

MARCH 2022

First Presbyterian Church



Greetings from the Clerk of Session,

My office at the university is on the same floor as the history department. In the last few days, I've asked history professors to provide me with context for the war in Ukraine and Russia's invasion. Since I'm also among psychology professor, I could try and ask them what Putin could be thinking to motivate such violence and suffering. As people of faith, many of us are also filled with questions including Why is this happening? What can we do about the suffering in Ukraine, Poland, and the surrounding region?

Donating money is one way to help those suffering in Europe. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) launched an appeal for funds to help support the Church's humanitarian response to the war started by Russia. You can contribute to the Disaster Relief-International Refugee Program (DR000156) by calling 1-800-872-3283 or mailing a check with Ukraine Relief on the memo line to:

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
P.O. Box 643700
Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

Secondly, we can pray. We can pray for the people of Ukraine who are suffering and afraid. We can pray for peace and diplomacy. We can give prayers of thanksgiving for the kindness of the people of Poland and others responding to the flood of refugees.

Third, we can limit the amount of news we are watching or reading. We can focus on our well-being and the well-being of others in Rolla. We can take a walk, call a friend or do something for someone else. We live in an international community. There S&T faculty members and others from Russia, Poland, and Ukraine among us. We can reach out to them. We can reach out to others who might be impacted by these events.

Finally, we can have faith. In this period of Lent we can imagine the early followers of Christ had similar questions, doubts, and fears. We know the good news of Easter, we can have faith that God will answers the prayers across the world for peace and healing for those facing and fleeing violence in Ukraine.

Susan

Administrative Committee

2022 PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla, Missouri

\$38.50 per member

The 2022 Per Capita for ecclesiastical expenses is based upon the membership of your church as reported to General Assembly on December 31, 2020.

Membership December 31, 2020..... 120

General Assembly	\$ 8.98 per member	\$ 1,077.60
Synod of Mid-America	\$2.90 per member	\$ 348.00
John Calvin Presbytery	\$ 26.62 per member	\$ 3,194.40
TOTAL PER CAPITA FOR 2022		\$ 4,620.00

00100 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Infant Room Remodel and Ramp
1st Presbyterian Church of Rolla
919 E 10th Street, Rolla, MO 65401

Emailed Bids will be received on behalf of the Owner, First Presbyterian Church of Rolla, until 5:00 PM on Monday, March 21, 2022, and there at said office privately opened and reviewed for the construction of the following:

Infant Room Remodel and Ramp located at 919 E 10th Street, Rolla, MO 65401 in accordance with the plans. This work includes but is not limited to construction and coordination of all work associated with providing the Owner a complete project, including a new steel and concrete exterior ramp, a new restroom, new casework, new doors, new flooring, new base, new painted walls and ceilings, new power receptacles, and new and relocated light fixtures.

A complete set of bidding documents are available for review at the office of the Engineer, Archer-Elgin, 310 East 6th Street, Rolla, Missouri 65401.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive abnormalities or irregularities, and to determine the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder, and to award the contract on that basis.

Contractor will be allowed until Aug 1, 2022, to complete the project. The Owner anticipates issuance of a notice to proceed within 7 days of bid date.

No bidder may withdraw their bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

March 7, 2022

Date

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla

Owner

ENGINEER'S PROJECT NO. 21101002 |

OUTREACH AND MISSION

Basket of Hope



THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE INVITES AND ENCOURAGES US ALL TO FILL OUR EASTER BASKETS OF HOPE FOR RUSSELL HOUSE, GRACE AND THE ROLLA MISSION.

WE WILL COLLECT ONE ITEM FOR EACH WEEK OF LENT.

WEEK FOUR- LAUNDRY DETERGENT

WEEK FIVE- ALL-PURPOSE CLEANER

WEEK SIX- DEODORANT

PNC COMMITTEE

THE PNC HAS BEEN MEETING WEEKLY. WE ARE NOW WRITING THE MIF (MINISTRY INFORMATION FORM).

WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THE LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES SECTION.

WE WILL BE USING THE INFORMATION WE GATHERED FROM THE HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS GIVEN BY GREG EMERY OVER THE MEETINGS LAST SUMMER AND FALL.

WE WILL SOON BE MEETING WITH THE SESSION TO COMPLETE THE MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION OF THE MINISTRY OF OUR CHURCH.

WE WILL BE GIVING YOU UPDATES AS WE PROGRESS. IF ANYONE HAS QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, PLEASE CONTACT DIXIE FINLEY, NORA SANDQUIST, MING LEU, STEVE SKELTON OR MAUDANNE PURSLEY.

WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE

JONATHAN KIMBALL, CHAIR

BLESSINGS TO YOU THIS LENTEN SEASON! THIS IS A TIME OF PREPARATION FOR THE COMING OF EASTER. WHETHER OR NOT YOU OBSERVE A LENTEN FAST, I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO ADD A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE—ADDITIONAL PRAYER OR BIBLE STUDY, A COMMITMENT TO OBSERVING THE SABBATH, OR PERHAPS RENEWED COMMITMENT TO WORSHIP.

RECENTLY, WE RECEIVED AND INSTALLED OUR NEW SOUND BOARD! THIS WAS A MAJOR STEP FORWARD IN IMPROVING BOTH THE LIVE SOUND IN THE SANCTUARY AND THE OTHER SOUND STREAMS—THE HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES, LIVE STREAM, AND SERMON PODCAST. WITH ANYTHING NEW, THERE ARE ALWAYS A FEW HICCUPS, BUT I THINK THOSE ARE BEHIND US NOW. AS I HAVE MENTIONED, THOUGH, PLEASE LET ME KNOW OF ANYTHING THAT YOU THINK NEEDS TO BE IMPROVED. FOR EXAMPLE, I WAS TOLD THAT THERE WAS TOO MUCH PIANO IN THE HEARING ASSISTANCE FEED—AN EASY FIX. I WAS ALSO TOLD THAT THE LAPEL MIC WAS WAY TOO LOUD ON THE LIVE STREAM (YOUTUBE) WHEN I SERVED COMMUNION—ANOTHER EASY FIX. THERE ARE A HUGE NUMBER OF ADJUSTMENTS THAT CAN BE MADE, BUT ONLY IF I KNOW ABOUT THEM. OUR GOAL IS THAT THE SOUND SYSTEM SHOULD JUST NATURALLY ENHANCE YOUR ENJOYMENT OF WORSHIP.

HOLY WEEK BEGINS WITH PALM SUNDAY ON APRIL 10. YES, THERE WILL BE PALMS! THEN WE PLAN TO HOLD A MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AT VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK (APRIL 14, TENTATIVELY 5:30 PM). WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT THAT. ALL OF WHICH BUILDS UP TO EASTER SUNDAY ON APRIL 17. IN 2020, WE DID NOT HAVE ANY CORPORATE WORSHIP FOR EASTER. IN 2021, WE HADN'T BEEN WORSHIPING TOGETHER FOR A WHILE, SO WE HELD THE SERVICE IN THE PARKING LOT. I HATE TO JINX IT, BUT IT SEEMS THAT WE CAN PLAN ON INDOOR CORPORATE WORSHIP FOR EASTER 2022! I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS HIGHEST OF HOLY DAYS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH.

ANOTHER BLESSED DAY IN THE CHURCH IS ANY DAY WE CAN CELEBRATE ONE OF THE SACRAMENTS. WE WERE BLESSED RECENTLY TO WELCOME BRYAN MARTIN AS A FELLOW CHILD OF GOD AND A PART OF CHRIST'S BODY. HE HAS BEEN WORSHIPING WITH US FOR A WHILE—SOME BEFORE THE PANDEMIC, AND SERIOUSLY SINCE WE RESUMED CORPORATE WORSHIP. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING WITH HIM OVER THE COURSE OF A FEW MONTHS. HE HAS A WONDERFUL HEART FOR GOD. I LOOK FORWARD TO HIM GROWING IN FAITH AND IN HIS COMMITMENT TO SERVING GOD'S CHURCH.

IN CLOSING, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE REST OF THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE, INCLUDING OUR OUTGOING CHAIR, PAM COTTINGHAM, WHO CONTINUES TO ASSIST WITH USHERING. MAKING WORSHIP HAPPEN EACH SUNDAY REQUIRES THE COMMITMENT OF MANY INDIVIDUALS WORKING TOGETHER. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP IN ANY WAY—AS WORSHIP LEADER, USHER, AUDIO/VIDEO, OR ANY OTHER JOB YOU SEE THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE—PLEASE TALK TO ME OR TO ANY MEMBER OF THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE.

***BIRTHDAY WISHES
FOR MARCH GO OUT TO***

JACOB DREWNIAK,
LUCY GREIG,
DEBORAH HALL,
DAVID COTTINGHAM,
RYNE FOX,
STEVE BOWLES,
LEE BENNETT
BOB ANDERSON



***ANNIVERSARY WISHES
FOR MARCH GO OUT TO***



EUGENE & JANICE ZANDERS,
JONATHAN & RHONDA KIMBALL
GEORGE & FREDI ZOBRIST

PRAYER REQUEST

Judy Fox - recovering from cerebral surgery.

Connie Dewitt - Continuing care after brain surgery and heart issues..

Gail Podgurski - Daughter of Former Pastor Miles White undergoing observation for health issues.

Carla Simmons - Recuperating after heart issues.

Lee, Ruby Malone - Residing at Silverstone (Ruby with some memory problems - Lee with Falling issues)

Tom Eychamer - Barb and Kelly's brother - dealing with continuing health issues.

Kelly Dean - Continuing respiratory issues.

Julie Murray- Continuing health challenges.

Bettysu Cory - (Jamie White's mother) has been hospitalized recently with infection. Anticipating return to Cedar Pointe soon.

Emily Nakanishi - Recovering at home after hospital stay.

Carlene and Bob May - Both had good cancer surveillance report, will be continuing surveillance. Bob is also recovering well from hip surgery.

Bill May's family- (Janet brown's brother recently passed)

**THE PRAYER REQUEST LIST WILL START OVER ABOUT
EVERY
TWO MONTHS.**

**IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS
PUT ON OR TAKEN OFF THE LIST,
PLEASE CONTACT KATIE IN THE OFFICE**