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**Maundy Thursday – April 2 @ 7:00p.m.**  
at First Presbyterian Church  
**Good Friday – April 3 @ 7:00 p.m.** at  
Memorial Presbyterian Church Midland  
**Easter Sunday – April 5 @ 9:00a.m.** at  
Second Presbyterian Church

On Sunday's, the church doors will be open to the congregation at 8:15 a.m. Should you have a special circumstance that requires earlier access to the church, (Communion servers, musical guests, etc.) please contact the church office to make arrangements during office hours. Please call 989-792-1023 to be sure that someone is in the office before you drive to the church.



## Lectionary for April

### Wednesday of Holy Week – April 1

Isaiah 50:4-9a and Psalm 70; Hebrews 12:1-3; John 13:21-32

### Maundy Thursday – April 2

Exodus 12:1-4(5-10)11-14 and Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26;  
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

### Good Friday – April 3

Isaiah 52:13-53 and Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16 ; 5:7-9  
John 18:1 – 19:42

### Easter Sunday Day – April 5

Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6 and Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4;  
Matthew 28:1-10 or John 20:1-18

### Easter Evening

Isaiah 25:6-9 and Psalm 114; 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; Luke 24:13-49

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter – April 12

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 and Psalm 16 or Exodus 15:1-11 and Psalm 111;  
1 Peter 1:2-9; John 20:19-31

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter – April 19

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 and Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 or Isaiah 51:1-6 and Psalm 34:1-10;  
1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47 and Psalm 23 or Ezekiel 34:7-15 and Psalm 100; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10



**ONE GREAT  
HOUR OF SHARING**

**PCUSA Special Offerings**

We will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering (OGHS) on **Easter Sunday**. Millions of Christians join together through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The work done in support of the causes supported by One Great Hour of Sharing — disaster, hunger, poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration and refugees — serves individuals and communities in need. This work provides people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Your gifts to this offering help to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations.

## 2026 Ruling Elders

### Administration

Samantha Engel  
Tammi Sova  
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### Christian Education

Christy Higley  
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### Finance & Budget

Karen Kalina  
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Adam Engel

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### Director of Christian Education

Marsha Bennett

### Financial Secretary

Adam Engel

### Maintenance Supervisor

Doug Engel

### Director of Music Ministry

Thomas Heidenreich

### Secretary

### Office Assistant

Carol Poole

### Maintenance Custodians

Gannon Sova  
Isaiah Sova

From the Desk of Marsha Bennett  
Christian Education Director



Grace and peace to you!

Moving through this time of transition together, I am grateful for the many ways God continues to work through our church.

*The greatest thing I can be, is used by God.*

We are having a great time at Sunday school. If you know someone who is looking for a church home, bring them along! If you are interested in teaching, please sign up. We have two classes most Sundays, so we need two teachers. There is a sign-up sheet in the Sunday school hallway. If you have signed up to teach, your lesson is printed for you labeled with your name and date. You can find them in the Sunday school hallway, in the "teachers' corner." All materials including lesson plan, worksheets, and craft supplies are provided. Please reach out to me either by email – [christianeducation@spcsaginaw.org](mailto:christianeducation@spcsaginaw.org) or by phone @989-792-1023 during my scheduled office hours if you have any questions or special requests.

Parents, please remember there is Sunday school every Sunday for all kids four and up. Please come to the classroom to pick up your child after the service.

If you have a child that attends Sunday school, they should receive "The kid's connection." It is a special newsletter especially for your child. It is sent out separately to your children, I ask that you read it with them or have them read it as there is information especially for them! If your child does not receive the newsletter and you would like them to, please reach out to me.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second:

2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second meets after worship promptly at 10:15 and should wrap up by 11:30. We will be finishing our study of "Meeting Jesus on the Road" on Sunday April 12.

#### Scholarship Information:

If you are a graduating senior, or a first year college student, please see Marsha for an application for the Muriel Lakey Scholarship and the Mary Ann Rigterink Geiersbach Scholarship(s). Applications need to be turned in by April 12, 2026.



A Celebration of Life service for Virginia "Ginny" Rusch will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2026, at 2:00 PM at Second Presbyterian Church, 2665 Midland Road, Saginaw, Michigan. The Reverend Ted McCulloch will officiate. Ginny was a long time member of Second Presbyterian Church.



Anyone with a mission-minded heart is welcome to join the Mission Committee. You may reach out to any committee member for more information. New ideas and a caring spirit are always welcome as we organize and plan the mission projects of your Second Presbyterian Church.

Many thanks to all who made or contributed so many great items to our March focus for the Old Town Baby Pantry! We will let you know the final item count, but the crib was full, and the table as well! All will be greatly appreciated!

The April Mission Focus on the Presbyterian Giving Catalog will kick off later than usual because of Easter coming late this year. We plan to start on April 19, hoping to have as many children & youth that day to include the Sunday School groups in this mission.

Our goal is to raise \$1300 for the Family Farm Bundle, with any extra going toward Families of Chickens (\$25), pairs of goats (\$178), piglets (\$40), etc. Donations can be made using pew envelopes, marking the envelope/check for whatever gift you choose. Here is the link to a video from PC(USA) that shows where the gift of goats & other support has made a huge difference! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k-a2l4nfkQkbut>

Thank you for all you do in helping our mission projects all year long!!



#### Rescue Mission Lunches:

Saturday, April 4, please join us in the church kitchen to assemble bag lunches for the Saginaw Rescue Mission. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the church kitchen (Please enter from parking lot through Fellowship Hall door) to visit and share in the work of making sandwiches and lunches for those struggling with hunger.



All women of the church are invited to join us on Wednesday, April 8, at 9:30 a.m. We, as a group, will decide on what the next study will be while enjoying some treats and fellowship. If you have any questions, please call Carol Poole @ 989-793-7485.


#### Bake Sale:

The profit from the bake sale at the fish fry was \$628. Thank you for supporting PW Florence Gilmore Circle.



# April 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. @ FPC	3 Good Friday 7:00 p.m. @ MPC - Midland	4 Rescue Mission Lunches 9:00 a.m.
5 9:00 a.m. Worship Sunday School 	6	7	8 Florence Gilmore Circle 9:30 a.m.	9	10	11
12 9:00 a.m. Worship Sunday School	13	14	15 	16	17	18
19 9:00 a.m. Worship Sunday School	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 9:00 a.m. Worship Sunday School	27	28 Session Meeting 7:00 p.m.	29	30		



**The Sign-up sheets are out for the Mowing Team.** Each team will be responsible for mowing the grass at the church on an assigned week. Four teams of 2 will only require each team to mow every four weeks. Please contact Doug Engel @989-780-3293 if you have any questions.



**Fish Fry:**

A HUGE thank you for your dedication in making our recent fish fry a success! Your support helped serve 430 meals (32 more than last fall) and netted a profit of over \$4,600 (an increase of \$900 from last fall)! The fish fry is an amazing example of what we can accomplish when we come together! **Our next Fish Fry is Friday, October 16, 2026.** We hope to see you there!

Thank you for your support!