

# *Joys and Concerns*

*Week of April 1, 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.

## Sympathy

We express our Christian Sympathy to Pat Ohlmann following the death of his brother, Joseph, on Wednesday, March 28. Please keep Pat, and his sister-in-law, Pam, in your prayers.

## Joy

Congratulations to parents Ryan and Aleisha Bixler, siblings, Leo, Leah, and Levi, and grandma, Kathy Bixler, on the new addition to the Bixler clan, Bendjina! Bendjina is four years old, and a long-anticipated addition to the family.

## From the Community, Church & World

The PC(USA) *Mission Yearbook for Prayer & Study* encourages us to support and pray for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering, and all of the programs that it supports.

Our Presbytery's Prayer Partner program encourages us to be in prayer for our own congregation on Easter weekend.

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 April 1, 2018

### Saturday

9:30AM Farmer's Market  
11:00AM Easter Egg Hunt  
7:00PM **Easter Vigil by Taggart Hall Entrance**  
*Lord's Supper, Rev. Ginny Brown Preaching*

### Sunday

7:00AM **Sunrise Service at Overlook**  
9:30AM Sunday School for All Ages  
10:45AM **Worship in the Sanctuary**  
*Lord's Supper, Rev. Ginny Brown Preaching*

### *Easter Sunday*

### Monday

6:00PM Presbyterian Women in Agape Room  
7:30PM Al-Anon in the Committee Room

### Tuesday

9:30AM Quilters

### Wednesday

5:10PM Supper in Taggart Hall  
5:50PM Evening Prayer in the Chapel  
6:15PM Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:00PM Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday

10:30AM Al-Anon in the Committee Room  
7:00PM Square Dance Lessons in Taggart Hall

### Saturday

9:30AM Farmer's Market  
5:00PM **Worship in the Chapel**  
*Rev. David Wallace Preaching*

### Sunday

9:30AM Sunday School for All Ages  
10:45AM **Worship in the Sanctuary**  
*Rev. David Wallace Preaching*  
Home Communion  
2:30PM Book Discussion Group in Meriwether Room

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Monday through Friday

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Guest Preacher—Rev. Ginny Brown  
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

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### Hope Chest Gifts for April Support Loaves & Fishes

Suggested donations are  
large cans of vegetables or fruits

*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.

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**Attendance** on Sunday, March 25, was 97.  
There were 15 at the Saturday evening service. 51 people were at the Maundy Thursday service.

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**The Food Committee** is looking for help with serving and cleaning up after the meals on Wednesday evenings. If you would like to help out, or if you would like to cook a meal on a Wednesday evening, let Janet Moore know.



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**The Congregational Care Committee** is looking for at least 10 volunteers to join City Pride's Team Up to Clean Up effort on April 7 from 10am until noon. Please RSVP to Yvonne Knight 812-282-4647 or [yknight204@twc.com](mailto:yknight204@twc.com) if you wish to be part of First Prez's team.

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**The One Great Hour of Sharing offering** will be received Palm Sunday and Easter weekends, with a follow-up the weekend of April 8. The One Great Hour of Sharing supports the good work accomplished through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, The Presbyterian Hunger Program & Self-Development of People.



**The Adult Sunday School class** will start a study of *Tried Tested & Triumphant, the Book of Job Volume 1* on April 8 at 9:30 am in the Agape Room. If you have any questions, speak with Doyle Criswell.

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## Congregational Care Committee Meeting

You are invited to join the CCC Planning meeting scheduled for Sunday, April 15th. If you have not been active lately in "sharing the caring" of our congregation and are interested in getting involved (examples: transportation; preparing, serving & cleaning up meals; visiting the homebound; participating in prayer chain; making prayer blankets; sending notes; or HAVE NEW IDEAS!) please join us for a light lunch right after church on the 15th. RSVP. Yvonne Knight: [yknight204@twc.com](mailto:yknight204@twc.com) or Kathy Bixler: [knbixler@gmail.com](mailto:knbixler@gmail.com) Thanks.

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## Thunder Parking . . .

A Thunder Parking fund-raiser sign-up sheet is posted on the youth bulletin board. We would like to have two youth and one adult for each 2-hour shift beginning at 11 a.m. Money earned may be used for camp, mission trips or any other youth activity.



Thunder is April 21 so choose your time and sign up **TODAY!** (This is for Jr. & Sr. Highs.)

Parking spaces may be reserved ahead of time or the day of Thunder for \$20 each. For questions or to reserve your spot, please call Sandy Locke @ (502) 594-6148. Thanks for your help!

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**You are invited** to Courtney Bowen's senior sermon & worship service at Louisville Seminary on Thursday, April 5 at 11:30 in the Caldwell Chapel. She will be preaching on Luke 24:13-35 (the Road to Emmaus).

*You're Invited!*

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## This Sunday @ First Prez...

**Ushers and Greeters** this Sunday are Jim & Linda Keith, Tom Locke, and Julie Hartzell.

**Next Sunday's Ushers and Greeters** are Jane Dillion, Mary Ruth Phares, Carl & Mary Kramer, and Jerry & Donna Collins.

**In the nursery this Sunday** is Becky Herald. Season Neal is in the nursery next Sunday. This Sunday there is no Kidz Church. Next Sunday Shirley Rice is in charge of Kidz church.

**Communion Servers this Sunday** are Kathy Bixler, Jerry Collins, Roger Emily, Carole Hammett, and Margaret Sparks.

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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.



## Winter Coat Collection...

We will continue to collect coats, jackets, sweatshirts and other warm winter clothing items for adults and children. These items will be stored at church and delivered to Exit 0 and Center for Lay Ministries in the fall. 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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**Presbyterian Women** will have their monthly meeting on Monday, April 2, at 6:00 in the Agape Room. All women of the church are invited. Speak with Beth Snyder if you have any questions.



**The Book Group** is meeting Sunday, April 8, at 2:30 in the Meriwether Room. They will be *The Warmth of Other Suns* by Isabel Wilkerson.

BOOK DISCUSSION  
GROUP



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



**Mike Davis from Camp Pyoca will be with us on April 15** to provide an update on what's going on at camp, along with information about the summer 2018 program.

**Celery Blankenship's new address is:**



Green Hills  
6995 US 68 S, Apt. 8  
West Liberty, OH 43357  
(937) 887-0143

She would love to hear from her friends at First Prez, so please send her a card or give her a call.

## 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.

## 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.

