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Palm Sunday — 10 a.m. April 2

Processional
Lance Like, Liturgist
Reverend Susan McGhee

Maundy Thursday — 7 p.m. April 6

Holy Communion
Jim Haverstock, liturgist
Reverend John VanderZee

Good Friday — 7 p.m. April 7

Souheil Haddad, Liturgist
Reverend David Rosen

Easter Sunday — 10 a.m. April 9

Alejandra Haddad, liturgist
Souheil Haddad, Jan Berend Heitink,
Patrick Nyarko, Readers
Reverend John VanderZee



Easter Breakfast — 11 a.m.

April Special Event at UPC



Wednesday, April 26 — 5:00 p.m.
Conner McWhirter Graduate Recital
Conner is a member of the UPC Quartet.
Conner will perform works by Britten,
Strauss, Duparc, traditional Neapolitan
songs and Puccini. It is to fulfill his perfor-
mance diploma at IU. The recital is in the
UPC Sanctuary. No admission charge. All
are welcome to attend.

April Birthdays and Anniversaries



Apr 3	Stephanie Worden	Apr 13	Mitch Coggin
Apr 5	Tareq Hanania	Apr 15	Noah Like
Apr 6	Jan Berend Heitink	Apr 17	Jesse McBride
Apr 7	Colleen Swanson	Apr 25	Lance & Karen Like Anniversary
Apr 12	Bill Worden	Apr 27	Linda Coggin



FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

February income was \$12,447 and expenses were \$5,201 giving us a surplus of \$7,246 for February and \$4,270 for the year-to-date. Beginning in May, we'll be paying a Pastor again so finances will be much tighter.

A reminder that this year's per-capita is \$50.15 per member. If you're able to pay your own, that will be helpful.

Don Root

How to Get Involved



Reaching UP

If you are interested in contributing articles or helping to put together the Reaching UP newsletter, please contact Andy Hill at andy@andyhill.us

Treasurer Assistant

If you are interested in helping count and process donations and other treasurer duties, please contact Andy Hill at andy@andyhill.us

UPC n Zoom

Tuesday evening Bible Study is conducted via Zoom. If you're not already signed up to receive an email with the link to the Zoom meeting, simply email upcbloomington@gmail.com and request inclusion.

Little Red Wagon

The little red wagon is waiting to be filled with canned goods and hygiene products for Monroe County United Ministries. For more information ask one of our Deacons.

Video and Sound Systems

If you are interested in learning how to operate the sound system or help in taping Sunday worship service please contact Don Root at rootd@msn.com.

Sunday Service on YouTube

UPC YouTube Channel link is: [UPC Bloomington - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBloomington-YouTube). An email is sent out each Thursday with the YouTube link and Sunday's Bulletin attached. If you're not on the list and would like to be, email upcbloomington@gmail.com and request inclusion.

Fifth Sunday at UPC

April 30, 2023

Worship! Food! Fellowship! Music!

10:00 a.m.

Morning worship led by James Haverstock.
Music by the UPC Quartet and Benjamin Watkins

11:00 a.m.



Fifth Sunday Pitch-In Lunch from the hearts and hands of the
people of United Presbyterian Church.

Noon

Fifth Sunday Concert

The UPC Guest Artist Program Presents

“An A Cappella Concert”

Featuring

The UPC Quartet

Conducted by Benjamin Watkins,

in a program of sacred A Capella works

by a variety of composers, including Thomas Tallis,

William Byrde, and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

A vocal ensemble comprised of Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass, the Quartet is
United Presbyterian Church’s resident vocal group. The members are Marielle
Hug, Conner McWhirter, Sarah Perdekamp and Patrick Tervo.

Benjamin Watkins is Music Director at UPC where he conducts and performs with
the UPC Quartet and performs piano and organ every Sunday among many other
music tasks. In 2022 he earned his Doctorate of Music at Jacobs School of Music.



Youth Flower Sale Fundraiser

It's that time of year again, think spring!
Get your flowers and support our UPC Youth.
Orders will be taken in April and delivered in May.
Thank you for supporting our UPC Youth.





ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

Your gifts to **One Great Hour of Sharing** are shared with the ministries of the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. To learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference visit pcusa.org/oghs



United Presbyterian Church will receive this PC(USA) Special Offering
on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.
One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes will be in the Narthex.

WHEN WE ALL DO A LITTLE,
IT ADDS UP TO A LOT.



THE HANNAH CENTER & HANNAH HOUSE

hannah-thon

*today's help,
tomorrow's hope*

pregnancy testing
counseling
childbirth &
parenting classes
doula services
material support

Friday, April 21 - Spirit 95.1 FM

a 6am-6pm radiothon event

Jeremiah 29:11

hannahcenter.org/hannahthon

812-334-0104

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

CONCERT

- SATURDAY -

APRIL 8TH @ 7:00PM

REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW

NO ADMISSION FEE

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April 1, 2023 Dear Family in Christ

Please join me in prayer for the communities of Sullivan and Martinsville; both sustained tornado damage last night (March 31)

First, here is news about **Sullivan**, where the **Rev. Dawn Black** serves as pastor of First Presbyterian Church. While the church building was not damaged, one hundred fifty homes in town and another fifty in the county were destroyed as a (preliminary) EF-4 tornado swept through the area. Peak winds were 155 miles per hour during the storm that traveled 8.94 miles. There are three confirmed fatalities and at least 300 displaced residents. Dawn reports, *"Two of the homes destroyed are part of my church family. There are church members we have not been able to contact and we are desperately seeking prayers for them and their families."*

We will know more about how to be of help in the weeks and months to come. For now, please do not attempt to travel to Sullivan, as power lines are down and rescue works are still at work.



In **Martinsville**, an EF0 tornado with wind gusts of up to 85 miles per hour traveled through the area. The **Rev. John Erickson** serves as pastor of First Presbyterian Church, which sustained considerable damage, ripping the steeple from the building and sending debris into the sanctuary. I was able to visit with John today and took these photos:

The congregation will worship in the fellowship hall on Sunday. Please be in prayer for them as they navigate their way through the pain and grief that accompany such damage.

We will also be in touch with you as we learn how else to be of help. I have contacted Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), and a National Response Team is being deployed. I will meet with the leaders of that team Wednesday through Friday to tour the affected areas, offer support to pastors and people, and work on next steps. Monetary support is always helpful at times like this, as it can quickly be sent to where it is most needed. Gifts can be made to the Presbytery of Ohio Valley marked "disaster assistance" and mailed to

Presbytery of Ohio Valley
P.O. Box 7003
Bloomington, IN 47407

I'll provide an online giving option on Monday once the staff is back in the office. Now and always, we remember that in life and in death, and in all the circumstances of life, we belong to God. And we belong to each other. Thanks be to God for these blessed connections.

Peace and all good,
The Rev'd. Susan C. McGhee
Executive Presbyter



Reverend Montgomery Reception Joyous Event!



The UPC Worship Team invites all to a Welcome Reverend Cheryl Montgomery Reception immediately after the May 7 Sunday worship service.

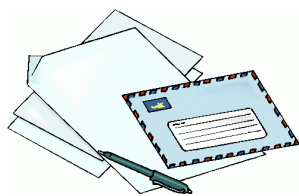
Be a part of the celebration of Reverend Montgomery's first Sunday at United Presbyterian. This is the first service she's conducting for UPC as officiant and her first time to preside over Holy Communion for our congregation.

The reception is in Fellowship Hall with the Worship Team hosting. The Team will serve fruit trays, bagels and coffee cake. The Board of Deacons will serve beverages.

All are encouraged to be a part of this joyous occasion.

Your Worship Team:

Alejandra Haddad, Souheil Haddad, Allen Pease, Colleen Swanson, Benjamin Watkins and Stephanie Worden



We Get Letters

Send letters to: Reaching U.P.; UPC, 1701 E. Second Street, Bloomington, IN 47401 or email to upcbloomington@gmail.com

United Presbyterian Congregation,

Thank you all who sent me you expressions of Sympathy. Thank you to the Worship Committee and others who sent me cards. I greatly appreciated it!

Charles "Chuck" Bartholomew

