Glad Tidings

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WESTERN SPRINGS **MARCH, 2019**

From Erik's Desk

Have you ever given up something for Lent? For a lot of people this is an annual tradition to help center oneself on God's sacrifice or Jesus's 40 days in the desert, but for many others, it is a cultural habit that might not really have much spiritual meaning. While I love the idea behind it, I think we could use some other ways to center ourselves during Lent. I want to give you a few options to consider.

Add something new. A new practice that you commit to on a regular basis can help you explore your faith in a new way. One idea is to set aside some time for silent prayer each day. Light a candle, read a Psalm or other scripture, and simply sit silent for a period of time, perhaps just five minutes even. If you miss a day, give yourself some grace and start back up again. Other practices could be a walk with a friend each day. Or writing a letter each day to someone to let them know that they are loved.

Engage with others in a new way. As I look through the pages of this newsletter, it is filled with opportunities for connection. I know that I say this a lot, but it is so important that I'm mentioning it again as perhaps Lent might give you the motivation to act – *connect with others!* There are Bible study groups, I'm starting a new early-risers book club, and there is a pre-church adult Sunday School study of the Psalms. And we have fellowship opportunities and mission activities. Need some ideas? Have an idea for something new? Tell me about it! I am always interested in hearing new ideas for ways we can dance through life with one another!

And for those of you giving up something for Lent, go for it! But before you do, take some time to think about why you're doing it and how the practice of giving up something can help you grow in your faith. Don't just count down to your freedom at the end!

I look forward to journeying with you through Lent in these coming weeks for starters. I hope you'll join us this month for our Ash Wednesday supper and service.

Erik

Spaghetti Dinner

March 9th—2 Seatings
Reservations Required

The Spaghetti Dinner on March 9th will have seatings at 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. This year things will be a little different. There will be no set price for the Spaghetti Dinner, but **advanced reservations are required for seating** (and for portion planning!) When you arrive, you will have the opportunity to make a donation by selecting a numbered envelope and everyone is encouraged to give generously. The funds raised will go toward the new playground for our children and those of the future generations. Invite your friends and family to a lovely evening of dinner and fellowship at Ristorante PCWS! Make your reservations early on the Spaghetti Dinner Signup Genius!

This year, we are asking for help from the congregation:

Friday, March 8: There will be a prep party with all ages invited to participate in all aspects of set up, clean up, Serving, and marketing!

Saturday, March 9: We are asking for volunteers to sign up for shifts to help in the kitchen, greet diners as they arrive, serve, and clean up. Check out the Volunteer Signup Genius to let us know how you'd like to help!

Congregational News

Ash Wednesday

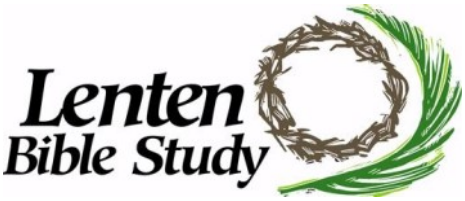
Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6th. Plan on joining us for our simple soup supper, Bowl and a Roll. We will gather in the Jones Room for supper at 6:00 p.m. and then move to the Sanctuary for worship at 7:00 p.m. Feel free to come for supper and worship or just join us for worship. If you'd like to help with set-up or providing soup, indicate on the Signup Genius.

Holy Week services will include:
April 14 — Palm Sunday
April 18 — Maundy Thursday
April 19 — Good Friday, which will be a drop-in self-guided worship experience (from noon-7:00 p.m.)
April 21 — Easter Celebrations at sunrise and 9:30 a.m.

Watch for more details in the April *Glad Tidings*!

Later this month there will be postcards available with information about our Holy Week services. You're encouraged to share information about these events with others and invite them to join us for any or all of these special services.

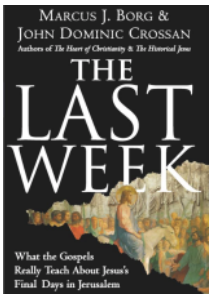
A Lenten Journey Through the Psalms



Join Pastor Erik and others for a journey through the Psalms on four Sunday mornings during Lent from 8:05-9:05 a.m. on March 10, 17, 31 and April 7 (no class on March 24). Each week we will read and compare a selection of Psalms and we will work together and individually to gather our own personal catalog of Psalms for various instances and stages of life with a special focus on praying with the Psalms during Lent. Feel free to come for one week or all four! The coffee will be hot and childcare will be provided with advance request to the Church office.

Early-Risers Book Discussion Group

Thursdays at 7 a.m.



Pastor Erik is starting a new early-morning book discussion group. Join him and others in reading a book and engaging in discussion with one another.

Starting on Thursday, March 7, from 7:00—8:00 a.m., we will be discussing the book The Last Week: What the Gospels Really Teach About Jesus's Final Days in Jerusalem. This fascinating book is a close look at the final week of the life and death of Jesus through the Gospels and historical context. Plan on reading the preface and the first chapter before our first meeting. We will meet every Thursday from March 7 through April 25 in the Graham Charter Room. Coffee will be provided, so come and join us before getting a jump on your day! (Erik will even drive you to the train if you need a lift after!)

Wednesday, March 20!

OUR PASTOR

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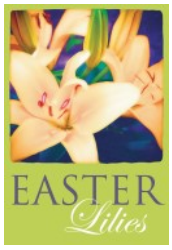
For a complete list of our staff, visit our website: www.presbyws.org.

Adult News

Easter Flower Dedications



Starting later this month and through early April, we will be seeking sponsors for Easter flowers. After worship on Easter you can take your plants home or they will be used to beautify the PCWS property or bring Easter greetings from the Deacons to someone in the church.

More information and an order form will be available later this month in the Weekly Connection, morning bulletin and in the April *Glad Tidings*!

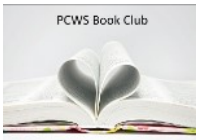
Interfaith Book Group

The Interfaith Book Group will meet on March 20 at 1:30 p.m. at the Mosque Foundation. Our March selection is "The Book of Joy" by the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu. Nancy Polocek is the discussion leader and this promises to be another opportunity to share deeply with one another.

All women of the church are welcome. Please RSVP to Forrest. We will leave the church parking lot at 1:00 p.m.

Carol Stoub
Carol Lambert, Mosque Foundation

PCWS Book Group



March 25, 7:30 p.m.

This month's selection: *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See.

The group meets in the Graham Charter Room—all are welcome to attend.

Lunches . . . Programs . . . Fellowship . . . Mission

Thursday, March 7: Presbyterian Women will meet at 12:30 p.m. in the Jones Room**.** After lunch, Jana Minor from Companions, Journeying Together, Inc. will join us to talk about *Aunt Mary's Storybook Project* which sends children of prisoners new books with a recording of their parents reading it to them. She will also share information about their other projects: Mother's Day and Christmas cards, and pen pal clubs. The cost is $12.00. Please RSVP to the church office by noon Monday, March 4th. See you there!

Early Afternoon Circle will meet **Thursday, March 21st at 1:00 p.m.** This month's Bible Study is Lesson 7, "God with Us as Emmanuel" from the Horizons Bible Study *God's Promise: I Am with You.*

Late Afternoon Circle will meet **Tuesday**, **March 26 at 4:00 p.m.** in the Upper Room. Our circle has studied the theme of racism this year and have:

- Seen and reviewed the movie Green Book, a marvelous film reminding us how inhumane Americans in 1962 can be to their neighbors.
- Actively participated in a discussion with Darice Wright, manager of Career Connection at Morraine Valley Community College. Darice related how she identifies goals, taps into resources and facilitates business planning.
- Read ***"The Common Good"*** by Robert Reich.
- Learned how high school teachers are prepared to deal with race relationships.
- Identified a need in our local community.

All of this has led to active discussions as to how our small group can make a small impact on our neighboring community. Our exploration continues and you are welcome to join us.

Contact Sue Eck or Jan Fortina for further information.

Church Women United

Friday, March 1 – Church Women United World Day of Prayer at LaGrange Methodist Church, 100 W. Cossitt Avenue. Please join us for a 9:30 a.m. Bible study and a program at 10:30 a.m. All women are welcome.

Congregational News

Pastor's Bible Study

Most Wednesday afternoons, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m., Erik hosts a drop-in (meaning you don't have to prepare beforehand or come every week!) Bible Study. We look at the text for the upcoming Sunday and hear one another's impressions of the scripture and learn more about the context and history of the text.

This month we will meet on March 6th (Deuteronomy 26:1-11), March 13th (Philippians 3:17-4:1) and March 27th (Luke 15:11-32). There will be no meeting on March 20th. *Please join us!*

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Please plan on being in worship on March 17 and join us immediately following worship for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation. The Annual Meeting is an important opportunity for us to reflect back on 2018, but it is also an opportunity for us to celebrate and look forward to our next steps as a congregation. We'll hear some reports regarding our finances, and celebrate the completion of our Capital Campaign projects. The congregation will also have the opportunity to vote on Pastor Erik's terms of call for 2019.

Please join us for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation!

Reflections from the Holy Land March 10 at 11 a.m.

Join Pastor Erik on March 10th after Fellowship for some reflections and sharing of photos from his trip to the Holy Land in February.

Were you able to Rise and Thrive in the 30 Days of Character Strengths?

26 of our members, neighbors and friends participated in this 6-week series which ends March 2. We explored our positive character strengths and 'yearn to learn' as well as weaker strengths we want to strengthen. Our Adult Education budget allowed us to minimize the cost to participants.

Gathering Around the Table in March

If you're looking for a great way to meet new people, get connected, strengthen existing friendships, and enjoy great fellowship, fun, and food: we invite you to join us. If you are new to PCWS, or if you've been around here for years, this is a great place to start. "Gatherings" are get-togethers where adult PCWS members and friends, married and single, gather for the opportunity to fellowship and get connected .

"Gatherings" vary and may be: in someone's home; at a restaurant, park or other location; a potluck dinner; a cookout; appetizers night; game night; a meal at a local restaurant; week day or weekend; lunch, brunch or dinner. Signups will be done individually, for each gathering event; participate as often as your calendar allows. Join us—New friends are waiting to meet you!

Breakfast – Tuesday, March 12 - 8:30 a.m**.** at Honey Bee Restaurant in Western Springs. Let us know you're coming on the Signup Genius!

Lunch - Wednesday, March 27 - 11:30 a.m. at Baker's Square on LaGrange Road in LaGrange. Let us know you're coming on the Signup Genius!

Reminder - PCWS has two evenings planned for us:

Ash Wednesday - March 6**:**
Bowl and a Roll Soup Dinner

Spaghetti Dinner: Saturday, March 9

Meet your New Deacons & Elders

Deacon Bios

Hi PCWS, I am **Steven Blough** and have been a life-long member of PCWS and I will be serving my 3rd term as a Deacon here at PCWS and have previously served as an Elder. You will find me on some Sunday mornings as the Head Usher. If I am not here on Sunday, it is usually because I am off on an outdoor adventure with the Boy Scouts, where I am Scoutmaster of Troop 101 in Darien, IL. Other times, you can find me in the PCWS Kitchen as the Spaghetti Dinner chef, with some expert guidance from my parents, Mary Jo and Ron Blough.

My name is **Carly Booth.** I'm a freshman at Hinsdale South High School. I was baptized at PCWS when I was six months old and have grown up in this church. I am looking forward to serving in my first church leadership role this year as a Youth Deacon. I have also assisted with Sunday School and VBS classes. I enjoy helping people. When I'm not at church or in class, you can find me dancing and singing. I am also excited to try short distance running this spring on my school's track team.

Nancy Glickman - This will be my first time serving as a deacon and I'm very much looking forward to it. I have previously served as Elder at PCWS, a Stephen Minister, coordinator of the evening circle and member of the flower guild. I have been a member of this church for 15 years and am the mother of Alison (Chris Lee) and Ashley (Mike Kozma) Glickman and grammy of Axl and Rex Lee and Roxie Kozma.

My name is **Sue Kovalick,** and this is my first time as an officer in a Presbyterian Church, and I'm pleased to be a Deacon. After being in the DC area for 34 years, Walt and I started attending PCWS when we returned to the area in 2007. (We were married in the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange.) After retiring from teaching, I loved being a non-partisan volunteer in the correspondence office of the White House. Here at PCWS, I was involved in the Associate Pastor nominating committee and I have enjoyed mentoring two confirmands and being a prayer buddy. My love for making flowers an integral part of worship began in Northern Virginia, and I enjoy leading the Flower Committee at PCWS. In 2018, I was Walt's "tool person" and handy man's helper for the remodeling of the manse.

Elder Bios

Hi . . . I'm **Natalie Carlisle** and I will be serving as the Youth Elder for 2019. My family and I have been attending PCWS for 14 years and the church has been a big part of our lives. I have been in the youth choir, JUPYs, UPYs, and much more. This year, I am a sophomore at Lyons Township High School where I participate in Cross Country and Track and Field and I look forward to serving on session this year!

Hello, my name is **Bob Cushman**. I am a lifelong member of PCWS. While this is my first term as an Elder, I have served twice as a Deacon in the church. And going way back to my high school years, I served as a Sexton. My wife, Jen, and I were married in the church and both of our daughters, Alena and Addison, have been baptized at PCWS. The church and this church family have played and continue to play a significant role in not just my life, but my family's now as well. I hope and pray God guides me to serve the church in this new capacity with wisdom, grace, and a generous heart.

My name is **Michelle Hennessy** and this is my first time serving as an Elder. I served as a Deacon a few years ago at PCWS. I became a member at PCWS when I married Kevin Hennessy 7.5 years ago. I have been the volunteer Director of Communications for about 7 years, have helped in the church office, play handbells and recently began singing in the choir.

My name is **Mike Lobash** and I am serving my second tour of duty as an elder at PCWS and have served as a deacon in another Presbyterian congregation. I joined PCWS a decade ago along with my wife, Laura Cordell, and our son Henry. I am involved with the congregation's music ministry, having played trumpet as a soloist and with brass ensembles.

Children & Family Ministries

All Church Baseball Sunday Outing
Sunday, June 30

Save Sunday June 30! Church Life and Faith Formation Committees are jointly organizing a trip to Guaranteed Rate Field to see the White Sox. We will have buses leaving from PCWS after Worship and taking us to tailgate on the South Side. The Chicago White Sox have reserved seats for us and we will get to put a message on the Jumbo Tron! IT IS GOING TO BE GREAT!!

Sunday, March 10
Remember to Turn your clocks ahead One Hour!

UPDATES!

Souper Bowl of Caring was another excellent expression of our Church family's propensity to give. We raised almost $500 with an overwhelming majority cheering for the Rams (too bad that didn't work out in reality).

Donations were given to the St. Cletus Food Pantry, and we are planning a night this spring to work there on a Thursday evening to make a real connection with the poverty right here in our own back yard.

Balloon-A-Grams were a hit!

Thank you to all our volunteers for making a huge project feel like a game. Special thanks to Mindy McMahon, Forrest Schroeder, Kay Kelly, Jane Melilli, Carolyn Bozek and all of our Drivers, Passengers, Messengers, and you the congregation that ordered 325 "Grams!"

Youth By the Numbers:

$500 — raised for the SOUPER BOWL OF CARING- favoring the LA Rams.

300 — approximate number of Balloon-A-Grams delivered for Valentine's Day.

7 Days — length of the ASP Mission Trip to Tennessee .

12 Youths— my goal for the Mission Trip this summer.

28 of April—YOUTH SUNDAY.

35 Characters— our message on the Chicago White Sox Jumbo Tron on June 30th.

5 & 7 — Times of the seating for Spaghetti Dinner.

Mission Sunday School
Sunday, March 3rd

The March Mission Sunday school will be learning about another local mission partner and cooking a meal for their residents. Details to come (including the name of the organization) during Words for Children that day.

Children are not scheduled to return for Communion so we have time to prepare our meal. Any parent who would like their child to sit with them during Communion should let Janet (Ande) Andersen or Carolyn Bozek know. We'll be sure to have your child back in time for Communion.

Youth Ministry

"Let no one look down upon you because of your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity." Timothy 4:12

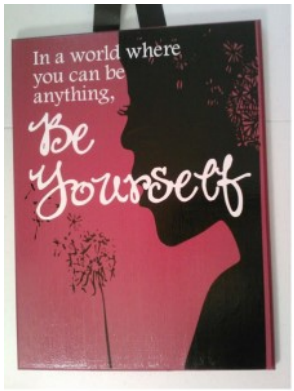
UPCOMING

Save the Date:

YOUTH SUNDAY APRIL 28th - HEY YOUTH START THINKING ABOUT YOUR THEME- it is right around the corner.

Spaghetti Dinner

There will be a prep party on the 8th with *all youth and children* invited to participate in all aspects of set up, clean up, serving and marketing! Check the Signup Genius and choose how you'd like to help with this awesome evening of food and fellowship!



Youth Mission Trip

Attention High Schoolers, mark your calendars for July 21-27. We will be heading to Tennessee to work with Appalachian Service Project on home repairs in impoverished areas. Incoming Freshmen through Graduated Seniors are encouraged to attend and are welcome to invite friends. The mission trip always proves to be an excellent growing and bonding experience for those who attend.

Youth Calendar

JUPY Events
March 24 (5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.)
Video Game Night!
April 14 (5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.)
Outdoor Kickball!
April 28 – Youth Sunday in Worship
May 19 (3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.)
JUPY/UPY BBQ

UPY Events:
March 24 (6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.)
Video Game Night!
April 14 (6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.)
Outdoor Kickball!
April 24 (6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.)
Youth Sunday Preparation
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JR. High Sunday School

March 10
April 7
April 14
May 5
May 19

Staff Contact Info

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Youth Director

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Mission & Service

Chancel Choir

As we look towards Lent, we would love to have new voices join in singing with the Chancel Choir on the fabulous songs that the choir will be singing! If you're not in the choir, what can I do to encourage you to give it a try? Do you enjoy singing but are afraid because you don't read music, DON'T BE!

Chancel Choir is open to anyone, age 14 and up and does not require the ability to read music - just a desire to sing. The choir rehearses on select Thursday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and *please*, if Thursday evenings are not a viable option, contact me and we will work out an alternative plan.

Chancel Choir Rehearsals: Please check the online church calendar as well as the bulletin for specific rehearsal dates.

Chancel Choir Schedule:

Thursday, February 28 Thursday, March 3 Wednesday, March 6 - **Ash Wednesday** Sunday, March 17 Thursday, March 21 Sunday: March 31	Thursday, April 4 Sunday, April 7 Thursday, April 11 Sunday, April 14 Thursday, April 18th Sunday, April 21

Consider joining us! Have questions? Feel free to send me an email, stefcoates@gmail.com.

News from Nueva Paz

Our partner congregation in Nueva Paz announced the confirmation of their new "Pastora" on Sunday, February 10 and shared the happy news in a brief video call that day. They are pleased to welcome the return of Tirisay Duran Martinez, a 2018 graduate of the seminary in Matanzas, Cuba, who served as a student pastor in Nueva Paz last year. The congregation in Nueva Paz had been working through a 2+ year interim period without an installed pastor and Izett Sama (who joined us in worship in September 2017) has been moderating their Session while also leading her own congregation and serving as an officer of the Presbytery of Havana. They are all very pleased to be looking to the future now with Tirisay. Please check the Cuba section of the Mission bulletin board for an introduction to Tiri!

One Great Hour of Sharing

As we enter into the season of Lent, Mission thoughts turn to One Great Hour of Sharing. This special offering has been collected for the last 70 years during the weeks before Easter. Our gifts help to share God's love through three Presbyterian Agencies:

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)
- Presbyterian Hunger Program
- Self-Development of People

One recent example of PDA's assistance and its impact was in Puerto Rico, in the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Maria in September, 2017: "In the Presbytery of San Juan, PDA's grants were matched by the presbytery's own funds and then distributed among congregations to provide desperately needed items such as food, water, diapers and medical supplies" to their surrounding communities, providing relief to many during a this challenging time.

Please check your Sunday bulletins for informative inserts, encourage your children to help in the time-honored tradition by filling their "fish banks", and check your box of 2019 offering envelopes for a specially-designated envelope and enclose a check written to PCWS with OGHS on the memo line. It's also easy to give online. Select "One Great Hour of Sharing."

Thank you for your support of the Mission work made possible by the One Great Hour of Sharing offering!

Mission Ministry

Thanks to a very generous year-end donation of over 200 cashmere scarves by Stacie Wilson, there are many, many people throughout the Chicago area feeling PCWS's gift of warmth during the icy cold January and February weather. Mission brought loads of scarves to Sharing Connections in Downers Grove, to Margaret's Village on the south side of Chicago and to the Night Ministry on the north side of Chicago. All were extremely grateful for the unexpected gifts - thanks again to Stacie!

Thank You From Concern America

On December 2, 2018, hand-crafted textiles, baskets, ceramics and wood products from Concern America were displayed. As a community of the faithful, you were generous in purchasing handcrafts valued at $1,142. We are very grateful to Rev. Erik Khoobyarian for his hospitality and support, and to everyone who purchased handcrafts. Through your generosity you have helped to spread hope for a better future to hundreds of economically disadvantaged people in many developing countries throughout the world. Thank you!

March 1, 2019

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. Click the logo for more info.

Mission Sunday School

On February 3rd, the Mission Sunday school class from preschool through 5th graders went on a field trip. Janet (Ande) Andersen and Kathy Wennerstrum took the children to places right inside our own PCWS to explore local mission opportunities. They visited the Donation Center (outside Pastor Erik's office) to learn about items we collect to share with some of our mission partners. There are bins for**:**

Calendars and Cards for Margaret's Village — Calendars are provided to residents at Maria Shelter and Believe Family shelter and program participants at Vincennes Senior Center in Chicago. Birthday, holiday and general cards are also accepted for these residents to use throughout the year.

Plastic Bags For Sleeping Mats — The donated clean plastic grocery bags are cut into strips and crocheted into plastic sleeping mats for the homeless. We were able to see and feel a completed sleeping mat and thought it was amazing that they could really be made out of plastic grocery bags**.**

Toiletries For Sharing Connections — This Downers Grove organization provides a variety of assistance to those recovering from job loss, homelessness, domestic violence, or financial hardship. When you travel, if you don't use the toiletries in the hotel room, please bring them back for Sharing Connections.

Cans For Cuba — Donated cans (preferably already flattened) are put in the container by the bench at the parking lot door. The money raised from recycling the aluminum is used to support programs with our sister church, Nueva Paz in Cuba, for local homelessness. The children had fun helping us crush the cans.

Part of the group's handiwork resulted in a new sign for our Food Pantry basket near Pastor Erik's office. The food collected each week is delivered to the Second Baptist Church in La Grange and is distributed on Monday mornings to our neighbors in need. We can accept canned goods and boxed items for the food pantry. Also, we gladly accept produce (fruit and vegetables) such as apples, potatoes, onions, carrots to supplement the distribution. If you bring produce please ensure it is well wrapped. This is a great way to share the bounty of your garden in the summer or items from a local farmer's market. We collect year-round except the Sunday before a Federal holiday.

Member News

Thank you for your service at PCWS in February! We could not do it without you.

Helped in the office: Laura Fruit, Kay Kelly, Mindy McMahon, and Carol Ulreich.

Second Baptist Food Pantry run: Kathy Wennerstrum

Crushed cans: Mindy McMahon

Prepared Glad Tidings for mailing: Dorothy Andersen, Joyce Habermann, Mary Kae Headland, and Harriet Potenza

Flowers in February: Laurie Merrifield

March Birthdays

Lisa Wennerstrum	3/1	Carly Booth	3/20
Amy Seus	3/4	Val Blough	3/22
Leah Skjei	3/5	Elaine Haeske	3/24
Isabella Bunt	3/7	George Slezak	3/25
Philip Galloway	3/11	Luke Mosher	3/27
Steve Skjei	3/11	Cindi Karstens	3/28
Berry Allen	3/14	Rachel Galloway	3/29
Jenna Harrison	3/14	Stephanie Carlisle	3/30
Christian Cloutier	3/16	Frank Adelphia	3/31
Rex Lee	3/17		
Stacia Farrar	3/19		

New Members' Class - March 16

Have you decided that you might want to make PCWS your church home? Would you like to know more about our church leadership structure or our denomination? Have you been a long-time attendee but want to think about formalizing your membership? Church membership is an exciting way to publicly declare your intention to be a part of this faith community. On Saturday, March 16, we will have a New Members' Class. All are welcome to attend! Childcare will be provided with advance request. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Erik, or reach out to Kay Kelly or Jane Melilli.

If you're planning to attend, please let one of us know! All are welcome, and there's no commitment to join! We'll begin at 8:30 with breakfast and conclude with lunch with our church leaders.

If you shop at Amazon, please click on the image above to shop and have a portion of your purchases donated to PCWS.

News Deadlines

Bulletin:
Email announcements to the church office by 9:00 a.m. Wednesday morning.

Weekly Connection:
Email information to Michelle Hennessy by Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. for inclusion in the Thursday email.

Glad Tidings Deadline:
Articles for the next month's *Glad Tidings* by the **10th** of each month.

To ensure your submission is received, please **email** articles and pictures to: **GT@presbyws.org**.

Member News

Remember in Prayer

- ✞ Our brothers and sisters at Nueva Paz Presbyterian Church in Cuba
- ✞ Our men & women serving our country in the Armed Services
- ✞ Barbara Lennie, friend of Becky & Larry Glasscock
- ✞ **Betty Anderson**
- ✞ **Betty Toft**
- ✞ **Billye Dvorak**
- ✞ Bob DiLeonardi, brother-in-law of Bruce Barnes
- ✞ Brent Young, son-in-law of Larry & Becky Glasscock
- ✞ Brian, friend of the Smyers family
- ✞ Dave Sipek, business associate of Bruce Barnes
- ✞ Debi Mirlenbrink, aunt of Lori Carsten
- ✞ **Evie Meyer**
- ✞ Frank Young, cousin of Amy Malone
- ✞ Gary Mirlenbrink, uncle of Lori Carsten
- ✞ Gloria Torres, friend of the Merrifield family
- ✞ Herman Mirlenbrink, grandfather of Lori Carsten
- ✞ Holly Oliver, daughter of Mary Kae Headland
- ✞ **John Kregg**
- ✞ Joshua Haberkorn, grandson of Shirley Pine
- ✞ **Kathleen Kircher**
- ✞ **Kimberly Bone**
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- ✞ Theresa Ybanez, great niece of Laura Fruit
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We extend sympathy to:

Roger Dold and family on the death of his father, Greg.

The Weber family on the death of Peter's father, Rudy Weber.

Dear Friends
Thanks so very much for all your prayers, cards, emails and calls after Pat died.

So many of you have offered to help - and I appreciate it. Really not sure what help I may need at this time – but I will remember those offers. It's good to be a part of a caring and thoughtful church community.

Blessings
Loretta

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Mar. 1 World Day of Prayer

Mar. 5 Deacons

Mar. 6 Ash Wednesday
6:00 p.m. meal followed at 7:00 p.m. Worship

Mar. 7 Early Riser's Book Club Begins
Presbyterian Women

Mar. 9 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Mar. 10 Daylight Savings Time
Lenten Bible Study Begins
Reflections from the Holy Land

Mar. 12 Gathering Around the Table — Breakfast

Mar. 17 Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Mar. 25 PCWS Book Group

Mar. 27 Prepare *Glad Tidings* for Mailing
Gathering Around the Table — Lunch

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