



# Tower Bell



Many striking feelings and thoughts pack the time from Palm/Passion Sunday to Easter. They are among the most intense days of the Church Year. These events not only shook the world but have left an indelible impression upon the hearts of people of all ages. Our church will reflect their meaning in a number of ways. We hope you will enter into the drama of them and like the disciples be transformed into joyful and confident witnesses to Jesus Christ.

**PALM/PASSION SUNDAY** is the last Sunday in Lent and the first day in Holy Week. As a Christian observance, it dates back to about the 10<sup>th</sup> century. It is a day of contrasting emotions as worship moves from one portion to the next.

**Part I** focuses on “**The Triumphal Entry**”. The mood and images of the music in this portion tend to be light hearted, seeming to depict a bright, sunny day. Jesus, riding a donkey into the Holy City, is surrounded by friends and admirers shouting their enthusiasm and praise. “Hosanna, Hosanna”. The Prelude will be buoyant, made to order for sunshine, children and smiling faces. “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.” A palm processional led by children and our Chancel Choir will join in singing our “Hosannas” (God save us) It will truly be a time of celebration!

The mood quickly changes with Jesus’ arrest and in **Part II** with “**The Trial**”. The sermon “Not My Problem” focuses on Pilate, a man in place of power and potential influence who could have altered the course of events but refused to intervene. There is a little “Pilate” in all of us when we seek to avoid responsibility.

**The final portion, “The Passion”** reflects the events following the trial, Jesus scourging, the journey to the cross and the crucifixion. Scripture and the words of the hymns “Ah, Holy Jesus, how have you offended”, and “Beneath the cross of Jesus” set the tone. Worshippers are encouraged to leave the service in silence as they reflect on the meaning of cross.

As individuals or families let me encourage you to talk to or share with to family member(s) or friends about your thoughts and feelings about these events and what they mean to you in your faith journey.



On **MAUNDY THURSDAY**, we will gather for a **Communion/Tenebrae** service. “*Maundy*” is derived from the Latin word, **MANDATUM**, meaning commission. It refers to the great commission of Jesus after **the Last Supper**—“*A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another.*” The service begins remembering and celebrating the final supper Jesus shared with his disciples in the context of the Passover.

The second movement in worship is the **Tenebrae** which is Latin for “darkness” or “shadows”. It is an adaptation of an early Fourth Century Service. Scripture readings by Elders, the gradual extinguishing of lights, hymns and anthems sung by the Chancel Choir will remind us of the shadows of the cross and the death of our Lord and Savior. An atmosphere of quiet reflection makes this one of the most impressive and impactful services of the church—a vital and necessary prelude to the joy of Easter.

Peace,  
*Bob*

## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

One of our strengths as Presbyterians lies in sharing what we have with others, a discipline that for more than six decades Presbyterians have exercised through One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). This year's offering theme, drawn from Jesus' last encounter with his disciples, highlights the message he leaves them—to focus not on one's own needs but on those of others. "Do you love me?" he asks three times. Three times he repeats a variation of the instruction, "Feed my sheep."

Presbyterians' gifts to OGHS respond to this command in hundreds of ways.

So just How does the PC(USA) use its offering gifts? They are roughly divided into thirds. Each of three programs—Self-Development of People (SDOP), Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), and the Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP) receives 32 percent of the offering; the remaining 4 percent goes to the PHP for its work on homelessness and affordable housing. When it comes to Disaster Relief, for example, we were among the first groups to provide assistance in Haiti.

Through your gifts and the gifts of other congregations across the church, the One Great Hour of Sharing offering continues to be a reminder that through the simple act of sharing, we are blessed and experience God's abundance in surprising ways. Please give generously....(*offering will be received on Palm Sunday*)

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**"Session hereby calls for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation to be held in the Sanctuary on Sunday, February 28, 2010 at 11:45 a.m. immediately following the Sunday Morning Service of Worship. The purpose of this meeting is to receive the 2009 Annual Report including the 2009 Financial Report and the 2010 Church Budget, to hear and act upon the Church Nominating Committee Report, to review Terms of Call and to act upon any other matters pertaining thereto."**

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

### ALL-CHURCH EASTER BRUNCH – SUNDAY, APRIL 4 – 9:30 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.

Join family and friends on Easter Sunday morning for an all-church brunch provided by the Congregational Life Committee. The menu will include: egg casserole (several varieties), fruit cup, donuts/muffins/pastries, juice, and beverages.

Reservations are requested, so please use a gold pew card to sign up and let us know how many are coming. If you prefer, call or email the Church with the information – 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

For additional information, please contact Joyce Schalliol, Chair of the Committee, at 546-3411 or [jschalliol@aol.com](mailto:jschalliol@aol.com) or Phyllis Wezeman at 234-4159 or [pwezemanfpcsouthbend.org](http://pwezemanfpcsouthbend.org).

## FPC MALAWI ASSOCIATION

**Save the date!!! Our annual "Malawi Meal" will be held on Pentecost Sunday, May 24 at 12:00 Noon in the Social Hall.** Tickets will be available soon from any member of the FPC Malawi Association or the Mission Committee. Thank you for your support of our Chibanzi, Malawi Nursery School/ Orphan Center and Feeding Site/Kitchen.

## MISSION COMMITTEE

### MISSION OF THE QUARTER – JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH – HOPE MINISTRIES

For many years, First Presbyterian Church of South Bend has made chicken casseroles once-a-month for Hope

Rescue Mission -- now called Hope Ministries. During January, February, and March, we will learn more about the work of this community agency and collect supplies that they need for their operation as well as for their residents. These include:

#### **For their operation**

*Cleaning supplies, Coffee, Healthy snacks for children  
Laundry detergent (powdered), Paper towels, Sugar  
Toilet paper, Trash bags – all sizes*

#### **For their residents**

*Deodorant for men and women, Diapers and Pull-Ups,  
sizes 4-6, Hair products for African Americans, Maxi-  
pads, Razors for men, Socks for men and women*

*Also, gently used items would be appreciated such as:  
Alarm clocks, Bath towels, Pocket dictionaries*

Donations, which are greatly appreciated, may be left on the table on the Colfax Porch or in the Church Office. Thank you.

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In loving memory of:



Herb Cramer—February 12, 2010

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From your Deacons:

**OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP!**

In keeping with the knowledge that we are blessed to be a blessing, we are listing opportunities for you to put your faith in action. Please contact the chairperson in the areas in which you are willing to serve. Share your time and talent with your church family. It will be appreciated.

**Hope ministries-2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month**

Contact-Bruce Bondurant  
Help serve or make a casserole

**Easter Brunch-April 4**

Contact-Phyllis Wezeman or Joyce Schalliol  
Help set up, cook, serving or clean up

**Second hour program prek-5-one Sunday a month**

Contact-Phyllis Wezeman  
Help lead or shepherd

**Child care and classes-one Sunday a month**

Contact-Phyllis Wezeman  
Help 9:15-10:40 or 10:40-12:00

**Faith steps-one Sunday a month**

Contact-Phyllis Wezeman  
Help Teach or shepherd



**March Outreach Lunches:**

Midtown/South Group, **Wednesday, March 10** at 11:30, Allie's Café, Mishawaka Avenue

North Group, **Tuesday, March 16** at 12:00 at Bob Evans Restaurant, Roseland (Note location change)

**Choir Spotlight...**

interviewed by the Outreach Committee



**Judy Eaton**—Alto, in our choir seven years. She has always sung in Church and community choirs. She also plays bells. Judy is a retired librarian.



**Bruce Bondurant** sings bass and has been a member of choir for 30 years. Bruce plays piano and trombone. He is an attorney.



**Chris Ross** sings high tenor. He has been with our choir for three years. Chris has a BA in Psychology and an BS in Computer Science. He has a minor in Opera Performance. He has taken lessons in organ, piano, French Horn and Trombone. Chris owns and operates a Printing and Design company in Granger. [www.dmmllcc.net](http://www.dmmllcc.net)



**Donna Rehbein** is a soprano and sang in choirs since elementary school. Joined our choir in 1976 as well as small groups, ensembles and the bell choir. Retired from Memorial Hospital as an Administrative Assistant.



**Bill Fox, Jr.**, baritone/bass, sang under direction the of Lee Belknap in Childen's and Westminster Choirs 1954-62. Charter Member of bell choir 1957. Howe Military Choir and Glee Clubs 1962-66. 1974-82 sang with Chancel Choir in Alameda, CA. Sang intermittently with our choir since 1986. IT Systems Auditor, with 1<sup>st</sup> Source Bank.



## YOUTH NEWS

As you may know the times are changing, along with everything else. The change is so fast that it is hard to even comprehend what it means in the grand scheme of things let alone appreciate what it means for our daily lives.

One of the things that has changed a great deal is the concept of adolescent. A generation ago an adolescent was someone who was preparing for adulthood. There was a transition from childhood into adolescence and then into adulthood.

Today, while it still carries that meaning, it is being used for a wider section of the population and so has a wider meaning. We have pre-adolescents, mid-adolescents and post-adolescents. If you think that these designations are simple hair-splitting, **you should ask your 18 year old if she wants to be included into the same social group as her 12 year old brother.** Or ask a senior in College how their life concerns are similar to a junior in High School. More and more, these are becoming important social designations that may define the future of education, employment and the Church's ministry to youth and their families.

One of the immediate results of this social dynamic is the continued loss of meaningful rites of passage. Getting a drivers license, obtaining your first job, even turning 21 are becoming less meaningful because of the extension of adolescence. All of these things are important but none of them directly equate to being an adult.

Even education has lost its ability to produce adults because, now more than ever, we are realizing a culture and economy that demands continuing education and re-training. Something other than a High School diploma makes you an adult.

How does the Church fit into this cultural dilemma? First by recognizing how this dynamic is forming our thoughts about young people, our media and our social lives. Second, by identifying *rites of passage within our church life that can serve as symbols for our young people that they are accepted, trusted and respected for their contribution and presence.*

Confirmation is one rite of passage that our Church has long held. This is an important moment for our youth who publicly confess their faith and are recognized as voting members.

Ordaining Youth Deacons and Youth Elders is another important way to recognize the youth of our Church. We can accept them into leadership and place them into positions where their voices

are heard and they play an active role in our community.

**The Triennium Conference** is another way that our Church develops and encourages youth leadership. This conference is designed for High School and College age and is a wonderful event of discover of one self, the world and the Church. It is taking place at **Purdue University, July 20-24<sup>th</sup>**. If you are interested in attending or know someone who is, please contact the Church Office.

The most important task for our Church is to constantly encourage and develop leadership skills in our young people. This is an ongoing, active effort to buildup leaders in our community. It may mean giving up our own positions of leadership and power so that others may develop into those areas as well. This can be frustrating and painful, but this it is also the process of making disciples, which is what Jesus calls us to do.

## SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

The FPCSB Youth want to thank the church for participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. Thank you for helping us collect cans and dried goods on Super Bowl Sunday, February 7th. This year we collected **149 cans and \$204.69!** All of the donations we raised will stay in our community and benefit the local food banks.



## Thanks from the Chicago Staff Band

*Friends,  
On behalf of the men and women of Chicago Staff Band I thank you for the opportunity to bring our music ministry to First Presbyterian Church this past weekend. It was our pleasure to join your congregation in 'worship as well as join forces in performance with organist Brian Hoover and your Chancel Choir. We also appreciated the fellowship and food with your people following the service. We hope that our music ministry was a testimony to God's love and the mission of our Army. Thank you for a great opportunity to share both. I certainly hope our paths will cross again in the future.*

*Sincerely, William Himes,  
Bandmaster Chicago Staff Band*

*Dear Dr. Agnew,  
On behalf of everyone at the St. Joseph County Salvation Army, we would like to say "thank you" for your participation in the events on January 25th. The concert on Saturday night was inspiring, uplifting God honoring and a great success. The worship on Sunday morning was a celebration of God's 'goodness to us. Your help and support made all this possible. Thank you for your continued prayers and ongoing support. May God continue to bless you as you serve Him.*

*Majors Bob & Collette Webster*



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

### CHILD CARE

[INFANTS & TWO'S/THREE'S]

An Infant Nursery and a Twos/Threes Class is offered every Sunday from 9:15 A.M. to

12:00 Noon. Janet Mwachande is the attendant, assisted during each shift by regularly scheduled, nurturing volunteers.

### FAITH STEPS SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR MARCH

Faith Steps Sunday School, our 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. Workshop Rotation Model Program for Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth Grade children, will focus on the New Testament story of "Jesus' Resurrection through the Eyes of Mary Magdalene" during the four Sundays of March. Classes and teachers include:

**March 7 – Cooking [Tent] – Dianne Wojcicki**

**March 14 – Games [Tent] – Nellie Namwali**

**March 21 – Drama [Drama Room]**

**Margo Shearman-Howard**

**March 28 – Cinema [Cinema Room]**

**David Eggleston.**

Shepherds for March are between Nellie Namwali, Liz Rosencrantz, and Margo Shearman-Howard.

### PRE-KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Our Pre-K class, for children who have turned four but have not started Kindergarten, is held as part of Faith Steps Sunday School from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. each week. In addition, Pre- K Children attend the 10:45 A.M. service with their families, participate in the children's message, and leave for Second Hour or remain in worship with their caregivers.

### SECOND HOUR

Second Hour for March will include Children's Library time and Mission projects as well as fun activities to learn about the Sacrament of Baptism. Check the bulletin boards for locations.

### CHILDRENS' MINISTRIES – MISCELLANEOUS

#### BIG HEARTS BUNCH

The Big Hearts Bunch, our Caring Kids' Club for Third, Fourth, and Fifth Graders, will meet Sunday, March 28 at 11:45 A.M. in the Social Hall to prepare over 140 Easter baskets for the children of LaSalle Park Homes.

As in the past, the congregation is invited to bring supplies. These include: small stuffed animals, Easter baskets and grass, and wrapped Easter candy. These items may be left on the table on the Colfax Porch or in the Church office. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

### CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

"Check out" the great books in the Children's Library, Room 221, on the second floor of the Education Wing. "Check out" of books is on the honor system. Judy Eaton is the Librarian.



### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EFFECTIVENESS MODEL WORKSHOP – NEW DATE – TUESDAY, MARCH 2

**"From Urgency to Action: Effective Ministry with Children" will be held Tuesday, March 2** in the Social Hall. This workshop was rescheduled from February due to the snowstorm. Committee members and parents are encouraged to attend either the daytime session, from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M., or the evening gathering, from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. Please register by calling the church at 574-234-4159 or emailing [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

### "FEATURING FIRST KIDS" BULLETIN BOARD

Our "Featuring First Kids" Bulletin Board is located on the wall near the Church Office. It displays nametags for our Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth Grade children. Pre-Ks through Fifth Graders should pick up their nametags when they arrive at church, wear them throughout the day, and hang them on their "grade" ribbon before they leave the building.

### FIRST FOUNDATIONS SCRIPTURE BOOKLETS

"First Foundations," the booklets containing suggested Scripture passages to learn by heart and Faith Steps memory verses are available to Pre-K through Second Graders as well as Third through Fifth Graders.

### MICHIANA WORKSHOP ROTATION MODEL NETWORK

McWoRM Net, the Michiana Workshop Rotation Model Network, will meet in the Social Hall on **Tuesday, March 2**, from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.

### WORSHIP FOR CHILDREN

Children of all ages are invited to participate in worship with their parents or caregivers on Sundays and on special days throughout the year. For Pre-Schoolers, Worship Bags are available in the Narthex which may be used during worship and returned to their rack at the end of Church. Children's messages will be shared during the 10:45 A.M. service. Following the Children's Time, Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth Grade girls and boys may leave for Second Hour in the Education Wing or they may return to sit with their families.

## ADULT EDUCATION

### CHAPEL CLASS

The Sunday morning adult education Chapel Class, held from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M., covers various themes and topics. During March the schedule will include:

**March 7** – “Alive to God in Jesus Christ: A Lenten Study”  
Session 3: Jesus Christ Is My **LORD** and Savior

**March 14** – “Alive to God in Jesus Christ: A Lenten Study”  
Session 4: Jesus Christ Is My Lord and **SAVIOR**

**March 21** – “Alive to God in Jesus Christ: A Lenten Study”  
Session 5: Jesus Christ **IS MY** Lord and Savior

**March 28** – “Alive to God in Jesus Christ: A Lenten Study”  
Session 6: Follow Up

### ONE BOOK – ONE CHURCH – FOR LENT

During Lent, 2010, First Presbyterian Church of South Bend will offer a coordinated Church/Home study using the denomination’s book *Alive to God in Jesus Christ: 40 Daily Readings for the Purposeful Presbyterian* (Small, Joseph D. Louisville, KY: Witherspoon Press, 2008). Our goal is to have the entire congregation reading and reflecting on the same Scripture passages and meditations as we prepare, during Lent, for the celebration of Easter.

During the Sundays of Lent, a study session led by Linda Thorpe-Gordon will be held in the Chapel Class from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. It will focus on a theme that highlights one of the words or phrases of the title and prepares participants for the seven devotions that will be read at home during the week.

Books are available in the Chapel Class and in the Narthex before and after worship. The suggested donation for a book is \$12.95 and checks should be payable to First Presbyterian Church of South Bend.

For additional information about this “all-church” study, or to obtain a book, please contact Adult Enrichment Committee Chair, Pete Amos, at 217-6212 or [AmosFamily51@aol.com](mailto:AmosFamily51@aol.com) or Phyllis Wezeman at 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

### ADULT SMALL GROUPS

#### COPING WITH LIFE ALONE SERIES

The “Coping with Life Alone” series is a six-week support group for persons experiencing loss due to death, divorce, or separation. First Presbyterian Church of South Bend is a supporting congregation for this ministry sponsored by Beginning Experience.

The winter/spring series continues through March 23. Sessions, from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., are held at Sunnyside Presbyterian Church, 115 S. Frances Street, South Bend.

March topics include:

**March 2** – Discovering and Trusting Self

**March 9** – Changing Relationships with Family and Others

**March 16** – Coping with Memories

**March 23** – Where Do We Go from Here?

For additional information, or to register for the series, contact Phyllis Wezeman at 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

#### DAVE RAMSEY’S FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Financial Peace University is a biblically based, video driven small group study that teaches families to beat debt, build wealth, and give like never before! Facilitated by Pete Amos, the Ramsey course teaches how to save money, live on a budget, communicate about finances, eliminate debt, find bargains, and experience the joy of giving. The March classes, held in the Social Hall from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M., include:

**March 2** – Relating with Money

**March 9** – Cash Flow Planning

**March 16** – Dumping Debt

**March 23** – Credit Sharks in Suits

**March 30** – Buyer Beware.

Child Care will be provided if requested in advance.

For additional information please contact Pete Amos at 217-6212 or [AmosFamily51@aol.com](mailto:AmosFamily51@aol.com) or Phyllis Wezeman at 574-234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

#### ECO-STEWARDS – BOOK DRIVE

Our Adult Enrichment Committee’s Eco-Stewards Group, in cooperation with Better World Books ... an international company, warehoused in Mishawaka, Indiana, that collects and sells books online to fund literacy initiatives worldwide ... continues to collect books. Please leave them on the table on the Colfax porch or on the counter in the Church Office. For additional information, contact: Alisea McLeod, Eco-Stewards Coordinator, at 288-4784 or [aliseamcleod@hotmail.com](mailto:aliseamcleod@hotmail.com) or Phyllis Wezeman at 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

#### EIGHT GREAT DATES ... FOR COUPLES

“**FIREPROOF YOUR MARRIAGE**” -- a marriage enrichment program based on the movie *FIREPROOF*

Couples have an opportunity for a “date” the second Friday of each month – through May. **The next one will be Friday,**

**March 12.** The format is:

**6:00 P.M.** – Child Care and Children’s/Youth Activities (Meal Provided)

**6:00 P.M. – 6:45 P.M.** – Dinner for Adults in the Parlor

[Come when you can!]

**7:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.** – Video/Discussion and Dessert

For additional information, contact Linda Fox at 277-6317 or [billorlynn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:billorlynn@sbcglobal.net) or Phyllis Wezeman at 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

## LIVING THE PARABLES FOR LENT

### INTERGENERATIONAL LENTEN SERIES LIVING THE PARABLES FOR LENT

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3– WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24  
5:45 P.M. – 6:15 P.M. – Dinner

Soup --3 kinds, Bread, Salad, Dessert, Beverages  
6:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. – Parable

Reflection through various media including drama and music  
7:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. – Mission Project  
Action & Information

#### Wednesday, March 3

Parable: The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32)

Agency: Hope Ministries

Project: Cleaning Kits

[Bring: Disinfectant wipes (like Clorox®), floor cleaner (like Pine Sol®), paper towels, spray cleaner (like 409®)]

#### Wednesday, March 10

Parable: The Unforgiving Servant (Matthew 18:23-35)

Agency: Dismas House

Project: Stationery Supplies

[Bring: Cards, envelopes, pens, stamps, writing pads]

#### Wednesday, March 17

Parable: The Soils (Matthew 13:3-8; Mark 4:4-8; Luke 8:5-8)

Agency: Center for the Homeless

Project: Sack Lunches

[Bring: Applesauce cups, granola bars, napkins, plastic spoons, pudding cups]

#### Wednesday, March 24

Parable: The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37)

Agency: Ronald McDonald House

Project: Easter Baskets

[Bring: Easter baskets, small stuffed animals, wrapped candy]

As a donation for dinner, please bring one or more of the items on the list for the week's project – if you are able to do that.

The Wednesday Evening Lenten Series is coordinated by:  
Adult Enrichment Committee & Mission Committee

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our "Prayer Shawl Ministry" is a group of people who work individually in their homes crocheting or knitting tangible symbols of the presence of God in our lives. While each shawl is being created, prayers are offered silently for the person in need. When the shawl is completed, it is delivered to the recipient. For additional information or to suggest the name of a person for whom a shawl could be made, contact Phyllis Wezeman -- 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

## THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY...

will meet **March 4, 11, 18, and 25**. They will study the book "Why the Nativity?" by David Jeremiah. Linda Fox is the facilitator. For additional information, contact Linda Fox at 277-6317 or [billorlynn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:billorlynn@sbcglobal.net) or Phyllis Wezeman at 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).



### TIES TO MALAWI

Ties to Malawi will not meet Wednesday, March 17 but will resume on **Wednesday, April 21** at 9:30 A.M. in the Board Room.

### WEDNESDAY LUNCHESES

"Wednesday Lunches," our monthly fellowship and learning series for men and women coordinated by Adult Enrichment and Presbyterian Women, will hold its next session on **March 17** from 11:45 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. The event will begin with a delicious hot lunch, provided by Royal Caterers, and continue with a visual presentation by Sean Porras of the Horn Museum at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan. Sean, who was such a popular speaker at the November meeting, was invited to return for this session to discuss "Biblical Archaeology." He will share how a "dig" is done and how this type of activity unearths evidence from the time of the Bible. Please make a reservation for lunch by calling Gwen Lofgren at 255-8272 before Noon on the Monday prior to the gathering.

### WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild is an association of Christian women who gather for Bible Study, Prayer, and Service. It is modeled after the Women's Guild of The Church of Central Africa Presbyterian in Malawi and it is an extension of the Presbyterian Women's groups of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Meetings are held one Saturday a month, from 10:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon, at the home of Ruth Roll. **The March date is the 20th.** The group is currently studying the Gospel of John. For additional information about monthly meetings contact Mlekwa Mwachande – 289-5371 or [mzatimbewe@yahoo.com](mailto:mzatimbewe@yahoo.com) or Phyllis Wezeman – 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org).

### ADULT EDUCATION EXTRAS

#### BIBLE READING GUIDE

The "2010 Bible Reading Guide – Embodying Hope," produced annually by the American Bible Society, is available on the literature tables to use as a guide for daily devotions. Please pick up a copy and use it through December 31, 2010.

#### DEVOTIONS FOR LENT AND EASTER

Two devotional guides for use during Lent are available on the literature racks and tables outside of the Chapel and in the Narthex. They include *From Fear to Love: Lenten Reflections on the Parable of the Prodigal Son*, brief meditations by Henri Nouwen, and "Stories of the Savior," a bookmark with daily Bible readings for Lent from our Lord's Parables. These resources, which correlate with the theme of the Wednesday night Lenten series, are provided by the Adult Enrichment Committee.

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### GO & GROW OUTINGS

#### MAY 4—A SPRING DAY IN GRAND RAPIDS



The May “Go & Grow” Adventure will be “A Spring Day in Grand Rapids” on **Tuesday, May 4**. Once again, we will take a motor coach with plans to visit the Gerald R. Ford Museum, have lunch, and enjoy the beauty of the Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park. At that time, Meijer will have an exhibit of the work of world-renowned glass artist, Dale Chihuly, with fifteen installations of his work throughout the grounds.

Following lunch in their Café, we will have a guided indoor tour and an outdoor tram tour to see the beauty of the spring flowers. Space is limited. Reservations, which include transportation, admission, and tram (but not lunch), may be made by contacting Evie Shaw at 272-2971 or [grangerevie@yahoo.com](mailto:grangerevie@yahoo.com) or Phyllis Wezeman at 234-4159 or [pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org](mailto:pwezeman@fpcsouthbend.org). **The cost is \$45.00 per person, if paid by March 21, or \$55.00 per person after that date.**

**THE NEXT TOWER BELL**  
**DEADLINE IS**  
**March 17**

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

