

March 2021

Friends Pursing Christ

Freeman Presbyterian Church News

PASTOR'S NOTES

March continues to be a time of updating the inside and the outside of the sanctuary. Inside the sanctuary, the ceiling has been lowered and replaced, the wood floors have been refinished. There is fresh coat of paint on the walls and entrance from God's House to the sanctuary is now handicap accessible with a new side aisle ramp. New doors will be installed soon. The outside of the building will be sided, and the steeple is being restored. Hopefully, the external work will be good for at least 10 years! I am sure many people will **now** want to join the Buildings and Grounds Team! Thanks to all the hard work of the B&G and many discussions over colors! Miracles still do happen.

I am glad this work is being done. It was time. There was a lot of intensive labor and cost to this project. But having two beautiful buildings means nothing if we are not inviting people to church, and, and more importantly sharing the story of Jesus with our family and neighbors. These buildings are places that are to be used to draw people closer to God through worship, fellowship, and fun. They are to be safe places.

On Sunday, March 14, I am asking people to stay after worship and to pray and make plans for ministry to begin this Summer in God's House. We need everyone involved. For those who are homebound, I ask that you spend time in prayer for those who will be meeting and implementing these new ministries. The time is now and prayer intercessors, visionaries, and helping hands are needed, so come jump on board.

Love and prayers,
Ilona

Prayer Requests: Pray for Prayer Partners, Prayer for People fighting and Praise to God for new therapeutics and for vaccine and distribution, **Friends fighting cancer:** Pam (Paget's), Lois, Frank (caregiver for Lois), Laura (brain), Naomi Cook, Doug Whitcraft, Dr. Polly, Amy, Tom, **Illness:** Herschel (shoulder rehab), Robert Cook (shoulder surgery), Sandra (Linda S. sister), Angela, Coty, Mark, Casey. **Please pray for people struggling with depression and various addictions. Military:** Jason Woodfin (Lynette's son), Todd and Pru (missionaries) **Leaders:** President Biden, Family and Administration, Gov. Parsons, Police safety and for their families, Economy

March Events

- **March 14th** - immediately following worship there will be a God's House planning meeting. Everyone is invited to participate. Three areas of concentration: Children and Youth Ministry, Sports, and Senior's Ministry.
- **March 17th - St. Patrick's Day Dinner 6:00 pm**
- **March 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th – 10:00 am or 6:30 pm: The Four Cups** - Explore 4 big promises of God for you as you discover the meaning of the 4 cups of the Passover (Seder Meal). This will be a 4-week DVD series that will correspond with the March Sermon Series. Discover the meanings behind the Cup of Salvation, the Cup of Deliverance, the Cup of Redemption and the Cup of Praise.
- **April 1st** - Maundy Thursday Seder Supper and Communion at 7:00 pm
- **April 2nd** - Good Friday Prayer Vigil
- **April 4th** - Easter Sunday: Breakfast 9:30am followed by an Egg Hunt and then Worship at 11:00am

Small Groups: Sunday at 10:00 am for all ages
Wednesdays at 7:00 pm on Zoom - Hebrews
Thursdays at 6:30 pm – rotates weekly
Fridays at 10:00 am and 6:30 pm

Men of FPC keep your eyes peeled for the next Men's Meeting. For more information see David Bridgers.