

Lent Is Upon Us

Greetings to you and yours,

Lent begins this Wednesday!

Lent is a forty-day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It is our preparation time to celebrate Easter. Lent is also a great time for us to hear from God and get closer to God. Most of us focus on what we can give up for Lent. However, I want to encourage you to consider what you can add to your spiritual life during Lent.

The spiritual disciplines are a great way to add depth and growth to our spiritual walk with God during Lent. A brief list includes solitude, silence, fasting, scripture reading, prayer, journaling, frugality, selflessness, and sacrifice. I also encourage you to start new family traditions during Lent. A simple google search can offer many creative ideals for you and your family.

I pray that God will speak to you in wonder ways as we seek God in repentance and renewed faith during the next forty days.

Prayers for You, Dr. Kerry

















The Ash Wednesday Service on March 2nd will be held in the Sanctuary at 7PM. Join us in person or by live streaming at www.faithinferguson.org.



Bible Study returns on Ash Wednesday, March 9th at noon with Dr. Kerry leading the Lenten series, in person and on Zoom. If you would like to join the study by Zoom, contact Pastor Kerry to receive the Zoom link at soul.man66@icloud.com.



Confirmation Classes begin Sunday, March 6th at 11:15 AM-12:30 PM and continues through May 15th. Confirmation will be held Sunday, May 22nd in the Sanctuary.



You are invited to join us the first Sunday of each month for Communion in the Sanctuary or streaming through our web site at www.faithinferguson.com



CULTURE AWARENESS SUNDAY

On Sunday, February 27, we celebrated culture during our worship service. What a celebration and learning experience it was! We honored Missouri's Teacher of the Year, James Young, and presented him with a check for his charity of choice, STL Classical Guitar. Brian Vaccarro, Executive Director of STL Classical Guitar, was also present to receive the gift. If that wasn't celebration enough, There were special readings by two of our youth about their black history heroes, Muhammed Ali and Maya Angelou, our Sunday School choir sang a very special "This Little Light of Mine", AND we enjoyed a group of Liturgical dancers called *God's Prophetic Vessels*. Below are a few photos to mark the event. We have been blessed by God with this wonderful culture and diversity.













For Valentines Day, some of our Sunday School kids made Valentine cards for Meals on Wheels recipients as a gesture of kindness.



WANTED... JULIANI

Persons who want to serve and glorify the Lord through music! We are looking for Handbell ringers, Choir members, Instrumentalists etc We are instructed to "Make a Joyful Noise", so reading music is not a prerequisite—just a willing spirit and a desire to give God your best! Please consider participating in our Music ministry. Contact me at Rebeccajeancombs@gmail.com or 314-330-1248. God Bless! Becky 3

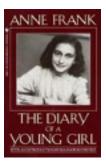


The Book Club will resume at 7:00 pm on March 1, 2022. We are meeting in person in the Memorial Lounge. Bring your own snack and drink. Contact Karen Schriefer at 314-522-6842 if you have any questions.

March 1:



April 5:





A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who assisted Session members in supporting our community and our neighbor, St. Stephens Episcopal Church with their Clay Café. This group prepared and served 60+ dinners on a beautiful and warm Sunday on February 20th – no snow!!!



Don't forget to submit your prayer requests before services on Sunday mornings. The Prayer Request Forms will be located in the offering plate as you enter through the sanctuary door. Please complete your prayer request and place it on the communion table before the service begins. Dr. Kerry will read the requests from the pulpit so all can hear.



FACILITY USE REQUESTS

The church has created a Facility Use Request Form. We are trying to get a better handle on all the groups that use our building. So we are requesting all groups that use the building, such as the Boy Scouts, Book Club, PEO, etc. complete this form. This form also needs to be completed by individuals that use the facility to host birthday and graduation parties, showers, or other events of this type.

We want to make sure that we understand what space is going to be used and equipment that may be required. We also need to make sure that the groups and individuals understand the rules and responsibilities of using the church building. Please contact the church office for a copy of the Facility Use Request Form.

This is also a reminder that all events need to be cleared through the church office. We need to keep a consolidated calendar so there are no conflicts. Any questions can be directed to the church office.

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Information about Online Giving



Online Giving has been set up on our website to encourage financial support for our ministry and missions at First Pres, Ferguson, from those visiting or watching our services via the website. While it is also available to our congregants, we want you to know that there is about a 4% processing fee for each transaction made this way and about a 1.5% processing fee to give directly from your checking account. There is an option to cover these fees on the "Giving" page. Please consider making this option. To give online, go to faithinferguson.org and click on the "Give" tab near the top of the screen, click the link that is provided and follow the steps.



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(If someone's birthday is missing or incorrect, please let the office know.)







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