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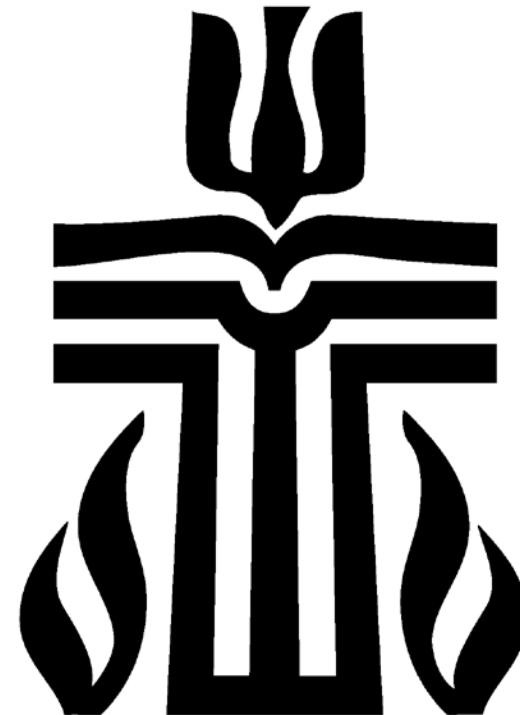
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March 7, 2010

3rd Sunday in Lent

**FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN**  
*A Church Called to Feed the Hungry*



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## Welcome to Worship at First United Presbyterian Church

Welcome in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ to worship at First United Presbyterian Church. Visitors are encouraged to sign the friendship pads that will be handed out by the ushers during worship. Childcare is available. Sunday school for all ages is also offered. An usher will be glad to assist you. The asterisk (\*) indicates that worshipers are invited to stand.

### Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00 am	Worship
9:15 am	Sunday School for all ages
10:30 am	Worship
11:30 am	Coffee Fellowship

### First United Cares

**For pastoral care:** to notify the church of illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; or to pass along a prayer request to be remembered in the Prayers of the People; or to arrange homebound Communion, email Rev. Alex Hendrickson, Associate Pastor, at [ahendrickson@firstunitedpres.org](mailto:ahendrickson@firstunitedpres.org) or call her at 233-0295. Prayer cards are also available in the pew for collection.

### Serving the Church Today

March 7

#### USHERING 8:00 am

Jack & Donna Bock  
Carolyn Friedewald  
Lou Stark

#### AMBASSADOR

Janice Hoenig

#### SOUND OPERATOR

Mark Vandiver

#### PHONE

Rosemarie Brown

#### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

##### TODDLER ROOM

Julie Dodge  
Katie Stone

##### CRIB ROOM

Al & Stephanie Kraus

#### BUS DRIVER

Cliff Fitts

#### COUNTERS

Roger Cox  
Kevin Meder

#### USHERING 10:30 am

Conor Baltz (Jr. Usher)  
KC Clayton  
Jack Langen (Jr. Usher)  
John & Dee Mann  
Phyllis Parrish  
Julie Samples

Peter, Karen & Haley Thompson

# Next Sunday

March 14

## A Heart for the Destination

Dr. Greg Stovell

Luke 13:31-35 & 19:41-44



This Wednesday, March 10

#### Schedule

5:20 - 6:20 Dinner

6:30 - 7:00 Worship in the Sanctuary

7:00 - 8:00 Covenant Groups

#### Continuing Series:

When the Saints Go

Marching In:

Oscar Romero

#### Covenant Group:

Bible Study

Amos

(Vista Room)

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Meal prepared by The Branches group.

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults (\$5.00): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Teens - 6th grade & up (\$2.00) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children - 2nd grade & under (free) \_\_\_\_\_

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for thine is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever. Amen.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (in unison)

**Generous God,  
you have fed and renewed us in your holy meal.  
Send us into the world you love.  
Through our devotion to you, draw us to our neighbors,  
that we may break bonds of injustice, feed the hungry,  
and set the oppressed free.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #339**

*Be Thou My Vision*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

**Today's Music**

Prelude – **Create for Me a Clean Heart, O God**, author unknown – Kevin Leuchtefeld, Jane Ohl, Diane Winland

Song of Praise – **Glory Be to the Father**, by Henry Greatorex, 1851 ©Public Domain  
CCLI Song #767775

Offertory – 8:00 – **Chorale**, Johann Gottfried Walther – Gail Masinda, organ  
10:30 – **Lamb of God**, words and music by Twila Paris, arr. Craig Courtney  
– Chancel Choir; Stephanie Kraus, flute

Song of Thanksgiving – **We Give Thee but Thine Own**, words by William Walsham How, tune SCHUMANN from Mason and Webb's *Cantica Laudis*, 1850  
©Public Domain

Communion – **Seek After Peace**, by Rory Cooney – Kevin Leuchtefeld, Jane Ohl, Diane Winland

Postlude – **I'm Gonna Live**, African-American Spiritual – Kari Readell, piano; Gail Masinda, organ

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*Service of the Lord's Day*  
*3rd Sunday in Lent*

*March 7*  
8:00 & 10:30 am

Our worship begins with the first notes of the prelude. When the prelude begins,  
let us be in silent prayer as we and those around us worship God.

**PRELUDE**

**\*HYMN OF ADORATION #466**

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY** (in unison)

Dean Christianson, Liturgist

**O Lord our God,  
you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts  
upon us than we are to seek them.  
You are more willing to give than we desire or deserve.  
Help us so to seek that we may truly find,  
so to ask that we may joyfully receive,  
so to knock that the door of mercy may be opened for us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (in unison)

**Eternal God,  
you draw near to us in Christ and make yourself our guest,  
but too often we are too busy to welcome you.  
The cares of our daily lives,  
distract us from our calling to love and serve.  
Cleanse us once more. Have mercy on us.  
Make your Church attentive to your voice  
and alert to your presence,  
that we may treasure your word and respond to your love.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God forever and ever. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE #579**

*Glory Be to the Father*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be.  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

**SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN**

Dr. Greg Stovell

(10:30) Children are invited to come forward at this time.

Children in Chapel: children ages 3 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to go with leaders for a special time of worship.

**WELCOME & NEWS OF THE FELLOWSHIP**

Prayer cards will be received during the hymn following the sermon.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**PSALTER**

Psalm 8

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 10:38-42

**SERMON**

*Packing for the Journey*  
Hitchhikers: Part 3  
Dr. Greg Stovell

**\*HYMN #366**

*Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed, Hymnal, p. 14  
(Traditional Version)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right  
hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

**PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

Rev. Alex Hendrickson

**OFFERTORY**

**\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING #428 (verse 2)**

*We Give Thee but Thine Own*

**May we Thy bounties thus  
As stewards true receive,  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,  
To Thee our first fruits give.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Partake of the bread as it is served.  
Please hold the cup until all have been served.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;**

# March 7-14

## 7 Sunday

- 8:00 am Worship  
9:00 am Coffee Hour  
9:00 am Blood Pressure Screening  
9:15 am Third Grade Bible Discovery  
9:15 am Sunday School
1. *Be Tween*  
Melanie Shaw & Kris Schondelmeyer  
Eversull Hall
  2. *Lenten Bible Study on Forgiveness*  
Patty Stone & Dr. Greg Stovell  
Chapel
  3. *Serious Mental Illness*  
Rev. Alex Hendrickson  
Conference Room
  4. *Making Crosses*  
Linda Hangsleben & Susy Rybicki  
FirstXpression
- 10:30 am Worship  
11:30 am Coffee Hour  
11:30 am Blood Pressure Screening  
11:40 am Confirmation Class  
11:45 am New Members' Class  
12:30 pm Four Legged Lambs  
1:45 pm KIX Sabbath  
2:30 pm TIM Sabbath

## 8 Monday

- 12:30 pm Moms & Tots Group  
5:00 pm Building Committee Meeting  
6:00 pm Church League Volleyball  
7:00 pm Trustees  
7:00 pm Preschool Board Meeting  
7:00 pm Woodcarvers  
7:30 pm Metro East Chorale

## 9 Tuesday

- 9:30 am Quilters  
9:30 am Staff Meeting  
5:00 pm Kidz Chimes  
5:30 pm Highway One  
6:00 pm Construction Zone  
6:00 pm Volleyball  
6:30 pm Session Dinner  
7:00 pm Session

## 10 Wednesday

- 8:30 am Men's Bible Study  
10:00 am Library Committee  
10:30 am "Faith in Fiction" Book Club  
4:30 pm PYC  
4:30 pm PreSing  
5:00 pm Joyful Noise  
5:30 pm Cove Supper  
5:30 pm KIX  
6:00 pm Chapel Choir  
6:30 pm The Cove  
6:30 pm TIM  
7:00 pm Small Groups  
7:00 pm Homework Club

## 11 Thursday

- 9:00 am Sermon Talks  
10:00 am Prayer Quilters  
10:30 am Chair Yoga  
1:00 pm Prime Chime  
5:45 pm United Bells  
6:00 pm Volleyball  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
7:00 pm Evangelism & Membership  
Committee

## 12 Friday

- 6:30 pm Merry Mates  
7:00 pm MaryMartha Circle

## 13 Saturday

- 7:45 am East St. Louis Clean-up Day

## 14 Sunday

- Daylight Savings Time Begins**  
8:00 am Worship  
9:00 am Called Session Meeting  
9:00 am Coffee Hour  
9:15 am Third Grade Bible Discovery  
9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship  
11:30 am Coffee Hour  
11:40 am Confirmation Class  
12:30 pm Four Legged Lambs

# Upcoming Events

Find out more about our church at [www.firstunitedpres.org](http://www.firstunitedpres.org)

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## Flowers

The flowers in the Chapel are given by Wylie & Leslie Merrill in memory of Leslie's parents, James & Doris Lear.

## Adult Sunday School

- 1) Today in FirstXpression, Linda Hangsleben and Susy Rybicki begin a 4-week, hands-on class called "Making Crosses." Come and discover how this new spiritual practice can deepen a life lived for Christ.
- 2) Melanie Shaw and Kris Schondelmeyer continue their parents' class, "Be Tween." Look for them in Eversull Hall.
- 3) Rev. Alex Hendrickson is teaching a class in the Conference Room called "Serious Mental Illness."
- 4) In the Chapel, Patty Stone & Dr. Greg Stovell for the next 3 weeks are focusing on the different aspects of forgiveness. On March 21 and 28, they will lead a discussion of *The Shack* by William Paul Young and how it deals with forgiveness.

## Blood Pressure Screenings

Today after both services, Joyce Lied, RN, Parish Nurse, and other nurses will in the Music Room to take your blood pressure.

## KIX & TIM Sabbath

KIX will meet at 1:45 pm at O'Fallon 15 to attend the movie

"Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief." TIM will leave the church at 2:30 pm for SkyZone in Chesterfield, MO, to play trampoline dodge ball.

## Fair Trade Coffee Ministry

While First United continues to serve Fair Trade organic coffee and tea at all church functions, our Fair Trade coffee sales are not doing well. This may be the case until we have a common gathering area with the new addition. Until then, Sue Perez would like to sell the remaining stock and take special orders while Presbyterian Women determines the future of this program. She will be in Eversull Hall today after first service until Sunday School classes begin selling coffee, tea and candy bars.

## Homebound Communion

Those elders and deacons serving this month should meet in the Chapel immediately after the 10:30 service.

## Library Book Sale

The Library Committee has a table of used books for sale. The books are not a set price; donations are accepted. On Sundays, put your money in the container on the table. On weekdays, the container will be in the main office. Committee members thank you for your donations, and encourage you to read a good book today!

### Run for Haiti & Chile

Look for the "Team First United" table after each service today. Members will be recruiting runners and walkers for the "Ramble into Spring" Run/Walk to be held on March 20 in Lebanon. They will also be asking for runner sponsorship and/or donations for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance funds for either Haiti or Chile. Please join us by supporting this important mission. If you have questions, please contact Patty Stone, foestone@aol.com or 566-4068.

### Help for Haiti & Chile

The Presbyterian Church (USA) is responding to recent strong earthquakes that have affected the nations of Haiti and Chile. Our church website (www.firstunitedpres.org) has information and links to Presbyterian websites. What can you do to help? Pray for the people of Haiti and Chile. Pray for those in both countries who are engaged in providing relief. Pray for our partner church, the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Chile. Give financially to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance funds: for Haiti (DR000064) or Chile (DR000185). You can do this online by credit card; by phone, 800-872-3283; or by mail, PC(USA), PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. You can also donate through First United Presbyterian. Make your check payable to the church and write "PDA-Haiti" or "PDA-Chile" somewhere on the check.

### "A Viennese Kaffee Klatsch"

The Masterworks Children's Chorus and Youth Chorale will present their

spring concert: at 3:00 pm next Sunday at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Belleville. Admission tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. Admission includes complimentary coffee and pastries to be served during intermission. For more information on where to purchase tickets in advance, visit www.singmasterworks.org or see the flyer posted across from the office.

### East St. Louis March Clean-Up

This Saturday, weather permitting, volunteers will meet at the church at 7:45 am to board the church bus. We plan to work until noon. Bring gloves, rakes, hedge and/or pruning shears, shovels, weed eaters or brush cutters, and chain saws. Be sure to mark your tools with your name. For more information, contact Ron Mordhorst, 397-4914.

### Rummage Sale

Presbyterian Women will hold its annual rummage sale on March 20 from 8 am to noon. You can bring your donations to the back of the Multi-Purpose Room behind the screens. Items accepted must be clean, gently used, and in good-working condition; please do not donate soiled, dirty, or broken furniture. TVs will not be accepted.

### Groundbreaking Sunday

Mark your calendars for March 21. Sunday School classes will be at 9:15, and then we will all gather for a single worship service at 10:30. The service will begin in the Sanctuary; and then weather permitting, we will all recess to the parking lot for a groundbreaking ceremony.

### Helmsmen

The Helmsmen will meet for dinner in Eversull Hall on Saturday, March 20, at 6:00 pm. For more information, call Winnie Gibbs, 234-5266. Hope to see you there.

### Parish Nurse Speaker Series

On Monday, March 22, at noon, the Parish Nurse Speaker Series will have Karen Kaus, BSN, RN, speak about strokes, signs and symptoms, and how to respond. Bring a brown bag lunch if you wish; drinks will be provided. Call Parish Nurse Joyce Lied, RN, 234-4060, for any additional information.

### Easter Sunday, April 4

6:30 am – Sunrise Service in God's Grove  
8:00 am – Service in Chapel  
9:15 am – All Church Family Breakfast  
No Sunday School  
10:30 am – Service in Sanctuary and Children in Chapel

### Office Administrator Temp

Please begin directing your emails and phone calls to Tonya Welzbacher instead of to Cara Barrett. Tonya's

training is going well as the Temporary Office Administrator, and she is ready to take on your comments, concerns, and questions. Her email address is Twelzbacher@firstunitedpres.org and the office phone number is 233-0295. If you have not yet met Tonya, please stop in and introduce yourself!

**Give-A-Meal-A-Month**  
**March Shopping List**  
**Main Menu**  
Canned Ham  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Canned Green Vegetable  
Powdered Milk  
**Additional Items**  
Toothbrushes  
Tooth Paste  
Dental Floss  
*Sponsored by Presbyterian Women*

**Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner**  
**March 17**  
**4 – 7 pm**  
**Cost: \$7 adults**  
**\$3 children 6-12**  
**Under 6 eat free**  
**Desserts \$1**

**Sympathy & Prayers**  
For Jim & Jan Smith on the death of his mother, **Vivian Smith**, on February 21. For the Marsh & Wilson families, on the death of **Audrey Marsh King** on February 22 in Boulder, Colorado.

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

Eunice Anderson	Helen Fabre	Dorothy Kimmel	Nancy Reinecker
Gene Barnard	Mary Gibson	Adam Landry	Twyllah Roper
Edmunda Black	Trudy Grenia	Gladys Litsey	Fern Seibert
Vicki Bylo	Rolf Hartmann	Ed McKay	Phyllis Shive
Joan Crosbie	Jeannine Huffer	Edith Mason	Robertta Symonds
Charles Daily	Lucile Katty	Helen Opperman	Norma Wagner
Millie Danzer	Anna Kenney	Ira & Mary Ellen Pollock	Dot Williams