

First Presbyterian Church
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MAIL TO:



March 12, 2023

Sunday School 9:45 - Worship 11:00

First Presbyterian Church In the Heart of Fort Myers

Living, sharing, teaching the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.



THIRD SUNDAY in
LENT

We Thank God For

Percussion.....Mike Pcolar
UshersCaptain, Steve Culbertson
Jan Culbertson, Don Musa, Kathy Musa, Nancy Whitman
MINISTERSMembers of First Presbyterian Church
ELDERS: Keith Olson, Clerk of Session
JoAnn Beaumont, Larry Burbidge, Richard Chappelle,
Steve Culbertson, Max Furbringer, Pat Furbringer,
Jimmy Johnston, Linda Kuieck, Joe Spielman
DEACONS: Sheryl de Jong, Moderator
Donna Billins, Georgia Burbidge, Bonnie Chappelle,
Christopher Doyle, Gloria Goulet, John Goulet,
Josh Henry, Denise Johnston, Sharon Meola,
Lisett Melchor, Kathy Musa
TRUSTEES: Joe Spielman, President
Forrest Banks, Robert Halgrim, Leigh Hayes,
Pete Kouwenhoven, Pat Mann, Larry Nixon,
Betty Olson, Mike Pcolar, Betty Ann Prevatt
Nominating Committee 2023: Steve Culbertson, Chair
Sheryl de Jong, Pat Furbringer, Leigh Hayes, Kay Henry,
Linda Kuieck, Cathy Pcolar, Pati Sempstrott

Sunday School 9:45 AM

*Coed Adult Sunday School Class in the Chapel
(and online at 9:45) Led by Pastor Paul de Jong*

TODAY - Meeting of the Corporation after worship
4th Day Great Banquet Gathering at 5:00 PM followed
by a Potluck dinner at 6:00 PM

Tuesday, March 14th
Community Bible Study 10:00-Noon
Wednesday, March 15th
Choir Rehearsal 6:00 PM
Thursday, March 16th
Southern Comforters Quilting
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM



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We're LIVE Online
Sunday @ 11:00 AM
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STAFF

Dr. Paul de Jong
Senior Pastor
Rev. Roger Peterson
Minister of Music
Barbara Peterson
Church Accompanist
Frank Meyer
Church Organist
Sheryl de Jong
Director of Christian Education
Bonnie Lee DiGrazia
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Financial Secretary
Rebecca Hayes
Larry Mendenhall
Mike Pcolar
Sound & Projection
Sheryl de Jong
Gloria Goulet
Briana Molnar
Nursery



Welcome! We're Glad You Are Here

PRAISE

† Our many blessings

PRAYERS

Patti Bell
Shirley Berry
Millie Caggiano
Richard Chappelle
Rick Cummings
Betty Dilley
Karen Donovan
Maria de Jong
Sean, Stephanie & Reed
Max Furbringer
Dave & Jane Garberson
Tim Hughey
Edgar Ittner
Paul Kennedy
Marcia Kirby
Joanna Kortik
Ralf & Misa Kortik
Niki Lachica
Dick Kuieck
Dick Little
Walter Maginness
Jena Mann
Frankie Mendenhall
Pat Mesker
Ronald Nichols
Ron Nicholson
Sandra O'Hara
Betty & Keith Olson
Camilo Parro
Pati Sempstrott
Martha Scott
Donna Sheely
Tom Smoot
The family of
Robert Strahlendorf
David Tashchyan
Ron Thomas
Brandon Webb

Please review and RSVP to the enclosed inserts today and place them in the offering plate. We are planning ahead for many wonderful upcoming events and look forward to seeing you all there! Thank you in advance!

WE NEED YOU!!!

DATE: March 17th TIME: 8:30 AM

Are you available to help the Deacons clean up our Church grounds? We need help weeding and tidying up the Children's Playground and other areas around the church. Please wear closed toe shoes and bring gardening gloves.

INQUIRER'S CLASS

Pastor Paul will lead an Inquirer's Class after worship on **March 19th** in the Parlor. **Please RSVP** to Bonnie Lee DiGrazia if you plan to attend (239-334-2261)

THANK YOU

Thank you for all your prayers, cards, calls and visits during my recent surgery and recovery. God has once again heard and answered your prayers. The surgery went well and the prognosis is positive. We are so thankful to be part of such a loving church family.

Blessings and love, **Dick Kuieck**

A Hymnological Adventure Through Time

Join us for **A Hymnological Adventure Through Time** during the worship service on **Palm Sunday, April 2nd**. The children will travel back in time to learn about the classic hymns that we all love today.



CONTINUED PRAYERS

Becky and Peter; Lemuel and Pam
Gary, Sarah, Abigail;
Jessie, Joe and Wilson
Argie, Alicia, Barbara, Bonnie, Carole, Carolyn,
Chase, Clavio, Delaney, Dick, Doug, Emerson,
Gary, Gayle, Jay, Jocelyn, Johnnie, Jon,
Josephine, Lee, Linda, Lisa, Mickey, Peter,
Robert, Rosemary, Terry
The people in Ukraine; Earthquake survivors in
Turkey & Syria Everyone with COVID;
Everyone with cancer; Everyone with addictions

WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY ~ March 12, 2023

Prelude *Meditation*
Jeffrey Fabisiak, Violin
O Worship the King
Frank Meyer, Organ
Barbara Peterson, Piano

Welcome and Invocation Dr. Paul de Jong

* **Hymn of Praise** #10 *O Worship the King*

Prayer Requests can be TEXTED to Pastor Paul at 239-314-8132.

* **Greeting One Another**

* **Greeting Song** *Surely the Presence*

Special Music *Blessed Assurance*
Jeffrey Fabisiak, Violin

Scripture Reading: Romans 9:1-16 Gerry Tussey

Unison Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Receiving Our Offerings

Choral Offertory *I Walked Today Where Jesus Walks*
With solo by Pati Sempstrott

* **Doxology & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

* **Hymn of Preparation** #382 *Be Thou My Vision*

Scripture: Exodus 32:1-35

Piano Meditation: Barbara Peterson

Sermon: *Weak Leaders; Strong Leaders*

Dr. Paul de Jong

* **Hymn** #207 *I Love to Tell the Story*

Benediction

Postlude

* Please stand if you are able

CHANCEL FLOWERS The Chancel flowers today are
given to the glory of God by **Carole and Frank Meyer**
in celebration of March birthdays!