

The By-Line

The Newsletter of
The First Presbyterian Church of Manteno
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Pastor Chrystal Abbott

March 2016

Something from the Pastor

The past couple of days, we have experienced a taste of spring. But tomorrow, they are calling for a winter storm watch. Hot, cold, cold, hot, snow, sun shine, sun shine, snow, you never know what you're going to get this time of the year. Though the weather is up and down, and all over the place, we as the church are to be a constant. As the season of lent has begun and will be ending later this month with Holy Week and Easter, we are called to constantly be warm and loving, showing the Son even on cloudy and gloomy days. When the storms of life come our way, we as the church are to be the shelter. In all the uncertainties of life, the church is to be constantly showing Christ to all. So, let us let the Son shine from us, to warm up and shine in the radiance of Christ for all.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Chrystal

Sunday Worship Services

Adult Sunday School	9:15 am
Fellowship	10:00 am
Worship	10:30 am

Children's Church beginning at 10:45 am
Nursery is available beginning at 10:15 am



In Our Prayers

Please keep the following people in your prayers this month:

Les Bedore, Linda & Steve Garrison,
Rosanna Grant, Jerry Hawkins, Virginia Michael,
Norma Smith, Betty Stetka,
Lisa Soderquist, Amy Blair, Martha Moran.

Please call the church office or Pastor Chrystal's cell phone at 815-450-7337 if someone has been hospitalized. Additionally, the Prayer Chain is available for your joys and concerns by contacting Margaret Klipp at 815-468-7586.

Church Council Members

Georgann Butterfield
John Hassett
Donna Kiedaisch
Lois Meyer
Joe Snyder
John Tamblyn

Clerk of Council – Georgann Butterfield

**Our next Council meeting will be
March 17, 6pm.**

Coming Up in March

Worship

- ❖ **March 6th** – 4th Sunday in Lent
 - Holy Communion
 - Miller Services
- ❖ **March 9th** – Mid-Lent Service
 - 6pm
- ❖ **March 13th** – 5th Sunday in Lent
 - Celebrating Gifts of Women
- ❖ **March 20th** – Passion/Palm Sunday
- ❖ **March 24th** – Maundy Thursday Service
 - 6pm
- ❖ **March 27th** – Easter
 - Breakfast at 9am

Additional Church Events in March

- March 11th** – Game Night, Pizza
- March 13th** – Committee Meetings & Spaghetti Potluck
 - Energy Meets
- March 17th** – Council Meeting, 6pm
- March 25th** – **Good Friday** Manteno Crosswalk -10am ending at First Presbyterian for a soup luncheon.



Yoga

Tuesdays at 5:00. Join us for a night of Yoga. Yoga is great to help with our balance and flexibility. It is a beginner's level exercise, mainly for the baby boomer age group. **No cost, commitment or sign-up required.** No matter whoever shows up, we will exercise. Exercise at your own risk. Please contact Carol Snyder for more information.

Bettering the Body



Thursdays at 5pm. We follow a program of walking and yoga stretches. And yes, we have thrown in some abdominal exercises to help strengthen our core. There are no dance moves to learn, so you don't have to worry about not keeping up. This is an adult class (high school and older) so invite your friends. **No cost, commitment or sign-up required!** Remember, workout at your own risk. There is also a designated walking route within the church that will be available for use.



Youth News

Upcoming ENERGY Meetings

- ❖ Sunday, March 13 11:30-12:30

Family Game Night

Friday, March 11

6:00 pm

Food, Fellowship, and Fun!

We will start dinner at 6:00 (the entrée is provided, please bring a side, snack, or dessert) and then we will follow with games for all ages. This Month we will be having **Pizza**. So come and eat and join in the fun and fellowship.

Please join us and bring your family and friends!



It's time to Celebrate!



March 2	Emilie Tamblyn
March 8	Gina Blanchette
March 9	Diane Johnson
March 10	Peter Viall
March 11	Chloe Blair, Sue Wenzelman
March 12	Betty Bedore
March 13	Bonnie Mark
March 16	Jim Adkins, Tom Bessman

Happy Anniversary

March 18 Art & Diane Johnson

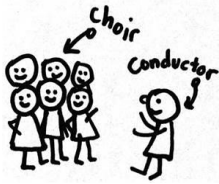


March 25th - Good Friday

The Manteno Crosswalk -10am

First Presbyterian will be the final church on the walk so we are hosting the soup luncheon.

Choir News



We would like to thank the congregation for their ongoing support of the choir. Anyone may join the choir by attending our practices at 9:30 am on Sunday!



March 13.....

TIME CHANGE

.....Spring Forward



The Lawrence Family would like to invite everyone to an open house in celebration of the 100th Birthday of Hildath Lawrence.

It will be held on April 10, 2016 from 11:30 til 2:00 PM at the Manteno Presbyterian Church. Contact Lois Meyer for any further questions.



March Recipe

PINEAPPLE PRETZEL SALAD

- 1¼ c. coarsely crushed pretzels
- 1 stick butter softened
- ½ c. sugar
- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 12 oz. Cool whip
- ½ c. sugar
- 20 oz. can pineapple tidbits, drained

Mix pretzels, butter and ½ c. sugar, place in a 9 X 13 pan and bake at 400 degrees for 7-8 minutes. Cool and break into pieces. Can be made ahead of time, but store in an air tight container until ready for use. Beat cream cheese with ½ c. sugar. Fold in pineapple and cool whip. Mix in pretzel pieces 1 hour before serving.

**Submitted by Lois Meyer

Did You KNOW

Notable American Presbyterians

- ❖ **Andrew Carnegie** (yes, THE Carnegie)
- ❖ **Jim Carrey** – Comedian
- ❖ **John Glenn** - Astronaut and United States Senator
- ❖ **Patricia Heaton** - Actress (*Everybody Loves Raymond* and *the Middle*)
- ❖ **David Letterman**
- ❖ **Mister Rogers**



We are looking for a new nursery helper. If you know of anyone, please contact Lois Meyer.

Presbyterian Women's 3rd Annual Ladies' Tea

March 12, 2016 at 2:00pm

***Grannie Carter portrayed by Gayle Haas
will be giving her stories of timeless truths.***

First Presbyterian Church

106 S. Lincoln St. Braidwood, IL

\$20/person for the afternoon

\$10/young lady 12 years and under

For more info and to register call

Roberta 815-458-2407 or Linda 815-458-6548



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