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## The monthly newsletter of West Point Presbyterian Church

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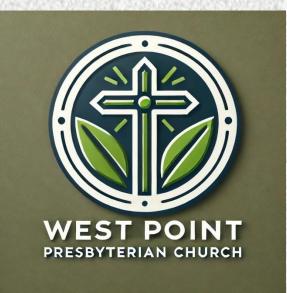
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# March

# West Point Presbyterian Church Calendar

Liturgist-Jennifer Kirby Usher-Ray Gilbert 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Hosts-The Ledbetter Family						2025
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday 1
2 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Unity Service w/FBCWP @ WPPC 10:30	3	4	5 <mark>Lions</mark> Club Ash Wed. 5:30 Presby/Bapt Women 5:30	6	7 LEO 8am	8
9 Communion Sunday	10	11	12 Lenton Bible Study WPPC 5:30	13	14 LEO 8am	15
16 Covered Dish/Session	17	18	19 Lions Club Lenton Bible Study WPPC 5:30	20	21 LEO 8am	22
23	24	25	26 Lenton Bible Study WPPC 5:30	27	28 LEO 8am +	





By Rev Jerry Ledbetter ...

"I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your miracles of long ago."

Psalm 77:11 (NIV)

Reflection:

This time of year is special to me, as a time of <u>thanksgiving</u>! Tammy and I mark our 36<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on <u>March 15</u>.

And come the first week of May, I will begin my 36<sup>th</sup> year of vocational Christian ministry. Of course, every February I celebrate the time I've been blessed to serve as your Pastor! 22 years and counting!

It occurs to me that anniversaries, whether of a marríage, a mínístry, a friendship, or a personal mílestone, are more than just dates on a calendar. They are reminders of God's faithfulness, His provision, and His grace in our lives. Each anniversary marks another year of His goodness, guiding us through joys and trials alike.

when we take time to celebrate these moments, we acknowledge that every blessing comes from Him. Whether our journey has been smooth or filled with challenges, God has walked with us every step of the way. Like the Israelites who set up stones of remembrance after crossing the Jordan Ríver (Joshua 4:1-9), we, too, should set aside time to reflect, give thanks, and testify to what God has done.

Gracious God, thank You for the gift of time and for the milestones that remind us of Your faithfulness. Help us to remember and celebrate all that You have done in our lives. May we never take Your blessings for granted but always acknowledge Your hand in our journey. Bless the years ahead, and may we continue to walk in Your love and grace.

In Jesus' name,

Amen



we always have a Scripture lesson based off the sermon, and we do a related craft.

we read Children's bible stories and we do bible related colorings and play bible games.

we have snacks and play.

Our awesome teacher is Ms. Terri!

Her helpers are Cypress McCoy-Small, Mr. Randy (the Candyman), and for special events Ms. Helen, Ms. LaChelle, and Ms. Debbie.

Sunday school 10:00 am-10:50 am Children's Church 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

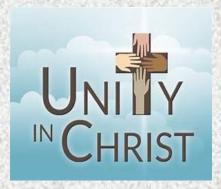


We gather for prayer time at 10:00 am and head to Sunday School at 10:15.

Dan Bass facilitates the class in the Stanley Room. We will be working on a study of the book of Proverbs.



# **Church Life Events**





March 16th

is our next Session Meeting.

Our next unity service with First Baptist of West Point is March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will meet at FBCWP @ 10:30.



Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to noon, Eastern time.

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# Presbyterian/Baptist Women of West Point

### Ladies, please mark your calendars!

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, which is Ash Wednesday. We will begin with dinner in Davis Hall at West Point Presbyterian Church and proceed to our Sanctuary for our Ash Wednesday Service, then back to Davis Hall for a short meeting to discuss what our Mission Project for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter will be.

Please join us, we look forward to seeing you. Please let LaChelle or your Church office know if you plan to attend.

The Presbyterian/Baptist Women together raised enough money to send 6 very deserving children to school in Honduras for our International Mission.

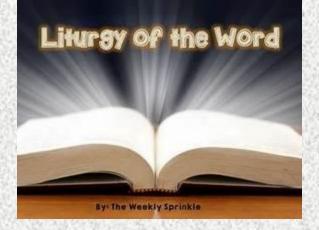
Please note for this First Quarter of 2025 our Ministry is, collecting diapers of all sizes (larger sizes are requested) and wipes to donate to

**Sav-A-Life Pregnancy Center** 





If you are hesitant about volunteering as host/hostess, please be assured it's easy. We even have a cheat sheet. Also, don't hesitate to partner with someone. Makes for ½ the work and twice the fun. Our next Covered Dish Lunch will be on March 16th. Your hosts for this event are The Ledbetter Family.



## Liturgist

Do you like help with the service? Please add your name to the Liturgist sheet in the Narthex.

Our Liturgist for the month of March is Jennifer Kirby.





If you would like to bring flowers for our worship service, please let the Church office know. These flowers can be from anywhere! You are responsible for arranging the flowers and putting them in containers, and placing them in the Sanctuary on Sunday morning by 10:45 am.

Do you like to talk with/greet people? Sign up to be Head Usher for a month. It's easy and a great way to serve. You can even volunteer to assist the Head Usher a time or two to learn the ropes. Head Usher for March is Ray Gilbert.

# LEADERSHIP

Session:

Kris Cagle, Building & Grounds (25), Tony White, Education (25), Randy Workman, Admin. & Finance (26), Dan Bass, Music & Worship (26), LaChelle Jones, Congregational Care (27), Murray Bradley, Outreach(27),

**Clerk of the Session**: Bill Nixon

Treasurer: Ray Gilbert

Senior Pastor Rev. Gerald (Jerry) Ledbetter

## **Organist Emeritus**

Mr. Austin P. Cook, III

Music Director Michael Ledbetter

## **Children's Church Director**

Terri Workman

Assistants-Cypress McCoy-Small, LaChelle Jones, Debbie Von Hollen, Cierra Ledbetter

Accompanist Randall Smith





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## **Proudly Presents**



March 22, 2025

Children's Scene Works Educational Programming

Four Saturdays in March of extensive training for our younger players, with four different directors, as they develop their acting skills and prepare for a special Scene Works Presentation. Matinee Performance on March 22, 2025 at 2:30 P.M., FREE to Season Ticket Holders.





Our P.E.E.P.S. use their pennies for Jesus money to buy food for our little free pantry, won't you consider helping them?



Thornwell began as a dream in the heart

of a young Presbyterian minister, William Plumer Jacobs of First Presbyterian Church in Clinton, SC.



We support all Law Enforcement Agencies as well as Fire and EMS!

Pastor Jerry does a weekly outreach, we call it LEO, (Law Enforcement Outreach), on Fridays at 8 am. If you would like to get involved see Jerry.



Building a Better World, One House at a Time

### **Foundational principles**

We at the Fuller Center for Housing believe that: We are part of a God movement, and movements don't just stop. We have been called to this housing ministry; we didn't just stumble into it. We are unashamedly Christian, and enthusiastically ecumenical. We aren't a church but we are a servant of the Church. We are faith-driven, knowing that after we've done all we can do the Lord will help finish the job — something that requires us to stretch beyond our rational reach. We are a grass-roots ministry, recognizing that the real work happens on the ground in communities around the world through our covenant partners — so a large, overseeing bureaucracy isn't needed. We try to follow the teachings of the Bible and believe that it says that we shouldn't charge interest of the poor, so we don't. Government has a role in our work in helping set the stage, but that we shouldn't look to it as a means to fund the building of homes.



A knock at the door might not seem like a big deal to many of us. But, to a homebound senior, it could signal the arrival of the only person they might see all day or all week long. It brings hope. It brings health. It brings the nutrition and care that will completely make their day. A knock from Meals on Wheels can even save lives.

THE POWER OF A KNOCK TRANSFORMS LIVES.