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EASTER LILIES

Lilies will be placed in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. If you wish to order a plant please contact the church office (dseymore@1stpresbyterian.org or 534-0088) by Monday, March 8.



Flowers are \$14.00 each.
(Make checks payable to
First Presbyterian Church.)

KEEP CALM AND CARRY ON

In the workroom of the church office is posted a popular British saying—"Keep Calm and Carry On." I do not know who put it there nor how long it has been there. I like this saying and it reminds me of Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God." This verse is found in a Psalm dealing with war. We find God entering the battlefield of the raging nations and defeating them by His voice. Be still and know that I am God is directed to the enemies of God. In other words, God is telling them to stop fighting and know that He is God, exalted among the nations, exalted on earth. Psalm 46:10 reminds us that God rules and conquers. One day every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is the King of kings and Lord of lords. This should give us hope, courage, and peace no matter what battle is raging round about us. So take heart, stay true to God, and as our friends across the big pond say, "Keep calm and carry on." Maybe take some time and have a cup of your favorite tea (Earl Grey being mine) and remember that our God is in control.

In Christ,
Raymond

GENERAL FUND - JANUARY 2021

For month ending January 31, 2021

General Fund Income	\$24,807.42
General Fund Budgeted Expenses	\$35,610.38
	\$10,802.96

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3/02 Campbell Delaney	3/18 Becky Smith
3/05 Mike Strong	Kelley Wannamaker
Gregg Frierson	3/19 Sara Turner
Brison Ardis	Kathy Wilkes
3/06 "M. C." Evans	3/20 JoAnn Kelley
3/07 Mark Hutto	3/22 Jane Holladay
3/08 Rocco Cassone	3/23 Julie Bruner
Rachel Lorick	3/24 Jeb Brailsford
3/9 Dawn Strickland	3/27 Kelly Ridley
3/10 Renn Guthrie	3/28 Davis Turner
3/15 Ginger Weigle	3/29 Charlotte Dixon
3/16 Jimmy Smoak	3/30 Shane Burroughs
T Riley	Mary Legare Delaney
3/17 Katherine Smith	

FLOWERS BEAUTIFY OUR SANCTUARY

The Sanctuary Flower Calendar has openings on March 14, April 11, May 30, and June 6 (planning ahead, in case we are worshipping in person!). If you wish to place flowers in the church on one of these Sundays please contact Katherine Patterson (katcalpat@aol.com or 533-8340) or Denise Seymore in the church office (534-0088).



LENT DEVOTIONS



Lent Devotions are being read by members of our congregation and are posted on our Facebook and YouTube pages each day during Lent. If you want your own booklet stop by The Centre and pick one up from the table in the lobby (Tuesday through Thursday 9:00–5:00 and Friday 9:00 a.m. until noon).

NOTES OF THANKS

- I would like to express my thanks to the groups and individuals that are remembering me on special days. It is so delightful to receive mail on those special days.

Sincerely,
Helen Culler

- Dear Church Family,

I cannot say thank you enough for all your support after my surgery! The cards, warm meals and prayer were all felt and kept my spirits up through it all. I am so blessed to be a part of this beautiful church family!

Dee Anne Miller

*Create in me a
clean heart,*



*God,
and renew a
right spirit
within me.*

Psalm 51:10, ESV

Puzzle!

Search for these words that are all associated with the Lenten journey.

crown donkey hosanna penance Pilate sins
colt crucifixion forsaken kiss prayer suffer
confess death Gethsemane lots repent thorns
cross denial Golgotha palms silver vigil

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A	V	J	G	A	L	B	R	E	Y	A	R	P	B
N	G	N	L	I	S	N	L	A	I	N	E	D	X
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