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March 24th, 2025 News & Updates



MARCH EVENTS TO TAKE NOTE OF:

Women's History Month
One Great Hour of Sharing Campaign,
continues through Easter.
Easter Flower Orders - Due back by 4/6
Passion Play rehearsal after church -
March 30th
UCC Dollar Dinner - March 26th

ON THE HORIZON:

April Fool's Day - April 1st
Ladies Soup Luncheon - April 2nd
Passion Play - April 6th

Pastor's Corner



In March, we will be entering the season of Lent. This season begins with the Ash Wednesday service on March 5, 2025. At the Ladies Luncheon at 12:30PM, ashes will be distributed as well as at the 7:00PM service.

In addition to Lent, the church is holding some special events in March. The FLOM

Easter Egg Hunt - April 6th
Organ Concert - April 11th @ 7pm
Palm Sunday - April 13th
Maundy Thursday - April 17th, service @ 7pm with Communion
Good Friday - April 18th, service at 7pm
Good Friday Cross Walk - April 18th - 12-3pm
Easter - April 20th - services @ 8:15am and 10:30am
Easter Breakfast @ 9:15am
Earth Day - April 22nd
Administrative Professional's Day - April 23rd
Canal Clean Sweep - April 27th
Handbell Concert - May 9th



If you'd like to give someone a little shoutout, please let us know. This could be anything; a birthday, an anniversary, a job well done, a thank you, anything works! Please help us share the good news.

You can email us at the office:
office@1stpreslockport.com

THIS WEEK'S SHOUTOUT GOES TO:

Jeff Seekins and his amazing musical talents that he shares with us each and every week. We appreciate your dedication to our church.

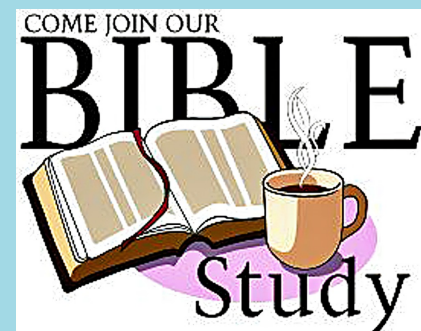
Committee will be very active in the Spring. The Irish Themed Murder Mystery Event at the Kenan Center is just one of the wonderful activities that is coming soon. Please stay tuned for even more events to enjoy.

In addition, the local churches will be again holding the Cross Walk on Good Friday and hope to hold other ecumenical events in the coming months. More details will be coming out soon.

May God bless you as the warmer weather comes and please come and enjoy your church.

We are in need of Liturgists, Youth Readers and Coffee Hour volunteers.

[Contact the Pastor](#)





Women's History Month
MARCH

March is Women's History Month. During the month of March, Jeff will be highlighting "Women in Music Ministry" in much of the music played during the weekly Worship service.



Our "One Great Hour of Sharing" Campaign kicks off on March 9th and runs through the end of April. See below for more information on this year's campaign.



The Deacon's will have Easter flowers available to order March 9th - April 5th, make sure to get

Bible Study is in Grigg Parlor on Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am.



Please remember the following in your prayers; Darlene Baker's son, Alan, Deb and Paul Drinkwalter's family, Peter and Donna Granite, Carl Howard's family, Justina Bush, Jeff Seekins, Jerry Rymus, Derrick Rose, Ross Walker, The Family of Dorothy Craig, the Family of Wright Ellis, The Family of Ken Coppings, The The Family of Millie Linderman, Kathy Legters, Robin Bonnanno's parents, Arlene Shaw, Carl's good friend, Janice Brown, Josh Penna, Curt Coby, Sue Arnold's

your order into the Church office.
Cost per plant will be \$10.00.



The Passion Play

Rehearsal for the youth Passion Play will be on March 30th, after Church. If you have any questions, please contact Corey McCarthy.

This year's play will be on Sunday, April 6th during the 10:30am Worship service.



HOLY WEEK

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Palm Sunday - April 13th - Services at 8:15am and 10:30am

Maundy Thursday w/ Communion - April 17th - 7pm Service

Good Friday Cross Walk - April 18th - 12pm - 3pm

Good Friday - April 18th - 7pm Service

Easter - April 20th - Sunrise Service at 8:15am and 10:30am

Easter Breakfast - April 20th at 9:15am

*For the 8:15am service on Easter Sunday, Communion will be served.

Brother in Law, Jim, Stephanie Brinks, The Narehood Family, Melissa Penna's mom, Barbara, Chuck Covell, Betty Wolcott, Barry Hemphill, Hattons' Mom, Vince Davis, Rick Maines, Wendy's Nephew, Elaine Farnhams' granddaughter, Hannah, Myrna Addenbrooke, Mary Boyle's daughter, Kevin Wolcott, David Shambach, those who are sick and in nursing homes, Syria, Palestine, Israel, Russia and Ukraine.



WE NEED YOU!!

We want to see our church community grow. Consider asking a friend, family member, co-worker, neighbor,

There will not be Communion served at the 10:30am service.



We will be hosting our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 6th after the 10:30am Worship Service.

We hope that you will bring the kids to join in this fun celebration. The hunt will take place in the Courtyard.



The Cross Walk is back for 2025! We will be hosting this event, along with other churches in the community on Good Friday, April 18th from 12pm - 3pm. The schedule has yet to be determined, but we hope you will join us. More details coming soon.

etc. to come to church with you.



Donations for the Food Pantry are always needed & appreciated. Monetary Donations are accepted as well. Thank you to Bob Kovacs who maintains the Food Pantry for us.

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Join us on Friday, April 11th at 7pm for a FREE Organ Concert. Richard Elliott, the Principal Organist for the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square in Salt Lake City, UT will be here playing a variety of classical pieces. You don't want to miss this special event!!

RICHARD ELLIOTT

Richard Elliott is the Principal Organist for The Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square in Salt Lake City, Utah. For the past 34 years he has accompanied the choir on its weekly radio and TV broadcast, "Music and the Spoken Word," as well as in general conferences of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, on dozens of CDs and DVDs, and in the choir's annual Christmas concerts, which are broadcast each year on PBS. As accompanist for the Tabernacle Choir, he has performed in many of the world's most noted concert halls and appeared on numerous TV and radio programs, including the NBC "Today Show," the "CBS Morning Show," "A Prairie Home Companion," and the nationally syndicated "Pipedreams" radio program. In his work with the choir, Dr. Elliott has collaborated with many guest artists including Andrea Bocelli, the Canadian Brass, Kristin Chenoweth, Renée Fleming, Evelyn Glennie, the King's Singers, Brian Stokes Mitchell, The Piano Guys, the Sesame Street Muppets, Robert Shaw, James Taylor, and Bryn Terfel.

He also has a busy solo career, having given thousands of organ concerts on Temple Square as well as numerous performances on five continents. He appears on seven organ CDs and is a published composer and arranger of music for organ, choir, and orchestra. In June 2022, Dr. Elliott was awarded the Governor's Mansion Arts Award by Utah Governor Spencer J. Cox and First Lady Abby Cox. The annual award recognizes Utah artists who have a positive impact on the arts and their communities. A Fellow of the American Guild of Organists, Dr. Elliott has been a featured performer at national and regional conventions of the guild.

Before becoming a Tabernacle organist in 1991, Dr. Elliott was an assistant professor of organ at Brigham Young University, and for several years he served as assistant organist at the John Wanamaker Department Store (later Macy's) in center city Philadelphia, home to the world's largest fully functioning pipe organ. A native of Baltimore, Maryland, he received his early musical training at the Peabody Conservatory. He holds a Bachelor of Music degree in organ from the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, and MM and DMA degrees from the Eastman School of Music. His organ teachers have included David Craighead, Marjorie Jovanovic, Dale Krider, William Watkins, and John Weaver.

For more information on the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square, visit www.thetabernaclechoir.org.



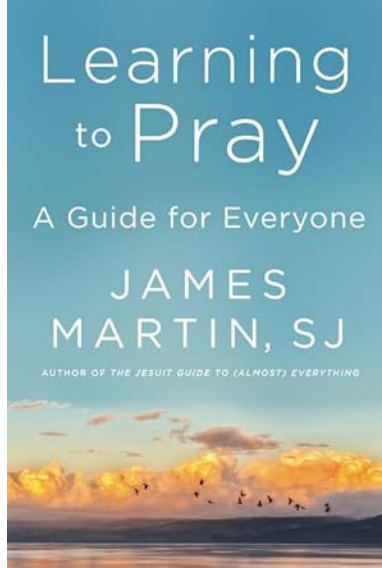
One Great Hour of Sharing

March 5 - April 20, 2025

Ending hunger, repairing after disasters, and promoting the self-development of all people.

Typically received during the season of Lent, each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. All three programs work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

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Adult Forum Book Study

January 22, 2025, through May 14, 2025. Sessions are at 7pm.

We will be reading "Learning to Pray" by James Martin, SJ. This is a **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER!**

Zoom Meeting ID: 843 3958 0088
Passcode: 623884

[Join Here](#)



Did you know that we host a "Feelings Rock" class for pre-schoolers on Wednesdays at 10am with Ms. Vickie?

This is a fun, music and movement class. Participation is FREE and open to anyone with a pre-schooler; it's a great way to start the morning, come join us!

Make sure to tell a family member, friend or neighbor to come as well.

Do you have any pictures from Church events? If so, please email them to us so that we can post them to our Facebook page!! You

can email them to : office@1stpreslockport.com.



Growing in Faith Together

Please consider making a gift to your church. We are still working on several capital improvements; including improving the efficiency of the HVAC system, improving electrical and lighting in the church, and other work.

You can mail a gift to the church:

First Presbyterian Church
PO Box 373
Lockport, New York 14095

You can set up a text message account with our service provider, Vanco, by texting 716-265-6713, you can Venmo using @LockportJesus, you can use PayPal at info@1stpreslockport.org, or you can follow the link above! Thank you.

[Please Donate](#)



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OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

There are many ways to donate to support those affected by Hurricane Helene. Please follow the link below to give to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program.

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The Babcock Chapel will be open for private prayer from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. There

are a few chairs and a private kneeler for your private prayer. Please feel free to close the door for privacy, leaving it open when you are finished.



We need two volunteers to serve on the Board of Governors of the Kenan Center. If you are interested, please contact the church office or the pastor at: pastor@1stpreslockport.com.



The Cub Scouts meet Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. These meetings take place at the church. The Girl Scouts also meet at the church at various times. Please speak with Susan Haley if you are interested in more information.



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