



**Daylight Savings
Time Begins
Sunday, March 12**
Remember to set your
clocks ahead one hour!

Time to
Spring Ahead

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Upcoming Events

- March 1— Service for the Imposition of Ashes, 6 PM
- March 5—Lenten Speaker Series begins, 9:30 AM; Refreshments, 9:15 .
- March 12—Session meets 12:15 PM
- March 14—PW Circle, 11 AM in Lancaster Hall
- March 26—4th Sunday Fellowship hosted by Outreach



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Pastor's Page

“Every person passing through this life will unknowingly leave something and take something away. Most of this “something” cannot be seen or heard or numbered or scientifically detected or counted. It’s what we leave in the minds of other people and what they leave in ours. Memory. The census doesn’t count it. Nothing counts without it.”
— **Robert Fulghum, All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten**

Friends,

The Ash Wednesday reminder is that we are dust and to dust we shall return. And yet, even in this mortal life there is that “something” that we leave with each other. We remember. We remember both the good and the bad, the happy times, the frustrating times, and the times of deep sorrow. People leave their marks on us, and we leave our marks on them.

We live into a tradition of remembering. It’s one of the important things that Jesus taught us to do. Remember him. Remember his body. Remember his wounds. Remember his humanity. Remember his triumph over the grave. We remember and then Christ can also be seen in us.

This Lenten season, let us remember. Let us remember that we live on in each other, and Christ lives on in us.

Peace, Pastor Kerra





If you want to be sure to receive information when church is closed for weather related events, please let Susan know that you would like to be included in the ONE CALL NOW alert system that we use for all-church messaging by phone and email. We will also post any cancellations to the Facebook page, and to WTVR, CBS 6.

Service for the Imposition of Ashes Ash Wednesday, March 1 at 6:00 p.m.



Adult Sunday School



Our **Lenten Speaker Series** will begin on Sunday, **March 5**. We will start with **refreshments at 9:15 a.m., classes to begin at 9:30 a.m.** The series is on the beliefs of the Spirit as stated in the Apostles Creed. Themes and speakers follow:

- * **March 5** - The Holy Catholic Church, Clay Macaulay, Alumni Director at Union Presbyterian Seminary
- * **March 12** - The Communion of Saints, Ben Campbell, Retired Pastoral Director of Richmond Hill
- * **March 19** - The Forgiveness of Sins, Jill Duffield, Editor of the Presbyterian Outlook
- * **March 26** - The Resurrection of the Body, Joel Blunk, Current Co-Pastoral Director of Richmond Hill
- * **April 2** - The Life Everlasting, Lynn McClintock, Chaplain at Westminster Canterbury

NOTE: There will be **NO** Sunday School April 9 and 16.

Presbyterian Women

PW Circle will meet Tuesday, **March 14 at 11:00 a.m.** in Lancaster Hall for study and lunch. Please read Lesson 7, *According to the Non-Canonical Gospels*. Bring a sandwich. Dessert and beverages are provided! —Doreen Coddington



Usher and Greeter Schedule

	GREETERS	USHERS	COMMUNION ELDERS	COMMUNION PREP & CLEANUP	LITURGIST	FLOWERS	
03/05/17	P. Shinnamon	B. Mathes, V. Neeley	T. Blair, C. Schutte, B. Shea, J. Tate	S. Carneal, J. Glazebrook	A. Hill	Coddington	
3/12/17	J. Tate	T. Blair, L. Campbell	<i>REMEMBER, If you cannot serve, please find a replacement and leave a message on the office phone, 798-5543.</i>				Simpson
3/19/17	L. Allison	J. Carswell, S. Vitale				A. Hill	
3/26/17	K. Basilio	S. & M. Carneal, R. English, C. Phillips					
4/02/17	T. Blair	S. Henderson, J. Tate	L. Allison, R. DuPriest, B. Mathes, G. Young	S. Carneal, J. Tate	A. Hill		



Happy Birthday to: March

- 13 Barclay DuPriest
- 19 Cade English
- 30 Elizabeth Hargrove
Suzanne Huff
- 31 Robert Tate

Mark Your Calendars For These Upcoming Holy Week Events



Communion Service
April 13 at 7 PM

Easter Sunday

April 16, 2017

11 AM Worship
No Sunday School
Remember to come early and bring fresh flowers for the Living Cross!
One Great Hour of Sharing



Treasurer's Report – I need your Feedback

One of my goals this year is to investigate as to whether “On-Line Giving” is something APC should pursue. As our world is increasingly digitized, “On-Line Giving” may assist in helping us to stay relevant and current, as well as up to date with other churches.

Conceptually “On-Line Giving” could be set up with a link from our church web site and/or promoted with the link mentioned in our weekly bulletins. A form would be filled in by the donor with such information as name, address, and other information. The donor would select what payment method he or she would like such as checking (ACH), savings, credit/debit card and then where those funds would be distributed; e.g., regular contributions, missions, capital funding, memorial gift, etc. Also, the donation could be a onetime donation or could be set up to be reoccurring for such things as pledging.

Please give me your thoughts on whether this service would be something you would find as a benefit. Would this help you with your pledging by not having to write a weekly or monthly check? Would you consider this a more “green” way of giving? Is the cost not worth the benefit? I can be reached by email at dmoncol12@verizon.net or see me at church. I look forward to hearing from you and thank you for all the support. – Drew Moncol

Positive	Negative
Donations increased at other churches by as much as 10%	One vendor's fee is \$10.00 per month plus transactions fees (see next)
Eliminates need for check writing and convenience of managing at home	Each transaction has fees of 1% for ACH or 2.75 % for credit/debit cards plus 45 cents
Allows members outside of Church to donate to specific causes such as memorial gifts, special occasions	APC receives the net amount of the donation, no cost to donor



Congratulations to Marcia Apperson and Pete Van Vleet on the birth of their son Jack on Thursday, February 9. Due to the flu season being in full swing, Marcia and Pete will be staying close to home. Cards can be sent to 211 Race Course Street, Ashland.



Thinking of Joining the Church?

Have you been considering joining Ashland Presbyterian Church? What does it mean to become a church member? What are the requirements? Do you have questions and want to know more? Would you like to officially join the church during our grand celebration of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday? Or do you enjoy attending but still need time to think about it? (That's OK too!)

If this sounds like you, please plan to **join Pastor Kerra for a soup lunch, Sunday April 2** following worship. She will give you a general overview of church membership and answer any questions you may have.

Have You Ever Considered a Mission Trip?

WORK TEAMS FOR WEST VIRGINIA: Seeking individuals of all skill levels to travel to Richwood, WV, to rebuild homes destroyed in the torrential rains and floods last summer. Two trips: April 1-8 and April 9-15. Cost is \$250 a person. Second trip open to high school students if accompanied with adults. For more details contact Brown Pearson at cbpearson3@erg-homes.com

HAITI MISSION NETWORK MEETING: MARCH 10-12 in Asheville, NC. Spend a weekend with Cindy Corell, Mark Hare, and others from Haiti. Update on recovery from hurricane and work of Joining Hands partner (FONDAMA). Meet the new director and other Presbyterians who are engaged in mission in Haiti. Deepen your understanding, share in hands-on activities in agriculture, and grow in your commitment. Contact Elizabeth McGuire at emcguire@thesalisburychurch.org

One Great Hour of Sharing, Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017

With your gift . . .

—You partner in projects like Jobs Not Jails, which has already assisted over 7,000 people with access to jobs and education as they establish new lives after prison.

—You engage in sustainable agriculture and water projects as well as initiate and support programs like Joining Hands.

—You provide food, shelter, and education to refugees fleeing the civil war in Syria and helped rebuild homes for those who wish to restore the Syria they love.

