



# *The Lo Chimes*

## *First United Presbyterian Church*



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# **Pastor's Message**

I will begin with an announcement. Session at its monthly meeting decided that due to continued COVID concerns we would not have in person Maundy Thursday or Good Friday services. We will celebrate Easter in person on Sunday as in years past. There will be a recorded Good Friday service which will be available for viewing by 12:00 pm on Good Friday (April 2<sup>nd</sup>). The Lord's Supper which we usually celebrate on Maundy Thursday will take place on Easter morning. For those who choose to watch Easter Sunday from home, we will have communion elements available to pick up during the week. This way if you desire to participate in the Lord's Supper with us as you are watching you can.

We have a great God who deserves our praise and adoration. The Psalmists praises God, "(Psalm 100 NIV) A psalm. For giving thanks. Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. {2} Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. {3} Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his ; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. {4} Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. {5} For the LORD is good and his

love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

The history of the ancient Israelites is filled with moments of joyful worship in response to God's great actions. After God leads the Israelites out of Egypt is one such example, (Exo 15:1-6 NIV) Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD: "I will sing to the LORD, for he is highly exalted. The horse and its rider he has hurled into the sea. {2} The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. {3} The LORD is a warrior; the LORD is his name. {4} Pharaoh's chariots and his army he has hurled into the sea. The best of Pharaoh's officers are drowned in the Red Sea. {5} The deep waters have covered them; they sank to the depths like a stone. {6} "Your right hand, O LORD, was majestic in power. Your right hand, O LORD, shattered the enemy.

The disciples went to the Mount of Olives with Jesus and sang a hymn (Mark 14:26). Paul and Silas, although unjustly imprisoned, sang hymns to God

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April Mission

**The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:**  
**Invite people to know and glorify God**  
**Grow together as followers of Christ**  
**Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit**

*Newsletters are sent by email unless you have made other arrangements.*



Lois Roo  
02/27/21



John Burgess, Jeffrey Burgess, Gina Gough, Robert Johnston, Debbie Stover, Scott Kallemeyn, Sandy Shaw, Andrea Klier, Della Porter, Joyce Pines, Shelby Myers, Donna LaPlaunt, Jennifer Veum, Annie Andrews (Abbott), Matilynn Strange, Jane Kellan, Joyce Cross, William Kellan, Tom Woodgate, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Patricia Farnhill, Lillian Donelson, Geraldine Carnahan, Tara Jean Brody, Wendy (Menard) James and all members of missionaries and the U.S. Armed Forces.  
**Please keep us up to date on your prayer requests.**



Food Pantry



**Shopping & Bagging:**  
**Doris Boogerd**

**Food Distribution:**  
**04/13 –Cathy & Wanda**  
**04/27 - Jeanne & Connie**

**Backpack Program**  
**Jeanne Shibley**

*Need a  
Ride to Church?*



Cathy Akre  
&  
Jeanne Shibley



John and Barb Kenn  
McKinley Manor  
2023 West 4th Avenue 107W  
Sault Ste Marie, MI 49783



**Deacon's  
Corner**  
The next Deacon's  
Meeting will be held on  
April 18th



**HOMEBOUND  
MEMBERS**

**Long Term Care**

**500 Osborn Blvd**

Marion Osborn  
Alice Soorus

**Out of Town**

Della Porter  
Cross Roads Village  
6600 Constitution Blvd Room 605  
Portage, MI 49024

**At Home**

Mary Jane Bernier  
Bev Ward

**Medi-Lodge**

**1011 Meridian**  
Jane Kellan Room B15

**Freighter View Assisted Living**  
**605 West Portage Avenue**

Audrey Bush  
Elva Hutzler

**McKinley Manor**  
**2023 West 4th Avenue**

Ardith Bawks  
John and Barb Kenn  
Vera Steffens  
Peg Zenda



**April  
15th!!!**



**Our Sunday Worship Service**  
**starts at 10:00 a.m.**  
**We hope to see you on**  
**Sundays!**

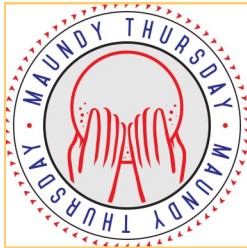


## P.W. MEETING & COFFEE HOUR

Tuesday, April 20th  
at 9:30 AM

Please join us for fellowship,  
short meeting & treats.

**All Ladies Welcome!**



There will be **no**  
Maundy Thursday  
Service



Rich Campbell	04/01	Margaret Sabourin	04/11
Amie Lawson	04/01	Ashtin Kay	04/14
Mary Frances Morden	04/01	Alicia Cottle	04/16
Lucy Huskey	04/03	Bonita Lawson	04/16
Christine Kay	04/04	Wendy Pearce	04/17
Cynthia Howson	04/07	Abigail Reattoir	04/17
Sandra Borg	04/10	Patricia Whyte	04/17
Gary Deuman	04/10	Thomas Martin	04/18
Carol Rohweder	04/10	Susan Hovie	04/23
		Sara Jones	04/23
		Jennie McCain	04/24
		Donna LaPlaunt	04/26
		Patty Russell	04/27
		Jane Kellan	04/30

## APRIL



Earl and Christine Kay	04/02
Steven and Christina Bernier	04/05
Kevin and Jackie Tastor	04/13
Gary and Leanne Deuman	04/25



## Good Friday Service

On-line only!

[www.soopresbyterian.org](http://www.soopresbyterian.org)

available at Noon (12:00 pm)



It is finished.



Good  
FRIDAY



Office Closing at 11 am  
on Good Friday

Office Closed Monday, April 5th



Communion

Easter Sunday Service  
April 4th



"I am the  
resurrection  
and the  
life."

John 11:25



(Acts 16:25). These are just some of the many Biblical examples of people who were moved by life's circumstances to praise God. We are entering the "High Holy Days" of the Christian year. We remember Jesus' final meal with his disciples. How Jesus before he left, gave them final teachings on love and service as well as the instituting the Lord's Supper. As Christians we remember his betrayal and proclaim we are the betrayers. We meditate on Good Friday about his sufferings because they should be our sufferings. Then when all seemed lost, we remember the joy of the holy women who went to Jesus' tomb and found he was not dead, but ALIVE!

Peace in Christ,  
Mark



## Bible Quiz

We know the name of only one of the two disciples to whom the risen Jesus appeared on the road to Emmaus. Who was he?

- A. John
- B. Paul of Tarsus
- C. Joseph of Arimathea
- D. Cleopas

# Puzzle!

Use the code to uncover the angel's message in Matthew 28:7 (NIV).

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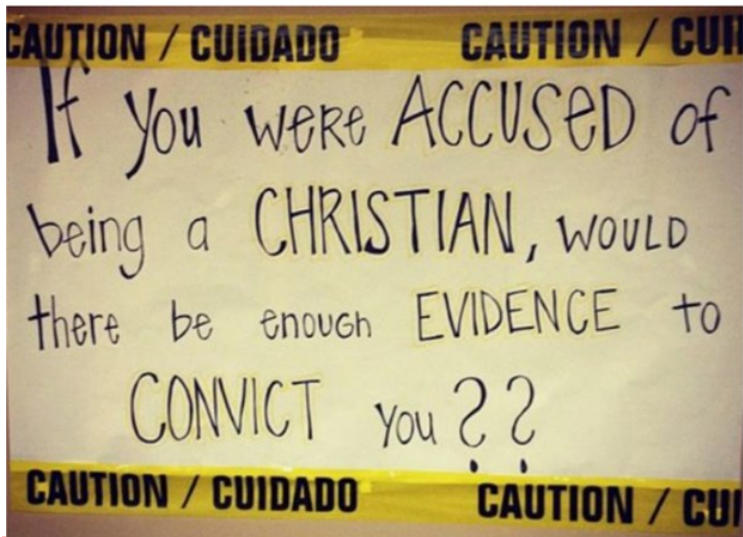
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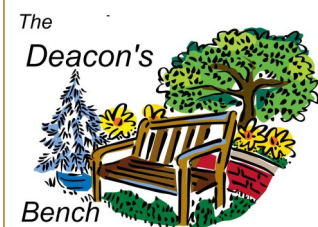
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Answer: "He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him."



A Big Thank You to everyone who made masks for the church.



*We celebrate our Christianity with Jesus' resurrection at Easter. After the chocolates, eggs, and plush toys have been set aside, is there still a detectable sentiment of Christianity?*

*The above image was found online during a search for Sunday school activities. There are always the "CE" (Christmas and Easter) Christians who come to church for the major Christian events and don't darken the doors during the rest of the year. But who's to say their lives don't reflect their Christianity? What about those who do attend every Sunday - do they express the tenets of Christianity in their daily lives? Are people "acting" Christian simply to be seen, or are their hearts truly involved? So the question is: Would there be enough evidence to convict you of being a Christian? Christian conviction and commitment - put both into action in your life.*

*Blatantly yours in Christ - Your Deacons*

## Believing in

Answer: D (See Luke 24:18.)

Sometimes we get caught up in thinking we need to understand God in order to have faith. But faith is more about trust than knowledge; it's more about believing in someone than believing information. A child, for instance, doesn't have to know the precise roads to Grandma's house; he only needs to believe *in* his parents and their ability and desire to get him there safely. Similarly, we need not understand all the intricacies of how God works; we can take a cue from the disciples and let belief *in* the risen Christ transform and empower us.

In the words of Madeleine L'Engle (*The Rock That Is Higher*): "The disciples did not bother to try to understand the resurrection body. They doubted, and then they believed. They believed something so wonderful that it changed this broken, fragmented, beaten-down little group of men and women in a moment from depression to enthusiasm, from despair to new life, vibrant and unafraid."



## PW NOTES

PW Coordinating Team thanks all the women who took part in the PWP (Presbyterian Women of Presbytery) survey.

As soon as we receive the results we will let you know.

Our April PW Meeting and Coffee is April 20, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Hope to see you there!



If you are interested in being a Liturgist during Sunday Services please contact the church office at 632-7771.

We are asking that a person will sign up for an entire month.



The Thursday Textile Social is making a request for cotton fabric, specifically one yard or longer, of full width pieces. When you do your Spring 'sewing room's' sorting and cleaning, please remember us. JoAnn gift cards are always welcome.

Thank you all.



## April Mission Project

During the month of April, the Wednesday morning Bible Study group will be collecting donations for the Care Net Pregnancy Center. They have suggested the following items:

Laundry detergent,  
Full size diaper bags,  
Diaper rash ointment,  
Women's body lotion, and  
Girl's pajamas sizes 6 months to 3 years, gently used ones are acceptable.

We appreciate all your support with our mission projects since January, and know that any donations are greatly appreciated by the agencies we are serving.



Circle 3

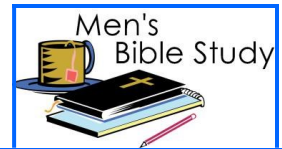
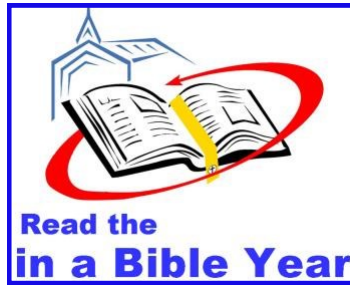
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April 8th





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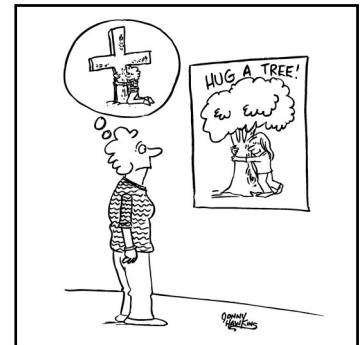


The study group meets  
every Friday morning  
at 9:00 am.



***Fred Michels &  
Connie Lawrence  
Wanda Eby***

1	Matthew 25:1-30	Numbers 30-31	Job 1
2	Matthew 25:31-46	Numbers 32-34	Job 2
3	Matthew 26:1-25	Numbers 35-36	Job 3
4	Matthew 26:26-46	Deuteronomy 1-2	Job 4
5	Matthew 26:47-75	Deuteronomy 3-4	Job 5
6	Matthew 27:1-31	Deuteronomy 5-6	Job 6
7	Matthew 27:32-66	Deuteronomy 7-8	Job 7
8	Matthew 28	Deuteronomy 9-10	Job 8
9	Acts 1	Deuteronomy 11-12	Job 9
10	Acts 2:1-13	Deuteronomy 13-14	Job 10
11	Acts 2:14-47	Deuteronomy 15-16	Job 11
12	Acts 3	Deuteronomy 17-18	Job 12
13	Acts 4:1-22	Deuteronomy 19-20	Job 13
14	Acts 4:23-37	Deuteronomy 21-22	Job 14
15	Acts 5:1-16	Deuteronomy 23-24	Job 15
16	Acts 5:17-42	Deuteronomy 25-27	Job 16
17	Acts 6	Deuteronomy 28	Job 17
18	Acts 7:1-22	Deuteronomy 29-30	Job 18
19	Acts 7:23-8:1	Deuteronomy 31-32	Job 19
20	Acts 8:1-25	Deuteronomy 33-34	Job 20
21	Acts 8:26-40	Joshua 1-2	Job 21
22	Acts 9:1-25	Joshua 3:1-5:1	Job 22
23	Acts 9:26-43	Joshua 5:2-6:27	Job 23
24	Acts 10:1-33	Joshua 7-8	Job 24
25	Acts 10:34-48	Joshua 9-10	Job 25
26	Acts 11:1-18	Joshua 11-12	Job 26
27	Acts 11:19-30	Joshua 13-14	Job 27
28	Acts 12	Joshua 15-17	Job 28
29	Acts 13:1-25	Joshua 18-19	Job 29
30	Acts 13:26-52	Joshua 20-21	Job 30



**Doris Boogerd**



***Women's  
Bible Study***

Meeting every  
Wednesday at 9:30 am  
in the Youth Room

**No Meeting**  
in the week that  
Circle 3 Meets



# SUNRISE SURPRISE

The hidden surprise in these sweet rolls hints at the reason behind Easter's joy.

## What you need:

- ½ cup chopped pecans
- 10 uncooked frozen rolls, thawed
- 10 large marshmallows
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- ½ cup melted butter
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- Adult help

## What you do:

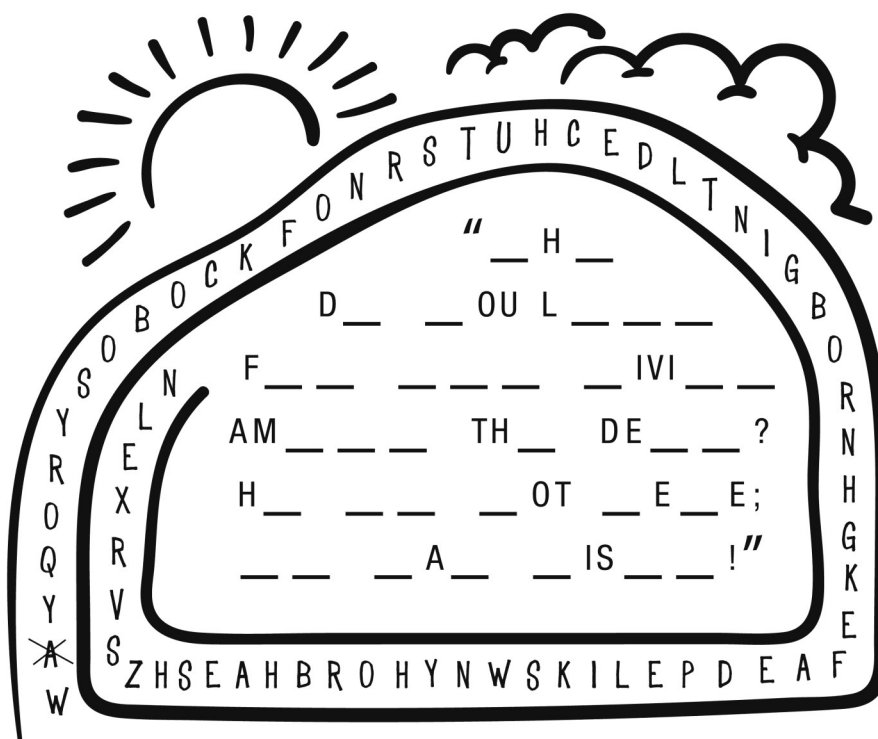
1. Grease a round baking dish. Sprinkle pecans on the bottom.
2. Flatten each roll. Place a marshmallow in the center, wrap dough around it and pinch edges together.
3. Combine sugar and cinnamon. Dip each roll into melted butter and coat with cinnamon-sugar. Place in pan, seam side down.
4. Sprinkle brown sugar and remaining butter over rolls. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise 30 minutes.
5. Bake at 350 degrees until golden brown, about 30 minutes. Cool in pan.
6. As you bite into a roll, you'll see the marshmallow has melted, leaving an empty center — just like Jesus' empty tomb!



# EASTER MORNING message

Early Sunday morning, some women who followed Jesus encountered a great surprise. Solve the puzzle to see what the angels told them.

**Directions:** Cross out every other letter in the maze. Write the remaining letters in order to complete Luke 24:5-6, NIV.



LUKE 24:5-6, NIV

Answer: "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!" Luke 24:5-6, NIV



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
<b>4 Easter Sunday</b> 9:00a Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00a Worship/Communion Service 10:00a Sunday School	<b>5 Office Closed</b> 7:00p Boy Scout Meeting	6	7	<b>8 Maundy Thursday</b> 10:00a Textile Social (SH)	<b>9 Good Friday</b> <b>Office Closes Early</b> 9:00a Men's Study Grp	3
<b>11</b> 9:00a Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00a Worship Service 10:00a Sunday School	<b>12</b> 7:00p Boy Scout Meeting	<b>13</b> 4:00p Food Pantry	<b>14</b> 9:30a Women's Bible Study	<b>15</b> 10:00a Textile Social (SH)	<b>16</b> 9:00a Men's Study Grp	17
<b>18</b> 9:00a Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00a Worship Service 10:00a Sunday School 11:15a Deacon's Meeting	<b>19</b> 5:30p Session Meeting 5:30p Trustee Meeting 7:00p Boy Scout Meeting	<b>20</b> 9:30a Ladies Coffee Hour (SH)	<b>21</b> 9:30a Women's Bible Study	<b>22</b> 10:00a Textile Social (SH)	<b>23</b> 9:00a Men's Study Grp	24
<b>25</b> 9:00a Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00a Worship Service 10:00a Sunday School	<b>26</b> 7:00p Boy Scout Meeting	<b>27</b> 4:00p Food Pantry	<b>28</b> 9:30a Women's Bible Study	<b>29</b> 10:00a Textile Social (SH)	<b>30</b> 9:00a Men's Study Grp	

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Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Monday through Friday  
(closed 11:30-12)

**Sunday Worship Schedule**

Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School (all grades) 10:00 a.m.

**Church Staff**

Rev. Mark Gabbard, Minister

Brenda Ransom, CRE

Kay Boyne, Music Director

Denise Goldade, Financial/Administrative Assistant

Jeremy Witte, Sexton

**Deadline for May issue:  
April 15th**



THEY KILLED HIM BY HANGING  
HIM ON A CROSS,  
BUT GOD RAISED HIM FROM  
THE DEAD ON THE THIRD DAY.

ACTS 10:39-40, NIV



HAVE A BLESSED  
*Easter*

HE IS RISEN

*Hallelujah*

