



# FIRST DAY !

Weekly News and Opportunities at  
The First Presbyterian Church of Howard County  
April 7, 2019

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## TODAY

### **DISCIPLESHIP HOUR TODAY: *Sunday, April 7***

*Hotter Than Thou Competition*, we'll have chili samples of our winning chili prepared by Steve from the O'Chili Cook Off  
*Come to Lyle Buck Hall at 11:30 a.m.*



### **NEXT WEEK'S DISCIPLESHIP HOUR: *Sunday, April 14***

Coffee Fellowship, *hosted by Ruth Circle – Come to Lyle Buck Hall at 11:30 a.m.*  
*Everyone is invited to gather for fellowship after the 10:30 a.m. worship service.*

**LITURGIST:** Mike (10:30)

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

**FLOWERS THIS WEEK** are given to the Glory of God by Clarence in celebration of Benjamin.

**WE LIGHT A REMEMBRANCE CANDLE** this morning to remember Sue Collins, mother of Woody Collins, who died on April 8, 2017.

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**, also called Holy Communion, is included this morning during worship. Everyone who puts faith and trust in Jesus Christ is welcome to share communion. Gluten-free bread is available. Communion Sundays are the first Sunday of every month.

**BY CUSTOM, GIFTS ARE RECEIVED** to the Deacons Compassion Fund on Communion Sundays. This fund serves the needy of our community with essential living expenses like rent, utility bills, groceries or prescriptions. Please place your gift in the yellow envelope found in the pew.

**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, who normally attend *The Worship Bridge* will return to their seats to experience a full worship service with their family.

**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.

### **BRIDGES TO HOUSING STABILITY CHILI COOK OFF**

*TODAY Sunday, April 7, 2019 – 12:00-2:30 p.m.*

*At The Great Room at Savage Mill, 8600 Foundry St., Savage, MD 20763*

## GUIDE TO PRAYER FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 7, 2019

**Please pray for:** Mispa, *Henrietta*, Burta, Janet, Dave, Dylan, Reva, Morton, Mil, Blondelle, *Robb*, Jim, Paul, Doris, Shirley, Shirley, Beth

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

**Friends & Family:** Tim, John, Emily

**Bereaved:** Judy, Sarah, Beth; Jean, Carolyn, John & Ellen, Kathy

**Care Center:** Marvin

**Hospitalized:** *John*

**Upcoming from Surgery:** *Martin*

**Recovering from Surgery:** Maggie

**Friends & Family:** *Melanie's Father, Walter*

**Deaths:** *May the peace of Christ be with Scott and Kaye and family, in the death of Scott's mother, Ann on March 31, 2019.*

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

**Cuba Partnership:** *"We pray for the Rev. Dargel Leyva Cruz and for the Presbyterian Church of Calabazar de Sagua, on the occasion of Dargel's Ordination and Installation as Pastor to the church. Dargel's wife, Yailen Regueiro Gutiérrez is also a recent seminary graduate and will soon be taking Ordination exams herself. She will be serving in the nearby Presbyterian Church of Sagua la Grande. The couple has two children, 8 year-old twins Julio Jose and Carlos Manuel."*

*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

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer**, theologian (February 4, 1906 – April 9, 1945) As World War 2 approached, this noted German theologian was studying in the United States. He returned to his homeland. When Hitler came to power and took over control of the church, he publically opposed him. He was one of the leaders of the Confessing Church movement and in time he became involved with the resistance movement. This led him to abandon his nonviolent stance and participate in a failed attempt to assassinate Hitler. For this he was arrested and sent to Buchenwald, and then to Flossenburg. On April 9, 1945 morning, while conducting worship, the guard came for him. He calmly said goodbye and walked courageously to his death by hanging. US soldiers reached the camp and liberated it two weeks later. his best known books include Life Together, emerging from his experience in founding a clandestine Protestant seminary, The Cost of Discipleship, coining the phrase "cheap grace", and Letters and Papers from Prison, birthing the idea of "religionless Christianity." *Glory to God* includes a hymn (818) by Bonhoeffer.

**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 The Balkans – Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania. *Pray for:*

- Better relationships among different ethnic groups and traditions;
- Economic developments that serve all people;
- Ending practices that harm the air, soil and forests, and installing instead measures to protect the environment.

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 we share as part of the PCUSA.*

**Compassion, Peace and Justice (CPJ) Ministries of the Presbyterian Church USA** Sara Lisherness is the Director of this ministry area. The work of this area includes: peacemaking, public witness, hunger, self-development of people, disaster assistance, the United Nations, environmental ministries, public education and responsible investments. The 2019 CPJ Training Day was on Friday, April 5 in DC, kicking off the annual Ecumenical Advocacy Weekend. This year's theme is: *Troubling the Waters for the Healing of the World.*

# WORSHIP, ART AND MUSIC NEWS

## MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

### Rehearsals:

**Handbell Choir** – *Wednesday, April 10, 2019* at 7:30 p.m.

**Chancel Choir** – *Thursday, April 11, 2019* at 7:15 p.m.

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



**SUNDAY EVENING QUIET TIME**, First Sunday of the Month, Sanctuary  
*TODAY Sunday, April 7, 2019* at 5:00 p.m. Come for 30 minutes of Quiet Time.

**A MEMORIAL SERVICE** will be held for Raymond Hardy, former Choir Director at First Presbyterian for many years. His wife, Irene, served as Organist. The service will be held at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 4711 Edmondson Avenue, Baltimore, at 1:00 PM on *Wednesday, April 17*.

## ADULT EDUCATION & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

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

**The Mystery of Easter: A Right Brain Exploration of Jesus, His Message, and His Death and Resurrection** - *facilitated by Bruce*

*Sundays, April 7 – Room 252*

**Conversations on Race Book Discussion - *The Color of Law***,  
**by Richard Rothstein** – *facilitated by Paula & Erin*

*Sundays, April 7 – Room 258*

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

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



**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*

We are studying the Book of Hebrews. Everyone welcome!

**CHURCH SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS will not meet the next two Sundays, April 14 and 21. See you on April 28!**

## STUDENT MINISTRIES

### CANDY NEEDED!

The youth are collecting candy for the annual Easter Egg Hunt put on for the children of the church Easter morning. All type of candy is welcomed, the only requirement is that it must be individually wrapped. Peanut free candy is also appreciated. Collection runs through *Sunday, April 14*. Look for the box in the Lower Commons.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR STUDENT MINISTRY

#### Easter Egg Stuffing

*Saturday, April 20, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in Branch Hall*



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

### **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.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019:**

**NURSERY HELPERS** at the 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. worship services.

Visit [www.firstpreshc.org/nursery](http://www.firstpreshc.org/nursery) to sign up to volunteer.

Contact: Virginia Callegary, [vcallegary@firstpreshc.org](mailto:vcallegary@firstpreshc.org)

**GODLY PLAY** helpers needed at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. services.

Contact: Virginia Callegary, [vcallegary@firstpreshc.org](mailto:vcallegary@firstpreshc.org)

**HELPERS TO HIDE EASTER EGGS** meet in the Commons at 9:30 a.m.

Contact: Virginia Callegary, [vcallegary@firstpreshc.org](mailto:vcallegary@firstpreshc.org)

**FIRE USHERS** for the Sunrise Service on April 21<sup>st</sup>, between 6:00 - 8:00 a.m.

tend the fire, carry chairs, stay with the fire and put it out,

hand out bulletins, etc. Contact: Woody Collins, [sexton@firstpreshc.org](mailto:sexton@firstpreshc.org)

**LOTS OF HELP NEEDED DURING HOLY WEEK** - carry ladders, make breakfast, etc.

Are you able to help? Contact: Woody Collins, [sexton@firstpreshc.org](mailto:sexton@firstpreshc.org)

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### **BRIDGES TO HOUSING STABILITY CHILI COOK OFF**

*TODAY Sunday, April 7, 2019 – 12:00-2:30 p.m.*

The Great Room at Savage Mill, 8600 Foundry St., Savage, MD 20763

The Ninth Annual "Hotter Than Thou" Chili Cook-Off will raise critical awareness about the issue of homelessness and increased need for affordable housing in Howard County. Chili Cook-Off attendees vote by placing cash and checks in the congregation chili cook-off teams' "Tip Jar" and the congregation which brings in the most money earns the "Golden Ladle". Amid the fun and fellowship, we give away door prizes, we host a silent auction and raffle, local celebrity chili judging, client testimony, and event sponsors are thanked and promoted. For additional information visit [bridges2hs.org/event/2019chilicookoff](http://bridges2hs.org/event/2019chilicookoff).

### **REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 5K FAMILY RUN FOR COFFEE!**

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Run for Coffee is *Saturday, May 4* at 10:00 a.m. at Hopewell Park, Columbia. Sign up to run, walk or volunteer today in the Lower Commons. Do you know a business who would make a good corporate sponsor for the event? We need sponsors who are willing to give a cash donation. Contact Becky Torrance or Pat Curran for more information.

### **EARTH FORUM OF HOWARD COUNTY**

*Sunday, April 28 at 2:00 p.m. (this is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month)*

A Decade of Listening, Learning and Acting! Come hear from past speakers and Earth Forum partners about the last ten years of environmental stewardship – and the plans and directions. Celebrate 10 years with cake and ice cream!

## **MISSION TRIP TO Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina**

*Sunday, May 5—Friday, May 10, 2019*

We will help rebuild after damage from hurricane Florence. No experience necessary! If interested, contact Pat, Brett, Stacy, Mark, Woody, or our Co-Pastors.

## **LENTEN SEASON OPPORTUNITIES**

### **TABLE TALK: Food, Friends and Conversation**

#### **Building the Beloved Community**

*Wednesday nights in Lent in Lyle Buck Hall – April 10*

Soup Supper begins at 6:30 p.m. | Conversation begins at 7:00 p.m.

We close by sharing Communion and finish by 8:15 p.m.

Child care will be available.

**2019 JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM** - Our annual discipline of caring for our bodies is in motion during Lent and we are on our way to Jerusalem. Everybody can participate! 20 minutes of sustained activity equals one mile. 2,000 steps equals one mile. A sign-up sheet and reporting slips are at the Welcome Desk. ***We added 1415 miles this week! We're over the Celtic Sea – south of Ireland, west of France – headed to make landfall on Brittany! The wreck of the Bismark is below us. Keep moving!***



## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

### **Palm Sunday, April 14**

*One Great Hour of Sharing Offering – Return Fish Banks*

No Church School

Worship at 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

### **Maundy Thursday, April 18**

6:30 p.m. Simple Meal in Lyle Buck Hall

7:30 p.m. Long Table Communion in the Sanctuary | Nursery Care available

### **Good Friday, April 19**

12:00 noon Middy Prayer in the Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service, the Service of Shadows, in the Sanctuary

Nursery Care available

### **Holy Saturday, April 20**

10:00 a.m. A Walk Through the Stations of the Cross

Meet in the Woodlands Chapel

### **Easter Sunday, April 21**

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service in the Woodlands Chapel - **Bring bells to ring!**

7:00 – 10:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast in Lyle Buck Hall

8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Identical Easter Worship Services

Childcare in our Nursery & Godly Play available at 8:30 & 10:30

No Church School; No Worship Bridge

Easter Egg Hunt at 11:30 a.m.

### **Easter Monday, April 22**

The Church Office and Building will be closed.




# 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, April 7<sup>th</sup>

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT | COMMUNION

DEACONS COMPASSION FUND | NAME TAG 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 – Hotter Than Thou Chili Tasting
- 11:45 a.m. SMLT
- 12:00 p.m. Chili Cook Off – Bridges to Housing Stability
- 5:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Quiet Time

## Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

## Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

SUPER TUESDAY

- 12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Christian Education | Discipleship & Caring Ministries  
Mission | Strengthening the Church

## Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

BULLETIN ARTICLES DUE

- 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 1:00 p.m. Knitting Fellowship
- 6:30 p.m. Simple Supper & Table Talk Lenten Program
- 7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

## Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

TIDINGS ARTICLES DUE

- 7:00 p.m. WAM Ministry Meeting
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

- 11:30 a.m. Bulletins Folded

## Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00 a.m. Lydia Circle
- 2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Jonathan King

## Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

PALM SUNDAY | ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

NO CHURCH SCHOOL | MINUTE FOR MISSION – RUN FOR COFFEE

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Discipleship Hour – Coffee Fellowship  
Knitting Ministry
- 11:45 a.m. Run for Coffee Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Vantage House Worship
- 6:30 p.m. Ruth Circle

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, April 11, 2019** at 9:00 a.m. for the May 2019 Issue #5.