



TOWER CHIMES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WINTER HAVEN
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TIME FOR TERMITE TENTING

Our church has been blessed with wonderful facilities to use as our base of mission and ministry. And the time has come for us to engage in a major maintenance issue at our church. Over the past few months, we have spotted evidence of termites in our 98-year-old sanctuary building. After consulting with multiple professionals, it has become clear that the only effective solution is tenting the structure. And since the main building is connected by a covered walkway to our Christian Education building (which was constructed in 1966) we have decided it could be prudent to tent and treat that building as well.

This project is scheduled to begin on **Monday, August 7**. Ideally, the entire process will be completed in three days. But, since weather and wind can cause delays to a perfect plan, we have made arrangements with the city to hold our **10 am** worship service on **Sunday, August 13** at **Nora Mayo Hall** at 500 3rd St NW.

Office operations and church meetings (Men's Lunch, Personnel Committee, Buildings and Grounds) that are scheduled for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of that week will be moved to the Golden Center for Student Ministry at 711 Sixth Street.

Watch the Tower Chimes for reminders and updates. And you might want to drive by on August 7 or 8 to see a "once in a century tenting."

CHOIR AND BELLS RETURN!



Our First Pres Musicians are getting ready to begin our fall season of music making and we would love to extend an invitation to YOU. Rehearsals will start on **Wednesday, August 16** for **Chancel Bells** and **Chancel Choir**, and **Thursday, August 17** for **Chapel Bells**. Please read below for more details. And for more information, please call Jeremy at the church office or email him at jrath@firstpreswh.org.

Chancel Bells rehearses every **Wednesday evening** from **6:00 - 7:00** in the Bell Room on the third floor of the Sanctuary building.

Chancel Choir rehearses on **Wednesday evenings** from **7:00 - 8:15** in the Music Suite.

Chapel Bells rehearses every **Thursday afternoon** from **1:15 - 2:15** in the Bell Room.

We are so excited to start this choir season and hope you will join in making music with us!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 6

10:00 am Summer Sundays Single Service
(Sanctuary/Facebook)

Monday, August 7

6:00 pm Associate Pastor Nominating
Committee (Golden Center)

Tuesday, August 8

9:00 am Staff Meeting (Golden Center)
12:00 pm Men's Lunch (Golden Center)
6:00 pm Personnel (Golden Center)

Wednesday, August 9

12:00 pm Buildings & Grounds (Golden Center)

Thursday, August 10

Friday, August 11

Saturday, August 12

2:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
4:00 pm Soup Kitchen (737)

MILITARY

Zach Anaya
Brenden Anderson
Christian Anderson
Zach Drum
Robert Ferguson
Stephanie Gillie
Eddie Gray
Daniel Harp
Sean Harp
David Knowles
John Marotti
KaitLin Marotti
Mathew Massam
Diane Secord
Shad Skinner
Drew Stapor



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MEMBERS

Ann Adams
Pat Berrell
Pete Borowski
Orin Champlain
Ellie Crowder
Jane Dickey
Marjorie DiLorenzo
Zan Dismuke
Rob Donaldy
Dana Elmore
Bill Everhart
Lynne Grady
Pam Gray
Jane Hayman
Shirley Hines
Jim Huff
Scott & Becky Irvin
Ray & Gladys Larson
Beth Luxford
Pat McCarty
Sue McClew
Pat Miller
Edna Mitchell
Heidi Munoz-Gutierrez
Jeri & Tom Oldt
Joe Oriani
Jackie Pinckney
Mary Ellen Porter
Marilyn Schleifer
Dick Shaw
Joyce Shirah
Dale Smith
Katie Sparr
Kathy Taber
Barbara Tackett
Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Jennifer & Mike Vibrat
Jim Vobornik

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Holton & Briley Adcock
Jameson Adcock
Katie Barris & family
Dolores Clay-Barton
Donna Brannen
Phillip Burkhart
Nancy & Nicki Catania
Caren Coleman
Scott Davis
Phillip Deblinger
Paul Gilliam
Hap Hazelwood
Stephen Houmar
Juan Joy
Helen Lewis
John Linn
Ada Lopez-Mendez
Khyla Martinez
Kile McKee
Ed & Anne Neumyer
Dennis Ryan
Ginger Stanley
Karon Taylor
Karen Thompson
Lori Turner & family
Jack Tyler & family
Tara Wilkes
David Young
Tonya Zidel

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Bag Lunch Ministry
We gave out 194 lunches
the week of 7/24/23. 

 **Soup Kitchen Ministry**
We fed 88 people on
Saturday, 7/29/23.

Return Service Requested

SOUP KITCHEN HELP NEEDED



Would you like to help love and serve those who hunger? We need head cooks & helpers for **August 5, 12, & 26** dates. Sign up in McLeod Hall, or call or email the church office.

YOUTH GROUPS RETURN!



The **High School Youth Group** will begin meeting **Sunday, August 20** from 5:30 until 7:30 pm.

The **Middle School Youth Group** will begin meeting **Wednesday, August 23** from 5:30 until 7:30 pm.

Come join us for another awesome year of food, fellowship, and faith building! If you have any questions or would like to sign up to provide a meal for our students, please contact Emily Snyder at 863-224-4403 or esnyder@firstpreswh.org.

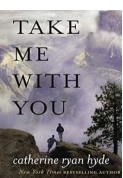
SAVE THE DATE



Our Director of Music Ministries, **Jeremy Rath**, is going to be giving a piano & organ concert here at First Pres on **Sunday, September 10 at 4pm**.

The piano and organ concert will feature secular and sacred compositions by American composer Gwyneth Walker.

BOOK CLUB



We will meet on **Monday, September 18** at **3 pm** in McLeod Hall as we discuss **Take Me With You** by Catherine Ryan Hyde.

In this time of fellowship, we will discuss the story about good people doing their best to survive.

CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY

We will meet **Sunday, August 27** in McLeod Hall, from **5:30 to 7:00 pm**. Bring a covered dish to share OR bring your own meal as we enjoy fellowship together around the table.



We will dig deeper into the background stories as they relate to scripture and hear from their Biblical consultants! For this study we will watch the Bible Roundtable Discussion for Season 1, Episode 4.

We will also be putting together **The Chosen Bible Study Cookbook** soon! Join us to learn details. We look forward to seeing you!

SUMMER SUNDAYS SINGLE SERVICE AT 10 AM

Please join us for our **Summer Sundays Single Service** at **10 am** (running through Labor Day.)



AUGUST FUNTIMERS IS MOVED TO THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Trivia and Potluck will be held in McLeod Hall from **11 am to 2 pm**. Please bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. Chicken tenders will be provided. After lunch, each table will compete in a fun game of Trivia.



Please RSVP by signing up in McLeod Hall, or calling or emailing the church office. And bring a friend!