



# The Lamplighter

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## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

### Maundy Thursday

Sanctuary-7:00 pm, April 1

### Good Friday

Methodist Church-12:00 pm, April 2

### Easter Sunrise

Outdoors behind Cornerstone-6:15 am, April 4

### Easter Sunday

Sanctuary-10:45 am, April 4

*Livestreaming available for Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday Worship on the FPC YouTube and Facebook pages, and for Good Friday on the Franklin Methodist Facebook page. No livestreaming for Easter Sunrise.*



Holy Week



# Pastor's Portion

## ***A Spring of New Growth***

It is with great joy that we celebrate the Resurrection this coming Sunday, and throughout this Season of Easter to follow. Now I'm not one who has a "green thumb" but even I know that in order to create new growth, a bit of pruning and trimming is needed. Even something more drastic at times.

We experience this through the death of Jesus Christ on Good Friday, the mourning amid Holy Saturday, and the unexpected and incredible joy of Easter Sunday. New growth in the Holy Spirit follows.

Likewise, in the spring, we see the death of the leaves in the fall, the dormant ground, and we begin to experience its new growth as shoots of green dot our lawns and trees. The blossoms show up on the trees and bushes, the birds chirp a little earlier, a little louder, a little more sweetly.

As we arise from the winter, as we arise from the pandemic, as we arise in the new life we have in Jesus Christ, we see the New Creation that God has given us. We see the resurrection around us every day, in the moments when we choose to love one another, to be the hands and feet of Christ in this world.

So, too, it is with our congregation, we see the green shoots of growth here in Franklin. We are part of our community in new and exciting ways, we are spreading the news of what FPC is doing and how FPC is offering a home for people in need of God's love and in need of Christ's welcome.

Let us look for God's work among us. Let us know that God's work is happening, even when we cannot see it, even when we are not sure of the result. Let us see the fruit of God's promises in Isaiah 41, as the LORD tells us:

**19** I will put in the wilderness the cedar,  
the acacia, the myrtle, and the olive;  
I will set in the desert the cypress,  
the plane and the pine together,  
**20** so that all may see and know,  
all may consider and understand,  
that the hand of the Lord has done this.

As we grow our mission and ministry, we will be welcoming those who wish to join us in the journey. We can invite and encourage others with what we're already doing and listen for how God is calling us. In Christ we are a new creation, may the Holy Spirit continue to stir in us a new spring of growth!

Grace & Peace to us all in Christ's Name!

***Pastor Daniel***







“He is not here,  
He Has RISEN!

*-Mark 6:16*

## SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

*MARCH, 23, 2021*

- ♦ Returning to In-Person Worship in the Sanctuary was approved for March 28, 2021.
- ♦ Elder Commie Jo Hall was welcomed to Session.
- ♦ New Calling Charts were distributed to Elders.
- ♦ Pastor Daniel's vacation (April 5-11) and study leave (April 26-May 2) were approved.
- ♦ Rev. Curry Davis (April 11) and Rev. Ken Dick (May 2) were approved for pulpit supply.
- ♦ Session approved the Finance Recommendation (with Building & Maintenance concurrence) of an updated Insurance plan.
- ♦ Discussed FPC's commitment to providing a safe space for Franklin's AA Group.
- ♦ Session approved the drafting of a new rental agreement for Live the Proof to use the Cornerstone for their weekly Tuesday & Thursday lunch program.



# *FPC News & Events*

**REMINDER: Please send in your nominations for FPC's Woman and Man of the Year. You may email them to the church at [franklinpresbyterian@gmail.com](mailto:franklinpresbyterian@gmail.com) or call the church office.**

*Have you driven by the South Main entrance to the high school lately? Next time you do, take a look at the new sponsor board at the entrance and you'll see something very familiar.....*



*Thanks to our beloved FPC members and community who continue to support our local Christian service missions so we can continue to contribute to things such as, the 'Backpack Program' benefiting Simpson County Schools.*

We are disappointed at having to postpone this year's Annual Chili Cook-Off. The Fellowship Committee meets again on April 5 and a decision will be made at that time to reschedule the Cook-Off or plan another event in its place.

*Please continue to check the Thursday emails for updates regarding what decision is made!*

Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, April 13th

12-6 P.M. In the Cornerstone

*May your Easter be blessed with the wonder of His love, the abundance of His joy, and the sweetness of His presence.*





APRIL  
ELDER OF THE MONTH:  
Bob Thompson  
ELDER HELPER:  
Cathy Stratton  
FRIEND OF THE MONTH:  
Amy Gant



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### Ruling Elders Serving on Session:

Woon Yen Prall  
Bob Thompson  
Cathy Stratton  
John Halcomb  
Caren Gibson  
Jane Rahm  
Larry Smith  
CJ Hall

### DEACONS:

Donna Houston  
Marcella Davis  
Meredith Halcomb

### CLERK OF SESSION:

*Woon Yen Prall*

Next Session Meeting: Saturday, April 24th  
as part of 'Retreat Saturday'.

### Stewardship Corner

#### March Avg. Attendance: 44

Mar. 7	N/A
Mar. 14	N/A
Mar. 21	41
Mar. 28	46

#### March Avg. Offering: \$2,158

Mar. 7	\$2,610.00
Mar. 14	\$2,383.00
Mar. 21	\$1,700.06
Mar. 28	\$1,940.00

**Avg. Wkly. Income Needed  
for Budget:  
\$2,096.15**



## April 2021 Daily Lectionary

*These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press, 2018). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.*

### **Thursday, April 1**

#### **Maundy Thursday**

Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 126; 102  
Jer. 20:7–11 (12–13) 14–18  
1 Cor. 10:14–17; 11:27–32  
John 17:1–11 (12–26)

### **Friday, April 2**

#### **Good Friday**

Morning: Pss. 22; 148  
Evening: Pss. 105; 130  
Gen. 22:1–14  
1 Peter 1:10–20  
John 13:36–38  
or John 19:38–42

### **Saturday, April 3**

#### **Holy Saturday**

Morning: Pss. 43; 149  
Evening: Pss. 31; 143  
Job 19:21–27a  
Heb. 4:1–16  
Rom. 8:1–11

### **Sunday, April 4**

#### **Resurrection of the Lord / Easter**

Morning: Pss. 93; 150  
Evening: Pss. 136; 117  
Exod. 12:1–14  
John 1:1–18 or Isa. 51:9–11  
Luke 24:13–35  
or John 20:19–23

### **Monday, April 5**

Morning: Pss. 97; 145  
Evening: Pss. 124; 115  
Jonah 2:1–10  
Acts 2:14, 22–32  
John 14:1–14

### **Tuesday, April 6**

Morning: Pss. 98; 146  
Evening: Pss. 66; 116  
Isa. 30:18–26  
Acts 2:36–41 (42–47)  
John 14:15–31

### **Wednesday, April 7**

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 9; 118  
Micah 7:7–15  
Acts 3:1–10  
John 15:1–11

### **Thursday, April 8**

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 68; 113  
Ezek. 37:1–14  
Acts 3:11–26  
John 15:12–27

### **Friday, April 9**

Morning: Pss. 96; 148  
Evening: Pss. 49; 138  
Dan. 12:1–4, 13  
Acts 4:1–12  
John 16:1–15

### **Saturday, April 10**

Morning: Pss. 92; 149  
Evening: Pss. 23; 114  
Isa. 25:1–9  
Acts 4:13–21 (22–31)  
John 16:16–33

### **Sunday, April 11**

#### **Second Sunday of Easter**

Morning: Pss. 93; 150  
Evening: Pss. 136; 117  
Isa. 43:8–13  
1 Peter 2:2–10  
John 14:1–7

### **Monday, April 12**

Morning: Pss. 97; 145  
Evening: Pss. 124; 115  
Dan. 1:1–21  
1 John 1:1–10  
John 17:1–11

### **Tuesday, April 13**

Morning: Pss. 98; 146  
Evening: Pss. 66; 116  
Dan. 2:1–16  
1 John 2:1–11  
John 17:12–19

### **Wednesday, April 14**

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 9; 118  
Dan. 2:17–30  
1 John 2:12–17  
John 17:20–26

### **Thursday, April 15**

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 68; 113  
Dan. 2:31–49  
1 John 2:18–29  
Luke 3:1–14

### **Friday, April 16**

Morning: Pss. 96; 148  
Evening: Pss. 49; 138  
Dan. 3:1–18  
1 John 3:1–10  
Luke 3:15–22

### **Saturday, April 17**

Morning: Pss. 92; 149  
Evening: Pss. 23; 114  
Dan. 3:19–30  
1 John 3:11–18  
Luke 4:1–13



**Sunday, April 18**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

Morning: Pss. 93; 150  
Evening: Pss. 136; 117  
Dan. 4:1–18  
1 Peter 4:7–11  
John 21:15–25

**Monday, April 19**

Morning: Pss. 97; 145  
Evening: Pss. 124; 115  
Dan. 4:19–27  
1 John 3:19–4:6  
Luke 4:14–30

**Tuesday, April 20**

Morning: Pss. 98; 146  
Evening: Pss. 66; 116  
Dan. 4:28–37  
1 John 4:7–21  
Luke 4:31–37

**Wednesday, April 21**

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 9; 118  
Dan. 5:1–12  
1 John 5:1–12  
Luke 4:38–44

**Thursday, April 22**

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 68; 113  
Dan. 5:13–30  
1 John 5:13–20 (21)  
Luke 5:1–11

**Friday, April 23**

Morning: Pss. 96; 148  
Evening: Pss. 49; 138  
Dan. 6:1–15  
2 John 1–13  
Luke 5:12–26

**Saturday, April 24**

Morning: Pss. 92; 149  
Evening: Pss. 23; 114  
Dan. 6:16–28  
3 John 1–15  
Luke 5:27–39

**Sunday, April 25**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Morning: Pss. 93; 150  
Evening: Pss. 136; 117  
Gen. 18:22–33  
1 Peter 5:1–11  
Matt. 7:15–29

**Monday, April 26**

Morning: Pss. 97; 145  
Evening: Pss. 124; 115  
Jer. 30:1–9  
Col. 1:1–14  
Luke 6:1–11

**Tuesday, April 27**

Morning: Pss. 98; 146  
Evening: Pss. 66; 116  
Jer. 30:10–17  
Col. 1:15–23  
Luke 6:12–26

**Wednesday, April 28**

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 9; 118  
Jer. 30:18–22  
Col. 1:24–2:7  
Luke 6:27–38

**Thursday, April 29**

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 68; 113  
Jer. 31:1–14  
Col. 2:8–23  
Luke 6:39–49

**Friday, April 30**

Morning: Pss. 96; 148  
Evening: Pss. 49; 138  
Jer. 31:15–22  
Col. 3:1–11  
Luke 7:1–17

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this Lamplighter for  
detailed information  
regarding Holy Week  
services and events.*

*Christian Education schedule  
is located on the back of this  
Lamplighter.*

WEEKLY EVENTS &  
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Hand Bells:** TBD
- **Choir:** TBD

**MEETINGS**

**Fellowship-**Mon. Apr. 5-1:00 pm  
**Young Disciples-**Fri. Apr. 23-1:30 pm  
**SESSION Retreat-**Sat. Apr. 24

# APRIL 2021

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Maundy Thursday	2 Good Friday Mickey Roark	3
4 <b>EASTER</b>	5	6	7	8 Ezra Van Beek	9 Cathy Ware	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Lois Van Beek	21	22	23 Gary Graves Elizabeth Webb	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

\* Birthdays in italics



## Looking Ahead —May



**ELDER OF THE MONTH:**  
**Woon Yen Prall**

**ELDER HELPER:**  
**Jane Rahm**

**FRIEND OF THE MONTH**  
**Cathy Stratton**

- **May 2:** Guest Preacher, Kenneth Dick
- **May 9:** FPC Woman of the Year
- **May 31:** Memorial Day, (Office Closed)

## CONTACT US:

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS\*

Monday thru Thursday  
9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

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### CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Daniel Van Beek

#### **Pastor**

Candice Mendoza,

#### **Office Manager**

Donna Houston, **Organist**

Shirley Crutcher, **Nursery**



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**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION  
HAPPENINGS  
IN APRIL**

***EASTER SUNDAY-***  
*no education meets on Easter Sunday*

**KIDS CLUB**

Starts April 14 - Wednesdays at  
5:00 pm in Education Wing

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Starts April 18 - Sundays at 9:45 am  
in Cornerstone

**YOUTH GROUP**

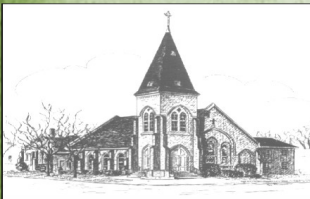
Continues on April 11 - Sundays at  
7:00 pm on Google Meet

**PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY**

A new Bible Study group on Wednesday  
evenings will be starting on April 28.  
*Details to come in Weekly Emails!*



Do you have something to go in the  
Lamplighter? Submit it to the office by  
the last Thursday of each month.



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