FPC Holy Week Schedule - 2019

- Palm & Passion Sunday Worship Services (April 14) -8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
- Mid-Day Holy Week Services, (Noon, Sanctuary) and Fellowship Lunches (following each service, Fellowship Hall, \$6.00)
 - **Monday, April 15 Edward Yeates,** (Exec. Dir. Father's Child Ministries) Lunch – Dooey's BBQ with buns, baked beans, slaw and cake
 - **Tuesday, April 16 Rev. Larnzy Carpenter** (Pastor FBC Longview) Lunch – Fried Chicken, green beans, mash potatoes, rolls, brownies & ice cream
 - Wednesday, April 17 Rev. Dr. Garth Gilmore, (Dir. CMJ Israel Christian Ministry to the Jewish People, Israel Office) Lunch – Pizza, Salad, Cookies, drinks.
- April 17, Holy Wednesday Evening 5:15 p.m. *Friends and Family Dinner*; 5:50 p.m. *Children's & Youth Programs; Adults* MISSION UPDATE by Dr. Gilmour on CMJ Israel
- April 18, Maundy Thursday Cantata and Communion Service 7:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary. *Childcare for infants and younger children provided*.
- April 19, Good Friday Morning *Ecumenical/Community Stations of the Cross (Ambulatory)* beginning 9:00 a.m. at FUMC (FPC hosting Station 7), concluding at St. Joseph's Church.

April 20, Holy Saturday – *Children's Ministry Egg Hunt*, 10:00 a.m. at FPC. Meet at the tables in the Eastside Breezeway. Biblical Children's Message, Egg Hunt & snacks.

- April 21, Resurrection Sunday Worship Services Classic Easter Services in the Sanctuary at 8:30 & 11 a.m.
 Easter Sunrise Service & Fellowship Breakfast – at Robinson Lake* or the FPC Sanctuary. (*weather permitting; check office or email)
- April 28, Unified Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. for the 2d Sunday of Eastertide *featuring a* Musical Program from FPC's Children's Choirs and an Easter Season Good News Message from University Minister Ben Jackson.



EASTER LILY ORDER FORM: Easter Lilies will decorate our Sanctuary for our Easter worship services and are available to order at a cost of \$12.00 each. If you would like to buy a lily in honor or memory of someone, please complete the information below, and make a separate check payable to First Presbyterian Church with a designation in the Memo line: "**Easter Lily.**" Then

place this form and check in the offering plate.

We will use all surplus proceeds beyond the cost of lilies purchased towards support of a Mission India minister beginning a new congregation in India.

NAME: _

TELEPHONE: _____

NO. OF LILIES: _____ AMOUNT PAID: _____

In HONOR OR MEMORY of: _____

(Please circle one)



2019 Strategic Initiatives

Extra Giving Opportunity

And

Holy Week & Easter Season Schedule (through April 28)

With Easter Lily Order Form

Holy Tuesday, April 16, is the deadline for ordering.



2019 Strategic Initiatives Extra Giving Opportunity

Two centuries ago, in 1819, Rev. Cyrus Kingsbury responded to God's call for a strategic mission to the Choctaw people and their neighbors in this region of the new State of Mississippi. In less than two years later, the faithful mission pastor and others followed through with building the first facilities for the Mayhew Mission and holding their inaugural worship service for the mission on May 6, 1821.

A decade later, as Rev. Kingsbury accompanied and pastored the Choctaw from his flock who were moving to Oklahoma, God called others from the Mayhew Mission fellowship to a new strategic initiative: forming our congregation and the first phases of providing a home and facilities for this new congregation. Through subsequent chapters of our church's history, faithful members of this congregation have responded with strategic initiatives – including (in the 1840's) choosing and acquiring the Sanctuary Hill on which our present Sanctuary sits, and (across the next 170 years) building and improving our facilities to serve their purpose: to glorify God and to facilitate his ministries through FPC.

This year, as we recognize the 200th Anniversary of Rev. Kingsbury's call to Mississippi and look ahead to Bicentennial (in 2021) of the start of what became our worshiping communion – God has opened a

new chapter in FPC's history. It is OUR time to be faithful in God's mission here for the future generations. Our Strategic Planning Committee is hard at work assessing current, pressing ministry needs (including for our growing Children's, Youth, College, Fellowship, and 21st-Century Communications Outreach Ministries) and finding strategic ways to update and make better use of our existing facilities.

Now it is our turn!

Please pray and respond to how God is calling you to partner with us in in our **2019 Strategic Initiatives** *Extra Giving Opportunity (above and beyond regular tithe and offerings).* Help us make several cost-effective, high-impact renovations and updates to our building and technology so that our facilities can serve better their purpose: to glorify God at FPC and to facilitate ministry.

Checks and other payments should be made to FPC and should simply come with a memo line (or other) notation "2109 Strategic Initiatives."

