

## Prayer Concerns

Requests are left for 3 months, **the start date, month and year, is listed at the end of request.** Please notify the office of updates.

Our country and those in leadership  
His House Ministries

Susan Alexander (Ann Abbott's daughter) - Continued health issues 3/21  
John Armstrong (Tom's brother) - Stage 4 prostate cancer, chemo done for now 3/21  
Gary Ferns (Mary Armstrong's bro) - Immunotherapy for stage 4 renal cancer 3/21  
Gary Matheny (Dave's brother) - Approved for lung and kidney transplant, please pray the VA will pay for it 9/20  
Nancy LeGreve-Smith's nephew—12 year old with ulcerative colitis, treatment soon 10/20  
Nancy LeGreve-Smith's bro-in-law Tom and wife Marlene—He is in care home and can't see family. Marlene is lonely at home 11/20  
Juanita Strange (Mark's Mom) - Serious health issues 11/20  
Tom Crimin—Cancer 1/21  
Ruth Kins (Gary used to preach at Rosedale) - Inoperable stenosis of the lower back, in much pain. 12/20  
Leslie Mitchell (Dave Matheny) - Very sick, now in Petoskey for testing 12/20  
Bob Johnston (friend of Mike Mariuzza) - Recovering from liver transplant 2/21  
Eva Riddle—Health concerns 3/21  
Marion & AJ Rogers—Praise for Marion is doing better, AJ struggling with Covid effects 2/21  
Melinda Lane (Phyllis Miller's sister) - Having an MRI for ongoing migraines 2/21  
Jaelynn Vert—Adjusting medications and having side effects. Prayers that she will adjust quickly and start seeing positive results 2/21  
Neva Perry—Stroke, home recovering 2/21  
Marcia Ward—Pancreatic cysts stable, checkup end of year, doing well, thanks everyone for the prayers! 3/21  
Kevin Farrar—In MediLodge for rehab, also for safe housing for Kevin and Barb 3/21  
Dianne Baker—Stroke last fall. Not aware of her surroundings and needs total care. Her Daughter, Terri Evans is moving to where her doctors are to care for her. Dianne Baker, 5030 Broughton Place, Apt. A, Riverside, OH 45431 Terry sent a card thanking Dianne's church family for the notes, calls, and prayers.  
Chamberlain Family—Marilyn's brother, Ken passed away last week 3/21  
Nancy LeGreve-Smith's friend, Joanne Kessinger—Health issues, testing 3/21  
Ed Boso—Inflamed pancreas 3/21

### March Birthdays:

Michael Willett Mar 19  
Nancy Darling Mar 24  
Chloe Gunckel Mar 26  
Bridget Klier Mar 30  
Nancy McLeod Mar 31

### March Anniversaries:

Donna & Ron Crompton Mar 22  
Tanya & J. D. Hoolsema Mar 14  
Mary Lou & Dave Weir Mar 15

**If you would like one of the elders or ministers to contact you, please call the church office at 632-6511.**



## Welcome to First Church of Christ! Announcements for March 14, 2021

### TODAY:

Sunday School: 9:00 am  
Worship—10:00 am  
Kid's Church—**Family Sunday**  
Choir—3-5:00 pm, Band 5-7:00

### MONDAY:

Mid & High Sch Youth Group—  
4:30 to 6:00 pm



**FCOC's annual Good Friday Service will be held April 2nd at 6:00 pm; a time to worship together with your FCOC family!**



**His House Treats Needed! They meet Thursdays at 8:00 p.m. Pre-packaged goodies only, please.** There are 50 students each week. Drop at His House or the church during the day.



**Streaming Worship!** Visit us on Facebook at First Church of Christ Sault Ste. Marie or [www.saultchurch.com](http://www.saultchurch.com) and click on the Streaming WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday at 10:00 am.



**Water Bottles:** Please throw out the water bottles you use during worship time so others don't have to touch them. Thank you!



**Prayer Requests on Sundays:** Please text to **906-630-5845** for prayer at the end of the worship service and to be added to the prayer list in the bulletin.



### How to give to FCOC:

1. **Offering boxes** at the back of the auditorium.
2. **Online go to [www.saultchurch.com](http://www.saultchurch.com)**, and scroll down to the online giving icon, click, and follow instructions.
3. **Send a check to 300 W. Spruce Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.**

**This week's giving amount: \$4,575.00**  
**Weekly need to cover FCOC expenses: \$4,283.56**  
**Thank you for supporting First Church of Christ!**

**Nursery during 10:00 am worship time, located off the lobby.**

This Week: Corbiere Next Week: LeBlanc

**PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN:**  
**There are "Quiet Books" in a basket by the AV room door in the lobby.**



# Resurrection Sunday Celebration!

April 4th at 10:00 am!

**“CHAIN BREAKER!”**

## Graduating High School or College Seniors!



Please contact the church office! We are beginning to plan our Graduates' Reception, which will be April 25th!

**High School:** Michael Gunckel, Aliah Robertson

**College:** Caleb Forbes, Bethany Peasley, Mikael Ranta

**Graduates:** Call the church office with your open house date and time, and we will let the church family know so they can celebrate with you!

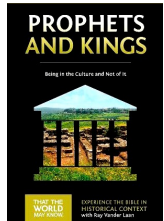


## Meijer Simply Give is back!

Now through April 10

At the “Simply Give” display in the lobby there are information cards. Grab a card and take to our local Meijer store, where you can purchase food cards in \$10 increments which will go directly to our food pantry!

*Double Match Day is April 3!*



## Adult Education Class!

Sundays at 9:00 am

*In person and streaming on FB and YouTube.*

Ray Vander Laan series

**“Prophets and Kings”**

Exploring the turbulent history of Israel's prophets and kings and learn how to build your own devotion to and trust in God.

*Randy Peasley Leading*

## Middle and High School Youth Group



**Mondays**

**4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at FCOC!**



Contact JD Hoolsema  
at 906-630-1718 for more info.

## Why Bitter Herbs?

Exodus 1, Matthew 26, John 8

Second in the series *Jesus: Our Passover Lamb*

Over and over again, the world tells us not to dwell on our past. But God's Word tells us to learn from our mistakes so we will not return to them. Remember!

1. The bitterness of slavery, Exodus 1:8-14

2. The bitterness of sin, Matthew 26:20-25

3. The One who frees us, John 8:31-36

Today bitter herbs at Passover remind the Jews of the enslavement of their ancestors. They remind us that Jesus can free all of us from sin's slavery! Let's make the bitterness of our sin a memory and not a continuing mistake.



## FCOC Campout at Fayette Historic State Park on the Garden Peninsula!

Randy and Ann Peasley are coordinating a camping weekend for this summer!

**More information at:**

<https://www.saultchurch.com/summer-campout/>