

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 2, 2023

11:00 a.m.

PALM SUNDAY

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

VOLUNTARY: Prelude and Fugue in G..... Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
John Alexander, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Jill Duffield

* CALL TO WORSHIPRachel Fitch

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

All: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Leader: Lo, your king comes to you;

All: triumphant and victorious is he,

Leader: humble and riding on a donkey.

All: on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 196 – All Glory, Laud and Honor..... VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN



All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

to Refrain
who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.
our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!

These stanzas for Palm Sunday have been selected and translated from a much longer Latin poem written by a bishop who was the leading theologian in Charlemagne's court. They are sung to a 17th-century German chorale, as adapted for these words in the mid-19th century.

CHORAL INTROIT: Hosanna to the Son of David! Michael Bedford
Canticle, Credo and Cherub Choirs
Radha Upton, piano

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the Son of David!
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, sanna, Jesus comes!

Riding on a donkey through the city streets,
Jesus smiles and waves to everyone he meets.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the Son of David!
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, sanna, Jesus comes!

See palm branches waving as the people say,
“Blest is he who comes on this triumphant day!”

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the Son of David!
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, sanna, Jesus comes!

* CALL TO CONFESSION *and* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Save us, O God, for we are surrounded by danger and we live in death’s shadow. Forgive us when we fail to stand with the suffering, when fear causes us to close our eyes to wrongdoing, when weakness makes us turn back from following you. Lift us up to the hope and healing of the cross; make us bearers of the love of Jesus, poured out for the world. Amen.

A brief period of silence is observed for personal confession.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: The Humblest of Them All ... Kelly Vaneman
Canticle, Credo and Cherub Choirs
Radha Upton, piano

The road to Jerusalem with palm leaves was paved
As Jesus rode into town, all people to save.
He could have ridden on a grand, noble steed,
but instead God chose a donkey; it was all that he'd need.

He chose the lowly;
He chose the small;
He chose the littlest ones of them all.
He chose the humblest of them all.

The path we are walking on is barely begun,
But we've chosen to follow by God's gracious Son.

He chose the lowly;
He chose the small;
He chose the littlest ones of them all.
He chose the humblest of them all.

The lowly, the little, the meek and the small,
He chooses the humblest of us all.



WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE WORD READ: *Psalm 118:1-2,19-29*..... Sharon Norman

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.

The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

A MOMENT OF GODLY PLAY FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Lisa Witherspoon

ANTHEM: Hosanna to the Son of DavidOrlando Gibbons (1583-1625)
Chancel Choir Ensemble

Hosanna to the Son of David.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the King of Israel, that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest places.
Hosanna in the highest heavens.

THE WORD READ: *Matthew 21:1-11*

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, “Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED: *A Happening*Jill Duffield



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang,
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
 the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joyce.

The opening two stanzas narrate the first Palm Sunday in the past tense, but the third stanza shifts to the present tense to emphasize what current singers do and believe. The repeated elements in this anonymous German tune suggest the repetitive patterns in a crowd's chant.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN OF RESPONSE: No. 197 – Hosanna, Loud Hosanna ELLACOMBE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Newton Cowan

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

– Colossians 1:15-20

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

concluding with the Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

You may also participate in the offering using the QR code on the back page of this bulletin. Information for giving by other options, including text, app, and regular mail, can be found there as well.

OFFERTORY: Ride On, King Jesus arranged by Alice Parker & Robert Shaw
Chancel Choir

Ride on, King Jesus, No man can hinder me.
But now my race is almost done.
King Jesus rides on a milk-white horse.
The river of Jordan He did cross.
If you want to find your way to God,
The gospel highway must be trod.
Ride on, King Jesus, No man can hinder me.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise
God all crea - tures here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION.....Newton Cowan

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTIONJill Duffield

RECESSIONAL HYMN: No. 198 – Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!ST. DROSTANE

VOLUNTARY: Pièce Héroïque..... César Franck (1822-1890))
John Alexander, organ



Ride On! Ride On in Majesty! 198

1 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! all the
2 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! The hosts of
4 Ride on! ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry; thy hum - ble beast pur -
pomp ride on to die; O Christ, thy tri - umphs
an - gels in the sky look down with sad and
pomp ride on to die; bow thy meek head to

sues its road with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
won - dering eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
mor - tal pain; then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

This 19th-century Palm Sunday text is better understood as the reflections of someone standing outside the event rather than as coming from those participating in the actual procession. This poignant text is set to a tune written especially for it later in the same century.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Jill Duffield, *Senior Pastor*
Rachel Fitch, *Sid & Cathy Batts Pastoral Resident*
Newton Cowan, *Transitional Director for Pastoral Care*
Lisa Witherspoon, *Director of Children's Ministry*
Sharon Norman, *Lay Reader*
Madeline and Audrey Faucher, *Acolytes*
John Alexander, *Director of Music and Principal Organist*
Anne Albert, *Director of Worship*
Robert Wells, *Director of Chancel Choir*
Radha Upton, *Piano*
Canticle, Credo and Cherub Choirs
Chancel Choir

"All Glory, Laud and Honor" Text: Theodulph of Orleans; Music: Melchior Teschner.
"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" Text: Jennette Threlfall; Music: *Gesangbuch der Herzogl.*
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Text: Thomas Ken; Music: *Genevan Psalter.*
"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!" Text: Henry Hart Milman; Music: John Bacchus Dykes.

* Let us rise in body or spirit.

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HOLY WEEK 2023

Maundy Thursday Communion Service

April 6, 6 pm in the Life Center.

Communion at the round tables and music from the Rejoice! band

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

April 7, 7:30 pm in the sanctuary, with music from the Chancel Choir.
The lights gradually lower into darkness as we reflect on Christ's death.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

April 8, begins 7:30 pm in Memorial Columbarium.

We carry the light into the sanctuary, with music from traditional and Rejoice! musicians.

Easter Sunday

April 9, bring a flower for the cross!

- 7 am Sunrise service in Memorial Columbarium
- 9 and 11 am traditional services with brass in the sanctuary
- Resurrection Egg Hunt at 10 am for children.

WE WELCOME YOU to the worship of God and to our community of faith.
We are a church of growing disciples believing that worship
is at the center of all we are and do as Christians.

We seek to serve as the hands of Christ in the world. Our creation care and
hunger ministries have been recognized by the Presbyterian Church USA.






TAKING ATTENDANCE: The QR code, left, directs you to an online form; just open your smartphone camera, hold it over the code, and follow the prompts.

If you do not have a smartphone, you can pick up a physical copy of an attendance card as you enter the Life Center or Sanctuary. If using the paper form, place it in the offering at the end of the service. On the back of the card is a prayer request form. Your submitted prayers will be prayed for by staff members and kept in strict confidence.

NURSERY CARE IS PROVIDED for infants through age 4 on the first floor of Mullin Life Center. Our Child Protection Policy helps ensure our care is safe, loving and appropriate.



COVID GUIDELINES – Masks are optional on our campus. Updates are posted at [FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/TOGETHER](https://www.fpcgreensboro.org/together).

PASTOR ON CALL: When church offices are closed and you have an emergency, call 336.908.8615. Leave a message with your phone number and the pastor on call will be in touch with you.

FIND FIRST PRESBYTERIAN ON SOCIAL MEDIA – Members are sharing great photos, comments and more! Follow and Like us on **Facebook**  (search “First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro”), **YouTube**  (“fpcgreensboro”) and **Instagram**  (“1stpresgo”) to get more of our posts in your newsfeed.

THE LITURGICAL COLOR PURPLE seen through the parament on the lectern and the pastors’ stoles signifies the season of Lent.

FLOWER DATES AVAILABLE – Honor or remember a friend or family member by donating flowers for our Sunday morning Sanctuary worship service. The flowers are accompanied by a note in the bulletin explaining their significance. *Dates available: May 7; July 2, 23 and 30; September 10; November 5; and December 31.* Contact Carolyn Yow, 336-478-4768 or cyow@fpcgreensboro.org.

WAYS TO GIVE: In addition to the in-person offering, you may also give by mail, web, app, or text. Scan the QR code (right) to give online. You can also go to [fpcgreensboro.org/give/web-app-text](https://www.fpcgreensboro.org/give/web-app-text) to download the FellowshipOne Giving mobile app (Apple  or Android ) and for instructions for giving via text.



You may also mail your gift to the church at 617 N. Elm St., Greensboro, NC 27401. Go to [fpcgreensboro.org/give](https://www.fpcgreensboro.org/give) for more ways to give.

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USHERS AND ACOLYTES NEEDED: contact Anne Albert, aalbert@fpcgreensboro.org or 336.478.4711.

IN MEMORIAM

Peter V. Vanstory

May 12, 1933 - October 24, 2022

"In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets." (*Matthew 7:12*) These words of Jesus are engraved in Peter Vanstory's book of life, for he had a kind word and a smile for everyone and was always willing to extend a hand to those who needed a lift up.

Peter was born in Greensboro on May 12, 1933, to Cornelius "Neil" Vanstory and Margaret Vanstory. As the great-grandson of Jacob Henry Smith, the storied pastor of First Presbyterian, he began a lifetime of membership and service to this church.

In his youth he attended The Choate School, now known as Choate Rosemary Hall in Wallingford, Connecticut. He returned to North Carolina for his college years at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Upon leaving Chapel Hill, he joined the United States Marine Corps and served for two years on active duty and for another six years in the reserves. Ever faithful in all his commitments, Peter took to heart the Marine Corps motto, *Semper Fideles*. He pasted stickers of the Marine Corps emblem on many of his possessions. More importantly, he actively worked to help military reservists return to employment in civilian life as a member of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

Not long after completing his military service, Peter returned to his hometown to work in insurance sales with Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company (now merged into Lincoln Financial Group). No doubt his friendly, outgoing personality played a big role in the success he enjoyed in that endeavor. When he retired from the insurance field, he had a second successful career as vice-president of new business sales for Carolina Bank (now merged in First Bank).

More than anything else, his faithfulness was fully expressed by his devotion to First Presbyterian Church. At various times he held almost every position of leadership and service, from deacon, elder, treasurer, usher, Sunday School teacher, to numerous stewardship and pastoral care committees. He was a devoted member of the Young Men's Bible Class and served a term as its president.

Peter was one of the organizers of the church's nonprofit corporation Prison Ministry of Greensboro, Inc., which was formed to carry out Lacy McAlister's vision of ministering to those "sick and in prison." (*Matthew 25: 31-46*.) Peter was its first president, and he helped many a soul make the journey from incarceration to freedom. His kindness and concern for others extended to all he met in all walks of life.

For more than thirty years, he served on the board of directors of the Salvation Army in Greensboro. He was not one for short-term commitments.

Peter will be fondly remembered by all who knew him as a kind soul, full of life, ready with a smile, a joke, a laugh. He often assigned a nickname to those he befriended, his unique term of endearment which announced their special place in his world.

His life was not without loss. The most significant was the death of his beloved wife Harriet Funk Vanstory after forty-four happy years together. Yet he struggled on, sustained by his network of friends, family, and church members.

Peter is survived by his children, Peter V. Vanstory, Jr.; Leigh Vanstory Poe; and Pennington Vanstory; by his granddaughter Caroline M. Poe and stepgrandchildren Stuart Poe and Courtney DeTemple; by his brother C.M. Vanstory III; and by their families.

Surely goodness and mercy followed Peter throughout his life. The Session expresses their condolences to his family and rejoices with them in the life a faithful servant who now resides with all the saints in the presence of the glory of God. May he be long remembered among us.

– The Session of First Presbyterian Church

COMING UP

AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

**SUNDAY
APRIL 2**
**LATER
TODAY**

- **KIDS DISCIPLE CLUB:** Third- through fifth-graders meet for Bible study, service, and fun! 3-4:30 pm, Corl 306.
- **MARCEL DUPRÉ'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS,** 5 pm in the sanctuary. John Alexander, organ; Jill Duffield, narrator.
- **YOUTH GROUP,** 6-7:30 pm. Dinner and creative, self-guided Lenten prayer stations, with a labyrinth walk.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

APRIL 6: NEW MAUNDY THURSDAY service, Life Center, 6 pm.

APRIL 7: TENEBRAE SERVICE. 7:30 pm, sanctuary.

Child care with reservation: LWITHERSPOON@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG.

APRIL 8: EASTER VIGIL. 7:30 pm. Memorial Columbarium & sanctuary. *Child care with reservation:* LWITHERSPOON@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG.

APRIL 9: EASTER SUNDAY. (See back page)

HIGHLIGHTS: SMALL GROUPS & GATHERINGS

TUES, APRIL 11

- **BOOK CLUB:** 1:30 pm, Garden Room. *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans, facilitated by Deborah Conner.

MON, APRIL 17

- **BOOK CLUB:** 10:30 am, Garden Room. *The Exiles* by Cristiana Kline, facilitated Kitty Robison.

TUES, APRIL 18 and 25

- **PEACEHAVEN FARM SMALL GROUP,** 6:30-7:30 pm on Zoom. Young adults of all abilities meet for scripture reading, discussion, song, laughter & prayer. Contact Donna Chase, DCHASE@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG.

WED, APRIL 19

- **FORK & FAITH LUNCHEON:** Join other women for lunch, fellowship and sharing our lives. Noon, Mullin Life Center. *RSVP by noon April 14* to Martha Holt, MARTHA.HOLT@ATT.NET or call 336.908.7745.

SAT, APRIL 22

- **MEN'S FOOD & FELLOWSHIP:** Transformation! Join us for breakfast and inspiring stories of transformation, from our member Bill Pinckard and Anthony Bass from StepUp Greensboro. 8:30-10 am in the Life Center. *RSVP by April 20* to Debby Foster, DFOSTER@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG or 336.478.4702.

For regular weekly events, please refer to the calendar at FPCGREENSBORO.ORG

HAPPENING AT FPC: APRIL, MAY, BEYOND



SAT, APRIL 29

PARTY IN THE PARK: 3-5 pm,
Welcome Center parking lot. Everyone
is invited! Intergenerational &
communitywide celebration with craft
& art stations, fire truck, snow cones,
face painting and more! Volunteers
will hand out candy – we have 7 cars
signed up and are looking for 33 more
to decorate their trunks and hand out
candy! Sign up at [FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/
SIGNUP](http://FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/SIGNUP) or contact Lisa, [LWITHERSPOON@
FPCGREENSBORO.ORG](mailto:LWITHERSPOON@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG) for more info.

SUN, APRIL 30

**EARTH DAY EARTH CARE
CELEBRATION** in the Welcome
Center, 9 am-12:30 pm. Expand the
ways you can Refuse, Reuse, Reduce,
and Recycle with leaders from
Beyond Plastics Greensboro, Solar

Power Now, Deep Roots
Market, and City of
Greensboro recycling.
Sponsored by FPC's
Earth Care Team.



adult formation

SUN, APRIL 23 through MAY 7

• **MATTHEW 25 ADULT
ELECTIVE SERIES** in
church school, 10 am
Sundays in Memorial
304.



- **April 23**, *The Climate Revolution* video
and discussion.
- **April 30**, *Low-Income Housing in the
Triad*, led by Grant Duffield.
- **May 7**, *Housing Solutions and The
Church*, led by David Kolosieke.

APRIL 19 - MAY 24

• **CENTERING PRAYER GROUP** returns
Wednesdays, noon on Zoom. Led by
Deborah Conner. Get the Zoom link:
YBAXTER@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG

APRIL 20 - MAY 25

• **YOGA** returns Thursdays, 4:30 pm,
Virginia Gilmer Room. Led by Rev.
Virginia Lee Wood. If you're coming
for the first time, RSVP: [YBAXTER@
FPCGREENSBORO.ORG](mailto:YBAXTER@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG)

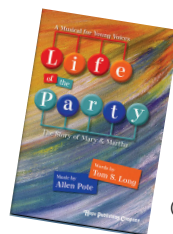
music

FRI, APRIL 21

• **CARSON HAYES GRADUATE ORGAN
RECITAL**, 7:30 pm, sanctuary. Free.

WED, MAY 17

• **LIFE OF THE PARTY!** 6 pm in
the sanctuary. The
children's musical tells
the story of Mary and
Martha, as composed
by Allen Pote and Tom
Long. Featuring Canticle,
Credo, and Cherub
choirs.



HAPPENING AT FPC: APRIL, MAY, BEYOND

children + families

SUN, APRIL 23

- **STORYBOOK BIBLE PRESENTATION** for 3-year-olds. 10 am, Memorial Chapel.

SUN, MAY 7

- **KDC YEAR-END PARTY:** 3:30-5:30 pm. Kids Disciple Club (3rd- through 5th-graders) end the year with a Splatter Party at Mad Splatter. \$20 per child, limited spots available, RSVP at FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/SIGNUP.

JULY 31 - AUGUST 3

- **REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER CAMPS!** Vacation Bible School, ages 3-rising 2nd-graders. Kids Disciple Club, for rising 3rd-5th graders. More info: FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/SIGNUP.



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WED, APRIL 19

- **MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST,** 7:30 am, Chick-fil-A on Pisgah Church Road.

SUN, APRIL 23

- **BACKPACK BEGINNINGS SERVICE PROJECT** for youth, 2-3:30 pm at 3711 Alliance Drive. Contact Lisa Witherspoon, 336.478.4726 or LWITHERPSOON@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG.



FRI, MAY 5

- **YOUTH YEAR-END CELEBRATION:** 5:30-7 pm at Skyzone. Email Lisa Witherspoon (LWITHERPSOON@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG) or go to FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/SIGNUP.

SUN, MAY 21

- **SENIOR RECOGNITION:** High school seniors and their families are invited to the 11 am worship service for recognition and blessing, followed by a brief reception.

pastoral care

WED, APRIL 19 and MAY 17

Info: Rev.

Doug McLeroy,
336.478.4739

OR DMCLEROY@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG.

- **LAMENTATIONS,** grief support group. 11 am, Myers Loyalty Room.
- **SPIRITUS,** caregiver support group. 2 pm, Myers Loyalty Room.
- **“PLANNING YOUR FOURTH QUARTER” SERIES**
Sessions on envisioning and preparing for the 4th quarter of life. 5 pm, Garden Room. RSVP to Debby Foster at DFOSTER@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG or 336.478.4702.
 - APRIL 12 – **What Is the 4th Quarter?** Led by FPC congregational nurse Karen Amirehsani. RSVP by noon April 7.
 - APRIL 26 – **Estate Planning:** Led by Frank Johns, elder law attorney. RSVP by noon April 21.
 - MAY 10 – **Medical Decision Making & Hospice vs Palliative Care:** Led by Risa Hanau, LCSW, Clinical & Community Educator for AuthoraCare Collective. RSVP by noon May 5.
 - MAY 24 – **Living Options as You Age:** Led by Jennifer Harriss with Age Advocate. RSVP by noon May 19.
 - JUNE 7 – **Planning Your Funeral & Writing Your Obituary:** RSVP by June 2.
 - JUNE 21 – **Unfinished Family Business:** RSVP by noon June 16.

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 9, IS EASTER SUNDAY

- **SUNRISE SERVICE,** 7 am in the Old Columbarium.
- **TWO IDENTICAL TRADITIONAL SERVICES** with brass, organ, and choir. 9 and 11 am in the sanctuary.
- **CHILDREN'S RESURRECTION EGG HUNT,** Elm Street Playground, 10 am.
- **ADULT CLASSES, 10 AM**
 - *Easter Sightings: Walk with Jesus Following the Resurrection*, led by retired PCUSA minister Rev. Kate Huddelson Gillespie. Continues with "Upstairs." Faith Builders class, Myers Loyalty Room.
 - Chip Bristol will lead a discussion on *"The Empty Tomb"* in YMBC, Redhead Hall.
 - *Where Is Jesus Now?* Led by Rev. Maria Hanlin in the Agape class, Garden Room.
 - *Study and discuss the "Being a Witness" devotional* with the Commitment Class, Blair Hagan Room.
 - *Seekers* in M125.



WIPE & DIAPER SHOWER concludes Easter Sunday. Let's help our Afghan refugee friends Mohammad and Wahzma prepare for their third son in late April. Drop wipes and diapers (sizes Newborn to 6 months) in the wagon in the Welcome Center.

WEDNESDAYS

- **FLOOD DRIVE-BY:** Drop off cans for Urban Ministry 10 am-2 pm in front of Redhead Hall.

THIRD WEDNESDAYS

- **MEALS ON WHEELS NEEDS 2 PEOPLE** to take a route on the third Wednesday of each month, starting this Wednesday! Contact Linda Allen, 336.549.3367 or LKWALLEN70@GMAIL.COM.

SAT, APRIL 15 AND 29

- **FPC HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WORKDAYS:** Open to adults and older youth (18+). Sign-up link at FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/SIGNUP or contact Deborah Conner, 336-478-4709 or DCONNER@FPCGREENSBORO.ORG.

NOW through MAY

- **HYGIENE KITS** for Church World Service are distributed to disaster victims and people living in poverty. Assemble kits based on the CWS list, available in the Welcome Center, narthex, Tower Room, and Life Center; and return to the Welcome Center by end of May.

MAY 6 –SIGN UP NOW!

- **NEIL'S MEALS:** We need 150 volunteers (ages 8 & up) for our next food-packing event with the Out of the Garden Project. Join us in Mullin Life Center that morning to pack boxes of food for hungry families in our community. Children under 13 must work alongside a parent. Sign up at FPCGREENSBORO.ORG/SIGNUP!

ongoing outreach needs

Exciting news! Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, April 16, to hear a report from the Associate Pastor for Outreach Nominating Committee. The meeting will begin at 5 pm on Zoom. The link will be emailed that afternoon. Please plan to participate!