

**First Presbyterian Church**  
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**PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Audrey Heasty	Blake Kamstra	The family of Pat Riggins
Russ Novy	Bev Tevault	The family of Betty Alford
Emily Nejfelt-Davis	Alan Zents(Creech)	Connie Bruzzese (Williamson)
Ronnie Nazzari	Kathy Obrakta (Johnson)	Don Ostrouski (Dunning)
Meggan Settle (Buse)	Gabriel Settle (Buse)	Logan Hambrick (Ratliff)
Judy O'Connor (Coppedge)		The family of Jack Robinson (Baude)

**ON GOING PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Charles Heiser	Rebecca Johnson	Kristy Mitsdorfer's family
Judy Williams	Grant Prenkert	Ross Arvin (Williams)
Ruth Fleming	Jeanne Potter	Sylvia Jefferies
Lou Miller	Ozzie Ragatz	Dexter Lawless (Darling)
Bob Hart	Brian Kanowsky	Adam James (Smith)
Cora Sudbury	Damion Kline (Darling)	David Purvis (Jon and Carol's son)
Susan Koch	Doris Koch	Russell Coleman (Allen)
Tom Black	Simon & Haejung Park	David Fahrbach (Rusie)
Jon Purvis	Alice Hershey (Moir)	Marie Sayler (Dearborn)
Bruce Nelson	Cole Winnefield (Goodlett)	Irene Albright (Koch)
Ariel Green	David Clemons (Koch)	Frank & Marjorie Woodall (Melton)
Louis Tompkins (Sharon Nejfelt's brother)	Bill and Dorothy Adam (Davis-Deckard)	
Bob Trussell		

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**HEAD USHERS** for today are Cate Hart and Bob Hyatt (9:00 a.m.) and Gail Dunning (11:00 a.m.)

**TODAY'S SOUNDBOARD OPERATORS** are Greg Hepfer (9:00 a.m.) and Garth Goodlett (11:00 a.m.).

**ACOLYTE** for today is Alyssa Kerilla.

**COLLEGE STUDENT LUNCH:** There will not be a separate lunch for students, but an all-church pitch-in brunch at 10:00. College students are invited to attend this event as our guests.

**HEARING DEVICES AVAILABLE:** The church has devices for those that have trouble hearing. For hygiene purposes please bring your own earphones that have a small "mini" plug. You can request the use of a device from the ushers or go directly to the sound operator.

**SPRING CLEAN-UP, APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>.** We need lots of volunteers to help us clean up the inside and outside of the building. We will start at 9:00 and be finished by noon. Contact Steve Main for more information.

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING D-DAY:** Today is the official day for receiving our OGHs offering. We hope you brought a check to put in the offering plate, but if you have forgotten, the drive will not be closed for the next week or two. Millions of people living in poverty or suffering from disasters depend on the three programs supported by this offering. This is an opportunity for you to obey Jesus' command to "Feed my sheep". Please make a generous contribution and help us reach our \$5000 goal.

**EASTER BRUNCH:** The annual FPC Easter Brunch is Easter Sunday between the 9 and 11 a.m. worship services. What began years ago as a "gift" to the choir for their hard work (and continues to be a gift to them), this annual brunch now hosted by the Evangelism Committee is an easy way to greet your friends and welcome newcomers on this special day.

**SPIRITUAL RENEWAL, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN:** The FP Women's Retreat will be held at the Spring Mill Inn in Mitchell on April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>. The gathering will begin at 7 pm Friday April 30<sup>th</sup> and concludes at 4 pm Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of May. All women of the Church are invited to attend. Information and registration forms are available on line in the First Press or in the Lyman Hall narthex bulletin board. Registrations must be in by March 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please call Carol at 323-7823 or Gail at 325-0514.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES FOR SUNDAY, April 4th (10-10:50 am): PALM SUNDAY**

**Faith Forum and Gen-X** classes will join in the Easter Brunch in Lyman Hall.

**Seekers** (Bible Study meets in Parlor): The Community Faces Joy and Pain: John 16:16-24 "you will see me no more"; John 20:11-16 Mary at the tomb

Classes for Sunday, April 11th:

**Faith Forum** (meets in Room 7 downstairs): "Buddhism Interpreted for Christians." Mary Pattison will present a very accessible explanation of Buddhism, including response to questions about areas of intersection with Christianity, ways we can relate meaningfully. She will also tell about plans for the Dalai Lama's May visit to Bloomington.

**Gen-X** (meets in Room 7 downstairs): So What, Now What?

--We just celebrated the biggest day in the Christian calendar. Now what? Biblical and personal perspectives.

**Seekers:** Love Within the Community: I John 2:7-27.

**MCUM Spring Luncheon.** The Monroe County United Ministries will hold its annual spring luncheon and silent auction on Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, with doors opening at 11:30 and lunch at 12:30. This is a major fund raiser for an organization that First Presbyterian Church helped create seventy years ago. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for 4-8 year olds, and free for children 0-3. Except for the silent auction, which you are free to participate in or not as you wish, there will be no additional fundraising at the lunch. Tickets may be obtained from Ed McClellan (336-5742 or [mccllella@indiana.edu](mailto:mccllella@indiana.edu)). MCUM operates a low-cost pre-school program for needy children and provides a variety of emergency services for the poor.

**SPRING IS HERE** at last, and it's the time to "green up". It's also when FPC and **Earth Stewards** observe Earth Sunday. Each Sunday before that observance on April 25<sup>th</sup>, we want to thank those who have worked hard in the past year to affirm the promise in our mission statement "to be good stewards of God's creation".

One solid green achievement has been the reduction in the amount of paper used for our monthly **FIRST PRESS**. The office now mails only 100 copies out of the 300 formerly mailed. Thanks to all of you who now receive your copy via email and help FPC save time, money and energy. If you're not yet on that email list, call the office at (812) 332-1514 or send an email to: [adminfpc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:adminfpc@sbcglobal.net).

**THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN THANK ALL OF YOU** – the workers, the buyers, the givers and all of you that prayed for the success of the fire alarm sale. Proceeds of about \$5,000.00 will be used to directly pay off the loan – Bless you all. Carol and Julie.

**TO WEST VIRGINIA MISSION PARTICIPANTS - PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE:** Earth Stewards is hosting a Faith Forum program at 10am on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> about Mountaintop Removal Coal Mining (MTR). MTR removes the summits of mountains and directs the excess rocks and soils into the valleys below. This kind of mining is going on in areas near Montgomery, WV, which is in the general locale of FPC's mission trips.

Our guest speaker will be Andy Mahler from Paoli, IN. Andy's forest preservation work through the organization "Heartwood" led him to a leadership role in opposing MTR.

MTR presents a real dilemma for the residents of Appalachian areas where this kind of coal mining occurs. The mining companies provide employment. This mining method is less dangerous than conventional deep mining. But resulting air and stream pollution have long-term health effects. And MTR destroys vast areas of the landscape.

We hope you'll join us on April 18<sup>th</sup> for an opportunity to listen and ask questions about a region our congregation cares about. Earth Stewards

## APRIL 2010 CALENDAR

Date	Day	Time	Event
4	Sunday	6:30 a.m.	Rose Garden by Walker Hall entrance
		9:00 a.m.	Easter Service
		10:00 a.m.	Easter Brunch
		11:00 a.m.	Easter Service
7	Wednesday	5:45 p.m.	Committee Night Meal
		6:30 p.m.	Committee Meetings
8	Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir practice
		7:00 p.m.	Choir practice
11	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Worship
		10:00 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
		6:00 p.m.	Session
15	Thursday	10:00 a.m.	NW Cluster Meeting
		6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir practice
		7:00 p.m.	Choir practice
16	Friday	7:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast – Bobby's Too
17	Saturday	9 am- 12pm	Spring Clean-up
18	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Worship
		10:00 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
19	Monday	-----	May <i>First Press</i> deadline
		7:00 p.m.	Bible Study – rm 5
22	Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir practice
		7:00 p.m.	Choir practice
25	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Worship
		10:00 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
26-28	Mon. – Wed.	-----	Rachel Pedersen –on Continuing Ed.

Next Sunday's lectionary readings are...

OT: Ps. 118:14-29 or Ps. 150 NT: Acts 5:27-32; Rev. 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

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