



TOWER CHIMES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WINTER HAVEN
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BRIGHT SUNDAY



For over two decades, we have celebrated Bright Sunday on the Sunday after Easter with joy and laughter.

This year our Bright Sunday Service will be celebrating worship around the theme **ALIVE** with our Confirmation Class members leading worship with Pastor Sarah, Jeremy, and the First Pres Praise Band; you won't want to miss it.

This **single worship service on April 7 will be held at 10 am**, and will conclude with a **butterfly release** in the Memorial Garden. Please plan to join in celebrating us all being **ALIVE** in Christ Jesus on this wonderful Sunday!

ALL-CHURCH RETREAT: APRIL 13-14 AT CEDARKIRK



Registration is open for a weekend away with our theme, **Building Blocks of Life: The LEGO Movie Building the Body of Christ**. Scan the QR Code and register today. Weekend and day rates available for families and individuals.

Contact Rev. Sarah with any questions or see [this year's brochure](#).

CHRIST'S MOMS



Gather with other young moms and kids as we enjoy food, fun, crafts and good company on the third Tuesday of every month at **4:30 pm**. Our next meeting is **April 16** in our Education Building room 102.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 7

BRIGHT SUNDAY

- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (GR)
- 10:00 am Sanctuary Worship
- 10:15 am Children Sunday School (CE 206)

Monday, April 8

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 6:30 pm Christian Education (GR)

Tuesday, April 9

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH)
- 6:00 pm Personnel (MCR)

Wednesday, April 10

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 12:00 pm Building & Grounds (MCR)
- 1:00 pm American Mah Jongg (CE102)
- 3:30 pm Christ's Kids (Playground/CE)
- 5:15 pm Confirmation (GC)
- 5:30 pm Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 6:00 pm Chancel Bells (MH)
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir (Chapel)

Thursday, April 11

- 1:15 pm Chapel Bells (MH)

Friday, April 12

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)

Saturday, April 13

- 2:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
- 4:00 pm Soup Kitchen (737)



REMEMBER IN PRAYER MEMBERS

Ann Adams

Jonye Briggs

Joe Burke

Kelly Butz

Orin Champlain

Ellie Crowder

Marjorie DiLorenzo

Rob Donaldy

Dana Elmore

Bill Everhart

Gloria Goss

Caitlyn Grady

Lynne Grady

Pam Gray

Heidi Munoz-Gutierrez

Wayne Berry

Maureen Cain

Tammy Cowart

Mason Dorsey

Lisa Golden

Cole Gorham

Brian & Anna Griffin

Mike & Cheryce

Harris

Ken Hart

Jane Hayman

Shirley Hines

Wade Hoffman

Jim Huff

Scott & Becky Irvin

Wiley Koon

Joanie Kooser

Jill Kosmenschky

Ray & Gladys Larson

Lynn Lassater

Carol Lind

Pat McCarty

Pat Miller

Edna Mitchell

Jeri & Tom Oldt

Arletta Oriani

Sharon Ramseyer

Marilyn Schleifer

Dick Shaw

Marilyn Sheffield

Joyce Shirah

Katie Sparr

Barbara Tackett

Pam Tallent-Blackburn

Jane & Tim Tillman

Jennifer & Mike Vibral

Gale & Gwen Waters

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Hobby Jeffrey

Juan Joy

Brandy & Avery

Koeppe

John Linn

Ada Lopez-Mendez

Khyla Martinez

Dick McCauley

Ann Reddout

Jack Robinson

Ginger Snively-Chad

Randy Spiwak

Steve Weeks

MILITARY

Eddie Gray

Daniel Harp

Sean Harp

David Knowles

John Marotti

KaitLin Marotti

Mathew Massam

John Portlock

Diane Secord

Shad Skinner

Drew Stapor

Zach Anaya

Brenden Anderson

Christian Anderson

Zach Drum

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Bag Lunch Ministry
 We gave out 237 lunches
 the week of 3/25/24. 

 **Soup Kitchen Ministry**
 We fed 80 people on
 Saturday, 3/30/24.

Return Service Requested

FUNTIMERS



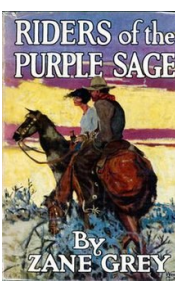
Our next FunTimers event will be on **Wednesday, April 17**. We will meet in McLeod Hall at **10:00 am** then travel to the Polk Museum of Art. There we will enjoy the **Rockwell/Wyeth: Icons of America** exhibition. After that, we will go to lunch and return to the church by **2 pm**. The cost is the price of your lunch. Please RSVP by signing up in McLeod Hall or calling or emailing the church office. And bring a friend!

SAVE THE DATE: VBS JUNE 9-13

We'll be gathering around the campfire at **Vacation Bible School's Camp Firelight**. Save the date and be sure to join us as a camper or counselor at this Summer Camp Adventure with God! Registration is open on our website.



MAY BOOK CLUB



We will meet on **Monday, May 20** at **3 pm** in McLeod Hall as we discuss **Riders of the Purple Sage**, by Zane Grey. We hope you will join us for this novel set in Utah in the 1800s. A ranch-owning heroine lives in a Mormon community amid rustlers, gunmen, church and small community politics.

AMERICAN MAH JONGG LESSONS

Please join us for the fascinating game of **American Mah Jongg**. Spend a fun and relaxing couple of hours in fellowship with your First Pres family. Don't know how to play? No worries. We will teach you. We meet weekly on **Wednesdays, 1-3 pm** in the **CE 102**. If you would like to play or learn to play, please contact Sharon Mitchell at 863-585-0170.



CLASS OF 2027

The Nominating Committee has the responsibility of suggesting men and women to serve on the Session and the Diaconate. Your responsibility is to provide the names of those whom you feel meet the high standards of character required for these offices. These persons must have the time available to SERVE, the commitment to Jesus Christ to SERVE, and the ability to LEAD this congregation in its spiritual and physical growth for our Lord's sake. Please prayerfully consider your recommendations (which may include yourself.) Your signature is not required.

These recommendations will be considered by the Nominating Committee which will present a slate for election. We are to elect five Elders and five Deacons to three-year terms to replace those retiring this year. We are also to elect five at-large members to serve on next year's Nominating Committee.

<u>ELDER</u>	<u>DEACON</u>	<u>NOMINATING COMMITTEE</u>
1. _____	1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____	3. _____

Please place in the offering plate or mail to the church office.