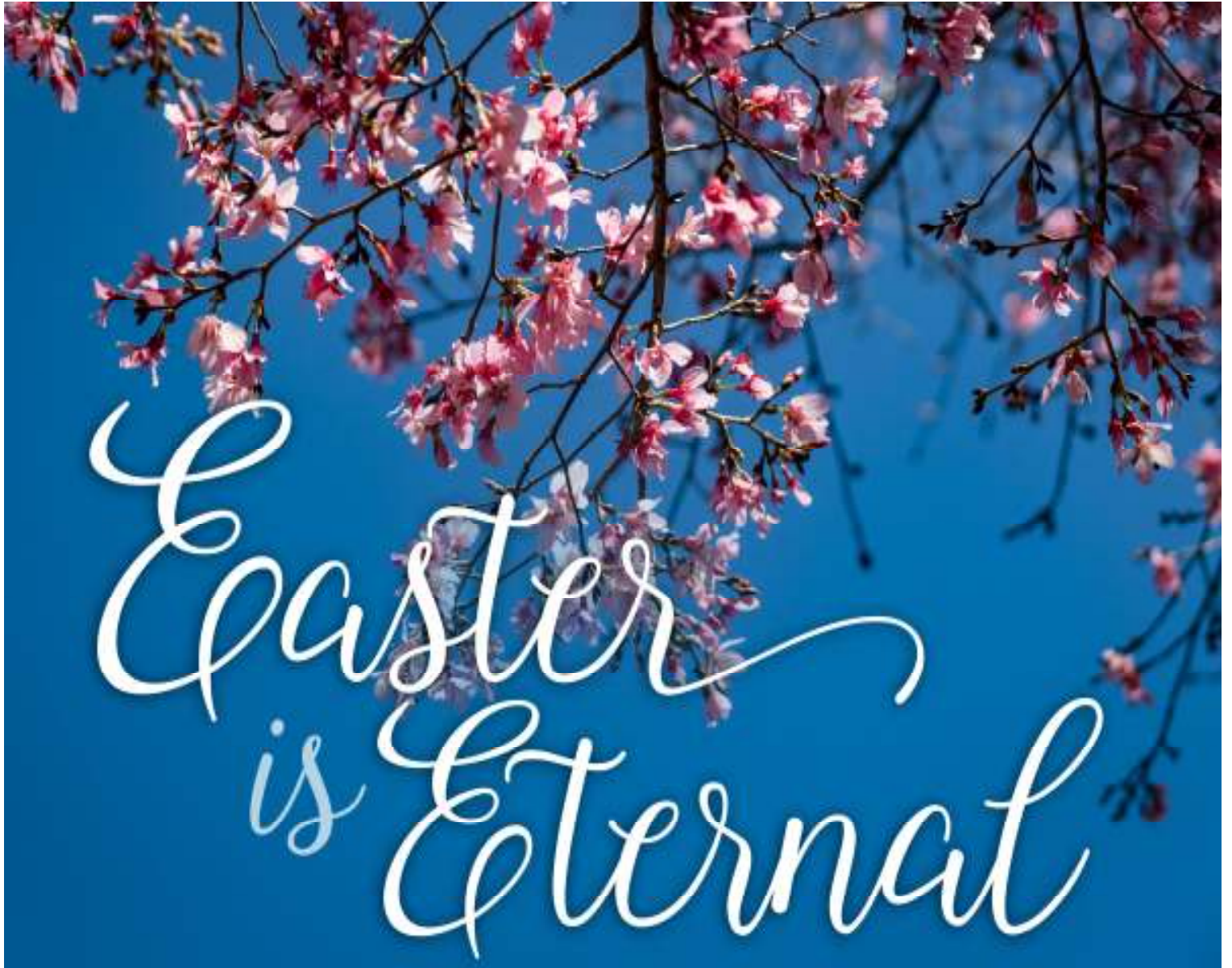


First Presbyterian Church
THE VISITOR

April 2023



Our Sunday Worship begins at 11:00 am. **Please join us!**
The Rev. Dr. William H. Wilkinson is available on his cell 585.507.3289
or email peacepathseeker@yahoo.com

Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Medina First Presbyterian Fellowship,

The **Season of Lent**, in its Fifth Week, has been offering us, and the Church Ecumenical, an opportunity for renewal of our part of God's everlasting **Covenant**. From the beginning God has been the constant in our right relationships, with God, the Ground of all being, and with us in mutuality.

The **Lenten Lunches and Meditation** of the **Medina Area Association of Churches (MAAC)** have continued to provide a sacred time of fellowship, song, prayer and shared meditation for our wider Community. The Church embodied, and being nurtured for the variety of ministry journeys is so precious a gift of the Spirit.

Our Adult Lenten Education Series, 9:30am-10:45am, begun on February 25th, during the Six weeks of Lent and a week of Eastertide, has focused on the Book of Jeremiah and the Letter from Birmingham City Jail of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It has provided an opportunity for spiritual nurture for one of our youth who preparing for Baptism on Pentecost and for presentation for Church Membership when she completes additional preparation for Confirmation in the Fall.

On February 26th, when our new Elders and Deacons met, we rejoiced at the five Baptisms (four children and 1 adult) in the Congregation's worship life during this **Lenten Season**.

On Maundy Thursday, the Thursday of Holy Week, we will celebrate Holy Communion during our Evening Service, at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

Please keep our members who are home bound, and in rehabilitation homes, and those who are living with long-term illnesses, in your hearts and in your prayers.

Blessings and prayers for National healing and reconciliation, and for peace in our Nation, in the Ukraine, Middle East, and around Mother Earth,

Pastor William

Rev. Dr. William Huston Wilkinson



APRIL

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sarah Gibson 4/1
 Rog Rogers 4/27
 Jacob Mudge 4/29

MAY

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sarah Hanssen 5/11
 Lynn Creasey 5/12
 Andrew Meier 5/26
 Nicki Fredericks 5/29



Treasurer's Report
 The pledge offering for March: \$3,467.
 Thank you for your continued support

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Angie Tobin *at the Willows*, David Callard, Jonathan Incho, David Yates, Marilyn Hiwiler, Peggy Pearce, Jason Anderson *David's nephew*, Karen Curtin, Kenny Johnson, Dawn Goering *Pat Rizzo's sister*, our military and their families.

You are cordially invited to a coffee hour served by the Deacons before the worship service on Easter Sunday.
 Please join us in the fellowship hall at 10:30a.m.

Dates you should know

April 2023							May 2023						
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April	
2	Palm Sunday
6	Maundy Thursday, 6:30pm Holy Communion
9	Easter, Holy Communion
11	Session Meeting, 6:30pm
13	PW meeting
19	Deacons Meeting, 5:30pm
30	Men's Breakfast, 8:00am

May	
11	PW meeting
9	Session Meeting, 6:30pm
14	Mother's Day
17	Deacons Meeting, 5:30pm
28	Pentecost, Holy Communion Men's Breakfast, 8:00am
29	Memorial Day



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BROWN
BAG
LENTEN
LUNCH**



*We aim to make Happy Customers
of all ages & nationalities!*

MENU:

*Choose and place in your brown bag: ham or turkey sandwich
Select one of each: bag of chips, fruit cup and sugar cookie
Serve-yourself beverages: coffee, tea, ice water
Beef Vegetable Barley Soup—served after grace is said*

Thank you to all the helpers!!!

VIPresbyterians

If you have learned of something of interest (achievement, wedding, trip, service rendered ...) that you would like to share with your church family, please leave a note for Chris or email it to the church. Pictures are especially welcome!

My son Chris, his wife Sarah and their 12 year old twins Savannah and Jackson (from Arizona) were here for a glorious visit and much needed change of pace for me! Jackson (*shown here on the right*) had fun building us two snowmen. All of the laughs, love, hugs were wonderful!!! Nicki



*In the presence of family and friends and with wife Sarah Hanssen
a father, Mitchel Daniel, and son, William Eric, Baptism*





Ready for delivery, anyplace in the world!

PW would like to thank everyone that contributed to the Church World Service effort this year. There are 29 school kits and 22 hygiene kits. This is wonderful. While we do not know what part of the world will receive the kits, we do know that they will help in areas of need. Also, thank you to everyone that helped shop, prepare, serve, and clean-up our Lenten Lunch. It was a successful team effort.

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