



First Presbyterian Church

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This Week's Worship – April 5, 2026

Ushers: Vickie Pierson-Perry, Phyllis Biddle, Sarah Huckleberry, Paul Biddle

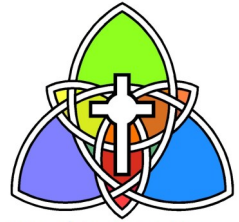
Liturgist: Mark Sisk

Closer: Paul Biddle

Counters: Ron Olson, Francis Kwansa

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

APRIL 3, 2026



Worship Grow Serve

You Tube Channel

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMqrt0yHvgOjUPphSOFgxxA)

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Website

www.firstpresnewark.org

Church Calendar

[click here](#)

Online giving through PayPal



Next Week's Worship – April 12, 2026

Ushers: Wade Catts, Bob Wunder, Mimi Lovelace, Pam Wunder

Liturgist: Patti Kelly

Closer: Wade Catts

Counters: Matt Reyne, Mimi Lovelace

Office Hours

Tuesday–Friday

9:00 am—12:00 pm



Given In Memory of Loved Ones By.....

*Stephanie and Tim Birdsall
Bob and Nancy Black
Dave and Jackie Evans
Fritz and Jacque Land
Kern and Marianne Piser
Kim and Dan Raff
Marilyn and Matthew Reyne*



Given In Loving Memory Of.....

*Her parents; Milton and Dorothy Ressel- given by Judy and Rick Agnello
His parents; Thomas and Jean Agnello – given by Judy and Rick Agnello
Jim Aftosmis – given by the Aftosmis Family
Bronwyn and Lee – given by Sheila Anderson
Our parents – given by Barry and Judy Baker
Our Grandmother, Elizabeth Miller given by Lina and Richard Banks
Lea McMurtry – given by her family, Janet Belles
Our parents, Stanley and Pauline Blair, Paul and Jean Dane – given by Julie and Stan Blair
Peter Grandell – given by Darnel Grandell
Katie Grandel – given by Darnel Grandell
Ken Lewis – given by his wife Anne Lewis
Bob McAlpine – given by his wife, Jane McAlpine
Laura Mehan Eliazewski – given by her loving family, Ron and Annette Mehan
My daughter, Ann Bates - given by Carolyn Morton
Dick Prettyman – given by his wife Gloria and their children
Dannielle Mostromm - given by Kim and Dan Raff
Mr. and Mrs. Clement H. Brown – given by Janeen Brown Ruff
Elizabeth Todd – given by Laura and Al Sievert
Sheila and Bob Phillips – given by Laura and Al Sievert
Given by Bob and Sandy Wenner
Joanne Wooldridge – given by Bob Wooldridge
Allie Trowbridge – given by Pam, Bob, Tommy and Kevin Wunder
Bill Wunder – given by Pam, Bob, Tommy and Kevin Wunder*

Given In Honor Of

*Our children & grandchildren - given by Bob and Nancy Black
Our family - given by Nancy and Urie Boulden
My grandchildren – given by Carolyn Morton
Our grandchildren – given by Ron and Carol Olson
The Recovery Community – given by Kim and Dan Raff
Our family – given by Willie and Paul Short
Our grandchildren – given by Bob and Sandy Wenner*

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DONATED BY

ALL GLORY TO GOD!



ALTAR flowers

Flowers can be dedicated **in honor** or **in memory** of a family member, friend or loved one. You may pick them up after mass or donate them. You can sign up on the form that is located in the Narthex.

Checks *clearly identified for chancel flowers* may be placed in the offering plate or brought to the church office.

Chancel Flowers \$31.00



April 4th — Worship Committee & The UD Community Engagement

May 2nd—Hope Dining Room

June 6th—Deacons

July 11—Band of Brothers

August 1st—Chancel Choir & Praise Team

September 5th—Presbyterian Woman

October 3rd—Session

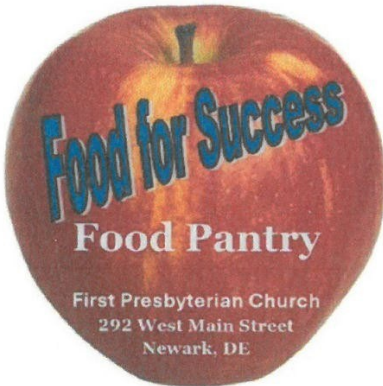
November 7th—Worship Committee

December 5th—Hope Dining Room

Deacons

How They
Serve and
Strengthen
the Church

The Board of Deacons is concerned with the special needs of our congregation, with welcoming visitors and providing fellowship opportunities for the congregation. **Please let the Deacons know if there is a need for a home or hospital visit, a meal delivery or ride to an appointment.** Since care of our congregation should not be limited to the Deacons, we hope you will consider putting your name on a list showing your willingness to visit someone in need, provide a meal or offer a ride. **You can contact Ann Roybal, the Care Coordinator, or sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. We all know from experience that both the doer and the receiver will be blessed. Ann Roybal may be reached at 302-368-8539 or at ann.roybal@gmail.com.**



A choice pantry in partnership
with the Food Bank of Delaware
An Equal Opportunity Provider

Monday and Friday
2nd and 4th full week of each month
4:00pm to 6:00pm
Memorial Hall (behind the church)

For weather related closings go to
www.firstpresnewark.org
(Serve/Food for Success)

Food for Success 2026 Open Dates

Dates circled in Green are holidays - Food for Success pantry is closed

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foodforsuccess@firstpresnewark.org

The praise team is seeking a drummer to join us on Sunday mornings. We gather at 8:45 AM for rehearsal. The church has a digital drum set that we use during services and for our weekly YouTube videos.

If you're interested in sharing your talents, please contact Larry Benson at praiseleader@firstpresnewark.org.

Peace, Larry

A large, purple, cursive graphic that says "Thank you". The word "Thank" is on the top line and "you" is on the bottom line, with a large, decorative flourish extending from the bottom of the "y" in "you".

Dear Deacons and First Pres,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone for keeping me in your prayers. I have received so many cards, texts, visits, and meals. As Pastor Dan always says, "we take good care of each other." I'm blessed to be part of this church and thankful to receive your generous, compassionate support.

In Christ's Love,

Jynx



April 2nd - Maundy Thursday Agape Feast and Tenebrae Service – 5:00 pm Memorial Hall West

April 3rd - Good Friday Service – 7:00 pm – First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

April 5th - Easter Sunrise Service – 7:00 am – Remembrance Garden

April 5th - Easter Service (traditional) – 10:00 am – First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

Hark, I hear the harps eternal! Or at least one harp, plus some strings, as we are joined today by some amazing guest musicians. They are:

Harp: Janet Witman

Violins: Daniel Herbert, Alan Hodesblatt

Cello: Carolyn Hendrix

Vocal soloist: Eleanor Malgiero

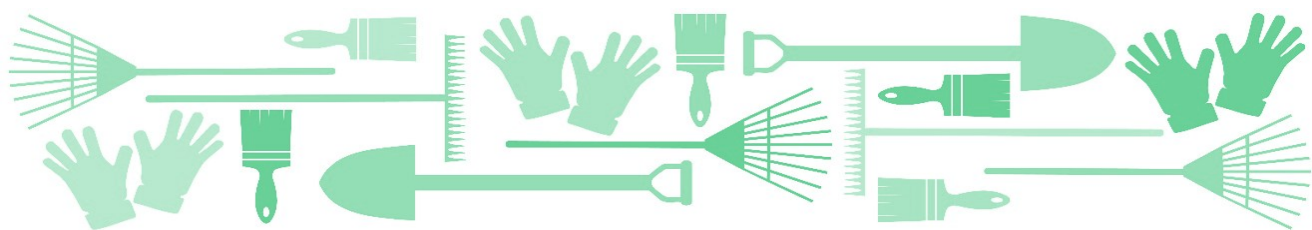
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL



First Presbyterian Church will be holding its Good Friday service April 3rd, 2026, at 7p.m. in the sanctuary. Come hear the testimony of witnesses to our Lord's passion and crucifixion, sit in silent meditation, and join in singing hymns from the Taiz'e community of Brothers in France. This deeply spiritual and moving service is dedicated to our Lord's sacrifice and prepares our hearts and minds for the joy and the glory of Easter morning.



Help proclaim God's Word by volunteering to be a Sunday worship liturgist! Any and all are invited to help lead our worship service! No prior training or experience is required, and Pastor Dan will answer any questions you may have. Helping to lead worship is a wonderfully fulfilling experience and a great way to deepen your relationship with the congregation and our Lord. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex, and you can also call or text Pastor Dan.



Exciting news for Spring! First Presbyterian's former playground is being converted into a community garden by Girl Scout Troop 15! The Girl Scouts are building the garden with raised beds and a "little pantry" to bless our community. The growth belongs to God, but we are to be the sowers and reapers. If you are interested in helping work in the garden and/or plan its use (rent spaces, fair share spaces, etc) please contact Melody Bock by text 214-316-2543 or email MelodyBock.counselor@gmail.com

PW Paints with a Twist

On Tuesday, March 24, 16 members of FPCN's Presbyterian Women and one guest gathered at Painting with a Twist in Suburban Plaza and put their creativity on display by painting their own version of a beautiful landscape as an instructor coaxed them along. Some even made candles!

A FUN TIME WAS HAD BY ALL



April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 10-11:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:30am - 12:30pm Adult Spiritual Development	30 6:00pm - 7:00pm Girl Scout Troop 15- (YR)	31 6:30pm - 8:30pm BSA Cub Pack 56 - Pack Meeting	1 9-10am Prayer Group-Zoom 12-1:00pm Band Brothers(Libr) 7-8pm Bells Rehearsal (Low Sanctuary) 7-8:30pm BSA Troop 56 Meeting (YR)	2 9am-12pm Library Rsvp 5-7pm Maundy Thur Agape Feast 7-8pm Choir Practice-Choir room	3 GOOD FRIDAY (Holiday - Off Closed) 9-11am Finance/Bill Pay - Zoom 11:30-1:30pm Reaching 4 Personal Freedom (AA) - GLIWA 7-8:00pm Good Friday Svc	4
5 7:8am Easter Sunrise Svc 10-11am Easter Worship- Sanctuary 11:30am - 12:30pm Adult Spiritual Development	6 EASTER MONDAY 6:00pm - 7:00pm Girl Scout Troop 15- (YR)	7 ADMIN OFFICE CLOSED 10:00am - 11:30am PW CT - MH Parlor	8 9:00am - 10:00am Prayer Group-Zoom 12:00pm - 1:00pm Band of Brothers-Library 7:00pm - 8:00pm Bells Rehearsal (Low Sanctuary)	9 9-12:00pm Library Rsvp 3-4:00pm HR Team Library 7-8:00pm Choir Practice-Choir room	10 9:00am - 11:00am Finance/Bill Pay - Zoom	11
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Presbyterian Women

Supporting a [United for the Nations](http://www.unitedforthenations.org) project by collecting gently used books in support of education in a sensitive region of North Africa.

UFTN builds long-term trusting partnerships with local church leaders as they accomplish projects to commission in their own contexts. They are helping to:

- Start a Christian College
- Continue bible translation in 30 languages
- Distribute radios and audio bibles
- Catalyze a radio station in a difficult location
- Strategize to fulfill the Great Commission

For more information about [United for the Nations](http://www.unitedforthenations.org) go to:
www.unitedforthenations.org



Collection bins are located in the Narthex and Memorial Hall

Thank you for supporting PW in this mission.

Contact:
Sandy Wenner
302-753-5347

Specific Book Categories for Christian College Books

Bible Atlas	Historical Theology
Books of Law	History of the Church
Christian Apologetics	Homiletics
Christian Counseling	Methods of the Bible Teaching
Christian Discipleship	Missions
Christian Education	OT/NT Commentaries
Christian Ethics	OT/NT Dictionaries
Christian Leadership	OT/NT Introduction
Christian Marriage and Family	OT/NT Survey
Christian Music and Worship	OT/NT Theology
Christian Philosophy	Pastoral Counseling
Church Administration	Pastoral Letters
Church Planting and Missions	Personal Ministry Preparation
Conflict Management and Resolution	Preaching
Cross Culture	Spiritual Formation
Encyclopedia (historical and theological)	Synoptic Gospel
Evangelism and Church Growth	Systematic Theology
Guides to the Bible	Theology of Doctrines
Hermeneutics	Wisdom Literature



BIRTHDAYS

- Laura Sievert April 5
- Wade Catts April 6
- Gregory Hills April 6
- Patti Kelly April 8
- Kim Raff April 10
- Stan Blair April 15
- Judy Baker April 22
- Shirley Hills April 23
- Mike Beron April 30

ANNIVERSARIES

- Sean & Sandra Prather April 8
- Fred & Louise Dawson April 13
- David & Karen Baker April 18

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If you are thinking of joining
our church, we would love to
have you!
Please contact Pastor Dan at
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