



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

Tower Chimes

Week of April 22, 2018

Issue 669

132 Years of Ministry

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Get ready for another

Fifth Sunday First Pres Family Gathering April 29!

At the **Single 10:00 a.m. Worship Service** you will be able to catch up with all your First Pres friends. The service that Sunday will feature a unique order of worship with elements from our other services such as: several opening songs with our Praise Band, the Children's Singers and Chimes, an anthem presented by our Chancel Choir, Sermon, Time with Younger Disciples, prayers by our pastors, and a closing hymn accompanied on our pipe organ.



At **11:15 a.m.**, we hope to continue fellowship with our First Pres family and friends, with a **Congregation-wide Fellowship Luncheon in McLeod Hall**. The Sunday meal will be served family style at our round tables.

No reservations requested or required. (There will be plenty of food. Any leftovers will be used by our High School Youth for their Sunday night meal, our Middle School Youth for their Wednesday night meal, or our Saturday Soup Kitchen.)

We hope you will join us for this great day of faith,

F unT imers are at it again!!

Monday, April 23

April is here and it's time to announce our event for this month. We will meet in McLeod Hall at **11:30 a.m. on Monday, April 23** for lunch and a program. The lunch will be catered by a former Disney chef - "yummy" and Steve Negley will present a program on our church's history...and *it is an interesting one!*

There will be a brief mini-walk to learn more about a "hidden treasure" in our steeple and a few other points of interest. We'll enjoy dessert after our program.

Cost is \$12 and reservations are needed. We look forward to seeing you there. Bring your friends!

Please RSVP for this F unT imers by **Wednesday, April 18**, by calling the church office at 294-3121, emailing to office@firstpreswh.org, or filling out this attachment and placing in the offering plate.

Name: _____ Number attending: _____



OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 22

ALL CHURCH RETREAT

- 8:15 a.m. Chapel Worship (Chapel)
- 9:15 a.m. The Connection (MH)
- 9:16 a.m. All Church Retreat (Cedarkirk)
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CE)
- 9:30 a.m. Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School (CE)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 p.m. HSYG (GC)

Monday, April 23

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)
- 10:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl (MH)
- 11:30 a.m. FunTimers (MH)
- 6:30 p.m. Nominating (GR)

Tuesday, April 24

- 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)
- 12:00 p.m. Sewing for Honduras (GSH)
- 5:15 p.m. Stephen Minister Leaders (MH)
- 6:15 p.m. Worship & Music (UR)
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers (MH)
- 7:00 p.m. Praise & Worship Band (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, April 25

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)
- 10:45 a.m. Preschool Music (CE 103)
- 1:30 p.m. Congregational Care (MCR)
- 3:00 p.m. Christ Kids (CE)
- 3:45 p.m. Christ Kids Bells (MS)
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation (GC)
- 5:30 p.m. MSYG (GC)
- 5:30 p.m. Community Outreach (MCR)
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmands Dinner with Session (MH)
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells (MS)
- 6:15 p.m. APNC (ER)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, April 26

- 1:15 p.m. Chapel Bells (MS)

Friday, April 27

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)
- 4:00 p.m. HS Girls Bible Study (Off-site)

Saturday, April 28

- 2:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
- 4:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen (737)

Remember in Prayer

MEMBERS

Roger Able	Kay Hedden	Randall Palmer
Maxie Adams	Doris Hill	Keith & Jane Ray
Becca Alexander	Ranell Hillman	Barbara Roberts
Joyce Anderson	Bryan Howard	Earle Roberts
Kathleen Avinger	Camille Howe	Elsie Savant
Bill Brack	Jim Huff	Beverly Seagreaves
Tom Brackett	Scott & Becky Irvin	Joyce Shirah
Henry Braun	Shea & Lacey Irvin	Mary Alice, Emma, &
Nancy Brooks	Martha Johnson	John Skipper
Helen Butz	Joey Johnston	Barbara H. Smith
Helen Champlain	Peggy Kennedy	Scott Strey
Tom Coffman	John Kissel	Jay Tackett
Yolanda Dyer	Toni Krieger	Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Jana Easterling	Dena Lancashire	Carolyn Thompson
Mike Easterling	Kathy Lockhart	John Van Allen
Bill Everhart	Spike Lucia	Jennifer Vibral
Rossanne Gorsky	Gregg Marrs	Lee Wilkinson
Clyde Greene	Larry Marshall	Judy Winfree
Jane Hayman	Lynn Mincey	Retha Wright
Joyce Hayman	Bev Morris	
Frances Heath	Nancy Neale	

Relatives & Friends

Reese Burdette	Dana Cole's cousin
Helen Cote	Norm & Bonnie Patrick's friend
Al Ellis	Jim Threlkel's friend
Julie Fleps	Lisa Endres' friend
Don Howell	Jeff Bowen's stepfather
Debbie Hunt	Lisa Endres' friend
Pete Kent	Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew
John McKibben	Jane Whitney's brother
Amy & John Miles	Bethany Owen's friend
Michael Oriani	Joe Oriani's brother
Mike Parker	Julia Parker, son
David Satterfield	Heather Whitney's friend
Kristy Turner	Rick & Pat Reass' daughter
Kevin Tobin	Gale Johnston's friend
Jeannie Weeks	Merile Weeks sister-in-law
Jerry Williams	Steve Negley's friend
Marshall Wood	Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend



Our sincerest sympathy goes to Joyce Anderson, on the death of her husband, Glen Anderson, who died on Thursday, April 12, 2018.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Christy Rowker on the death of her grandmother, Virginia Rudisil, who died on Wednesday, April 4, 2018.



Zach Anaya
Brenden Anderson
Christian Anderson
Samuel Crockett
Zach Drum
Robert Ferguson
Stephanie Gillie
Eddie Gray
Daniel Harp

Sean Harp
David Knowles
John Marotti
Mathew Massam
Ryan Peardon
KaitLin Marotti-Pitts
Ashton Pitts
Shad Skinner
Drew Stapor

IT'S FLAMINGO FLOCKING FUNDRAISER TIME!!!

Are you wondering how you can support the youth group AND put a smile on your neighbor's face? Well, wonder no more because the answer is here – participate in our Flamingo FUNdraiser! It is as easy as 1, 2, 3:

- Step 1:** Look for the sign up table as you leave the Sanctuary after either Sunday Service.
- Step 2:** Order flamingos to put in the yard of your choice.
- Step 3:** Relax and enjoy the show!

One flocking costs \$25.00, or you can send TWO flocks for \$50.00. For those of you who want to ensure your house does NOT get flocked, you can purchase flamingo insurance for \$40.



We want to do everything we can to make our summer trips as affordable for our students as possible. Please consider how you can get involved and support our youth group's summer retreats. Also, please call Leonard Mosiah (294-3121) if you are interested in donating to the trips or sponsoring a student! **Flocking through April 29!**

You can also order your flock by filling out this form and dropping in offering plate on Sunday or bringing to the office along with you check.

Donor: _____ Best Contact Info: _____ Date of Flocking: _____
Name/Address of Recipient: _____
Special Instructions: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

WE WELCOME BACK...

The Stephen Ministers are sponsoring **Dr. Jeffrey Reddout, PhD**, Neuropsychology,
On **Tuesday, April 24 at 7:00 p.m.**, in McLeod Hall.

Dr. Reddout will be speaking on *Finding Peace in a Chaotic World*.

All members and friends of First Pres are invited.

You will not want to miss this special presentation.



ARE YOU READING FOR OUR NEXT Odd Month, Odd Monday Book Club?

May 21: *Driving Miss Norma* by Tim Bauerschmidt and Ramie Liddle.

We will meet in the back of McLeod Hall at 3 p.m.
for discussion and light refreshments.

Please RSVP by calling 294-3121 or emailing office@firstpreswh.org.



We could use your help...

as a substitute care-giver in our church nursery. Do you like spending time with God's smallest children? We have a wonderful staff who regularly provide child-care in our church nursery on Sunday mornings, but occasionally those folks need some time away.

If you would be willing to serve as a substitute (we would arrange with you well in advance) please call (294-3121) or email (rmiller@firstpreswh.org) Robin Miller, our Director of Finance and Administration to get your name on our nursery substitute list.



Thanks.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our organ was built in 1979 (39 years ago) and has an expected lifespan of between 40-50 years for renewable parts. The original cost of the organ was \$120,000, not an insignificant investment in a year when a Ford pickup listed at \$5,408 and a loaf of bread was 33 cents.

Organs need annual maintenance and even though that has been done regularly, there are parts of the organ that have a limited lifetime. We have recently replaced the air tube and part of the motor twice in the past three years. The console is also original to the instrument. Imagine the insides of some of the first television sets and that is what we have inside our original console!

The most pressing need at this time is the replacement of the “leathers”. Our organ is fed by blown air and every pipe and slat is worked with “leathers” that have gradually degraded. Our organ is an integral part of our worship services and the music it provides enhances our services significantly.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to hear ALL the beautiful sounds the organ can make when it is completely operational?



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Calling volunteers to pick up bread and desserts from Winter Haven Square Publix (across from Legoland) for Saturday Soup Kitchen. If you are currently picking up on Saturday mornings, delivering them to the church, and are willing to continue this service, then you need not notify us unless we do not have your best contact information. If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity and need more information, please call Alan at 294-3121. If you no longer wish to help, please let Alan know. A new list goes out soon as the present schedule ends on May 5. Thank you.



CIRCLE MEETINGS

Lydia Circle - **Second Monday each month at 10 a.m.** in McLeod Hall.
Joy Circle - **Third Tuesday each month at 9:30 a.m.** at the home of Carol Carter.

We are using the PW Horizons Bible study titled: "*Cloud of Witnesses - The Community of Christ Hebrew*" written by Melissa Bane Sevier. In nine lessons, the author invites us to explore major themes found in Hebrews, relate these themes to other parts of our faith tradition, and tie them together with the overarching motif of community. The study books are available for \$10. Contact either Carol Carter at 299-4253 or Sue McClew at 875-6176 for your copy.



DO YOU LIKE TO SEW? WE NEED YOU!



We are sewing SUNdresses for Honduras pre-school girls. We gather in the Girl Scout House on **Tuesdays from 12 to 2 p.m.** (Bring a sack lunch.)

NEEDED: Sew either at church or in your own home.

Drop by, pick up some material, cut a pattern, cut material, sew or just say “Hi”; any or all work for us.

For details, please contact Lydia Circle member Sharon Mitchell 419-332-5268.

Join Us on the Lord's Day

Worship



8:15 a.m. Chapel Worship

A traditional worship service is held in our chapel. The service follows the same order as the 11:00 a.m. worship, does not have a Chancel Choir. Musical ensembles offer special music on many Sundays. A Time with Younger Disciples is included when we have children in attendance.

9:30 - 10:25 a.m. Heart of Worship

A Praise and Worship service is held in our sanctuary. Along with scripture, sermon, and prayers, a praise band helps the congregation in adoring and showing reverence to God. Following the Time with Younger Disciples, children are invited to join Ms. Lynn in music and then to join in their own Children's Sunday School Classes.

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship

A traditional worship service is held in our sanctuary. The service follows the same order as the 8:15 a.m. Chapel Service, and includes music from the Chancel Choir and the organ, as well as other instruments and groups.

DON'T MISS THE CONNECTION 9:15—10:45 A.M.

Fellowship time in McLeod Hall offers a coffee bar type selection with different flavored creamers, pastries, etc. It is a gathering place before (or after) worship, and between worship and Sunday School for some.

Hosts circulate in McLeod Hall and the CE Building to greet and assist people in making connections with others in one of the worship or Christian Education options.



SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

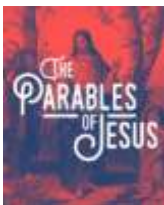
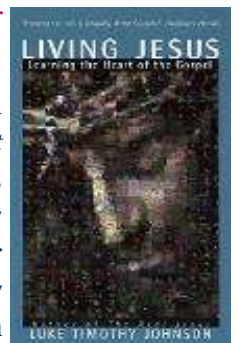


For Kids: We'll learning more about Jesus - His life and ministry and leaders in the early church. Short videos, music, art, and Bible activities keep the kids coming back for more!

If your family attends the 9:30 a.m. service, kids age 4 and older worship with their families for the first part of the service. After the "Time with Younger Disciples," age 4 through grade 5 may be dismissed to the Christian Education building for music and classes until 10:45 a.m.

If your family attends the 11:00 a.m. service, come to the CE Building for music and classes from **10:00 until 10:45 a.m.**

For Adults: Who is the real Jesus? How can we experience the mystery, complexity, and richness of his spirituality and teachings in our lives today? *Living Jesus: Learning the Heart of the Gospel* by Luke Timothy Johnson elucidates the mystery of Jesus' resurrection and its central role in the Christian experience. It explores the diversity and fullness of the New Testament views of Christ, revealing how each book's perspective can deepen our understanding of Jesus. Profoundly insightful, *Living Jesus* offers valuable lessons on how we can accept the Gospels' powerful invitation to an authentic Christian spirituality. Join us in the Geneva Room from **9:30 until 10:30 a.m.**



Also For Adults: We are watching a video series by New Testament scholar Dr. Kenneth Bailey, as he uses his vast experiences in the Middle Eastern world (where Jesus first walked and talked) to help us unlock the wonderful meaning of some of the parables of Jesus. The group listens to Dr. Bailey's insights and discusses how each story told by our Lord touches our lives today. Join us at **9:30 a.m.** in Room 207 of the Christian Education building.

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Our Purpose Statement

As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven exists to show God's kingdom to the world as we...

Share the good news of what God has done in Jesus Christ

Develop and nurture God's children into disciples

Provide a place and a program for praising God

Live our lives according to the Word, guided by the Spirit

Commit to justice for all God's people.

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Bag Lunch Ministry

We gave out 186 bag lunches
the week of 4/9/18.

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 92 people on 4/14/18.

Return Service Requested

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL SPRING RING!!!

First Presbyterian bell ringers have been preparing for the *Spring Ring* on **Sunday, April 29 at 4:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary.

Each of our bell choirs will present one or two songs in addition to a beautiful arrangement of *How Great Thou Art* with *Majesty*, arranged by Joel Rainey and played by twenty ringers with piano accompaniment.

In addition to our Chapel, Chancel, and Christ Kids Ringers bell groups, we will have three guest bell choirs performing: Beymer Bronze, The Church of the Good Shepherd Episcopal, and First Presbyterian Church Haines City.

The program will finish with a magnificent arrangement of *All Praise and Glory* arranged by Sondra Tucker that uses bells, chimes, and organ with over fifty ringers! Come and join us for a wonderful concert!



After the program there will be a reception outdoors in the memorial garden where you will also be able to hear a sample demonstration of the Deagan Tower Chimes!