

# *Joys and Concerns*

*Week of February 11, 2018*

It is a joy to welcome those who are worshipping with us for the first time. May you experience God's presence and blessing in this gathering of believers.

## From the Community, Church & World

The PC(USA) *Mission Yearbook for Prayer & Study* encourages us to be in prayer for the Presbyterian Health, Education & Welfare Association. It also asks us to be in prayer for those who have health concerns, and those who care for those with health concerns.

Our Presbytery's Prayer Partner program encourages us to be in prayer for United Presbyterian Church in Bloomington, Indiana, and their pastor, Rev. John Napoli.

Continue to be in prayer for our Transitional Pastor Nominating Committee as they work to find the right person to lead our congregation.

Please continue in prayer for all in our congregation and community who are experiencing home, health, family and financial concerns.

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## Calendar

Week of February 11, 2018

### Saturday

9:00AM Loaves & Fishes at First Prez

9:30AM Farmer's Market

5:00PM **Worship in the Chapel** *Lord's Supper*  
*Rev. Charlie Pye Preaching*

### Sunday

9:30AM Sunday School for All Ages

10:45AM **Worship** *Lord's Supper*  
*Rev. Charlie Pye Preaching*

Home Communion

### Monday

7:30PM Al-Anon in the Committee Room

### Tuesday

9:30AM Quilters

### Wednesday

12:05PM **Downtown Churches' Ash Wednesday Service**

5:10PM Supper in Taggart Hall

5:50PM **Ash Wednesday & Lord's Supper in the Chapel**

### Thursday

10:30AM Al-Anon in the Committee Room

7:00PM Square Dance Lessons

### Saturday

8:30AM Men's Group at Adrienne's Café

9:30AM Farmer's Market

5:00PM **Worship in the Chapel**  
*Rev. Sandra Moon Preaching*

### Sunday

9:30AM Sunday School for All Ages

10:45AM **Worship**

*Rev. Sandra Moon Preaching*

12:00PM Congregational Meeting

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Office Hours: 1:00—4:00 p.m.  
Monday through Friday

Guest Preacher—Rev. Charlie Pye

Guest Organist—Dan Benjamin

Student Pastor—Courtney Bowen

Choir Director—Steve Inman      Organist—Judy Diekhoff

Bell Choir Director—Trish Read

Saturday Night Music Director—Brian Herald

Sunday Sound & Technology Engineer—Keith Noe

Saturday Projection Crew—Alecia Simonis & Keith Noe

Church Administrator—Becky Herald

Church Custodian—Mindy Inman

Clerk of Session—Mary Ruth Phares

## Hope Chest Gifts for February Support the Clark County Youth Shelter

Suggested donations are:

Small or travel size toiletries including:  
Toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant,  
shampoo and conditioner.

*Please leave your in-kind contributions in  
the Hope Chest, located in the Atrium.  
Gift cards/cash donations may be left in  
the church office.*



Also, for those who forget or prefer not to shop,  
“Hope Chest” donation envelopes are available in  
the pew racks and from the table in the chapel.

## Souper Bowl of Caring

Thank you to everyone who supported  
our Souper Bowl of Caring last  
weekend. We donated 81 pounds of  
food to the Center for Lay Minis-  
tries and \$527 will go to support  
Loaves & Fishes.



## Mark your calendars!



Our annual 222 Day Celebration  
will be held on Saturday, Febru-  
ary 24, at Café on Meigs at  
6:30pm. Several of our church  
members will be performing. If  
you would like to participate, let  
Brian Herald know.

## The First Prez Yard Sale will be held on

Saturday, February 24. Dona-  
tions may be brought to the  
church any time and taken to the  
basement. Please mark them  
“Yard Sale.” If possible, please  
save large items until the week  
the sale. (A reminder, we will  
not be accepting clothing.) Ques-  
tions? Contact Carolyn MacGregor at (502) 939-4558.



**The Prayer Lunch group** will gath-  
er on Tuesday, February 20, at 11:30 a.m. in  
the Agape Room. Lunch is provided.

## Our Annual Congregational Meeting

will be held following worship on Sunday, February  
18. Annual Reports for 2017 are available. Please pick  
up a copy from the Atrium.

# Welcome to First Prez...

**Visitors — We welcome you!** If there is any assistance we can provide, or if there are any questions we can answer for you, please speak to a greeter or usher, a neighbor next to you or the pastor. We'll be happy to do what we can to help you feel at home.

**Ministry of friendship sheets** are in the folders at the end of the pews on Sunday and on the table with the bulletins on Saturday night. Please leave a record of your attendance by signing in.

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## About our celebration of the Lord's Supper...

In the Presbyterian Church, all people are welcome to participate in the Sacrament, regardless of denominational affiliation.

As the congregation comes forward for the Lord's Supper on Sunday morning, an elder will be available to bring the Sacrament to those who need to remain in their pews due to limited or difficult mobility.

On Saturday night, if you need to be served at your seat, simply raise your hand as the last person passes through the line for Communion.

Gluten-free Communion wafers are available on the Communion trays at both services for those who need them.

A member of the prayer chain will be in the back of the sanctuary and chapel, available to pray with and for anyone having personal concerns or special prayer requests. Feel free to go see them as Communion is being served or anytime through the remainder of the service.

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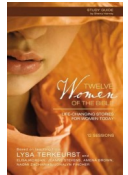
**The Book Group** is meeting Sunday, February 11. They will be discussing chapters eleven and twelve of *Reconstruction* by Eric Foner.

The group gets together the second Sunday of each month. If you are interested, contact Rodney Smithey at [rodwsm@gmail.com](mailto:rodwsm@gmail.com) or 812-280-0665.



**Attendance** on Sunday, February 4, was 103. There were 21 at the Saturday evening service. Attendance on Wednesday evening was 11.

**The Adult Sunday School** is currently studying "Twelve Women of the Bible". It is a 12-week study, and each week will focus on a different woman of the Bible. They meet in the Agape Room. If you have any questions, speak with Doyle Criswell.



**The Young Adults Sunday School** class will be studying "Slow Kingdom Coming" by Kent Annan during Lent. The book is available on Amazon for about \$7.00. If you'd like to join them or have any questions, speak with Courtney Bowen.

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## Ash Wednesday

There will be two opportunities to observe Ash Wednesday on February 14. The first will be an ecumenical service with the Downtown Churches at 12:05pm in the First Prez sanctuary, with lunch following in the gym (a donation of \$8 is suggested for lunch, with proceeds going to Center for Lay Ministries). The second will be at 6:00pm in our upstairs Chapel following our regular Wednesday night meal at 5:10.

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## This Sunday @ First Prez...

**Ushers and Greeters** this Sunday are Jim & Linda Keith and David & Renata Lewis.

**Next Sunday's Ushers and Greeters** are Roger Emily, Mary Ruth Phares, Jerry & Linda Robertson, and Jerry & Donna Collins.

**In the nursery this Sunday** is Michelle Arnold. Becky Herald is in the nursery next Sunday. Merrick Bartlett is in charge of Kidz Church this Sunday. Next Sunday Season Neal is leading Kidz Church.

**Serving Communion this Sunday** are Kathy Bixler, Charlie Neal, Jerry Robertson, Margaret Sparks, and Pat Stone.

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## Jeffersonville's Winter

**Farmers' Market** is held in the Taggart Hall gym on Saturday mornings. They will be here every Saturday through Memorial Day.



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## Winter Coat Collection...

We are again collecting coats, jackets, sweatshirts and other warm winter clothing items for adults and children. We have had great success in the past and have helped many people who needed warm clothes to get them through the winter. Donations will be distributed by Exit 0 and the Center for Lay Ministries.



Please help out by leaving your donations in the box in the Atrium. If you have any questions, speak with Virgil Hertling.

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## The first Sunday in Lent is "Wear your Blue PDA T-Shirt to Church Sunday"

as a testament to one of the ways the One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference. King David sang, "You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy..." (Psalm 30:11).



Thousands of volunteers each year put on a blue t-shirt that says "Out of Chaos, Hope". They bear not only ladders and drywall for rebuilding from disasters, but also the love of God. Many disaster survivors who see the love of God evident in the lives of these servants are able to take off their cloak of mourning and begin to find joy.

Join in by wearing blue on Sunday, February 18.



**The Men's Group** will have their next gathering at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 17, at Adrienne's Café. Contact Doyle Criswell for more information.

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## No Life Forgotten

There is a No Life Forgotten service Sunday afternoon to mark the death of Josephine Amon, who was murdered on January 21. The service will be at 4:00pm near 1907 Viking Ct., which is off Ewing Lane in Jeffersonville.

