



The Carbondale Presbyterian

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Easter Picnic

April 4



After worship on Easter Sunday, the celebration will continue with a potluck picnic at Shelter 2 in Giant City State Park. The gathering time will be 1 p.m. with lunch at about 1:30 p.m. We are inviting some very special guests, the friends from Turkey that provided us such a special meal earlier this Church year. Please bring a dish to share, your own table service, drinks, and chairs. Also, bring a little extra for our Muslim friends including some extra chairs. Please provide a card for each dish stating the ingredients so those with dietary restrictions can select what to eat. Sign-up in the narthex to indicate the number in your party and what you will be bringing.



Easter Egg Hunt

Growing Families in Fellowship (GFF) invites the children to participate in an Easter egg hunt at the Easter picnic at Giant City Park. The hunt is scheduled to begin at or just after 1:00 (before the meal), so please plan on arriving at that time. Bringing a basket is encouraged, but small decorated bags will be provided. If you have questions or need more information, please contact either Mary Louise Cashel (457-6892) or Serena Loyd (s-loyd@northwestern.edu).

Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00-Noon

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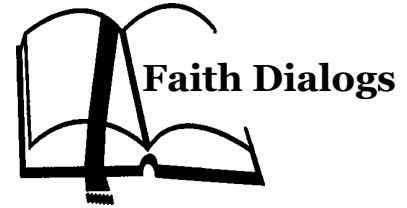
In sure and certain hope. . .

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The church family extends sympathy to the family and friends of

Grace Loos Kempenaar
August 17, 1912 – March 10, 2010

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. John 11:25-26



THERE WILL BE NO FAITH DIALOGS
ON EASTER SUNDAY

Enjoy the picnic at Giant City Park

On April 11 John Holt will be presenting

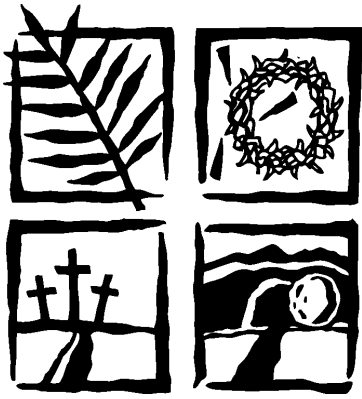
Sue Bailey will lead a Thoughtful Christian session on three consecutive Sundays entitled "What does the Lord Require?" They will be presented on April 18th, April 25, and May 1.

To Friends in Christ:

Thank you for your cards, flowers, time spent traveling and waiting at the various facilities; whispered prayers and every deed of kindness. have been the source of strength and comfort, for which I am eternally grateful.

Sincerely,
Charlene Scott

On March 7 Dorothy and Bill Ittner went to Wheaton College to receive an Illinois State Historical Society certificate designating the First Presbyterian Church of Carbondale, founded in 1854, as a Sesquicentennial Church, Mr. and Mrs. Ittner had put together an impressive three ring binder of historical information about our Church and submitted it in our behalf. One hundred churches across the State had submitted applications in an effort to win this award. Forty of the one hundred applications were approved, ours among them. A certificate signed by the President of the State Historical Society and the Governor of the State of Illinois was issued to the Church and handed out in a ceremony and banquet at Wheaton College. The framed Certificate and historical information will be displayed in the Book Nook during the month of April for those wishing to see it. Session has sent a letter fir their efforts on behalf of the church.



Holy Week 2010

Opportunities for Worship and Fellowship

Palm/Passion Sunday (March 28)

9:30 a.m. - Worship

-Text: Matthew 21:1-11; Matthew 26:17-56a;

Matthew 27 (selected verses)

-Sermon: ***Wishing the Parade Would Pass
You By***

Join us in worship at 9:30 a.m.

Meet us in the Narthex and Chapel wing at 9:15 a.m.
for our Palm Procession, or take your seat to watch the
pageantry.

10:45 a.m. - Christian Enrichment for all ages —
Children, Youth and Adults is held after fellowship,
with infant and toddler care available all morning.

Maundy Thursday (April 1)

5:30 p.m. - Supper

6 p.m. - Worship

Our evening begins around table in Fellowship Hall.
You are invited to bring soup or bread to share.
Our evening continues with a service of prayer in the
Sanctuary. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
will be shared. Infant care will be provided

Good Friday (April 2)

12 Noon - Worship

We will join ecumenically with our sisters and
brothers across the denominations for worship at
noon, at ***First Christian Church - Disciples of
Christ***. Local leaders in the Christian churches will
lead us in our worship

Easter Day (April 4)

9:30 a.m. - Worship

-Text: Matthew 28:1-10

-Sermon: ***Don't Be Afraid to Do as You are
Told***

-Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Join us in celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord
at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.
During worship we will receive and dedicate
our **One Great Hour of Sharing** offering.

10:45 a.m. - Fellowship

All are invited to a time of Fellowship immediately
following worship in Fellowship Hall. There are no
formal Christian Enrichment classes this morning,
but infant and toddler care is available all morning.

1 p.m. - Easter Potluck Picnic

Hop over to Giant City Park for the second annual
Easter potluck picnic. We will gather at Shelter #2
and our picnic will begin at 1:30. Bring a dish to
share, lawn chair and your preferred outdoor
recreation gear.



Membership

- Membership Ministry thanks all who joined us for a reception on February 14 during Fellowship Hour to toast the 21 new members who joined First Presbyterian Church during 2009.
- We purchased an additional 6 posters similar to those that are already framed and displayed mostly in the Narthex; we will continue to alternate them, so keep your eyes out for some interesting messages!
- Please be aware of church members and friends who plan to leave our community and notify Diane Cash, Ken Simpson, or Pastor Janice, so that we can wish them a proper farewell.
- We have begun planning our church's involvement at the Carbondale Lights Fantastic Parade and/or the SIU Homecoming Parade.
- The most current First Presbyterian Photo Membership Guide is now several years old and quite out of date, so we are beginning to consider ideas for a new Photo Membership Guide of Church members/friends. None of us on the Membership Ministry have had experience in organizing a photo guide, so we are looking for help. If you have an interest in helping Membership Ministry with this please contact Diane Cash or Ken Simpson.
- We have also begun planning for a block party to be held in early fall. As of now we are thinking this will involve music, picnic food and possibly an art exhibit. This is another major project for which we will need much support, guidance, and assistance. If you have an interest in helping Membership Ministry with this please contact Diane Cash or Ken Simpson. There will be much more about this in the next several months.
- Your Membership Ministry,
- Diane Cash, Elder
- Ken Simpson, Elder
- Rhoda Ashby, At-large
- Melissa Jensen, At-large



CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY

Stewardship Ministry is going to try a co-op Clean Up Day with the Daycare and Preschool. Parents from these two groups are going to gather in the AM to do some jobs in their respective areas. Stewardship thought it would be nice to do some things around the remainder of the Church. Washing some windows, doing a little gardening and some general clean up would be the goal. Anyone interested in coming out and helping can gather in Fellowship Hall about 9:30 AM on Saturday April 17 and help out around



the Church for about 2+/- hours. We will try to have some coffee available to get you started and we will wing it from there. It should be a good short outing for you and give you a little exercise. Thanks in advance for your support.
Stewardship - Bill Schwegman, Barbara Bennett, Joe Cash.

Mission Notes



One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 4,530.00
Pentecost	\$ 2,335.35
Peacemaking	\$ 2,375.00
Christmas Joy	\$ 2,964.00
Blanket & Tools	\$ 2,094.50
Thanks for sharing !	

Save the Date !

Mission Ministry is having a Saturday work day on May 1, 2010 at the Women's Center. We will be installing the new playground equipment and planting flowers.

Please see Judy Dawson or Reona Daly if you are willing to help.



The children in the Gateways program always have a good time learning through activities. In March, they used art, drama, computers, and Bible study to become familiar with Palm Sunday and that part of Easter. Gateways will continue through April and May, meeting in room 140 at 10:45 for a snack, a story, and an activity. Children ages 4 through 11 will find an age appropriate choice every Sunday morning. Adults volunteer to teach, to read, and to develop things for the children to do. Many thanks to all of them for all they do for our children



information is available. Options can be viewed on the internet. Their website can be found at www.campcarew.com. This is a Presbyterian Church camp program for children ages 6-18.

Brochures will be posted on the Faith Development Board. As in the past, scholarships covering half the registration fee will be offered to church families sending children to Camp Carew. See Barb Stewart or Kitty Trescott for those forms.

Marketplace Planning Meetings

Tuesday, April 6 and 13, at 6:30- 8:30 pm the shopkeepers and others will meet in the Youth Room to examine materials and help plan the activities for Marketplace.

Everyone is welcome to help sort through materials and consider what activities and crafts will be offered this summer.

Marketplace 2010 dates are June 7-11, from 9:00 am to noon. The focus is on Paul as he writes letters to the new churches and visits them. The Marketplace families will be those new churches to whom he is writing. Each family will include a "Parent" and about 6 children. Each family will have a "home" and activities related to the time of Paul and the Mediterranean culture of that time.

Marketplace is designed for children in grades Kindergarten through fifth grade. Kitty Trescott and Michael Eldridge are the coordinators this year. See either of them for additional information.



Letter from Jitendra

Every month, money is sent to India to help support Jitendra Gahan and his family. He is now 8 years old, a student, and interested in track. We received a letter from him, dated February 10, 2010.

In it he reports that he got second place in a 100 meter race, that he enjoys reading, that he just completed mid-year exams, and that he will be celebrating several festivals. One is Holi, the Festival of Colors. His original letter, written in the script of his language and the translation of that letter are posted on the Faith Development Bulletin Board. It is always a delight to hear from Jitendra to know that the money sent to him is appreciated and does make a difference in his life. Many thanks to all of you.

Beyond Marketplace

The children in grades 6, 7, and 8 will have their own summertime Christian education week of activities. They meet the same days and times as Marketplace, with the focus on local mission projects, Bible study, and fellowship. Emily Davis will coordinate the activities for that group this year, with Diane Cash assisting

MaTT Club is a place for kids and adults to gather with friends, old and new, at the table with Jesus.

In February we went fishing with Jesus and then survived a sea storm! Our memory verses were "Follow me, I will make you fishers of people." Matt. 4:19, and "When I am afraid, I will trust in You." Psalm 56:3. Elwood Prest celebrated a birthday on February 27. Thanks you February helpers: Emily and Marta Davis, Jim Calloway and Margo Tesch, Kara Hertzling, Frances Gilman, Serena Loyd, and Jennifer Langin.

Our most exciting March news is that we have MaTT Club T-shirts! We'll be wearing them for the first time on Sunday April 11 when we usher during morning worship.

Emily and Marta Davis, and Serena Loyd planned and led the meeting on March 14 when I was out of town. Frances Gilman and Jill Hertzling helped and Carol and David King provided supper. Thank you all for allowing me the time off to take a trip. The kids learned about some of the people Jesus healed. Our memory verse was "You are the Christ the Son of the living God." Matt. 16:16. Marta taught the children about St. Patrick and why shamrocks are a part of St. Patrick's Day. They painted with potato stampers! As if that wasn't enough paint, the kids then painted their feet and made the two isle runners used on Palm Sunday.

On March 28 Jesus fed a large crowd. A little boy showed the crowd what Jesus can do when we just share a little! Bill Martens talked to us about how we at First Presbyterian share our 'lunch' with the hungry in Carbondale. We focused on the fact that a child lead the way for the grown-ups. Children can still show the way. Our memory verse was "And a little child shall lead them" Isaiah 11:6b

Thank you Marta and Emily for leading game time and crafts. Thank you Serena for teaching the lesson.

In April we look forward to hearing about a time when someone remembered to thank Jesus for His help. We'll focus on the importance of saying thank you and ways we can show God our thanks. Later we'll hear about a special kind of water Jesus offered to a thirsty woman.

Happy Birthday Grace Oberg on April 6. Our group is growing in their faith through games we play, stories we hear and discuss, and Bible verses we memorize (or not). Check out the MaTT Club bulletin board for some of the verses we've learned this year.



Youth Group News

The youth and their families are invited to join the church on Easter Sunday, April 4, for a picnic at Giant City State Park beginning at 1 pm. The youth will be helping with the Easter Egg Hunt for the smaller children.

On Sunday, April 18, the youth group will hold a fundraiser at church to raise money to support summer trips to Montreat in North Carolina from June 13-19, 2010 and to the Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University in Indiana from July 20-24, 2010.

April 18 – 5:30 pm

Chili Supper, Bake Sale, Silent Auction

Help send our Youth to Montreat in June and to Triennium in July.

Come meet our fantastic teens who are part of the Youth Group at First Presbyterian Church. They are a terrific group, full of enthusiasm and eager to share with each other and others.

This evening, chili will be served with all the go-withs. The bake sale and silent auction will raise the money that is needed to send these teens to Montreat and/or Triennium. Your donation of baked items and "white elephants" for the silent auction would be appreciated. See Cindy Buys or Kitty Trescott for your items.

Tickets for the chili supper will be available April 11 – 17 for \$3.00. At the door, tickets will be \$4.00.

Families of 4 or more, pay \$10. Bring your family, bring your friends, bring your neighbors.

Grill-Off
COMPETITION



May 15

Last year, the May 8 storm destroyed our plans for the grill-off competition, but we are back and ready to compete this year! The grill-off will start at 4 p.m. on the church lawn, with dinner being served at approximately 5:45 pm. Please bring a dish to share, table service, and chairs. Whether you plan to compete or just want to show up to taste the delicious entries, be sure to sign-up in the narthex!

Dinner Group

Seventeen folks met at Tres Hombres in March. Plan to join the group on April 15 at next month at Giant



City Lodge. The host will be Bob and Jean Pulliam so let them know that you are coming. Just call 351-0580.



Presbyterian Women

The April meeting will be at the home of Evelyn Engelking (2915 Striegel Rd.) on Tuesday, April 20 at 1 p.m. Frances Gilman will present the lesson. All the women of the church are invited to attend.



Daycare



On Thursday April 1, we will be having our Easter party/egg hunt, at 3:15 p.m. in the big room.

On Friday April 9, from 6:00-8:00 the Daycare will host a family fun night. We will be serving pizza, cookies, orange drink and tea. After the meal there will be an art projects table with projects, such as, stringing beads, making sun hats and tattoo art. There will also be games with prizes like a lollipop tree, fish pond, duck pond, bowling, and an animal walk

Everyone is welcome. We want all our families and friends to enjoy the evening.

Also in April the three year old class and Preschool are looking forward to going on a field trip to the SIU farms and to Green Retreat.

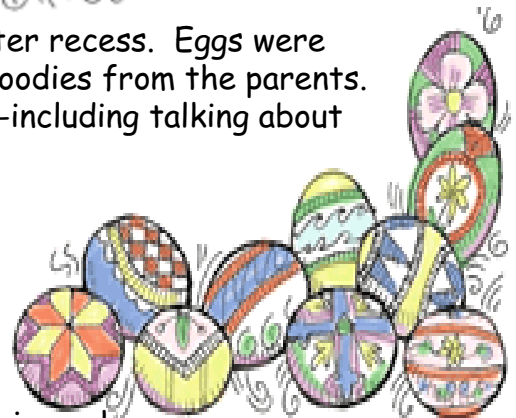
Preschool



All the classes enjoyed small Easter parties before Easter recess. Eggs were hidden and "baskets" were decorated to be filled with goodies from the parents. The Polliwogs and Tadpoles are doing units about Spring-including talking about bugs, birds and butterflies.

The Frogs are learning about the cultures of England and Ireland.

OPEN HOUSE will be April 21 from 9-11. This year there will be an art show sampling some of the art projects of the children both Wednesday the 21 from 9-11 and Thursday the 22nd from 11-12 in Fellowship Hall. Please feel free to drop by and view their work.



SEEKING THE FAITH - SHARING THE SPIRIT - SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE

Support CWU's World Hunger Sale April 9-10

Church Women United has reminded us that the secret to the success of their annual World Hunger Sale is the donors, volunteers and shoppers who support it. Plan now to take your donations – any good, usable items – to the Newman Center on Wednesday and Thursday April 7-8. Baked goods, plants and auction items are especially welcome.

If you like working for a good cause and can spare some time April 7-10, please sign up with our church coordinator or call Margie Parker at 549-7193. Pickup trucks and drivers are particularly needed.

And remember to go to the sale on Friday or Saturday, April 9- 10, at the Newman Catholic Student Center, 715 S. Washington, Carbondale. The hours are 12 Noon to 6 pm on Friday and 8 am to 1 pm Saturday. Auction fans and anyone who likes a bargain should attend the live auction on Saturday at 10 am for antiques, collectibles and much more, including some lovely limestone planters. Saturday is also the day to buy hanging and bedding plants from McNitt's Greenhouses.

If you're just not in the market for bargains and you don't garden, go for lunch or a snack. Sandwiches and baked goods will be sold both days. Then browse the book section. CWU assures us there really is something for everyone at this Sale.

Remember that the proceeds will help feed the hungry through nine local and six worldwide agencies: Good Samaritan Ministries, Bethel AME's "Feed My Sheep" soup kitchen, the Women's Center, Senior Citizens Meals-on-Wheels, Attucks and I Can Read Tutorial Programs, New Zion Baptist Church's Summer Lunch Program, Family Advocacy Services and the Guadeloupe Fund (for farm workers), CROP, UNICEF, ECHO, Heifer Project, Marion Medical Mission, and For Kids' Sake (orphanages in Bangladesh).

Special Needs: Auction Items, Baked Goods, Soup or Casserole to feed the workers and Pickup Trucks

Work Schedule

Please call Margie Parker at 549-7193 to volunteer.

Wed. April 7: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Receiving and sorting donations

Thurs. April 8: 9 am. - 8 p.m. Receiving, sorting and pricing donations

Fri. April 9: 9 a.m. - 12 Noon Sorting and pricing donations

Fri. April 9: 11:30 - 6 p.m. Selling

Fri. April 9: 6 - 7 p.m. Straightening up

Sat. April 10: 7:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Selling

Sat. April 10: 1-6 p.m. Boxing leftovers for the Thrift Shop,
Returning tables, etc., setting up chairs

Parlor Project, etc.

The Parlor may be just about completed by the time you read this, as the furniture was scheduled to be delivered by Coleman - Rhodes on Good Friday. We need to thank Barbara Bennett, Sarah Merideth and Windy Zea for all their work in selecting the furniture and carpet, getting it ordered and seeing that it was installed. Several other Church members were also involved, among them were the painters; Ken Simpson, Joe Cash, Bill Schwegman, Alan Bennett and John Baker and earlier planners Judy Schwegman, Sarah Milford and Carol Good. As part of this project we relocated the Library out of the Parlor into an area now known as The Book Nook. Hopefully most everyone will agree the project is a big improvement over the old Parlor.

The four 'Morning Light' grasses (4-6' tall) are going to be divided in April. If you would like one of the divisions, please contact Dorothy Baker, jhbaker@siu.edu or 549-2560. She will let you know the date for you to pick it up. You will need to bring your own container.

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On April 9, 1883, trustees enter into a contract for 26 electric lights at a cost of \$7.60 per month. The cost was 1 cent per hour for each sixteen candle light. A recent search in the STU Special Collection of our Church revealed a picture of the Monroe Street Church with the lights clearly visible.