

the chimes

Sunday Mornings

9:20am Church School | 10:45am Worship in Sanctuary (Child care provided.)

CHRIST IS RISEN!

MAUNDY THURSDAY, March 29

6:30pm The Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30

6:30pm Tenebrae: Seven Words from the Cross

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD | EASTER, April 1

7:30am Sunrise Worship

Breakfast Potluck follows

9:20am Church School for all ages

9:30am Easter Activities

for Children

10:45am Festival Worship

Loving child care provided.

YOUTH HOSTING EASTER BREAKFAST POTLUCK

Celebrate Easter Sunday over breakfast with your FPC family! Following the Easter Sunrise Worship Service, FPC's Youth Ministry is hosting a breakfast potluck (8:30am) in Fellowship Hall.



All are invited to bring a breakfast dish or beverage to share – casserole/quiche/tacos/pancakes, hash browns, yogurt and fruit for parfait, pastries, or juice. Coffee, milk, and water will be provided. Your monetary donations will provide financial support to FPC's youth participating in summer conferences at Mo-Ranch. Donation baskets will be available on serving tables.

To let us know what you are bringing, please contact Eric Peterson, youth@fpcbryan.org, by Wed, March 28.

WELCOME TO PARISH ASSOCIATE



Beginning March 15, First Presbyterian Church welcomed the Rev. George Klett (again) to the ministry staff – this time as Parish Associate at “1/4 time.” Six or seven hours per week George will be engaged in calling and visiting members, particularly those who are in rehabilitative, place-bound, or life-change situations. He will preach and lead worship periodically. During 2006-2007, George served FPC-Bryan as Interim Pastor/Head of Staff. The Session is grateful to George for his willingness again to serve this congregation during a staff transition period.

**MONDAY, APRIL 2
(EASTER HOLIDAY)
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



The One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering will be received on **PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 25**, and **EASTER, APRIL 1**. OGHS is an offering that makes the love of Christ real for individuals and communities around the world who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict, or severe economic hardship, and for those who serve them through gifts of money and time. Projects are underway in more than 100 countries (incl. the U.S. & Canada). Our gifts to the OGHS Offering support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (32%), Presbyterian Hunger Program (36%), and Self-development of People (32%).

The OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, OGHS currently supports programs in over 100 countries.

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PRIME TIME FELLOWSHIP IN APRIL

THU, APRIL 12 (11:30am in the Library/Parlor) PRIME TIMERS, will celebrate with Chicken Spaghetti the accomplishment of Texas Independence following the battle of San Jacinto (April 21). The program will examine many Texas sculptures of Italian-American Pompeo Coppini (1870-1957). Bring a side dish or dessert. Contact Karen Berg in the church office, office@fpcbryan.org.



UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT AND FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

MEN'S LUNCHEON (last Tuesday of the month) is TUE, MARCH 27, at 11:30am at Chicken Oil Co. in Bryan and MEN'S BREAKFAST (first Thursday of the month) is THU, APRIL 5, at 6:30am in Carter Creek Foyer. These are great opportunities for FPC-Bryan men to get to know one another.

SECOND FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP meets monthly at Chicken Oil Co. in Bryan for supper in a relaxed and casual atmosphere. Join this group when they meet next — FRI, APRIL 13, at 6:00pm. To be added to the email notification list, email Kathryn Nachlinger, knachlinger@gmail.com.

THANK YOU, FPC!

Dear First Presbyterian Church, Thank you for your contribution of \$200 to the **Emmanuel Lighthouse Mission (ELM)**, a ministry of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Bryan. ELM provides transitional housing to women needing a new start in life. This program provides a safe, drug and alcohol free environment for homeless women seeking to be set free from the chains of harmful addiction or in need of a safe place to birth their child. Through the ELM program, these women are introduced to the biblical view of Christianity and the love found in the local body of Christ. Thank you for your support!

Matthew Gentry, Pastor of Administration

Greetings First Presbyterian Church, I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of **Twin City Mission**, to express our gratitude for your generous donations throughout this past year. The need for our services continues to grow. Without your support, we would not be able to continue the work we do.

Sincerely, Doug Weedon, CEO

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE IN APRIL

1st Issue: Deadline – Sun, April 8, Distribution – Wed, April 11; 2nd Issue: Deadline – Sun, April 22, Distribution – Wed, April 25



MISSION EVENT FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH

The FPC Youth invite adults to join them in their upcoming mission project. Youth will be helping to package meals in partnership with Brenham Presbyterian Church (BPC) for Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) on SUN, APRIL 15, at 1:00pm.



Plan to meet by the FPC church van to depart at Noon for BPC. For any questions, please email Eric Peterson, youth@fpcbryan.org.

Growing Disciples *Christian Education Ministries* (education@fpcbryan.org)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

Sundays (9:20am to 10:20am); 3 Years Old thru GR 4 meet in Room 13. Beth Morris, Claire Schmidt, and Amber Fattig teach this class. GR 5-6 meet in Room 10. David Sahn teaches this class.

APRIL 1 **An Incredible Turn of Events.** Children go with women to find the empty tomb and celebrate the resurrection with Christians today. Mark 16:1-8

APRIL 8 **All in Common.** Children examine life in the early church and in their congregation. Acts 4:32-35.

APRIL 15 **What a Surprise.** Children note the reactions of the disciples to Jesus' appearance on Easter day and wonder about their own reactions. Acts 3:12-19.

EASTER EGG HUNT AND ACTIVITIES

All children through GR 6 are invited to Fellowship Hall on APRIL 1 at 9:20am for Easter crafts and to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt on the lawn (weather-permitting). Kids, bring your Easter Baskets! Following, children will go to their church school classes for a Bible lesson.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SPRING GATHERING



Presbyterian Women of New Covenant invites all women of FPC to the **SPRING GATHERING: Caring for All God's Children** on **SAT, APRIL 14, 9:30am-2:00pm**, at Spring Branch Presbyterian Church, Houston. Toiletries, small washcloths, backpacks, and cleaning supplies are being received for Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services.

Register by April 7 (\$16). Walk-in (\$20). To register, go to www.pbynewcovenant.org (under Ministries tab). To carpool, contact Janice Bradshaw, janicebradshaw@suddenlink.net or 979.777.5475.



Eric Peterson, *Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries*
(youth@fpcbryan.org)

FELLOWSHIP, SERVICE, STUDY

SUN, APRIL 8, 6:00pm to 8:00pm, Carter Creek Foyer. Dinner and bible/faith discussion from *The Thoughtful Christian's* "Faith Topics" "**During the Lord's Supper, Are We Really Sharing Jesus' Body and Blood?**"

SUN, APRIL 15, 12:00pm. Meet by the church van to depart for Brenham Presbyterian Church to partner with them in packaging meals for **Rise Against Hunger**. This mission event is open to youth and adults.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY, 7:00pm to 8:00pm, Room 401. Alternating weeks, **ERIC PETERSON**, uses *So Great a Cloud of Witnesses: A Survey of Church History*, and Youth **RACHEL PRATT** uses *With All Boldness and Freedom: A Survey of the New Testament*.



YOUng Adult News

Eric Peterson, *Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries*
(youngadults@fpcbryan.org)

Young Adults gather for **Game Night** on **FRI, APRIL 6, 7:00pm**. Hosts Tammie and Charley Keese (3987 Windfree Drive, College Station). Refreshments and games will be provided.



CARING & SHARING

Dear First Presbyterian Friends, Thank you all for your prayers, cards, cares of concern, and thoughtfulness during my recent accident. I will never forget you. I am home now and getting better every day. Love, Florence Peters

Congratulations to **THE REVS. KEATAN KING** (former pastoral intern) & **NATHAN CARLIN** on the birth of their daughter Cohen May on March 15 in Houston.

"I am fearfully and wonderfully made ..."—Psalm 139:14

The prayerful support and sympathy of the congregation are extended to:

- **CATHERINE EZZELL** and family following the death of her brother David Ezzell of Enid, OK, on March 15.
- **MYRA & HAL RHODES** and their family following the death of Myra's brother Don Smith of Roanoke, VA, on March 8.
- **THE REV. FRAN SHELTON** (former associate pastor) and her family following the death of her husband Bob in Dallas on March 4.

"I am the resurrection and the life," saith the Lord.—John 11:25

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



BEVERLY HARPER comes to us by reaffirmation of faith. Beverly is retired (most recently a bus driver with BISD) and loves her three fur babies. She has a passion for mission-based activities. She lives at 227 Lynn Dr, Bryan 77801.

You can reach Beverly at scorpiobev@gmail.com or 979.229.7876.



MINDI & ANDREW MALY come to us by reaffirmation of faith. Andrew is a teacher in BISD; Mindi is a school nurse with BISD. They have a daughter, Temper (soon to be one year old) and son Juan "Cruz." They are interested in learning more about FPC's groups for parents and families. They live at 509B East 24th St, Bryan 77803. You can reach Andrew at andrewamaly@gmail.com or 979.203.0127 and Mindi at mindiwithani@gmail.com or 979.229.5328.

Welcome—Beverly, Andrew & Mindi, and family!



Please notify the church office at 979.823.8073, when you have news to share in the newsletter, or if you or someone you know is in the hospital, is scheduled for admission, or was recently hospitalized. When admitted, please list First Presbyterian Church, as your church affiliation. If you would like to be visited by one of our hospital visitors, please agree to be included on the Pastoral Care List. Your church family wants to minister to you whenever you are ill, especially when you are in the hospital, and they can only do this if you inform them of your needs.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

STOCK THE BRAZOS CHURCH PANTRY

Eighty-eight pounds of food were delivered to the Brazos Church Pantry in February. Thanks to you, the congregation, for your continued generosity and to KEN TELG for delivering FPC's donations each month. Ken says, "The Pantry appreciates "ready-to-eat" (no water req'd) canned goods with pop-tops and PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS continue to be appreciated!" While volunteering, Ken watches the faces of recipients light up with excitement as they take toiletries out of the box.



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| 03/30 | Karon Mathews | 04/08 | BJ Hender |
| 03/30 | Terri Sue Pratt | 04/08 | Glenn Mathews |
| 04/01 | Fan Cloud | 04/08 | Brad Vinson |
| 04/01 | Temper Maly | 04/09 | Sarah Hender |
| 04/01 | Jane Wert | 04/10 | Haven Curtiss |
| 04/02 | Catherine Ezzell | 04/10 | Tom Davison |
| 04/03 | Becky Alter | 04/10 | Andrew Maly |
| 04/05 | Heather Jobling | 04/10 | Bill Rogers |
| 04/07 | Melanie Wertz | 04/10 | Andrea Young |
| 04/08 | Carmella Edwards | 04/11 | Aubrey Byrnes |
| | | 04/11 | Avery Cravatt |
| | | 04/11 | Bailey Cravatt |
| | | 04/11 | Matt Miller |
| | | 04/11 | Amanda Moehring |
| | | 04/12 | Lynn Ruoff |
| | | 04/14 | Cheryl Moreno |



- ♥ Madison Hodges
(granddaughter of Peggy & Ken Telg)
- ♥ Gladys Wilding
- ♥ Marjorie Wright

- ★ Christian McKinley
- ★ Ryan Ratcliffe



NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

Due to the Easter Holiday for the church office, the deadline for the next issue of the newsletter, The Chimes, is NOON, SUN, APRIL 8 (covering news and events from APRIL 19 – MAY 2).
Submit content to: office@fpcbryan.org.

ABOUT SUNDAY WORSHIP



- APRIL 1 Mark 16:1-8
- APRIL 8 Luke 24:13-35