

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

## Tower Chimes

Week of May 21, 2017

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131 Years of Ministry

### Dr. Steven R. Negley Senior Pastor

Dr. C. Alan Harvey Associate Pastor

Dr. James G. Manor Parish Associate

> Lynn M. McCoy Director of Music Ministries

Evelyn W. McMullen Interim Director of Christian Education

> Cheryce D. Harris Interim Director of Student Ministries

Connie J. Shipley Administrative Assistant

> Rose S. Flynn Office Assistant

Sammy D. Bryant Director of Maintenance

Kathy L. Jackson Custodian

# The Session has called for a Congregational M



The Session has called for a Congregational Meeting to be held this **Sunday, May 21, at 10:55 a.m**. in the sanctuary to hear the report of the Nominating Committee for the election of Elders, Deacons, and members-at-large to the churchwide Nominating Committee. The following slate will be presented by the Nominating Committee:

### ELDER (Class of 2020)

Richard Baker, Justin Hoagland, Amanda Olmert, Lauren Schwenk, & Mary Bess Thompson.

### **DEACON (Class of 2020)**

Laura Frost, Cecelia Linn, David Nicholson, Karen Premuto, & Kevin Thomas.

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Class of 2018)**

Gene Aspy, Gannon Olmert, Jonathan Owen, Peggy Threlkel, & Heather Whitney.



## WELL DONE!

Also this **Sunday, May 21**, please plan to join us **as** we celebrate upcoming graduations with our church's High School Seniors. There will be a **special reception** in McLeod Hall from **10:30** – **10:50 a.m.** (during The Connection) and recognition during our morning worship services.



We hope you will add your voice as the church family congratulates these young people on a job well done.

### **OPPORTUNITIES** THIS WEEK

### Remember in Prayer **MEMBERS**

### Sunday, May 21

### HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION

8:15 a.m. Chapel Worship (Chapel) 9:15 a.m. The Connection (MH) 9:30 a.m. Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)

9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CE) 9:45 a.m. Children Sunday School (CE)

10:30 a.m. High School Senior's Reception (MH) 10:55 a.m. Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

5:30 p.m. HSYG (GC)

#### Monday, May 22

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

10:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl (MH)

#### Tuesday, May 23

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

5:15 p.m. Stephen Minister Leaders (MH)

6:15 p.m. Worship & Music (UR)

6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers (MH)

### Wednesday, May 24

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

10:45 a.m. Preschool Music (CE 103) 11:15 a.m. Preschool Music (CE 103)

5:30 p.m. MSYG (GC)

5:30 p.m. Community Outreach (MCR)

6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells (MS) 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, May 25

6:30 p.m. Praise & Worship Band (Sanctuary)

#### Friday, May 26

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

#### Saturday, May 27

2:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)

4:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen (737)

### PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Brenden Anderson Christian Anderson\ Karolina Crockett Samuel Crockett Zach Drum Robert Ferguson Stephanie Gillie

**Eddie Grav David Knowles** John Marotti KaitLin Marotti-Pitts **Ashton Pitts Shad Skinner Drew Stapor** 

Roger Able Camille Howe Barbara Roberts Maxie Adams **Earle Roberts** Jim Huff Kathy Andrews Kathy Jackson **Ed Rounsley Bob Beale** Martha Johnson Cynthia Saterbo Marilyn Schleifer Tom Brackett Joey Johnston Henry Braun Kelly Kennedy Joyce Shirah Mary Alice, Jaron, & Emma, Millie Carrier Peggy Kennedy Helen Champlain Toni Krieger Barbara A. Smith Tom Coffman Dena Lancashire Barbara H. Smith Charlie Darte Jackie Lawn Scott Strey Jana & Mike Easterling Larry Marshall Pam Tallent-Blackburn Jeanne Estes Gladys Meier Carolyn Thompson Bill Everhart Lynnis Mincey MaryBess Thompson & Margaret Goodman **Bev Morris** family **Shirley Turner** Matthew Gray Joan Murphy Jane Hayman Nancy Neale Lee Wilkinson Joyce Hayman Marie Williams Elizabeth Peters Marion Hearn Jackie Pinckney Nancy Williamson Frances Heath Al Porter Judy Winfree

### Keith Ray IN THE HOSPITAL: Spike Lucia & John Skipper

Doug Purnell

### Relatives & Friends

Retha Wright

Carlotta & Larry Bennett Bethany Owen's friend Jewel Bondurant Gale & Gwen Waters' friend Tom Brett Bill & Becky Everhart's friend Dana Cole's cousin Reese Burdette **Bruce Connor** Jane Hayman's friend Florence Curtis Stephany Alexander's mother Al Ellis Jim Threlkel's friend Raymond Fenstermaker Gale & Gwen Waters' grandson Cooper Hicks Mary Ellen Rowker's friend Laurie Hunt Polly Wilson's friend & Morgan Wilson's mother Julie Jenkins Gail Van Allen's friend Pete Kent Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew Mike Lane & family Jonathan Owen's brother-in-law Tia Tasso Litz Bob & Lisa Endres' niece Sharon Maulden Judy Winfree's sister Marilyn Morris Barbara Puckett's cousin Michael & Sadie O'Neil Dick & Nancy Shaw's friend Marilyn Pierson John & Marilyn Schleifer's daughter Mary Ellen Rowker's friend Madison Ruhl Susan Taylor Gannon Olmert's cousin Lisa Tocci Lynn Oakley's friend Kristy Turner Rick & Pat Reass' daughter Gary Webb Mathew Gray's father Marshall Wood Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend

### "Pull Yourself Together!"

Kay Hedden

Doris Hill

You've heard it a million times. Others may have said it to you or you may have said it to yourself. But things just aren't coming together. You're still hurting. You still feel like things are falling apart. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers who will walk with you, listen to you, and provide confidential one-to-one care, as you search through the pieces and find what is truly in your heart.

To learn more about Stephen Ministry for yourself 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, Les O'Neal, Barbara Perkins, or **Jean Strang.** Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!



### 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.



### PLEASE JOIN US FOR ONE OF OUR THREE WORSHIP SERVICES



### 8:15 a.m. ~ Chapel Worship

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

### 9:30 a.m. ~ Heart of Worship

A **Praise and Worship service** held in our sanctuary: Along with scripture, sermon, and prayers, the 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.

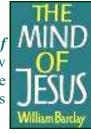
### 11:00 a.m. ~ Sanctuary Worship

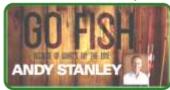
A **traditional worship service** held in our sanctuary: The service follows the same order as the 8:15 a.m. Chapel Service, and includes music from the Chancel Choir and the organ, as well as other instruments and groups.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

#### 9:30 a.m. ~ Adult

Please join the Perspectives Class studies at **9:30 a.m.** in the Geneva Room for *The Mind of Jesus* by William Barclay. "Jesus suffered, doubted, hoped, feared, dreamed, wept, knew loneliness, planned, and built. William Barclay achieves in *The Mind of Jesus* his aim "to make the figure of Jesus more vividly alive, so that we may know him better and love him more." This class is facilitated by Dr. Jim Threlkel and Glenn Thomas.





You are invited to join Lia and Jay Gray in Room 207 from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Andy Stanley's DVD will help the class learn a natural way to share our faith, making it an easy part of everyday life. Catch these thought-provoking sessions: Why Fish? . . . Fish Guts . . . Fishing Buddies.

#### 9:30 a.m. ~ Children

On Sunday mornings all children age three through fifth grade have a special music time with Ms. Lynn from 9:45-10 a.m.

**At 10 a.m. the Preschool Children** (ages 3 and 4) meet in Room 101 for their own time of Bible lesson, craft, snack, and playtime.

The **Elementary children** (kindergarten through fifth grade) are invited to experience the Sunday School curriculum called **252 Basics**. This curriculum is designed to provoke discovery and invite kids into a new understanding of how to grow in relationship with Jesus.



### F unT imers

### WILL HAVE MOVIE NIGHT

Tuesday Evening, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm



Join us in McLeod Hall for "An Old Fashioned Movie Night" featuring Sights and Sounds presents "Noah" and experience the wonder of this amazing Biblical drama. Enjoy hot Popcorn, Soda Pop, and Candy.

Admission: 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

### KIDZ SUMMER ESCAPE

Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

4 weeks of fun activities for ages 3 - 6.

June 27 & 29; July 11 & 13; July 18 & 20; July 25 & 27.

Donation:

\$130 for the 4-week session.



Registration is April 17 thru May 17. A \$50 deposit is due at registration. We must have at least 20 children registered to offer this program.

Questions? Please e-mail Evelyn McMullen at: dce@firstpreswh.org.

### THANK YOU!!

Have you noticed the beautiful butterfly paraments that are



used for the Heart of Worship service? They were made and designed by Cecelia Linn and Lia Gray.

Thank you so much for sharing your time and talents for worship!



## CAN YOU SPARE MONDAY MORNINGS?

Our **MOM** program needs a substitute caregiver for the months of **May and June**.

Do you love children?
Are you available
on Mondays
from
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.?

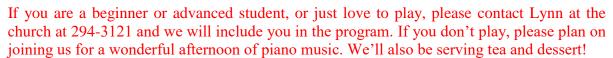
Please contact Carol Roe for details:

croe@wgroe.com



### **PIANO RECITAL**

We have recently completed the refurbishing of the Steinway piano that is in the chapel. We would love to celebrate the sounds of this beautiful instrument so we are planning a special Steinway piano recital for **June 4**<sup>th</sup> at **4:00 p.m.** 





### FIRST PRES YOUTH CHAIN OF LAKES CANOE COOKOUT



Join your Middle School and High School friends **Saturday**, **May 20** for a canoe adventure on the Winter Haven Chain of Lakes and backyard feast at **Mr. & Mrs. Carter's** house on Lake Mirror.

Please meet at the Golden Center at **noon** to take the bus to our lakefront launch. We will paddle our way through lakes and canals to land at the Carter's for games and a wonderful meal. We will return to the student center at 5 p.m.

To save your spot, email Dr. Negley at snegley@firstpreswh.org or text Mrs. Harris at 863-326-3941.

## SCENES FROM THIS YEAR'S

### CONFIRMATION













### ALL CHURCH RETREAT































Our Purpose Statement

First Presbyterian Church 637 6th Street, NW Winter Haven, FL 33881 863-294-3121 FAX 863-294-1105 www.firstpreswh.org office@firstpreswh.org

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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**Return Service Requested** 

Bag Lunch Ministry

We gave out 316 bag lunches the week of 5/8/17.

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 90 people on 5/12/17.

### SIGN UP YOUR CHILD NOW FOR VBS **AVALANCHE RANCH!**

June 18 - 22 from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. Registration forms are in McLeod Hall.

Mary Marrs & Katie Sparr are VBS directors this year and they need YOU to join us for our Wild Ride Through God's Word!

Visit the VBS Round-up in McLeod Hall during The Connection to chat with Mary and Katie about joining the VBS crew as a volunteer!







