



JERUSALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March Newsletter

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Weekly Happenings

Mondays

9:00 am Women's Coffee @
Black Canyon

Wednesdays

8:00am Men's Breakfast @
Sunnyside Restaurant in
Dousman

Sundays

9:30 am Worship Service

A Letter From Pastor Andy

Dear JPC Family and Friends,

One of the never-ending challenges that JPC has (just like many churches) is communication. How do we communicate with each other? More specifically, how do we pass along information that would be helpful to newer members and/or guests? Too often I find that we can get caught in the trap of assuming everyone knows what is going on, especially with our tent-pole events such as the BBQ, the Art Fair/Book Sale, and the Christmas Cookie Sale.

Case in point: most people at JPC know that the proceeds from the art fair go to Waukesha County non-profits. But which ones? And what do they do? To help answer these questions, the art fair, technology and marketing, and worship committees have collaborated with an idea that is starting this Sunday (March 3) and running through the end of April. Each week between now and May (excluding Palm Sunday and Easter) we are inviting a different non-profit that has benefited from the Donna Lexa Art Fair to come to worship and promote their mission and impact. -over



A Letter From Pastor Andy Continued

The schedule is still being ironed out, but we know that we will be joined by leaders from the *Oasis Project this Sunday*. Other groups to follow are Hope Center, ACAP, Lad Lake, Redeem & Restore, and Donna Lexa Art Center. I hope we have good attendance each of these Sundays for people to hear what vital work each of these groups are doing in our community, and the support they have received from so many people helping at the art fair. Hopefully through these ministry partner presentations we will also gain new ideas and energy to keep helping in our community and in our world.

To God Be the Glory for Great Things God Has Done, Is Doing, and Will Do,
Pastor Andy





HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

March 24th 9:30am

Maundy Thursday

March 28th 7:00pm

Easter

March 31st 9:30am

JPC Mission At Work

The first of four Special Offerings of the PC(USA) will be dedicated on Sunday, March 24. Soon donation envelopes will be placed in the pew racks for your use, literature concerning this offering will be available in the sanctuary, and moments for mission will be part of Sunday services. The One Great Hour of Sharing offering provides funding for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Self-Development of People project.

Contributions can be made any time now, and please identify your wish to have your gift be a part of the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). For 75 years, the generosity of people like you have helped OGHS share God's love throughout the world.



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

Session Notes From February 2024

The following is an abbreviated recap of some of the business items discussed at the last session meeting (hybrid Zoom/in person) on February 7, 2024.

February 7 motions:

- To approve the minutes of the January 10 session meeting. **Approved.**
- To approve the minutes of the January 28 congregational meeting. **Approved.**
- To remove Linda Vogel-Martin from the membership roll per her request. **Approved.**
- To elect David Carr as clerk. **Approved.**
- To appoint Mary Anne Spencer as treasurer. **Approved.**
- To appoint Jim Morris as deposit secretary. **Approved.**

February 7 other business:

- Committee assignments:
 - ◇ Worship: Rebecca Schultz, Cate O'Connell
 - ◇ Building & Grounds: David Christiansen, Walter Schulz
 - ◇ Mission: David Carr, Jerry Gapinski
 - ◇ Education: Rebecca Schultz, Cindy Barder
 - ◇ Fellowship & Evangelism: Miranda Zywicki, Pat Bjorgaard
 - ◇ Finance: David Kilpatrick, Larry Bartz
 - ◇ Technology & Marketing: Karen Potratz, Cate O'Connell
 - ◇ Personnel: Larry Bartz, Pat Bjorgaard, Cindy Barder
 - ◇ Nominating: David Christiansen, (a second is desired).
- New elder training took place prior to the session meeting.
- A new ADA toilet will be installed in the first-floor restroom.
- Inside cleanup is scheduled for March 2.
- Special offering: One Great Hour of Sharing is February 14 – March 31.
- Hygiene kits will be assembled as part of Sunday service on February 18.
- Habitat events will be scheduled monthly for the rest of the year.
- The 2024 Marketing Calendar was presented.
- Ash Wednesday service is at 7:00 on February 14.
- Jerry Gapinski and David Carr will attend the Presbytery Gathering on February 24 in Lake Geneva.

Next session meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2024.

The Hope Center

“In The Bag” Sunday for The Hope Center

This Deacon event will be taking place on two consecutive Sundays during the month of March. We will be collecting the following targeted items on March 10th and 17th.

- ⇒ Men's Jeans
- ⇒ Light Spring Coats
- ⇒ Kids Clothing 6-16
- ⇒ New or Used Ankle Socks



Please pack these items up into medium sized plastic bags and place them in the Narthex under the pews against the wall. We have bags available if you need them.

Habitat for Humanity Happenings

Come join in the fun! We have two opportunities for you to help build homes and relationships with others during March.

- Build Day: Wednesday March 6th from 8:30am-3:30pm
- ReStore Center: Saturday March 9th from 10:00am-1:00pm

A Full crew of JPC volunteers helped out at the ReStore Center on Saturday Feb. 10th where they organized the showroom, stocked shelves with new donations and interfaced with customers.

JPC volunteers also worked at the HFH volunteer site on Wednesday Feb 16th. This was an unscheduled day where we filled in for a group that had cancelled with short notice. Our JPC painters helped Habitat for Humanity meet their build schedule and spent the day painting doors and railings. Our team then worked our scheduled Build Day on Wednesday Feb. 28th. What a team!

Habitat for Humanity has created a special site for JPC volunteer registration.

<https://habitatwaukesha.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/jpc>

Indoor Clean Up & Purge

JPC INDOOR CLEAN UP AND PURGE We have identified areas that need clean up and purge inside of JPC. We are in need of team captains for each of the following areas listed below. Each team captain will recruit team members to help. Timing -- complete work by the end of March.

- Coat Room and Narthex : Team Captain, Linda Ravelo with help from Cindy and Bill Barder
- Pantry: Team Captains Cindy and Bill Barder with help from Dave Christiansen and others, TBD
- Kitchen: Team Captain TBD
- Paint Room (storage), Boiler Room, Water softener room: Team Captain Dave Christiansen with help from TBD
- Nursery: Team Captain, Bruce Parker
- Classrooms 1 & 2 : Team Captain TBD
- Pastors office : Team Captain, Andy (nice start!)
- Everything Else (stairwell, hallways, etc): Team Captain TBD



Three tables are set up in the fellowship hall area.

- One is marked Purge -- this is stuff that will be thrown away,
- The second table is marked ? --- this stuff we don't know if we should purge or save.
- The third table is marked Save --- this stuff we need to find a new home to put the items.



10 Jan Dobrich

26 Carol Pasbrig

16 Judy Mueller

27 Chris Parsons

17 Patti Bailey

29 Dint Sweitzer

17 Kyle Roberts

30 Kent Lorenz

25 Harris Wilke

31 Makensie Zywicki

Using the Phone:

The church office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30AM to 12PM

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