



First Presbyterian Church on the Square

APRIL 2024 GRAPEVINE

April, 2024

Dear FPC Members & Friends,

“O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!” (Psalm 118:1)

The goodness and love of the Lord surrounded the FPC Family in so many ways during our celebration of Easter and the entire season of Lent!

On Easter Morning God’s goodness and love was poured out on the FPC campus as members, families, friends, and visitors shared joyful worship and fellowship.

- Forty people attended the 7am Sunrise Service
- Fifty people enjoyed the 7:30am Easter Breakfast hosted by the FPC Men’s Group
- About thirty people of all ages joined together for the 9am Easter Egg Hunt
- Over 120 people worshiped at the 10am Easter Morning Worship Service

The Lord blessed the work of the Worship Committee as staff and team members led worship services every week.

Our Choir, Bell Choir, musicians, Flower Ministry, ushers, and the work of all the Session Committees reminded us of God’s goodness, beauty, and faithfulness.

The Building & Grounds team helped make FPC’s campus and buildings safe, attractive, and inviting for all the activities during Lent and Easter.

The Finance Committee and Treasurer continued faithfully to manage FPC’s finances.

The Mission Committee and Potter’s Hand reached out through activities and donations in Athens community and the larger community.

The energy and generosity of God’s Spirit flowed through leaders and participants during the five days of Holy Week worship, lunches, and hospitality. The food and menus were delightful! Over the course of 6 worship services during 5 days:

- We averaged 60 participants per day
- The average offering/day was \$275
- Total donation of \$1,370 went to LCCI (Limestone County Churches Involved)

We give our praise to God and thanks to all FPC’s committees and groups for their prayers, support, and participation in FPC’s ministries and programs during Easter & Lent, 2024!

“O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!” (Psalm 118:29)

Easter Thanks & Blessings, Pastor Karl



ANNOUNCEMENTS!



- All submissions for Grapevine and the monthly calendar should be sent by email (fpcathens@fpcathens.org) or by phone (256-232-0122) by the 20th of the month.
- Directories are now available in the church office!
- Office hours are Monday - Thursday from 9am - 1pm.



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

**PW Circle will meet on April 2nd
at 1 pm in the Rogers Center.**

**Hostesses: Carol Copeland
Program: Joyce Counter
Devotional: Vicki Kellogg**

Attention FPC Children and Youth: Join us for SHINE

Shine meets the 4th Wednesday of each month from 6-7 pm at Revival. Shine is open to all kids K-5th grade. Each meeting will include a light dinner or snacks, verse of the month, lesson and related activity. Free play will be at the end of the meeting.

"IN THE SAME WAY, LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE OTHERS, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD DEEDS AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN." -MATTHEW 5:16

**Please contact DeAnna McNeill for additional information at
deannahmcneill@gmail.com or 256-497-5020.**



APRIL 14, 2024

**Join us after worship for fun, food and fellowship in the
Rodgers Center!**

**All proceeds support Faith Ministries in building a new
house for a family in Mexico.**

**Senior
Recognition
Sunday will be
on April 28th**



**Mark Your Calendar for
FPC Older Adults Worship
Service.
May 5th**

SAVE THE DATE

VBS on June 11th, 12th, and 13th

3:00 – 5:00

June 13th from

3:00 – 6:00

(Program and Pizza dinner at 5:00)



PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Doris Welch (Home)

Dean Steele

Susie Fogg (Home)

Sharon Massey

Rene Brown (Healing)

Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health)

Debbi O'Neill (Healing)

Bonnie Chambers (Home)

Suzanne Weeks (Healing)

Stephen Toney (Home)

Jac Catlett

Diane Lynn (Health)

Gale Cottles (Healing)

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel - Army

Adam Naves - Marines

Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard

Joshua Hargrove - Deployed

Sean Miller - Army

Damien Williams - Army

Michael Ress - USAF -AZ

Jay Tulley- Middle East

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Bob Defour (Doyle & Suzanne Weeks son-in-law)

Brent Harris (Friend of Chris Hilgeman)

Sue Guyer (Health & Healing, Bonny Noel's sister)

Gerry & Denzil Smith (Healing) cousin of Jan Ruth)

Alex Noel (Nephew of John & Bonny Noel)

Bill Grisham (Health, Pam Gregg's dad)

Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)

Kierra Anderson (Friend of Gale Cottles)

Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)

Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)

Sherry Thompson (Healing, sister of Christy Arnett)

Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)

Steven Smith (Healing cousin of Jan Ruth)

Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)

John Cotten (Healing, Potter's Hand)

Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)

Maggie Ruth Naves (Healing, great granddaughter of Hazel White)

Cheryl Phelps (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)

Jessie Saunders (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)

Robert Jones (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)

Phyllis Ramshur (Health, mother- in - law of Sean Harbin)

Mike Frehner (Support, friend of David Lyle)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 COMMUNION 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP 10AM WORSHIP	1 OFFICE CLOSED	2	5 9:00-1:00 PM The Potters Hand Pottery Studio	4	5 OFFICE CLOSED	6
14 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP 10 AM WORSHIP Mexico Mission Luncheon	8	9 PW Circle Rodgers Center 1:00 PM	10 9:00-1:00 PM The Potters Hand Pottery Studio	11	12 OFFICE CLOSED	13
21 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP 10 AM WORSHIP	15	16 Mission Shower Day Stated Session Meeting 6:00 pm Revival	17 9:00-1:00 PM The Potters Hand Pottery Studio	18	19 OFFICE CLOSED	20
28 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP 10 AM WORSHIP Senior Recognition Sunday	22	25	21 9:00-1:00 PM The Potters Hand Pottery Studio SHINE FPC Children K-5th Revival	25	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 OFFICE CLOSED



Happy Birthday

April 2024

7th Jennifer Quillen

7th Virginia Brooks

8th Carol Copeland

9th Melvin Clem

14th Mickey Counter

18th Eloise Chouinard

20th Avery Paysinger

20th Eugene Quillen

20th Stanley Hand

21st Christian Emerson