



# *Protestant Fellowship Community Newsletter*

## *February, 2022*

### **“Peace Be with You”**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”

John 20:19 (NRSV)

Maybe we are getting ahead of the season with this meditation. The lives of the disciples had been turned upside down. The rabbi they had followed had been executed and his body had been hastily placed in a tomb. Because this had happened only an hour or so before sundown, which marked the beginning of the Sabbath, the usual burial rituals had not been completed. And now there were reports from women and men who had been to the tomb that his body was no longer there. They feared they might be next on the list of those to be executed.

And then, as if by magic (or as if by Star Trek transporter), Jesus is standing in their midst. And then He says “Peace be with you”, which is presumably meant to reassure them. What did that statement mean to them almost two thousand years ago? What does that statement mean to us today.

We are still searching for answers to those questions. There are hints in different scripture passages. We are reassured in Psalm 23 that we do not journey through the Dark Valley alone. Paul reassures his readers that in spite of the beatings and floggings and shipwrecks, that he is blessed.

This poem by Mary Lee Friesz offers some insight into that question:

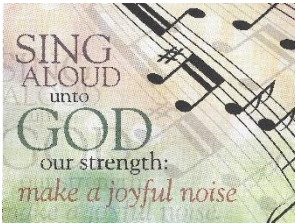

### ***“The Only Son”***

*He is the only true son of our father;  
the rest of us are adopted, you know.  
He is ever generous with his wealth.  
He says that he came to show  
us the love that our father could share –  
the Way, the Truth, and the Light.  
If we look to his Word, he will  
teach us to tap into his might.*

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## Weekly Worship Services for February, 2022

**each Sunday at 2:00 pm from the chapel  
via live Broadcast on ACTV channel 976 / 980 (HD)**

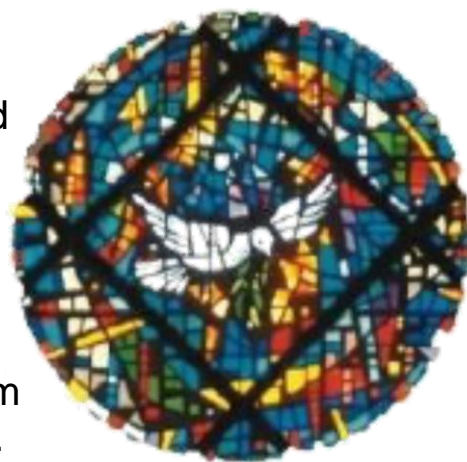
January 30	<p>Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Hymn Sing Worship Service – Proclaiming the Word Through Hymns and Psalms and Songs Organist: Bud Williams; Pianist: Betty Kingston</p>	
February 6	<p>Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Rev. Susan Sciarratta, Parkland Community Church Organist: Jane Smith; Pianist: Betty Kingston Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated</p>	
February 13	<p>Sixth Sunday after Epiphany Rev. Don Hoagland, honorably retired; formerly at Supplee Presbyterian Church Organist: Bud Williams; Pianist: Betty Kingston. (Note: Prelude / pre-worship organ program will begin at 1:30 pm.)</p>	
February 20	<p>Seventh Sunday after Epiphany Rev. Jim Hughes, Jim Hughes Ministries Organist: Joan Kirk; Pianist: Betty Kingston</p>	
February 27	<p>Transfiguration Sunday Rev. Kathleen Harkness, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Organist: Jane Smith; Pianist: Betty Kingston</p>	

### **Revive Your Spirit on the Chapel Channel**

The Chapel Channel is airing a daily schedule of uplifting and inspiring programs. Learn about the Dead Sea Scrolls, or enjoy the *Musical Reflections* and *Favorite Hymns of Faith* organ programs by Bud Williams.

The **Memorial Day Weekend Hymn Sing Service** from May 30, 2021 has been added to the program schedule. This includes the organ pre-worship program by Bud Williams followed by the entire worship service.

Feedback and comments on this new programming provided through Pastoral Ministries is encouraged and will help with future offerings on the Chapel Channel. Many of the programs are also on MyErickson.



## Quiet Reflections and Prayers:

The Chapel at Ann's Choice is open daily for private reflection when worship services and other events not being conducted.

## To Receive this Newsletter:

Contact Rev. Dr. Kang Na at [Kang.Na@Erickson.com](mailto:Kang.Na@Erickson.com), (215) 443-4925, or in the Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty. Make sure to include your email address for receipt of this newsletter by email or your apartment to receive it in your cubby.

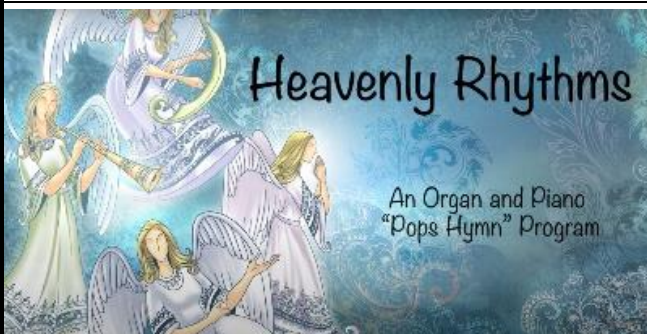
## Bible Study:

Weekly Bible study meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Liberty Commons Music Room. Zoom access is available on request prior to Wednesday morning. Rev. Dr. Kang Na is leading the Bible study.

Contact Rev. Na at (215) 443-4925, Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty or [Kang.Na@erickson.com](mailto:Kang.Na@erickson.com) for more information about the Bible study or connection information for using Zoom.

If you are curious about the Bible, and its significance in world history and for human life, please join us. The Bible study is intended to deepen our knowledge of **what the Bible is, says, and means**. Everyone is welcome to join us on this journey. We are looking at the emergence of the Jewish people as a nation. Join us as we explore **what the Bible is, what it said to contemporary readers, what it means, and what it says to us**, especially for our faith journey.

All are welcome, and all questions are welcome, so that together we might encourage and challenge one another on the joyful and sometimes hard road that is Christian discipleship.



## Heavenly Rhythms

The latest organ and piano program by Bud Williams has been added to the program schedule on Ann's Choice TV 977; and it will be added to the programming on the Chapel Channel 980 in a few weeks. Many thanks to Chelsea Rounds, Dave Rector, Ted Mullins, Ray Schwegel and John Hodges for their help in making this program possible.

## Supporting Our Ministry and Mission:

You can help support the mission projects and ministries of the Protestant Fellowship. Donations may be enclosed in an envelope addressed to Rev. Na and taken to any clubhouse front desk. Donations by check are preferred; please make the check payable to "A. C. – Protestant Fund".

On the memo line, please write "Donation."

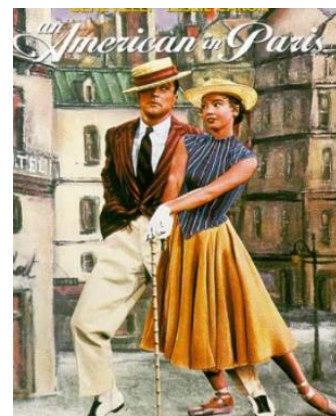
## Rose Gardens and Chestnut Pointe:

Large group activities are suspended until further notice. Pastoral Visits and Home Communion are still available. Contact Pastoral Ministries at (215) 443-4925.

## Second Saturday Cinema in February, 2022

On Saturday, February 12th the Protestant Fellowship will present **An American in Paris** in the PAC at 7:00 pm with a pre-show at 6:45.

Jerry Mulligan (Gene Kelly), a struggling American painter in Paris, is "discovered" by an influential heiress with an interest in more than Jerry's art. However, Jerry in turn falls for Lise (Leslie Caron), a young French girl already engaged to a cabaret singer.



This program is sponsored by the Protestant Fellowship Council as a ministry to residents, friends and staff at Ann's Choice.

**No** donation will be requested as your presence is your donation.

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*After coming to earth and  
dwelling here for a very short stay,  
he went to join our Father.  
He said that in leaving, going away,  
that he would make it possible for  
the power of the spirit to indwell  
our souls and hearts  
and that he would comfort us as well.  
Not only did he leave us that succor  
for whatever we may go through,  
but he left an immense inheritance  
of hope for me and for you.  
He told us to look to the Father  
in whatever course we run;  
and he will bless immeasurably  
when our earthly time is done.*

***God of Peace, we come to you during times of turmoil wanting answers  
and wanting cessation of the turmoil. Give us the faith to hear Your voice  
and to listen for Your answer. And to be at Peace. Amen***

*Prayerfully submitted by John Hodges and Mary Lee Friesz*