

Monday Night Bible Study is beginning a new study:

Psalms Book 1 (Psalms 1-41) you are invited to come join us as we read through and study this first set of the Bible's Hymn book. The psalms challenge and comfort us - they speak to the heart.

This book has blessed the hearts of many down through the ages. Ambrose, one of the great saints of the church, said, "The Psalms are the voices of the church." Augustine said, "They are the epitome of the whole Scripture." Martin Luther said, "They are a little book for all saints." John Calvin said, "They are the anatomy of all parts of the soul."

You are welcome to join us in person in the 4th floor conference room or by Zoom. We meet Monday evenings at 7pm. Just click on the link below. It will work from most any laptop, tablet or smartphone.

Hope to see you there,
Mark

Join Bible Study Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82796429487?
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Meeting ID: 827 9642 9487
Passcode: 494966

March Lectionary

From Presbyterian Calendar

March 2, Transfiguration of the Lord

Exodus 20:1-17 & Psalms 19;
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

March 9, 1st Sunday in Lent

Numbers 21:4-9 Psalms 107:1-3, 17-22
1 Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21

March 16th, 2nd Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13 & Palms 23
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

March 23rd, 3rd Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34 & Psalms 51:1-12
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

March 30th, 4th Sunday in Lent

Acts 10:34 or Isaiah 25:6-9

March Birthdays

FPC

14th Susan Ernst
16th Byron Brandt
25th Liberty Fox
26th Winnie Barber
27th Bill Salmons

FUMC

2nd Debra Rue
10th Amanda Biery
12th Larry Lenhart
17th Marilyn Sanders
21st David Arnold
25th Steve McGuire
28th Marcia Caudle



PRESBYNEWS

March 2025



First Presbyterian Church

P.O. Box 31

Ponca City, Oklahoma 74604

(580) 762-2431

www.fpcponca.org

Worshiping at:

First United Methodist Church

200 South 6th St, Ponca City, OK 74601

580-762-1681

9am Sunday School

10am Worship

with **Pastor Leon Veazey**

Our YouTube channel Livestream link is:

[Ponca City FUMC - YouTube](#)

LENTEN, HOLY WEEK, & EASTER OPPORTUNITIES, March 5—April 20, 2025

ASH WEDNESDAY (3/5) 5:30 pm Meal, Ash Wednesday Observance with Holy Communion. [Fellowship Hall]

LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY Fridays, March 7 – April 11, 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall led by Bill Elliott. Based on Adam Hamilton's *The Message of Jesus*.

PALM SUNDAY (4/13) 10:00 am (Special Worship Service with Processional of the Palms, Liturgy, Music, Worship)

HOLY WEDNESDAY (4:16) 5:30 pm Special Easter Meal, Message: "Resurrecting Our Vision: A Church With An Outward Movement" [Fellowship Hall]

MAUNDY THURSDAY (4/17) 6:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion, Sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY (4/18) 6:00 pm Worship Service at Albright United Methodist Church, 128 S. Palm.

EASTER SUNDAY (4/20) Youth Breakfast Fund Raiser @ 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Resurrection Worship Service @ 10:00 in the Sanctuary.



Holy Week begins 13th of APRIL



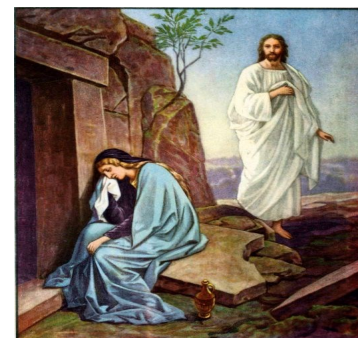
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CDC VOLUNTEER of the year, Mary Beth Hunt, CDC Director & Mary Ann Holt & Tara Goldman, Executive Director.

Large loaf round bread
8oz pkg soft cream cheese
2 cup sour cream

Shepherd's Bread

2 small jars dried beef (diced)
2 t. grated onion (optional)
A dash of Worcestershire

Slice top from bread and scoop out some of the inside. Combine other ingredients.
Fill the bread, Enjoy! (You can use non-fat cream cheese and sour cream)



**Lets Say
a Prayer for:**

FPC Prayer List
Peter and Sharon Uhlig
Family of Brad Larimer
Family of Wanda Vick
Family of Nancy Shepard
Leslie and Anne Rardin (Lost home in L.A. Fires)
Curtis Bradley (Father-in-Law of Ebberts' Daughter)
Shirley Dunster Ana Rule Chip & Jody Whipple
Dennis Poulsen Mary Gordon RosemaryOverton

FUMC Prayer List

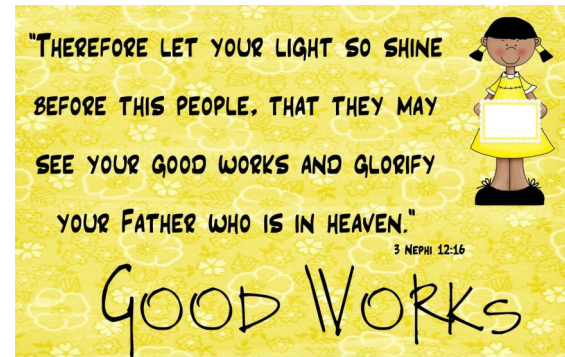
Wayne Moore (recovering from a heart attack)
Sue Lunsford (recovering at her Daughter's.)
Clarke Nickles (recovering at home)
Family of Gene Rodgers
Kaizlee, great granddaughter of Carole Rodgers (infant, severe hand infection)
Jim O'Neill (and Pauline)
Rev. James White (Ponca Indian FUMC, Carotid artery surgery)
Crystal Hammack (Diana Rankin's Sister, cancer)
Bruce Moore
Robert Pound
Kay Anthony (compression fracture/osteoarthritis in her back/cancer)
Gary Davis (Hospitalized for last few weeks)
Marcia Caudle (Contd. Back pain issues)
Sandi Hedinger (Complications after surgery)
Dan Flewelling (Awaiting surgery)
Claire Scott (Awaiting surgery)

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO:

Email prayer requests to pastor@fumcpc.org or maureen@fpcponca.org
Submit a prayer request card from the back of the pews at church during the offertory.
ALWAYS make sure you have permission to share publicly before submitting a request.



Daylight Savings time begins March 9th



Check out the T-Shirts, Great idea for information about them
Call FUMC 762-1681

MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

THE MISSION

Items are still being collected for the Mission on South Avenue. Items needed are: clothing, bedding, towels, soap. There is a small box for plastic spoons, forks and knives, these item must be in plastic wrapper that they came in.

PONCA CITY NURSING HOME

Soap, Toothpaste, brushes, combs, lotions, shaving cream, etc. All sizes of sweat suits, robes, gowns, socks. Puzzles, board games, cards, crossword and crypto quote books.



BEANY BABIES NEEDED FOR FRIENDSHIP FEAST



If you want a friend you must be a friend.

Friendship Feast

2nd Tuesday in:
February April June
August October December



March 2025

273 Acacia St., Altadena, CA 91001-5513

rardinmusic@gmail.com

Leslie: (580) 341-6601

Ann: (213) 327-5529

Ponca City FUMC 02/04/24

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>A best friend is like a four-leaf clover: Hard to find and lucky to have.</i></p> <p><i>—Anonymous</i></p> <p>2 Communion 9am Youth Sunday School 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p> <p>9 Daylight Savings Time 9am Youth Sunday School 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p> <p>16 9am Youth Sunday School 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p> <p>23 9am Youth Sunday School 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p> <p>30 9am Youth Sunday School 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p>	<p>3 3:30pm Weight Group 7pm Bible Study 6pm Carillon Bells</p> <p>10 3:30pm Weight Group 7pm Bible Study 6pm Carillon Bells</p> <p>17 3:30pm Weight Group 7pm Bible Study 6pm Carillon Bells</p> <p>24 3:30pm Groupu 7pm Bible Study 6pm Carillon Bells</p> <p>31 3:30pm Group 7pm Bible Study 6pm Carillon Bells</p>	<p>4 Coryell Cupboard 8am to 10 am & 4pm to 6 Chancel Bells 1pm 8:30am Men's Coffee Group</p> <p>11 Coryell Cupboard 8am to 10 am & 4pm to 6 Chancel Bells 1pm 8:30am Men's Coffee Group</p> <p>18 Coryell Cupboard 8am to 10 am & 4pm to 6 Chancel Bells 1pm 8:30am Men's Coffee Group</p> <p>25 Coryell Cupboard 8am to 10 am & 4pm to 6 Chancel Bells 1pm 8:30am Men's Coffee Group</p> <p>Coryell Cupboard 8am to 10 am & 4pm to 6 Chancel Bells 1pm 8:30am Men's Coffee Group</p>	<p>Mission Committee 1st Wednesday of month ↓</p> <p>5 5:30 ASH WEDNESDAY With HOLY COMMUNION 10am Bible Study Via Christi 3:30JAM / 5:30 Youth</p> <p>12 10am Bible Study Via Christi 3:30JAM / 5:30 Youth Wednesday Night Llve</p> <p>19 10am Bible Study Via Christi 3:30JAM / 5:30 Youth Wednesday Night Llve</p> <p>26 10am Bible Study Via Christi 3:30JAM / 5:30 Youth Wednesday Night Llve</p> <p>10am Bible Study Via Christi JAM / 5:30 Youth Wednesday Night Llve</p>	<p>6</p> <p>13 1:30 Building Grounds & Finance</p> <p>20 6pm Session</p> <p>27</p>	<p>7 10am LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY</p> <p>14 10am LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY</p> <p>21 10am LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY</p> <p>28 10am LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY</p>	<p>1</p> <p>8</p> <p>15</p> <p>22</p> <p>29</p>



A Note from Your Treasurer

31 January 2025

First Presbyterian finished the first month of the New Year with a bank balance of \$39,390 compared to \$74,737 at the end of January 2024.

Our income for the month of January, 2025, \$35,182, while greater than the same month one year ago, \$12,013, this January's number includes \$25,000 drawn from TPF to ensure adequate funds to cover planned expenses.

Expenses for January 2025, \$19,921, were slightly higher than for the same month in 2024, \$15,979. Until the church property has been sold, this will be an ongoing situation, and we will continue to see our monthly expenses exceed our income and continue to draw from our investments as necessary to meet our obligations.

Below are the year-to-date numbers for the month of January 2025 compared to the same month one year previous.

As of January 31, 2025:

As of January 31, 2024:

Receipts \$35,182
Expenses: \$12,013
 \$33,169

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 \$15,979
 (\$3,966)

With our having celebrated the first anniversary of our joint ministry with First United Methodist Church, it was appropriate that the Memorandum of Understanding be reviewed. With that review, all shared ministry employees are now fully on FUMC's staff, and our share of the operating expenses has been adjusted to adequately share in the cost of the Ministries of Youth and Children as well as an appropriate share of other overhead expenses including space occupied by the Coryell Cupboard.

The mail continues to be received at the Grand Avenue address for the foreseeable future but, as reported previously, **our mailing address is now P.O. Box 31, Ponca City, OK, 74602.**

For submitting weekly offerings in the worship service, use the blue envelopes in the pew rack. As always, you may mail offerings to the church office to the address above. You may also, if you choose, go online to the church's webpage (www.fpcponca.org), click on the green "Give Now" button and present your offering, using your credit or debit card. You may also donate using your smartphone or tablet, once again using your debit or credit card, by pointing your mobile device's camera at the QR Code appearing here.



First Presbyterian Church is committed to mission and your continued faithful support through your offerings is encouraged and greatly appreciated.

If you are unable to attend Sunday worship services, you may follow online at <https://www.fumcpc.org> and click on the "Watch on Facebook Live" button. There are also links on our homepage, <http://www.fpcponca.org>, for YouTube videos of each Sunday's worship service at First United Methodist Church.

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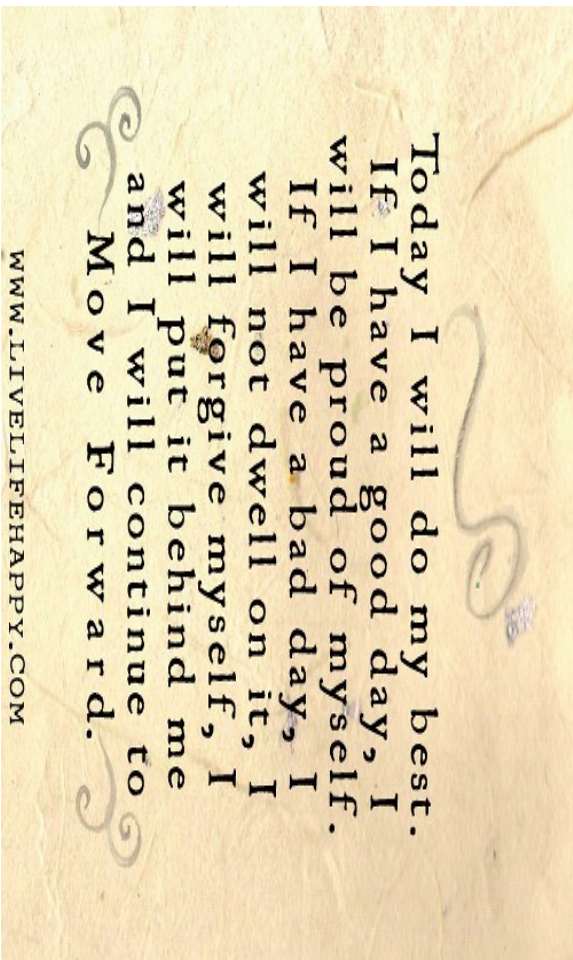
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9:00am Sunday School

10:00am Worship Service

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With Pastor Leon Veazey

First Presbyterian Ministers in Leadership

Interim Pastor: Mark Southard

Music Director: Ann Salmons

Ministers (the entire congregation)

SESSION

Lisa Lessert 27 Dawn Spaulding 27 Emma Kimbrel 27

Kerry Ebbert 26 Linda Vanderburg 26 Mike Vanderburg 26

Rick Norris 25 Steve Ernst 25 Joe Lessert 25

Gay Norris (Clerk of Session)