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MARCH 2019 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Companions in Christ:

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6, and continues through the Saturday before Easter Sunday. The word "Lent" comes from the Teutonic word for springtime, and is sort of a spiritual spring cleaning. Lent in our tradition is NOT about guilt, unworthiness, or shame. It's an invitation to put special focus on being present to God's presence, on becoming increasingly aware of God's love, and on trusting our lives and our world to that love.

Our theme for Lent this year is "The Lord's Prayer: On Earth as It Is in Heaven." Prayer, writes Richard Rohr, "is not primarily saying words or thinking thoughts. It is, rather, a stance. It's a way of living in the Presence, living in awareness of the Presence, and even enjoying the Presence." And so, during Lent, we will take on the practice of prayer by exploring the model for prayer that Jesus taught his disciples when they said to him, "Teach us to pray." How might the Lord's Prayer be a "stance," a way of living for us? How does it help us to live in God's presence, perhaps even enjoy God's presence? How does it call us? How does it challenge us?

We pray the Lord's Prayer so often from memory that the power, depth and profound simplicity of the prayer, as well as the meaning behind the words, can be lost on us. To shake us out of rote habit, we'll try different versions of the Lord's Prayer, spoken and sung. The choir will sing some of the many versions of the Lord's Prayer put to music as our weekly anthem.

On Ash Wednesday, we will begin with an overview of the Lord's Prayer. Then, each Sunday during worship, we'll look at a phrase from the Lord's Prayer. We'll consider how this ancient prayer speaks to our lives and our faith here and now:

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SEASON OF LENT

JOIN US DURING LENT

"The Lord's Prayer: On Earth as It Is in Heaven"

ASH WEDNESDAY, 7:00pm
Communion and Imposition of Ashes

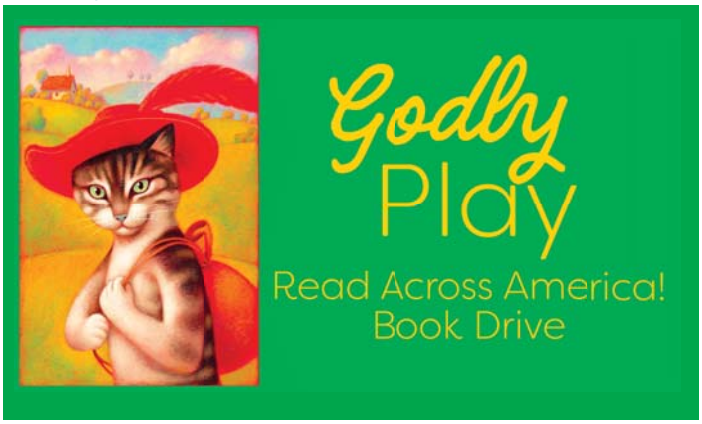
HOLY WEEK
MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 18, 6:30pm
Service of Taizé and Communion
GOOD FRIDAY, April 19, 7:30pm
Service of Tenebrae
EASTER, April 21, 10:00am
Trumpet Fanfare, Hallelujah Chorus

"Living in the Presence
Living in awareness of the Presence
Enjoying the Presence"

FAMILY MINISTRIES

Godly Play

This month, our Godly Play class invites you to join us in celebrating **Read Across America** day on March 2, with a book drive for our classroom! For the entire month of March, we will have a bulletin board of books needed for our Godly Play classroom. Pick up a post-it note or two with a book title, purchase it, and place it on the Family Pew in the back of the sanctuary. Our goal is to purchase 50 new books for our young ones to engage with new stories, and connect these stories to our Sacred Stories. If you have any questions, please see Patrick O'Connor or email him at poconnor@students.sfts.edu.



OLDER ADULTS

Valentine's Tea 2019 – In case you missed it

The Valentine's Tea was lovely, as usual, and despite the rain, we had at least 25-30 people attend. The conversations around the tables were energized by the fun of wearing the hats provided by Suzan Plath. We had at least four different choices of tea and many tea sandwiches, scones, cookies and amazing strawberries. The folks brought contributions to the Food Bank as their gift and the Fireside Room was transformed into a festive Valentine for all.

CHURCH & SOCIETY

Thank You and Photos from Our Camp Fire Family

In November 2018, Session voted to respond to the Camp Fire disaster in Butte County by adopting a family proposed by one of the Presbyterian pastors in the area. We have been collecting emergency funds for Rob and Lisa, a contractor and second grade teacher who grew up in Paradise, California, and lost the family home Rob built 28 years ago.

In January, we received this email of thanks along with photos of the remains of their home:

"I wanted to write and thank you for the second check that your congregation sent us! Rob and I both got teary eyed when we opened it! It came on a perfect day! Thank you so much!

We made it through the holidays, which were tough, but we truly felt loved by friends and family! We are now over two months past the fire and yet in some ways time seems to have stood still! We are in somewhat of a state of limbo with no time line for moving forward. Our home still sits in a pile of ashes which are now a wet cement like consistency. We are waiting to see how the debris removal will go with FEMA and they actually tested my ashes this week for toxins which is phase 2 before they can start to remove the ashes. It's all in others' hands right now which means we just have to wait. That's the hard part.

This past week has been really hard emotionally for me! I know we are much better off than most and have much to be thankful for. I know that we have a nice place to stay with our friends who love us until we can live in a fifth wheel on our property. I know we will rebuild and have a new home. But I've been struggling for a week. I have such an overwhelming feeling of homesickness! I just want to go home! I want my own things, my own bed, my own room. It's an overwhelming feeling of loss knowing I can't! Not now, not in a week or a month! That home is gone and it hurts so bad. I realize how much I took that house for granted and that hurts too. I could definitely use your prayers and the prayers of your congregation as this is all such a hard and emotional journey.

Again, thank you so much for the prayers and the financial support! My husband and I truly appreciate them! You are truly being the hands of Jesus!

Sincerely,
Lisa"

...from the Choir

This June, the Chancel Choir, under the direction of Maestro Daniel Canosa, will be presenting a beautiful work entitled, **"Requiem for the Living,"** by contemporary composer Dan Forrest. A well-known American composer of choral and orchestral works, he is equally at home in both sacred and secular genres. His requiem (published 2013) has become very popular both here in the U.S. and abroad. We look forward to exploring it! We hope to combine with the church choir of another Bay Area church; plans are in the works.

Later this month or early in March, we expect to begin rehearsing this work for an hour each Thursday evening from 7:30-8:30. If you would like to be a part of this and have not sung with the chancel choir before or are not on the email list, contact Linda at lgprice57@gmail.com. We'll provide the music and lots of friendly people to help you get oriented.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Group Spiritual Direction for Lent – Join us!

The Lenten season invites us to reflect on our own mortality and ways we can follow the way of Jesus and turn toward God in the midst of everyday living. This year, a small group will meet at FPCSA three times during Lent for group spiritual direction with a focus on various themes of the season.

Spiritual direction is the practice of paying attention to the Spirit alive in us and in our everyday lives. Group spiritual direction acknowledges our interconnectedness as children of God and the mysterious and powerful ways the Spirit moves in community.

Guided by spiritual director Gina Guillemette, the group will explore Lenten themes using the spiritual practice of the Examen. We will each listen for how the Spirit is stirring in us in this time and place, and we will bear witness to the struggles and blessings of our unique and common experiences. The group will consist of 4 to 6 people who meet on the following three Wednesdays during Lent – March 13, March 27, and April 10 – from 7 to 8:30pm in the Library. All are invited! Questions welcome! Please contact Gina for more information and to sign up – ginaguillemette@gmail.com or 312.805.2743.

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SUNDAY SEMINARS

Sunday Seminar: Presbyterian 101 March 10

Following worship on Sunday, March 10, Pastor Whitt will lead a class called "Presbyterian 101" covering the basics of the history, theology, and distinctive features of the Presbyterian Church (USA). All are welcome. Those considering church membership are urged to attend. Please let Pastor Whitt know if you need child care. 11:30am in the Fireside Room.

MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH

Why Become a Church Member? First Presbyterian's New Member Process

People often ask, "Why join the church? What difference does it make if I'm a member?" There are many aspects of church that can be experienced as a regular worshiper or participant without membership. People who choose not to become church members, for whatever reason, are always welcome to participate broadly in the life of the church.

Still, church membership offers a way to dig deeper into faith questions and fellowship. Membership announces, "I am committed to this community. I'm all in. I am a part of this." In his first letter to the church in Corinth, the apostle Paul wrote, "Now you are the body of Christ, and individual members of it. And God has placed these in the church." Paul is saying that members of a church comprise the whole and are essential parts of it. Paul carried the body metaphor further to explain that members are individual parts of the body. Some are eyes, others are ears; some are feet; still others are hands. That is why he concludes: "For as the body is one and has many parts, and all the parts of that body, though many, are one body–so also is Christ." (1 Corinthians 12:12)

In the church, we are all different but we still work together. With a golf or health club membership, you pay others to do the work for you. With church membership, everyone has a role or function. That is why some are hands, feet, ears, or eyes. We are all different, but we are necessary parts of the whole. This increases a person's sense of community and belonging. "So if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it." (1 Corinthians 12:26)

The new member process at First Presbyterian Church has three parts:

- A church tour (offered March 3 after coffee hour)
- A class called "Presbyterian 101" that teaches what it means to be Presbyterian (offered March 10 after coffee hour)
- Dinner at the pastor's home with other folks joining the church (date TBD, but some Saturday evening this spring)

"In the life of the congregation, individual believers are equipped for the ministry of witness to the love and grace of God in and for the world."
~ Book of Order, PC(USA) G-1.0101

MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH

Church Campus Tour, March 3

After worship on Sunday, March 3, we are offering the opportunity for anyone interested in knowing more about our church facility to tour the church campus. One or more knowledgeable guides will not only lead us into the hidden recesses of this church building, but will give us some history about how this congregation came into existence. For example, did you know that this church was founded in 1897 and was first known as the Seminary Church? It changed its name to First Presbyterian Church of San Anselmo in 1907 although in its early days, the seminary still played a major role in staffing the church.

Initially Duncan Hall was where the congregation worshiped, so when was the current sanctuary built? When was the education wing built, and how are those rooms used now? Where is the office, or the current nursery? Have you ever seen where the choir keeps all of its music? There is also an excellent nursery school on the premises that has been using the facilities since 1967. Did you know we have a memorial garden, where the "cremains" of our beloved saints of San Anselmo are interred? When was the memorial garden created created? It is possible that you have many questions of your own. This is a chance to find out more about your church.

To celebrate the centennial of this congregation in 1997, Walt Davis headed up an able group of parishioners in writing a prize-winning history book about our congregation. This book titled, Our Past: A Window to the Future will be made available to those interested in checking it out for some interesting reading.

Join us for this tour, and perhaps invite someone to come with you: a visitor, or a new member. Even if you have worshiped with us for years, you may discover some room or alcove that you didn't even know existed.

TRANSITION SUPPORT GROUP

Transition Support Group Spring Book: Jonathan Haidt, The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion

The Transition Support Group begins discussing Jonathan Haidt's **The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion,** on Wednesday, March 6.

An excerpt from the New York Times review of the book: *"You're smart. You're liberal. You're well informed. You think conservatives are narrow-minded. You can't understand why working-class Americans vote Republican. You figure they're being duped. You're wrong. … This isn't an accusation from the right. It's a friendly warning from Jonathan Haidt, a social psychologist at the University of Virginia who, until 2009, considered himself a partisan liberal. In The Righteous Mind, Haidt seeks to enrich liberalism, and political discourse generally, with a deeper awareness of human nature. Like other psychologists who have ventured into political coaching, such as George Lakoff and Drew Westen, Haidt argues that people are fundamentally intuitive, not rational. If you want to persuade others, you have to appeal to their sentiments. But Haidt is looking for more than victory. He's looking for wisdom. That's what makes The Righteous Mind well worth reading. Politics isn't just about manipulating people who disagree with you. It's about learning from them."*

~ From William Saletan, ***"Why Won't They Listen? The Righteous Mind, by Jonathan Haidt,"*** **The New York Times** (March 23, 2012)**.** The entire review is available here: https://nyti.ms/2NRwgDL

You can find The Righteous Mind at the Marin County Public Library (201.615 Haidt 2012). You may also buy it USED on Amazon for $6.95 or slightly more: https://amzn.to/2EgLH5s

The Transition Support Group meets every Wednesday morning from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the office conference room. After opening with prayer, the group looks at a Bible passage for about 10 minutes, and then checks in, sharing joys and concerns in a confidential setting. The last 20 minutes of the gathering is reserved for book discussion.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Congratulations to Sharon LeClaire, former seminary student under our care, who was ordained as a Teaching Elder (Minister of Word and Sacrament) on Sunday, February 17, at Stone Church of Willow Glen, in San Jose. Huzzah!

Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers: March 31 Officer Training: Sundays, March 17 and 24

Following worship on Sunday, March 31, we will gather in the sanctuary for a congregational meeting to elect officers. The officers of a Presbyterian Church are elders who serve on the session, the governing board of a Presbyterian church, and deacons, who serve in a ministry of presence and caring. The Nominating Committee has been hard at work to bring a slate of wonderful and committed people to fill the leadership roles in our congregation.

The officers who are elected on March 31 will be installed in worship at a later date.

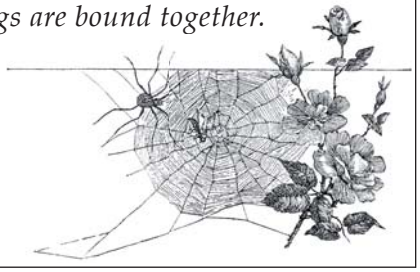
Prior to the election, all those nominated and standing for election are asked to attend officer training either on Sunday, March 17, or on Sunday, March 24. Officer training will take place in the Fireside Room at 11:30 following coffee hour.

Web Of Life

Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together.

All things connect.

~Chief Seattle



PRESBYTERY OF THE REDWOODS

Cents-Ability Dollars Help Coast Guard Families During Shutdown

From Patty Sanders, Redwoods Presbytery's Hunger Action Enabler:

Dear Friends,

I share with you on how your **Cents-Ability** dollars are helping Coast Guard families through our Cents-Ability grantee **Extra Food.org**. As you will read, Coast Guard families have not received back pay from the government shut down. (See letter below.)

Dear Patty,

Recently, **ExtraFood** was honored to serve Marin's Coast Guard families, who still had not received back pay owed for their continued service during the recent government shutdown.

In collaboration with our longtime partner **Homeward Bound of Marin**, ExtraFood was proud to serve these families who serve our country and our community so beautifully. Homeward Bound served the families a delicious sit-down dinner at Homeward Bound's **Next Key Center**, with ice cream provided by ExtraFood. And then, through the generosity of food donors in ExtraFood's Community Meals program, ExtraFood provided the families with a complete meal to take home: Lasagna, salad with chicken, roasted vegetables, a baguette with a bottle of olive oil, a bottle of sparkling apple juice, fruit, and freshly-baked cookies. (See photo at the bottom.)

I was moved by the stories these families told me of their service and their challenges, and by their profound grace, honor, and dignity.

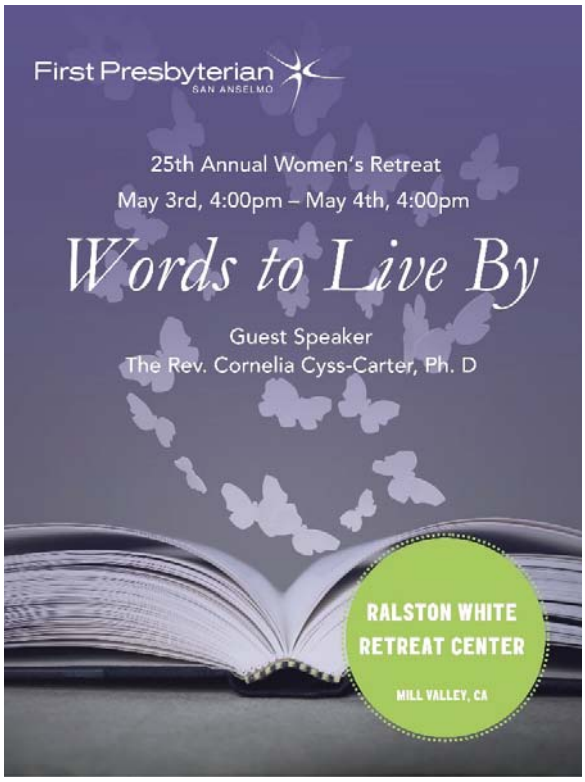
It is because of your support that we can mobilize our coalition to support members of our community in a crisis. And it is because of your support that our county-wide food recovery program can serve people in need 365 days a year. You have our deepest gratitude.

Together we are making a difference in our Presbytery and beyond.

2019 Women's Retreat

Registration for the Women's Retreat **begins on Sunday, March 10th**. During coffee hour, look for the Women's Retreat poster and table. We anticipate great interest and, we recommend you fill in your Registration Form and return it with your check or Financial Aid request, as soon as possible, to one of the Organizing Team members at the table, or to the Church Office, attention Maureen Kalbus.

"WORDS TO LIVE BY", led by The Rev. Cornelia Cyss-Carter, Ph.D, will explore words and sayings that we cherish and that are meaningful and special for our lives. These might be sayings that are unique to a family, come from a well-known story or a favorite poem, passages from the Bible or from other sacred texts. As we ruminate we might ask ourselves: when did we first hear those special words or verses; what event, occasion, or person do they bring to mind; and how have these proverbs, sayings, or stories helped shape our lives? We might also consider if the words we live by have changed over time. Are there some sayings that have remained significant throughout our lives? Are there other sayings that we used to value but have now set aside? Why is that so? And what does that signify? And: Are there new words, recently discovered, that have been life-giving? As each of us shares our "words to live by", may we gain deeper insight into what we value.



✂ Cut form here and return with your check to the Church Office

25th Annual Women's Retreat
Registration Form

Name_____

Phone_____

Email_____

Special Needs (food, accommodation*):_____

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Fees:
- ❑ $160. Overnight, 3 meals
- ❑ $110. Not staying overnight (Friday, Saturday & 3 meals)
- ❑ $85. Saturday only, 2 meals
- ❑ _____. Scholarship Fund contribution

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Please make checks payable to:
First Presbyterian Church of San Anselmo

Payment due **by Sunday, April 28th**.
Please send registration form and check to the Church Office, Attention: Maureen Kalbus.

There are a limited number of partial scholarships available. If one is needed, please contact either Joanne Whitt at 415-456-3713 or Maureen Kalbus at 415-444-0302. Scholarship notifications will be made by April 15th.

** If you need a bed on the ground floor. Other beds and rooms are available on a first come, first served basis.*

❑ If you need a lift or would like to carpool, please check the box. Marita Mayer will contact you to arrange this.

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Please call Laura to register or to request a scholarship: 415-388-4824.

Each of us comes to our current work from a series of different paths; choices we made, beginning in school and then constantly evolving, as we encountered various opportunities and challenges that required us to select one path over any other, leading us ultimately to where we are today. Over the course of a life, there are many of these choice points, and many events which impose on our careers–familial, economic, health.

But in the end, finding what it is we LOVE to do is the most important piece of work. And uncovering what is next for us is both a challenge, and a joy.

Join a group of like-minded fellow travelers on this journey to discover what it is that is calling our soul to invest in. Once we discover the 'what', we will begin to lay down the stepping stones of 'how' we will reach that destination.

Laura Schwartz, LCSW is a psychotherapist who practices at the Interfaith Counseling Center. She has worked for over twenty-five years with families, couples and individuals as they navigate personal and professional transitions, including career development, parenting, divorce, and meaningful aging. She specializes in helping people discover what they love to do, and how to build a life where they can do that.

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Our time together will include enjoyment of poetry, guided meditation, inquiry, and reflection to illuminate our inner truths and tap into the wisdom of the group. These insights when collectively shared, are the alchemy that bring balance and renewal. Please bring your own lunch and snacks; tea and water provided.

Diana Arsenian is a certified Soul Collage facilitator.
Jan Reynolds is a credentialled spiritual director.

Theatre-at-Large Presents a Benefit for the Street Chaplaincy

February 28, & March1 at 8pm

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of San Rafael
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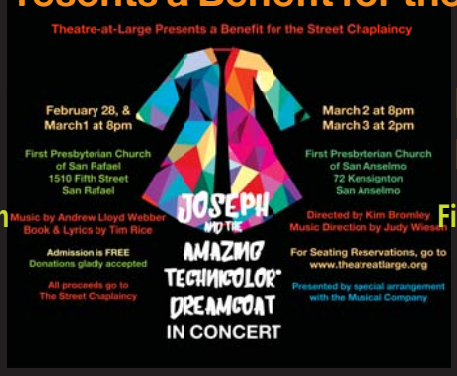

March 2 at 8pm
March 3 at 2pm

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WORSHIP

Worship in March 2019

March 3 Transfiguration Sunday
Communion
"Changed from Glory Into Glory"
Luke 9:28-43
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching

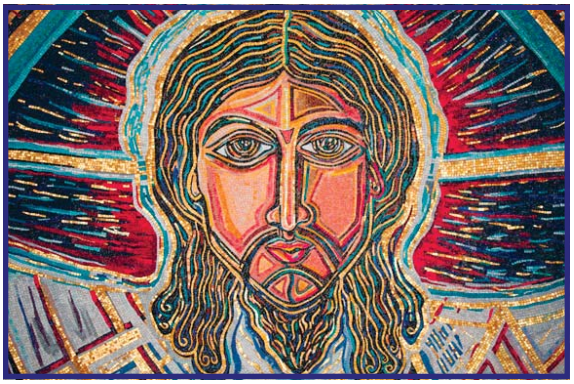
March 6
7:00pm **Ash Wednesday**
Communion and Imposition of Ashes
"The Lord's Prayer:
On Earth As It Is In Heaven"
Psalm 51:6-17
Matthew 6:7-15
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching

March 10 First Sunday in Lent
"Our Father, Who Art in Heaven"
Luke 4:1-14
Matthew 6:9
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching

March 17 Second Sunday in Lent
Family Sunday
"Hallowed Be Thy Name"
Psalm 27
Matthew 6:9
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching

March 24 Third Sunday in Lent
"Thy Kingdom Come,
Thy Will Be Done On Earth"
Luke 13:18-19
Matthew 6:10
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching

March 31 Fourth Sunday in Lent
"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread"
Exodus 16:13-21
Matthew 6:11
Rev. Dvera Hadden, preaching



Ash Wednesday
Service of Communion and Imposition of Ashes
March 6, 7:00 p.m.

Lent is the Christian season of preparation before Easter. Many people shy away (or run away) from the word repentance, but all it means, literally, is to turn around. Repentance means turning around to move toward God and God's hopes and desires for us, rather than turning away from God. When we understand that all God's hopes for us come out of God's unimaginable love for us, then what we're talking about is a loving transformation, not a time to beat ourselves up, or feel ashamed or unworthy. Lent is therefore a season for reflection and taking stock; a season of learning and practicing what we need to do in order to live more fully into our identity as God's beloved offspring.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is like a wake-up call. We have forty precious days to open ourselves up to God, to examine ourselves in the presence of one who created us, knows us, and loves us. We have forty days to face ourselves, and learn to not be afraid of God's loving transformation.

The imposition of ashes – a mark of the cross in oil and ash on the forehead – is an ancient tradition, dating from the very early church before the divisions within the church we take for granted now. It is a very physical, embodied gesture of prayer and repentance to begin the Lenten season. It is not intended for a show of piety, shame or guilt. We use ashes as a sign of God's grace, who in Christ allows and by the Spirit enables us to turn again to be disciples. In the imposition of ashes, we pray with and for one another, and we call one another to remember our baptism.

Join the community for worship on Wednesday, March 6 at 7:00 p.m., as, together, we begin our journey toward recovering what it means to be God's beloveds.

Face of Christ, detail, from "Christ in Glory" apse mosaic, Church of the Transfiguration, Orleans, MA. Mosaicist: Alessandra Caprara, Ravenna, Italy. https://www.churchofthetransfiguration.org/art/mosaics/

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- **Lent 1, March 10:** "Our Father, who art in heaven…."
- **Lent 2, March 17** (and Family Sunday): "Hallowed be thy name."
- **Lent 3, March 24:** "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."
- **Lent 4, March 31:** "Give us this day our daily bread."
- **Lent 5, April 7:** "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors."
- **Lent 6, April 14:** "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."
- **Easter, April 21:** We will celebrate the Resurrection and conclude with "For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen."

Join us as we explore the Lord's Prayer, the prayer that shapes us over a lifetime of praying.

Together we serve,
Joanne

CHURCH & SOCIETY

Welcome to Fossil Free PCUSA, a project of Presbyterian Peace Fellowship

God's call to love all creation directs us to be good stewards of the earth and to live lives that are sustainable. Where our treasure lies, so do our hearts.

We continue to be faithful through our individual and collective actions that reduce our dependency on fossil fuels and we continue to encourage divestment from the industry that harms the planet the most.

Members and friends of the Presbyterian Church (USA) have responded to our biblical call to care for God's good creation since 2012 by calling on our denomination to divest from the fossil fuel industry.

In 2014, we, the leadership of FFPCUSA and representatives from 12 concurring presbyteries, traveled to General Assembly in Detroit to present an overture to divest. This overture was sent to the Mission Responsibility Through Investment (MRTI) committee for further study.

In 2016, the support for our updated overture grew to 31 concurring presbyteries and we traveled to GA in Portland. Our overture was passed in committee but eventually was again sent to MRTI.

In 2017, we became an official project of PPF, acknowledging that the work of ecojustice is entangled with peacemaking.

In 2018, the support for our overture grew to 40 presbyteries and many of us are planning to walk from Louisville to GA in St Louis.

And so, our work continues to grow, in collaboration with people across the denomination, but focused on our commitment to divest from the industry that has contributed the most to climate change.

If you are interested in leaning more, contact the Church & Society Committee, or visit: https://www.fossilfreepcusa.org/

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:00am
(Nursery Care)

The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt
Pastor and Head of Staff
The Rev. Doug Olds
Parish Associate
Laurie Buntain
Church Accountant
Daniel Canosa
Director of Music
Heather Gordon
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Joanna Magee
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"Teach the children. We don't matter so much, but the children do. Show them the daisies and the pale hepatica. Teach them the taste of sassafras and wintergreen. The lives of blue sailors, mallow, sunbursts, the moccasin flowers. And the frisky ones–inkberry, lamb's-quarters, blueberries. And the aromatic ones–rosemary, oregano. Give them peppermint to put in their pockets as they go to school. Give them the fields and woods and the possibility of the world salvaged from the lords of profit. Stand them in the stream, head them upstream, rejoice as they learn to love this green space they live in, its sticks and leaves and then the silent, beautiful blossoms.

"Attention is the beginning of devotion."

~from **Upstream**, by Mary Oliver (2016)