



Cross Roads Connections

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Where Monroeville Meets Christ

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Dear Family of God at Cross Roads,

It is with great excitement that Alex and I announce to all of you (if you haven't already heard) that we are expecting a baby girl, due August 24, 2024. We are thrilled for Maeve to be a big sister (she is too...she announced it to the preschool several weeks ago), and we are excited to have another child of ours be welcomed and grow in this wonderful congregation at Cross Roads.

You may be wondering how this will work out when I will be away again. Don't panic. As usual, your pastor has a detailed plan for who will cover what things and how things will go while I'm away on maternity leave. It's my intention to begin my maternity leave on Monday, August 12 and return from leave on Sunday, November 3 (All Saints Day). I'm hoping to begin before my due date for 3 important reasons: 1. To allow some time with Maeve before she becomes a big sister; 2. Because August is hot, and I will undoubtedly be uncomfortable; and 3. Because I'm eager to return to the pulpit in November so that I can be fully prepared for the Advent season. As you know, babies rarely do things on our timeline, so of course, these dates are subject to change.

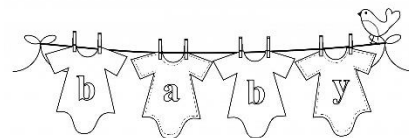
While I'm away, there are a few Sundays when we will have special events, like Youth Sunday and the Family Fall Festival where preaching will not occur. There are also a few Sundays where Ben will preach, and one Sunday when Rev. Brian Wallace, Associate Minister of Pittsburgh Presbytery, will be preaching as well. Other Sundays will be filled in by a pastor in Pittsburgh Presbyter; I'm still working on identifying that person (I have several options), but it will hopefully be the same pastor on all the other weeks. The Session will be moderated by Rev. Phil Beck, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Tarentum. Pastoral Care concerns will be handled by a small group of Deacons and Elders and referred to local clergy (including my Christian colleagues at the Monroeville Interfaith Ministerium) for things like funerals. This detailed plan was presented to Session as a first draft on February 28 and will be approved in detail at a future Session meeting.

In 2023, Pittsburgh Presbytery voted to start a grant fund for pastors who go on parental leave. The Session will be applying for that grant money to cover the cost of substitute preachers and moderators while I am away. This means that my time away will cost virtually nothing, which is always good news!

Alex, Maeve, and I would like to thank you for your support and invite you into prayer for us in this time of expectant waiting. New life is a gift from God; family is a gift from God. Sharing this joyful news from our family to our extended Cross Roads family is indeed a gift from God, and we are incredibly grateful for these gifts. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. In the meantime, I'm ready to do ministry together!

Many Blessings,

Pastor Lindsay



Lenten Preaching Series and Study: The Words of Jesus

Description: Christian literally means “Christ-like one,” or “one who follows Christ.” We would all, hopefully, consider ourselves people who follow Christ! But in our current society, it can be hard to discern exactly what that means. This study will help us go back to the basics: what did Jesus say? What were the most important things to Jesus in his earthly ministry? How does this inform what our actions look like as followers of Jesus? This study will be led by Rennie Rhodes and Pastor Lindsay, and the texts will correspond with what Pastor Lindsay is preaching on in worship that Sunday.

Sunday, March 3: **3rd Sunday of Lent** **9am Bible Study; 10am Worship**

Text: Matthew 6.6-13

Theme: How To Avoid Hypocrisy

Join us for Bible Study at 9am and worship at 10 as we study Jesus’ teachings on hypocrisy. We look forward to guest preacher, Ben Little.

Sunday, March 10: **4th Sunday of Lent** **9am Bible Study; 10am Worship**

Text: Mark 10.17-31

Theme: Giving Up Our Possessions and Hating Our Parents

Join us in Bible Study at 9am and worship at 10 as we study Jesus’ teachings about the rich man who wouldn’t give up his possessions and its relationship to Jesus’ strange command to hate mother and father.

Sunday, March 17: **5th Sunday of Lent** **9am Bible Study; 10am Worship**

Text: Matthew 24.3-8, 29-35

Theme: When Jesus says, “this generation will not pass away before I return,” what on earth did he mean?

Join us in Bible Study at 9am and worship at 10 as we study Jesus’ strange statement that the end of the age would come before this generation had passed away.

Sunday, March 24: **Palm Sunday** **9am Bible Study; 10am Worship**

Text: Mark 10.35-45

Theme: When Jesus says “you must be slave of all” what does that mean?

Join us in Bible Study at 9am and Worship at 10 as we study what Jesus really meant when he said that one must become slave to all.

Thursday, March 28 **Maundy Thursday** **6pm Worship**

Text: John 13.31-35

Theme: Love One Another: Jesus’ final command

Join us in supper and worship on Maundy Thursday as we explore Jesus’ final command to love one another.

Friday, March 29 **Good Friday** **7pm Worship**

Text: Multiple Texts

Theme: The words of Jesus in his last 24 hours of life

Join us in a Tenebrae Worship service as we experience the words of Jesus in the last 24 hours of his life.

Sunday, March 31: **Easter** **7am Worship; 10am Worship**

Text: John 14.1-7

Theme: Jesus’ statements in John about himself

Join us in Easter Worship at either 7am or 10am as we explore the things Jesus declared about himself in John’s gospel.



Session Updates

February 2024

The Session had two called meetings since our last stated meeting.

January 31: On January 31, the Session met for a called meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to approve the plan moving forward after Chrissy Newmyer's departure. On recommendation from the Personnel Committee, the Session voted to...

- Move forward with a plan to hire a part time Administrative Assistant (20 hours per week) who would focus on bulletin, E-pistle, Connections, maintaining the calendar, and other office assistant tasks. We will also hire a part-time Financial Assistant (5 hours per week) who will input deposits, print financial reports, and write checks on a weekly basis.
- Approve the job descriptions for these two positions and the task forces who are seeking to hire for these positions.

More details can be found in the larger article about this plan in the Connections. The position descriptions can be found on our church website.

February 11: On February 11, the Session met for a called meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to receive a report from the Treasurer and the Finance Committee regarding the Budget for 2024.

The Session...

- Approved the 2024 Budget (which was presented to the congregation on February 25)
- Noted with joy the increase in pledges received for 2024 and the continual increased giving we are observing in our church.
- Discussed the Finance Committee's plan to continue to fund ministries that haven't yet been funded.

The Session also had a stated meeting on Wednesday, February 28. Because of publication deadlines for Connections, we don't have everything that was voted on at that meeting, but the following items were set for action.

- Deb Robinson requested a transfer of her membership, which the Session will vote to grant.
- A draft of Pastor Lindsay's maternity leave proposal was received.

A Note of Special Thanks

To my church family,

Thank you for your prayers, calls, and cards during this difficult time. A special thank you to the Deacons and Denise Ponczak for their support and visits. I am grateful to be part of our wonderful church family and appreciate your continued prayers.

Blessings,
DJ Zappa

Personnel Update

Following Chrissy's departure in early February, the Personnel Committee and the Session decided to split Chrissy's job into two smaller part-time positions:

Administrative Assistant (20 hours per week): The Administrative Assistant will take on Chrissy's responsibilities of creating the bulletin, E-Pistle, Connections, and other publications in our church. They will also be responsible for managing the church calendar, office supplies, and other typical administrative functions. This person will work during the day, likely 4 hours per day, Monday through Friday, and will be present in the front church office during their work hours.

Financial Assistant (5 hours per week): The Financial Assistant will take on Chrissy's responsibilities of entering deposits, generating financial reports, and issuing checks. They will work in the finance office, but the hours may be flexible depending on the schedule.

Two task forces have been elected by Personnel and Session to begin the search for these employees.

Administrative Assistant Task Force: Lucille Jenkins (chair), Kelley Rupchak, Dick Haessler, Sue Lomeo, and Rennie Rhodes. The team is currently receiving applications for consideration for the position.

Financial Assistant Task Force: Bob Kendig (chair), Beverly Reinhardt, Ilona Beatty, and Jon Junker. The team is currently receiving applications for consideration for the position.

Both positions have been posted on local media and on our website. Please encourage interested parties to inquire.

In the meantime...

- Betsy Hughes has been gracious enough to volunteer to create the bulletins, E-pistles, and Connections regularly. She also put together our Annual Report. Huge thanks to Betsy for her help!
 - If you need to submit information for the bulletin or E-pistle, please send it by **Wednesday at noon** to crossroadsmonroeville@gmail.com.
 - If you need to submit information for the Connections, please send it by **the 15th of the month** to crossroadsmonroeville@gmail.com.
- Nicholas Amity continues to serve as our office assistant and is helping us to get organized in the front office in this interim time.
- Several volunteers are helping to organize mail, keep the front office in working order, take things to the post office, and keep the office running smoothly. A special thanks to all who have helped!
- A couple individuals, including the treasurer, are entering deposits and cutting checks. Because this is a volunteer situation, it may take longer for your checks to be issued; please allow ample time for reimbursement and have patience with them. A special thanks to them for their work.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask Pastor Lindsay (Lwhite@crossroadspresbyterian.com).



Food Pantry News

Food Pantry Volunteer Opportunities

We have SUCH a wonderful group of volunteers (both church and community members) who are devoted to the many tasks required to keep the Food Pantry running smoothly. We can ALWAYS use more helpers. Are you interested? Do you know someone who might be interested?

Many of these jobs are completed on a rotating schedule, such as once or twice a month for 3-4 hours. Visit our NEW informational bulletin board by the side door steps to learn more about our volunteer opportunities and **SIGN UP** if you would like to join our group of dedicated volunteers or would like more information.

First Sunday Food Donations – March 3

For our First Sunday Food intake for March (March 3), please select several (or all) items from the EASTER DINNER shopping list, and just leave your food donations on the table by the side door entrance.

Easter Dinner Donations – March 17

Thanks so much for your support of our Food Pantry! We are grateful to be able to help so many folks in Monroeville who struggle to meet their basic nutritional needs.

As in past years, our upcoming EASTER DINNER distribution provides our clients with a bag of groceries to make Easter dinner, including a Shop n Save gift card for their meat choice (ham or other).

Please sign up and take a shopping list if you would like to help us with this important food ministry event --- see the Food Pantry bulletin board by the side doorsteps. Contributions should be dropped off no later than March 17th; distribution to clients will be held on March 25 and March 26.

Easter Dinner Shopping List

Green vegetable
Yellow vegetable
Applesauce
Canned fruit
Instant specialty potatoes (au gratin, scalloped)
Dinner roll or muffin mix
Pudding or Jello mix
Brownie or specialty dessert mix
Canned juice
Coffee, tea, or hot chocolate



Save the Date...

Join us for a Fellowship Hour on April 7th. This will be a celebration of the 11 + years that Peg and Tim Sinback have devoted themselves to our FOOD PANTRY's on-going mission, with so much appreciation for their tireless efforts! Join us to wish them well in their retirement from the Food Pantry.

Mission and Outreach

Italian Buffet - March 2

Plan to join us on Saturday, March 2 between the hours of 4 and 7 p.m. for an all-you-can eat buffet featuring several types of pasta, lasagna, and a dessert bar. Tickets will be on sale at the door.

Thank you!

The Mission and Outreach Team would like to thank the many hands who helped to make our various events a success. Thanks to all who attended our Bingo on February 11 and had a chance to win 1 out of the 15 raffle baskets, which were gratefully donated, and some cash prizes. A heartfelt thank you to Kelley Rupchak and her preschoolers for the beautiful decorations from their Valentines' Brunch. All the profits from the Mission and Outreach events will go to our various missions.

One Great Hour of Sharing

The Mission and Outreach committee is sponsoring the One Great Hour of Sharing offering for Lent. There are three PC (USA) national programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People, which all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Please look for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering envelopes in the pew racks and give generously.

Presbyterian Fun Facts

Did you know that there are a lot of famous people who've been Presbyterian over the years? Here's a short list of some big names who were/are Presbyterian:

- Mr. Fred Rogers (an ordained PCUSA minister and graduate of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary)
- Jimmy Stewart (raised in the Presbyterian Church, but left his movie memorabilia to the Mormon church)
- Katie Couric (mom actually converted to Presbyterianism from Judaism)
- John Glenn (a PCUSA Ruling Elder!)
- Woodrow Wilson (father was a Presbyterian pastor in the south)
- Mark Twain (raised Presbyterian and highly critical of the stuffy nature of Presbyterians in his lifetime)
- Andrew Carnegie (raised in the Scottish Presbyterian faith, returned to Presbyterianism later in life)

Women's Association News

The Flower Sale

Warmer days and colorful flowers are near. The Women's Association is pleased to announce their annual flower sale. The flower sale is our only fundraiser, and all proceeds benefit the Women's Association's various mission projects.

We sincerely appreciate the participation in years past and look forward to another successful sale this year. Order forms are due on April 8, 2024, and flowers will arrive on May, 17, 2024. If you have any questions, call or text Ilona Beatty at 412-818-1075 or call Lucille Jenkins at 412-646-2868.

Mother-Daughter Banquet

The 96th annual Mother-Daughter Banquet is on Friday, May 10th at 6 p.m.

Our program is being presented by Jean Kanouff. She will lead us through a display of hats, while we try to guess the time period or famous person who wore such a style.

Wear a hat, if you would like, all are welcome to attend for a delicious meal, great entertainment, and superior fellowship.

Christian Education

Stuff Easter Egg Help Needed



We are expecting more than 100 children for our annual Easter Egg Hunt, and we need your help! Please join us for Fellowship Hour after worship on Sunday, March 10, and help us fill eggs with treats for our visitors! The Christian Ed Team will provide snacks and refreshments, and we'll work together to get everything ready for this wonderful family event!



Youth Group

My father and I had a harrowing experience this past week and I think it helps to explain the necessity of helping young people to develop a strong foundation in Christ as early as possible. My brother had surgery this past week. He is well and recovering nicely. But he lives in the state of Indiana and so I went out last week to help him get to and from the surgery as well as making him meals and other important recovery processes.

My dad and I were supposed to trade places on Friday. When the time came to hit the road, Indiana was being slammed by a snowstorm that made the roads a dangerous mess. Unfortunately, my dad was already only an hour away from my brother's apartment, and he lost control of his car and slid into a small ravine on the side of the road. Thankfully, he did not sustain any injuries and the car was almost entirely spared of damage. I made it to him safely (barely) and waited for AAA to come and drag the car free.

There are more details to this story that made it more complicated and concerning, especially not being certain it was safe to leave my brother alone for those hours while I was helping with my dad. When we finally went our separate ways, the roads were much clearer, and the snow had stopped. In total, what was supposed to be a 5 hour drive home became a 12 HOUR DRIVE HOME!

As I ultimately made my way home, I had time to reflect on the experience as a whole, and I saw God's hands at work in the entire experience. My dad had slid across an intersection and no cars were coming in either direction. He missed any and all trees in the ravine he slid into and instead landed in a "web of branches" that cradled the car to a stop. He was far enough off the road to avoid being a danger to any and all drivers out that night. And I had just happened to be 3 minutes down the road from him when he crashed.

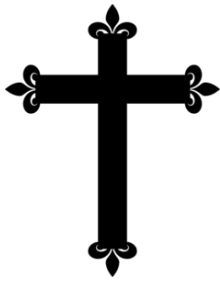
Was this an ideal evening? Of course not. But as I drove and I reflected, I was comforted by the knowledge that God had protected us, even in the midst of the storm.

This is the message we try to impart on our young people in all of our youth programs. We want them to understand that life is not always going to be easy. Often times it is going to be downright painful. But if we put our faith in God, and if we allow the God that loves us beyond all reason or understanding to be a part of our lives, we will see where God is guiding us, where God is protecting us, and where God is holding us and it allows us to see that we are never alone. We all need to be reminded of that sometimes.

Ben Little

VBS NEWS AND INFORMATION

The VBS Planning Committee will be meeting on Sunday, March 3rd following Worship. If you would like to join us, please plan on attending.



CROSS ROADS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Planned Giving Program Financial Support Form

2310 Haymaker Road, Monroeville, PA 15146-4326

412-372-2226

www.crossroadspresbyterian.com

CONTRIBUTOR INFORMATION

Your Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

OFFICE USE:

Check # _____

Fund# _____

HONORS & MEMORIALS

Contribution in Honor/Memory of: _____

Amount: \$ _____ (Note: Acknowledgements will not indicate an amount)

Acknowledgment Sent to: _____

Address: _____

GIFT DESIGNATION

I would like my gift credited toward the following **Special Needs Fund** to support the Ministries of Cross Roads:

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Pantry | <input type="checkbox"/> Higgs Preschool Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministries | <input type="checkbox"/> Undesignated Planned Giving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Junker Science Scholarship Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> 2022 Lighting Project | |

I would like my gift credited towards the Church's **Endowment**:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Endowment | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor's Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Music Maintenance Fund |
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PLANNED GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

We invite you to have lasting impact on our Church by including Cross Roads in your gift and/or estate plans. Your enduring statement of faith will be used to further Christ's work and will have an impact on future generations of our church family. Individuals who have included the Church in their gift or estate plans are eligible for the **Pillars of Cross Roads Program**, which recognizes individuals who have made or who are making bequests, estate plans or irrevocable gifts.

☐ I/we would like to know more about how I/we might make a planned gift to Cross Roads.

☐ I/we have already included Cross Roads in my/our estate plans.

Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

The legal name of our Congregation is "Cross Roads Presbyterian Church."

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



4 - Faith Carlisle
7 - Trevor Kosko
7 - Jarrett Kosko
8 - Bryan Bass-Riley
10 - Denise Graham
10 - Nick Hughes
11 - Denny Earhart
13 - Bobbi Schmidt
13 - Karen Teaman
15 - Kelley Rupchak
16 - Martin Kendig
16 - Hannah Cunningham
17 - Patty Kyslinger
21 - Charlie McWilliams
23 - Melissa Dirling
24 - Bonnie Meanor
25 - Debbie Conley
25 - Betsy Hughes
29 - Hannah Kendig
31 - Ashley S. Ashley



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

3/9/74
Bob and Bobbie Kendig

3/21/87
Geoff and Lynn Phillips



DIRECTORY CHANGE

Barb Adams new phone #
919-263-9038

If you would like your birthday
or anniversary listed, please
contact the church office at:

Crossroadsmonroeville@
Gmail.com

Notes from the Church Office

Connections Articles

Articles for the April issue of the *Cross Roads Connections* are due in the church office on Wednesday, March 13th.

Articles may be emailed to the church office at
Crossroadsmonroeville@gmail.com.

Stay Informed!

Do you receive our weekly e-mail news, the E-Pistle? If you do not, and you'd like to be added to our distribution list, please send a message, including your email to

Crossroadsmonroeville@gmail.com.



MALAWI PARTNERSHIP VISITOR ALERT!!!

The International Partnership of the Pittsburgh Presbytery will be welcoming a delegation from Malawi and South Sudan in May.

It has been 6 years since Cross Roads hosted a visitor from Malawi, Elizabeth Mgodu.

This year Cross Roads will be welcoming back our brother, Kingsley Kumatso, from Thundu CCAP.

Please consider offering the gift of hospitality to Kingsley with these hosting opportunities by providing:

1. Overnight lodging periods May 11-15 or May 16-20.
2. A meal in your home or at a restaurant.
3. Transportation for Presybetrywide events on May 11, 14, 16, and 20.
4. Tour of the Pittsburgh area.

Contact the church office at
Crossroadsmonroeville@gmail.com to indicate your interest in being involved in this exciting international mission exchange.

Join a Group at Church

CHILDREN'S CHOIR:	Is for school aged children. They meet on Sundays at 11 am in the Choir Loft. Like to join contact Director of Music Debbie Broker at dbroker109@comcast.net .
CHOIRS:	Bell Choir Thursday at 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Like to join contact Director of Music Debbie Broker at dbroker109@comcast.net .
CRAFT AND CHAT:	Like crafting and chatting join us the first and third Friday at 1 pm in the Conference Room. Questions? Contact Beryl Elrick at 724-327-8817 or berylinjack1@gmail.com .
FAITH WORKS CLASS:	Most Sundays at 11:30 am, in the Parlor. Questions? Email Peter Carras at PeterC@windstream.net .
KINGDOM KIDS:	Children Kindergarten through 6 th grade meet Sundays following the children's Message during worship 10 am -11 am. Questions? Contact Director of Children's Ministries, Ben Little at 412-721-1525 or blittle@crossroadspresbyterian.com .
LUNCH BUNCH:	This group of ladies meets on the second Thursday of the month at a local restaurant for food and fellowship. Questions? Call Narda at 412-302-9402.
MEN'S BREAKFAST:	Join the men of our congregation for food and fellowship the third Tuesday of the month at Denny's restaurant on Rt. 22. In Monroeville.
NURSERY CARE:	Children birth to four years old are welcome in our Nursery. It is staffed by our Nursery Caregiver Ellie Kyle on Sunday's during Worship 10 am -11 am. Questions? Contact Kelley Rupchak 412-372-6836 or crossroadspreschooldirector@gmail.com .
PRAYER WARRIORS:	Could you use additional prayers or would you like to lift others in prayer. Join us on Thursdays at 6 pm via Zoom. To get the zoom information please contact Patty Kyslinger at pkshamrock@comcast.net .
SEWING CIRCLE:	Help fulfill our mission of keeping God's little one's snug with our baby quilts. We meet every Tuesday from 10 am to noon in the conference room. Questions? Call Lucille Jenkins at 412-646-2868 or ljenkins@jeepday.us .
SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP:	A group which looks at current political and world events from a theological view point. We meet as scheduled in the parlor. Check weekly Epistles and bulletins for scheduled dates. Questions? Email Peter Carras at PeterC@windstream.net .
WOMEN'S LYDIA CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY:	Pastor Lindsay leads this monthly bible study every second Monday at 10 am in the Parlor. A zoom link is available. Question? Call Lucille Jenkins at 412-646-2868 or by email at ljenkins@jeepday.us .
YARDBIRDS:	Anyone is welcome to join when we clean up the Church yard and work on landscaping. We meet when scheduled. Contact Warren Junker at wrjunker@verizon.net .
YOGA:	Yoga for all – no matter your fitness or skill level. This group meets Mondays at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. Questions? Email Sue Lomeo at sslomeo@aol.com .
YOUTH GROUP:	Youth 6 th grade through 12 th grade meet on Sunday evenings in room 208 from 5 pm – 7 pm for dinner, Bible Study, and games. Want to join? Contact Director of Christian Education, Ben Little at 412-721-1525 or email at blittle@crossroadspresbyterian.com .

SPRING IS COMING!! FLOWER SALE 2024

The Women's Association's Annual Flower Sale is here! These beautiful flowers are grown at J.E. Mussig Greenhouses in Zelienople and will be delivered to our church on **Friday, May 17, 2024**. Drive-up to the back parking lot from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Just fill out the order form below and turn it in to the church office with your check payable to **Women's Association** or mail your order form and check to Ilona Beatty, 140 Ridge View Rd., New Kensington, PA 15068.

The last day for ordering is Mon. April 8, 2024. All proceeds benefit the Women's Association's many mission projects. If you have any questions, call or text Ilona Beatty at (412) 818-1075 or email ibeatty051@gmail.com

BEDDING FLATS - \$15.50 Per Flat. There are 8 packs per flat with 32 plants per flat.

Quantity		Quantity.	
	Ageratum - Blue Sun		5" POTTED PLANTS - \$5.00 Each
	Alyssum - White Sun		Geraniums - Pink Sun
	Begonias - Mixed Part Sun		Geraniums - Red Sun
	Begonias - Pink Part Sun		Geraniums - Salmon Sun
	Begonias - Red Part Sun		Geraniums - White Sun
	Begonias - White Part Sun		4 1/2" POTTED PLANTS - \$4.50 Each
	Celosia - Mixed Sun		Vinca Vine - Green/White Sun
	Coleus - Mixed Part Sun		Wave Petunia - Pink Sun
	Dahlias - Mixed Sun		Wave Petunia - Purple Sun
	Dusty Miller - Silver Sun		Dracaena Spikes - Green Sun
	Impatiens - Mixed Shade		New Guinea Impatiens-Asstd. Part Sun
	Impatiens- Pink Shade		
	Impatiens - Red Shade		
	Impatiens - Salmon Shade		10" HANGING BASKET \$16.50 per Basket
	Impatiens - Violet Shade		Quantity Assorted Colors
	Impatiens - White Shade		Calibrachoas Sun
	Lobelia - Blue Sun		Fuchsia Shade
	Marigolds-dwarf - Mixed Sun		Ivy Geraniums Sun
	Marigolds-dwarf - Orange Sun		New Guinea Impatiens Part Sun
	Marigolds-dwarf - Yellow Sun		Non-Stop Begonias Shade
	Pansy - Mixed Sun		Vining Petunias Sun
	Petunias - Mixed Sun		
	Petunias - Pink Sun		****NEW ITEM****
	Petunias - Purple Sun		3 1/2 "Potted Vegetable Plants \$2.50 each
	Petunias - Red Sun		Quantity
	Petunias - White Sun		Peppers: Green Bell (Lady Bell) Sun
	Salvias - Red Sun		
	Snapdragons-dwarf - Mixed. Sun		
	Snapdragons-dwarf - Pink Sun		
	Snapdragons-dwarf - White Sun		
	Snapdragons-dwarf - Yellow Sun		Tomato: Better Boy Sun
	Double Marigolds - Orange Sun		
	Double Marigolds - Yellow Sun		

____ Please call me the day before flower pick-up to remind me.
 ____ Please email me the day before flower pick-up to remind me.
 ____ No need to call or email; it's on my calendar.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____



Join us for Worship in March

Worship is held at 10 a.m., unless otherwise noted.

Pastor Lindsay will be continuing her Lenten sermon series on the Most Important Teachings of Jesus. Join us for worship at 10am and a special Lenten Bible Study at 9am beforehand, studying the same topics we'll be hearing about in worship.

Sunday, March 3: 3rd Sunday of Lent, with Communion

Text: Matthew 6.6-13

Join us for worship at 10am as Ben Little will be preaching on how to avoid hypocrisy in our lives.

Sunday, March 10: 4th Sunday of Lent

Text: Mark 10.17-31

Join us for worship at 10am as Pastor Lindsay preaches on Jesus' command to give up our possessions and reject our parents. This will also be Girl Scout Sunday.

Sunday, March 17: 5th Sunday of Lent

Text: Matthew 24.3-8, 29=35

Join us for worship at 10am as Pastor Lindsay wrestles with the idea that Jesus says, "this generation will not pass away before I return."

Sunday, March 24: Palm Sunday

Text: Mark 10.35-45

Join us for worship at 10am on Palm Sunday as Pastor Lindsay explores Jesus' teaching that we must be slave to all. We will wave palms, and children are welcome to come about 10 minutes early to parade into the sanctuary with Pastor Lindsay with their special palms.

Thursday, March 28: Maundy Thursday – 6:00 p.m.

Text: John 13.31-35

Join us for a soup supper and worship at 6pm on Maundy Thursday in Fellowship Hall as we explore Jesus' final command to love one another.

Friday, March 29: Good Friday – 7:00 p.m.

Join us for a Tenebrae Worship service at 7pm as we experience the final words of Jesus spoken in the last hours of his life.

Sunday, March 31: Easter Sunday, with Communion - 7:00 a.m. or 10:00 a.m.

Text: John 14.1-7

Join us at 7am or 10am on Easter Sunday to celebrate the resurrection and explore the things that Jesus said about himself in John's gospel. Communion will be served at both services.



Where: Cross Roads Presbyterian Church

When: Saturday, March 23, 10 AM – 12:30 PM

Who: All children from 0-10 Years old!



Egg hunt



Pictures



Crafts



**Silly Dance and
Sing along**



**Win great
raffle prizes**

Come on out and enjoy the family fun! Rain or Shine!

(Because of the earlier time, dew is probable. Dress accordingly!)

Join us for an Egg-straight good time!





Sign up by March 17th using link below:

<https://forms.gle/94EUHAuc3WjJS46Z6>

Contact Ben Little with any questions you may have!

412-721-1525 or blittle@crossroadspresbyterian.com

March at Cross Roads

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 8 am –International Women 10 am – Craft and Chat 11:30 am- FP Board 3 pm – Italian Buffet Set Up 6:30 pm –Girl Scouts	2 4 pm Italian Buffet
3 9 am -Bible Study 10 am- Worship 11 am -Children's Choir 11 am – VBS Meeting 2 pm – Girl Scouts 5 pm – Youth Group	4 1 pm – Preschool Board Meeting 7 pm – Yoga	5 9:30 – Sewing Circle	6 Noon – AA 7 pm – CE Committee	7 6 pm – Prayer Warriors-Zoom 6:30 – Bell Choir 7:00- AOCA 7:00- Boy Scouts 7:30 – Choir	8	9 9:30 – Scouts Blue and Gold Banquet
10 GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY 9 am Bible Study 10 am Worship 11 am -Children's Choir 11 am-Deacons 2 pm – Girl Scouts 5 pm – Youth Group	11 PRESCHOOL CLOSED 10 am – Lydia Circle 12:30 – Run – Fight – Flight Training 7 pm – Trustees 7 pm – Yoga	12 PRESCHOOL CLOSED 9 am – Preschool Training 9:30 - Sewing 7 pm – Mission and Outreach 7 pm – Boy Scouts	13 Noon – AA 2:30 pm Stitching Angels	14 11:30 – Lunch Bunch 6 pm – Prayer Warriors-Zoom 6:30 – Bell Choir 7:00- AOCA 7:00- Boy Scouts 7:30 – Sanctuary Choir	15 10 am – Craft and Chat 6 pm – Girl Scouts	16
17 9 am Bible Study 10 am Worship 11 am -Fellowship Hour 11 am-Children's Choir 2 pm – Girl Scouts 5 pm – Youth Group	18 6:30 pm – Finance Committee 7 pm - Yoga	19 8:30 – Men's Breakfast – Denny's Restaurant 9:30 am - Sewing	20 Noon – AA 7 pm – Session	21 6 pm – Prayer Warriors-Zoom 6:30 – Bell Choir 7:00- AOCA 7:00- Boy Scouts 7:30 – Choir	22 11 am – Connections	23 10 am – Easter Egg Hunt
24 PALM SUNDAY  9 am Bible Study 10 am Palm Sunday Worship 11 am – Palm Sunday Brunch 11 am-Children's Choir 1 pm – Girl Scouts 1:30 pm – Girl Scouts 5 pm – Youth Group	25 7 Pm – Yoga	26 9:30 – Sewing	27 Noon – AA	28 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6 pm – Dinner and Worship 7 pm – AOCA 	29 GOOD FRIDAY PRESCHOOL CLOSED 7 pm – Good Friday Worship 	30
31 EASTER SUNDAY  7 am – Sunrise Worship Service 8:30 am – Easter Sunday Brunch 10 am – Easter Sunday Worship						



OUR YOUTH ARE GOING PLACES

Summer is coming.... Would you like to help the Youth on their journey of new and exciting opportunities. See below how you can help!!

June 23-29, 2024

Summer Mission Trip

Cross Roads Youth -- 6th grade through high school -- will be off on an adventure to Canfield, Ohio, where they will be staying at Canfield Presbyterian Church in their mission house and they will be partnering with local missions to help with those in need in that area. They will work with missions like Habitat for Humanity, with a local homeless shelter, and with a community farm to be a part of changing the lives of the people they meet as well as growing to understand themselves and how they fit into the mission of Cross Roads Presbyterian Church and of God

July 14-20, 2024

Trinity Youth Conference (TYC)

Cross Roads Youth - high school and all our college-aged students -- are invited to attend. At TYC, our group will experience worshipping and hanging out with other young people from all over the greater Pittsburgh area as well as some students from a few other states. They will have the chance to sit in on a few seminars where they can ask questions and learn more about themselves and their peers. They will also get time to play games, relax, make friends, and grow in their relationship with Christ.

July 22-26, 2024

Hometown Nazareth Vacation Bible School

Cross Roads will be inviting all of our Cross Roads Children and the children of our community Preschool through 5th grade to join us to learn what Jesus was like a child. We will take kids back to Hometown Nazareth, where they'll stand up for their faith among people who doubt that a carpenter's son is really God's Son.

August 4-10, 2024

Camp Crestfield

Cross Roads invites all kids -- 3rd grade through 8th grade -- to join us for an exciting week at Camp Crestfield. There is lots to do and lots to learn. Join us for fun activities like canoeing, swimming, climbing their 6 walls or their climbing tower, playing capture the flag and other forest games and much, much more. Students will also have time to join in Bible study and ask questions about Jesus and their faith. If you are in high school or older and would like to learn more about leadership opportunities at Crestfield, please talk to Ben ASAP to get involved!

With any and all of these summer experiences, contact Ben (or Betsy for VBS) and they will answer any question you may have!

There are many opportunities for ways you can help our youth have an outstanding summer!

- Sponsor a child to attend camp or attend VBS.
- Volunteer your time to go to camp as a leader.
- Make a monetary donation to help with camp supplies.
- Pray for our kids as they venture off to camp.



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