

LIVING MATTHEW 25 2026

Feed the Hungry
Welcome the Stranger
Clothe the Needy
Care for the Sick & Imprisoned
Act Boldly

Opportunities to Build Community in the South Bend Area through Learning and Serving

Facilitated by First Presbyterian Church of Downtown South Bend & its Community Partners

April 2026

First Presbyterian Church of Downtown South Bend Mission of the Month



Sunday, April 19, 2026 – 11:00 a.m. Packing Party!!!

Come for lunch and gather for a party to pack pads, made at the recent event at Indiana University South Bend as well as by groups around the country, to keep girls in Malawi, Africa in school. In addition, a local sewing group from the church and guests from St. Margaret's House have made pillowcase dresses and handcrafted toys to send to Malawi as well.
First Presbyterian Church of South Bend, 333 W. Colfax Avenue, South Bend, IN.
Park behind church building. Enter Social Hall door.

Community Partner Events

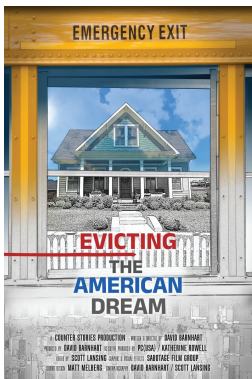
Good Friday, April 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Two different walks are available! It's the same intent with different locations, different stops, different stories. All ages welcome. No registration. No charge. Walk through the streets of our city, stopping at places of healing and hope as well as places of despair and death in our community. Each station will highlight joys and concerns for our city. Join us for a two mile, two hour loop.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross Walk through the southeast side of South Bend Loop starting and ending at: Broadway Christian Parish, 1412 Carroll Street, South Bend.

Stations in the Street Walk through Downtown South Bend (Map to the right) Loop starting and ending at: First Presbyterian Church [Parking lot behind building], 333 W. Colfax Avenue, South Bend

For personal walks, signage for the twelve stations for the downtown walk will be up from Monday, March 30th through Saturday, April 4th. Each sign will have a station number, image, and QR code to access the complete document with readings and prayers.



Monday, April 6 – 6:00 p.m. Mondays at the Movies – Ejecting the American Dream

Ejecting the American Dream amplifies the voices and stories of children and families confronting eviction and homelessness. This film seeks to re frame, humanize, and transform how the wider public understands eviction and homelessness and the ways in which this is preventable. Through interviews with pediatric psychologists, social workers, tenant rights organizations, housing authority officials, and eviction lawyers, this film explores the root causes and systemic issues that perpetuate this epidemic. The evening will be hosted by Carl Hetler, City of South Bend, and include panelists Mary Bradfield, REAL Services Housing Director, and Judy Fox, Notre Dame Clinical Professor Emerita of Law.

Saint Joseph County Public Library – Auditorium, 305 S. Michigan Street, South Bend, IN.
All welcome. No registration. No charge.