

# The Spire

March 2022

Life Change  
Starts Here

## LENT at PCW



**March 2, 2022**

**7pm in the Chapel**

*With imposition of ashes*

*Everyone is encouraged to worship with us!*



**March 16, 30 & April 13, 2022**

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## Make a Difference!

Are you looking to get more involved in the life of the church? Are you a welcoming individual? Make a difference by joining the Outreach and Welcome Commission!

Our monthly meetings are on zoom and, with Pastor Marcy's leading, we host new member sessions and tours of the church. Reach out to O&W Commission Head Susan Dougherty at [crusadersue@hotmail.com](mailto:crusadersue@hotmail.com) for more details. A friendly smile and a warm reception make all the difference in creating a welcoming atmosphere for traditional and wired services.

Pictured below: *Outreach & Welcome Commission, Susan Dougherty, Carolyn Fleder, Diane Hansen, Jane Francz, Nancy Hevert, Susan Murtishaw*



## In Memory of Donald Boos

Many of you have heard by now that Donald Boos died on February 19. He will be missed and remembered for all that his presence gave to the choir and congregation.

Donald was the longtime bass section leader / soloist for the choir, and Interim Director of Music in 2016. He was a welcoming person – very much so to me when I began my time at PCW – and also encouraging and complimentary to others. He worked with integrity – never holding back energy or focus to the matter at hand. Donald's deep faith, and the grace with which he faced his terminal illness in its different stages are examples we would all do well to remember in our own lives.

As we approach the season of Lent, my thoughts flow to our closeness to God, what might interfere with our closeness to God, and the act of living with each other in communion and "right relationship." Donald was a seasoned practitioner of "right relationship" and helped make the world a good place to be, wherever he was.

We will give thanks for Donald's life on Saturday, March 5, at 11am in the Sanctuary.

Peace be with you.

-Paul Sanner

## **Clerk's Corner - February Session Update**

### **The Office and Property Update on the Technology Project.**

Brad Schwartz talked about the process. Currently they are collecting and collating data for the final stage of design. The scope (which includes PNS&K) has been finalized for the cabling company. They should be starting after 2/14/22. The WIFI vendor (DataSpindle) will be doing the networking and wireless portion. The Audio- Visual vendor (Somerset Media Group) will be installing equipment in the Sanctuary and Westminster Hall over the summer. Full completion of Phase 1 should be complete by the end of summer, depending on the availability of materials.

A communication plan will be put in place for the congregation and the schools.

### **Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC)**

**Update-** CNC has begun meeting. Martha and Dawn Heinz spoke at our worship services explaining the CNC process and inviting people to submit names to be considered as Elders, Deacons, or CNC- at large members. They explained that CNC is focusing on succession planning and bringing new people onto commissions as future leaders. The nominees will be voted on at the Congregational Meeting on 3/27/22. The slate needs to be given to the office by the last week of February so information can be sent to the Congregation.

**Office & Property Update-** Michael Quinlan reported that David Rogers and George Harbt have been working on two books with an historic overview of the cemetery. One book is the history and the second is a walking guide to the cemetery. Michael discussed the funding for this project. Michael made:

**Motion #3:** "O&P will open a new endowment fund (Burial Grounds Restricted Fund) to receive a gift to support the cost of publishing and other expenses for the books on the history of the PCW cemetery. Proceeds from the sale of the books will go back into this fund to cover costs of potential future publications. After 5 years the Burial Grounds Restricted Fund will roll into the general Cemetery endowment fund for any cemetery projects."

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**"Lent in Plain Sight"** by Jill Duffield- According to Jeremy, this is the book being used for Lenten Small Groups, chosen by Marcy. All Session members were asked to participate in a small group during Lent. The Session was invited to join Jeremy in meeting as a small group to discuss this book on Sundays after church. Several people were interested. The group will start meeting the first Sunday in Lent, March 6. Marcy will be providing each small group with a set of guiding questions.

-Pam Shaw, Clerk of Session

## **New Member Opportunities for March**

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You've asked, you've wanted to learn more, and now it's here! From Outreach and Welcome, we will be providing a Spring New Members class for all those who are interested in becoming members of the church, as well as for those who are interested in learning more. Mark your calendars for these important dates coming up:

#### **Information/Inquiry Session:**

**Sunday, March 20, @ 11:15am**

Join us immediately following worship for a time to get to know others who are new to this church, as well as a tour of the facilities. This will be casual- even if you are still discerning if you'd like to join, this is a great opportunity to meet new people!

#### **Hybrid New Member Class:**

**Sunday, March 27, @ 12pm**

*(Immediately following Worship and Congregational Meeting)*

This class is **required** if you are looking to join the church. We will take a deep dive into the life of the church, as well as what it means to be Presbyterian. This is the time to bring forth your questions!

In light of the pandemic, we will be offering this class as a hybrid option. If you are planning to join online, please let Pastor Marcy know by emailing her at [mryan@westfieldpc.org](mailto:mryan@westfieldpc.org)

#### **New Member Sunday:**

**Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> @10am in the Sanctuary or Wired**

New members will join this Sunday- please come and worship with us as we welcome those who are joining us today!

If there are questions you have or if you are interested in learning more, please contact Pastor Marcy at [mryan@westfieldpc.org](mailto:mryan@westfieldpc.org) or by calling the church office at 908-233-0301.

## **CHURCH REGISTRY**

### **Baptisms**

*There were no Baptisms or Weddings in January or February 2022*

### **In Memoriam**

#### **Claire Violet Brown Miller**

(August 6, 1934 - January 9, 2022).

*A Celebration of Life will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Tuckerton on Sunday, July 17, 2022 at 4pm.*

#### **Evelyn Shea**

(February 2, 1928 – January 14, 2022)

*Internment in the church's cemetery at a future date.*

#### **Charlotte Gillespie**

(January 27, 1927 - January 13, 2022)

*Service held January 29, 2022 via Zoom.*

*Rev. Susan Gillespie presided.*

## Irish Origins

Join us on Thursday, March 17, at 9:30am in the Chapel as Walter Choroszewski presents the story of IRELAND and its people who descended from waves of migrants that found their way to this westernmost island of Europe over the last 12,000 years. From the Early European Hunter-Gatherers, Celts, Gaels, Britons, Vikings and Normans, Walter shares the latest genetic data revealing the complex mixture of the IRISH.

Walter is an engaging and entertaining photographer who shares his love of history and photos with his audience. It is always a treat for Presbyterian Women to host him! See you on St. Patrick's Day when everyone is a little bit



**Save the Date!**  
**June 27 - 30 2022**



**More information coming soon!**

## HEART AND MIND BIBLE STUDY

In March, we will be concluding our discussion on **Matthew's Gospel**. We will cover sections 'Meeting Betrayal with Friends' to 'Crucifixion & Death' (p 107-122) on March 7th. And covering sections 'Moving Past Tribe' through the end of Matthew (p 122-131 in edition 3) on March 21st. Meetings will continue in person at 3:00pm in the George Plenty Room and at 7:30pm on Zoom. We have around 20 participating in this bible study. If you are interested in joining, it's never too late. Each session is pretty independent of the others so you can easily jump right in.



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

**3/01**

Alice Kehler  
Gayle Hannah  
Jeffrey Gruman  
Debra Bennett  
Andrew Park  
Hailey Priscoe

**3/2**

Mary MacAskill  
Thomas Dwyer  
David Stockwell  
Patricia Watral  
Robert Fleschler  
Leslie Quinn  
Susan Gibbs

**3/3**

Marybeth Mulzoff

**3/4**

Gary Hunsinger

**3/5**

Janet Smith  
Caroline Manning  
Danielle DuVernois  
Joseph Fleschler

**3/6**

Wendy Hansen  
Hans Polak  
Kristen LoBrutto

**3/7**

Eileen Jacob  
David Kolb  
Elaine Dedousis  
Steve Serra  
Scott Hunsinger  
Jeannette Cohen

**3/8**

Krista Posada  
Galen Marsh

**3/9**

Gerard Kieczkowski  
Anita McNamara

**3/10**

Alice Duthie  
Barbara Eckman  
Jeff Koetje  
Nicole Castellano  
Sean Flaherty

**3/11**

Faye Sobala  
Mike Coletti

**3/12**

Sue Case

**3/13**

Stephanie Mannino  
Steve Murphy  
Grant Cowell

**3/14**

Steven Pinkin  
Kristen Vanderwolk

**3/15**

Jane Mann  
Christine Svoboda  
Christine Christakos  
Sophia Palia

**3/16**

**3/17**  
Hope Lucas

**3/18**

Sally Doerr  
Deborah Dalton  
Christina Whang

**3/19**

Cornelius Vanderbilt  
Meredith Horvath

**3/20**

Noralen Cowell  
Robert McQuade  
Benton Cummings  
Vanessa Templeton  
Phillip John

**3/21**

Susan Schreiner  
Dominique Trott

**3/22**

Sharon Campbell  
Brian Schor

**3/23**

Deborah Burslem  
Donald Sanderson  
Eric Grow  
Paige DuMont

**3/24**

Kathleen Speir  
Hannah Priscoe

**3/25**

Peggy Brug  
David Cowell  
Emily Polak  
Sutton Factor

**3/26**

Linda Scaperrotta

**3/27**

Edward Stravach  
Alexandra Buttke  
Preston Andrews  
Spencer Brown  
Anthony Cerino

**3/28**

Beverly Gorman  
Gene Tate  
George Grow  
Deborah Himmel  
Graham Korins

**3/29**

Helen Lum  
Svetlana Marhefka  
Avery Pierce

**3/30**

Mark Fleder  
Joyce Benz  
Mariann Ramage  
David Seaman  
James Yeatts  
Christine Valentine  
Michelle Hildenbrand

**3/31**

Xi Muoi Huynh



*Beginning with the April 2022 issue of The Spire, we will no longer include the monthly birthdays. We will, however, continue to publish birthdays on the Announcement page in the weekly Worship Bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.*

**COME WORSHIP WITH US!**

Sunday Mornings:

10:00am Traditional Worship  
in the Sanctuary

10:00am wired Contemporary Worship  
in Westminster Hall

10:00am Sunday School 4yrs—5th Grade  
in Assembly Hall and ONLINE

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