

# BEULAH & MONTEREY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH e-Newsletter

MARCH 2026



## Mark Your Calendars!

**Sunday, March 8:** Daylight Savings Time Begins!

**March 14-15, 21-22:** Girl Scouts at Monterey Presbyterian

The Highland County Girls Scouts will offer baked potatoes, hot dogs, drinks, cookies and more at Monterey Presbyterian every day of the festival. Please stop by to support this worthy group,

**Wednesday, March 18:** Slices & Scripture

All are welcome to Monterey Presbyterian Church to enjoy a free pizza meal and to take time away from busy schedules between Maple Festival weekends to hear the Bible read out loud together. Whether you're brand new or been to our church for years, there is a seat for you! Paul's Epistles to the Ephesians and Galatians will be presented on Wednesday, March 18 from 5:30-7pm. Childcare will be provided. Questions should be directed to Chris Swecker at [chrissweck@gmail.com](mailto:chrissweck@gmail.com) or 540-830-2016.

### *A Prayer for Lenten Grace*

Loving God,

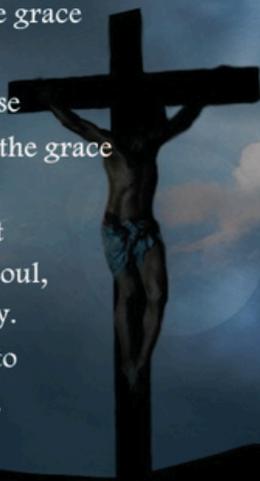
During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.  
Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life.

Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity.

Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul, remind me of the grace and simplicity.

May this season be grace-filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you.

*Amen.*



**Sunday, March 29:** Palm Sunday

**Sunday, March 29:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Hymn Sing & More!  
McDowell Presbyterian will host the 5th Sunday Hymn sing at 11am on March 29. Stay after the Hymn Sing for a potluck lunch and to fill VPAS bags for Easter.

**Thursday, April 2:** Maundy Thursday  
Monterey Presbyterian will host a simple meal and service at 5:30pm.

**Friday, April 3:** Good Friday

**Sunday, April 5:** Easter Sunday

# Prayer List

Ann Swecker, Bill Harman, Pat Lowry, Miles Johnston, Casey Ralston, Jennifer Propst, Joe and Ruby Simmons, Miriam Helmen, Bobbie Jo Gardner, Carol Furr, Becky Magee, Ramona Arbogast, Marlene Reynolds, Ray Mueller, Bill and Mary Lou Cox.

We pray for healing, peace, love and a spirit of unity for our country and the world.

## Leading Our Worship in March

March 1: Reverend Chris Scott

March 8: Will Cox, Lay Leader

March 15: 9:30am service at Beulah with Rev. David Hindman. No Monterey worship.

March 22: 9:30am service at Beulah with Rev. David Hindman. No Monterey worship.

March 29: 5th Sunday Hymn Sing and Potluck 11am at McDowell Presbyterian



## March Celebrations

### Birthdays

March 2 - Hannah Meyerhoeffer

March 3 - Adam White

March 7- Jaden Cox

March 14- Susan Swecker

March 15- Charlie Straub

March 23 - David Frayer

March 24- Roger Straub

March 25- Grace Blanchard

March 26- Miriam Helmen

March 29- Samantha Meyerhoeffer

### Anniversaries

March 25 - Jim and Lorraine White



Miriam Helmen turns **100** on March 26!

Let's shower her with love and birthday wishes from the Highland County community. Birthday cards can be mailed to:

Miriam Helmen  
200 Wyndemere Circle  
Apt W112  
Wheaton, IL 60187





Don't miss church! **Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 8th.**  
Remember to set your clock ahead one hour!



*Our congregations show their love of God's creatures! Sophie Hevener, Cheyna Mason, and Claire Sax recently enjoyed Highland Humane Society's Ladies Night Out Fundraiser while Amy Frayer and daughter Ava are currently fostering three kittens.*





*Hannah Meyerhoeffer has had great success competing for Averett University. In February she came in first place in her individual ride and third in her team points competition. Averett took Grand Champion as well as first in their region.*



*Mary Anne Rogers and her dog enjoyed a visit to Blackwater Falls.*

