

Happy April Birthdays

1 – Abigail Keelin	14 – Rebecca Staver
1 – Katie Keelin	17 – Sam DeVries
2 – Sue Stevens	18 – Ariella Reynolds
3 – Dorothy Tyndall	20 – Nancy Judnick
4 – Arin Marks	22 – Alicia Atkins
6 – Andrew Lee	25 – Lauren Day
6 – Joel Moschler	25 – Marko Thompson
7 – Bob Prosen	26 – Kevin Koski
9 – Ben Remington	26 – Kathleen Stanaway
	30 – Erin Hartline

Session Highlights

- The listing price of the CE building has been lowered to \$80,000. A counteroffer of \$70,000 is in the process of being negotiated with the concession of 2 parking spaces needing to be clarified.
- A special presbytery meeting has been requested to authorize the application of a 0% interest loan from the City of Virginia. These funds will only be utilized if fundraising for the steam conversion does not produce adequate funds.
- A church PayPal account will be set up to aid fundraising and allow online worship viewers to make offerings.

Preaching Schedule

Apr. 6 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Communion
Apr. 13 – Rev. Doug Workman, Palm Sunday
Apr. 20 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Easter
Apr. 27 – Stephanie Falkowski
May 4 – Rev. Kate Stangl, Communion
May 11 – Stephanie Falkowski

Lenten Service & Meal

Judy Erickson is planning a Lenten service and meal to take place on Wednesday, April 9 at 5pm.

No Easter Livestream/Video

The Easter Sunday service will not be livestreamed or recorded. We hope you are able to join us in person on Easter Sunday!

HPCP Ladies Luncheon

All women of the church are invited to an HCPC Ladies Luncheon on Thursday, April 3rd at 12:30 at the Copper Nickel at the Virginia Golf Course. Please RSVP to Irene Salo.

Easter Lilies

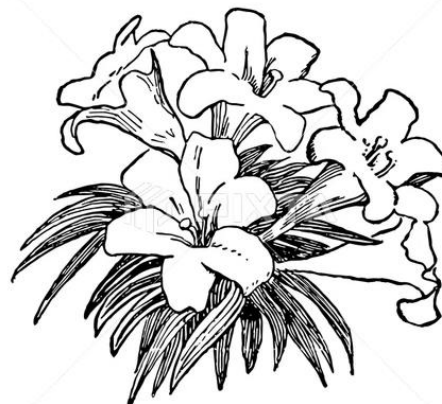
Easter lilies will be available for \$11. If you would like to purchase one, please let the office know who they are in honor/memory of. Checks can be made out to HCPC.

Episcopal Church Invitation

Members of the Sts. John and Paul Episcopal Church have expressed their appreciation for being able to partner with us to help stock our Little Free Pantry. They have invited each of us to join them on the 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 5pm when they have Communion and a light meal. It is at these services that they collect food and money for the pantry.

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. This offering will be dedicated on Palm Sunday.



Community Band Concert

The Mesabi Community Band will have a concert on Thursday, April 10 at 7pm at the Eveleth Auditorium. Dawn Trexel will be playing a flute Concertino by Cecil Chaminade with the band at the concert.

Congregations Caring for the Earth

Congregations Caring for the Earth will meet downstairs on Monday, April 14 at 10am. All are welcome to attend! Dawn also has information about a solar co-op opportunity for anyone interested in pursuing solar on their property.

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 held 2 meetings since the last newsletter and has the following items to report on:

- The bid from Iron Range Plumbing and Heating was accepted for the steam conversion on the church. The work will likely be done this summer. Virginia Public Utilities needs to make sure that the existing gas line into the church is large enough to accommodate the conversion. Any work

and expenses would be the city's responsibility.

- Since both the church and the CE Building have been functioning as a single entity they've had the same address. Since the CE Building will be split off from the church in a sale, the city said it is necessary for each building to have a separate address. They worked with us to enable the church address to remain as 212 5th Ave. S. and will re-address the CE Building as 210 ½ 5th Ave. S.
- A fundraising campaign will be conducted to cover the steam conversion costs. However, the preliminary form for a no-interest loan from the city will be filled out in case it is needed. It would be good if we didn't have to take out the loan because if we don't, we would receive a substantial rebate from the city based on our 2023 utility costs.
- A joint meeting of the Task Force and the Session was held on March 23 in order to discuss whether or not to approve an offer which has been received for the sale of the CE Building. If approved, the offer would then be forwarded to the Presbytery Commission which has been appointed to handle the process. The offer was approved by Session but additional details have since come to light and negotiations are continuing.
- Originally, the Task Force intended to discuss the implementation of a Fundraising Campaign at their meeting on March 23, but due to the mentioned above, that item will be moved to the meeting to be held on April 6. In the meantime, if you wish to contribute towards the steam conversion, you may send a check to the church with such a designation and it will be included in the fund.



HOPE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS



April 2025

Sunday School

April 6th

John 12:1-8

"Mary Anoints Jesus' Feet"

We should worship and honor God/Jesus when we can - not just when we have to schedule the time for it.

April 13th

Luke 19:28-40

"The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem"

Jesus is the humble King who loves all people and offers those who would place their faith and trust in Him the hope of forgiveness, redemption, and eternal salvation.

April 20th

John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12

Easter Sunday - "The Empty Tomb"

God is our shepherd and He loves and protects us at all times. He knows us inside and out.

April 27th

John 20:19-31

"Doubting Thomas"

This story teaches us the importance of faith and the gracious and compassionate love Jesus has for us all.

Celebrate - Have faith in Jesus.

Birthday Corner

Ariella Reynolds April 18

Marko Thompson April 25



Spring and Easter are times for new beginnings.

Spring up with new friends,

Help your neighbors,

Work hard at home and school,
and enjoy the outside.

Bring your fish banks back on **Palm Sunday**
and parade/wave palm branches with us.



Ages 7+

April 13, 2025 • Luke 22:14-71; 23:1-66

The Hours Before Jesus' Death

Before His death, Jesus sat down with His disciples.
What special things did He do?

Connect the dots below to fill in the blanks.



After taking the _____, He gave thanks and said,

"Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will
not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the
kingdom of God comes." And He took

_____, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it
to them, saying, "This is My _____ given for you;
do this in remembrance of Me."



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Christian Education Calendar

Sunday April 6

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Feet"

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Palm Sunday

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