March 2023 >>>

Join us Sundays at 10:30 AM for Worship Service





A Monthly Newsletter for FPC, Oconto

The Messenger

Please take note...

As always please contact the church office, Pastor Craig, a Deacon or Elder if you have any questions or concerns.

The office phone number is 920-835-3922. Email: office@fpcoconto.org

Sunday bulletin sponsorship is back!! Please see the sign-up sheet at church or call the office.

coming soon >>> In The Next Issue

Deadline for April issue is

March 23, please email articles or

updates to Amy:

amy@eapetersonfamily.com

Thanks!

DEACON'S UPDATE

The Deacon's are in need of some prayer shawls. If you are willing to donate, please let us know.

We are also in need of some "Thinking of You" cards, as we will be sending out cards to members of our congregation. If you are willing to donate cards, please put them in the Deacon's mailbox in the office or give to any Deacon.

With Easter coming up, we will be packing & delivering food boxes to families in need. Please help us fill our shelves. If you know of a family in need, please let us know.

A big thank you to those who placed hats & mittens on our tree around Christmas. We were able to include some in the gifts for the family that our Youth Group bought for and the remaining will be given to the elementary school.

Thank you all for your continued support.

God Bless, Jennifer



All Military personnel & their families including: Sterling Heyrman stationed in San Diego on the USS Montgomery

Local Congregations in Pastoral transition: AthelstaneWausaukee, First American Lutheran, Oconto

General Prayers: Bill Boesen, Carol Boesen, Margaret Dakins, Currie Sowle Dolata, Betty Geiger, Ken Geiger, Ted Haakonson, Rosetta Lehman, Nick Leoffler, Joan Nowak, Ron Palmer, Amanda Ruleford, Ted Ruleford, Judy Sanford, Pug Saucier, Ruth Saber, Cindy Shallow, Gene Stamsta, April Steen and Sue Strandt.

Need to add someone to the prayer list? Is an update needed on the prayer list? Please contact Stacy in the church office with additions or corrections – Thank you!













LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES 2023 (Year A RCL) – "Attending To God"



Rev. Craig R. Alwin

First Presbyterian Church, Oconto, WI Pioneer Presbyterian Church, Marinette, WI

	Old Testament	Gospel	Sermon Title
26-Feb-23	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7	Matthew 4:1-11	Resisting Temptation
5-Mar-23	Genesis 12:1-4a	John 3:1-17	A Willingness to Change
12-Mar-23	Exodus 17:1-7	John 4:5-42	God Provides
19-Mar-23	1 Samuel 16:1-13	<u>John 9:1-41</u>	Seeing With God's Eyes
26-Mar-23	Ezekiel 37:1-14	John 11:1-45	New Life Comes from God

Please Join Us for Service!!

Bread by the Bay

Bread by the Bay is on-going ministry supported by many area churches. Below is an update from them. Please continue to donate items to the shopping cart at church to help keep the patron shelves stocked.

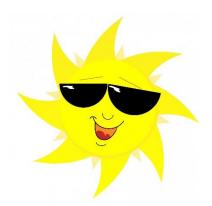
The Pantry served the following February 21, 2023.

Households: 54

Adults: 99 Children: 36

At our Board of Directors meeting this week we decided to make you aware that we are looking for a person who would be interested in being part of our leadership group. Anyone interested may contact the pantry at 920-834-5857

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!



Thinking Summer????

We are!! We are teaming up with Oconto United Methodist and First American Lutheran Church to create an AWESOME Vacation Bible School this summer! If you are interested in helping to plan this epic event - the next meeting is Sunday, March 12 at

6:00 PM at Oconto United Methodist Church, 641 Washington Street.

Let's go to Camp!!

Lake Lundgren Bible Camps are enrolling now and filling up fast!!! Many youth from our church have attended and enjoyed these camps. Go to llbc.org to learn more and get your child signed up for camp this summer. Please let the church office know if sign up for 2 reasons:

Scholarship funds may be available and we want to pray for the kids as the prepare for and attend camp.



Lenten Weekly Wednesday Services

All services will begin at 6:00 P.M.

Dates are: March 1st, 8,th, 22nd, 29th

March 15th the service will be at Pioneer in Marinette. Please let the office know if you would be interested in carpooling to Marinette.

A Lenten **soup and sandwich dinner** will be held Wednesdays, before the Lenten Service. Dates are March 1st, 8th, 22nd, 29th, and April 6th. Dinner will be from 5:30pm until 6:00pm. There is a signup sheet if you would like to help with food. If you should have any questions about the Soup and Sandwich dinner, please see Polly.



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Lenten Services:

Maundy Thursday: April 6^{th} , 6:00pm at First

Presbyterian, Oconto

Good Friday: April 7th 12:00 P.M. Location to be

announced soon.

Easter Sunday: April 8th at 10:30 at First

Presbyterian, Oconto

Lenten/Easter Mission

Our Lenten/Easter mission this year will be given to Heifer International.



Heifer International is on a mission to end hunger and poverty in a sustainable way by supporting and investing alongside local farmers and their communities. Please give online through Vanco or by envelope, make sure to designate it for the Easter Mission fund. Thank you!