FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Carthage, NC

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April 2024 Newsletter



Holy Week

Good Friday

Our Good Friday Service will take place this Friday at 6:30 p.m. This is the first year that we have done this service and it will be a powerful moment as we reflect upon Jesus love for us and the sacrifice He endured.

Easter Morning

Bring flowers from home or bought to place on the Cross

Bring an Easter Lilly for the front of the Sanctuary

7:00 a.m. Community Sunrise Service – at the church cemetery. Dress comfortably.

7:30 a.m. A Delicious Breakfast and Time of Fellowship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Easter Worship in the Sanctuary



Remembering our sisters and brothers in Christ as they face difficult times.

John Currie, *Tara Plantation*
Archie Kelly
Carol Lucas
Pat Nugent
Dennis Parks
Otis Patterson, *First Health*
Lee Edmonds
Sheree Kelly
Nancy McKenzie
Regina Nugent
Ina Sue Parks, *St. Jospeh's*
Phillip Warmbrod

Terry Barber, *friend of the Monroes*
Bonnie Brown, *friend of the Edmonds*
Daniel Cartwright, *Margaret and Tom Leonard's nephew*
Abe Caviness, *Debby Albright's great-nephew*
Willis Clark, *Elizabeth Barringer & Marie Monroe's brother*
Ann Herndon, *Kay Patterson's sister*
Christian Huffman, *friend of Kelly & Rick Martindale*
Sue & Chuck Kelly, *Mike Kelly's brother*
Sean Kennally, *Angie Provost's son-in-law*
Angie Krappl, *friend of Gail & Keith Hardin*
Tyler Mabe
Lisa Muller, *Ina Sue Parks' cousin*
Linda & Tommy Phillips, *friend of Kay Patterson*
T Prickett, *Lyn Austin & Cathy Prickett's brother*
Sandy, *Marlene Riyevski's sister*
Joseph Saluby, *Missionary to Guatemala*

All of our military men and women and their families, especially the following:
Jonathan Baker, Kyle Bryant, Cody Fitzgerald,
Chris Mohan, Patrick Mohan,
Greg Riyevski, Michael Schwartz, and Quinn Wicker.

If you would like to add someone, or remove yourself from First Presbyterian's Prayer Requests, please contact the church office at (910) 947-2924 or infofpc397@gmail.com.



This is the Financial Report for

February 2024

FINANCIAL REPORT

OPERATING FUNDS:

Balance in checking account as of Feb 1, 2024		68,693.24
Tithes and Offerings Received		+13,124.10
	Sub-Total	81,817.34
Expenditures		-9,823.41
Balance in checking account as of Feb 29, 2024 (Includes Jan-Feb '24 payroll taxes Withheld: FICA $220.83; FW/H $80; SW/H $20=$320.83)		71,993.93

RESTRICTED FUNDS: (Funds designated for specific projects, etc.)

Restricted Funds held in checking account as of Feb 1, 2024		54,401.84
Donations/offerings received: 2¢ a Meal $117.30; Flower Fund $55; PW $385; Sale of Trust shares $83.68; Close Brokerage account $10.49; W/drawal from Scholarship CD to add to Scholarship Fund for graduates $300		+951.47
	Sub-Total	55,353.31
Expenditures: 2 Cents a Meal $117.30		- 117.30
Balance in Restricted Funds as of Feb 29, 2024		55,236.01

RECAP:

Operating Funds Balance	71,993.93
Building Fund: $12,569.40 + 83.68 + 10.49=	+12,663.57
Restricted Funds Balance	+42,572,44
2/29/2024 Checkbook Balance	127,229.94

OTHER REVENUES ON HAND:

Scholarship C/D with BB&T	21,681.49
Truist Financial Corp, (account closed)	0.00
	21,681.49

Church Announcements

Birthdays
Sunday Flowers
Attendance
Thank You's & More!



The session approved the following items at our March meeting of the session:

- Communion dates for 2024
- "Coffee in the Kitchen" on the first Sunday of April and May
- Worship will move to 10 am during the months of June, July, and August
- The first Sunday of June, July, and August will be a contemporary service
- The switching from a Maundy Thursday to Good Friday service
- Human Trafficking Presentation (see announcement)

April Birthdays



4th	David Casey
5th	Cindy Monroe
6th	Katie Campbell Lucas
7th	Shane Medlin
9th	Judi Kelly
10th	Reid Marshburn
11th	Katie Kelly Crenshaw
11th	Kayden Dean
11th	Sharon McDonald
14th	Michelle Tortora
16th	Regena Nugent
18th	Kelly Gordon
19th	Ann Key
21st	Lee McCaskill
26th	Denise Bennett
26th	Shirley Moore
30th	Tina Stromko

April SUNDAY FLOWERS

3rd
10th
17th
24th
31st

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary please call Debbie Gordon at (910) 947-3963

April Greeters

7th	Pat Jackson
14th	Pat and Regena Nugent
21st	Kelly Martindale
28th	Kay Patterson

February 2024



	Sunday School	Worship
1st Sunday	27	45
2nd Sunday	26	40
3rd Sunday	25	43
4th Sunday	23	41
5th Sunday	0	0
Average	25	43

Send church news and announcements to FPC
by calling or emailing the church office at (910) 947-2924 / infofpc397@gmail.com.

Food Bank

On the first Saturday morning of the month,
FPC friends and family meet at the Robbins' Food Bank
of Robbins Area Christian Ministries from 7:30-10 a.m.
to serve our friends and families in need.

Three items still needed include: protein beans,
peanut butter, and tuna (chicken) in cans.
Please, no big cans.

Food and double-bagged plastic grocery bags can be placed
at the donation station in the FLC.

Come Join us this Saturday, April 6th.

To carpool, meet in the FPC parking lot at 7 a.m.

two cents

Don't forget to give us your "two-cents" the first Sunday of every month as we continue to support our Children's 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering.

Our children are now collecting this offering during the Moment with our Children.

A little bit can go a long way!

THANK YOU

Thank you to all that made our annual Easter Egg Hunt such a success. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated. Kids of all ages had an amazing time.













SUNDAY FUNDAY

It is time for Sunday Funday! First Presbyterian Church will be providing a time for kids, 4 years old - 6th grade, get together and have an amazing time of Fun, Fellowship and Worship. Sunday Funday children will meet each Sunday beginning April 7th - May 5th, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Bring the kids out and let them join in on the fun and festivities.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

On Sunday, March 31, 2024, our congregation will be collecting the "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering which goes to those that have been affected by natural disasters, in need of food, and encountering difficult situations where they cannot help themselves.

Are we fortunate not to be in any of these situations? It is together with the Presbyterian Church (USA) that we gather this money to show our love and concern for others. We hope you give joyfully and with a caring heart on this date.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PRESENTATION

Friend to Friend Community Educator, Holly Brown, will give a Human Trafficking presentation in the Family Life Center on April 11th at 7 p.m. A question/answer period will follow. Light refreshments will be served.

CROP WALK

The Crop Walk will be held on **Sunday, April 14th on the track** at **Union Pines High School**. Registration will be at 2:00 p.m. with the Crop Walk kicking off at 3:00 p.m. Come out and join in as we raise money to fight hunger in the community.

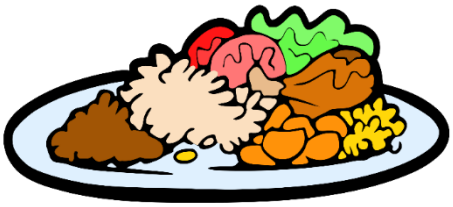
Join our team and/or donate: First Presbyterian Church Carthage Youth Group.

https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/event/sandhillsnc

MEN'S GROUP

The men of First Presbyterian Church host a time of fellowship and Biblical Study. They are doing a study by Ray Vander Laan. They meet on the first and third Tuesdays at 6:15 p.m. All are welcome to come and join in this time of fellowship and study!

PW Meal Ministry



April Meal Leaders:

4th JoAnn Wahala
11th Gail Hardin
18th Lucinda Casey
25th Claudia Mckenzie

If you would like to help with a meal, part of a meal or know someone who needs assistance please contact JoAnn Wahala at 910-947-3238.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Coast Carolina annual Spring Gathering/Business Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 5422 St. Andrews Church Road in Sanford. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. The speaker is Maggie Yow Buchanan. Carpooling will be available. Please notify JoAnn if you would like to carpool.

Easter Treats are being delivered to shut-ins and others in the FPC family. If you are aware of someone to be added to this mission, please notify JoAnn.

Bible Study will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd at 10:00am.

The PW Coordinating Team will meet Wednesday, April 3rd at 11:00 a.m. following Bible Study.

CHURCH CALENDAR

April 2024

Monday, April 1st		**Easter Monday – Church Office will be Closed**
	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship & Mission Committee Meeting
Tuesday, April 2nd	6:15 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday, April 3rd	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Morning Bible Study
	11:00 a.m.	PW Coordinating Team
	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday, April 6th	7:30 a.m.	Robbins' Food Bank, *meet 7 a.m. at FPC to carpool*
Sunday, April 7th	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship / 2 Cents a Meal – Children
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Funday, ages 4 -6th Grade
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Group, Grades 7-12
Tuesday, April 9th	6:00 p.m.	Building and Grounds Committee Meeting
Wednesday, April 10th	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thursday, April 11th	7:00 p.m.	Human Trafficking Presentation
Sunday, April 14th	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	3:00 p.m.	Crop Walk (Registration begins at 2 p.m.)
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Funday, ages 4 – 6th Grade
Tuesday, April 16th	6:15 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday, April 17th	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, April 19th	4:00 p.m.	Youth leave for Christian Concert in Raliegh
Saturday, April 20th		Multi-purpose Room Reserved
	9:00 a.m.	PW Spring Gathering
Sunday, April 21st	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship / Communion
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Funday, Ages 4 – 6th Grade
Tuesday, April 23rd		Deadline for Church Mouse / Newsletter
Wednesday, April 24th	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday, April 27th		Multi-purpose Room Reserved
Sunday, April 28th	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	3:00 p.m.	Presbytery Session Minutes Meeting
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Funday, Ages 4 – 6th Grade
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Group, Grades 7-12
Monday, April 29th	6:30 p.m.	Administrative Committee Meeting
Tuesday, April 30th		Distribute Church Mouse / Newsletter

The Session

Moderator:
The Rev. Rick Martindale

Clerk:
Dale Buie

Class of 2024
Nancy Carter
Robert Gordon
Gail Hardin
John McDonald
Jackie Muse
Michelle Tortora

Class of 2025
Dale Buie
David Casey
Margaret Leonard
Ann Lynch
Marie Monroe
Paul White

Church Staff

Ann Key, *Sexton*
Leon Monroe, *Receiving T*reasurer
Marie Monroe, *Dispersing Treasurer*
Rick Martindale*, Minister*
Jeanne Dennis, *Interim Choir Director and Organist*
Sonya Potter, *Administrative. Assistant*
Avery Smallwood, *Nursery Attendant*

Newsletter Feedback…

We'd like your feedback on how to improve our
Church Mouse Newsletter
for Fpc members, friends and family! Share your thoughts with us
at infofpc397@gmail.com
or (910) 947-2924.
We look forward to hearing from you!