

First Things—March 10, 2024

We're Everybody's Church.

What does that really mean?

As Everybody's Church, we strive to be a faithful, open and inclusive community. We welcome the participation of all people of any ability, gender identity, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation or any other life circumstance.

Welcome Visitors ~ Let's Connect!

Please fill out the pew pad and say "Hi." If you are new to our church community, we'd love to get to know you better. Our post-service coffee hours are a great way to mingle and interact – so stop by for a bit. If you would like to inquire about membership, please contact: Amy Zimmer, Membership Coordinator at amyzimmer@fpcbirmingham.org.

CONCERTS AT FIRST PRESENTS
THE CHANCEL CHOIR ENSEMBLE

LOVE, LOSS, AND THE BEAUTY OF THE DIVINE

MAR 17 SUN
6PM



Nut-free Easter Candy Needed

Easter Baskets for Baldwin Center and Grace Centers of Hope are being created on Sunday, March 17 immediately following the 10am worship service. Children and their families will meet in Calvin Hall to fill one hundred Easter baskets. We are kindly requesting for everyone to donate bags of nut-free Easter candy by Tuesday, March 12. A donation bin is in the Donation Center.



Come to the Table:

A Maundy Thursday Worship Experience

Join us around tables in the sanctuary to remember that night when Jesus shared a meal with friends and gave us a new commandment to "love one another." At least 12 table hosts are needed to pass the bread and help pour the grape juice. If you would like to host a table, all you need to do is sign up to bring a loaf of bread (baked or bought), a plate, and a pitcher. **Sign up** outside Calvin Hall or email Cindy Merten at cindymerten@fpcbirmingham.org.



Statement of Discipleship

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we live and grow in God's Word as peacemakers, faithful stewards, and compassionate neighbors.

JOIN US FOR A SHARED LENTEN JOURNEY

Join us on Wednesdays for a Simple Soup Dinner at 5:45 PM in Calvin Hall through March 20, 2024.

Suggested donation: \$5/adult, \$12/family. Sign up with this QR Code:



March 13 - 6:30 PM Labyrinth & Prayer Stations for all ages and abilities in Knox Auditorium.

March 20 - 6:30 PM Taize Service in the Chapel (20 Minutes).

TAIZE WORSHIP

A SERVICE OF PRAYER, SONG AND CONTEMPLATION

"A TIME TO PAUSE AND BE WITH GOD"

LABYRINTH &
PRAYER STATIONS

WE WELCOME PEOPLE OF ALL ABILITIES



Thursday, March 14, 2024

Located in Washington, MI, Octagon House is listed on the National Register of Historical Places and is a State of Michigan Historic site.

\$10

for tour with docent

SENIOR
ADVENTURES

Visit the
Octagon
House

lunch at

Lucky's
PRIME TIME

Sign up with Dawn Buley at dawnbuley@fpcbirmingham.org

Easter Flowers

Donations Due March 24



Would you like to help contribute to the Easter Flower fund and make a donation in honor or memory of a loved one? If so, consider donating flowers to beautify our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Flower dedication forms are by the lounge, and there is a link in weekly email, and online (use the GIVE page on the website).

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March Deacons' Pantry Recipient: Kids Empowered On the Move

Please bathroom tissue and cleaning supplies. Scan code for more needs:



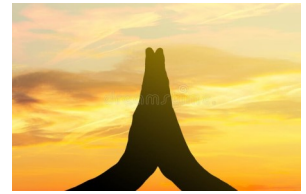
24-Hour Prayer Vigil Sign-Up and Prayer Requests Noon, Friday, March 29– Noon, Saturday, March 30

Connect with God as you quietly pray in your home for the concerns of others by signing up for the Prayer Vigil on the bulletin board outside Calvin Hall, or contact Brian O'Connor at

oconnor.brian.j@gmail.com or 248-568-9855 and he can sign you up for a time slot.

Complete prayer request cards located by the lounge or email prayer requests to:

FPCBprayerrequest@gmail.com



Registration is Open!

Vacation Bible Camp is a four-day camp, 9:00am-Noon, for three-year-olds (with one year of preschool) through children who have completed 5th grade as of June 24, 2024. \$50/child. Scholarships available, see Martha Piesko.

Junior Vacation Bible Camp is for 2-1/2 and 3 year-olds on Monday and Wednesday only, June 24 & 26 from 9:00am-Noon. Children must be 2-1/2 by June 24, 2024 in order to participate. Age appropriate, same curriculum as VBC. \$35/child. Scholarships available, see Martha Piesko.

Please consider how you can volunteer and see Martha Piesko (marthapiesko@fpcbirmingham.org) or Nancy Quigley (nancyquigley@fpcbirmingham.org).

Register today using this QR Code:





LUNCH AND LEARN

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

Learn about an insider's experiences in the University of Michigan's Men's Glee Club through the memories of proud alumnus, Mark Walters.



PER CAPITA PAYMENT IS DUE
\$36 PER MEMBER

Amount paid by the church to PCUSA (Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly).

Let's Pay Online!

SCAN ME

Are you ready to explore membership @ FPC?

Come learn more about us at our New Member Exploration Dinner: **Friday, April 12 @ 6-8 PM**

To take the next step and become a member:

Meet with our Session Elders and then participate in a special Sunday worship service.

Sunday, April 14 @ 9:15 AM

Meet & Greet with Session Elders in the Fireside Room

Join at the 10 AM Service. Please confirm your attendance by Thursday, March 28 by using the QR code:

Contact Amy for more info at amyzimmer@fpcbirmingham.org.



Book Groups. See Adult Faith Formation webpage.



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Volunteer Opportunities

See webpage by scanning the QR code for more info.



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Staying Connected

Email is the primary way we communicate with the congregation. To receive emails please contact Dawn Swarthout at dawn@everybodyschurch.org. We are happy to mail copies of bulletins to anyone who needs a copy. Give names and addresses to Dawn Swarthout. Bulletins can be downloaded from the website on the Church at Home/Livestream page.

www.everybodyschurch.org

Photography/Video

We are taking video in the Sanctuary and other parts of the church (interior and exterior). By your presence, you grant First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham unrestricted rights to publish images taken of you. If you do not wish to have your image published, please contact Dawn Swarthout.

Hearing Loops/Assistance

Please ask an usher for assistance!

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