

Presbeat

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Dear Members and Friends of First Presbyterian Church, Ukiah,

You have all been in our prayers in recent weeks as your Session, the Committee on Ministry of Redwoods Presbytery, and David have been asking each other and asking God how to best serve Christ's ministry in your congregation. I know that there have been feelings of sadness, frustration, fear, confusion, and pain as news has been shared officially and informally. I also know that your Session members have brought great care, wisdom, faith, and skill as they have responded to the situations that have arisen, and I am grateful for their hard work when there are no easy answers.

This is a rough patch on your journey, and I wanted to make sure that you know some of the resources your presbytery is offering as you move ahead:

- We will offer a series of "Listening Sessions" to give you all a chance to share your concerns, air your feelings, and ask your questions. Those listening sessions will be conducted by members of the presbytery's Committee on Ministry and others who have experience uncovering the feelings of a congregation to help that congregation say what it needs to say, hear what it needs to hear, and grow into its new future. These listening sessions will be conducted with some of your current small groups, such as your boards, committees, Bible study groups, etc., and there will also be times when individuals or couples can sign up. We should be able to announce dates for those listening sessions in the next week or two.
- We will continue to support your Worship Committee to provide preachers for upcoming worship services through the rest of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter.
- We will provide a Moderator for your Session to continue their work; in the short term, our presbytery's Stated Clerk, Ariel Mink, will moderate your Session and congregational meetings.
- We will work with your Session as they seek an Interim Pastor to serve with your congregation as you
 continue your worship and ministry as well as do everything you can to be healthy as you look to your
 future.

This is a rough patch on your journey, but we know that Christ journeys with you, and as your fellow Presbyterians in this time and place, we are on the journey with you, too. I will continue to pray for healing, for honest discernment, for caring patience, and for unity for all of you. I will pray for continued gifts of wisdom, compassion, and commitment for your Session members. And I will pray that all of us can hope in Christ as we remember again His experience of the deepest human pain and the most triumphant power of new life that the world has ever known.

Peace, Eric Beene, Transitional Mission Presbyter; Presbytery of the Redwoods



EASTER EGG BUNNY TRAIL: Serving Our Community Together

As we near the time to celebrate and honor our risen Savior, we have a chance to serve our community together. In lieu of our annual Easter Egg Hunt and to observe physical distancing, we are host an Easter Egg Bunny Trail. Just like Trunk or Treat, we get to hand out candy filled eggs through the 6' PVC pipes.

Our event will be Saturday, March 27th from 9:30-11:30am in the church parking lot.

To make Easter Egg Bunny Trail event successful, we need your help! Here are ways to be a part of sharing the love of Jesus with our community:

Donate Candy -we will need easter candy to fill the plastic eggs. You can bring donations to the church office.

Fill Plastic Eggs -We need to fill 500 eggs! We have plastic eggs at the church, which you can pick up to fill or you can purchase some plastic eggs and fill them with candy.

Balloon Arch -2-4 (or more) people needed to create two balloon arches. These can be made 2 days ahead of the event. Katherine will train team members

Host a Trunk – Like Trunk or Treat we need 7-10 cars decorate in Spring or Easter fashion and individuals to hand out plastic, candy filled Easter Eggs. Volunteers will need to arrive 30 minutes before the event.

Host the Photo Opt -Volunteer to be the photo pot host. Greet families and invite them to take a picture in front of an Spring/Easter backdrop with their cell phones. 1 photo opt volunteer needed. Greeters –Welcome guest, ask them to remain 6' apart from other guest and offer them church information regarding upcoming services. 2 greeters are needed.

Set-up & Tear-down Team -this team will set-up the event and help tear it down. They will need to arrive 30 minutes before the event.

If you are able to volunteer, please contact Katherine at the church office (707) 468-9235 or katherine@fpcukiah.org.

Thank you for considering serving at the Easter Egg Bunny Trail!



We are working toward opening our sanctuary safely for indoor worship by or before Easter! Stay tuned...

PER CAPITA 2021

Per Capita is a fundamental way in which all of the nearly 10,000 congregations and mid councils of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) connect, participate and share in the work of the wider church. Per capita is the primary source of funding for the Office of the General Assembly, and is how Presbyterians mutually and equitably share the costs of coming together to discern the Spirit's leading for the future. PCUSA.org has articles and information on what per capita is for the Presbyterian church and how it is used.

Every year our church pays a per capita amount for each of our members on the active rolls. For 2021 the amount is \$31.46 per member. This is in addition to your commitment for tithing. Please indicate on your payment that this is for per capita so it can be applied to the correct fund. Thank you for your support for our church and its ministries.

Finance Elder Janet Noe

Finance Committee: Janet Noe, Kathy Smith, Denise Beckler and Pastor David

As of February 28, 2021	Voor	to Date \$\$						
General Fund Income	\$	49,259						
General Fund Expenses	\$	(43,594)						
Income Over (Under) Expenses	\$	5,665						
Balance in Checking Account		Total \$\$						
Non-Designated Funds	\$	109,316						
Designated Funds (detail below)	\$	101,622						
Total Balance in Checking	\$ 210,938							
Balance in Savings	•	Total \$\$						
Certificates of Deposit	\$	44,645						
Mutual Funds	\$	32,283						
Other Investments	\$	71,075						
Total Balance in Savings	\$	148,003						
Detail of Designated Funds in Checking Account								
Missions	\$	2,278						
Missions Fundraiser	\$	7,294						
Centsability	\$	124						
Pedals 4 Protein	\$	-						
Per Capita	\$	378						
Compassionate Ministries	\$	4,091						
General Memorial	\$	30,025						
Ramos Trust	\$	51,935						
Buildings & Grounds	\$	1,748						
Adult Ministries	\$	3						
Worship	\$	850						
Fellowship Meals	\$	50						
Youth Activities	\$	230						
Children's Activities	\$	167						
Children's Playground	\$	2,389						
Camperships	\$	60						
Total Designated Funds	\$	101,622						

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for all the cards and words of support at the death of my brother, Larry. Your kindness and love were a huge reason I was able to get through this difficult time. Your love and support mean so much.

Love, Kevin Mack



Remember to SPRING FORWARD Daylight Savings Time on Saturday, March 20th!

Did we miss your birthday???

Please contact the church office or email Denise, denise@fpcukiah.org so that we can celebrate with you!

Happy Birthday!

3/1 LaRee Rogers 3/2 Wilma Pribyl	3/7 Jim Denham 3/10 Carolyn Barrett	3/15 Sherry Budke Joanne Lanz	
3/3 James Barrett	Dory Haselswerdt	3/30 Bob Gernert	
3/6 Jaden Haselswerdt	-	3/31 Rusty Noe	

	MARCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS								
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	·	1 Denise Vacation	2 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men's Bible Study (Zoom)	3 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1:30pm PW Bible Study (via Zoom) 6pm Youth Group 6:30pm Worship Team 6:30pm Good & Beautiful Community Study	4 Office hours 9am to 1pm 8:30am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)	5	6		
7	10am Worship - Communion https://www.youtube.co m/results?search_que ry=presby+ukiah	8 Denise Vacation	9 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men's Bible Study (Zoom)	10 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1:30pm PW Bible Study (via Zoom) 6pm Youth Group 6:30pm Worship Team 6:30pm Good & Beautiful Community Study	11 Office hours 9am to 1pm 8:30am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)	12	13		
14	Begin Daylight Savings Time 10am Worship - Communion https://www.youtube.co m/results?search_que ry=presby+ukiah 11:15am Missions Committee	15 Denise Vacation	16 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men's Bible Study (Zoom)	17 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1:30pm PW Bible Study (via Zoom) 6pm Youth Group 6:30pm Worship Team 6:30pm Good & Beautiful Community Study	18 Office hours 9am to 1pm 8:30am Women's Bible Study (Zoom) 6:00pm Session	19	20		
21	10am Worship - Communion https://www.youtube.co m/results?search_que ry=presby+ukiah	22 Denise Vacation	23 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men's Bible Study (Zoom)	24 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1:30pm PW Bible Study (via Zoom) 6pm Youth Group 6:30pm Worship Team 6:30pm Good & Beautiful Community Study	25 5: Office hours 9am to 1pm 8:30am Women's Bible Study (Zoom) 6:00pm Deacons	26	27 9:30-11:30 Easter Egg Bunny Trail		
28	10am Worship Communion Palm Sunday https://www.youtube.co m/results?search_q uery=presby+ukiah								

 $Our\ Calendar\ is\ also\ available\ online\ @\ \underline{fpcukiah.org/resources/events-and-calendar/calendar/}$