

# The First Presbyterian Church – Willoughby

March 22, 2026

## 5th Sunday of Lent

*The Rev. Shane Nanney – Pastor*

*The Rev. Larry Pozza – Guest Pastor*

*Lent comes from a word that means spring, and spring is “springing” this March morning. May our faith spring up in new life as well, through this time of worship.*

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Aaliyah, Alberta, Amanda, Angela, Annie, Arleen, Beulah, Betty, Bill, Bob, Briar, Barbara, Barbra, Brianna, Bruce, Cian, Cyndi, David, Debbie, Elsie, Linda, Jacob, Jeanette, Jeff, Jessica, Joe, John, Joyce, Karen, Mark, Nancy, Pat, Ronald, Tracy, Sean, Stephanie, the Rahmani family

**We pray for the whole world. May peace prevail on earth.**

### **REMEMBER OUR FRIENDS IN CARE CENTERS AND HOMEBOUND**

**CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS** - We recently received news that Don Klier has entered into eternal rest. Our prayers go out to those who knew him.



**FLOWER DEDICATION** - Flowers may be ordered and placed at the front of the church (\$25 for one vase, \$50 for two). Once the morning worship services are finished, you are encouraged to take them home or direct them to a homebound or hospital patient. The flower chart is in the entrance hall. Suzan Plautz is your contact for dedication.

**EASTER FLOWERS** - Order forms are available on the glass top table in Narthex. Tulips or daffodils are \$ 12 each. Complete the form with the total number of flowers you wish to order and any dedication you'd like to make. Orders are due tomorrow. Drop in the offertory box or leave in the office.

**BIRTHDAY FLOWERS** – It's Tom Herlevi's 80th birthday! The flowers are a gift given by his loving wife, Julia. Join us in the WPG room for an array of Finnish pastries and coffee and help him celebrate this milestone big day.

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONSISTENT GIVING.**

Your dedication is so very much appreciated! Ways to give:

- \* Place your offerings in the Offering Box in the Sanctuary
- \*Send your gift by mail
- \*Bring your gift to the church and place in the black mailboxes
- \*Set up automatic payment through your bank.
- \*Give online using the QR code here or through our **PayPal** button



[www.FPCWilloughby.org/giving](http://www.FPCWilloughby.org/giving)

**FINANCIAL GIVING** – March 15, 2026

Pledges and giving	\$ 1,230.00
Per Capita	40.00
Flower fund	50.00
Pavilion funds	20.00
Organ	100.00

Attendance March 15, 2026 78 in person 36 online



**and BIBLE STUDY** – Bible study resumed on March 10. As in the past, the schedule is at 1:00 pm at Breckenridge Village North and 7:00 pm in the church – Room 1 and via Zoom. The Wired Word is the Sunday evening Adult Sunday School. It's conducted on Zoom only on Sundays at 7:00 pm. Both require registration with Pastor Shane at [ShaneNanney@gmail.com](mailto:ShaneNanney@gmail.com).

**FREE FOOD PANTRY** –We’ve collected new requests from our guests who come to us on Mondays. The April requests are cans of fruit and vegetables, healthy cereal, pasta sauce, jelly, facial tissues, and paper towels.

**DIRECTORIES** –are available now. Your YELLOW directory is ready to pick up at the welcome area and on the table under the Prayer Wall.

**MAHP** – Ministry Advocating with Homeless Persons focuses on the needs of people experiencing homelessness and advocates for sustainable, compassionate solutions in all communities in Northeast Ohio. Look through the lending library set up in the narthex. This set of materials is available here in the church for 3 months.

**NEW T-SHIRTS ARE AVAILABLE NOW** – Has your t-shirt gotten dingy or is it plain worn out? A shipment of all sizes has been received. Please contact [Laura@FPCWilloughby.org](mailto:Laura@FPCWilloughby.org) to order a new shirt. Cost is \$ 15.00 per shirt.

## Upcoming dates to mark on your calendar:

- Easter Brunch will take place on Easter, April 5 at 10:00 am.
- Earth day activities are scheduled for Sunday, April 19.
- *Agape Feasts* are planned for March 26 and April 30, each beginning at 5:15 PM.  
New Member Classes begin on April 26.
- Hunger Walk will be held at the Cleveland Zoo on Saturday, May 30.



**IN THE SPIRIT OF FELLOWSHIP** – Participate with us once a month or just once.

**\* Sign up lists are near the WPG room each month.**

April 4	Men’s breakfast	8:00 am at First Watch
April 4	Women’s breakfast	9:00 am at Anthony’s on Vine St.
April 5	Easter Brunch*	10:00 am in the WPG room
May 8	Mother’s day dinner*	6:00 pm in the WPG room
May 30	Hunger Walk	10:00 am at the Cleveland Zoo



## RAISING FUNDS FOR THE MEMORIAL PAVILION – We will

continue to raise funds to build the Pavilion in 2026. Here is the QR code to use if you'd like



to donate while you are thinking about it. Many thanks to donors who

recently supported the Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. Nearly \$ 5,500 has been dedicated to the building of the Pavilion since then.

### **NEW MEMBER CLASS STARTS APRIL 26 -**

A series of 3 classes will place you on the path to being a member. Membership has its privileges. Come find out what they are.

If you are considering joining the church, let

Laura know by emailing [Laura@FPCWilloughy.org](mailto:Laura@FPCWilloughy.org). Classes will take place from 10:00-10:45 am beginning April 26, May 3, 7 with May 24 for the formal introduction to the church members at either the 9:00 or 11:00 service. The sign-up sheet will be on the Welcome station.





### March Lectionary

March 1	Acts 9:1-18	Philippians 3:7-14
March 8	Exodus 17:1-7	John 4:4-26
March 15	Ephesians 5:8-14	John 9:1-12
March 22	Proverbs 3:13-26	Micah 4:1-4
March 29	Philippians 2:5-11	Matthew 21:1-11

**EVENT SPACE FOR RENT** – Several of you have taken advantage of the WPG room or the Parlor for parties. Well, there are people out in the community that are unaware that these rooms and others are available for a fee. We now can offer catering with Christopher's help. Let your friends know.

## **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING -**

Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The work done in support of the causes supported by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) — disaster, hunger,

poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration and refugees — serves individuals and communities in need. This work provides people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Typically received during the season of Lent, this Offering helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. Envelopes are in your pews.



## **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING**

**WiFi network: Spectrum 68-5G      password: love1another**

**Website: [www.FPCWilloughby.org](http://www.FPCWilloughby.org)**

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHURCH THIS WEEK?

- Sun, Mar 22      9:00 am      Contemporary Worship with Children's sermon  
                         9:15 am      Children's Sunday School  
                         10:00 am      Coffee and Fellowship with crafts  
                         11:00 am      Traditional Worship with Chancel choir  
                         12:15 pm      Choir rehearsal  
                         3:00 pm      **Jesus Christ Superstar – School of Fine Arts**  
                         7:00 pm      Wired Word via Zoom (Topic Discussion)
- Mon, Mar 23    12:00 pm    **One Step at a Time AA meeting (women only)**  
                         4:00 pm    **Free Food Distribution – WPG**  
                         7:30 pm    **Willoughby Monday AA meeting – WPG**
- Tues, Mar 24    1:00 pm    Bible Study at Breckenridge North  
                         7:00 pm    Bible Study in Room 1 or by Zoom  
                         8:00 pm    **Willoughby Tuesday AA meeting – WPG**
- Wed, Mar 25    1:00 pm    **Lake County Women AA meeting – WPG**  
                         6:30 pm    **Families Anonymous in Parlor**  
                         6:30 pm    **Fellowship and CE meeting - Zoom**  
                         7:30 pm    **Wickliffe Group AA meeting – WPG**
- Thu, Mar 26    5:15 pm    **Agape Feast!**  
                         7:00 pm    **AI Anon meeting – Parlor**
- Sat, Mar 28    9:00 am    **Shankland Saturday – WPG**
- Sun, Mar 29    **PALM SUNDAY**  
                         9:00 am    Contemporary Worship with Children's sermon  
                         9:15 am    Children's Sunday School  
                         10:00 am    Coffee and Fellowship with crafts  
                         11:00 am    Traditional Worship with Chancel choir  
                         12:15 pm    **Choir rehearsal**  
                         7:00 pm    Wired Word via Zoom (Topic Discussion)