



First Presbyterian Church



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March 27, 2026

This Sunday

This Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week. Our Palm/Passion Sunday Service includes the story of Christ's entry into Jerusalem (*the Liturgy of the Palms*) and of Christ's journey to the cross (*the Liturgy of the Passion*). The Proclamation of the Word this week is a dramatic reading of the Passion narrative. Our worship this Sunday is the beginning of a week of opportunities to expand your faith through Morning Prayer, a service of Communion and Tenebrae on Maundy Thursday, and a time for contemplation on Good Friday as we prepare for Easter - the Resurrection of the Lord. Holy Week is one of the most powerful week's in the life of the Church.



Come to worship this Sunday in person or online! Live Stream links and the bulletin are available on the First Pres [website](#).

Tonight!

We the People

Community Sing and Concert

Friday, March 27, 2026

7:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church

609 SE Second Street, Evansville, IN 47713



Come listen, come learn, come sing
songs of resistance and hope!

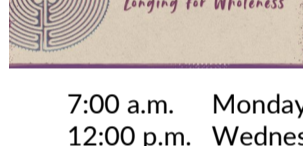


One Great Hour of Sharing

First Pres will receive the OGHS offering on Palm Sunday, March 29. You may give online at <https://ppay.co/3O7otjRs93l> Thank you for your generous gift.



Holy Week Opportunities



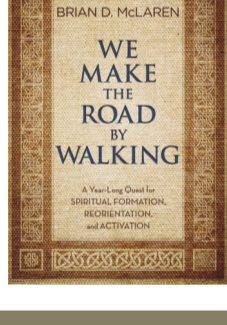
Our Lenten observances change as we begin Holy Week this Sunday. The Lenten Wednesday activities have concluded, but there are still opportunities to learn, contemplate, and worship this coming week:

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| 7:00 a.m. Monday-Saturday | Morning Prayer in the Chapel and online |
| 12:00 p.m. Wednesday | <i>We Make the Road</i> in person and online |
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| 7:00 p.m. Thursday | Maundy Thursday Worship |
| 10:00 a.m. Friday (until 2:00 p.m.) | Building Open for Contemplation, Prayer, or Conversation with a Pastor |
| 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. | Easter Sunday Worship |

We Make the Road

On Wednesday, April 8, at 6:00 p.m. all who are reading the book and attending the discussion groups for *We Make the Road By Walking* are invited to join Rev. Jerusha at Turoni's Forget-Me-Not Inn. Whether you have read only one chapter or have kept up along the way, join us for dinner or drinks and a time of connection and light discussion of what we have learned so far. Please RSVP using the following link or by texting/emailing Rev. Jerusha: <https://firstpreevansville.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/152/responses/new>; 812-774-7402; jerusha@fpcevv.com. (Groups will not meet at their regular times Easter Sunday nor the week following.)

The overall study has passed the book's midpoint and will continue through to chapter 52 ending in mid-July. We will then begin again at chapter 1 on Sunday, August 1, 2026 and work our way through the book one more time, allowing folks to jump back in and out and still participate in this year-long journey. Hybrid (in-person + online) groups meet on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at Noon and 7:00 p.m. (Zoom links are on the [church website](#)). Books (\$11) are available in the church office (and on Kindle and Hoopla), and you can drop in/out as your schedule allows.



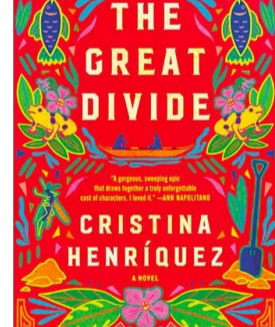
Harpichord Concert



Robert will play keyboard suites by J.S. Bach on the church's harpichord at a house concert on Saturday April 11 at 3:00 p.m. The location this year is the historic Boeke homestead house, now home to Ross Halvorsen and Lacey Apple and their daughter Elliot. Tickets are \$100 and support children and youth in our music programs attend special church music events, including RSCM Midwest and the Presbyterian Association of

Musicians Worship and Music Conference at Montreat. Contact ross.halvorsen@gmail.com or robert@fpcevv.com to reserve your tickets.

April Book Group

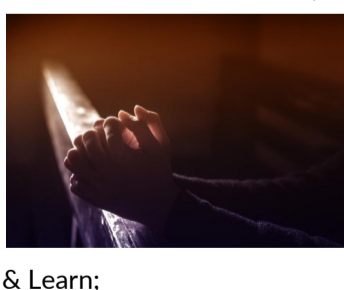


Book Group at First Pres meets next on Monday, April 13, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in room 105. A Zoom option is available; contact [Francie Hubbard](#) to learn how to sign in.

April's book is *The Great Divide* by Cristina Henríquez, a historical fiction novel about the construction of the Panama Canal. Focusing on a stowaway migrant worker turned caregiver, an American doctor whose single goal is the elimination of malaria, and a local fisherman who resents the foreign intruders and his son who goes to work for them, the book explores themes of race, class, colonialism, and the human cost of monumental engineering projects.

Prayer Requests

- for a friend's daughter-in-law, suffering with unbearable pain and neuropathy at a young age;
- for Beverly, as she provides care for her mother who now lives with her;
- for one interviewing on Tuesday for an internship at their dream job;
- in deep gratitude for Spring Break;
- for all families walking through grief - recent or otherwise;
- in gratitude for successful performances of *La Cage aux Folles* at Evansville Civic theater last weekend and this coming;
- for Scott, recovering from a liver transplant;
- for a friend battling pancreatic cancer;
- for the mothers at the VOA;
- for the loved ones of Ben Pennington, as he transitions into heaven;
- for Steven R and his daughter as they walk through the loss of their wife/mother, Jessica;
- for Kristey, as her father has stage 4 cancer;
- for Darryl, who seeks peace and safety;
- for Uncle Eddie and his loved ones, as he nears the end of his life;
- for one taking a professional certification exam;
- for Carolyn G and her medical team as she begins treatment for a rare and fast-growing cancer;
- in gratitude for everyone at last Saturday's PW Lunch & Learn;
- for a successful medical procedure this week;
- for perseverance and patience.



More News(letter)!

First Reports

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Have you ever misplaced your printed *First Reports*? Us, too! Did you know that it's also available on the [church website](#)? Click the link below for a copy of the current issue that you can read online or print out and put on your refrigerator.

<https://fpcevv.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/apr-26.pdf>

Daily Readings

Taking time for a daily devotional can be a meaningful addition to a faith journey. The link below will take you to the PC(USA)'s website, which offers multiple readings for every day. The readings that you will see immediately when you click the link will be for the current day, but you can pick readings for a specific day, print out readings, and sign up for a daily email of lectionary readings.



<https://pcusa.org/daily/devotion>

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