

# First Presby's Weekly News

## May 28, 2023

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. (Worship is broadcast at 11:00 a.m. on WCHS-580AM)

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### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars! VBS will be held June 5th-8th starting with dinner at 5:30pm and will go until 7:30pm. This year's theme is "On the Case" and all activities will be held on the First Presby campus. Registration forms can be found in the main church hallway table or you can find a digital copy on the front page of our website under "Upcoming Events". We NEED volunteers to help with VBS as well. There are sign-up sheets in the hallway for various jobs. Come and join the fun!

### LEAVING A LEGACY

Interested in remembering First Presbyterian Church with a legacy gift? Consider the benefits of a Charitable Remainder Trust. Just a few of the benefits include:

- Helps you plan major donations to charities and other organizations you value and love.
- Provides a predictable income for life or over a specific time period (paid to you and your spouse, or someone else who is designated as the beneficiary). The named charity (the church) receives the remaining Trust assets at the end of the Trust term.
  - Allows you to defer income taxes on the sale of assets transferred to the trust.
- Donating highly appreciated assets helps you avoid capital gains taxes and reduces your Federal and State Estate Taxes.

Want to learn more? Consult with your accountant or other advisor!

### CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2023

This year four confirmands went through our confirmation classes. Tatem Brown, Kristen Dettinger, Evan Griffith and Andrew Isaac attended six classes, wrote 6+ sermon notes, met with their mentors, Sallie Daugherty, Janet Chambers, Rebecca Palmer and Doug Chambers respectively. They also did a service project, and a topical report or creation. Displays of those projects may be viewed in the Chapel. Most importantly, they have written their Statement of Faith. They have put down on paper what they believe about God, Christ, the Holy Spirit and the church. This is actually difficult to do because there is also a deep emotion that goes with this kind of confession of faith. They would encourage everyone to take time and write what they believe.

We are very proud to welcome these young people into full membership in the body of Christ, the church. And, we pray that their faith journey does not end here, but that they continue to grow in their faith and understanding of Christ's message all through their life.

Please join us on the playground after worship for a reception for the class of 2023.

## CONCERT SERIES PATRON

What does it mean to become a patron of The First Presby Concert Series? Well, as you know these beautiful concerts cost money and they are free to attend. If you are interested in seeing these concerts continue in the future, donating money to the Concert Series helps that cause. The donations given at the concert are for our mission partners, but if you would like to give to the Concert Series itself, please note that on your checks or envelopes with "Concert Series".

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JUNE 4

The Session has called a congregational meeting, on Sunday June 4, following worship for the purpose of electing an Associate Pastor for Christian Education. Following the congregational meeting, there will be a "meet and greet" reception to welcome our new Associate Pastor, Marietta Macy. The welcome reception will be hosted on the playground (weather permitted) by the Christian Education Committee and the Board of Deacons following the meeting.

## MOMS DEMAND ACTION

After recent events, several congregants have expressed a desire to become involved in combating the rising tide of gun violence. Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America is one organization working to that end. Moms works with survivors, law enforcement, faith leaders, educators, gun owners, doctors and communities across the country to prevent gun violence while supporting responsible gun ownership in the following ways, by way of example:

- Keeping guns out of the wrong hands—a better background check system
- Protecting kids and communities—Supporting Extreme Risk Protection Orders which allow families and law enforcement to intervene if someone poses a threat to themselves or others, before deadly tragedies involving firearms take place.
- Addressing America's uniquely lethal domestic abuse problem.
- Educating parents on the "Be Safe" program for awareness of gun security in homes.

**The local Moms chapter will be sponsoring a "Wear Orange" event on June 2 from 5pm - 7pm at St. Marks United Methodist. This will be a community gathering to honor victims and survivors as they work together to end gun violence. There will be free food, music, speakers, family fun and face painting. To RSVP text ORANGE to 644-33 or email your information to [info@momsdemandaction.org](mailto:info@momsdemandaction.org).**

If you are interested in becoming involved with the local Moms chapter, contact Dina Mohler at (304) 444-2211.

## PRESBYTERY CHURCH PRAYERS

Each week we pray for other congregations in our presbytery, along with the Presbytery of West Virginia and other ministry partners. This week please pray for Eleanor Presbyterian Church and Falls View Presbyterian Church in Charlton Heights.

## WORSHIP LIVE ON YOUTUBE

If you would like to worship with us on YouTube, tune into our YouTube Channel at 10:30am. The link to our YouTube channel is emailed with the worship bulletin, hymns and Green Sheet on Thursdays. (Check your Junk/Spam folder if you're not receiving an expected email.) This link is also available on our website ([www.firstpresby.com](http://www.firstpresby.com)) on the home page above the Green Sheet and Bulletin buttons. (If you tune into the YouTube stream a few minutes before 10:30am, the video might not be up yet. Please make sure you are on the "LIVE" tab) The First Presby morning worship service will also continue to be broadcast on the radio WCHS-580AM at 11:00am every Sunday. Please subscribe to the channel so that you will be notified when we go live! You can do that by following these steps:

Go to [www.firstpresby.com](http://www.firstpresby.com)

1. Click on the YouTube link at the bottom of the home page.
2. In the top right corner of the YouTube page, click the red SUBSCRIBE button. Thank you!

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBY

#### Sunday, May 28

10:30 AM Worship  
11:00 AM Worship broadcast on WCHS-580AM  
11:30 AM Confirmation Reception - Playground

#### Monday, May 29

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - Memorial Day

#### Tuesday, May 30

10:00 AM Staff Meeting  
6:30 PM Deacons Meeting - Dining Room  
7:30 PM Troop 5 Boy Scouts

#### Wednesday, May 31

8:30 AM Aerobics - Rec Room

#### Thursday, June 1

#### Friday, June 2

8:30 AM Aerobics

#### Saturday, June 3

### DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

<b>Sunday, May 28</b>	John 14:21-29
<b>Monday, May 29</b>	Luke 14:25-35
<b>Tuesday, May 30</b>	Luke 15:1-10
<b>Wednesday, May 31</b>	Luke 15:1-2,11-32
<b>Thursday, June 1</b>	Luke 16:1-9
<b>Friday, June 2</b>	Luke 16:10-17(18)
<b>Saturday, June 3</b>	Luke 16:19-31