

THE GRACEVINE

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APRIL 2023

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3rd Annual Roselawn Easter Parade and Egg Hunt featuring the Easter Bunny!

When: Sunday April 9th. Gather at 3:45pm, Parade begins at 4:00pm

Where: Parade begins at Jake's Crawfish & Sno Biz and ends at Grace Presbyterian Church.

(Using Roselawn Right Sidewalk & Right Bike Lane ONLY)

Who: Open to everyone in the Greenbriar/Brentwood Neighborhood.

Dress up, decorate, and show up for an afternoon of fun! Decorate your hats, strollers, bikes...wear bunny ears, you name it!

Event: All celebrants will gather in the Jake's Crawfish/Sno Biz parking lot. We will walk down the sidewalk to Grace Presbyterian Church. There will be separate 2-egg hunts (with candy) at Grace Church once the parade has ended....younger children (5 and below) and older children (6+).

*Special prizes to get the older kids in the spirit include free pizza coupons and free cookie coupons from Hershey's Ice Cream!

The Easter Bunny will be available for photos with the children before and after the egg hunts at the church!

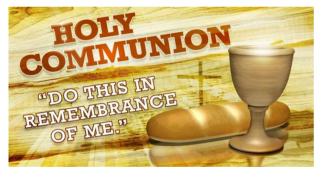
Parking will be limited. Extra parking available at Grace Presbyterian Church. Traffic will not be stopped on Roselawn for this event. The police have explained that the bike lane should be used for bikes and the sidewalk is for walkers, strollers, and wagons so please no parking in the southbound bike lane from Johnston to Grace Presbyterian during the parade.

Residents of Roselawn Blvd are encouraged to decorate, sit outside and cheer, and give out candy (nut free please) or goodies! Please tell your friends and family, they are welcome too!



Sunday Worship Schedule
9:30 a.m. – Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship

<u>Church Office Hours</u>
M-Thur. 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Fri. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
<u>Pastor's Office Hours</u>
M-Thur. 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.



COMMUNION - In April, we will NOT have communion on the 1st Sunday of the month. Instead, we will be serving communion at our Maundy Thursday Service (April 6th) and at our Easter Sunday Service (April 9th). As usual, we invite those who watch our worship service via Facebook Live to gather your communion elements ahead of time so you will be able to take communion with us.



SESSION:

Class of 2023 - Margaret Boone, Lynne Castle

Class of 2024 - Betty Adams, Tim Conner, Terry Wolford

Class of 2025 Mary Conner, Jysele Jones Clerk of Session Sandy Stewart

DEACONS:

Class of 2023 - Carolyn Armstrong, Elke Hitt, Jean McLain, Sandy Stewart

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

David Jones (2023)
Paul Guillot (2024)
Tim Conner (2025)



The Presbyterian Women encourage the congregation to support **United Christian Outreach** by bringing non-perishable food items and paper products to worship on the 1st Sunday of the month. **Our next collection will be on Sunday, April 2nd.** Thank you to everyone for continuing to support UCO. United Christian Outreach also accepts gently used clothing items. Any monetary donations can be mailed to their P.O. Box. Please contact the church office for the address.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

Palm Sunday, April 2nd Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 6th

Time: 5:30 p.m. with Communion (Potluck Dinner)

Good Friday, April 7th

No Service at Grace Church 5:30 p.m. Service (at First Presbyterian)

Sunday, April 9th

Worship Service, **10:30 a.m.** with Communion At Grace Presbyterian Church

One Great Hour of Sharing special Easter offering: Hunger program and disaster relief and self-development of people.



Easter Lilies can be brought home after our 10:30 a.m. Easter Worship Service on April 9th. If you have not purchased a Lily and would like one, please contact Sarah in the church office by April 3rd. The cost this year is \$12.00. Cash or checks made payable to Grace Church.



sharing resources, changing lives.

On Easter morning, April 9th, we will have our One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. The Presbyterian Church invites you to follow God's call and take action to help those who are hungry, thirsty, without shelter or a safe place to call home. From people living in your community to those around the world, your gifts have a global reach, providing food and water, relief from the effects of crises and catastrophic events, and assistance for those stricken by oppression. This is a great cause to donate to. Please make checks payable to GRACE.

www.presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE — will be held in the Grace Church Fellowship Hall on Thursday, April 6th at 5:30 p.m. We will have service while also having a Family Night Supper. If you would like to bring a dish, please sign up at the church or let Margaret Boone know what you will be bringing. We would like to make sure we have a variety of dishes. Communion will also be served during our Maundy Thursday Service.

GOOD FRIDAY – there will be NO service at Grace Church on Good Friday. There will be a service at First Presbyterian on Good Friday (April 7th) at 5:30 p.m. if you would like to attend worship on Friday.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Lynne Castle
- 12 Connie Elmore
- 19 Jean McLain
- 19 Carol Rodgers

Committee Meetings

<u>SESSION</u> – will meet on **Tuesday, April 18**th at **6:00 p.m.** Please let Rev Pat know if you are an Elder and cannot attend this meeting.

MDO BOARD – will meet on Thursday, May 4th at 2:15 p.m. Please let Tim Conner know if you are on the MDO Board and cannot attend this meeting.



2023 Phone Directory

Directories are printed and available for pickup at the Church! If you have not picked up a copy yet, please do so soon as many members information changed since our 2022 directory. If you are not attending inperson worship or are homebound, contact the church office at (337) 984-6400 and we can mail you a copy!

MILLIONAIRE PIE

1 can Eagle brand sweetened condensed milk

1 small can crushed pineapple (drained)

1 can grated coconut (will equal 4 ozs.)

1 cup chopped pecans

1/4 cup lemon juice

1 medium Cool Whip

2 graham cracker pie shells

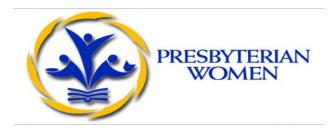
Mix all of the first six ingredients together and place in pie shells. Chill well before serving.

This recipe is from **Betty Adams** and was in the 3rd "Bless This Food" Cookbook. (Presbyterian Women's Cookbook)

If you have a favorite recipe and would like to share it with the congregation, you can email a copy of the recipe to the church office at gracpreb@lusfiber.net or bring a copy of the recipe to the office.



Please join us on Sunday Mornings after worship for Refreshments (and fellowship). We need volunteers to bring snacks on Sundays! If you would like to volunteer to host & provide refreshments, please sign up on the list outside the sanctuary or let the Church Office know which Sunday you would like. What should you bring??? Something simple......like cookies or fruit. Coffee, water and lemonade are available at the church to use. Thank you in advance!



The Presbyterian Women meet monthly for Bible Study. The ladies "normally" meet in member's homes on the 3rd Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is not expected to host.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, April 17th at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Margaret Boone.

After Bible Study, anyone who wishes will go out to lunch as a group. If you would like more information about the Presbyterian Women & PW Events, you can contact Margaret Boone at (337) 981-2475 or email marboone@yahoo.com.

PW SPRING GATHERING — will be on Saturday, April 15th in Baton Rouge at University Presbyterian Church. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the closing luncheon will be at 12:15 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 which includes lunch and the printed hand-outs. Checks can be made payable to PSL Presbyterian Women and must be received by Wednesday, April 12th. There will be a mission project and an offering taken. The offering will go towards Disaster Relief projects in PSL.

For the **mission project**, everyone is asked to bring canned goods for OKRA ABBEY Grace and Greens Feeding Program for the homeless. And/Or new or gently used kitchen & household items for Presbyterian Children Homes family relocation assistance.



<u>EASTER BREAK</u> – MDO will be closed the week of **April 13**th – **15**th. There will also be early dismissal at 11:30 a.m. on **Thursday**, **April 6**th.

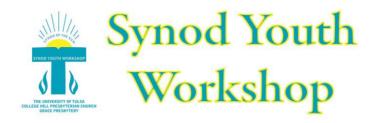
<u>EASTER EGG HUNT</u> – on Wednesday, April 5th, the MDO students will have their annual Easter Egg Hunt. The children always enjoy this event. They will also have their individual class Easter parties.

<u>MDO REGISTRATION</u> — Registration for our Summer 2023 and Fall 2023-2024 semesters is ongoing. For more information please call the church office at 337-984-6400 or email mdoatgrace@gmail.com.

MDO TEACHERS NEEDED — we are looking for Teachers & Substitutes to join our MDO Team!! Potential applicants should be coachable, teachable, and love children. If you are interested or know anyone that would be interested, please contact the

would be interested, please contact the church office at (337) 984-6400 or email our MDO Director at mdoatgrace@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you and making you part of our fabulous team!!

MDO TEA — every year for Mother's Day, the MDO Program hosts a special morning for all the "moms" and "grandmothers". They get to have a special breakfast at Grace with their children, get to enjoy a signing program put on by the children, and receive many gifts that their child makes for them. This event will be held in May!



When: July 10-15, 2023 (Mon.-Sat.) Where: University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK

Who: Youth going to 9th grade to

Graduated Seniors

Website: synodyouthworkshop.com

Early Registration is ongoing through June 1, 2023.
All Registrations must be received by

June 30, 2023.

**Registration forms are available in the Church office.



<u>When</u>: June 18-24, 2023 (Sun.-Sat.) <u>Where</u>: Feliciana Retreat Center <u>Who</u>: Completed 3rd – 12th grade

- Explorer Camp those who have completed 3rd-5th grade.
- Pathfinder Camp those who have completed 6th-8th grade.
- Adventure Camp those who have completed 9th-12th grade.
- Senior Intern Program those who have completed 12th grade.

 (these campers assist the counselor's while still enjoying everything Camp Agape has to offer)

**Early Registration is ongoing through April 30, 2023.

***Link to register online is www.FRCCenter.org
(Payments can be made via paypal, venmo, credit card or pay later)

**Please let Sarah know in the Church Office if you have plans to go to either camp so we can make sure to get you registered and paid!



9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship 11:30 am - Refreshments		9am-2pm MDO	9am-2pm MDO	9am-2pm MDO		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 UCO Collection Palm Sunday Worship 10:30am	3	4	MDO Easter Egg Hunt	Maundy Thursday Worship 5:30pm (Potluck with communion)	Office Closed Good Friday	8
Easter Sunday Worship 10:30am (with communion)	10	MDO Closed	MDO Closed	MDO Closed	14	PW Spring Gathering (in BR)
Worship 10:30am	PW Women Meeting 10:00 a.m.	Session Meeting 6:00 p.m.	19	20	21	22
Worship 10:30am	24	25	Secretary's Day	27	28	29
Worship 10:30am						

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