



TOWER CHIMES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WINTER HAVEN
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MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 6



You are invited to join your church family **Thursday, April 6** for supper and our **Maundy Thursday Communion Service**. A fellowship meal will be served starting at **5:30 pm** in McLeod Hall. At **6:30 pm**, we will gather on this holy night in the sanctuary for a worship service and the **Lord's Supper**. The evening will conclude with the **Tenebrae (Service of Darkness)** as we listen to readings from the last hours of Jesus' life, extinguishing candles and stripping the church, until we leave the darkened worship space. We invite you to prepare for **Good Friday** and **Easter** at this special service.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

The Chapel will be open for prayer and mediation on **Good Friday, April 7, Noon-3 pm**.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9



The **Community Sunrise Service** will be held in Martin Luther King Jr. Park on Lake Silver at **6:30 am**. We will celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ at the **9 am Heart of Worship Service** and **11 am Traditional Worship Service**.

Easter Breakfast will be served in McLeod Hall from **9:45-10:45 am**.

The **Easter Egg Hunt** will meet on the CE building front steps at **10:30 am**.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 9 EASTER

- 9:00 am Heart of Worship (Sanctuary/Facebook Live)
- 9:45 am Easter Breakfast (MH)
- 10:30 am Easter Egg Hunt (CE)
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary/Facebook Live)

Monday, April 10

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 6:00 pm Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (MH)
- 6:30 pm Christian Education (GR)

Tuesday, April 11

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MH)
- 12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH/Zoom)
- 6:00 pm Personnel (MCR)

Wednesday, April 12

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 12:00 pm Buildings & Grounds (MH)
- 3:30 pm Christ Kids (CE)
- 5:00 pm Confirmation (GC)
- 5:30 pm Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 6:00 pm Chancel Bells (BR)
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, April 13

- 1:15 pm Chapel Bells (BS)

Friday, April 14

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)

Saturday, April 15

- 2:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
- 4:00 pm Soup Kitchen (737)



Ann Adams
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Orrin Champlain
Ellie Crowder
Julie Dantzler
Brenda Darte
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Dana Elmore
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Pam Gray

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Bag Lunch Ministry
We gave out 162 lunches
the week of 3/27/23.



Soup Kitchen Ministry
We fed 65 people on
Saturday, 4/1/23.



Return Service Requested

BRIGHT SUNDAY, APRIL 16



For over two decades, we have celebrated **Bright Sunday** on the Sunday after Easter with joy and laughter.

This year, the members of our confirmation class and the First Pres Praise Band will be planning and conducting our Bright Sunday Service.

This **single worship service will be held at 10 am**, and will conclude with a **butterfly release** in the Memorial Garden, then a cookie reception in the court yard.

Please plan to join in the joy on this wonderful Sunday!

THE CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY



You are invited to join us **Sunday, April 23 from 5:30 - 7 pm** in McLeod Hall to watch an episode from **The Chosen**, Season 3, then discuss what we have seen. Please join us even if you haven't watched the series, we will help you catch up.

Please bring a covered dish to share and enjoy an evening with your friends from First Pres. Childcare will be provided.

SPRING RING, APRIL 16

Our First Pres Handbell Choirs are excited to join with the Handbell Choirs of Beymer Memorial United Methodist Church and Church of the Good Shepherd for "Spring Ring"!



The afternoon concert will feature a variety of musical selections by the individual choirs and end with everyone ringing an arrangement of "For the Beauty of the Earth".

Come join us on **Sunday afternoon, April 16, at 3 pm** in the Sanctuary. The concert will be followed by light refreshments in the **Memorial Garden** with music supplied by the Deagan Chimes.

LAST CHANCE~BUTTERFLY FORM



In memory of church members who have died since last Bright Sunday, April 24, 2022, and for those who have sustained the loss of a child, parent, sibling, or spouse since that date, we will release butterflies following our **Bright Sunday Single Service Worship** on **Sunday, April 16 at 10 am**.

If you would like to release a butterfly in memory of a loved one who died outside of the parameters mentioned above (for example, before last year's Bright Sunday and/or grandparent, aunt, cousin, son-in-law, etc.), you may purchase a butterfly for **\$5**.

Please turn in form by **Monday, April 10**.

Your name: _____

Deceased loved one: _____

Relationship to you: _____

No. of butterflies: _____ Amt. Enclosed: \$ _____

FUNTIMERS

Our next gathering on **Monday, April 24** of **FunTimers** (Our 55+ fellowship group) invites you to join.



We will meet in McLeod Hall at **11 am**. From there we will travel to **Bok Tower Gardens** to enjoy exploring the grounds and lunch together.

We will return to the church by **2 pm**. Transportation is provided. Sign up in McLeod Hall or call the church office.

SAVE THE DATE VBS JUNE 4-8

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner as we head to Babylon! Registration is open for 4 years through 5th graders as participants.



Calling all teen and adult volunteers, don't forget to sign-up too! Check the church website for more information or contact Rev. Sarah.