

The Missive

March 2020

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“Favorite Months”

One of my favorite movies of all time is “Jeremiah Johnson” with Robert Redford. It's the story of a man in the early 1800s who leaves civilization behind to become a mountain man in the Rocky Mountains. In one scene, after many years in the mountains, Johnson turns to another mountain man and says, “Would you happen to know what month of the year it is?”

“No, I surely wouldn't,” is the reply.

“March, April maybe,” says Johnson.

“March, maybe. Certainly not April. March is a wet, muddy month down below. Farmers like it mostly. Snow stays long this high, but winter is a long time gone.”

I guess I remember that because I saw it as a matter of perspective. These guys didn't like March, it was a wet, muddy month without much to recommend it. And it surprised me, because I like March. It's a terrific month. Look at everything March has: Spring Training baseball, where every team has hope and we barely even keep score; March Madness basketball; St. Patrick's Day—always a reason to be happy; the return of Spring and longer days; and if Easter doesn't come in March, it's close! So for me, March is a wonderful month.

Except lately. The last few years March and the coming of Spring has also brought sadness. It was in the Spring a few years ago that my brother-in-law passed away. Then two years ago it was in March that our friend Murray Cooper went into the hospital for cancer surgery and began the long decline to his passing. And that same Spring, Erin's father passed away. Last year it was my mother who went into the hospital in March

and eventually died in May. March can be a hard month. I guess it is a matter of perspective.

But I am learning this Spring that the joy of new life that comes so often in March is not wiped out by the tragedies that we endure. As God blesses us in the times of happiness and through the newness of life around us, God also walks with us in times of tears and sadness. During this season of Lent we will renew our meetings every Monday night with our group at the church that we call “Coping with Loss.” As we have met over the last months (and anyone is welcome to come join us for any or all of the meetings—6:00 on Monday nights) we have learned that the pain of loss is so often part of the joy of relationships. We grieve because we miss that which we once had—the joy of another's company. But none of us who grieve wishes that it were any different. We don't pray that we would have never had that relationship, even though its loss causes pain. We all thank God that we had the love to experience. We grieve because we also had the joy. It's a matter of perspective. I pray you have a blessed March.

Grace and Peace,

Mark

March Volunteer Assignments

| | <u>Greeters</u> | <u>Ushers</u> | <u>Coffee</u> | <u>Nursery Help</u> | |
|----|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| 1 | Sutherland | Sutherland Alexander | Gobble family | Smith | <p>Indoors or out, no one relaxes in March, that month of wind and taxes, the wind will presently disappear, the taxes last us all the year. <i>Ogden Nash</i></p> <p>March, when days are getting long, Let thy growing hours be strong to set right some wintry wrong. <i>Caroline May</i></p> <p>March is the month God created to show people who don't drink what a hangover is like. <i>Garrison Keillor</i></p> <p>Springtime is the land awakening. The March winds are the morning yawn. <i>Lewis Grizzard</i></p> |
| 8 | Vantine | Vantine Tower Foster | S & H Gobble | Lovequist | |
| 15 | Willemstyn | Willemstyn Williams | Greve | Smith | |
| 22 | Wittwer | Wittwer Webb | Inman Jones | Carisalez | |
| 29 | Belz | Young Stafford | Kendall Gauthier | Gauthier | |



Serving Communion

Please remember that only ordained elders and deacons should serve communion.

March 1

Mary Lou Cazers
Carol Thorne
Bob Tower
Terry Vantine
Tunis Willemstyn

April 5

Jilisa Williams
Jerry Wittwer
Lib Wittwer
Mike Wright
Nancy Wright

May 3

Brian Young
Teresa Young
Marsha Zick
Marilyn Alman
Andy Alspach

*We rely on many members and friends to help Sundays run smoothly and be a good worship experience for those attending our church. **If for some reason you are not able to help on the day originally selected, please find a replacement or someone to trade with, and let the church office know.** The yearly list of volunteers can be found at www.fprich.com, under "Living the Faith", then "volunteer schedule". **Or call Julie for a list of names. Thank you!***

March 2020



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--|---|---|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 8:30 Chancel Choir 9:45 Worship - Communion 11:00 Adult SS 12:00 Officer/Staff Retreat at RACC | 2 9:00-1:00 PEO in White Room 10:30 Office Staff 6:00 Coping with Loss 7:00 Boy Scouts | 3 10:00 Connected Threads 6:00 Girl Scouts | 4 1:00 PW Meeting at Wanda's 5:30 Girl Scouts | 5 9:00 Bible Study 4:00 Chancel Choir | 6 5:30 Girl Scouts | 7 REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD!  |
| 8 8:30 Chancel Choir 9:45 Worship - 2 cents-a-meal 11:00 Soup Fest 4:00 Youth Group Here | 9 6:00 Coping with Loss 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Cub Scout Leaders | 10 10:00 Connected Threads 6:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Girl Scouts | 11 5:30 Girl Scouts 6:00 Session 6:00 Girl Scouts | 12 9:00 Bible Study 4:00 Chancel Choir 6:00 Deacons | 13 | 14 |
| 15 8:30 Chancel Choir 9:45 Worship 11:00 Adult SS 1:00 Cubs Blue and Gold in GPR 3:00 VGA - Piano Duo 4:00 Youth Group at Kal 1st | 16 9:00 Care Team 10:30 Office Staff 6:00 Coping with Loss 7:00 Boy Scouts | 17 10:00 Connected Threads 6:00 Girl Scouts | 18 5:30 Girl Scouts 7:00 Boy Scout Leaders | 19 9:00 Bible Study 4:00 Chancel Choir | 20 5:30 Girl Scouts | 21 12:00-4:00 Heather using GPR |
| 22 8:30 Chancel Choir 9:45 Worship 11:00 Adult SS 4:00 Youth Group Here | 23 10:30 Office Staff 6:00 Coping with Loss 7:00 Boy Scouts | 24 10:00 Connected Threads 6:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Girl Scouts | 25 5:30 Girl Scouts 6:00 Girl Scouts | 26 9:00 Bible Study 4:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 Cub Pack Mtg. | 27 | 28 |
| 29 8:30 Chancel Choir 9:45 Worship 11:00 Adult SS 1:00 Youth Group at Ministry w/Comm. 2:00-4:00 Marilyn Alman's Birthday Open House | 30 10:30 Office Staff 6:00 Coping with Loss 7:00 Boy Scouts | 31 7:00 & 8:00 Men's Breakfasts 10:00 Connected Threads 6:00 Girl Scouts | | | | |



Presbyterian Women

*Our next meeting is March 11th at Wanda Clawson's home
1507 W. Gull Lake Dr, Richland
EVERY WOMAN is welcome.
If you have questions, please call Terry Vantine, 629-5381*

THE RUMMAGE SALE

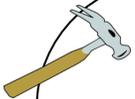
As we begin March, that means Spring is just around the corner, and THAT means the Spring Rummage Sale is too!

It's never too early to start thinking about it!

As you begin your spring cleaning we hope you'll take time to set aside those good, reusable household items, tools, clothes, toys, etc., that you no longer want so they can be recycled at the Rummage Sale.

This is a great way to support PW missions and provide good items to folks at a low cost.

MAY 1st and MAY 2nd



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BOOKS?

Do you have children's books that you're looking to find a new home? The Food Pantry can help! When we have families with children, they are encouraged to peruse through the books and take several home with them. We're happy to take books for all ages - toddler to teens. Just leave in Julie's office. Thank you!



PW PURPOSE: Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible Study, to support the mission of the church worldwide, to work for justice and peace and to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the promise of God's Kingdom.

Presbyterian Women ~ Birthday Offering

March 15

In 1922, to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary (PCUS), it was decided that an offering should be made for a definite cause. That year, Hallie Paxson Winsborough, superintendent of women's work, visited Miss Dowd's School for Girls in Kochi, Japan. She challenged members of the Woman's Auxiliary to give one penny for each year of their lives (or a dollar if a woman preferred not to reveal her age) as a birthday gift to the school. The tradition continued when the Woman's Auxiliary became Presbyterian Women (PCUSA) in 1988. The offerings have enabled a long succession of new and often innovative mission projects throughout the world.

While the projects and donation amounts have changed, Presbyterian Women's commitment to improving the lives of others has not. We continue to need broad, consistent support from Presbyterian women, men and others in the area in order to continue funding mission projects like the ones selected for 2020.

This year's recipients are:

Center for Social Assistance to the Disabled, Family, and Children.
Assisted Living Facility in Davydovo, Russia

GAP Ministries of Augusta, Georgia
Expand access and service space

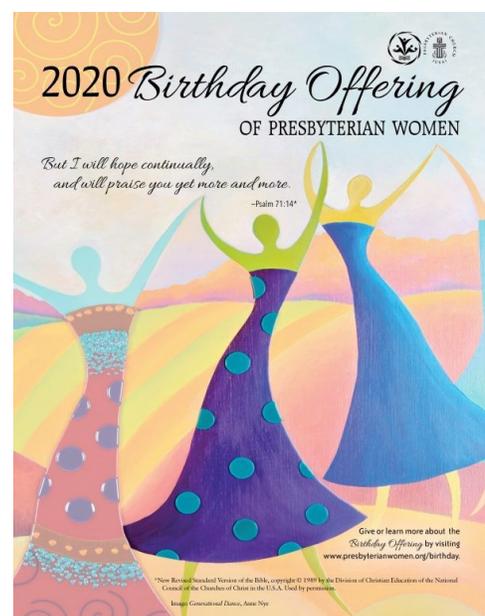
Community Presbyterian Child Learning Center in Payson, Arizona
Childcare and pre-kindergarten facility

Liberty Community Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota
Northside healing space expansion

Please give as you have been blessed and support these life-changing projects. Feel free to hand in the enclosed envelope, or we will receive the PW Birthday Offering in church, on **March 15th**. An offering envelope will be in the bulletin that day. Or leave your gift on Julie's desk, marked Birthday Offering. Thank you!

*But I will hope continually,
and will praise you yet more and more.*

Psalm 71:14



MONEY MATTERS

2019 WRAP-UP

At the Annual Meeting on January 26 we reported full-year 2019 net income in the General (operating) Fund of \$21,415.48, which offset all but \$2,468.03 of our multi-year deficit. Thank you again to everyone who "kept up, caught up, or stepped up" their 2019 General Fund giving. Session is extremely grateful for your commitment to the church and our mission.

2020 BUDGET

The Annual Report included a balanced budget for 2020. The budget was based on 2019 expenses and 2020 pledges, as well as a review of historical giving and spending. There were no changes to the Pastor's terms of call. Income and Expenses are both budgeted at \$275,450.50. Pledges received through January 26, 2020 are \$175,898, which is 64% of budgeted income. This is lower than the historical average of 72%, so Session will be watching income and expenditures closely to ensure that we do not have a recurrence of the large deficits we have seen in recent years.

FINANCIAL REPORT 2020

January income was \$47.8K compared to expenditures of \$24.3K, leaving a one-month surplus of \$23.5K. The high income number is related in large part to certain members who give their full-year pledge at one time in the beginning of the year (thank you!), and should not be considered typical for future periods. The January surplus will be carried forward to cover expenses in summer months, when giving is typically lower.

As of January 31, fund balances are:



If you are not attending worship, your pledge/offering may be mailed to the attention of the Financial Secretary. Our mailing address is 8047 Church Street, Richland, MI 49083.

Questions? Comments? Contact Sandy Carahaly, Elder, Finance Committee



Village Green Arts

presents ...



The Dynamic Piano Duo of Casey Robards & Tony Patterson

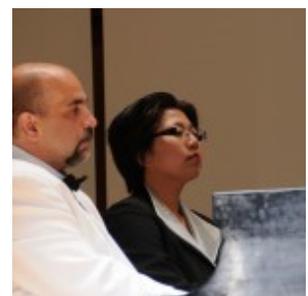
Please join us in the sanctuary on

Sunday, March 15 at 3:00

This is a free program but a freewill offering will gratefully be accepted.

The husband and wife piano duo of Tony Patterson and Casey Robards offer delightful programs of entertaining and uplifting musical works from classical to popular, jazz, musicals, and movies. Audiences delight in the timeless beauty of Johann Sebastian Bach, the infectious Hungarian dances of Johannes Brahms, the familiar melodies of George Gershwin, and toe-tapping tangos of Astor Piazzolla. Other popular pieces have included the music of Star Wars, James Bond, and West Side Story.

Please join us in welcoming this phenomenal couple!



An update from Meredith:

In February, I had the great privilege of attending the annual **Association of Presbyterian Church Educators (APCE)** conference in Little Rock, Arkansas. It was a week spent in study and fellowship, sharing and receiving, worship and learning, growing and connecting. The theme of the conference was Outside the Box with an emphasis on *justice*. Here are a few highlights of my week:

Little Rock's Central High School Tour: I had the opportunity to participate in a guided tour of the high school and historic site that was at the national epicenter for the school integration struggle in 1957. Later in the week, one of the Little Rick Nine, Elizabeth Eckford, spoke to our group. To say it was life changing is no exaggeration. Ask me about it anytime, or borrow one of the books I brought back that tell the story!

Heifer International Tour: For 75 years, Heifer Int'l has worked to end hunger and poverty. We toured their international headquarters and urban farm and participated in a riveting presentation/Q&A with their leadership team. Stay tuned for more about this incredible organization!

POINT (Presbyterians Organized In Nurture & Teaching) Training. Each Presbytery has 1-2 representatives that are trained in Presbyterian Christian Education resources and curricula. I represent our Presbytery and this year marked my third training opportunity with Presbyterian Publishing Corporation on all things Christian Ed.

Worship: We participated in extraordinary worship each day, led by Theresa Cho, pastor at St. John's Presbyterian Church in San Francisco, CA and Lisa Sharon Harper who is a highly respected speaker, writer, artist and activist.

Workshops:

Teaching Social Justice in Comfortable Congregations: Learning to read sacred texts as well as current context for understanding and discernment. "Justice is not a political issue. Justice is a BIBLICAL issue."

From Chaos to Clarity – Creating a Sustainable Children's Ministry: Reviewing our own ministries to find long-term solutions within the church. How do we work together to help children get to know Jesus?

Older Adult Ministry Environments with Intergenerational Ministry: Strengthening and interconnecting ministries so that all are valued and all might serve together. Building a bridge between generations that helps us learn from one another and create lasting relationships.

Pastoral Care to Transgender Children & their Families: How to lead with love and care for **all** children and their families. Making space for **all** people within the church.

Faith Formation in a Box: Resourcing busy parents with tools for faith formation that can happen at home or on the go.

It was an incredible week and I look forward to sharing my experiences and learning with you in the weeks to come!

Youth Group

BE THE CHURCH.

Youth Group Schedule

March 8 - Richland, 4-6pm
March 15 - First Kalamazoo, 4-6pm
March 22 - Richland, 4-6pm
March 29 - Ministry with Community, 1-3pm (*no evening activities*)
April 5 and April 12 - NO youth group (spring break)
April 19 - First Kalamazoo, 4-6pm
April 26 - CROP Walk
May 3 - Richland, 4-6pm
May 10 - NO youth group
May 17 - First Kalamazoo, 4-6pm
May 24 - NO youth group
May 31 - End of year party in the garden



Confirmation

On Sunday, February 23, our confirmation class visited the Indo American Cultural Center in Portage and learned about Hinduism. What an incredible experience and warm welcome from our Hindu friends.

SOUP FEST

Have you been dreaming about having your name added to the Silver Ladle winning soup award??

Join us Sunday, March 8

after worship and bring your favorite homemade soup to compete in the blind tasting!

If you don't want to make a soup, bring your appetite and join in the tasting fun!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

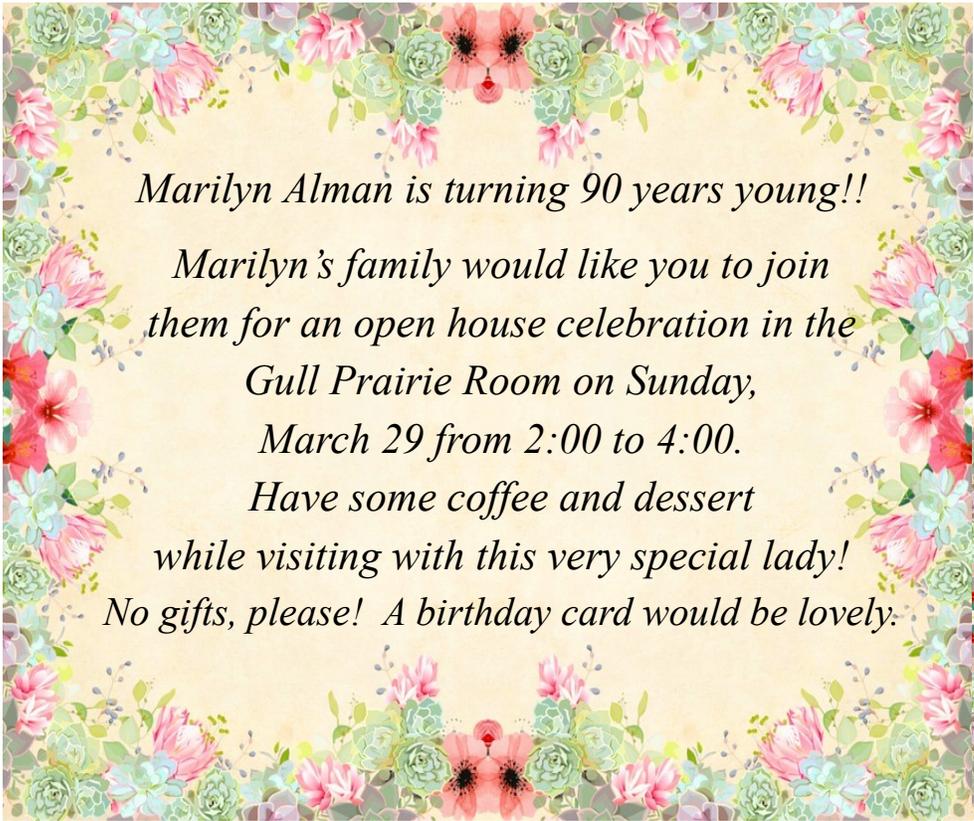


LENT TOGETHER

During each day of Lent, we are asking the congregation to do one small task together as we prepare ourselves for Easter.

Each item is simple and intended to give us all just one mindful moment each day to keep us in a reflective mindset for the season of Lent.

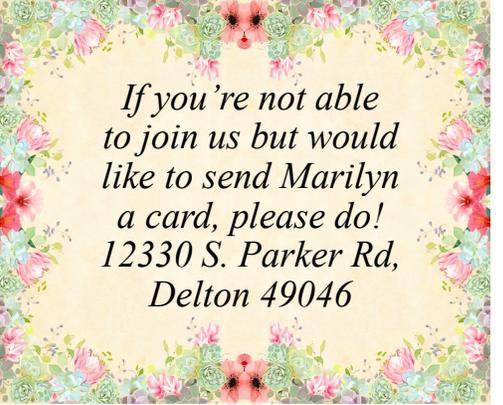
If you haven't picked up your *Lent Together* calendar, they are available at the church or can be emailed to you!



Marilyn Alman is turning 90 years young!!

Marilyn's family would like you to join them for an open house celebration in the Gull Prairie Room on Sunday, March 29 from 2:00 to 4:00.

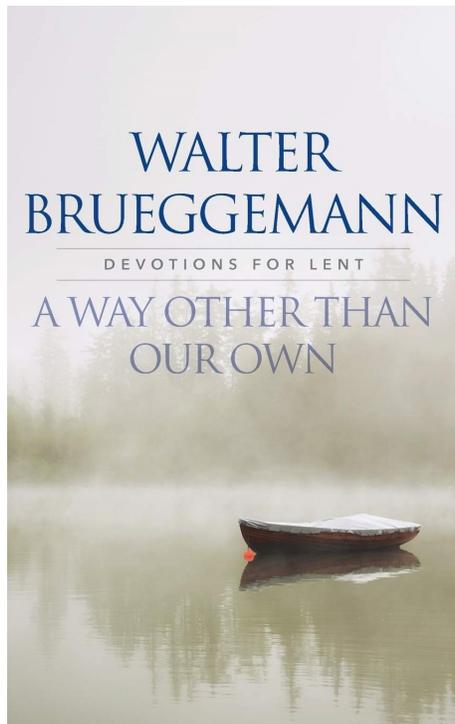
Have some coffee and dessert while visiting with this very special lady! No gifts, please! A birthday card would be lovely.



*If you're not able to join us but would like to send Marilyn a card, please do!
12330 S. Parker Rd,
Delton 49046*

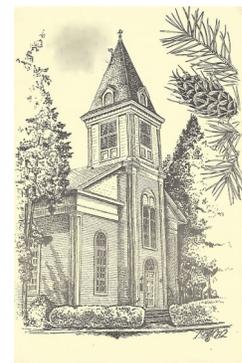
Christian Education has this wonderful devotional available for Lent. Such a great source of inspiration! They'll be on Julie's office counter. Only \$5.00!

Only 6 left!



Carillon Hymns and Honoree's for March

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Selection</i> | <i>Honoree</i> |
|-------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| 3/14 | <i>How Great Thou Art</i> | <i>Alice Hill Kenworthy</i> |
| 3/15 | <i>The King of Love My Shepherd Is</i> | <i>Jeanne Gross Kalupa</i> |
| 3/18 | <i>In The Garden</i> | <i>Paul & Veda Robinson</i> |
| 3/20 | <i>For The Beauty of the Earth</i> | <i>Makena Clawson</i> |
| 3/24 | <i>It Is Well With My Soul</i> | <i>Kathy Hoorn</i> |
| 3/24 | <i>Here I Am Lord</i> | <i>Alan & Marjorie Brundage</i> |
| 3/31 | <i>Old Rugged Cross</i> | <i>Billie Showers</i> |



FOOD
PANTRY
CORNER



FOOD PANTRY
Giving Suggestions

Personal Items
Laundry soap/fabric, toothpaste,
shampoo/cond, DO, etc.

Daylight Saving Time

SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD BEFORE BED ON MARCH 7th

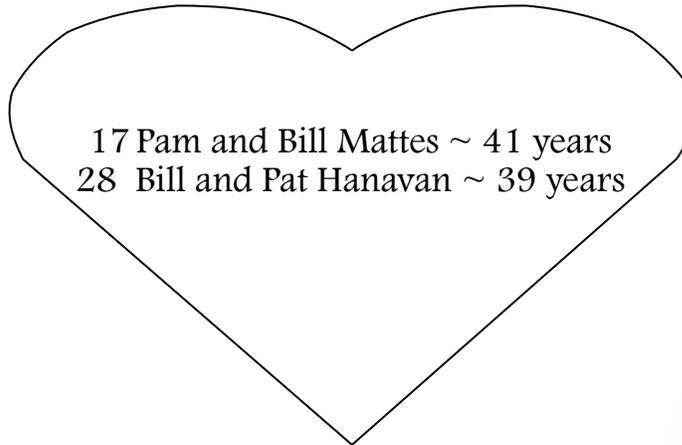
Saving daylight was first mentioned in 1784 by Benjamin Franklin in a satirical essay urging Parisians to get up earlier in order to use sunlight, thus saving wax by not burning candles at night, in the spirit of his proverb “Early to bed and early to rise / Makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise.” Franklin did NOT mention Daylight Saving Time — he did not propose that clock time be changed.

DST was first seriously proposed in 1907 by William Willett, but he was unable to get British government to adopt it, despite considerable lobbying. Willett’s proposal argued that DST increases opportunities for outdoor leisure activities during afternoon sunlight hours. As a builder, he also wanted workers to arrive at construction sites earlier in summer mornings. Similar motivations remain to this day.

DST was first put into practice by a national government in Germany during the First World War, between April 30, 1916 and October 1, 1916. On March 19, 1918, the US Congress formally established several time zones, which had been in use by railroads and most cities since 1883; at the same time it established DST from the last Sunday in March to the last Sunday in October. The law proved so unpopular, it was repealed after 1919, when Congress overrode President Woodrow Wilson’s veto of the repeal.

By 1966, some 100 million Americans were observing Daylight Saving Time through their own local laws and customs. Congress decided to step in, end the confusion, and establish one pattern across the country. The [Uniform Time Act of 1966](#) (15 U.S. Code Section 260a) created Daylight Saving Time to begin on the **last** Sunday of April and to end on the last Sunday of October. It became widely adopted, particularly in North America and Europe, starting in the 1970s as a result of the [1970s energy crisis](#). In most of the United States, DST starts on the 2nd Sunday in March and ends on the 1st Sunday in November.

March Anniversaries



17 Pam and Bill Mattes ~ 41 years
28 Bill and Pat Hanavan ~ 39 years



and Birthdays



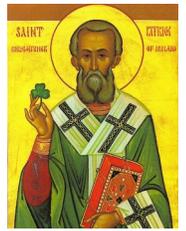
1 Tara Bell
1 Wanda Clawson
1 Marilyn Steely
2 Craig Muss
3 Denise Hendricks
4 Alex Snow
6 Brienne Ire
6 Megan Lebiecki
6 Mike Sullivan
7 Kai Fiordalis
7 Steve Howard
9 Larry Langshaw
9 Diane Rench
11 Kathi Muss
12 Mark Connell
12 Marv Hoekstra
13 Marilyn Alman
13 Dori Jones
14 Lois Martin
15 Bill Hanavan
15 Arielle Mack
16 Carolyn Chormann
16 Caroline Gray
16 Samuel Howard
17 Oliver Gauthier



17 Mark Mittelbach
17 Ross Perigo
17 Nick Steele
19 Steve Saddler
20 Dan Weigel
21 Bronwyn Helmick
21 Barry Martin
21 Larry Reinhart
22 Mackenzie Deater
22 Catherine Gibson
22 Chris Miller
23 Dave Fisher
23 Laura LaLonde
23 Cheri Larson
24 Kathy Hoorn
24 Chelsae Quada
24 Brian Evely
24 Brady Slezak
25 Bill Gephart
25 Bob Hills
25 Mark Hittle
26 AJ Carpenter
26 Jeremy Caverly
26 Kay Ire
26 Allen Stupica



History of St. Patrick's Day



St. Patrick's Day is celebrated on March 17, the saint's religious feast day and the anniversary of his death in the fifth century. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for over 1,000 years. On St. Patrick's Day, which falls during the Christian season of Lent, Irish families would traditionally attend church in the morning and celebrate in the afternoon. Lenten prohibitions against the consumption of meat were waived and people would dance, drink and feast—on the traditional meal of Irish bacon and cabbage.

Saint Patrick, who lived during the fifth century, is the patron saint and national apostle of Ireland. Born in Roman Britain, he was kidnapped and brought to Ireland as a slave at the age of 16. He later escaped, but returned to Ireland and was credited with bringing Christianity to its people. In the centuries following Patrick's death (believed to have been on March 17, 461), the mythology surrounding his life became ever more ingrained in the Irish culture: Perhaps the most well known legend is that he explained the Holy Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) using the three leaves of a native Irish clover, the shamrock.

More than 100 St. Patrick's Day parades are held across the United States; New York City and Boston are home to the largest celebrations. Since around the ninth or 10th century, people in Ireland have been observing the Roman Catholic feast day of St. Patrick on March 17. Interestingly, however, the first parade held to honor St. Patrick's Day took place not in Ireland but in the United States. On March 17, 1762, Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City. Along with their music, the parade helped the soldiers reconnect with their Irish roots, as well as with fellow Irishmen serving in the English army.

Over the next 35 years, Irish patriotism among American immigrants flourished, prompting the rise of so-called "Irish Aid" societies like the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick and the Hibernian Society. Each group would hold annual parades featuring bagpipes (which actually first became popular in the Scottish and British armies) and drums.

In 1848, several New York Irish Aid societies decided to unite their parades to form one official New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade. Today, that parade is the world's oldest civilian parade and the largest in the United States, with over 150,000 participants. Each year, nearly 3 million people line the 1.5-mile parade route to watch the procession, which takes more than five hours. Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia and Savannah also celebrate the day with parades involving between 10,000 and 20,000 participants each.

Today, people of all backgrounds celebrate St. Patrick's Day, especially throughout the United States, Canada and Australia. Although North America is home to the largest productions, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated in many other locations far from Ireland, including Japan, Singapore and Russia.

In modern-day Ireland, St. Patrick's Day was traditionally a religious occasion. In fact, up until the 1970s, Irish laws mandated that pubs be closed on March 17. Beginning in 1995, however, the Irish government began a national campaign to use interest in St. Patrick's Day to drive tourism and showcase Ireland and Irish culture to the rest of the world. Today, approximately 1 million people annually take part in Ireland's St. Patrick's Festival in Dublin, a multi-day celebration featuring parades, concerts, outdoor theater productions and fireworks shows.

Funnies

QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY KIDS

HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY?

-You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming.

-No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before, and you get to find out later who you're stuck with.

WHAT IS THE RIGHT AGE TO GET MARRIED?

-23 is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then.

HOW CAN A STRANGER TELL IF TWO PEOPLE ARE MARRIED?

-You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids.

What do you think your mom & dad have in common?

-Both don't want any more kids.

WHAT DO MOST PEOPLE DO ON A DATE?

-Dates are for having fun, and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough.

-On the first date, they just tell each other lies and that usually gets them interested enough for a second date.

WHEN IS IT OKAY TO KISS SOMEONE?

-When they're rich.

The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that.

-The rule goes like this: If you kiss someone, then you should marry them and have kids with them. It's the right thing to do.

IS IT BETTER TO BE SINGLE OR MARRIED?

-It's better for girls to be single but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them.

HOW WOULD THE WORLD BE DIFFERENT IF PEOPLE DIDN'T GET MARRIED?

-There sure would be a lot of kids to explain, wouldn't there?

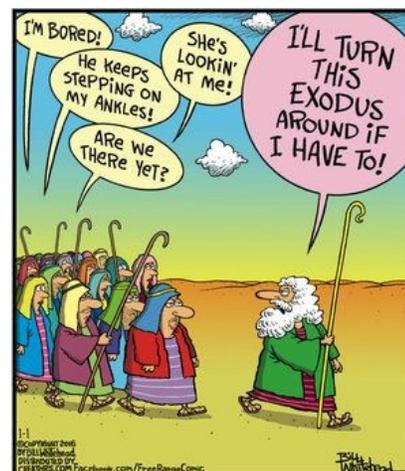
HOW WOULD YOU MAKE A MARRIAGE WORK?

-Tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a dump truck.

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FYI: THERE'S A TOOOOOOON OF PEOPLE DOWN THERE THANKING YOU THAT IT IS FRIDAY



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Branden Burris, *Director of Choirs*
Meredith Alspach, *Director of Faith Formation*
Heather Putt, *Nursery Supervisor*
Connie Slater, *Sexton*
Julie Pixley, *Administrative Secretary*

