

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 19, 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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- **Next Sunday, April 26, we will have some special guests with us;** we have invited the members of the Friends group and their family members to join us for worship. The Friends are a delightful group of adults with special needs who meet at our church once a month for fellowship and fun. Some members of this group have mobility issues; some have communication difficulties; some have other challenges. Please welcome them and make them feel at home!
- **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 today. 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.
- **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 Adult Education class will resume watching and discussing *The Chosen*** (season 5, episode 7) following worship today.
- **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.

- **A pair of eyeglasses was found** in the Sanctuary following worship on Easter Sunday. If they are yours, contact the church office!
- **The Mason First Presbyterian Church offers scholarships for higher education,** funded by a dedicated investment account and annual donations. Awards will be given in early June after reviewing applications. Donations can be sent to the church or placed in the offering plate. Your support helps students reach their educational goals. Please consider contributing and making a difference in a student's life today.
- **We are still looking for a few more Deacons or Elders** (past or present) to help serve communion to our homebound members periodically. Please contact Sandy Leutscher or Bill Pinches for more information. Thank you!

• **Camp Greenwood is looking for volunteers for their spring clean up** happening 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.
- The **choir and bell choir** are always open to new participants, and experience is not required. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings.
- To join the church's telephone **Prayer Chain**, contact the church office.
- **Interested in serving periodically as a liturgist?** Talk to Pastor Bill.
- **Interested in serving periodically as a greeter?** See Jane Hamelink.
- **Need a good book to read?** Come check out our library!