**FCU WEEKLY E-NEWS**

Join Worship through Zoom **Sunday at 10:00am**

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| **APRIL 13**  **WORSHIP** | **\*\* PALM SUNDAY \*\***  Usher Bill Koellner  Candlelighters Emerson & Finley Waters  PowerPoint Kelly Waters  Organist Marianne Phelps  Choir Chancel, Chimes, & WOW  Greet/Coffee Hour |
| **APRIL**  **NUMBERS** | March 6 attendance – 55 April 6 giving - $194.00  **Current monthly total – $194.00**   **Needed each month - $12,840.58**  A giving tab is included on the church website: <https://fcuwl.org/give/>  This is the last week we will be collecting special offerings for the One Great Hour of Sharing (Presbyterian) and Week of Compassion (Christian Church Disciples of Christ) offerings. Envelopes will be available in the pews and on the front table. |
| **MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION FOOD DRIVE** | During the month of April, please help the Ministerial Association collect ***Hamburger Helper & Ramen Noodles*** for the Food Pantry. There is a table in Fellowship Hall to place donated items. |
| **COMMUNITY CALENDAR** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | April 11 | 5:00 – 7:00pm | Shrimp Fry @ St. Joseph’s | | April 13 | 2:00pm | FREE showing of Magical Fish and Mermaids at Owl Glass Puppetry: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1BGE6XEBoj/> | | April 19 | 10:00am | Easter Egg Hunt for PreK - 2nd Grade @ Kimberly Park | | April 19 | 1:00pm | Easter Egg Hunt @ WL Golf & Country Club | | April 25 | 11:00am – 8:00pm | Showcase & Reception @ Brick Street Gallery | | April 26 | 9:00am-1:00pm | Book & Bake Sale @ WL Public Library | |  |  |  | |
| **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE** | **Palm Sunday – April 13**  10:00 a.m. FCU Worship  \*4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class  \*\*6:00 p.m. CYG Senior Night @ WLCF – last one for this school year  **Maundy Thursday – April 17**  6:00PM Service, light supper to follow at United Methodist Church  6:00PM Service at Nichols Methodist Church  7:00pm Service at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church  **Good Friday – April 18**  7:00 p.m. Ministerial Association Ecumenical Service at Cedar Valley Church  **Easter Sunday – April 20**  8:00 a.m. FCU Early Easter Worship  9:00 a.m. Egg Hunt & Brunch  10:00 a.m. FCU Easter Worship  \*No Confirmation Class |
| **SYNOD SCHOOL** | Synod School is a leadership development ministry of the Presbyterian Church. The annual school opportunity provides learning and personal enrichment experiences for people of all ages. The week is designed for laity, clergy, individuals and families with classes and activities for adults, youth, and children.  2025 Synod School’s theme is 'Re-Forming “Normal”: Expanding HOPE.’ Synod School will take place at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa from July 20-25. A brochure is available in the church office or you can view the course catalog [here](https://www.lakesandprairies.org/_files/ugd/2f3070_0b7fa421cf074712af3abb8926fbee41.pdf?ct=t(EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_11_5_2021_14_40_COPY_01)). The Endowment Committee of First Church United supports tuition reimbursement if you’d like to attend. Register at:  <https://lakesandprairies.org/engaging-leaders/synod-school/> |
| **SUMMER CAMP INFO** | It’s not too late to register for summer 2025 church camp! We are so fortunate to have the ability through the Endowment Fund to contribute to the faith development of our youth. In 2025, the Endowment Committee will continue to have the family out-of-pocket expense be $100 per child registered, with endowment money covering the balance that would be due for each child.  The “You and Me” camp, which is a 24-hour camp experience for an adult and child together, will be fully funded by endowment dollars. An information sheet & Endowment Request form are attached.    **Camp Bear Creek:**<https://bearcreek.camp/programs/>    **Christian Conference Center**: <https://www.newtonccc.org/scsessions> |