

The
JOURNEY
To the
CROSS

PALM
Sunday

WELCOME

First Presbyterian Church, Kannapolis

**Our mission is to know Christ, serve Him,
and make Him known.**

~ **Gathering Before the Word** ~

- Welcome** Eddie Spencer
- Prelude and Preparation** *Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone* Spiritual
Derek Smith, trumpet; Kay Yates, piano
- Lighting of the Candles** Evie Sechler & Camryn Lowder
- Call to Worship** *Ride On, Ride On In Majesty* 15th Century English Tune
Julianne Overcash, soprano; Johnny Lazenby, tenor
- *Hymn of Praise No. 146** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* Teschner
- *Prayer of Adoration**
- Old Testament Reading** Psalm 2 Page 532
- *Hymn of Response No. 145** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* German Tune
- Project 24 Update** Debbie McDaniel

~ **Proclaiming the Word of God** ~

- Word With Our Children** Acting Out Drama Ministry
- Offering and Special Music** *The Palms* Faure
Julianne Overcash, soprano
- *Scripture Reading** John 12:12-19 Page 1065
- Sermon** "King Jesus" Eddie Spencer

~ **Responding to the Word of God** ~

- Sending Song** *On the Road to Jerusalem* Martin
"What Will They Cry Tomorrow?"
Julianne Overcash, soprano; Johnny Lazenby, tenor; Derek Smith, trumpet

*Prayer and Benediction

Postlude

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Derek Smith, trumpet

Mason

*All who are able, please stand
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welcome

Welcome! We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning, and hope you find today meaningful and refreshing. Visitors are asked to fill out a Visitor Information Card, located in the pew, and place it in the offering plate. Prayer Requests may be noted on the reverse side of the same card.

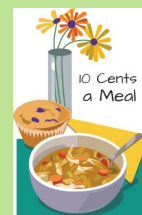
Children's Activity Bags are available for children aged 3 to grade 5. They include a children's bulletin related to the Sunday sermon, crayons, and scrap paper.

Children's Church is available for children 4 years through 2nd grade. After the "Word with our Children," they will be escorted to their classroom in the Church Nursery.

A Nursery is available for newborns through age 4. It is located in the Educational Building. If you need assistance or directions, an usher would be happy to help you!

This Sunday marks our monthly 10 Cents-a-Meal collection!

Children will be in the Narthex immediately following worship to accept your donations. These offerings are divided between Compassion International (we sponsor 3 children through this organization) and Cabarrus Meals on Wheels.



We want to be sure our Instant Church Directory is up-to-date. Please take time to review your information online and let the church office know if there are any changes needed. It's a great resource for our Church family to keep in touch.



MISSION TRIP

The Missions Team invites you to join a Mission Trip with World Renew, an ECO partner. Trip dates are May 27 - June 1 in New Bern, NC. Team members are allowed to work less days, but we will need help the entire week to complete hurricane repairs. **Registration is required, so let Sue Maiocchi know by Sunday, March 31 if you are interested!**

Project 24 NEW Update



The Project 24 committee is working to line up **contractors** to do the top two priorities, which are to replace the heating and air conditioning system for the Fellowship Hall/ Education Building and to improve the Fellowship Hall restroom. The team hopes to be able to share an estimated timeline for the work soon. To date, we have raised approximately **\$82,000**

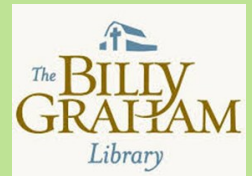
toward the \$100,000 to \$110,000 that is needed for the top two priorities. If you are able, please prayerfully consider making a financial contribution to support this effort. You can contribute online through the church website or by placing a check with "Project 24" on the memo line in the offering plate. Thanks to all who have contributed.



The JOY Group is going to the **Billy Graham Library on Friday, April 5th.**

We will meet at church at 10am and eat lunch at the Dairy Bar on the library grounds.

Plan to join us and sign up in the Narthex.



**Egg & Produce Market
Spring Clothing Giveaway
Set up, Fri, April 12
Saturday, April 13**



Market 10am - 12pm Clothing Giveaway 10am - 1pm

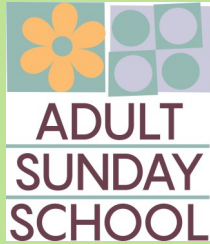


Feeding Kannapolis Hunger will host an **Egg & Produce Market at First Pres on Saturday, April 13 from 10am - 12pm.** Volunteers are needed to prep the Market on Friday, April 12, beginning at 6pm, and serve during the Market on Saturday, beginning at 9am.



Linda's Closet will also host a **Spring Clothing Giveaway on Saturday, April 13, 10am-1pm.** They will be setting up tables in the Pavilion, as well as, opening the closet. **"Strong" volunteers are needed Friday, April 12, 4-6pm to move tables, clothes racks and bins. Volunteers are also needed on Saturday** to set out clothes the morning of the event, escort guests to and from the closet, and assist shoppers. We are limiting guests to 6 at a time to avoid overcrowding. **Sign up in the Narthex or see Cindy DeVoe to volunteer.**

First Presbyterian is a sponsor of the Cabarrus Women's Center's 3rd annual Prayer Walk. This year's theme is "Steps of Faith." The "drop by" event will be held at Vietnam Veterans Park (760 Orphanage Road, Concord, NC 28027) on Saturday, April 13 from 10am-1pm. To register or for more information, visit <https://secure.fundeasy.com/ministrysync/event/home.php?>



Join us for a combined, adult Sunday School on April 7 at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. The

Outreach Foundation's Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Mark Mueller, and Director of Communications, Jeremy Churchill, will share information about this global mission and how First Presbyterian can get involved. **Breakfast will be provided, beginning at 9:30am.**



JOURNEY TO THE CROSS

Join us for our church's Holy Week and Easter celebrations, continuing this week!



Our Maundy Thursday Service will be held this Thursday, March 28th at 6:30pm. We will mark Jesus' last meal with His disciples as, together, we partake of the Lord's Supper in remembrance of Him.



Kannapolis First Baptist has invited us to a CrossWalk on Good Friday, March 29th at 4pm. (NEW LOCATION FOR THE START OF THE CROSSWALK) The walk will start at the Pavilion in front of Kannapolis First Baptist. We will travel through several stations around the research campus loop, remembering Christ's life, death, and resurrection in readings and song.



Children and youth are invited to an Easter "Egg"stravaganza on Saturday, March 30 at 10am. We will celebrate Jesus with games, crafts, and an egg hunt, followed by lunch on the church grounds. Sign up in the Narthex or on our website (www.firstpresb.org) by Wednesday, March 27.



CELEBRATE EASTER SUNDAY WITH US!

Holy Week culminates with our Easter Sunday Resurrection Service on March 31 at 11am.

We will praise our triune God with special music and the flowering of the cross during our worship service.



The music room is in need of several file cabinets to store music.

Please let Kay Yates know if you have one to donate.

Prayer Concerns

Help us keep Prayer Concerns current with weekly updates.
Email the church or note on a prayer card & place in the offering plate.

CHURCH FAMILY

- Randy Childers - hospital with infection
- Hank Cranford - health concerns
- Debra Dandro - continuing treatments for cancer
- Bob Faust - in hospital
- Ronnie Earl - tumor on vocal chords
- Dawn Cavin - broken shoulder

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CHURCH FAMILY

- Lisa Threatt - (mother of Chariti Lowder) - recovery from brain surgery
- Sheena Allen (Wren Philpot's daughter-in-law) - cancer treatments
- Alan West (father of a friend of Chariti Lowder's) - health concerns
- Tommy Walker (Ryan Walker's dad) - recovery from surgery to remove liver carcinomas
- Barbara Coffey (Judy Hunter's friend) - stage 4 cancer
- Terry Rainey (father of Walkers' friend) - cancer treatments
- Buddy & Alice Troutman (friends of Judy Hammond) - health concerns

HOMEBOUND

- Shirley Faust - Morningside
- Barbara Hancock - Home
- Iris Efird - Home
- Loretta Young - Five Oaks



This Week @ FIRST PRES

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

10 Cents A Meal

9:30am - Morning Coffee
- GraceFull Movements Dance Rehearsal

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service

Tuesday, March 26

11:00am - 2:00 pm Linda's Closet

12:00pm - NA

Thursday, March 28

10:30am - Ladies' Bible Study

12:00pm - NA

6:30pm - Maundy Thursday Worship & Communion

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

5:30pm - Agape Chinese Baptist Church Stream Fellowship

4:00pm - Crosswalk - Meet at Pavilion in front of First Baptist

Saturday, March 30

10:00am - Journey Youth Easter "Egg"stravaganza

Next Sunday, March 31

Easter Resurrection Service

9:30am - Morning Coffee
- GraceFull Movements Dance Rehearsal

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service

SERVANTS

Elder Lock-Up: Dave Ellington

Children's Message: Acting Out

Children's Message Next Week: Michelle Walker

Children's Church: David & Vickie Ellington

Children's Church next week: Tracy & Amelia Caskey

Acolytes: Evie Sechler & Camryn Lowder

Acolytes next week: Landon & Noah Walker

Nursery: Sue Maiocchi

Nursery next week: Lynn Efirid

Ushers: Phil McLain, Todd Pless, Tony Rary, Lynn Sechler

Ushers next week: Phil Smith, Pam Hooks, Ryan Walker, Jeff Barnhardt

Greeters: Lynn Sechler & Debbie McDaniel

FINANCIALS

FOR FEBRUARY

YTD Income \$39,203.98

YTD Expenses \$46,628.68

YTD Budget \$52,793.34

Last week's attendance: 3/17/2024

Worship AM - 111

Sunday School - 66

SERMON NOTES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION - ACTIVE ELDERS

Tracy Caskey

Dave Ellington

Lynn Sechler

Cookie Hamilton

Chris Lowder

Ken Sparks

Sue Maiocchi

Tony Rary

Donnie Swaringen

Pastor Eddie Spencer, Moderator

Jeff Barnhardt, Session Clerk



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