



1st Pres eNews

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Blog of the Week

Neal Nybo

An Electrifying Opportunity

A member of my church was an engineer and an officer in the Air Force during the Korean War. He had been trained as a nuclear weapons specialist. He was stationed at an underground site that tested and assembled the triggering system that detonated nuclear bombs similar to the ones dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The bombs ... [Read More](#)

This Week



Ecumenical Kitchen

~ Serving in 2 Weeks ~
April 7th

We'd have to do some serious math to figure out the last time 1st Pres was able to serve a hot lunch to our guests who are looking for a welcoming community and a bite to eat! We need your help with providing food and helping serve.

Meet 'n Greet ... a Success!

If you didn't get to join us this past Friday night



in Krueger Hall for the 1st Meet 'n Greet in over two years, we're pleased to report that it was a fun evening. We welcomed over 30 new friends, regular attendees, deacons, and session members.

Reminder : Sign In Your Kiddos!

If you're dropping off your kids for Sunday School please

We're looking for 5 delicious casseroles, 3 healthy salads, a few tempting desserts, as well as servers from 11:20-12:30 pm.

There is a sign-up sheet in Krueger Hall or contact Bev Rasor or the office if you can help or have any questions.

Beds & Blessings Family Promise and 1st Pres in the News!

Read about the latest wonderful blessing experienced by Family Promise and how 1st Pres is part of that story. [Read Now.](#)



Please join this special **free** UGM Gathering on April 26. As an invested member of the community, we think you'll find the event uplifting and educational. We hope you leave knowing what next steps God would have you take as we work to make real change possible together.

To attend in person, register [HERE](#). To attend online only, there is no need to register; simply go to [UGM's Facebook page](#) at 7:00 on April 26th.



be sure to sign them in at the kiosk near the Adventure Kids Club in Krueger Hall.

This is an important step for our volunteers to keep our kids safe and heading home home with the correct family.

If you miss checking your child in when you first arrive at church, you can always check them in when the children leave the Sanctuary after children's time during the service.

Growing Your Faith In A Digital World

If you are relatively new to 1st Pres you may not be aware of RightNow Media, an excellent streaming library.



A Netflix of Bible study and other Christian oriented videos, RNM includes a large selection devoted to kids and is available free of charge to all 1st Pres members, attendees, and friends thanks to the generosity of individual supporters.

Learn more about what RNM offers by visiting the [rightnow Media](#) site.



REMINDER: Choir Rehearsal Thursday at 7 pm. Join us!!

Employee Tidbits from your HR Committee

A note about Emily Rogers

Personnel has been so very fortunate to have such dedicated employees within 1st

site work, Emily was among the first (if not the first) to volunteer to come back to the church office. We knew some congregants were eager to come back to the church either to complete some

Pres of which, we can all be especially thankful for Emily Rogers, our church Administrative Assistant /Receptionist. She is often the first person one comes in contact with upon visiting the church office and she always has a beautiful smile and hello for everyone. It's evident she loves her job and the people of this congregation. When COVID was in "full bloom" employee's had to work remotely but as soon as the office opened for employees to return to on



task or just to say hi and maybe visit for a moment or two. Emily was fully aware of that need and wanted to be there for all of our church members. She felt strongly that a "body" needed to be available. Did you know - Emily is an excellent quilter and belongs to a local quilting group. She's a blessing to this church and we give thanks for her love and dedication to her job and those she serves. Thank you, Emily, for being that shining light for all who enter our doors!

Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!



Under New Management : Nothing But Net. Are we saved *from* something or *for* something? Saved *for* is just the beginning of the journey! Tune in to this past Sunday's service for more. [Watch the service for the first time or watch it again!](#)

Many thanks to our team of volunteers that make broadcasting the service possible!

[Watch this service or any of our past services on our YouTube Channel](#)

Church News

CDAIDE in Transition

CDAIDE is looking to fill several positions that are part of this wonderful organizations growth.

Rebecca Smith's full-time Executive Director position is open as well as three other part-time positions. Visit the [CDAIDE Careers](#) page for details. While you might not be interested ... you may know someone who is ... pass this on!



We Are Hiring

Administrative Assistant/Receptionist



Applications are being accepted for the position of Church

Administrative Assistant/Receptionist. This position is about a 20 hour per week, part-time position. If you are interested in applying, please submit your resume and a cover letter to our Church Administrator, Bonnie Piovesan. [Job Description](#). For more details go to the information on [Indeed](#).

Building & Grounds Work Days

If you are interested in helping on the next work day on Saturday, May 14th please reach out to Scott Fischer or the church office.



How You Can Help Ukraine GIVE. ACT. PRAY.

Pastor Search Updates

Keep up-to-date with the latest from the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) by checking out our [Pastor Search](#) web page.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is organizing assistance for Ukraine. Please click on this link to find out more and how you can help.

[Helping Ukraine](#)

March Schedule

Sundays

7:30 am Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:55 am Bible Study

9 am Classic Service in Sanctuary & Online.

10:30 am Contemplative Service in Sanctuary.

We encourage masks recommended
if you are vulnerable.

DOXA 11 am

Thursdays

Men's Bible Study

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen

ARMS

Chancel Choir Practice

March 17, 24, 31

Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

Children & Family Ministry

Volunteers Needed!

We are so excited to be able to use our new classrooms upstairs to teach our 1st Pres kids about the Love of Jesus! However, we are in serious need of volunteers. Without 2 adults in each kid's room we will legally have to combine all classes back downstairs. If you are willing to either teach a class, or even just to be a helper please reach out to Naomi White at 937-554-9941 or email 1stpreschildren@gmail.com



Check-in/ Check-out

We are excited to introduce a better and safer check-in/check-out routine for our

church families. Starting Sunday, April 3rd, we will be asking all families to check in at the Adventure Kids' room (next to the Nursery in Krueger Hall) before heading into the Sanctuary for worship. When your family checks in, each child will get a name tag and the parents will get a corresponding check-out sticker. Then you and your children will go into the Sanctuary. When the bell is rung, all children will come down for Kids' Corner, and then head to their classrooms just as before. After their lessons upstairs, our wonderful teachers will bring all of the children downstairs to the Adventure Kids' room. We will be there waiting for you to pick them up. Please bring your check-out sticker as it will now be required for check-out.

If you forget to check in your children before service, or you are running late, you can join us at the front of the Sanctuary for Kids' Corner and check in your children then. That way they can join us for Sunday School! We are excited about keeping our children safe and equipping our church to grow.

Save the Date

Annual Art Camp with Hands to Art
June 27th-July 1st
1st Pres at Camp Lutherhaven
July 17th- July 22nd

Adventure Kids' Club

Time: 6:00-7:30 pm
Dates: April 6 & 20, May 4

Youth Ministry



Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter

Does your family have middle or high school students? Would your middle or high

schooler like to get connected with fun fellowship this summer? Get connected with our family newsletter!

Email [Kierstie](#) and let her know you'd like to receive the newsletters.

Sunday Morning Youth Study Cafe

Come as you are and join us in the Youth Room for hot chocolate and treats while you

work. We will enjoy praise music in the background of our cafe atmosphere and listen to the livestreamed sermon.

