

ANNOUNCEMENTS for February 25, 2022

LENT IS COMING

This **Wednesday, March 2**, is Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent. We will offer two worship opportunities that day and invite you to join us.

10:30 AM

Abbreviated service of prayer, readings, imposition of ashes, Holy Communion

7:30 PM

Full liturgy, imposition of ashes, Holy Communion

LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT

Girl Scout Troop 70527 is participating in an organization called "Sleep in Heavenly Peace". The girls will be making beds for children in need in our community! First Church will be collecting donations of brand new twin sized bed sheets, comforters, and mattress pads beginning March 6 and continuing through the Lenten season.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Adult Class continued its discussion earlier this morning of Moses and how he leveraged his privilege to guide the Israelites to freedom. All are welcome to join us at 10:15 AM in the fellowship hall next week.

STAFF NEWS

Pastor Kathy will be on vacation March 3- 8.

Our current Church Secretary Joy Blankenship will be retiring to be free to travel with Kurt to visit her relocated children. We are looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant to replace Joy. This position will report to the Associate Pastor and work hours will be Monday through Friday, with 10 to no more than 15 hours per week. (However, future flexibility might be needed for no more than 25 hours per week, all dependent on future growth of the church.) This position provides administrative support to the Church staff, Council and Cabinet. Please contact Dawn Zima (Mutual Ministry) at 440-821-6545 or Pastor Kathy with any questions.

HELPING HANDS FUND NEEDS HELP!

We have been blessed to be able to provide assistance for many people in need (of food, shelter, transportation, clothing, etc.) through our Helping Hands Fund. That fund is growing smaller and needs to be replenished. If you would like to contribute so we can continue to be faithful to Jesus' call to love our neighbors in need, we invite you to make a donation in any of the usual ways (check, online, credit card) and simply mark it "Helping Hands Fund." We thank you for your generosity!

PRAYER REQUESTS ONLINE

Did you know that there is a way to add a prayer request online? Simply go to the church website firstchurchalive.org and click on the Ministries tab. Go to the Prayer Ministry block and complete and submit the form. These prayers requests will be given to the Pastors for inclusion in the service the following Sunday.

ALTAR FLOWER AND BULLETIN SIGN-UP SHEETS

There are new sign-up sheets on the Welcome Center for altar flowers and bulletins for 2022!