

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 12, 2026

- **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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- **If you need gluten-free bread for communion**, please pick it up from the table at the rear of the sanctuary before worship or during a hymn.
- **Bridge Builders for Racial Atonement task force is sponsoring a series of Safe Space discussions**, moderated by Rev. Fran Lane-Lawrence, to encourage conversations about critical topics. Our first gathering will be today, after worship, in the dining room. We will be exploring the subject of race through our own stories and experiences, by answering the question “When you were growing up, what did you learn from your family, school, or church about race and racism?” See the latest edition of *The Cornerstone* for more details.
- **We will be holding a series of Explorers Classes for prospective new members and any others who would like to learn more about our church** beginning on Sunday, April 19. You will learn what it means to be Presbyterian, explore many different ways you can get involved in the ministry of the church, and have an opportunity to get to know many of our staff members and volunteer leaders. This class will take place following worship downstairs in the Dining Room, it will continue for about six weeks, and we will feed you lunch each week. Please RSVP if you are interested so we will know how much food to prepare (517-676-9333 or jessica@masonpresbyterian.org).
- **The Deacons will be collecting NEW pairs of socks** starting April 1st and running until April 30th. The ‘Coats for Kids’ campaign has added socks to their list and are calling it ‘Sock-It-To-Me Sundays in April’. All congregation members are invited to bring in their sock donations with all sizes and colors welcome. There will be a collection box set up in the Memorial Room. Thank you!

- **The church’s annual spring yard clean up** will be Saturday, April 18th, beginning at 8:30 am. The goal is to spruce up the yard and the garden beds will receive a new layer of mulch. Helping hands are welcome!
- **The Adult Education class will resume watching and discussing *The Chosen*** (season 5, episode 7) following worship next Sunday, April 19.
- **Our Office Manager Jessica Tessman is currently on a medical leave of absence.** We expect her back in a few weeks. Volunteers will be covering office tasks for now. Please keep Jessica in your prayers.
- **Two sets of eyeglasses were found** in the Sanctuary following worship on Easter Sunday. If either are yours, contact the church office!
- **Spring rummage sale** will be April 16th from 9 am to 5 pm and on April 17th from 9 am to 12 pm. The Women’s Association are currently accepting donations. Please see Gladys Welker with any questions.
- **UKirk Spring Trivia Night is coming!** Friday, April 17th starting at 7 pm. Cost is \$20 per person and all money goes to support MSU UKirk. Please see Sarah Fay-Koutz for information on joining or starting your own team. <https://www.ukirkmsu.org/trivia-night-and-silent-auction.html>
- **Camp Greenwood is looking for** volunteers for their spring clean up happening April 18th and May 16th. Please contact the camp office with any questions at 616-754-7258.
- 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 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!*

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Ongoing opportunities

- Join us for **dinner each Wednesday night** at 6:00 pm in the Dining Room! Dinner is open to the whole church and you don’t need to bring any food. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated to help cover the food expenses; the cost to hold these dinners has increased. Thank you!
- **Midweek Prayer** is on Wednesdays at noon in the Chapel. This is a brief time (approx. 10 minutes) of guided prayer in company with others. All are welcome.