

April 2017

The Monthly Newsletter of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Tampa Bay  
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**May 4** PCT meeting, etc at Westminster Suncoast 11 am

**August 3** PCT Forest Hills 10 am

**August 12, 2017 Bible Study Event**

FPC, Maitland **with the author!**

Presbyterian Women  
Central Florida Presbytery  
2017 Bible Study

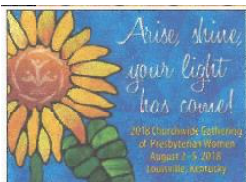


**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2017**  
Maitland Presbyterian Church

**February 17 , 2018 Annual Gathering, FPC**  
Crystal River – 9:30 am registration

**August 2-5 2018 Churchwide Gathering**

Louisville, KY



For the musically inclined, the Churchwide Gathering committee is looking for a catchy theme song relating to the theme and Bible verses. Expand your creative mind and send something in. More choices are better than less.

For the past few years, several Presbyterian churches have united to worship together on the beach for Good Friday. This year's service at Gulfport Beach (west pavilion near the casino) will be conducted again by Reverend Micki

Robinson, pastor of Gulfport Presbyterian Church at 12 noon on Good Friday. Please join us! Bring a lawn chair, a sun hat, and a heart ready for inspiration.

In case of inclement weather, the service will be conducted at Gulfport Presbyterian Church. Contact Dia Stoner for further information. 727-868-3515. Hope to see you there! Come on over and celebrate! Gulfport is also a great artsy community with great restaurants, too.



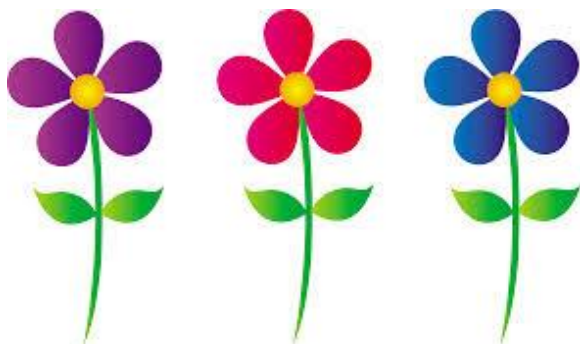
**Easter is Coming!**

Have you planned a celebration? Invite over some friends, neighbors, & family, cook a ham, lamb, or turkey. Everyone brings a side dish and let the celebration flow. Drag out the lawn darts or horseshoes. Eat, play, celebrate!

As your PW elects and installs new leadership, let your liaison know the changes and what she can do to help. If you know someone to fill one of the 3 vacant liaison positions, please let a PCT member know. Contact information on the website pwtampabay.com.



Trinity, Clearwater's PW is planning their first Spring Cleaning/Rummage Sale in the South church parking lot and Fellowship Hall on Saturday, April 22 from 9~1. Rent a table for \$10. Clean out your closets, attics, and garages and bring your stuff! Contact: Robin 727-434-6879.



**SAVE THIS DATE: FREE CONCERT: Music Around the World.** The Dunedin International Chorale in concert Saturday, May 13, 1:00-2:00 p.m., St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 605 Michigan Blvd., Dunedin, FL. All are welcome. Sponsored by Presbyterian Women of St. Andrews.



**Northeast Presbyterian Church** announces the June 4th installation of Pastor Eneyas Freitas (Pastor "E"). (Dick Powell will be there!! serving in the service as a teaching elder!!) FYI: we heard they will soon organize **Presbyterian Women** thanks in part to Liaison Dia Stoner!



We are planning a "road trip" to Central Florida for a **Horizon Bible Study Event August 11-12, 2017** with the author of the 2017-2018 study Saturday, August 12, at First Pres, Maitland. Do you think you would like to hop on a bus and ride over Friday afternoon, enjoy dinner with the author, maybe an excursion, stay in motel, and be rested so you can really get the most from the presentations? Start planning now. Spread the word. Church Busses are reserved. Your ideas are welcome!



**2018 PW Churchwide Gathering** is being planned for August 2-5, 2018, in Louisville, KY, so start planning NOW! Send your moderator and a buddy! Always a fun and learning experience with BPWFs (best PW friends) from all over the country!

Budget about \$1000 (registration and travel) a person so now is a good time to begin fundraising. Share your ideas – it is a great way to get together, craft, and fellowship for our cause.

- *A bus is being considered to pick up PW at a few locations in Florida. If you are interested, please let someone on the coordinating team know.*
- *Allegiant Air service to Louisville begins in May 2017 for \$48 each way*

A member sent this to me and I thought it was worth passing on. Be safe and share this.

**Warning #1:** While driving on a rural end of the roadway on Thursday morning, I saw an infant car seat on the side of the road with a blanket draped over it.

For whatever reason, I did not stop, even though I had all kinds of thoughts running through my head. But when I got to my destination, I called the Canton PD and they were going to check it out. But, this is what the Police advised even before they went out there to check...

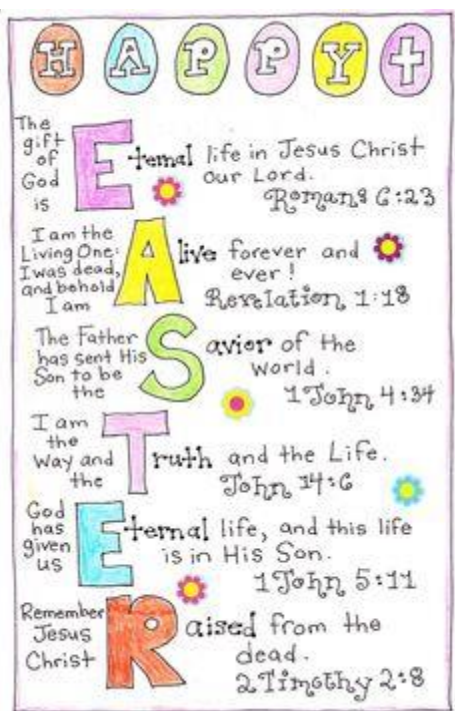
"There are several things to be aware of... Gangs and thieves are now plotting different ways to get a person (mostly women) to stop their vehicle and get out of the car.

There is a gang initiation reported by the local Police Department where gangs are placing a car seat by the road...with a fake baby in it....waiting for a woman, of course, to stop and check on the abandoned baby.

Note that the location of this car seat is usually beside a wooded or grassy (field) area and the person - woman - will be dragged into the woods, beaten and raped, and usually left for dead. If it's a man, they're usually beaten and robbed and maybe left for dead, too.

DO NOT STOP FOR ANY REASON! DIAL 9-1-1 AND REPORT WHAT YOU SAW, BUT DON'T EVEN SLOW DOWN.

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**Warning #2:** If you are driving at night and eggs are thrown at your windshield, do not operate the windshield wipers and do not spray water because the eggs mixed with water become milky and block up to 92% of your vision and you are forced to stop beside the road and become a victim of criminals.

Please talk to your loved ones about this. This is a new tactic being used. Please be safe.

### Warning # 3:

Some know about the red light on cars, but didn't know about Dialing **112**.

It was about 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon, and Lauren was driving to visit a friend. An UNMARKED police car pulled up behind her and put his lights on. Lauren's parents have always told her to never pull over for an unmarked car on the side of the road, but rather to wait until they get to a gas station, etc.

Lauren had actually listened to her parents advice, and promptly called **112 on her cell phone** to tell the police dispatcher that she would not pull over right away. She proceeded to tell the dispatcher that there was an unmarked police car with a flashing red light on his rooftop behind her. The dispatcher checked to see if there were police cars where she was and there weren't, and he told her to keep driving, remain calm and that he had back up already on the way.

Ten minutes later 4 cop cars surrounded her and the unmarked car behind her. One policeman went to her side and the others surrounded the car behind. They pulled the guy from the car and tackled him to the ground. The man was a convicted rapist and wanted for other crimes.

Who knew about the **112 Cell Phone** feature? Especially for a woman alone in a car, you should not pull over for an unmarked car. Apparently police have to respect your right to keep going on to a safe place.

**112 is a direct link to State trooper info.** So, now it's your turn to let your friends know about "Dialing 112" This applies to ALL 50 states.

You may want to send this to every Man, Woman & Youngster you know; it may well save a life. Be safe.

