

Responding to the Word

A personal time of prayer, reflection and commitment

Offering our Gifts of Gratitude

***The Doxology**

***** **The Sending** *****

Announcements

***Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

(B 404)

***Blessing**

Organists:

(E) Brenda Hamm

(L) Dean Knips

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THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

15 Andrew Bolluyt

Lexi Gilbertson

Joe Erwin

21 Sandy Klingenberg

19 Jim and Jan VandeKieft

20 Alexis VandeKieft

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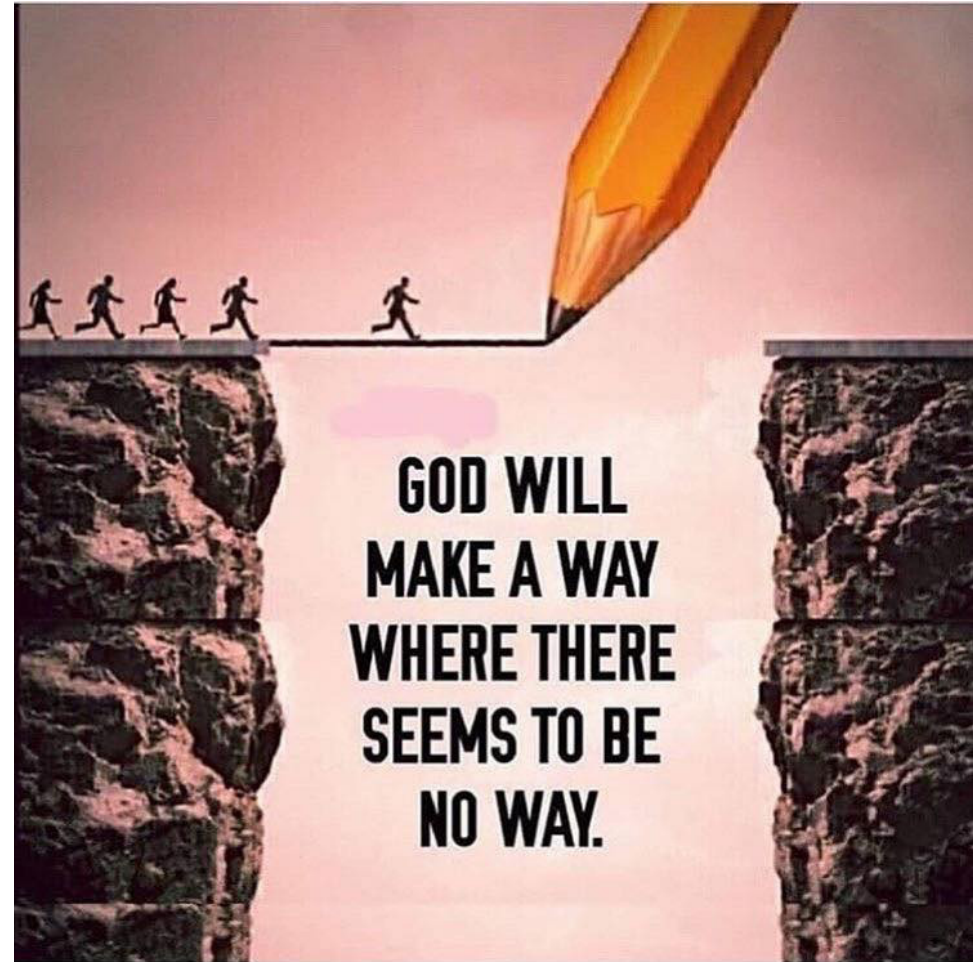
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Edgerton Ruling Elders: Sue Fraser, Brian Gilbertson, Colby Hadler, Debbie Johnson, Sandy Klingenberg, Kent Van'tHof, Lloyd Zwart.

Lismore Ruling Elders: Dean Knips, Joyce Gengler, Candace Joens, Kathy Knips, Sheila Erwin and Kathy Altman.

Please, feel free to contact any of these elders with questions or concerns.



First Presbyterian Church
Edgerton • Lismore

MARCH 15, 2020

***** The Gathering *****

Call to Worship

We are gathered here, in the name of Christ Jesus.

So ask right now, and it shall be given to you.

Seek right now, and you will find.

Knock right now, and the door will be opened.

Give Me Jesus

Congregational Video Praise

A Lenten Prayer

Compassionate and Listening God, be attentive to our hearts as we worship. Listen to our knocking and open the door into your Kingdom. Turn our hearts, our ears, our eyes and our souls toward Christ, who emptied himself and suffered for us to the point of death. Grant each of us the hope we need. Through your Spirit, remind us of the resurrection of Christ and his sure presence with us. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

(B 376)

*Call to Confession

Jesus said, "The most important commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' No other commandment is greater than these." (Mark 12:28-31) Let us pray.

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil,

***with
pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness.***

Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance

*Hear the good news: there is forgiveness and steadfast love with God who saves us from all our sins. God has shown this love for us in that while we still were sinners, Christ died for us. **Thanks be to God!***

***Gloria Patri: #579 Blue**

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***** The Word *****

Just for Kids

(E) Preschoolers may leave for Children's Church

Offering Our Praise and Prayers

**(L) Anthem
Special Music**

The Crossroads

This is what the Lord says:

"Stop at the crossroads and look around. Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it.

Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls. But you reply, 'No, that's not the road we want!'

I posted watchmen over you who said, 'Listen for the sound of the alarm.'

But you replied, 'No! We won't pay attention!'

Jeremiah 6:16-17 NLT

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