

This Week @ First

Worship & Music

To watch our Sunday worship at 11 AM, connect with us on [YouTube](#) (find the bulletin [here](#))!

It's Opera Time! The Rake's Progress

Our former communications coordinator, Kelby Yoder, will have a major role in the FSU Spring Opera, Igor Stravinsky's *The Rake's Progress*. Kelby will be featured in the performances on Friday, March 28, at 7:30 PM, and Sunday, March 30, at 3 PM. Let's show him some support! Tickets are available [here](#).



Spiritual Formation

Sunday School—Youth

All youth are invited at 9:30 AM each week! Grades K-5 in room 306. Middle and High School Students in room 301. A nursery will be available starting at 9:15 AM.

"Feasting on the Word" Lectionary-Based Bible Study

Calvin Room and via [Zoom](#), 9:30 – 10:30 AM.

This class meets weekly to engage and discuss selected texts from our Lectionary readings.

The **Inquirer's class** will meet this Sunday, March 9, in the Westminster Room and by [Zoom](#), 9:30 – 10:30 AM, to continue a six-week Lenten series based on Adam Hamilton's *The Message of Jesus: Words that Changed the World*.

Guided Meditation continues on Sunday mornings at 10:30 in the Library.

The Spiritual Formation Team is in need of volunteers to assist our teachers in the Elementary and Middle/High School classes, and to assist in our nursery. Please contact [Mary Kutter](#) to find out more.

One Great Hour of Sharing

The One Great Hour of Sharing special offering continues through Lent. The offering supports programs in over 100 countries:

- 36% supports the Presbyterian Hunger Program, which is committed to ending hunger globally.
- 32% supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, which is committed to helping others repair from disaster during and beyond the initial aftermath.
- 32% supports the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, which is committed to helping communities around the world gain the skills they need to improve their communities.

Compassion and Social Justice

Snack pack and Laundry Love volunteers are invited from 10 AM to noon on Wednesdays. For information on volunteering, speak to Debbie Gibson.

This **Sunday, March 9**, we will help serve dinner at Grace Mission from 4 to 6 PM. Sign up [here](#) or contact Carol Weissert for more information.

Second Sunday Fellowship

Join us in the courtyard after worship this Sunday, March 9, for lemonade and light refreshments!

From the Heritage Committee

The first service at First Presbyterian Church was celebrated in its newly completed building on May 13, 1838. The following day, May 14th, a public sale of pews was held to raise money for loans, building contracts, and improvements. Annual rent was charged on the pews and forfeiture of the rent would result in an auction of one's pew. The final cost of the church and various items, such as a pulpit, wall clock, hymn books, lamps, and porch, was \$13,373.00.

(From *At First* by Barbara Rhodes)



Repairing the breach

ISAIAH 58

Please give generously—
for when we all do a little,
it adds up to a lot.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT
MARCH 5 - APRIL 20, 2025

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EXPLORE Dogwood SERVE

the community

Join us for an Open House with a missional twist! This fun-filled day is the perfect blend of serving the community, fellowship and exploring Dogwood. Besides fun camp activities, we will partner with Caring & Sharing of So Walton to create hygiene kits for our neighbors.

April 5th 2025

When?

Saturday April 5th

9:30 AM CT - check-in

10:00 AM - worship

10:30 AM - Service

Project

Noon - Lunch

1:00 PM - Guided camp activities and hikes

3:00 PM - Depart

Who?

Bring your families, youth groups, and friends- anyone who wants to explore more about the ministry at Dogwood Acres!

How?

Everybody interested can register at dogwoodacres.org starting March 1st
Cost for the day: \$8.00 with a family cap of \$24.00



DOGWOOD ACRES

Retreat Center and Summer Camp
Vernon, FL



Pancakes were flipped, boas were worn, and a good time had by all at the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper!

2025 Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Florida 118th Gathering

Saturday, March 8, 2025

Dogwood Acres Summer Camp and Retreat Center

3320 Harmony Rd, Chipley, FL 32428

9:00 am CDT - Registration, Check-In, & Light Morning Refreshments

10:00 am CDT - Worship

Memorial Service

Annual Meeting

Lunch



**"Caring for Creation & Others:
Do What is Yours to Do"**

Registration Info emailed by Monday, February 3

Share with all PW in your congregation and join us for this historic day!

Questions? Contact: Sandra Winslett @ 850-516-9875

To submit information to be included in the newsletter and/or the Sunday bulletin (as space permits), please use [this link](#), which will take you to an online form. Thank you!