

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, March 9, 2025

8:30am - 12:30pm Childcare Available.....Room 207  
 8:45am Contemporary Worship.....Centrum  
 9:30am Fellowship Time .....Narthex  
 9:50am Bible Study.....Chapel  
 9:50am Adult Sunday School.....Cana Class Rm  
 9:50am Children's Activity & Worship....Sunday School  
 10:30am Chancel Choir Rehearsal.....Choir Rm  
 11:00am Traditional Worship..... Centrum  
 1:30pm Opus Rehearsal.....Adult Choir Rm  
 2:00pm CCUM Pickleball.....Gym  
 4:30pm Youth Dance.....Centrum  
 4:30pm Jubilate.....Children's Choir Rm  
 5:00pm Youth Group.....Omega

### Monday, March 10, 2025

5:30pm Fife Street Fellowship.....Offsite  
 7:00pm WV Symphony Chorus.....Centrum

### Tuesday, March 11, 2025

11:00am Assistance Ministry.....Narthex  
 6:00pm WomanSong Rehearsal.....Adult Choir Rm

### Wednesday, March 12, 2025

12:00pm Donathan Organ Recital.....1<sup>st</sup> Presby  
 1:00pm Yarnettes.....Potter Rm  
 5:30pm Chancel Ringers Rehearsal.....Centrum  
 6:00pm CCUM K-2 Basketball Practice.....Gym  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal.....Adult Choir Rm

### Thursday, March 13, 2025

11:00am UWif Bible Study.....Potter Rm  
 6:00pm CCUM Pickleball.....Gym

### Friday, March 14, 2025

12:00pm Al-Anon.....Omega

### Saturday, March 15, 2025

9:00am womanSong Rehearsal.....Adult Choir Rm  
 2:00pm Nick Tompkins Funeral.....Centrum  
 5:00pm Charleston Chamber Music....Centrum/Potter Rm

## Mark Your Summer Calendars!

Summer Arts Camp July 7-11 (Morning)  
 Vacation Bible School, July 14-17 (Evening)



All are invited to **COMPASSION CALLS US DAY**, Thursday, March 13, 2025, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Little Rotunda of the WV State Capitol. This year's theme is "Bread Not Stones" taken from Matthew 7:9-12, which culminates with the Golden Rule. It is a call urging our leaders to craft policies that benefit all people and bring life rather than doing harm. This year's speakers: **Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett** of the West Virginia and Holston Conferences of the United Methodist Church. **Bishop Mark Brennan** of the Wheeling-Charleston Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church, **Presiding Elder, Alton Dillard** of the West Virginia District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and **Rev. Mary Sanders** of Community Lutheran Partners.



*Who will feed the kids this weekend?*

For the month of March, we are collecting canned pasta, canned soup, and cans of beanie weenies. Donations may be placed in the Backpack Ministry Bin in the Narthex. For financial donations, please mark "Weberwood Backpack Ministry" on your donation at Text-To-Give at 855-953-1471 or on your check so the donation is credited properly. Thank you for supporting these students.



## This Week's News & Events

March 9, 2025 - March 15, 2025

Sunday, March 9, 2025  
 First Sunday in Lent

*"Jesus Prayed When Tempted to Do Good"*

Rev. Dr. Timothy Bias, Lead Pastor  
 Luke 5: 15-16

Ashley Wood, Certified Lay Minister  
 Minister of Children & Youth

Rev. David Donathan, Deacon  
 Minister of Worship Arts/Organist

Rev. Dr Randy Flanagan, Pastor Emeritus

Anne Silbernagel, Liturgist

Julia Frankenberry, Acolyte

Taylor Wood, Childcare  
 Room 207

The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Fred Albert's uncle, James Frederick Albert, who passed away on February 23, 2025, and his father, Jack Hufford Albert Sr., who passed on March 10, 2017.

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## Check Out This Week's Blog by Rev. Dr. Timothy Bias



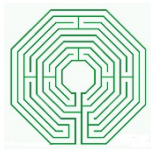
### Answering God's Call in the Church Today

How do you describe your call to ministry? Usually, a call to ministry involves a deep sense of the presence of God. It is related to an event or experience of deep spiritual conviction. Sometimes a call to ministry is related to a particular vocation. It is articulated as a "calling." We have made professional ministry a "calling," as well as teaching, being a nurse, doctor, or lawyer to name a few vocations.

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## Lenten Organ Recital Series

During the Lenten season, First Presbyterian Church will sponsor an organ recital every Wednesday beginning at 12:15pm. Each recital will be 30 minutes in length and will be presented by an area organist. The series begins on Wednesday, March 12 with our Minister of Worship Arts/Organist, David Donathan, presenting the first recital. A freewill offering will be collected to aid an outreach ministry of First Presbyterian.



Beginning this Monday, March 10, the Memorial Prayer Labyrinth in the Centrum will be available from 8:00am-5:00pm Monday thru Thursday, and 8:00am-noon on Friday.

## Bible Study in the Chapel



Each Sunday during Lent, Dr. Bias will lead a lecture-style Bible study in the Chapel.

During the Chapel study, if parents with children want to attend, Ashley will be offering a children's activity and worship time upstairs in the children's ministry area. Ashley will meet you at "The Connection Point" in the Narthex at 9:50 to lead your children upstairs.

Our Lenten study will focus upon the when, what, and why Jesus prayed. From his prayer life, we get clues on who we are as followers of Jesus and how prayer can shape our lives in everyday situations and circumstances.

March 9 - Luke 3:21-22 The Baptism of Jesus  
Luke 5:15-16 The Temptation of Jesus

March 16 - Luke 6:12-16 The Choosing of the Twelve  
Luke 9:12-17 The Feeding of the 5000

March 23 - Luke 9:19-20 Confession Jesus is the Christ  
Luke 9:29-36 The Transfiguration

March 30 - Luke 10:21 A Prayer of Thanksgiving  
Luke 11:1-4 Lord, Teach Us To Pray  
Luke 22:14-23 The Last Supper

April 6 - Luke 22:31-34 Praying for Simon Peter  
Luke 22:39-46 Praying at the Mount of Olives

April - 13 Luke 23:34 Father, Forgive Them  
Luke 23:44-49 Jesus Commends His Life to God

April 20 - Easter (no Chapel study)

April 27 - Luke 24:28-31 Blessing and Hospitality  
Luke 24:50-51 Benediction

## Check Out This Week's Podcast by Rev. Dr. Timothy Bias



### Episode 362 - The Prayer Life of Jesus

As Lent begins, take a deeper look at the prayer life of Jesus. Jesus' prayers weren't just words—they were a way of being, shaping his relationship with God and guiding Jesus' mission.

In our latest episode, explore how Jesus teaches us to pray with boldness, trust, and expectancy. Discover four key aspects of prayer, learn how Jesus' rhythm of ministry and retreat can shape your own life, and hear a powerful story about trusting God's call. Join us as we step into this season of prayer together.

To listen to Tim's podcast go to:  
<https://www.transformingmission.org>



## Assistance Ministry

The Assistance Ministry closet needs toilet paper, dish soap, & women and men's hygiene products. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

## LAST WEEK'S WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

In Person	151
Online	240
<b>Total</b>	<b>391</b>