



the Herald

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Lenten Series – March 3, 10, 17
9:30 a.m. in the lounge

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Palm Sunday will be celebrated during the March 24 worship

Maundy Thursday will be celebrated at Unity Presbyterian Church at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday service is at Central at noon on March 29

Easter Sunday service is on March 31 beginning at 10:30
In our sanctuary



One Great Hour of Sharing Offering to be received on Sunday, March 31. Envelopes will be available in the church bulletins.

OGHS supports three programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT – Ellie Templeton, Christian Educator

Sunday School Updates

Sunday School for all ages meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30am. Elementary and younger age children will meet in their assigned classrooms most weeks, Middle and High school youth will meet in the youth room upstairs or group with the adult class.

Elementary classes have moved into new lessons for Lent called “Make Disciples”. We will occasionally pause Sunday School if it is a school break or holiday weekend. Updates for schedule changes will be shared in the e-news and bulletin. Nursery care will be available during Sunday School and worship time for our younger children ages birth to 2 years.

2024 Lenten Series

Central’s Lent series for 2024 is underway and will continue through March 17. This year the series takes place in the morning during the regular 9:30am Sunday School time each week with breakfast being served before starting at 9am. Sessions are planned for February 18, 25 and March 3,10,17.

Breakfast will be provided by the Christian Nurture commission each Sunday.

Adults and youth will meet in Fellowship Hall and be studying “Lent in Plain Sight, a devotion through 10 objects” by Jill J Duffield. This devotion focuses on the common objects in our life and Jesus’ life and how we can reflect on love, redemption and God’s promise in the simpler things that surround us. Pastor Mike will lead the discussion sessions.

Elementary age and younger children will have their regular Sunday School classes as well during the Lent Series meeting in their classrooms.

Easter Egg Hunt

Christian Nurture Commission will host the annual church Easter Egg Hunt a little early this year, it will be following worship on Sunday, March 17. We invite all children to meet in Fellowship Hall after worship to hunt. All will receive a treat bag and be able to donate the coins inside their eggs to local charities.

VCSC Spring Break falls during holy week this year so many of our families will be out of town.

Don’t forget your baskets!

Brasso Invitational

The Worship Commission invites all to serve the morning of Saturday March 16 and help to get our various brass items polished and looking their best for Holy Week and beyond. The group will meet at 10am in Fellowship Hall.



Flowers for Easter

It has been our custom to place plants in the chancel area in memory or in honor of our loved ones to celebrate the resurrection of Christ. Through a local florist, we can obtain any of the following:

Lilies	\$12.50 per plant
Tulips	\$9.00 per plant
Daffodils	\$9.00 per plant

ORDER DEADLINE: Sunday, March 10

Let’s make our worship space a blaze of color as we celebrate Easter.

Donors: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Flowers must be paid for when ordered. Please leave orders in the church office or place in offering plate.

- 1—Megan Harder
- 6—Sally Rubey
- 12— Jack Ragle
- 16 — Diane Giltner
- 17 — Peter Christ, Caroline Christ
- 19 — Henry Darke
- 20 — Shirley Slutz
- 21 — Christopher Moulton, Annabeth Spencer
- 23 — Ridge Holder
- 25 — Brad Bough, Allen Holder
- 29 — Steve McCullough



Highpoint Youth Updates

Our Highpoint youth group has been busy! They met several times at Central and then spent a few Sundays in service as they painted spaces at the 14th and Chestnut Community Center. hosted the Souper Bowl of Caring and also volunteered at the UCM Chili Fest. Central collected over 300 lbs of canned goods and non perishables during the “Souper Bowl” event and also \$63 in donations. We all enjoyed the meal following worship on February 11 and appreciate all who brought soup and desserts and especially our youth and parents who setup and cleaned up the event. Thank you!



Tim has enjoyed a wonderful visit with his family in India for the past several weeks and will be back in early March.

2024 Surrell Scholarship

The Surrell Scholarship is a book scholarship for anyone attending college in the 2024-2025 school year who is an active member or participant in the life of Central Presbyterian. This is an online application and is open to anyone who will be attending a college, university or trade school program in the 2024-25 school year. The deadline to apply is April 12th. The application is available in the e-news, and on our website. Contact Ellie with questions.



The church office is in the process of preparing a new membership directory. If any of your information has changes, please call the church office to update our files so we have the latest address and phone number for you. Thanks!!

MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Staff meeting 10:00	2
3 Choir 8:45 Sunday school 9:30 Worship 10:30	4 Monday Bible study 9:00	5	6 Bible study & brew 7:30	7 Ladies Book club 2:00	8	9 
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17 Choir 8:45 Sunday school 9:30 Worship 10:30 Easter Egg hunt	18 Monday Bible study 9:00	19 Commission/ Committee meetings	20 Bible study & brew 7:30	21 	22 Staff meeting 10:00	23
24 Choir 8:45 Sunday school 9:30 Worship 10:30	25 Monday Bible study 9:00	26	27 Bible study & brew 7:30	28 Seekers & Searchers Bible study 10:00	29 Good Friday service Noon	30 
31 EASTER Choir 8:45 Worship 10:30						

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Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Mike Riggins, Pastor

Elie Templeton, Christian Educator/Communication Coordinator

Sarah Kelsheimer, Church Secretary

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Church Happenings

Women's Book Club

The Women's Book Club will be meeting on March 7 in the fellowship hall. The book to be discussed is Klara and the Sun by Kazuo Ishiguro.

Seekers & Searchers Bible study will meet on Thursday, March 21 at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. All women are invited to attend.

Don't forget to "Spring Forward" on Saturday, March 9 before you go to bed. Daylight savings time begins on March 10



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March 25, 2024**