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METROPOLITAN ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCE

The Metropolitan Orchestra of Saint Louis will perform the program "Musical Friendships" at First Presbyterian Church **TONIGHT** at 7:00 p.m. General admission is \$20, Seniors (60 and older) \$15, Student w/ valid ID \$5.

Tickets may be purchased the day of the concert in the church narthex or online at Eventbrite. This exciting concert will feature the music of three pairs of composer-friends, Malcolm Arnold, Ruth Gipps, Percy Grainger, Edvard Grieg, Franz Joseph Haydn and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

We hope to see you there!

TREE OF LIFE LENTEN CONCERT SERIES



Join us on Fridays at noon during Lent for our Tree of Life Concert Series! Friday, March 24th at 12:00 p.m., we will host a concert featuring the Mazzoni Duo. We hope to see you there!

Inspired by the beauty around them, the Mazzoni Duo has been presenting music as a dynamic flute and piano ensemble for over 15 years. After meeting in a theory entrance exam in 2003, Matt and Jennifer have brought a "fluid and seamless blending" of their instruments to concert stages nationally and internationally. Recent winners of the Artist Presentation Society, the duo seeks to present engaging repertoire that energizes and uplifts its audiences.

EASTER FLOWERS SPONSORSHIP

Easter Flowers sponsorships are accepted now through Sunday, April 2, 2023. This is a wonderful way to honor a loved one and help beautify our worship spaces for Easter. Donation amount is \$25 each. Sponsorship forms are available in the Narthex. You may place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church with payment made to First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood, earmarked "Easter Flowers." Online sponsorships may be made on our website under the "Give" heading. www.kirkwoodpres.org. Questions? Contact Bill Larson at blarson@kirkwoodpres.org.

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AFGHAN DINNER



On May 6th at 5 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood invites you to a **Welcome Neighbor STL Supper Club** to support immigrant families in St. Louis. Enjoy food, conversation, and catching up with friends – old and new. From cultural exchange to just plain fun, look forward to a great evening.

These meals present an opportunity for immigrant families to share knowledge and skills unique to them. It is also an opportunity for us to get a glimpse into their culture. These fundraising efforts can set them on a path of greater independence and confidence in their lives here in the USA.

Carryout is available: You can pick up your meals **from 5 to 7 p.m.**

To see a full menu for the evening and to get your ticket, visit:

<https://welcomeneighborstl.org/events/dinner-at-first-presbyterian-church/>

To purchase a ticket for carryout, visit:

<https://welcomeneighborstl.org/events/drive-thru-afghan-dinner-at-first-presbyterian-church/>

SAVE THE DATE: ADULT MISSION TRIP

Mission Committee members are arranging a second mission trip to Dawson Springs, Kentucky from May 14-20, 2023, to help rebuild homes after a catastrophic tornado in 2021. This area is about a 3-hour drive from St. Louis, which means it's convenient even if you can only come for part of the week. Work partners and housing have been arranged.

We will host an Informational Meeting on **Sunday, March 26 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Fireplace Room. At this meeting, we will share trip details and answer any questions you may have. If you're interested, just pencil in that week. Please let one of the trip leaders know if you have questions and/or if you plan to join us so that we can count noses. Thanks so much.

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday Service

April 6, 2023

7:00 p.m. - Tree of Life Chapel

Good Friday Choral Performance

"The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Theodore Dubois

April 7, 2023

12:00 p.m. (noon) - Sanctuary

Good Friday Evening Taize Service

April 7, 2023

6:30 p.m. - Tree of Life Chapel

Easter Sunday Services

April 9, 2023

8:15 a.m. - Tree of Life Chapel

9:05 a.m. - Fellowship Hall

11 a.m. - Sanctuary

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. during Lent you are invited to a book study, *Meeting Jesus at the Table* by Cynthia Campbell and Christine Coy Fohr. Each week we will look at a story of Jesus eating with people and what we can learn from these meals. After the class, if you would like, we will go to eat lunch at a restaurant somewhere in Kirkwood. The class will continue on March 8th through April 5th. We will meet in the Fireplace Room.

TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

The Tuesday Book Club will have a final week of discussion on *First Mothers* by Bonnie Angelo, and will begin a new book in April: *Why We're Polarized* by Ezra Klein. We meet in person each Tuesday at 10-11 AM in the Fireplace Room. All are welcome. For more info: kochkarenp@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB

The next meeting for the Wednesday book club will be March 29th (note the date change) at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom. We will be discussing *The Dearly Beloved* by Cara Wall. This book traces two married couples whose lives become entangled when the husbands become copastors at a famed NYC congregation in the 1960s. Please contact julia@abreu.net for more info.

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HISTORY BOOK CLUB

The History Book Group meets at 10:30 a.m. on the 4th Thursday of the month at church. At our upcoming meeting at **10:30 a.m., March 23, at church**, we will finish discussing Barbara Tuchman's *A Distant Mirror*. It tells the story of how Europe's 14th century – a time of plague, distrust of institutions, climate change – echoes in 21st century Western civilization.

All are welcome. For more info, contact Carlin Scanlan (ccscanlan@swbell.net) or Don Lewis (donlewis610@gmail.com).

BUILDING TOGETHER FOREVER

Our Lord welcomed everyone, so this year's ***Building Together Forever Campaign*** is focusing on the many ways that First Presbyterian supports worship for the young and the elderly, families and youth, in-person or virtually, with contemporary joy and through traditional services and with doors wide-open to the community. The 2023 Campaign supports projects and enhancements to meet many varied needs of the congregation and in the community. Please take a brochure or check your e-mail inbox for specific project details and how you can help.

CHRISTIAN CONCERNS CLASS ART HISTORY SERIES

Betsy Solomon from the Shepherd's Center will be in the Fireplace Room at 9 a.m. to continue her Art History Series. Her topic March 19 will be Women Artists of the 16th and 17th Century. The class will also be shown on Zoom.

For more info, or the zoom link, contact Ann at ann.willie@hotmail.com.

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