



March 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Paul Thomas</i>	3 Morning Devotions <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study-6:30pm <i>Barbara Hopta</i>	4 Lenten Lunch-Christ Episcopal Church-12pm	5	6 Walk Group-10am <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study via Zoom-2pm	7 <i>Jim Harvey</i>
8 Congregational Care Meeting -Following our Service <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i>	9	10 Morning Devotions <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study-6:30pm	11 Lenten Lunch-Fincastle Presbyterian Church-12pm <i>Fred Dodson</i>	12	13 Walk Group-10am <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study via Zoom-2pm	14
15 Mission Outreach Meeting-Following our Service	16	17 Morning Devotions <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study-6:30pm <i>Jeri Snider</i>	18 Lenten Lunch-First Christian Church-12pm	19 Session-6:30pm	20 Walk Group-10am Union Mission-12:30pm <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study-via Zoom-2pm	21
22 P & P Meeting-Following our Service Centsability Offering	23	24 Morning Devotions <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study-6:30pm	25 Lenten Lunch-First Presbyterian Church-12pm	26	27 Walk Group-10am <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study via Zoom-2pm	28 Mennonite Workshop-9am-4pm
29 Palm Sunday	30	31 Morning Devotions <u>Fear to Freedom</u> Study-6:30pm				

Tuesday Morning Devotional Group

The Morning Devotional Group meets every Tuesday at 9:00am on Zoom. To join the group, contact Sharon or Bob Perkinson at perkinshar@yahoo.com or perkinbob@yahoo.com.



New Spiritual Development Study

We have begun our new spiritual development study and it will run throughout Lent. This study will help us to explore the many ways that fear drives our lives and how we can overcome the fear that drives us and find freedom in God. Some copies of the book we are using will be available in the office for \$15 or you can buy them on Amazon.

In-person/Zoom meetings will be held this month on Tuesdays at 6:30pm and Zoom-only meetings will be held on Fridays at 2:00pm. Let us learn to release fear this Lent.

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Session Update:

Our congregation is working with the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center to strengthen interpersonal communication patterns, restore relationships, bring closure to past tensions, and move the congregation forward in Christ's peace.

The first step of this process includes phone interviews with six of our beloved members to give them an understanding of the history and dynamics of our congregation.

The second step is to have an educational workshop, which will take place on **Saturday March 28 from 9:00-4:00**. All members, friends, and staff of First Presbyterian are encouraged to attend this workshop, where we will gain practical skills and insights to identify, manage, and prevent destructive conflicts, thereby promoting harmony and unity.

Sometime after this, 90-minute listening sessions with small groups will be held. We will let you know when a date is set. Then, a restorative circle will be held to empower individuals to speak the truth in love, voice their concerns, and develop a collective consciousness around the congregation's vision. Finally, we will receive a report highlighting areas that need attention, so that they can be addressed by our leaders.



Lenten Lunch Schedule

Due to unusual circumstances, our Lenten Lunches will be traveling this year, allowing our extremely meaningful Wednesday lunch services to serve our community and connecting Bluefield's newly formed pastors group over a joint venture. The lunches will begin at 12:00 noon. This year's schedule:

- March 4 – Christ Episcopal Church (Rev. Paul Barker)
- March 11 – Fincastle Presbyterian Church (Mr. Craig Hammond)
- March 18 – First Christian Church (Pastor Doug McDaniel)
- March 25 – First Presbyterian Church (Rev. Victoria Krebs)