

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 13, 2025

- **WELCOME!** Please sign in on a fellowship pad, located at the end of your pew. Provide your email to be added to our e-newsletter list.
- Place your **prayer requests** in the basket on the table at the rear of the sanctuary. They will be collected five minutes before the start of worship.
- **Hearing assisted devices** are available from the sound board operator. These transmit the sound from the microphones directly to your ears. **Magnifying sheets** are available on the table in the narthex by the office.
- Please **silence your cell phone** before worship starts. Thank you!
- **We are livestreaming worship** on Facebook and YouTube.

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- A ten-week discussion of the book **The False White Gospel: Rejecting Christian Nationalism, Reclaiming True Faith, and Refounding Democracy** by bestselling author Jim Wallis (the Archbishop Desmond Tutu Chair in Faith and Justice at Georgetown University) concludes today at 11:30 am in the multipurpose room. Pastor Bill leads the discussion. Today: What's Next?
- The book study on **The Gifts of Imperfection** by Brene Brown continues today. Today's chapters: Guidepost 6: Cultivating Creativity: Letting go of Comparison; and Guidepost 7: Cultivating Play and Rest: Letting go of Exhaustion as a Status Symbol and Productivity as Self-Worth." New participants are welcome. Please contact Michelle Mackey if you would like to join or have a copy of the book.
- Today is the last day to order **Easter plants for our Easter Church Service**. The following are available: lilies at \$14.50, tulips and daffodils at \$12.50. A sign up sheet is by the office.
- At 5:30 PM on Wednesday, April 16, Linda Hughson, Director of Mason Community Services, and community workers for **MCS will be present in the dining room** to give you the opportunity to: learn how we can reach out to the community; work with a group which does a lot of outreach to the needy; and learn new skills. Afterwards, they will join us for dinner and individual conversation at 6:00 PM.
- **We invite you to join us as we walk with Jesus through the events of Holy Week**. Our Maundy Thursday service will be at 7:00 pm on April 17, and our Good Friday service will be at noon on April 18. Communion will be served at the Maundy Thursday service. All are welcome, and invite a friend.
- If anyone would like to go watch **The Chosen** in the theater as a group, please contact Michelle Mackey to arrange a day/time.

- The Liturgical Arts committee will continue **preparing the sanctuary for Holy Week** on Saturday, April 19th at 10:00 am. Volunteers who would like to participate will be welcomed with open arms.
- On Sunday, May 18, after worship services we will be **welcoming Willye Bryant and Prince Solace** to inform us about repairing the breach efforts of Justice League--please commit to putting it on your calendar, to bring friends, inform yourself, and enjoy fellowship. A light soup and sandwich luncheon are planned.
- **The Deacons are taking up a collection for the Food Bank**. Items currently needed are: canned corn, canned red kidney beans, chicken noodle soup, tomato soup, rice side dishes, au gratin potatoes, scalloped potatoes, and low sugar cereals. Please bring donations to the table in the memorial room. The end date for this collection is today (Palm Sunday). See Bill Leutscher for more details. Thank you!
- Thanks to the generosity of a donor, children and youth from our church are able to go to one week of **summer camp at Camp Greenwood** for free, and bring a friend along, also for free. Camp descriptions are available online at www.campgreenwood.org. The camp is located northeast of Grand Rapids, approximately 90 minutes from here. *Very important: to get the free week, you must call the camp at 616-754-7258 and tell them you are from Mason First Presbyterian Church. Do not register online!*
- Are you new to the church? Interested in learning about all the things we do here and different ways you can become involved? Want to become a member? If the answer to any of those question is "yes," please join us for a series of **Explorers Classes** for newcomers and prospective new members, following worship, beginning on April 27 and continuing through the month of May. We will meet in the Dining Room (below the Sanctuary) and we will feed you lunch! Please let Bill or Jessica know if you plan to attend, so we know how much food to prepare.
- **FPC-Holt** is looking for a part-time Office Support person. If you know of someone looking for part-time employment, please have them contact FPC-Holt at 517-694-8151 or email office@fpc-holt.org. Questions about the position may also be directed to Susan Land at 517-927-5402 or sland1225@comcast.net.
- The church office is going to have somewhat irregular hours for the next couple months due to **Jessica's maternity leave**. We suggest you call before you come in. Thank you for your patience and understanding!
- Mason Community Services is offering **VITA—Volunteer Income Tax Assistance**. If your household income is \$67,000 or less, call 313/591-0822 and schedule a time to come in!