

Calendar, Birthdays, and More ...

Wed	Mar	4	Bells Practice	5:00 PM
Wed	Mar	4	Choir Practice	6:00 PM
Fri	Mar	6	Narcotics Anonymous	7:00 PM

Birthdays: *Karen Eberle (3/7)*

Flowers: No flowers

chancel vases open for dedications March 2026

March 8, 2026....one (1)

March 15, 2026 ...two(2)

March 22, 2026 ...one (1)

March 29, 2026.. two (2)

Sunday, March 1, 2026

2nd Sunday of Lent



First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City
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"Learn What to Seek"

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Office Hours: 9:00 – 12:00 Noon
Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday

Communion:

The elders will serve Communion from both the middle and side aisles and the congregants need to pass the plate back to the elders.

Order of Worship: Sunday, March 1, 2026

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We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds:

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem—built as a city that God binds firmly together. (adapted from Ps 122:1-3)

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship:

Jackie Bates

One: Let us come to the house of Lord.

All: Here we find God's people, gathered for worship.

One: We know that God is with us everywhere,

All: But here is our community.

One: Together, we experience God's love and grace.

All: Together, we hear God's call that sends us forth as one.

Choral Introit "God of Our Life"

*** Hymn: "We Gather Together" # 559
(Blue Hymnal)**

*** Passing the Peace - *Please turn to your neighbor and pass the peace of Christ***

Call to Confession:

God calls us to worship, and brings us into this community, as well as the whole of God's world. But it is too easy for us to forget why we are here

Current Prayer Concerns:

Virginia Miller

Lydia Frasca

Bob & Dee Lebo

William Steger

Christine Ruskin-*friend of Marty*

Joe Nasatka-*friend of Marty*

Amy Etheridge- *Friend of Beth Fisher*

Mark Payne- *Friend of Beth Fisher*

Larry Steele — *Family of Dee Lebo*

Pat and Ben Steele — *Family of Dee Lebo*

Beth Miller — *Friend of the Hales*

Chuck Shorley — *Friend of the Hales*

Scott Blank — *Friend of the Hales*

Chris Hazard — *Brother of Ann Hales*

Carol Reese

Sarah & Cliff Dypsky

Maria Kontoyianni— *Friend of Carol Scott*

Gene Peavley - *friend of the Hales*

Brooke Cannell - *relative of the Hales.*

Janet Bischler - *sister-in-law of Rich and Nancy Wright*

Jonelle Jones

Rich Wright

Bob Reese

Patti Seaman—*sister of Jonelle Jones*

Fellowship Hosts Coming Up:

Mar 1 Jan Owens (or Jonelle Jones)

Mar 8 Barbara & Betsy Kipila

Mar 15 Nancy Wright (or Lisa)

Mar 22 Marci Russell

Mar 29 Jan Owens

April 5 Easter NO FELLOWSHIP

April 12 Mabel Rogers

Prayer after Communion and the Lord's Prayer

* Hymn: "O Jesus, I Have Promised" #388
(Blue Hymnal)

Charge
Benediction
Response
Postlude "Gospel Amen"

Music license: CCLI-#1650329.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

begins Sunday March 8th.

our clocks get turned BACK one hour this Saturday night.

Member Dawn Butler is looking for a new rental in Ocean City. If you know of something available, please let Dawn know.

Pastor Jon's Info:

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in this place or in God's world. God sends us to support each other, to spread the good news of the gospel, and to work with God to heal this broken world. Instead, we often focus on our differences, or rank ourselves, or fail to share the sheer power of God's word. In the company of these saints, we confess our own shortcomings.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

O God, we pray to you in confession that we have lost sight of your glory. We have given you half-hearted praise on our way to living our own lives. We have focused too much on our own independence and not enough on your community. We have planned how to do good for our own people, instead of grander efforts for good of your entire world and all of its inhabitants. For all of these things, we ask for your forgiveness.

A time for silent meditation

Assurance of Pardon:

God has seen our failings, and loves us through them. When we do not follow, God takes us by the hand and guides us gently. God's care for us never ends, and God has never and will never give up on us. Rest in this assurance: God has given us everything sufficient for. God's glory and God has already forgiven us. Hallelujah! Amen.

* **Gloria Patri** (unison) **#622**

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

* Doxology (unison) #625

Prayer of Dedication

Choral Anthem: "At Home, Let There Be Love"

Prayer for Illumination: (unison)

O God, open our ears to your teaching, so that our mouths can learn to sing your praise, our feet can learn to follow your steps, and our hands can do your work in this world.

1st Scripture reading: Psalm 121

(p. 612 in pew Bible)

Jackie Bates

2nd Reading: Luke 9:51-56

(p.1027 in pew Bible)

Pastor Jon Berquist

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Time with Children & Youth

Pastor Jon Berquist

Gentle Chorale -- First Presby Ringers

Sermon "Learn What to Seek"

Pastor Jon Berquist

* Hymn: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" # 357 (Blue Hymnal)

Affirmation of Faith (Apostles Creed) (Unison)
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Let us lift up our hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to give you out thanks and praise, O God, for you have freely bestowed your glorious grace on us...

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

The body of Christ broken for you.

The blood of Christ poured out for you.

Please wait in your pews, as elders pass the plates. Then pass the plate to your neighbors. You may partake of the elements at a time of your choosing.