

The Bridge

Spring 2024

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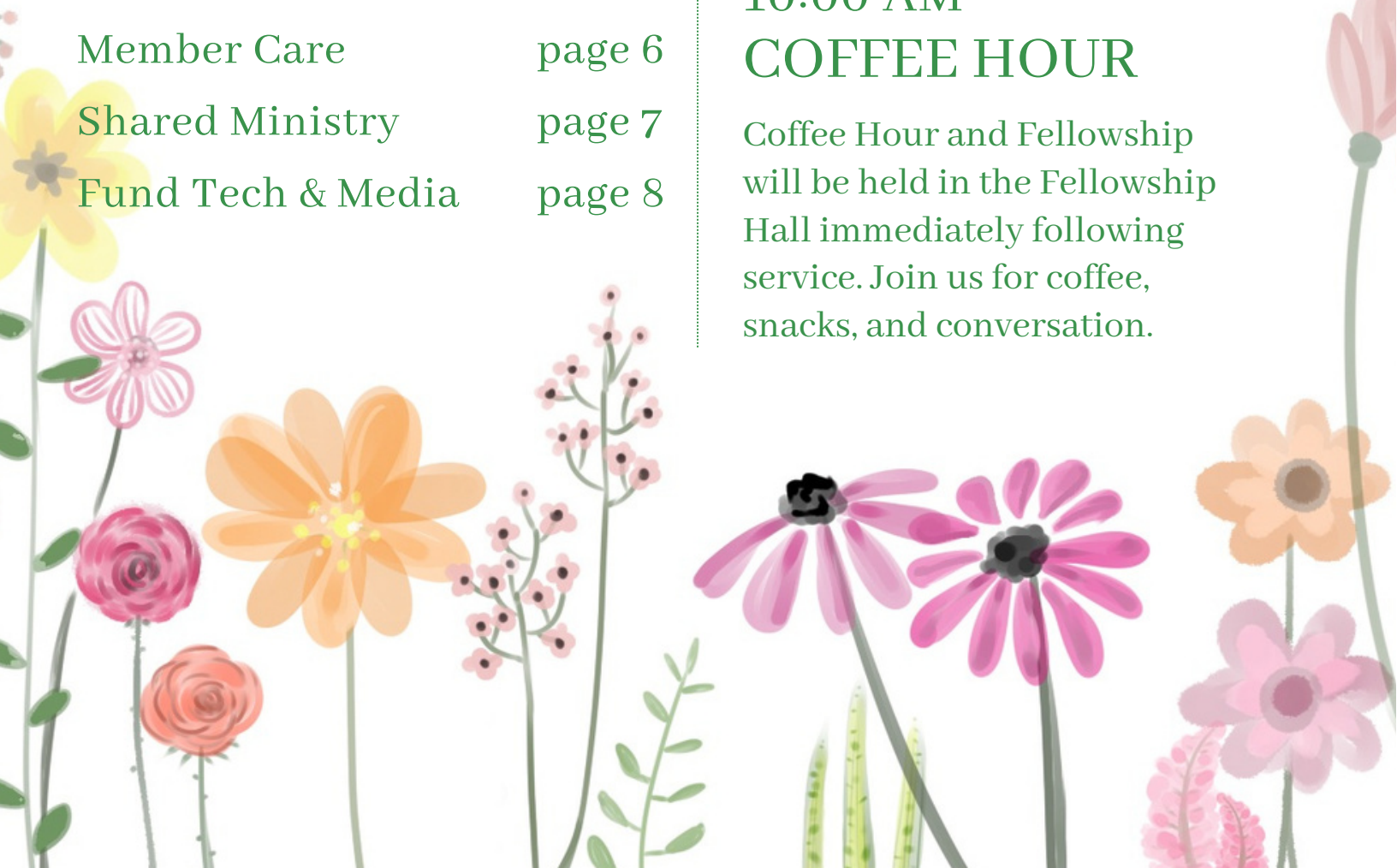
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9:00 AM SUNDAY SERVICE

Service is streamed live on Facebook. A recording of the stream will be made available on YouTube following the service.

10:00 AM COFFEE HOUR

Coffee Hour and Fellowship will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following service. Join us for coffee, snacks, and conversation.





**SESSION MEMBERS
&
MINISTRY TEAMS**

SESSION

N HALL

**PERSONNEL AND
MISSION/OUTREACH**

MELISSA HARMON

**MISSION/OUTREACH
AND LIAISON TO
DEACONS/MEMBER CARE TEAM**

BETTE HOYTINK

CLERK

KRISTINA MOSLEY

WORSHIP/PERSONNEL

MARILYN PAULSON

WORSHIP/FAITH FORMATION

ROGER HOYTINK

**BUILDING,
GROUNDS AND
INFRASTRUCTURE**

DAVID STRUENSEE

**BUILDING,
GROUNDS AND
INFRASTRUCTURE**

JESSICA HARRISON

TREASURER

DEACONS/MEMBER CARE

KAREN ANGELL

DEB BARTELT

PEGGY BALFANZ

LONNA NORTON

SANDRA BUSER

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Session met on February 13th and took the following actions:

- Approved the requests from Marcia Weidemann and Barbara Zimmerman to be removed from the membership role of First Presbyterian Church.
- Approved the request from the Procknow and Pamer families to have their sons baptized. Arrangements have been made to have Rev. Linda Morgan-Clement officiate on April 28, 2024
- Approved the official statistical report that is submitted to the Presbyterian Church (USA).
- Acknowledged the Thank-you letters received from Father Carr's and St. Vincent de Paul for monetary donations made in 2023.
- Agreed to give Melissa Harmon administrative status on the church FaceBook page so she may post information about upcoming church events, mission offering results, etc.



March Worship Leadership

Date	Pulpit Supply	Liturgist
March 3	Jessica Harrison, CRE	Karen Angell
March 10*	Rev. Andy Sonnenborn	TBD
March 17	Rev. Andy Sonnenborn	Marilyn Paulson
March 24	Jessica Harrison, CRE	TBD
March 28**	Jessica Harrison, CRE	Marilyn Paulson
March 31 (Easter)	Greg Braatz	TBD

***Daylight Savings Time starts on March 10th! Don't forget to spring forward!**

****Maundy Thursday is March 28th-evening meal and Taize style worship.**

More information to come!

LITURGISTS NEEDED

Our pulpit supply is complete through June 2nd, but our worship leaders need your help as their liturgist. Sign-up sheets for March through June are available in the entryway. Please check your calendar and determine when you can lend a hand (and voice) to enhance our worship.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL FOR LENT

This month the Lenten devotional “Local Pilgrim: A Wandering, Wondering Daily Devotional” continues.

It is designed to help the “pilgrim” know their local community better. It encourages one to explore places beyond one’s everyday experiences. It is a “sacred exercise in attending to whatever God lays before us in our lives and our communities.”

A link to the devotional can be found here [LENTEN DEVOTIONAL](#) and will be made available throughout Lent. A few hard copies will also be available at church.

A LENTEN STUDY: The Women who Followed Jesus

The four Gospels of the New Testament mention many women who played a vital role in Jesus’ ministry. Some are named and some are not. Some were healed, some traveled with him, some were very close, others simply followed, and some were at the cross and witnessed his death and resurrection.

Jesus’ encounters with these women crossed social, cultural, and religious boundaries of the time, yet they were important in demonstrating the essence of his ministry and mission to reveal who God is.

We are exploring some of their stories and reflecting on what they teach us about Jesus and about our own faith. The class began after worship on Feb. 25, and continues on March 3, 17, and 24.

Readings for the remaining sessions will be included in the weekly email updates through March. The topics to be covered are:

March 3 – Women at the Tomb and the Resurrection

March 11 – no class (enjoy Deacon’s fellowship after worship)

March 17 – The Woman with the Ointment (as portrayed in all four Gospels)

March 24 – “All the Mary’s” – (there will be a reading handout available for this session.)

The weekly sermons are also highlighting some of the women who followed Jesus.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

75
YEARS



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT



February 14-March 31, 2024

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing.

WAYS TO GIVE —

- + Through your congregation
 - + Online at pcusa.org/give-oghs
 - + Text OGHS to 91999 to give
- or-



You can help sustain the important ministries and programs that are supported by One Great Hour of Sharing Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. Checks may be sent Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); P.O. Box 643700; Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries.

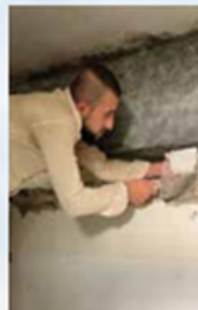
IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

To learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference, visit pcusa.org/oghs

IN THIS SEASON OF LENT,

we follow Jesus' example;
walking alongside the most vulnerable
to partner in repairing the harm inflicted upon them.
WE ARE THE CHURCH, TOGETHER;
and we are there with those who need us.

Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs —



HOUSE RESTORATION - VILLAT

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

*Restore Streets
to Live In*



KASUPE MINISTRIES

PRESBYTERIAN HUNGER PROGRAM

*Share your Bread
with the Hungry*



CARDIAC GARDENS

SELF- DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE

*Loose the Bonds
of Injustice*

Please give generously.

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MEMBER CARE

Deacons are always looking for ways to tend our flock whether with a card, phone call, or visit in person. There are so many ways we can reach out - so if you would like a visit or need one of our Member Care Team to help we pray you will feel comfortable letting us know. Sometimes we need an alert.

The Homeless Hygiene Drive will end March 3rd, but this is a way we can all participate in something that benefits our local community. Deacons will match all monetary efforts with our Agape funds. Thank you for your contributions to this noble effort.

Stop by the church kitchen to notice the improved lighting there; another new fixture for above the sink will be coming soon. Aren't we fortunate to have such a terrific workspace for our fellowship events? Yes, and you can start looking forward to our Annual Easter Breakfast, Sunday, March 31st. Your Deacons will be serving it up following our church service on that day.

Recently there was a change in our team as 2 members, Anna Malek and Annie Leonard, had served their terms and it was time for new members. Sandy Buser was installed in January and has joined this group with enthusiasm and grace. Soon new lists will be shared and "Who's your Deacon?" won't be a mystery any more. However, you may always call, email, or text any one of us with information or questions to share.

Remember, if home communion is something you wish to have, please do let us know or call the church office. We are equipped and prepared to take care of you if we know what you need. Every week we say "Our service in the world begins," and this is part of what we can do for our church family.

HOW TO GIVE ONLINE
WINNCHURCH.ORG
CLICK THE LINK ABOVE
THEN CLICK "GIVE NOW"



JANUARY 2024

JAN TOTAL INCOME (w/o pass thru)	\$	5,221.28
JAN TOTAL EXPENSES (w/o pass thru)	\$	8,978.51
LOSS FOR JANUARY	\$	3,757.23

YTD INCOME (w/o pass thru)	\$	5,221.78
YTD EXPENSES (w/o pass thru)	\$	8,978.21
YTD LOSS	\$	3,757.23

CHECKBOOK BALANCE 1/31/24 \$68,433.65



Visit our website often to get access to past sermons, musical selections from the Harmons, and stay up to date with our church calendar. Click the button below to be taken to our website. Click the "Online Giving" button to be automatically directed to the Online Giving page.

FPC WEBSITE

ONLINE GIVING



If you don't want to worship in person, please join us in live worship every Sunday, streamed from our Facebook page at 9:00am. FPC of Winneconne regularly posts pictures, videos, church information, and events on our page. Please "like" our Facebook page for updates.

FPC FACEBOOK



YouTube gives you access to all of the videos we have produced. Here you can find past worship services and musical selections from the Harmons. Missed our live Sunday Service? Recordings are posted for viewing following the service on our YouTube Channel.

FPC YOUTUBE



Various church-related meetings, special gatherings, and Bible Study will be held via Zoom. Links will be provided in our weekly email as scheduled.