



# FIRST DAY !

Weekly News and Opportunities at  
The First Presbyterian Church of Howard County  
April 29, 2018

## TODAY

### **DISCIPLESHIP HOUR TODAY: April 29**

**Coffee Fellowship, hosted by Ruth Circle, in Lyle Buck Hall.**

*Next week's Discipleship Hour, Sunday, May 6*

**Taco Get to Know You Fellowship** in Lyle Buck Hall

Everyone is invited! Come and create your favorite tacos from our taco fixings bar and enjoy getting to know your church family.

Enjoy cupcakes for dessert as a Thank You! for the new HVAC – Heating & Air Conditioning system.

Also get your picture taken at the photo booth for the Church Online Directory.

*Everyone is invited! Gather for fellowship after the 10:30 a.m. worship service.*



**LITURGIST:** Janet (10:30)

**USHERS & GREETERS:** Debbie (8:30); Margot, Mispa (10:30); Laura, Laura, Tracy, Becky, Jonathan (Tech Crew)

**ZENTANGLE® ARTIST:** Thanks to John for the Zentangle® art in this week's worship bulletin.

**FLOWERS THIS WEEK** are given to the glory of God by Jim and Marla in honor of Angela's birthday; by Andi in celebration of the birthdays of her daughter Julie, and granddaughter Cici; and by Hilda and Phil in celebration of their one year wedding anniversary today.

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** All worship begins in the Sanctuary.

*At 8:30 a.m.:* After Welcoming One Another: Children ages 4-7 may go with Ms. Kathy Moore to *Godly Play*. Parents can pick up their children following worship in rooms 110 & 113.

*At 10:30 a.m.:* After the Children's Prayer and Lord's Prayer: Children ages 4-7 may go with Ms. Kathy Moore to *Godly Play*. Parents can pick up their children following worship in rooms 110 & 113.

Older children, grades 2-5, may go with Ms. Virginia Callegary to *The Worship Bridge*. They will return to the sanctuary later in the worship service.

**WORSHIP BAGS:** Worship bags are available to enhance the worship experience for children. Please return everything to the bags and return the bags to the ushers at the end of the service.

**WELCOME TO OUR GUEST MUSICIAN:** Douglas Lawler has been accompanying singers in theatre for over thirty years. He has recently performed with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, Olney Theatre, Toby's Dinner Theatre, and the Kennedy Center productions of *Ragtime*, *Master Class*, *Follies*, *Side Show*, and *Gigi*. As a music educator, he is currently a faculty member at the University of Maryland and the Community College of Baltimore County. Doug will be with us at both worship services as Jimmy Galdieri is on vacation today.

## GUIDE TO PRAYER FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 29, 2018

**Please pray for:** Burta, Janet, Dave, Ron, Wayne, Jerry, Jim, Shirley, Liam, Shirley, Al & Beth

**Non-Resident Members:** Frank & Betty, Jeff, Marion, Joan, Vivian, Russ & Barb, Virginia

**Bereaved:** David, Vivian

**Care Center:** Web, Marvin, Reva

**Recovering from Surgery:** Jeff, Ruth, Paul

**PCUSA Mission Coworkers:** Jeff and Christi Boyd in Congo; Jed and Jenny Koball in Peru; Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) Emma Warman in the Philippines. Visit her page, [emmaYAVyear.wordpress.com](http://emmaYAVyear.wordpress.com).

*Please contact the church office, 410-730-3545 or one of the Pastors:  
Morton Harris, 443-824-3768 or Sue Lowcock Harris, 443-824-4305  
with the prayers and concerns that you would like to share.*



### PEOPLE ON THE WAY

**Catherine of Siena** (March 25, 1347 in Siena – April 29, 1380) In a time when women were supposed to be invisible in the public sphere, Catherine was influential in both church and state, especially as a peacemaker. Regarded as strange in her youth because of her powerful religious experiences, she was led to become a Dominican nun, with a passion for the poor. Her reputation for mystical discernment became so widespread that she could confront Pope Gregory XI, asking him to reform the clergy and the governance of the Papal States – and he did! Impressively intellectual, she corresponded with a wide spectrum of persons, from peasants to kings. Her activities ranged from caring for plague victims to challenging officials wherever justice and mercy was needed. Gifted with some of the finest theological minds, she, along with Teresa of Avila, was given the official title “Doctor of the Church” in 1970, making them the first women to receive this honor., in 1999, she was proclaimed one of the six patron saints of Europe.

**We also remember: May 4, 1961** was the day the first Freedom Ride departed Washington DC headed for New Orleans. When they reached Alabama they divided onto two buses. The first was firebombed; riders in the second bus were severely beaten. The FBI and local police intentionally stayed away from the bus depots.

**THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE** focuses the prayers of Christians week by week, so that over the year all the countries of the world are prayed for. This week we pray for *Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan.*

*Pray for:*

- *The people in these lands who suffer from poverty and repressive rule;*
- *An end to clashes related to tribalism, traditionalism, and modernization;*
- *An end to oppression and violence.*

For more information about the Prayer Cycle,  
visit the website of the World Council of Churches: [www.oikoumene.org](http://www.oikoumene.org)

### OUR MISSION PARTNERSHIP PRAYER CYCLE FOR 2018

*We pray for the mission of our congregation.*

**La Union Maya Quiche Boca Costa Presbytery:** *Iglesia Galilea in the village of LaLadrillera*

**Boca Costa Coffee Project:** Yesterday we raised money through our 5K Family Run for Coffee. In May, families plant the newly purchased coffee plants on their small plot of land. This is the ninth year of our project, and we have helped many families in the Boca Costa Presbytery community achieve a greater self-sufficiency.

# ADULT EDUCATION & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

**SUNDAY MORNING EDUCATION HOUR 9:30 – 10:25 a.m.**

## **EXPLORING PRACTICES OF OTHER FAITH TRADITIONS:**

**The Passover Seder** – with *Bill Sagalnik* and host *Morton Harris*

*April 29 – Room 252*

A member of Beth Aviv Synagogue in Oakland Mills, Bill will share insights about the ritual feast that marks the beginning of Passover in the Jewish tradition.

**BOOK DISCUSSION** – *Why I'm No Longer Talking to White People About Race*,

by *Reni Eddo-Lodge* – led by *Paula and Erin*

*through May 20 – Room 258*

**THE BIBLE IN DEPTH: Song of Solomon** - facilitated by *Doyle*

*Continues all year—all are welcome to join in at any time—Clark Parlor*

**GAMES & CONVERSATIONS** - post-high-school, college, & post-college young

adults - facilitated by *Brian & Ann* - Room 205



**GRAB AND GO COFFEE** is available on Sunday mornings at the Wake Up Station on the second floor across from the Parlor. Get a cup of coffee and head to class! Please return the cups to the drop off bins. Enjoy!

## **WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR SUE**

*9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., every Wednesday, every week*

**No meeting on May 2. Pastor Morton will be leading the study on May 9.**

We are studying *Resurrection Stories*. Come join us! This is a lively group and we have great conversations. No experience necessary! Everyone welcome!

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018**

**HERO CENTRAL – Discover Your Strength in God!**

*Monday-Friday, July 23-27, 2018 | 9:00 a.m. - Noon*

3 years (potty trained) through rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders

**Early Registration is open through April 30** — Cost: \$10 per family

**Regular Registration begins May 1-July 7** — Cost: \$10 per child

We are also looking for some true superheroes to join our VBS team! Visit the website, go to Sign-Up Genius or contact the Directors at [vbs@firstpreshc.org](mailto:vbs@firstpreshc.org).

Visit [www.firstpreshc.org/vbs2018](http://www.firstpreshc.org/vbs2018) to register and/or volunteer.



### **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Extra volunteers are needed in the Nursery on May 13 and 20. One of our regular Nursery workers is not available on those dates so we need your help. To volunteer visit [www.firstpreshc.org/nursery](http://www.firstpreshc.org/nursery) or talk to Virginia Callegary.

## STUDENT MINISTRIES

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR STUDENT MINISTRY**



**Senior High Fellowship, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays**

*Wednesday, May 2 & 16, 6:00-7:30 p.m.*

**Mid-High Movie Night**

*Sunday, May 20, 5:00-7:30 p.m.* - at the Burris' Home

So far this year we've played games, cooked dinner, and worked on a farm together. Now let's watch a movie and eat pizza together!

Contact Virginia Callegary with questions.

## **MASSANETTA AND MONTREAT PAYMENTS DUE**

Final payments for the summer youth trips are due by **Sunday, May 6**. Check your email for more detailed information.

## **HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES RECOGNITION – NEW DATE – Sunday, May 20!!!**

First Presbyterian Church will honor High School Graduates in worship on **Sunday, May 20, 2018**. Please send information about your graduate to the church office, [fpcadmin@firstpreshc.org](mailto:fpcadmin@firstpreshc.org), by **Tuesday, May 1, 2018**. Please email 3-5 pictures, digital copies are best, to Ellen Nichols, [enichols0786@gmail.com](mailto:enichols0786@gmail.com) or to Virginia Callegary, [vcallegary@firstpreshc.org](mailto:vcallegary@firstpreshc.org), by **Tuesday, May 1**. If you prefer, you may leave physical copies of the pictures in Virginia's mailbox (#3 outside the main church office) so they can be scanned. These pictures will be returned to you.

## **DISCIPLESHIP HOURS**

**DISCIPLESHIP HOUR is every Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in Lyle Buck Hall**

*Looking ahead...*

**Sunday, May 13 – Happy Mother's Day!** in the Upper Commons

Pause in the Upper Commons, enjoy coffee fellowship, and select a goody from our gift table before heading out to enjoy your day!

*Everyone is invited! Gather for fellowship after the 10:30 a.m. worship service.*

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

**INTERESTED IN LITURGICAL DANCE?** Come join us for our next dance. Contact Julianna or the church office.

### **MEN'S CLOTHING DRIVE FOR FRANCISCAN CENTER - April 29 through May 27**

First Presbyterian Church is helping provide gently worn men's clothing such as suits, slacks, shirts, etc. to a non-profit faith based organization in Baltimore City. The Franciscan Center provides supportive services to families in need. Among the services are employment assistance, providing appropriate clothing for individuals as they transition into self-sufficiency. Your donation is tax deductible. The forms will be on display along with boxes and plastic bags in the coat room and the coffee area. Please clean out your closets and donate to this worthy cause. Questions? Contact Blessing or the church office.

### **THE CENTER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS! – NOTE DATE CHANGE!**

Volunteers needed! The Center is holding a workday to spruce up its dormitory space for summer mission weeks: **Saturday, May 12**, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Various Tasks for the day: painting the new large front doors, putting in an air conditioning unit upstairs in office, spackling, sanding, and/or patching the new bedroom (old office), scraping above where the new doors were hung, sanding and painting, put up hooks in bathrooms. Questions? Contact Pat or the church office.

### **JUST ONE CAN...PLUS! – April – BABY ITEMS**

As part of the Deacons' continuing campaign against hunger in Howard County, we are asking for specific supplements to our on-going initiative called Just One Can. Our featured category for April is extra donation of baby items. Please leave your regular contribution - plus baby items - in the wooden "Just One Can" cart in the Upper Commons across from the Welcome Center. Thank you on behalf of the Deacons and the food-stressed of Howard County.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**DURING THE SEVEN WEEKS OF EASTERTIDE**, we are adding ribbons week by week to the Christ Candle. Each ribbon tells us something about Christ.

4/08: *Jesus Christ is our Peace* – the white ribbon with peace symbols.

4/15: *Jesus Christ is our Way* – the brown ribbon

4/22: *Jesus Christ is our Good Shepherd* – the green ribbon

4/29: *Jesus Christ is our life* – the vine

### **ORIENTATION AND TRAINING CLASS FOR NEWLY ELECTED ELDERS & DEACONS**

*Saturday, May 5, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.*

This training is required by the Book of Order.

Please be sure to let Pastor Morton know if you cannot be there that day.

**HVAC UPDATE:** Our campaign ends today *Sunday, April 29*. We will celebrate next *Sunday, May 6* with cupcakes during Discipleship Hour. Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far. Remember to mark your contribution “HVAC”, there are envelopes in the pew racks for this purpose.

### **WILLS EMPHASIS SUNDAY – Sunday, May 6**

You don't have to be wealthy to bless the church with a gift in your will (also known as a bequest). Small amounts can be put to good use right away, or invested so they grow over the years. To include First Presbyterian in your will, consider using the following language: “I give and bequeath the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_ (or the % of), to be used for the general programs of First Presbyterian Church of Howard County, in Columbia, Maryland.” More Information is available in the Church Office. Further information on Planned Giving may also be found at [www.presbyterianfoundation.org](http://www.presbyterianfoundation.org) or by contacting Olanda Carr at [olanda.carr@presbyterianfoundation.org](mailto:olanda.carr@presbyterianfoundation.org).

### **SUNDAY EVENING QUIET TIME, First Sunday of the Month**

*NEXT Sunday, May 6, 2018* at 5:00 p.m. Come for 30 minutes of Quiet Time.

### **FPC PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ARE GOING TO TEA ON THE TIBER on Mother's Day Weekend, Saturday, May 12, 2018** at 3:00 p.m.

Make plans with the “mom” or all the “moms” in your life to join us for this special afternoon. Cost: \$30.00 Sign-up in the Lower Commons. Questions? Contact: Debbie or Carol or the church office. All Women are invited!

### **TRIVIA AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

*Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>* at 2:00 p.m. - \$20 for adults, \$10 for kids 12-18.


Get a table of friends together or come by yourself and a table of friends will be formed and show off all of that minutiae that's been lodged in your brain over the years. All proceeds will benefit the pilot Guatemala University Scholarship program. Sign up to play in the Lower Commons, or by getting in touch with Mandy or the church office. Hope to see you there!

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## Every Sunday

### 8:30 a.m. Worship

#### 9:30 a.m. Church School – The Education Hour

Ages 2 through Adult 

*Ark is for children, Age 2 through Grade 1*

*L.I.F.E. is for children, Grade 2 through Grade 5*

*Mid High is for students, Grade 6 through Grade 8*

*Senior High is for students, Grade 9 through Grade 12*

*And a variety of changing classes for Adults*

Infant & Toddler Care is available all morning

Godly Play (age 4 – grade 1) during 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. services

The Worship Bridge (grades 2 – 5) during 10:30 a.m. service

### 10:30 a.m. Worship

### 11:30 a.m. Discipleship Hour

## Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MINUTE FOR MISSION – TARBORO MISSION TRIP

COMMISSIONING OF PAT CURRAN TO NATIONAL RESPONSE TEAM FOR PDA

MEN'S CLOTHING DRIVE BEGINS

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30 a.m. Church School for all ages
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Discipleship Hour
- 6:30 p.m. Ruth Circle

## Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

- 7:00 p.m. Grassroots CWS Wrap-Up

## Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>

- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Run for Coffee Meeting
- SMLT Meeting

## Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

BULLETIN ARTICLES DUE

- 1:00 p.m. Knitting Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Senior High Supper
- 7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

## Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

- 11:30 a.m. Bulletins Folded

## Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PRIDE DAY – WEAR YOUR T-SHIRT

- 9:30 a.m. Training of Elders & Deacons
- Pull & Plant - Following the River

## Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | COMMUNION

DEACONS COMPASSION FUND OFFERING | NAME TAG SUNDAY

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30 a.m. Church School for all ages
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Discipleship Hour
- 5:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Quiet Time

The Church Office is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

For more events throughout the week at First Presbyterian Church, please check the calendar on our website at [www.firstpreschc.org](http://www.firstpreschc.org), the current issue of *Tidings*, or call the church office 410-730-3545.

A Weekly Email is sent every Friday, if you would like to receive it please contact the church office.

To submit news or events for the weekly bulletin **First Day!** please email to: [fpcadmin@firstpreschc.org](mailto:fpcadmin@firstpreschc.org) by Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. To submit articles for *Tidings*, our monthly newsletter, please send articles by email to: [fpcadmin@firstpreschc.org](mailto:fpcadmin@firstpreschc.org) by **Thursday, May 10, 2018** at 9:00 a.m. for the June 2018 Issue #6.