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**The First Word****March 19, 2024****The Weekly E-Newsletter****First Presbyterian Church, Carlsbad, NM** |

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| **Schedule of Events****Thursday:**Noon: Christian Women's Job Corp Luncheon**Sunday:**10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)Following Worship: Fellowship (Parlor)**Birthdays**25th Bill McInroy**No Anniversaries** |

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| **Scripture**Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago.*Isaiah 25:1***Church Signs**LIFE GETS BETTER WHEN WE REALIZETHAT WE AREN'T THE MAIN CHARACTERGOD IS! |

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| **CWJC Luncheon**We will provide lunch for the Christian Women's Job CorpTHIS Thursday, March 21, 2024.Contact Linda Faulk to participate |

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**Easter Worship Schedule**Sunday, March 24th, 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday WorshipThursday, March 28th 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday ServiceSunday, March 31st, 10:00 a.m. Easter Celebration Worship |

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| **﻿One Great Hour Easter Offering**We will be receiving our "One Great Hour" Easter Offeringon Easter Sunday. |

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| **﻿ Fish Banks**Be sure to pick up a little fish bank and fill it with coins for the Easter offering. |

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| **Prayer Concerns**Tanya Landon Beaver, Michael Clark, Rick Coy, Scott Maxwell, Rhonda Menagh, Robin Patillo, Trey Shelton, & Loving High School **Long-term health issues:**Neil Collins, Pat Collins, Peter Cordova, Susie Coy, Robert Marquez, Robert Navarrette, Phil Sharp, Evan Winegarner**Homebound and Care facilities:**Diane Patterson, Sherry Kearns﻿**Military:**Cody Ogden-Stell, Tyler Royston.Please Note: At the beginning of every month we will remove names of those people that we haven't received an update on. |

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| **A Lenten Prayer****﻿**Let us pray that as we begin the season of lent we embrace the opportunity to:Fast from hurting words and say kind words.Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.Fast from anger and be filled with patience.Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.Fast from worries and have trust in God.Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.Fast from pressures and be prayerful.Fast from bitterness and fill our hearts with joy.Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.Fast from grudges and be reconciled.Fast from words and be silent so we can listen.We pray thatour only desireand our one choiceis to choosewhat better leadsto the deepeningof God's life in us.We ask the lord to guide our decisions today and to bless the Xavier Community with His peace, His joy, His love. *Amen.*- Attributed to Pope Francis, offered by Tim Reilly |

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