



# FIRST DAY !

Weekly News and Opportunities at  
The First Presbyterian Church of Howard County  
January 27, 2019

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## TODAY

### **DISCIPLESHIP HOUR TODAY: *Sunday, January 27***

*Annual Meeting of the Congregation in the Sanctuary*

Pick up a copy of the 2018 Annual Report in the Upper Commons.

### **NEXT WEEK'S DISCIPLESHIP HOUR: *Sunday, February 3***

*Celebrate 180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Church with cake in Lyle Buck Hall*

*Everyone is invited to gather for fellowship*

*after the 10:30 a.m. worship service.*



**LITURGISTS:** Evelyn (8:30); Akua (10:30)

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:** *Ushers & Greeters:* Debbie (8:30); Margot, Mispa (10:30) *Tech Crew:* Laura, Barry, Laura, Tracy, Jonathan, Margot

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

**FLOWERS THIS WEEK** are given to the Glory of God by Barb in honor of Sarah on her 26<sup>th</sup> birthday; and by Linda in honor of her mother Jane's 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 28 and in memory of her brother Jimmy.

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

*At 10:00 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.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** (including hymns and scripture readings) are available from the ushers. Photography during worship is discouraged, and flash is not permitted. Please, help us keep our carpets clean; no food or drink in the Sanctuary. Thank you.

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION** - The Session has called the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of the First Presbyterian Church of Howard County meets TODAY ***Sunday, January 27, 2019*** immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service in the sanctuary. The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to hear the report of the Session and its Ministry Areas, to review the terms of the Co-Pastors' call as required by the Book of Order, to receive the Session's annual budget for the church, and to transact any other business properly coming before the Congregation.

**THE CONGREGATIONAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE** will meet in the Library today immediately following the Annual Meeting.

## GUIDE TO PRAYER FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 27, 2019

**Please pray for:** Alex, Mispa, Catherine, Burta, Janet, Dave, Dylan, Reva, Mil, Jim, Paul, Doris, Martin, Shirley, Shirley, Beth

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

**Friends & Family:** *David's mother, Joyce;* John's brother, Tim; John's father, Walter; Scott's mother, Ann

**Bereaved:** Sarah, Beth; Jim, Cheri, Elaine, Carolyn, Laura & Bruce, Rusty, Janet

**Care Center:** Marvin

**Recovering from Surgery:** Emily, Sarah

**Births:** *Ashlynn Elizabeth on January 22, 2019, daughter of Davey and Lizi, granddaughter of Melanie.*

**PCUSA Mission Coworkers:** Jeff & Christi Boyd in Congo; Jed & Jenny Koball in Peru

*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

**Mahalia Jackson** (October 26, 1911 – January 27, 1972) was a gospel singer, perhaps the best-known gospel singer in the world. She was born in New Orleans. At age 16, she moved to Chicago, where she met Thomas A. Dorsey, the father of gospel music. That meeting began a 14 year association with Dorsey; his "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" became her signature song. In 1950, she was the first gospel singer to sing at Carnegie Hall. She began touring Europe in 1952. She was active in the Civil Rights Movements. She was invited to sing in Montgomery, Alabama during the bus boycott. She sang at President John F. Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, and at the March on Washington in 1963. "I sing God's music because it makes me feel free", Jackson once said about her choice of gospel, adding, "It gives me hope. With the blues, when you finish, you still have the blues."

**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 *Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Western Sahara, Tunisia*. Prayers of thanks for:

- All the people of these countries: Muslims, the tiny remnant of Christians, those of other faith who continuing to bear witness to their faiths and for all people of good will;
- An end to political violence;
- An end to how dominating powers have fought over these lands and their resources through the years.

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 2019

*We pray for the mission of our congregation.*

**La Union Maya Quiche Boca Costa Presbytery:**

- Pray for scholarship students (beccados/beccadas) who are beginning the new school year.
- Pray for families who received new stoves this month.
- Pray for La Iglesia Canaan (Canaan Church), in the village of Chuiajij

**The Cold Weather Shelter** – a mission partnership between Grassroots Crisis Intervention, Howard County Government, and the faith community, which provides overnight shelter in houses of worship between November and March every year. Our household will host the Cold Weather Shelter guests for two weeks: February 4 through 18. Pray for the guests that will make our house their home, and for all who serve them.

## WORSHIP, ART AND MUSIC NEWS



### MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

**Music this week:** Handbell Choir plays at the 10:30 a.m. service

**Come be part of a Church Family Congregational Choir for Black History Month!** Director of Music Ministries, Jimmy Galdieri, invites you to sing two Gospel selections during worship on *Sunday, February 17*. This group is OPEN TO ALL – children, youth, collegians, adults of every age – everybody is welcome. Previous choir experience is not necessary! There will be two rehearsals on *Sundays, February 3 and 10* in the sanctuary at 11:40 a.m. and last approximately 45 minutes.

#### Rehearsals:

**Handbell Choir** – *Wednesday, January 30, 2019* at 7:30 p.m.

**Chancel Choir** – *Thursday, January 31, 2019* at 7:15 p.m.

For more info contact: Jimmy Galdieri, Director of Music Ministries

### FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS for Kenneth Jerome “Jerry” Hinkel

**Viewing** at Slack Funeral Home, P.A., 3871 Old Columbia Pike, Ellicott City  
*Tuesday, January 29, 2019* from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

*Wednesday, January 30, 2019* from 2:00-4:00 p.m. & 6:00-8:00 p.m.

See website for details, [slackfuneralhome.com](http://slackfuneralhome.com)

#### A Service of Witness to the Resurrection

First Presbyterian Church of Howard County, 9325 Presbyterian Circle, Columbia  
*Thursday, January 31, 2019* at 11:00 a.m.

**Committal Service** will follow at Good Shepherd Cemetery, Rogers Avenue, Ellicott City

## ADULT EDUCATION & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

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

**Book Discussion:** *Barracoon* by Zora Neale-Hurston  
*facilitated by Paula & Erin*  
*Sundays, January 27 – Room 258*

**Discussion Forum for Parents**, *facilitated by parents of adult children*  
*January 27 – Room 252*

**The Bible in Depth: Isaiah** - *facilitated by Doyle*  
*Continues all year—all are welcome to join in at any time—Clark Parlor*

**Games & Conversations** - *facilitated by Brian & Ann— Room 205*  
Post-high-school, college, & post-college young adults

### February Adult Ed Classes starting next Sunday, February 3

**Discussion of *Letter from Birmingham Jail*** - *led by Kathy*

**More Storytime with the Environmental Curmudgeon** - *led by Bill*



**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 – 11:00 a.m., every Wednesday, every week – in the Parlor*

There will be class on Wednesday, January 30!

We are studying the Book of Hebrews. Everyone welcome!

## STUDENT MINISTRIES

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR STUDENT MINISTRY

#### Senior High Supper, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays

*Wednesday, February 6, 6:00-7:30 p.m. in Lyle Buck Hall*

#### Confirmation Class

*Thursday, January 31, 6:45-8:30 p.m.*

#### 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Bowling

All 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents are invited to come bowling this *Thursday, January 31* from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Brunswick Zone Normandy Lanes. We'll hang out together, knock a few pins down, and plan our next activity (bring your calendars). Hope to see you there!

#### Souper Bowl of Caring Offering

*Sunday, February 3 after both services*

The youth will be collecting the *Souper Bowl Offering* at the conclusion of each service. The tradition is to add your loose change or small bills to this offering. The youth use it toward alleviating hunger in our community.

#### Senior High Super Bowl Party

*Sunday, February 3* – arrival time is 6:00 p.m. | pick up after the game  
Watch for details!

#### Spaghetti Lunch & Auction - Sunday, February 24

Come one and all to the Youth Ministry Spaghetti Lunch and Auction!

This is a big fundraising event for First Presbyterian Youth. Proceeds of the event go to fund youth programs and help defray the cost of retreats and other youth activities, keeping them affordable for all.

Come and enjoy a delicious spaghetti lunch served by our Mid and Senior High Youth and stay for the ever-exciting auction—we will have both donated items AND delicious desserts! In addition to our lively live and silent auctions, we will have a bake sale table with a wide variety of goodies for purchase.

Visit [firstpreshc.org/auction](http://firstpreshc.org/auction) to sign up to volunteer or donate desserts or other items for the silent and live auctions and the bake sale.

Questions? Contact Kathy or the church office

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

**THE COLD WEATHER SHELTER will arrive in a week!** We need help with setting up the church space on *Sunday, February 3* for 2 hours starting at 11:30 a.m. and *Monday, February 4* between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. and then restoring the church to rights on *Monday, February 18* from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. No need to sign up for these, just come! During the Shelter, we still need a few folks to be evening and overnight hosts, do laundry and clean the Shelter area. Sign-up sheets are in the Lower Commons. Thanks so much! For questions, see Margot or Woody Collins or the church office.

**THE MITTEN TREE** - The Deacons are asking for donations of new or very gently used hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, and warm socks for children and adults. These will be distributed to the less fortunate in our community. The collection runs through *February 3, 2019*. The Mitten Tree will be located in the Upper Commons. Contact: Jean or the church office.

**DEACON'S COMPASSION FUND / FAMILY SUPPORT FUND** depends solely on donations . Any contribution is welcome!

## **VALENTINE'S DAY CARE PACKAGES** – A mission project of Ruth Circle.

Ruth Circle will be sending Valentine care packages to our young adults in college, the military or wherever they are near and far. Please bring your items by *Sunday, January 27*. Any questions, please contact Sharon. Thank you so much for your donations!

## **JUST ONE CAN...PLUS! – January – DOUBLE UP**

The Board of Deacons wants to increase our church's food donations in January, **with the government furlough the demand on the Food Bank is even greater**, and it would be appreciated if our congregation would step up even more than they already do to help out. Let's redouble our efforts this month – give not just one can but two or more. Demonstrate in a very tangible way that the joy of giving is not just for a specific date on a calendar. *Most requested items from the Howard County Food Bank: Baby Foods, Beans – Dried or Canned, Canned Meat/Tuna/Chicken, Canned Soups, Cereal, Evaporated Milk, Infant Formula, Baby & Toddler Foods, Peanut Butter, Spaghetti Sauce, Rice, Oatmeal, Pasta*

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**THE LUNCH BUNCH** is having its next gathering at Ernesto's Mexican Grill on *Tuesday, January 29* at 11:30 a.m. The restaurant is at 10040 Baltimore National Pike (in the Enchanted Forest Shopping Center). Retirees and empty nesters are invited to enjoy some time out with friends and help pick the next time and location! Sign up in the Lower Commons or email [discipleship@firstpreshc.org](mailto:discipleship@firstpreshc.org). Want to carpool? Contact Andi or the church office if you need a ride.

## **BLACK HISTORY MONTH CHALLENGE**

During Black History Month all in the congregation will have the opportunity to read Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s *Letter from Birmingham Jail*. Study guide and more information to come next week!

**FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY** – Most Sundays in February are available for you to provide flowers for the sanctuary. Please sign-up on the Flower Chart hanging on the church office window. The flowers are \$35.00. Thank you!

## **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND WITH PASTORS SUE AND MORTON.**

Israel/West Bank, with extension to Jordan. *October 11-27, 2019*. We'll explore places we read about in the Bible and experience the modern complexity of life in the Middle East. This is a small group trip, fully escorted, all meals, transportation, guide services, entrance fees, gratuities. Trip deposits are due *March 1*. Planning meeting with Pastor Sue - *Sunday, February 10 at 11:45 a.m.*

**GIFT OF ART FROM HEAD START** – The framed picture in the Upper Commons was a gift from Head Start. It reflects the Neighborhood and all the children in the Head Start class. Please enjoy this beautiful gift from the children.

**PER CAPITA FOR 2019 is \$35.73.** The "Per Capita" is each church member's share of the expenses of the larger church – the Presbytery, the Synod and General Assembly of the PCUSA. Our congregation is required to pay this amount for each member of the church. *Have you paid your per capita?*

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## Every Sunday

### 8:30 a.m. Worship

### 9:30 a.m. Sunday 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, January 27<sup>th</sup>

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MINUTE FOR MISSION – BRIDGES TO HOUSING STABILITY CHILI COOK OFF

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Education Hour – Church School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Worship

11:30 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting

Nominating Committee Meeting

5:00 p.m. Ruth Circle Assemble Valentine Care Packages

6:30 p.m. Ruth Circle

## Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup>

7:00 p.m. Diabetes Type I Support Group

## Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>

12:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

## Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

BULLETIN ARTICLES DUE

9:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study

1:00 p.m. Knitting Fellowship

Fold Tidings

7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

11:00 a.m. Service of Witness to the Resurrection – Jerry Hinkel

6:45 p.m. Confirmation Class

7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

11:30 a.m. Bulletins Folded

## Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

FIRST PRES PRIDE DAY – WEAR YOUR T-SHIRTS

1:00 p.m. Basic Zentangle Class

## Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | COMMUNION

180<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DEACONS COMPASSION FUND OFFERING | NAME TAG SUNDAY

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Education Hour – Church School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Worship

11:30 a.m. Discipleship Hour – 180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cake

11:45 a.m. Run for Coffee Meeting

SMLT Meeting

Social Justice & Peacemaking Group

12:00 p.m. CWS Set-up

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.firstpreshc.org](http://www.firstpreshc.org), the current issue of Tidings, or call the church office 410-730-3545.

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To submit news or events for the weekly bulletin **First Day!** please email to: [fpcadmin@firstpreshc.org](mailto:fpcadmin@firstpreshc.org) by Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. To submit articles for Tidings, our monthly newsletter, please send articles by email to: [fpcadmin@firstpreshc.org](mailto:fpcadmin@firstpreshc.org) by **Thursday, February 14, 2019** at 9:00 a.m. for the March 2019 Issue #3.