

March 27: Bunko 6:30 p.m.

April 2: Palm Sunday

April 2: Installation Ceremony for New Members

April 2: VBS Leaders and Volunteers Meeting

April 6: Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.

April 7: Good Friday 7:00 p.m.

April 9: Easter

April 15: CCY Tall Ships Event - Galveston

April 16: Honor Policemen and Firemen with dessert trays

April 22: Team Trivia

April 23: Reconciling in Christ (Meeting after Worship Service with Potluck)

April 28 – April 29: Garage Sale

May 6: Servolution 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

May 13: Ladies Luncheon – 11:00 a.m.

May 21: General Presbyter – Lynn Hargrove to preach

June 5: Chick's Night Out Potluck & Games

June 16-June 17: VBS Workday

June 19-23: Save the Date. VBS

July 8: Save the Date. Talent No Talent and Dinner

September 30: Dessert and Comedy Show