



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

## Tower Chimes

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### 3 CENTS-A-MEAL THIS SUNDAY



We will collect the **3 Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering** during worship services this **SUNDAY, MAY 19.**

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



### FUNTIMERS NEXT BIG ADVENTURE



You are invited to join the **FunTimers** on **Monday, May 20 from 10 am to 2:30 pm** when we gather in McLeod Hall for a trip to **Lake Kissimmee State Park** near Lake Wales. We will eat under the park pavilion, (please bring a bag lunch) we will provide bottled water for everyone. There are numerous trails to explore. Or you can climb the tower overlooking the lake.

Please plan on riding with us on the bus or in the church van – we want to fill these vehicles to capacity. The special admission rate is only \$2.00 for seniors over 60. You can RSVP by contacting the church office at 294-3121 or [office@firstpreswh.org](mailto:office@firstpreswh.org).

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Sunday, June 9 through Thursday, June 13 from 5:30 until 8 pm**

At **To Mars and Beyond VBS**, children, and their youth and adult leaders will enjoy interactive, energizing, and Bible-based good times as they explore where God's power can take them! Our voyagers will discover how to serve God and God's mission for their lives. **Registration for children, youth, and adult volunteers is on our website!**



Can't join us? Donations for supplies, decorations and snacks will be out soon! Questions? Contact Rev. Sarah at [sbishop@firstpreswh.org](mailto:sbishop@firstpreswh.org) or 294-3121.

# VBS!

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED



**Art:** 4X6 canvas boards; children's watercolor kits; glitter glue pens; old maps, googly eyes, tacky-craft glue; strands of fairy lights; plastic color table cloths- black, green, red, purple, orange & yellow (rectangle. Or circles); anything space or NASA-themed to help with decorations. If you would like anything returned after VBS, please add your name on the item.



**Snack supplies:** popcorn, cheese-its, gummy snacks, pretzel sticks & twists, Gluten-free pretzels, graham crackers and brownie mix, marshmallow fluff and frosting (white & chocolate)

# Remember in Prayer

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

### Sunday, May 19

- 8:00 am Chapel Worship
- 9:15 am Connection (MH)
- 9:15 am Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Sunday School (CE)
- 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 pm High School Youth Group (GC)

### Monday, May 20

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
- 10:00 am FunTimers (MH then Lake Kissimmee State Park)

### Tuesday, May 21

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

### Wednesday, May 22

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
- 3:00 pm Christ Kids (CE)
- 4:30 pm MSYG Music (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 pm MSYG (GC)
- 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (MCR)
- 6:00 pm Chancel Bells (MS)
- 7:00 pm Choir (MS)

### Thursday, May 23

- 3:15 pm Membership (MCR)

### Friday, May 24

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)

### Saturday, May 25

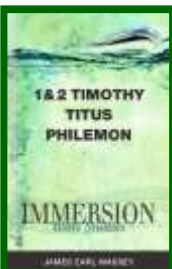
- 2:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
- 4:00 pm Soup Kitchen (737)

## MEMBERS

Marie Able	Jane Hayman	Bev Morris
Kathy Andrews	Joyce Hayman	Nancy Neale
Bill Brack	Frances Heath	Randall Palmer
Tom Brackett	Kay Hedden	Bo Palo
Helen Butz	Doris Hill	Barbara Roberts
Helen Champlain	Bryan Howard	Earle Roberts
Carl Cheatham	Bob & Isobel	Dave Ryan
Tom Coffman	Hubbard	Cash Sheaffer
Charlie Darte	Jim Huff	Joyce Shirah
Patricia Dexter	Martha Johnson	Barbara H. Smith
Yolanda Dyer	Joey Johnston	Mary Ann Snively
Mike & Jana	John Kissel	Christine Stevens
Easterling	Toni Krieger	Scott Strey
Dana Elmore	Dena Lancashire	Barbara Tackett
Bill Everhart	Spike Lucia	Jay Tackett
Scott & Kathy	Bob McClew	Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Girouard	Joan McCollough	Carolyn Thompson
John Gray	Matt McGaffigan	Pat Vobornik
Bob Hancock	Edna Mitchell	Gwen Waters

## Relatives & Friends

Sheryl Bacheldor	Kit Threlkel's friend
Michael Branch	Jeff Bowen's friend
Reese Burdette	Dana Cole's cousin
Debra Cain	Tom & Jeri Oldt's sister-in-law
Jacqueline Dewdney	Kit Threlkel's friend
Al Ellis	Jim Threlkel's friend
Mary Sue Hallmark	Jim Francis' friend
Jay & Gail Jones	Mary Marrs' friends
Pete Kent	Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew
Linda Harris Leeds	Debbie Sowards' friend
Carol Moore	Roger & Marie Able's friend
Lettie Lane North	Jean Strang's sister
Bill & Judy Overlock	Kit Threlkel's friends
Hugh and Joyce Pemberton	Rick & Pat Reass' friends
Jack Phares	Nell Speer's friend
Tom Polak	Wade & Sandy Hoffman's friend
Sandy Schwenk	Zane Schwenk's mother
Kristy Turner	Rick & Pat Reass' daughter



## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS IMMERSION BIBLE STUDY

We are diving deep into scripture with Paul's letters - 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, and Philemon meeting in McCleod Hall at **6:00 pm**.

Contact Rev. Sarah to join us at 294-3121 or [sbishop@firstpreswh.org](mailto:sbishop@firstpreswh.org). Books are just \$10.00!

## CAN YOU SPARE JUST A LITTLE TIME?

Opportunity is knocking for an individual or a couple to pick up bread and desserts for our soup kitchen at the Winter Haven Square Publix, across from Legoland, on Saturday mornings.

This is on a rotation basis with other volunteers and a commitment of only three to four times a year. To volunteer or get more information, please call Alan at the church office 294-3121.



# JOIN US ON SUNDAYS!!!

## 8:00 am Chapel Worship

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

## 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. Following the *Time with Younger Disciples*, children will be invited to join Ms. Lynn in music and then to join in their own Children's Sunday School Classes.



## 11:00 am Sanctuary Worship

A traditional worship service held in our sanctuary. The service follows the same order as the 8:00 am 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 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 and Sunday School for some folks.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES!

The last day for Sunday School before the summer worship schedule begins is **May 26**.

Be on the look-out for NEW educational opportunities this summer.

**Children's Sunday School** for PreSchoolers through 5<sup>th</sup> grade happening in the CE Building, **9:30 am (9 am on the First Sunday.)** Our children will activate faith with *Spark Lectionary* curriculum. Each class will engage the Biblical story of the day through creative, hands-on activities, interactive games, and crafts. Sunday School for preschoolers and kindergartners will meet in Room 101. Our elementary students will meet after music in Room 206. Sunday School ends at 10:30 am



**First Sundays – Sunday School at 9 am.**

## PERSPECTIVES SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY HAS BEGUN



This class is studying *Man's Search For Meaning*, a book by Dr. Viktor Frankl to guide discussion. Dr. Frankl and his family were sent to a Nazi concentration camp in 1942. There he would experience the death of his pregnant wife, both parents and brother. From that experience, he, as a psychiatrist, focused on human suffering. He reminds us that while we cannot avoid suffering, we can choose how to cope with suffering and even find meaning in the midst of our suffering, while we move forward with renewed purpose.

Our own faith will also guide this discussion-oriented class whose shared leadership welcomes you to join us at **9:30 am** in the Geneva Room.

## SOUND BOARD OPERATORS WANTED

If technology is your thing, we have a place for you in our musical praise!! We are in need of people who would like to learn about our sound system and help during the worship services to make sure all our praise is heard! We will be holding a training session, so **contact Lynn at 701-570-1485** and let her know if you are willing to join the Sunday rotation in the sound booth. **PLEASE!!**





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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 178 bag lunches  
 the week of 5/6/19.

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**Soup Kitchen Ministry**  
 We fed 100 people on 5/11/19.

**Return Service Requested**

**The Flamingos are a Flocking!**

It's that time of year again when flocks of flamingos begin mysteriously arriving in the yards of unsuspecting church members. Please join in on the fun and take part in this fundraiser which helps support the youth summer trips. Participants of this event can pay \$20 to have someone else's yard "flocked" with flamingos. The flock will stay in the yard for 24 hours and then move on to a new location. Flamingo insurance may be purchased for \$40 to insure that NO flamingos end up in your yard. Or 'triple flock' a friend you really love for \$50. Members of our youth ministry programs will be selling both flockings and insurance after Sunday services.



By fundraising for our summer trips, we are able to help lower the cost (typically between \$400-\$450 per youth) for the youth who are going. Thank you for ALL that you do to support our youth ministry programs! Thank you especially for supporting the Flamingo Fundraiser!



**CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS!  
 NEXT MEETING IS MAY 27**



The prayer shawl group needs you! We meet the **4th Monday** of the month at **10:30 am** in McLeod Hall to knit/crochet together. We would love to have you come to our meetings. But... you don't need to be able to meet with us to participate. You can knit or crochet at home. There is lots of yarn in the closet at the church. So please help us bring comfort to others with the lap robes and prayer shawls that we create. Any pattern you would like to use would be fine, but we usually keep things pretty simple.

We want to continue to be able to meet the need for the prayer shawls so your help will be greatly appreciated! Call the church office at 294-3121 if you have questions.