

THE COURIER NEWSLETTER

Seeking to be a living testimony to God's love, grace, and mercy.

When I was a child I remember hunting Easter eggs in my grandparent's yard. The winding sidewalk that led to their front porch was lined with jonquils, or "March lilies", as we called them. The flowers provided proper hiding places for Easter eggs and our baskets were soon filled with colorful hard boiled eggs decorated for the special occasion. No plastic eggs in my childhood! When spring arrives and I see jonquils blooming, precious memories are triggered. When my grandparents visited us in the spring, grandmother, "Mamaw", often brought a fresh bouquet of jonquils wrapped in wet newspapers.

March lilies usually accompany "March Madness" and Mamaw was a great basketball fan. Being a former player at Hart Memorial High School in Canmer, Kentucky, she had a great love for the game. When I played high school and limited college basketball my grandparents never missed a home game. When I was a high school senior Mamaw wrote Coach Rupp and recommended that he consider me as a player for UK. She received a polite letter from the basketball office, but I never heard back from Coach Rupp!

Mamaw taught a 12 year old Sunday School class for years and she and my grandfather were faithful members of the choir at Campbellsville Baptist Church. Writing was one of my grandmother's hobbies and she had several articles published in the *Courier-Journal* and in several magazines. Mamaw also enjoyed painting and her paintings were often Christmas gifts neatly framed by my carpenter grandfather.

Unfortunately, my grandmother slipped on an icy sidewalk, developed a blood clot in her lung, and her life ended far too soon at age 72. When gathered for her visitation my then young cousin, Russ, brought a small bouquet of fresh jonquils. And when the day came when my grandfather joined my grandmother in heaven, my mother received a small painting of jonquils Mamaw had done. I asked my mother if I could have the painting that now hangs in our home.

So when "March Madness" comes and the "March lilies" announce the arrival of spring, my heart blossoms with fragrant memories! I am reminded of Mamaw's waffle breakfasts, playing Rook, drinking Pepsi floats, playing croquet on summer nights and singing around the piano. When I see jonquils blooming Jesus' words come to mind, "And why are you worried...observe how the lilies of the field grow; they do not toil nor do they spin, yet I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these." (Matthew 6:28)

Thank you, Lord, for Mamaw and "March lilies"!

With love in Christ,

Terry

Rev. Terry Lester



First Presbyterian is doing a Lenten Study that will meet each Tuesday evening at 6:00 PM between Ash Wednesday and Holy Week.

Rev. Silence has chosen to select topics from the book, <u>BEYOND DOUBT</u>; <u>Questions Christians Ask</u>, written by Dr. Cornelius Plantingia. Participants do not need to purchase a book.

Everyone has been invited to join them. A light supper will be provided.



Special Way to Help Remembrance Trust Fund:

The Worship Committee will be buying a limited number of Easter lilies to decorate this Lenten season.

If you would like to "purchase" one or more of these lilies to honor or memorialize a loved one, you may for a minimum donation of \$10.00. A portion of your donation will keep on giving because the net of the lily's expense will be donated to the SFPC Remembrance Trust Fund. You may also donate

without purchasing a plant, just write <u>RTF Fund</u> in the memo line of your check.

Orders may be brought to the church, mailed to the SFPC office or placed in the offering plates on 3/17 and 3/24.

They must arrive by Monday, March 25.

Arriving later will not guarantee publishment in the bulletin on Easter. Thank you, The Worship Committee	
Donor:	Number of "Plants" (\$10 each):
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Please print carefully, we don't want to make a mistake.

Use another sheet of paper if you need more room to write. Please include payment with your order or donation.

Please indicate if you wish to take your lily home. Yes or No Please circle.

If so, please take the lily home anytime after the Easter service.



March 19, 2024

Meetings and Activities

Tuesday, March 19

12:00 ... Lunch Bunch, Brown Barrel in Frankfort

12:30 ... Visitation for Silas Noel Jones

2:00 ... Celebration of Life for Mr. Jones, both at SFPC

6:00 ... Lenten Study, First Presbyterian Church, All are invited.

Wednesday, March 20

5:45 ... Bell Choir

7:00 ... Choir

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

10:00 ... Counterpoints & Faith in Action Adult classes

10:00 ... No Youth classes, they will practice in the Sanctuary. high school Sunday School classes

11:00 ... In person and Facebook Worship Service, Rev. Terry Lester

12:00 ... Deacons' Meeting

6:00 ... Youth Group

Monday, March 25 Lily money and name/s are due.

2:00 ... Bridge

4:30 ... Knitting

6:00 ... SFNA Meeting, Fellowship Hall See Karen Bergman.

Tuesday, March 26

6:00 ... Lenten Study, First Presbyterian Church, All are invited.

Wednesday, March 27

5:45 ... Bell Choir

7:00 ... Choir

Thursday, March 28

6:00 ... Maundy Thursday Service, SFPC Communion

Friday, March 29

5:00 ... Good Friday Commemoration, Cove Springs

Sunday, March 31 Easter, Communion

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

10:00 ... Counterpoints & Faith in Action Adult classes

10:00 ... Youth & High school classes

11:00 ... In person and Facebook Worship Service, Rev. Terry Lester

6:00 ... Youth Group

<u> Monday, April 1</u>

2:00 ... Bridge

4:30 ... Knitting

Tuesday, April 2

12:00 ... Circle 3 Carolyn Underwood's Home

5:30 ... Circle 2



SFPC Easter Activities

Please join us on **Good Friday** (3/29) at Cove Springs at 5 pm to commemorate the crucifixion and celebrate the resurrection. The church will be serving pizza. If you desire, bring a salad, dessert or something to share. Sign up & RSVP here detailing the food item and your plans to attend: https:forms.gle/8z1aiD8eiWo7qGkn7

After dinner we will be going on a hike and gathering items to build fairy and gnome houses. Together, children and adults will enjoy building a tiny village out of the gathered natural materials. Everyone will take home their very own handmade cross to remember this day. We hope you will join us in fellowship, food and fun

On **Easter Sunday** (3/31), the children's Sunday school classes will engage in a scavenger Easter egg hunt during their Sunday school class. If you want to contribute to this activity, please prepare 10 filled Easter eggs and place them in the Fellowship Fall by Saturday (3/30).

Lindsey Kimbleton



Attendance: March 17, 2024 SFPC in person Worship: 80 Join us Sundays- 11:00 a.m.,

also online service.

During our livestreaming time, you can go to

YouTube, go to http://bit.ly/ SFPCYouTube or just search for South Frankfort Presbyterian Church. Please "subscribe"

The next week, you may go to www.sfpcky.org, the church's website and choose "Videos."

to our YouTube channel.

If not in the service please consider

donating one of two ways:

- 1. Mail a check to: South Frankfort Presbyterian Church 224 Steele Street, Frankfort, KY 40601.
- 2. Click the green "Give Now" button on our website at sfpcky.org. You can start and manage your account, and even set up repeating donations.

March 10, 2024 Offering: \$1,878.00

Prayer List

Sondra Massie Glenda Harned
Haylee Mucci Shirley Blackwell
Gerry Jones Ann Brooks
Lilly Ann Brooks Mattie Baker Scott
Mickie Smith Dottie Herzel
Mary Griffey Chris Richards
Noel Jones Family Gwen Mayes

Family of Hannay Hayes Helen Taulbee

Memorial Donations In Memory of Noel Jones

Pat Greer
Ann Brooks
Martha Schmidt
Beth Avent
Bill Cheek
Jim Roberts
Bobby and Stephanie Rhodes

March ... 3 Robert Bryan

March ... 3 Peter Croswell

March ... 5 Dorothy Herzel

March ... 9 Chase Sweger March ... 9 Jonathan Philpot-II

March ... 9 Johathan Filipot March ... 11 Sarah Tharpe

March ... 12 Fred Bebe

March ... 17 Ann Croswell

March ... 17 Colleen Pomper

March ... 17 Diana Andrews

March ... 18 Mary Cheek

March ... 18 George Perry

March ... 19 Robert Walker Hall

March ... 21 Brenda Duvall

March ... 26 Kendall Brown

March ... 26 Hannah Metzger

March ... 29 Jonathan Philpot

THINK WASHCLOTHS

Mid-Ky Presbytery has taken on the task of filling 1,000 Personal Hygiene Kits to be used by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for those in need. SFPC's role in this project is to supply 300 washcloths for the kits.

There will be a box in Fellowship Hall where you can place your washcloths. (Big Lots has a nice 9 pack for \$4 99)

This would be a great project for Sunday School classes or the Youth Group! In addition if anyone would like to volunteer to take the washcloths to Beulah Presbyterian Church in Louisville or would like to help assemble the kits there

Saturday, April 13, please let Marty Schmidt know.

Thank you,

The Outreach Committee



March Birthdays