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~ Marvelous March ~

Pastor: Rev. Brian R. Louis
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Office Hours: 9 am - 2 pm Mon-Fri
Worship Service: 10:30 am



**Faith is so thankful that you are worshipping
with us every Sunday at 10:30 am!**

**Join your Faith Family during the
Advent Season!**



~ WALKING IN FAITH ~

March
2024 NEWSLETTER
Faith Presbyterian Church
Sierra Vista, Arizona



Faith Presbyterian's Mission Statement

We are Faith Presbyterian, and we seek to do God's work through Christian worship, education, fellowship, and outreach ministry as we serve an awesome God....

WHAT'S HAPPENING - OUTREACH MINISTRY



**Game Day, at 2:00 pm
March 27, Stevenson
Hall.**

**Come and have fun in the
afternoon with your Faith
buddies!**



Please continue to bring your donations for the Food Bank. Non-perishables are needed.

MARCH STEPHEN MINISTRY NEWS

Casa De La Paz, a local hospice health partner, will be presenting a workshop on the "5 Wishes / Advance Directive Planning." Alex Guerra will be the presenter.

The date will be April 15, 2024, from 1-2:30 pm in Stevenson Hall.

Please RSVP by April 8th to Pam Winters, Stephen Ministry Moderator, at 419-707-2908. A notary will be present and provide her services at no cost for notarizing these documents. Please share this information with others on such a useful program !



**FELLOWSHIP
BREAKFAST**
Thursday, March 7
My Place at 8:30 am
1081 E. Fry Blvd.

YOUTH BAKE SALE A SUCCESS

Thank you to all who donated baked goods, helped with the sale and bought goods with your donations.

There were lots of yummy goodies to choose from. We raised over \$600 to go towards youth activities and camp.



BAKE SALE

PASTOR'S POST

Dear Members and Friends of Faith,

Life in the church can move at light speed sometimes, and 2024 is an example of that. Just as soon as the Christmas season was over, it seemed like we moved into Lent. It has been a very busy time at church, and it will remain that way through Lent and for Easter which is coming up at the end of the month.

We continue to pray for our church members who are struggling with health issues or have family and friends who are suffering from health problems. Several of our church members are going through difficult times right now and let us all continue to lift them up in prayer.

I apologize for not getting a newsletter out to everyone in February, but we couldn't pull it off in time after Office Manager Judy Mayhew's injury and subsequent health problems. Thanks to Paul Lewis for stepping up and making this newsletter happen! We all pray that Judy can return to the office soon. Thank you to all who have been helping in the office in Judy's absence; I appreciate it.

Mark your calendars, tell your friends and family, tell strangers on the street, post on your social media channels, put up signs in your community center common areas...the second installment of the 2024 Dixieland Devotionals is coming up on Thursday, March 21 at 6:30 pm! Help us get the word out for this important event in the life of our church. The Dixieland Devotionals highlight our beautiful church and congregation to the city and the love offering from the event goes to special causes in our community and region. This year the donations are going to the Sierra Vista Community Band, Good Neighbor Alliance, and for humanitarian aid in Douglas with work at the border that our brothers and sisters at First Presbyterian are involved in.

We have many things to look forward to in the life of our church as Lent moves on. The Palm Sunday cantata is coming up on March 24 with our choir again presenting us with moving music for this special day. On March 28, join us for the Maundy Thursday worship service and communion, as we commemorate the evening of the Lord's Last Supper.

Part of being a pastor is being involved in the community as much as I can. To that end, I will be participating in the Sunrise Easter Service at Veterans Memorial Park at 6 am, so if you're up early, please join us in this ecumenical service before the morning service here at Faith! In addition, I will be performing in the role of Jesus in "The Living Last Supper" play at the Sierra Vista United Methodist Church on Saturday, March 23 at 7 pm, and Sunday, March 24 at 2 pm. I am looking forward to both events and representing Faith Presbyterian!

May you all have a blessed Lent and may your faith grow stronger with the Lord Jesus!

In Christ, Brian

FAITH STEPPING STONES



~ Happy March Birthday ~

David Rutgers	02
Aya Diekema	03
Sharon Crouse-Matlock	04
Paul Smith	05
Sharon Raymond	07
Leroy Faulkner	08
Susan Roetcisoender	13
Johnnie Travis	13
Jesse and Rio Cordova	14
Jeff Durham	14
Casey Jones	15
Clark Bloom	16
George Vander Meulen	16
Vi Faulkner	19
Jane Bourne	21
Sandy Brown	23
Sharon Townsend	27
Earl Pike	30



~ Happy March Anniversary ~

Randy & Kathy Richard	09
Gene & Sharon Raymond	09
Larry & Bridget Diekema	14
Bob & Barb Kepple	20
Leroy & Vi Faulkner	30



Please send any future submissions of items for upcoming newsletters directly to Paul Lewis, palewis99@hotmail.com. Please attach your article to your email as a Word document. Thank you.

Ruling Elders for 2024:

Heather Carter, Christian Ed Chair
 John Gulde, Worship & Music
 Susan Powers, Worship & Music Chair
 Judy Pike, Finance
 Rhonda Unicume, Mission & Stewardship Chair
 Jamie Rutgers, Worship & Music
 George Wheat, Building & Grounds Chair
 Charles Wilkes, Finance Chair
 Debbie Wyatt, Personnel Chair
 Fred Whitley, Clerk of Session

Deacons for 2024:

Diane Derr - Meals
 Patrick Jones - Food Bank
 Marti Louzy
 Carolyn Malik - Moderator
 Tom Mathias
 Joann Mitchell—Secretary and birthday cards
 Randy Mitchell
 Dustin Paige
 Sharon Raymond - anniversary & welcome cards



Calling All Men to Lunch!

Each Tuesday in March at the Landmark Café, 11:30 am. All men are invited to join in the fellowship and good food and drink. Y'all come, now!

DIXIELAND DEVOTIONALS

Come join in the spiritual singing and Dixieland music in the Sanctuary, Thursday, March 21 at 6:30 pm. Don't miss the spirited foot tapping and singing to the joyful sounds of the Dixieland Band! A free will offering will benefit Good Neighbor Alliance, Humanitarian Aid on the Border and the Sierra Vista Community Band.



Ladies lunch at J's Restaurant
Thursday, March 21, 12:30 pm
Come and enjoy fellowship with
your Faith gals!



~ March 2024 ~

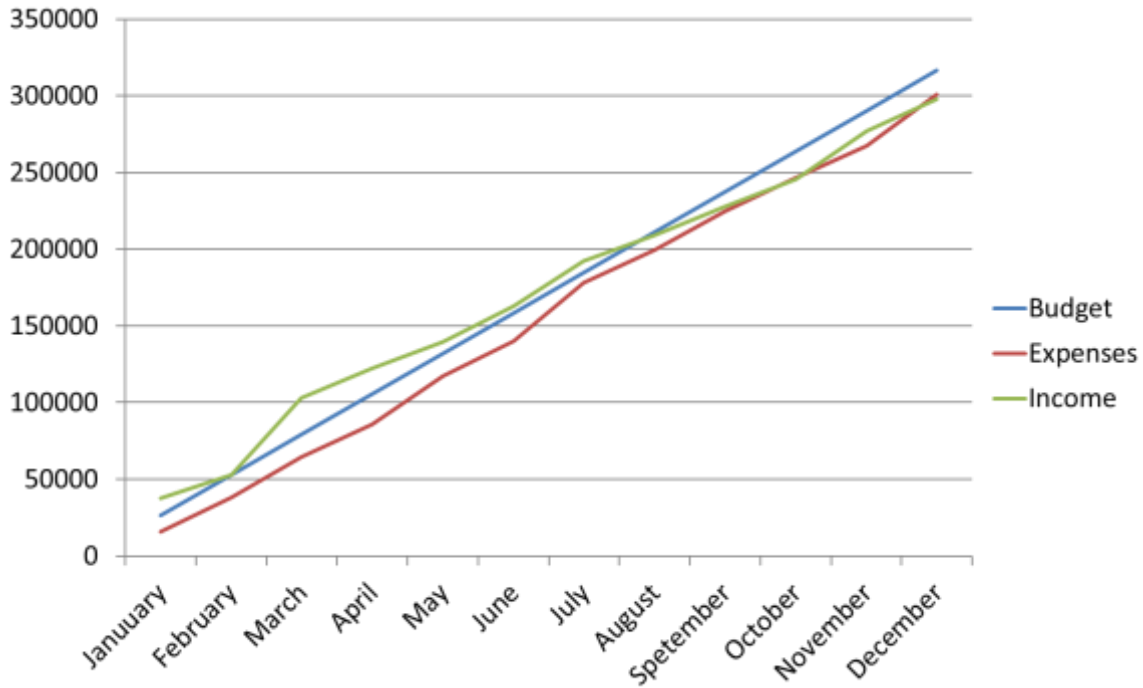
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 Men's Lunch Landmark Cafe 11:30 am	6 Choir 6:00 pm	7 Fellowship Breakfast 8:30 am <i>My Place</i> Tone Chimes 6:45 pm	8	9
10	11	12 Men's Lunch Landmark Cafe 11:30 am 2:30 pm Finance 6:00 Worship & Music	13 Choir 6:00 pm	14 Tone Chimes 6:45 pm	15	16
17 Communion Sunday St. Patrick's Day 	18	19 Men's Lunch Landmark Cafe 11:30 am Session 6:00 pm	20 Stephen Ministry 1:00 pm Choir 6:00 pm	21 Ladies' Lunch 12:30 pm Tone Chimes 6:45 pm Dixieland Devotionals 6:30 pm	22	23 "The Living Last Supper" play United Methodist Church 7:00 pm
Palm Sunday 24  "The Living Last Supper" play United Methodist Church 2:00 pm	25	26 Men's Lunch Landmark Cafe 11:30 am	27 Game Day 2:00 pm Choir 6:00 pm	28 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm	29 Good Friday 	30
Easter 31 Sunrise Easter Service Veterans Park Bandshell 6:00 am Easter Worship Service 10:30 am	← No adult or child Sunday school on Easter.					

TREASURER'S UPDATE

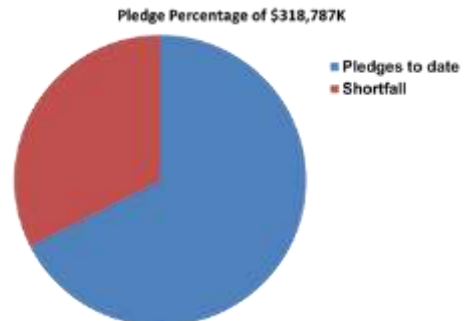
BY GENE RAYMOND
Faith Treasurer



HAPPY FISCAL NEW YEAR! *WELL, YOU DID IT!* The books are closed on the 2023 Church Fiscal Year, and we ended up within 1 per cent of our income versus expenses! That is a great accomplishment for all of you who have supported Faith's ministries last year; especially since we ended 2022 with an almost \$30K deficit of annual income versus expenses. Your generosity has put us in a great position to carry on Faith's ministries in 2024. I, the Finance Committee, the Session, and Pastor Brian want to thank everyone for their generous support of Faith's Ministries last year.



ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN STATUS. Thank you to everyone who renewed or increased their pledge to support Faith's ministries for this year. A special thanks to those who have paid their Per Capita since last month's newsletter; this makes our regular budget go farther. As to the pledges for our regular budget, as of the end of February we were at 68% of what we need for next year's ministries. So, if you have not done so, please continue to prayerfully consider your pledge for 2024.



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