



THE TOWER

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Live Streaming Worship Services during Holy Week are as follows:

- ❖ Palm Sunday (3/28) 10:15am
Blessed palms will be available after the worship service at the side entrance of the church off the parking lot.
- ❖ Maundy Thursday (4/1) 7:00pm
- ❖ Easter Sunday (4/4) 10:15am

After the livestreaming, a recording of each service can be found on our website, www.springfieldpresbyterian.org and on YouTube (Springfield Presbyterian Church).

All worship service recordings can be viewed on YouTube:
www.youtube.com/channel/UCN3n65duhcqjw2zbKBSM6TQ



If you have a prayer request or a joy to share with the Congregation during the Sunday worship services, please call the office during the week, or Pastor Madelynn Lindsey, directly.

Not only is your Congregation here for you during illness and sorrow, but also in times of joy. It is said, that sharing with those who care, divides your sorrow and multiplies your joy! We are here for you!



Thank you to those who dedicated flowers to our Easter display:

Jerry Bongiovanni and Family – Janice Bongiovanni, Raymond and Charlotte Pierson, Helen and Jerome Bongiovanni, Ann Perrucci, and Michael P. Bongiovanni, Jr.

Doug and Barbara Doerr – our loving parents, Arthur Keppler, Dorothy Pfeifer, Louis Doerr, Elaine Gorahan, Jim Gorahan, and Herb Pfeifer.

Ted and Lynn Doll – Margaret Grimm, Joan Lyons and Janice Bongiovanni, who loved and cared about this church and its people.

Gladys Gieser – her husband, Herbert Gieser, her daughter, Susan Gieser and her grandson, Eric Cunningham;

Debra and Gary Kensicki and Family- Alice Cataldo and Carmine Cataldo;

Mrs. Elizabeth Schmidt - her husband William R. Schmidt;

Hamilton and Louise Scott – Ruth C. Scott, Henry Stieglitz and Trudy Stieglitz;

May Smith – Loved Ones;

We thank the following musicians for sharing their talents this Easter, under the direction of Liliya Khobotkova:

Brass: Walter Schweikert, Trombone; Donato Toto, Trombone; Jeff Schweikert, Trumpet

Vocalists: Helen Han and Ken Young



From the Desk of Pastor Lindsey

The Lord's unfailing love and mercy never cease, fresh as the morning and sure as the sunrise. Lam. 3:22-23

I don't know about you, but right now I am feeling energized, renewed and refreshed. Do you want to know why I feel so good especially during this time of the era of coronavirus. Well, it's because I have been spiritually uplifted by God with the presence of Jesus Christ. You can feel that way too. God's plan for your life is that you have joy and live life to the fullest. If you are feeling overwhelmed, run down, and without hope, the Bible can lift your spirits and give you a fresh start!

Despair and anxiety have always been an intrinsic part of life on Earth. In times of darkness, Christians have sought the encouraging words of scripture to provide strength, wisdom, and guidance about the love and truth of God. We are reminded of this when we seek counsel and encouragement from the Bible.

Despite the misfortunes we may experience, there is always an opportunity to choose love and rise above anxiety and fear. The Bible was created to remind us of such truth and to encourage us to believe in the goodness of life and God. What a great time to read the Bible. **Amen!!**

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10



WORSHIP NOTES

New Jersey is making progress with COVID vaccinations and some of our members have succeeded in getting appointments. For those who have not yet been vaccinated, we pray that your opportunity will come soon!

Meanwhile, we continue to provide live-streamed worship services through YouTube. Look for Springfield Presbyterian Church and our iconic church picture.

Any member who does not have access to the internet and would like a DVD recording of the worship services need only call the office! 973-379-4320.



7th – Rodney Shinnors
9th – Colleen Scott
13th - Doreen DeRenzo
15th - Russell Helsel
21st – Daniel Priest
23rd - Jean Zabelski

24th - Douglas Leite
26th - Beatrice Roth
28th - Thomas Clark
29th - Carissa Clark
30th – Millie Huska

WE ARE HAPPY TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTHDAYS OF ALL OUR CHURCH FAMILY! IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS NOT INCLUDED IN OUR BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AND PROVIDE MONTH AND DAY, AND WE'LL ADD YOU TO OUR LIST



Gladys Gieser has a new address and phone: 680 Mountain Boulevard, Unit 309, Watchung, NJ 07069 1-908-625-4637.



The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Ted Lyons and his family in the passing of his beloved wife and our dear member, Joan Lyons, on March 6, 2021. A graveside service was conducted on March 11th in our cemetery.

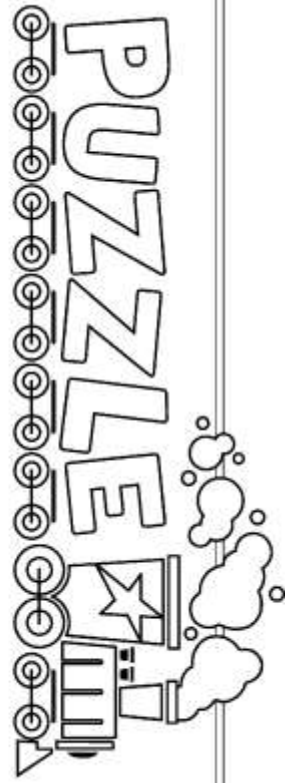
If you had the opportunity to meet Joan, she became your friend. A kinder woman, you'll never know.

Notes of sympathy may be sent to her husband and family c/o Ted Lyons, 196 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081

We keep Ted and their entire family in our prayers.

Joan's obituary can be found on the Bradley Funeral Homes website. bradleyfuneralhomes.com/joan-ann-lyons/

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN - If you would like to support the PW's mission fundraising, "Jan's Jams" are available in the office. One jar for every \$5 donated to "Presbyterian Women" while supplies last!



EASTER MORNING *message*

Early Sunday morning, some women who followed Jesus encountered a great surprise. Solve the puzzle to see what the angels told them.

Directions: Cross out every other letter in the maze. Write the remaining letters in order to complete Luke 24:5-6, NIV.

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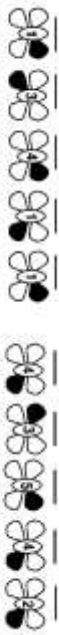
Answer: "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!" Luke 24:5-6, NIV

Puzzle!

Use the code to uncover the angel's message in Matthew 28:7 (NIV).



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Answer: “He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.”

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A listening ear, a compassionate heart.

Pastor Lindsey is here for you!