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“The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”

2 Peter 3:9

## SESSION MINI-MINUTES

Submitted by Jan Mernone, Clerk



To start us out this month...here is some information about St. Patrick. “St. Patrick was born in Britain as Maewyn Succat. (No wonder he changed his name!) At age 16 (around A.D. 400), he was kidnapped from his home on the west coast and carried off to Ireland to become a slave who worked as a shepherd. After 6 years, he escaped; upon returning home, he received his call (in a dream) to preach the gospel. He spent the next 15 or so years in a monastery, preparing for his missionary work. When he became a priest, his name was changed to Patricius, and eventually Patrick. Although some Christians lived in Ireland at the time, it was Patrick who spread Christianity throughout the land and brought an organized church into existence.” *From The Old Farmer’s Almanac*

And now for what is happening at GPC:

Our church is going to be offering 2 membership classes a year. The first one will start March 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 and meet for 4 weeks. Know anyone interested in joining? Pastor Peter would love to get their name. The **Deacons** are continuing their ministry of cards, Meals on Wheels, Home Communion, Special Projects, Memorial Bricks, and disbursement of the last of the Chrismon gift cards to Westwood, Southwest, Northeast, and Isom. **Communion** on March 5 will be prepared and served by Gerry Sullivan-Clark, Karl and Birgit Kreck, and Betty Gilliland.

The clerk is happy to announce that the January 24, 2023 minutes of Session, the February 12, 2023 Annual Meeting of the Congregation minutes, and the February 12, 2023 Annual Meeting of the Corporation minutes were approved as written. The clerk is sharing with sadness that Barbara Malasics died 2/16/2023 and was **removed from the Church Rolls**. **Personnel** Committee, Jan Mernone, Ebbie Crawford, Brad Deck, Anna Sosbe, Gerry Sullivan-Clark, Eleanor Mitchell, Kathy Johnson, and Pastor Peter, will be meeting March 12 after church.

**Finance**, through spokesperson Jack, gave session a report on the rental house repairs. The cost to repair after water leaks, etc. was \$24,258.56. After our deductible, insurance paid \$7,960.94. The rest of the money was taken from the Foster and Fogas Funds. **Maintaining** told us that the yearly inspection was complete by Condon Fire and Safety. Annual inspection was completed on the church building, rental house, barn and bus. The church will be getting a larger (6 cubic yard) dumpster for the parking lot. **Nurture** reminded us that an adult Lenten study is being led by Pastor Peter. It is on Wednesday at 10am at the church. The title is “Blessings of the Cross”. Last but not never least, **Mission**

**and Outreach** collected on Souper Bowl Sunday \$152 which they sent to Interchurch Food Pantry, adding money to make it \$200. Judy talked about the “Guns to Gardens” event. **New Business** found us discussing changing Elder and Deacon numbers from 9 to 6. It was decided that committees should discuss this and new “job descriptions” for each committee should be drawn up before making any decisions. Pastor Peter asked for vacation time in May. He will be gone May 10-17.

*And as you travel along life's road take this Irish blessing with you... “May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, the rain fall soft upon your fields, and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.”*

*Ye Ole Clerk*

### MEMBERSHIP INQUIRY CLASSES

*Submitted by Pastor Peter Zinn*

Our Session's Member Care committee had a thought: there are some people who attend worship with us, and some even who are quite active, but who aren't members of our church. Why not give them the opportunity—on a regular basis—to think seriously about joining us. So we decided that we'd offer Membership Inquiry Classes twice a year (in March and September) for whoever might be interested. We'd look at what Presbyterians believe and how they act, and how we at Greenwood worship, organize, and do God's business.

So, Pastor Peter will start a three or four-week series of classes on **Sunday, March 12, at 2:00 p.m.** for any who are interested in 'how to spell Presbyterian'! Hope some of you can come!

### EASTER LILIES

*Submitted by Janett Lowes*



We will once again have gorgeous lilies adorning our sanctuary this Easter season! If you wish to order a lily, please complete the form at the end of this month's Presby Press, or included in the weekly bulletin, and return it (along with your payment) in the offering plate or to the church office. Forms and payments are due **no later than Sunday, April 2**. The cost for each lily is \$10. Plants will be placed in the Sanctuary for Easter morning and may be taken following the 10:30am worship service. Please make checks payable to Greenwood Presbyterian Church.

### FEATHER IN YOUR CAP

I would like to nominate Dana Baker to receive a feather in her cap because she puts the most beautiful flowers in Church every Sunday!

– Rita Kistner



### THANK YOU

*Submitted by Judy Spencer*

To my church family –

Thank you for the many cards, prayers, calls and love and support upon the passing of Craig.

Blessings, Judy Spencer

## THE SPRING FLING LUNCHEON

Submitted by Eleanor Mitchell

The Spring Fling Luncheon for Women will be back after a 3-year absence. This luncheon, hosted by the Love and Hope Circle, will take place **April 23rd at 12:00 noon** in our Fellowship Hall. Because of the rise in prices on everything, tickets will also reflect this: \$12 for adults and children 11 years and up; \$5.00 for children ages 6-10, and younger children will be served free of charge. The theme, "Our Indiana Home" will feature many Indiana features in decorations, program and Grafton Peek's Hoosier Buffet. Put this date on your calendar, ask your guests and be ready to buy your tickets on either April 2nd or April 16th.



Submitted by Fran Mitchell

### Six Little Stories With Lots of Meaning

Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That is faith.

When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is trust.

Every night, we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up. That is hope.

We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is confidence.

We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. That is love.

On an old man's shirt was written a sentence, "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That is attitude.

## *Recipe of the Month*

Submitted by Judy Lovejoy

### Ham and Cheese Sliders

#### Ingredients:



- ❖ 24 Hawaiian rolls
- ❖ 1 16oz package deli ham
- ❖ 1 16oz package Swiss cheese
- ❖ ¼ cup butter, softened but not melted
- ❖ 1 tablespoon poppy seeds
- ❖ 1 ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- ❖ 1 ½ teaspoon Dijon or brown mustard
- ❖ 1 teaspoon onion powder



**Instructions:** Cut unseparated rolls in half. Layer bottom half with ham and cheese. Cover with top. Combine remaining ingredients and spread on top of the rolls. Cover with foil and bake for 30 minutes. Use a knife to separate the rolls. Best served warm.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

### BOY SCOUT NEWS

Submitted by Dave Baker  
Liaison for BSA Troop #266

BSA Troop #266 Troop Meetings are  
Thursdays from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm  
Meeting in the Fellowship Hall



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SPECIAL NOTE: CONGRATULATION to **Ethan Winnett** on receiving the Bill Dawson Award on Scout and Pancake Sunday 2/19/2023

- ❖ MEETINGS THIS MONTH: March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> – No Meetings 3/23 or 3/30 due to Spring Break
- ❖ 3/2 Thursday - Path to Eagle for Life Scouts (30 mins) at 6:30 pm at GPC
- ❖ 3/4 Saturday - Philmont Practice Like @ Yellowwood State Forest - Leave Church at 8:00 am
- ❖ 3/10 - 3/11 Friday thru Saturday - Campout @ Brown County State Park (Philmont Shakedown Weekend) Leave Church Friday at 5:30 pm & return Saturday around noon
- ❖ 3/11 Saturday - Parking Fundraiser for the AMA Monster Energy Supercross @ Lucas Oil Stadium. Leave Church @ 5:00 pm
- ❖ 3/12 Sunday - Firecrafter Alum Assoc. Meeting @ Camp Belzer Leave Church at 12:45 pm
- ❖ 3/13 Monday - Adult Committee Meeting @ GPC time 7:00 - 8:00 pm
- ❖ 3/16 Thursday - Bring Scout Book for Advancement Recordings @ GPC - 7:00 pm
- ❖ 3/18 Saturday - Philmont Practice Hike @ Morgan Monroe Forest - Leave Church @ 8:00 am
- ❖ GREENWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS SPRING BREAK STARTING 3/20/2023 THRU END OF THE MONTH
- ❖ 3/24 Friday - O/A Firecrafter Spring Fellowship @ Camp Kikthawenund - Leave Church @ 5:00 pm

CUB SCOUTS #266--Meetings are every Thursday at 6 pm until 7 pm except the 4th Thursday go until 8:30

- ❖ NO MEETINGS ON 3/23 OR 3/30 Spring Break
- ❖ All other Activities with the Cub Scouts, See Scout Leaders for more information.

BROWNIES / GIRL SCOUTS – See Leaders for information. Meetings are 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall - Time 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Please see or call the Brownies Leaders for more Activities for the month.

Anybody interested in Scouting please contact the Scout Leaders or the Church Office



Submitted by Fran Mitchell

MARCH 17

It's the luck of the Irish,  
as the old saying goes--  
What's at the end of the rainbow?  
nobody knows!  
It's time for green beer,  
corned beef and cabbage--  
Or, at least, that's always  
been the old adage.  
They dance in the morning,  
and into the night.  
They're happy go lucky,  
greet anyone in sight,  
and have lot's of fun--  
So, let's all be Irish today  
and join in, everyone.  
Happy St. Patrick's Day  
Fran M.

**Bulletin Boards  
by Eleanor**



**JUST FOR FUN**

Submitted by Fran Mitchell



**Home for the holidays**

A man in Miami calls his son in New York and says, "Your mother and I are getting divorced. We can no longer stand the sight of each other. Call your sister in Chicago and tell her." The son, highly upset, relays the news to his sister, who calls her dad and says, "Don't do a thing. We're flying home tomorrow to talk about this." Then she hangs up. The man turns to his wife. "Okay, they're coming for Christmas and paying their own airfares."

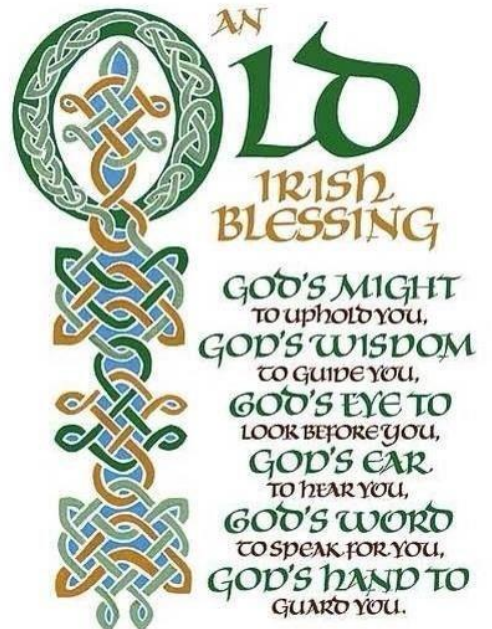
**Q** What did the little corn say to the mama corn?

**A** "Where is pop corn?"



**IRISH BLESSINGS**

Submitted by Lauren Underwood





**BIRTHDAYS**

**MARCH**

- 3 Helen Banton
- 5 Suzanne Coyle
- 8 Fred Hackett
- 10 Jim Barnes
- 13 Gayle Talley
- 14 Keith Hardin
- Jim Lowes
- 15 Fred Johnson
- Bill McFerran
- Nancy Nelson
- 16 Braeden Nelson
- 17 Jack Schier
- 18 Harry Hardin
- 24 Joyce Baker
- 25 Ashley Hubbard
- 30 Kristi Hackett

**APRIL**

- 2 Alex Talley
- Cindy Zeigler
- 3 Margaret Denlinger
- 5 Ingrid Hensley
- 8 Jan Mernone
- Gloria Redhead
- 11 Kolt Nelson
- 12 Carole Stockton
- 17 Ellen Wages
- 20 Donna Nelson
- 23 Marcia Justus
- Lyric Meek
- Will Scharfenberger
- Larry Todrank

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**Easter Lilies**

(Please place this portion in offering plate or return to church office along with your payment)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of lilies ordered @ \$10.00 each: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: left-over lilies will NOT be delivered to shut-ins by the Deacons.*