

CALENDAR:

Tuesday, April 11th at 7:00pm – Church Council
Wednesday, April 12th at 7:30am – Men's Breakfast at Wegman's
Thursday, April 13th at 1:00pm – Sit and Stitch
Friday, April 14th at 6:00pm – Free Movie Night in Prism (Minions)
Saturday, April 15th at 11:30am – Blue White Game Concession Stand work
Sunday, April 16th at 9:30am – Sunday Worship
Sunday, April 16th at 10:30am – Kid's Ministry
Sunday, April 16th at 10:50am – Adult Discussion Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Free Movie Night! We are back in April with a new start time. Bring friends and bring family! Enjoy a spring night out – because our monthly series of Movie Nights in the Prism continues on Friday, April 14th. This month, we present the adventures of some **Minions**. Doors open at 6:00pm, and the movie starts at 6:15pm. Bring blankets and pillows and stuff to cozy up and enjoy the show. Light snacks and drinks will be provided.

Children's Ministry – Our children and youth are not just our future. They are a vital part of our present. As such, they expressed an interest in helping dogs and cats at local animal shelters. Last week, the kids have started making toys for these pets.

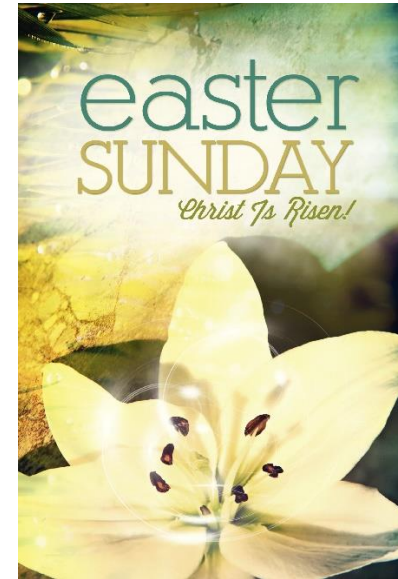
Next Sunday, April 16th, will finish out our food drive, of canned dog food, canned cat food and dry cat food. Additionally, we are collecting plastic shopping bags for use at the shelters. Later this month the children and youth will visit a local shelter to deliver donations and share the love of Christ with our four-legged friends. Thanks for your support!

Power of Prayer: Mark your calendars: Park Forest Village UMC will be hosting a community event for the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 4th. More information to follow.

Come and Camp with Christ: The Susquehanna Conference features five camping and retreat centers throughout central Pennsylvania. The experiences look to build authentic connections with Christ, community and creation. From now through May 1st, campers receive a \$25 early-bird discount with registration. For more information, please visit <https://suscrm.org>

Park Forest Village United Methodist Church

Welcome to Worship
9:30am
April 9, 2023
Easter Sunday



Pastor Gregg Kohlhepp
Organist: Laura Leslie
Usher: Nancy Hommel
Greeters: Sam and Jan Hawbaker
Interpreter: Amy Lawrence

**Our Mission is to love God and to share
God's love with others.**

**For pastoral care contact Pastor Gregg
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Gathering to Worship

Prelude "Low in the Grave" arr. - Peterson

Welcome/Announcements

Centering Words "Risen" by Shawna Edwards

**** Call to Worship:** Christ is Alive,
moving among the living.
Christ is risen,
Inviting us to rise in fullness of life.
Christ is calling,
Proclaiming life and hope for all.

**** The Opening Hymn** Christ the Lord Is Risen Today #302
(verses 1-4)

**** Opening Prayer** **Almighty God, you give us the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection. We come with songs and shouts of praise for the work you brought forth in Christ. With joy, we thank you for joining us with his sacred life. We bless you for raising us in, and with, Jesus Christ, giving us the power to proclaim like Mary Magdalene, the Risen One – not only with our voices, but with our very lives. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

Special Music "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" – Children's Choir

Kid's Time

Pastoral Prayer

****Hymn of Preparation** Easter People, Raise Your Voices #304

Scripture Readings Acts 10:34-43 (NT p.157)
Matthew 28:1-10 (NT p. 41)

The Message You Will See Him

The Sacredness of Offering and Reflection
"Love Crucified, Arose" Michael Card

**** The Doxology** #95

**** Prayer of Dedication**

**** Song of Invitation** Spirit of the Living God #393

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The Lord's Prayer

Giving the Bread and Cup

**** The Hymn of Dedication** He Lives #310

**** The Benediction**

**** Choral Response** He Is Lord (two times) #177

**** The Postlude**
"Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals" – Karg-Elert

For those with young children, you are welcome to use our nursery/changing station at the end of the hall, if you wish.