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NEWS FROM THE HUB AND THE HILL



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WORKING, WORSHIPING, AND PLAYING



WORK DAY

Saturday, April 1 - Come one, come all to help clean God's house and get ready for the tremendous Easter Celebration. We will start about 9:00 and finish when we finish. Bring buckets, rags, pressure washers, and a desire to make the church sparkle to God's glory. Pizza will be provided at lunch time.

LENTEN LUNCH SERIES



On Thursday, April 6 at Mt. Zion AME church (502 McDonald Street) starting at 11:45 we will have the last of our ecumenical Lenten Luncheon series. Rev. Mark Broadhead will provide the devotional that day.



SCHOLA CANTORUM CONCERT

Monday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m. will be a free music concert provided by NWF State College's Schola Cantorum. It will be an evening of wonderfully exciting music, certain to delight your heart and mind. You may remember previous concerts and the wonderful harmonies that sang out. You will have the same pleasures once again.



MONTHLY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP DINNER

The Men's Fellowship of First Presbyterian will have its monthly dinner on Tuesday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m. For \$12.00 you can enjoy a deliciously grilled steak, a huge baked potato, rolls, and a salad. Let Louis Becker know of your plans to attend so he can order the proper number of steaks.

SPECIAL DATES

April 1	Church Work Day	April 14	Good Friday
April 3	Schola Cantorum	April 15	Easter Egg Hunt
April 8	Relay for Life Yard Sale Plant Sale	April 16	Easter Sunrise Service
April 10	Session	April 16	Resurrection of the Lord
April 11	Men's Dinner	April 29	Laurel Hill Art's Festival
April 13	Maundy Thursday		

MARK'S MUSINGS

Dear Friends,

As you can tell by the number of activities and events described in this newsletter, April has shaped up to be a very busy month for our two churches. This is exciting for a couple of reasons...

One, it shows that our Lord is alive and active in and through the various ministries of our two congregations. It is a demonstration that we are not simply coming to church on Sunday morning and then going home.

Two, it shows an enthusiasm to share the with others the wonderful blessing we have been given. We have many talents to be shared. We have the gift of hospitality to reach out to the less fortunate. God has blessed us with such abundance we share it with others.

This is all truly worth celebrating. We give thanks to God for what we have been given by demonstrating to others how God can and does bless them in their lives. By living out our witness, others see the good news of the Bible in action. This makes it real for them. It touches their hearts. And they, too, begin to live their lives for the glory of God.

Now, I'm going to pause here to ask you a favor. I'm trying to determine how many people actually read our monthly newsletter. If you do, would you please drop a note to the church to let us know? Many thanks.

How do you go about living your faith on a daily basis? How do you project the way the Bible influences the way you treat other persons, the way you address various situations, the way you use your language?

Not everyone is going to do things perfectly all the time. We all make mistakes. But we should be doing a whole lot better than many people seem to act and react toward matters in life.

It can be easy to live our Christian values when in the company of other Christians. But what about when surrounded by non-Christians? It can become a different matter. But it shouldn't. We need to be consistently consistent in our witness - even if it might mean we are belittled or mocked. What a small price to pay in order give glory to God.

Sursum Corda,
Mark



ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS' DAY

First Presbyterian has the joyful privilege of having Jean West as our Office Administrator. She has been with us for a little over 6 years. Wednesday, April 26, is Administrative Professionals' Day. Be sure to let Jean know how much we all appreciate her hard work and dedication to the ministries of our Lord through First Presbyterian. She very often goes way above and beyond! (PS... this was written by Rev. Broadhead)



THE LAUREL HILL ANNUAL ARTS AND HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Saturday, April 29 will be the the annual Art and Heritage Festival we put on together at the Laurel Hill Church. The event itself will be 11:00 - 3:00. Your help is needed...

The Men's Fellowship of First Presbyterian will be cooking hotdogs to be sold to raise money for annual Christmas Baskets. The women of both churches will

be selling desserts to raise money for local hunger concerns.

Please look for the sign-up sheet at the back of the church to sign up for how you will help make this year's event a tremendous success - whether you will help set-up, bake-up, cook-up, sell-up, and/or clean-up.

FIFTH SUNDAY HYMN SING



Sunday, April 30 is a fifth Sunday of the month. As is our practice, there will be a hymn sing at both churches. Plan to call out your favorite hymn number and raise your voice to joyful praise to God! The Laurel Hill Congregation will have its usual fellowship time following worship - so plan to take a snack to share!



RELAY FOR LIFE YARD SALE & PLANT GIVE-AWAY

Saturday, April 8 from 6am-1 pm we will have a Yard Sale and Plant Give-Away. Plants will be given away for a donation which will go toward caring for the less fortunate in our area.

The yard sale - bring your own items to sell after donating to use a space and/or table in the FPC parking lot. Sign up in the back of the church.

MORE... WORKING, WORSHIPING, AND PLAYING



MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP

On Thursday, April 13 there will be a Maundy Thursday service beginning at 7:30 at First Presbyterian. This time of worship calls to mind the last hours of our Lord's life as he prepared to give his life for the sins of the world. The story will be told through scripture readings, hymns, and anthems. The Lord's Supper will be served. The service begins in brightness, and ends in darkness. All in preparation for the Easter celebration.

ALL- CHURCH EASTER EGG HUNT



Both congregations are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt and cookout at the home of Louis and Lola Becker, 3750 Poverty Creek Rd. starting at 10am. Gather to enjoy yard games and conversation. Please bring a side dessert to share. Hot dogs, Cole slaw, baked beans and drinks will be provided. You will also want to bring lawn chairs and any outdoor games you would care to play. Oh, yes... bring your

camera to capture the frenzy of the children as they scour the yard for hidden treasures. Bring filled eggs also (plastic)



EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES

Sunday, April 16 is the highlight of the Christian year - the day we celebrate our Lord rising from the dead and conquering sin and death once and for always! There will be two sunrise services that day, one in Laurel Hill and one in Crestview.

The service in Laurel Hill will be at Gene Clary Park, the time at the publishing of this newsletter is undecided. And it tradition holds true, there will be an Easter Breakfast at First Baptist Church following the service.

The service in Crestview will be at Old Spanish Trail Park beginning at 6:30 a.m. Be sure to dress for the temperature of the early morning, and remember to take a lawn chair on which to sit. This service is put on by the Crestview Area Ministerial Association. An offering will be received that is used to help people who become stranded while traveling through our area.

LAUREL HILL

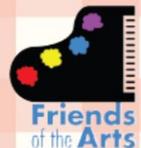
Arts and **HERITAGE** **FESTIVAL**

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 11am-3pm

Laurel Hill Presbyterian Church Yard
8115 Fourth Street • FREE admission
Arts, Crafts, Historic and Cultural Displays
Live Music, Food • Big Red Bus Blood Drive



Presented by
**The Laurel Hill and Crestview
Presbyterian Churches and the
Friends of the Arts**



COME ONE, COME ALL!

The number of artists, performers, and agencies providing displays this year continues to grow! There is something for all ages to enjoy. If you have a talent you would like to display or perform - free of charge! - contact the office at First Presbyterian Church (682-2835) to reserve your spot or your time slot.



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