



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

Tower Chimes

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133 Years of Ministry

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BACK TO SCHOOL BASH -AUGUST 18, 3 PM

Join the fun with Rev. Sarah made snoballs, a bounce house,
and games as we celebrate the new school year.

All the fun will be in the 737 building and back lot. Just look for the balloons!

SCHOOL BACK IN SESSION AND SO ARE OUR WEEKLY YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Middle School Youth is meeting on **Wednesday evenings, from 5:30 – 7:30 pm** in the Golden Student Center (711 Sixth Street, NW). Join with **Emily Snyder, Bill Lockhart, Philip Batista, Steve Negley** and our sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students as we enjoy time of food (we always have a meal), fun, and faith. Feel free to invite your friends to come along, too.



High School Youth (our Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth grade young people and **Emily Snyder, Steve Negley, Cheryce Harris, Peggy Threlkel, and Jonathan Owen**) gather at the Golden Student Center on **Sunday evenings (5:30 – 7:30 pm)** to share food, Christian fellowship, and service. Come check us out and watch your walk with Jesus deepen.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!



If you love music, we'd love to have you join us! Chancel Choir will be starting practice after our summer months off on **Wednesday, August 21 at 7:00 pm**. We will also begin Chancel Bells on **August 21 at 6:00 pm**. The Chapel Bells will start rehearsal on **Thursday, August 22 at 1:15 pm**. Please call Lynn at 701-570-1485 if you are

interested in joining a bell group. We are also very appreciative of those who share with special music at our services. So, if you are unable to join us for a regular rehearsal please let Lynn know if you are interested in sharing special music for one of our services.



CHRIST KIDS STARTS SEPTEMBER 5!

The school year is just around the corner and you know what that means?!? **Christ Kids** – our faith-filled and safe after-school program for children 4 years through 5th grade. The fun begins **Wednesday, September 5 at 3 pm**. Permission slips for families are on the church website, so spread the word and don't forget to join us as an Adult Volunteer! Questions? Contact Rev. Sarah via email sbishop@firstpreswh.org or call the church office at 294-3121.



OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 18

- 9:15 am Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:15 am The Connection (MH)
- 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 3:00 pm Back to School Bash (CE)
- 5:30 pm High School Youth Group (GC)

Monday, August 19

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)

Tuesday, August 20

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH)
- 12:00 pm Finance (UR)
- 6:30 pm Deacons (MH)

Wednesday, August 21

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
- 5:30 pm Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 6:00 pm Chancel Bells (MS)
- 7:00 pm Choir (MS)

Thursday, August 22

- 1:15 pm Chapel Bells (MS)

Friday, August 23

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)

Saturday, August 24

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

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Sunday, August 25

- 9:15 am Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:15 am The Connection (MH)
- 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 pm High School Youth Group (GC)

Monday, August 26

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
- 10:30 am Prayer Shawl (MH)

Tuesday, August 27

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH)
- 6:15 pm Worship and Music (UR)

Wednesday, August 28

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
- 5:30 pm Community Outreach (MCR)
- 5:30 pm Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 6:00 pm Chancel Bells (MS)
- 7:00 pm Choir (MS)

Thursday, August 29

- 7:30 am Presbytery (Sun City)
- 1:15 pm Chapel Bells (MS)

Friday, August 30

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)

Saturday, August 31

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

**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS
Service for Wholeness
September 8.**

Remember in Prayer

MEMBERS

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| Marie Able | Joyce Hayman | Bev Morris |
| Kathy Andrews | Frances Heath | Nancy Neale |
| Helen Butz | Kay Hedden | Barbara Roberts |
| Helen Champlain | Patti Herndon | Earle Roberts |
| Carl Cheatham | Doris Hill | John & Marilyn Schleifer |
| Anamarie Coffman | Bryan Howard | George Seagreaves |
| Charlie Darte | Bob & Isobel Hubbard | Cash Sheaffer |
| Patricia Dexter | Jim Huff | Joyce Shirah |
| Marjorie DiLorenzo | Martha Johnson | Barbara H. Smith |
| Yolanda Dyer | Bill Johnston | Joel Smith |
| Jana Easterling | John Kissel | Pete & Missie Snively |
| Dana Elmore | Toni Krieger | Christine Stevens |
| Bill Everhart | Dena Lancashire | Meg & John Strang |
| Jim Francis | Spike Lucia | Pam Tallent-Blackburn |
| Pat Gardner | Bob McClew | Carolyn Thompson |
| John Gray | Joan McCollough | Pat Vobornik |
| Pam Gray | Matt McGaffigan | Gwen Waters |
| Bob Hancock | Edna Mitchell | |
| Jane Hayman | | |

Relatives & Friends

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| Wendell Bradley | Gayle Johnston's brother |
| Jeff Bronson | Rose Flynn's brother-in-law |
| Reese Burdette | Dana Cole's cousin |
| Al Ellis | Jim Threlkel's friend |
| Dottie Griffith | Rob Donaldy and Becky Everhart's friend |
| Tynes & Julia Hildebrand | Rick & Pat Reass' friend |
| Pete Kent | Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew |
| Earl Martin | Les O'Neal's friend |
| Carol Moore | Roger & Marie Able's friend |
| Lettie Lane North | Jean Strang's sister |
| Debbie Rogers | Lynn Oakley's friend |
| Sandy Schwenk | Zane Schwenk's mother |
| Arnie Spangers | Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend |

**NEXT
PRAY SHAWL
MEETING IS
MONDAY,
AUGUST 26**



Our Christian sympathy goes to Patti Herndon, Pete & Missie Snively, Meg & John Strang upon the death of their mother and mother-in-law, Mary Ann Snively, who died Sunday, August 4, 2019

We extend our deepest sympathy to John & Marilyn Schleifer, upon the death of their daughter, Marcia Sodko who died on Friday, August 9, 2019.



- MILITARY**
- 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
 - KaitLin Marotti-Pitts
 - Ashton Pitts
 - Shad Skinner
 - Drew Stapor

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8, 9:30 - 10:30 AM

For the children

SPARK Sunday School will begin for our children (PreK-5th grade) will be sparking faith starting **Sunday, September 8** after the time with younger disciples in the Heart of Worship service. PreK-K will be meeting in Room 101 and 1st through 5th grades in Room 206. Don't forget they will also be doing music with Ms. Lynn before their respective classes and ART on the third Sunday. Sunday School ends at 10:30 am. Sunday School ends at 10:30 am.



Can't make it to church? Your family can activate faith with God's Word by connecting with the stories at home with our Spark home sheets and buying a copy of the Story Bible at www.weareSparkhouse.org.

Adult Sunday School also starts September 8

Be on the lookout for this year's topics in Perspectives (Geneva Room) or Foundations (Room 207)

ASSISTANTS NEEDED

...for Soup Kitchen on Saturday, August 31.

If you can help, please sign up in McLeod Hall or call the church office at 294-3121.

JOIN US ON SUNDAYS THIS SUMMER!!!

9:15 - 10:15 am Heart of Worship

A Praise and Worship service held in our sanctuary. Along with scripture, sermon, and prayers, a praise band will help the congregation in adoring and showing reverence to God.

11:00 am Sanctuary Worship

A traditional worship service held in our sanctuary and includes music from the Chancel Choir and the organ, as well as other instruments and groups.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We hope that you join us for worship on the summer Sundays that you are in town.

Our plans for the summer include:

- * Observing our summer worship schedule thru Labor Day with Heart of Worship and one traditional service on most Sundays.
- * Continuing our First Sunday Single Worship Service and Luncheon on the first Sundays throughout the summer.

Summer Worship dates and time

August 18	Heart of Worship 9:15 am	Traditional Worship 11:00 am
August 25	Heart of Worship 9:15 am	Traditional Worship 11:00 am
September 1	First Pres. First Sunday Gathering Worship 10:00 am Luncheon 11:15 am (Labor Day Weekend)	

DON'T MISS THE CONNECTION 10:15-10:45 AM

This fellowship time in McLeod Hall offers a coffee bar type selection with different flavored creamers, pastries, etc.

It is a gathering place before or between worship for some folks.



FLAT JESUS – JESUS SAID “I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS.”

This summer, *Flat Jesus* is packed and ready to go on your Summer adventures! Whether you are just napping in your backyard or wandering the streets of Paris, Flat Jesus would love for you to be with him. And don't forget to take a picture or two, #firstpreswhflatjesus, and share on social media! Want to know where Jesus has been a part of our church family this summer? Search #firstpreswhflatjesus and enjoy! Packets will be available in the Narthex, McLeod Hall, and downloadable from the church website. Rev Sarah is also emailing a copy out. If you were missed, contact her at sbishop@firstpreswh.org or (863)294-3121. Be sure to share your adventures by the end of August.



Our Purpose Statement

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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 256 bag lunches
the week of 7/29/19.

We gave out 270 bag lunches
the week of 8/5/19.

Return Service Requested

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 64 people on 8/10/19.

3 CENTS-A-MEAL THIS SUNDAY

We will collect the **3 Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering** during worship services this **SUNDAY, August 18**. This offering is divided between our Soup Kitchen/Bag Lunch Ministry, Beth-El Farm-workers Ministry, and Honduras.



CAN YOU HELP WITH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUPPLIES?

As we start a new school year, what a better way to help First Pres continue to be a welcoming and fun church, we need your help! Our Christ Kids, Sunday School and Morning Out Moms program has created an Amazon wish list

(https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1UYO02DN421X0?ref=wl_share)

of new toys, games and supplies to make that space fresh! You can purchase right from the list or use it as a guide to pick something up as you are out and about town.

Questions? Contact Rev. Sarah at sbishop@firstpreswh.org or 294-3121

DAVE RAMSEY’S FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY
Wednesdays, September 11 at 6:00 pm (McLeod Hall) – November 6

Take control of your money with *Financial Peace University (FPU)*! This nine-lesson course uses biblical wisdom and common sense to help you tackle budgeting, pay off debt, and make your money work for you! FPU includes your member workbook and a year of free online resources through Financial Peace Membership. Join this FPU group today! Be sure to purchase your member registration online at <https://www.fpu.com/1095087> and then join us. Just look for First Presbyterian Church in available classes. Questions, contact Lee Wilkinson at 863-221-2006 or wilkeglk@verizon.net.

