

Lectionary for March

March 1: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

March 8: Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

March 15: Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

March 22: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

March 29: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

Please keep these folks in your prayers:

Winnie Bingham	Ed DeWyse
Stephanie Bennett	Vera Dice
Don & Sally Day	Alice Briggs
Joan Hall	

Our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Kathy Hoepfner at her death February 13, 2020.

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Seeking and Serving Christ, We are a Place for Growing Christians.

Move your clocks ahead one hour on March 9.

We welcome to our pulpit:

March 1: Doug Byron

March 8: Rev. Michael Hahn

March 15: Ken Morris

March 22: Youth Sunday

March 29: Rev. Dr. Andrew Pomerville
(Alma College Chaplain)

Men's Fellowship Breakfast



All men of the church are invited to join in on Saturday, March 7, for breakfast, study and fellowship. We meet at 8:00 a.m. at the church, as we continue our study of the Acts of the Apostles. Come and join us for breakfast, study and fellowship!

Easter Lilies



We will decorate our sanctuary this year with Easter lilies for the Easter Sunday service. If you would like to order one in honor or memory of someone, there is a signup sheet in the office. Flowers will be ordered from Boehler's Greenhouse and are \$12.00 each. All orders *must be placed and paid for by March 22.*

Scholarship Applications Due

Applications are in the church office for the MaryAnn Geiersbach, the Muriel Lakey, and the Alma College Scholarships. Please return your application by **March 22.**

Saginaw's Best Fish Fry will be held here on Friday, March 20th. Enjoy our "secret recipe" fish along with roasted potatoes, coleslaw, beverage and dessert. Dine here from 4:30 pm until 6:30 pm or take some home to enjoy!
 Adults \$11, Take Outs \$10
 Kids 5-11 \$5, Under 5 free.

Fish Fry and Bake Sale

We'll need lots of help at the Fish Fry and Bake Sale on Friday, March 20, 2020. Signup sheets are in the gathering area. Flyers are also available in the gathering area, please help us distribute them to family, friends, and businesses. It takes many hands to make this event a success....and it's also really great fellowship. Don't forget to wear your fish fry shirt that day! The proceeds go to the Presbyterian Men's Group, which performs many of the maintenance jobs around the church.

Lenten Soup Suppers and Studies

Is it a beautiful day in your neighborhood? Well it will be if you join us during Lent this year to learn about the life, work, and faith of Fred Rogers. The study will center around the book "The Simple Faith of Mister Rogers" by Amy Hollingsworth. You are welcome to purchase or borrow the book on your own, or you can be part of a group Amazon order through the office. Let Sonia know by February 29 if you would like to be part of the order. The book costs \$12.79. The study will begin Thursday, March 5 and continue every Thursday through April 2. Supper begins at 6:00 p.m., and our study time will go from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. To help us know how many to plan for, please make a reservation by Tuesday of each week. Child-care will be provided, so let us know the age of your children as well. Sign-up sheets are on the sign-up table.



**Please wear your nametags on Sunday mornings.
 If you do not have a nametag, a signup sheet is in the gathering area.**

Sunday School

This month the children in 2nd – 5th grades will be exploring "The Appearance of the Holy Spirit" in the Sunday school workshops. The children will be studying various crosses to envision their symbolism, making grilled cheese sandwiches as they learn about the story of Jesus' appearance by the Sea of Galilee, and playing relay games to recreate different event of the story. If you would like to lead a workshop, please talk to Peggy. Join us for all the fun!

Young Children and Worship (4 year old – 1st grade)

March 1 – Lenten Puzzle, March 8 – Follow Me, March 15 – Jesus and the Children, March 22 – Jesus the King, March 29 – Jesus' Last Passover.

2nd @ Second

Please join us at 10:45AM on Sunday mornings as we finishing up our sturdy of Judaism this month. **There will be NO 2nd @ Second on March 1.** We will look at Judaism: lessons 11 and 12 on March 8th and 15th respectively. Then we will begin looking at the lectionary readings the rest of the month of March until May.

VBS (ROCKY RAILWAY) is coming



All abroad for FUN at VBS!!!! Mark your calendar for the week of **June 22 – June 26!** This is THE event that puts kids on track for trusting Jesus! At **Rocky Railway**, kids explore Jesus' power and how we can trust Jesus to pull us through when life feels like a valley or a mountaintop. **Rocky Railway** is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences, catchy songs (my favorite part), teamwork-building games, devouring yummy treats, and one-of-a-kind Bible Adventures! Kids will collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Each day concludes with a Rocky Wrap Up Celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. A great fun week is ahead! Hope to see you all there at the sound of the train whistle! Forms for registration and adult help will be in the Sunday school hallway the beginning of April!

Youth Events

Sunday, March 1st – PYG during Sunday School time. REACH Meeting after worship. Soup/Chili Cookoff!! Meet us in Fellowship Hall at 3:30 p.m. and please bring a dessert to share!

Sunday, March 8th – PYG during Sunday School time (we will be planning Youth Sunday)

Sunday, March 15th – PYG during Sunday School time (we will be planning Youth Sunday)

Saturday, March 21st – Youth Sunday practice (time TBD)

Sunday, March 22nd – YOUTH SUNDAY! we will be leading worship this day!

Sunday, March 29th – **No** PYG - beginning of Spring Break

Annual Chili and Soup Cook-Off

Sunday, March 1st at 5pm! We will be hosting a Chili and Soup Cook-Off this year!! If you (or a friend or family member) want to cook up some soup or chili to share with the congregation - that would be GREAT! Please plan to join us at this event to help us set-up, serve, and clean-up. Please be to church at 3:30 p.m., wear your PYG t-shirt and please bring a dessert to share with the folks who join us for dinner!

REACH Meeting

We will be having a REACH meeting on Sunday, March 1st after worship to discuss this summer's mission trip!

Mark your calendars for Youth Sunday!

We will be leading worship on Sunday, March 22nd. Please start thinking about how you want to be involved with this service. There are so many ways to participate - not everyone has to speak or be in front of the congregation, so if you are more of a "behind the scenes" person, we have options for you! Please plan on joining us for PYG on the planning Sundays and mark your calendar for Saturday, March 21st because we will have practice that day to go over the whole service. Start thinking about your favorite hymns and Bible verses! If there is anyone interested in playing special music that day - let us know!

Mission News

"Go also the second mile" - Matthew 5:4



Our March Mission Focus will be collecting items for the Old Town Baby Pantry. Please pick up a list of needed items to donate to this wonderful organization & help give these mothers & fathers a helping hand with their new blessings. These gifts will be collected until March 31st.

Updates:

Two Coins a Meal collection was a great success. We donated \$669.30 to First Presbyterian Church Food Pantry.

We also collected (25) **Hope and Care Totes** and many loose hygiene items to donate to the Saginaw Rescue Mission.

Thank You for your continued support and generosity to all the mission projects.

Interim Pastor Search Update






The interim pastor search committee work continues. By the time of this publishing, it will have the questionnaire completed required to aid the process. You may remember this form serves as a guideline for potential candidates to know what second Presbyterian is about for a good match. The Committee has received names of available candidates which will be reviewed and selected for eventual interview. Updates will follow as progress continues.

SERRV Sale



We will have our SERRV items in the gathering area for sale on Sundays March 15 & 22 and during the Fish Fry on Friday, March 20. These items are all Fair Trade which means that SERRV pays the artisan a wage that is fair. Come and shop and support this worthy Mission project. Part of the profit is added to our Mission funds.

March 2020 Second Presbyterian Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion 9:30 a.m. Worship & Nursery Chili Cookoff 5:00 p.m.	2 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Busy Hands & Hearts	3 2:00 pm Exercise	4 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Chancel	5 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper/Study	6 11:00 a.m. Exercise	7 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast and Study
8 9:30 a.m. Worship & Nursery	9	10 Election Day Committee Night	11 9:30 a.m. Florence Gilmour Circle 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Chancel	12 8:30 a.m. Prayer Group 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper/Study	13 11:00 a.m. Exercise	14
15 9:30 a.m. Worship & Nursery 2 nd @ Second	16 	17 2:00 p.m. Exercise	18 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Chancel	19 8:30 a.m. Prayer Group 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper/Study	20 11:00 a.m. Exercise Fish Fry 4:30-6:30 p.m.	21 Youth Sunday Practice
22 9:30 a.m. Youth Sunday Worship & Nursery 2 nd @ Second	23	24 2:00 p.m. Exercise	25  6:00 p.m. Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Chancel	26 8:30 a.m. Prayer Group 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper/Study	27 11:00 a.m. Exercise	28 
29 9:30 a.m. Worship & Nursery 2 nd @ Second	30	31 2:00 p.m. Exercise 7:00 p.m. Session			