



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

Tower Chimes

Weeks of August 19 & 26, 2018

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132 Years of Ministry

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3 CENTS-A-MEAL IS THIS SUNDAY

We will collect the **3 Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering** during our worship service **Sunday, August 19.**

This offering is divided between our Soup Kitchen/Bag Lunch Ministry, Beth-El Farm-workers Ministry, and Honduras.



END OF SUMMER BASH

August 26 @ 4:30 p.m.



Family and friends, come learn about educational opportunities for all ages! Enjoy a cookout, games, and bounce house.

Volunteers for 2018-19 can fill out paperwork at this time.

Join in the excitement of Christian Education at First Pres this year.



CHRIST KIDS BEGINS SEPTEMBER 12TH

It's hard to believe the new school year is just around the corner! And you know what that means?!? A new year of Christ Kids! Our Wednesday after-school program which starts Sept. 12th.

Permission slips for kids four years through 5th grade are available on the church website. Download and drop off your form today. And don't forget to invite a friend or two!

Adults interested in volunteering? Call Rev. Sarah at 294-3121 or email her at sbishop@firstpreswh.org.



YOUTH GROUPS KICK OFF 2018!

We are well into the year and are excited to announce our **High School Youth Group** will meet, beginning **TONIGHT**, on **Sundays 5:30-7:30 p.m.** **Middle School Youth Group** will meet, starting **August 15**, on **Wednesdays 5:30-7:30 p.m.** Both groups will gather in the **Golden Center**. We encourage you to invite friends to share this fun time and a nice meal.



SPEAKING OF YOUTH MEALS...

Our youth groups provide a safe environment for students to meet, have fun, and learn about Christ. We provide dinner for students at every youth group. What can you do? Help us by volunteering to provide dinner for our students. This contribution also exposes you to what Christ is doing in our youth program.

Please contact Leonard Mosiah if you're interested at 294-3121 or lmosiah@firstpreswh.org.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 19 3 Cents-a-Meal

- 8:00 a.m. Praise and Worship Band (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School-Children (CE)
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School-Adults (MH)
- 9:30 a.m. The Connection (MH)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 p.m. High School Youth Group (GC)

Monday, August 20

- 8:45 a.m. Morning Out Mom (CE)

Tuesday, August 21

- 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)
- 12:00 p.m. Finance (UR)

Wednesday, August 22

- 8:45 a.m. Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 5:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 5:30 p.m. Community Outreach (MCR)
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells (MS)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, August 23

- 8:00 a.m. Presbytery (Brandon)
- 1:15 p.m. Chapel Bells (MS)

Friday, August 24

- 8:45 a.m. Morning Out Mom (CE)

Saturday, August 25

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

Sunday, August 26

- 8:00 a.m. Praise and Worship Band (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School-Children (CE)
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School-Adults (MH)
- 9:30 a.m. The Connection (MH)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 4:30 p.m. End of Summer Bash (CE Grounds)
- 5:30 p.m. High School Youth Group (GC)

Monday, August 27

- 8:45 a.m. Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 10:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl (MH)

Tuesday, August 28

- 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)
- 6:15 p.m. Worship & Music (UR)

Wednesday, August 29

- 8:45 a.m. Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 5:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells (MS)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, August 30

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

Friday, August 31

- 8:45 a.m. Morning Out Mom (CE)

Saturday, September 1

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

Remember in Prayer

MEMBERS

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

IN THE HOSPITAL: Bryan Howard, Larry Marshall, & Mike Vibral

Relatives & Friends

Reese Burdette	Dana Cole's cousin
Greg Clark & family	Neal & Anne McBride's grandson
Mimi Convoy	Pat Vobornik's sister
Vivian DeRussy	Mary Ellen Rowker's friend
Al Ellis	Jim Threlkel's friend
Charlotte Epstein	Roger & Marie Able's niece
Dolores Hardy	Bill & Becky Everhart's friend
Kay Heatherington Holt	Bill Everhart's friend
David Horell	Roger & Marie Able's friend
Pete Kent	Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew
Walter Mayden	Gale Waters' cousin
Mary Linda McCarty	Gale & Gwen Waters' friend
John McKibben	Jane Whitney's brother
Carol Moore	Roger & Marie Able's friend
Betty Sanders	Jane Whitney's sister
David Satterfield	Heather Whitney's friend
Margaret Stanley	Alison O'Neal's sister
Kristy Turner	Rick & Pat Reass' daughter
Samuel Cole Vibral	Jennifer & Mike Vibral's grandson
Marshall Wood	Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend



Zach Anaya
Brenden Anderson
Christian Anderson
Samuel Crockett
Zach Drum
Til Fellows
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



Our deepest sympathy extends to Bonnie Ryan on the death of her mother, Marilyn Dalrymple who died on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.

Our Christian sympathy extends to Mary Alice Kennedy, Emma, & Peggy Kennedy upon the death of son, brother, & grandson, John Skipper, who died on Friday August 10, 2018.



MORNING OUT MOM CAREGIVER NEEDED

Exciting news!! Our MOM's program for the 2018-19 school year is completely full! We are excited for a great year but in order for that to happen, we are needing one more staff person.

Know of someone who is reliable, caring, and just a joy around young children? Would they be interested in a part-time, MOM's caregiver position? Have someone in mind and if they have more questions, please contact Rev. Sarah at sbishop@firstpreswh.org or 294-3121.

The next Odd Month, Odd Monday Book Club is September 17

A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

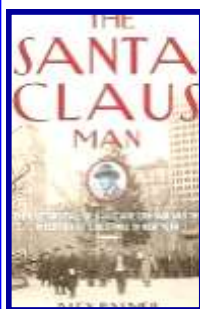
We will meet in the back of McLeod Hall at 3 p.m. for discussion and light refreshments.

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



And the last book and date of the year...

November 20: *The Santa Claus Man* by Alex Parker.



A copy or copies of the titles should soon be available for check out in the library. Should you wish to order a copy you may contact Jonathan or Bethany Owen in the library.

Meetings are at 3 p.m. in the back of McLeod Hall. Reservations are requested to ensure adequate refreshments. These may be made through the Church Office at 294-3121.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR SANCTUARY FLOWERS WE HAVE MANY DATES AVAILABLE THROUGH THE END OF THE YEAR.

There is also space to sign up for placing flowers in the narthex if the sanctuary flowers for your desired date have already been selected by someone else.

Please remember these important points:

1. Include your best contact number.
2. Include the name of your florist.
3. Tell your florist that the arrangement *must* be at the church by **Friday, 1:00 p.m.**
4. Call the office the week before to give bulletin information (294-3121.)



ANGELS CARE CENTER OF ELOISE Angel Collection Box Needs

There is an ongoing need for the following items to give out at the Angels Care Center. Please leave items in the Angel Collection Box in McLeod Hall. Thank YOU, and God Bless!!!

First Aid Kits: washcloths, band-aids, wet wipes, small soaps, small antibacterial soap, Q-tips, small packets of antibiotic ointment, etc.

Children's "Jesus Kits": coloring sheets with Biblical themes, crayons, scripture/song cards (simple and short for children), small books, stickers, etc.

Toiletry Kits: shampoo, soap, deodorant, razors, feminine products, combs, washcloths, hand gel, lotion, toothbrush and toothpaste, small samples from hotel/motels, etc.



WE HAVE A NEW WAY OF GIVING!

Here are a few ways to access this new option:

- Go to our Church website at www.firstpreswh.org and click on **give** (top right), you will be re-directed to <https://app.securegive.com/firstpreswh> or you can go directly to the SecureGive website, <https://app.securegive.com/firstpreswh>
- First time users will click on sign-up
- Complete all fields and click the blue sign-up box ** password must be a minimum of 8 characters, including numbers and uppercase and lowercase letters.
- Click donate
- Choose your donation option, under special offering you will enter your special request, ie. pastor fund, butterfly etc
- Choose one time or reoccurring
- Enter card information (if you choose to save your information the next time you login the information will be there and make giving much easier)
- Submit (this is where you will add your additional message if needed)
- You will receive an email confirmation of your giving for your records



There's also an APP for that!

- Simply go to your App store and download the free **SecureGive Vision** (you must type in SecureGive Vision) app and follow the prompts on each screen. Once you login or create an account you will be prompted to search for First Presbyterian church by name, city and/or state, follow the steps and enter the amount you wish to donate and the designation, one-time or recurring and then enter your card information.

Robin Miller is available to assist you during office hours at 863-294-3121 or email rmiller@firstpreswh.org.

Looking for words to comfort a friend?

"I really don't know what to say. All I can say is that I'm here with you. I really care about you."

Stephen Ministries, Stephen Ministries Training Manuel, St. Louis; 2000.



STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE HERE TO HELP



If you, or someone you know, are sad or struggling inside, don't suffer alone. Ask for help. We've got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time. Men are matched with men, and women with women. (It's completely confidential too!) To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, **call Pat Reass at 206-9914. Or you can talk with one of our other Stephen Leaders: Alan Harvey, Mary Marrs, Steve Negley, Barbara Perkins, Susan Singleton, or Jean Strang.**

Stephen Minister Request Form Boxes are placed in the **Centennial Room, narthex, and balcony hallway** for your convenience. These secure boxes make it easy for someone to make a Confidential Request for a Stephen Minister. Forms are found in the pew pockets and forms and pens are also held by the box making it convenient for individuals to request a Stephen Minister.

It Takes All of Us to Make Music

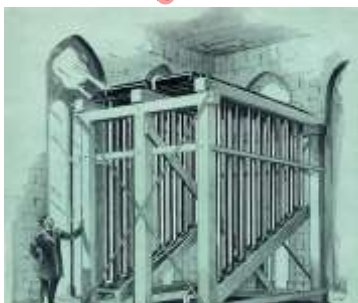
We invite you to join with other First Presbyterian Church members to continue a tradition of inspirational music in our worship services.

Since 1926, First Pres has endeavored to provide our church musicians with top-grade instruments that are well maintained. We are committed to retaining that high level of quality.

To continue our tradition, we ask you to consider making a pledge to be paid over three years to meet our music program goals:

- * Returning the Deagan Carillon in our steeple to operational status
- * Restoring the Moeller Pipe Organ in the sanctuary to full performance levels
- * Establishing a Music Maintenance Fund to care for other musical instruments
- * Tithing on this campaign and sharing musical instruments with the Presbyterian churches in Honduras

The Deagan Carillon



The 20-note J.C. Deagan Carillon Chimes located in our steeple were installed in 1926 when the current sanctuary was built. The chimes were a commemorative gift. They rang each Sunday until 1970. However, the chimes have been silent ever since!

You can be a part of giving these chimes their voice once again and enabling them to call us and our community to worship!

The 3-Manual, 49-Stop MP Moeller Organ in our sanctuary was built in 1979, with an expected 40 year life on renewable parts. Our organ is fed by blown air and every pipe and slat is worked with “leathers” that have gradually degraded. Their replacement is a pressing need!

Replacing the leathers and also rebuilding the console are goals to restore and enhance the organ to full performance levels.

The Chancel Organ



Handbells



First Pres has 2 sets of hand bells - 132 bells in all - which are played by the 13 members of the Chancel Bell Choir, 9 Chapel Bell members, and 8 children in the Christ Kids Ringers. Their music enhances our worship and other music events.

The older set of 66 bells requires professional work to put them in a top performing condition to create better sound and ease in playing.

Music Capital Campaign Goal - \$250,000 over 3 years

Organ: re-leather and rebuild	\$96,400	Tower Chimes: restoration	\$49,800
Steeple and chime: supports and steeple work	\$10,000	Music Fund: future maintenance and acquisitions	\$58,800
Miscellaneous Expenses:	\$10,000	Honduras Mission Fund: musical instruments for churches	*\$25,000

* First Pres has committed to tithe 10% of the total amount raised. These funds will provide musical instruments to select Honduran churches who worship without access to instruments.

Our action is in support of World Wide Mission efforts and will affect churches we already support through sending 1/3 of our 3 Cents-A -Meal offering for food for Honduran children, the medical and dental services provided by our members and friends on mission trips to Honduras, and the toys and clothing we gather and take to the children in Honduras. These are all ongoing efforts that we will continue.

Please help us add music to their worship services!

It truly takes all of us to make music in raising our praises to God. Donations of \$250,000, over a three year period, are needed to fully fund this dream. If all of us would join together, we believe that we can accomplish our goal. We are hopeful that ten families or individuals within our church would be willing to give \$10,000 or more each over the next three years to help us continue making music. Added to that, we pray that another ten to twenty donors might be able to give \$5,000 or more each during our pledge period. And we hope that many of the families within our congregation will be able to contribute \$1,000 or more between now and the year 2020 (that would amount to about one dollar a day for the next three years.)

If all of us will join together, we will be able to praise God with our music well into the future.

Please prayerfully consider making a special contribution to this music capital campaign, and letting us know of your partnership by completing and returning this "estimate of generosity card".

First Presbyterian Church
Estimate of Support for Music Capital Campaign

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone #: _____

In gratitude for God's love, I/we make a gift of \$_____
to the Music Capital Campaign at First Presbyterian Church.

I plan to pay this gift in (please check one)

monthly installments of \$_____ per month for three years

annual payments of \$_____ per year for three years

a one time donation of \$_____

(The amount of this *anticipated gift* may be modified if your circumstances change.)

I/we understand I/we can honor this pledge with cash, check, stock, or credit card.

To give by credit card go to <https://app.securegive.com/firstpreswh> or enter here:

Name as it appears on card: _____

CC #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!
Psalm 150:6

I/we would like contribution envelopes: Yes No

**CHILDREN'S
SUNDAY
SCHOOL
AT 9:00 A.M.
IN THE CE
BUILDING.**



RE-READING THE GOSPELS **Spending the Summer in the Story of Jesus**

We hope that the maturing disciples in our midst (Middle School/High School Youth and Adults) will join us on the summer Sundays when they are in town for a Sunday morning class: *Re-Reading the Gospels*. Class members will read 2 chapters a day from the gospels throughout the summer, and our weekly gatherings will help us to hear the good news about Jesus from the unique perspectives of Mark, Matthew, Luke, and John.

You don't have to be here every week to be a part of the class. Just join us in the reading plan and come on the Sundays you can for our discussions.

This class meets from **9:00 – 9:45 a.m.** in the back of McLeod Hall.

CONNECTION TIME CHANGE **9:30—9:55 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 Sunday School & worship for some.



OUR SINGLE SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE



Continuing through Labor Day Weekend, our members and friends from the 8:15, 9:00, & 11:00 a.m. worship services will gather together each Sunday for one worship service at **10:00 a.m.**

This single service is a great opportunity to see folks who may normally attend "another worship service", as we praise and worship God all summer long.

We hope to see you each week at 10:00 a.m. We will be alternating worship formats between Heart of Worship & Traditional styles.

August 19 & 26 we will follow *Traditional* and **September 2**, *Heart of worship*.

WE CAN 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, please contact Rev. Sarah at 294-3121 or email her at sbishop@firstpreswh.org to get your name on our nursery substitute list.



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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 208 bag lunches
the week of 7/30/18.

We gave out 176 bag lunches
the week of 8/6/18.

We gave out 1,064 bag lunches
in July, 2018.

Return Service Requested

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 125 people on 8/4/18.

We fed 120 people on 8/11/18.

We fed 457 in July, 2018.

CALLING ALL MUCIANS!

Our fall music programming will begin the week of **August 19**. First Presbyterian offers many opportunities for members to share their musical talent.



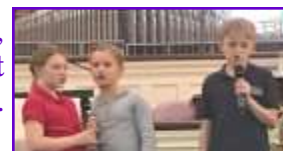
Chancel Choir meets on **Wednesday from 7–8 p.m.** Ages high school and up are welcome to participate. The Chancel Choir usually participates in the 11 a.m. worship service and several special programs throughout the year. We have been asked to participate in a Mark Hayes concert again in January and will be making our audition tape for Disney's Candlelight Processional in a few weeks!

Chancel Bells meets on **Wednesday from 6-7 p.m.** and **Chapel Bells** meets on **Thursday at 1:15 p.m.** Ages high school and up are welcome to participate. Our Chapel Bells welcome beginners. Our bell choirs require a weekly commitment to be musically successful. The handbell choirs participate in the 11 a.m. worship service and several special programs throughout the year.



Praise Band meets for rehearsal once a week and participates weekly during the **9:15 a.m. Heart of Worship** service. If you have an interest in contemporary music and a talent playing a stringed instrument, keyboard or singing, please give Lynn a call. This is an auditioned group.

We offer a diverse music program for **our children and youth** that includes singing, ukuleles, handbells, and Orff instruments. The **children meet regularly during Christ Kids** programming on Wednesday after school and during the **Sunday School hour**. **Preschool music meets during Morning Out Moms** on Wednesday mornings.



If you like to sing and/or play an instrument and are unable to commit to a regular rehearsal we would love to have you share at any of the worship services for **special music**. This year we are hoping to form a brass ensemble that would be able to participate on special occasions for worship service and special programming.