

### Happy March Birthdays

5- Pat Claesson	16- Hayden Skalko
9- Klara DeVries	21- Milo Kroll
11- Nikolas Jesch	29- Craig Stevens
14- Kay Hoelscher	31- Monica Marks
14- Becky Peterson	

### Session Highlights

- Session approved the 2024 Church Statistical Report that is submitted to the Presbytery as well as the 2024 Annual Report.
- A quote for steam conversion has been received from Iron Range Plumbing and Heating. The amount for the church building is \$60,082. Session has given approval to move ahead with accepting this bid if the HCPC Task Force is in agreement.
- Session is working with the Task Force to determine when and by how much to lower the listing price of the CE building. The understanding will be that the buyer assumes the cost and responsibility of steam conversion.

### Preaching Schedule

Mar. 2 – Sue Stevens, Jazz Sunday  
Mar. 9 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Communion  
Mar. 16 – Rev. Amy Teske  
Mar. 23 – Rev. Kate Stangl  
Mar. 30 – Rebecca LeMenager  
Apr. 6 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Communion  
Apr. 13 – Rev. Doug Workman  
Apr. 20 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Easter

### Annual Reports

Copies of the 2024 Annual Report are available at the church. Please contact the church office if you would like a copy emailed to you.

### Souper Bowl of Caring

The \$221 raised for the Souper Bowl of Caring will go towards the Salvation Army Supper Club.

### One Great Hour of Sharing

Lent is the time that the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering is collected. This offering is made by Presbyterians around the world to provide relief from natural disasters, hunger, poverty and oppression. You may use the special OGHS envelopes or fish banks at the church, or checks made out to HCPC with OGHS in the memo can be mailed to the church.

### Youth in Philanthropy Grant

Milo Kroll applied for and received \$1,000 from the Youth in Philanthropy grant offered by the Northland Foundation. He will use the funds to help keep our Little Free Pantry stocked. Thanks Milo!

### Jazz Sunday!



We are hosting a Jazz Worship Service on Sunday, March 2, at 10:00 am. You are encouraged to join this celebration

of the Transfiguration of Jesus. Talented area musicians will join our Instruments of Hope to present a transforming worship experience for all. Bring your friends and neighbors. See you there!



### Clearwater Forest

The 2025 schedule for the Clearwater Forest Camp and Retreat Center can be found at [clearwaterforest.org](http://clearwaterforest.org). There will be a Seeds of Service retreat April 11-13. The service projects will focus on helping the camp become a Green Camp and preparing for the upcoming camp season. Service projects will include planning a pollinator garden, implementing a composting system, maple syruping, and other tasks. The Kroll family is interested in going, so you may contact Dawn if you are interested in carpooling.

### **Congregations Caring for the Earth**

Congregations Caring for the Earth will meet downstairs on Monday, March 17 at 10am. All are welcome to attend!

### **Earth Fest**

Earth Fest will be Saturday, April 26, 9-3pm at the Iron Trail Motors Event Center in Virginia. This year's theme is "The Price of Plastic." In addition to speakers, exhibits, and vendors, there will be e-waste recycling, so start gathering your old electronics! There will be a viewing of the documentary "We're All Plastic People Now" on Friday, April 25 at 6pm. There is a need for volunteers to help with the plastic exhibits and activities. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact Sharon Chadwick at 218-780-1163 or sharon.moilan@gmail.com.

### **HCPC Task Force Report**

The HCPC Task Force has been meeting regularly and has the following updates

- We have received a bid from Iron Range Plumbing and Heating which is substantially lower than the first one we were working with. Unless one more outstanding bid comes in lower, Iron Range Plumbing and Heating's bid will be accepted.
- We have recommended dropping the price on the CE Building to \$80,000 with the buyer to pay for the heat conversion.
- We will be initiating a fund-raising campaign in the near future.
- Here is a summary of the results of the Questionnaire which was handed out at the Town Hall Meeting in December:

### **Congregational Townhall Meeting**

12/15/24

### **Questionnaire Responses**

32 questionnaires returned

We should make every effort to keep the church building: (1=disagree, 5=agree) **Avg=3.7**

It is time to abandon the church building. (1=disagree, 5=agree) **Avg=2.2**

I'm OK with continuing pulpit supply for worship. (1=disagree, 5=agree) **Avg=4.4**

I'm OK with yoking with another church (sharing a pastor). (1=disagree, 5=agree) **Avg=3.5**

I'm OK with merging with another church. (1=disagree, 5=agree) **Avg=3**

How close do you feel we are to ending Hope's ministry? (1=not close, 5=close) **Avg=2.8**

How much above your regular annual offering are you willing to contribute to a capital campaign to pay for steam conversion? Of the 32 questionnaires returned, there were 21 responses that indicated people were willing to contribute to a capital campaign.

Note: Since it looks like we will be moving forward with accepting a steam conversion quote and will begin fundraising, you are welcome to submit your checks at any time. They can be made out to **HCPC** with Steam Conversion in the memo.



# CHRISTIAN education & youth news



Happy St.  
Patrick's Day



March 2025



## Elementary Sunday School

March 2

Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)

Jesus is Transfigured

Jesus' glory is revealed to some of His disciples, reminding us that He is more than just a man; He is the Son of God.

March 9

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus is Tempted in the Desert

Jesus knows what temptation is like, but He also knows not to give in, and shows it is possible to reject bad ideas.

March 16

Luke 13:31-35

Jesus laments over Jerusalem

Even though Jesus knows He will be killed in Jerusalem, He loves the people there, and wishes they would accept Him.

March 23

Luke 13:1-9

Parable of the Barren Fig Tree

Jesus gives people every chance to change their ways, just like a gardener cares for his plants so they might bear good fruit

March 30

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

The Prodigal Son

God always welcomes people back, even if they've done stupid things, He helps them change course and be a part of his family.

Give of yourself and share God's  
Love.



## Birthday Corner

Hayden Skalko March 16

Milo Kroll March 21



Christian Education Calendar

## Souper Bowl of Caring

Thanks so much to all who donated to this year's Souper Bowl of Caring. We are able to donate \$196 to the Salvation Army Supper club.



## One Great Hour of Sharing

Lenten Fish Banks will be collected on

Palm Sunday April 13th.

They may be brought to church, or dropped off at the CE Building any time.

Thank you all

Ages 7+

March 2, 2025 - Luke 9:28-43

## A Transfiguration and a Healing

Jesus took Peter, John and James with Him and went up on a mountain to pray. What happened?

Solve the puzzles below to fill in the answers.

1. - N + T R A N S - I G -
2. - I - G E D -
3. - O O M - I + - O S =
4. - M I N G U + - I I =
5. - V E - - N G + - M E -
6. - O O N + E P H A I + I -

The appearance of His \_\_\_\_\_  
and His clothes became as \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_  
of lightning. Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in  
talking with Jesus.

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Sunday March 2	Wednesday March 5	Sunday March 9	Sunday March 16	Sunday March 23	Sunday March 30
Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a) Transfiguration & Jazz Sunday	Ash Wednesday	Luke 4:1-13 Jesus is Tempted in the Desert	Luke 13:31-35 Jesus is sad about Jerusalem	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 The parable of the barren fig tree.	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 The Prodigal Son