



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

Tower Chimes

Week of October 23, 2016

Issue 600

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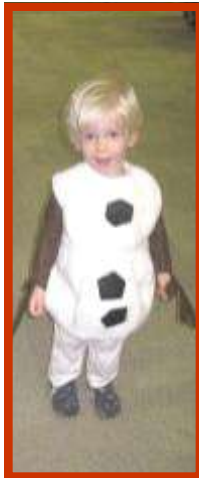
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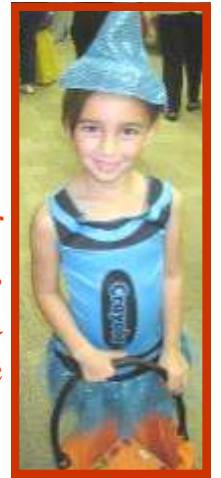
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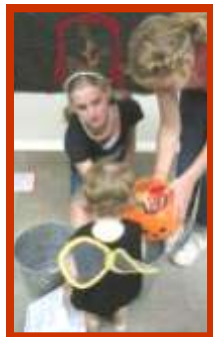
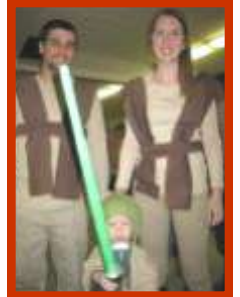
FALL-BULOUS FUN IS COMING...

Wednesday, October 26 during our annual **Fall Fest** from **5:30-7:30 p.m.** We will start the festivities with a pizza dinner at 5:30 p.m. Donations will be accepted. Fall Fest will begin at 6 p.m. with games, crafts, and Bible trivia.



Please be sure to bring your friends and family to this wonderful event. We will also have set-up that day beginning at 9 a.m.

Please RSVP for dinner by calling the church office at 294-3121 or filling out the form and placing it in the offering plate. If you can help out with set-up, please e-mail Amy McKee at amckee@firstpreswh.org.

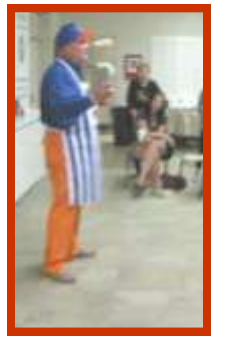


Please bring in individually wrapped candy or small prizes by Monday, October 24 to the church office or McLeod Hall.

We appreciate your help.

Name: _____

Attending: _____



CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 23

8:15 a.m. Chapel Worship (Chapel)
 9:15 a.m. The Connection (MH)
 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School
 9:30 a.m. Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)
 9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School (CE)
 11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
 4:30 p.m. HSYG Music Rehearsal (GC)
 5:30 p.m. HSYG (GC)

Monday, October 24

8:45 a.m. MOM
 10:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl (MH)
 2:00 p.m. Friendship Callers (MCR)

Tuesday, October 25

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)
 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)
 5:30 p.m. Stephen Minister Leaders (MH)
 6:15 p.m. Worship & Music (MS)
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers (MH)

Wednesday, October 26

8:45 a.m. MOM
 10:45 a.m. Preschool Music (CE 103)
 11:15 a.m. Preschool Music (CE 103)
 5:30 p.m. Community Outreach (MCR)
 5:30 p.m. Fall Fest Dinner (MH)
 6:00 p.m. Fall Fest (MH)
 6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells (MS)
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, October 27

1:15 p.m. Chapel Bells (MS)
 6:30 p.m. Praise and Worship Band
 (Sanctuary)

Friday, October 28

8:45 a.m. MOM
 6:30 p.m. Parents Night Out/Kids Night In (MH)

Saturday, October 29

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



Samuel Crockett
 Zach Drum
 Robert Ferguson
 Stephanie Gillie
 Eddie Gray
 David Knowles
 John Marotti
 KaitLin Marotti-Pitts
 Ashton Pitts
 Drew Stapor

Remember in Prayer

members

Roger Able	Frances Heath	Anthony Premuto
Maxie Adams	Doris Hill	Robert Ramseyer
Jonye Briggs	Camille Howe	Keith Ray
Millie Carrier	Jim Huff	Barbara Roberts
Helen Champlain	Joey Johnston	Earle Roberts
Meredith Clem	Sara Koon	Dave Ryan
Tom & Anamarie Coffman	Toni Krieger	Marilyn Schleifer
Charlie Darte	Dena Lancashire	Barbara A. Smith
Jana & Mike Easterling	Jackie Lawn	Barbara H. Smith
Bruce Eelman	Spike Lucia	Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Jeanne Estes	Larry Marshall	Carolyn Thompson
Bill Everhart	Dick McCauley	Shirley Turner
Lois Frakes	Jack Meadows	Jim Vobornik
Bill Garrett	Gladys Meier	Lee Wilkinson
Margaret Goodman	Lynn Mincey	Marie Williams
Jane Hayman	Joan Murphy	Retha Wright
Marilyn Hearn	Ed Partridge	

IN THE HOSPITAL: Bev Morris

Relatives & Friends

Kathy Andrews	Augie Andrews' daughter
Peggy Argudo	Gene Aspy's friend
Susan Bryan	Jim Francis' friend
Reese Burdette	Dana Cole's cousin
Anna Clawson & twins	Linda & Andy Stavres' granddaughter
Allen Cofiori	Gale & Gwen Waters' friend
Paul Darlington	Rick & Pat Reass' friend
Sarah Dubinsky	Linda & Andy Stavres' friend
Al Ellis	Jim Threlkel's friend
Raymond Fenstermaker	Gale & Gwen Waters' grandson
Richard Honer	Butz family's friend
Pete Kent	Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew
Nan Mason	Harvey & Mary Ann Snively's daughter
Cynthia McCaleb	Carolyn Thompson's daughter
Marisa Middaugh	Gene Aspy's niece
Kate & Johnny Olson	Toni Barger's friend
Kristy Turner	Rick & Pat Reass' daughter
Debbie Webb	Jonathan Owen's friend
Marshall Wood	Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend



Our Christian sympathy goes to Marile Weeks in the death of her brother, James Kattner who died Monday, September 25, 2016.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Maxie Adams, Steve, Alan, & John Adams, on the death of their husband, father, & brother, Bill Adams, who died Tuesday, October 10, 2016.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT – KIDS NIGHT IN...



will be held on **Friday evening, October 28** in McLeod Hall. This evening is for the parents to drop off their kiddos (ages three through fifth grade) so they can have a little time of time on their own and the children will have a fun evening with games, crafts, and snacks. We will provide **FREE** childcare from **6-8:30 p.m.**

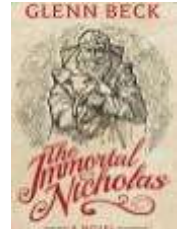
You must pre-register your child/children by calling Amy McKee at 294-3121 or email amckee@firstpreswh.org by Wednesday, October 26. We are looking forward to a great night!

OM, OM BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the OM, OM Book Club is **Monday, November 21 at 3 pm** in the back of McLeod Hall.

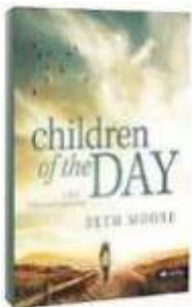
We will enjoy light refreshments and discuss the book *The Immortal Nicholas* by Glenn Beck.

Be sure to call the church office if you plan to attend.



FALL WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY HERE

Children of the Day by Beth Moore



The New Testament believers carried the Spirit of God as they walked along the shores of Thessalonica, just as we carry that light today when we're grocery shopping, having coffee, or picking up children. Your circumstances and conditions are not coincidental in your journey. God's timing is impeccable. Join us in a 9 session video/discussion study with author Beth Moore on the Thessalonian shores as we face real crises, real medical diagnoses, real afflictions, real relationships, real doubts, real concerns, and real fears. Let the tide wash your eyes with fresh vision. Don't let pride or timidity come between you and the presence of God.

If you would like to attend please contact Lia Gray at uncpair@gmail.com or call 318-1541.

Optional study books will be about \$18.

We will meet in the *Golden Center* (on 6th Street between the Christian Education and Soup Kitchen buildings.)

All meeting times are from 9am - 11am and will meet: **October 20, November 3 & 17, December 1 & 15, January 12 & 26, February 9 & 23.**

CIRCLE MEETINGS HAVE RETURNED

Lydia Circle meets the **2nd Monday of each month at 10 a.m.** in McLeod Hall.

November 14 is the next meeting.

Joy Circle meets the **3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.** at the home of Carol Carter. **November 15** is the next meeting.

We will be using the PW Horizons Bible study titled: "*Who Is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes*" written by the Rev. Dr. Judy Yates Siker. Join us as we



journey through the New Testament, looking at Jesus through a number of various lenses and how these different perspectives impact our understanding of who Jesus is.

The study books are now available for \$8.00.

Contact either Carol Carter at 299-4253 or Sue McClew at 875-6176 for your copy.

ACOLYTES ARE NEEDED...

for the 9:30 & 11 am services. All children in first through fifth grade are invited to participate.

If your child needs a training session, please contact

Amy McKee. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the CE building by the CE desk area.



SIGN UP YOUR CHILD FOR CHRIST KIDS

Christ Kids is offered every **Wednesday afternoon from 3-5:30 p.m.** Children can join us any time before 4:30 on Wednesday afternoons. From 3-3:40 is outdoor recreation and snack on the Playground.

From 3:45-4:15 the children in third through fifth grade have music time with Ms. Lynn. From 4-4:15 the younger children have circle and sharing time. Then at 4:15 they switch, the older kids have circle and sharing time and the younger children have music with Ms. Lynn. At 4:30 p.m. all the children ages four through fifth grade are dismissed to their various classes where they have a Bible lesson and craft.



Please contact Amy McKee for more information 294-3121.



SAVE THE DATE...

Jingle Java Jam = **December 4**
Come to the Stable = **December 10**



OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE

THE CONNECTION

Are you looking for an opportunity to share in fellowship with other members and friends of First Pres? If you answered, "YES" then we have a perfect opportunity for you. We are looking for folks to help "Oversee the Connection" time on Sunday mornings. We need your help setting out the food on platters and making sure that the trays have enough goodies on them throughout the morning.



The actual Connection time runs from 9:15-10:45 a.m. We would need your help starting around 8:30 a.m. to get all of the goodies out on trays. Please contact the church office at 294-3121 and speak to Alan Harvey or Amy McKee for more information. Thank you in advance for your faithful service!



ARE YOU A TECHIE???



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](tel:701-570-1485) and let her know if you are willing to join the Sunday rotation in the sound booth.

PLEASE!!

STAGE SET-UP FOR PRAISE & WORSHIP ORDINARILY ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON-EVENINGS

- I can help set up stage and put on skirting
- I can help with displaying banners and paraments
- I can help move podium, communion table, musician stands, and stools



Name: _____ Best Contact Information: _____

2016 DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!!!

You can pick up your directory in the Edinburgh Room.
They are in stacks labeled with the family name in alphabetical order.

If you do not find a directory with your family name on it and need one, please write your name and phone number on the form at the end of the table or call the church office at 294-3121.



GREAT NEWS FOR CTTS FANS!



After some months of angst the Community Outreach Committee is happy to report that this year's productions of *Come to the Stable and to Bethlehem Square* **will not be void of animals!**

Once again you will be able to feel the sheep's wool and trace the cross on the donkey's back. We were beginning to think that we would use wooden animals, but thanks to investigative work by **Kelli Ivey** we will have living and breathing animals for the December 10.

We thank all of those who have offered trailer/transportation, goats, donkeys and "leads" to where we might find these four-legged players for our telling of the Nativity of Jesus Christ. Thanks one and all so much!



COMMUNION TO THE FURTHEST PEW RECAP

As readers of the bulletins and Tower Chimes, you no doubt saw the article on the **Communion to the Furthest Pew** that appeared in editions leading up to World Communion Sunday October 2. This new initiative suggested by the Community Outreach Committee and approved by Session was to offer the Lord's Supper on an organized regular basis to those who are homebound or confined to health care facilities. It is a new program and we had only one request this time, but pastor, elder and recipients were moved by this celebration.

On Tuesday October 4, **Associate Pastor Alan Harvey and Elder Ellen Zeller** took communion to new members **Ann and Jack Meadows** at Palm Garden Rehab Center. On a secluded porch gathered around a table we became better acquainted with one another and felt the Spirit's presence as we shared the sacrament in a brief service. Ellen remarked, *"The initial visit to a couple at Palm Garden on Tuesday was a mini communion service that very meaningful to all participants."* Ann and Jack were most appreciative and agreed to be photographed to encourage others to participate in future celebrations of Communion to the Furthest Pew.



The next time for Communion to the Furthest Pew will follow the church's celebration of the sacrament on Sunday March 5, 2017, and extending through Friday March 10. Look for notices in the Tower Chimes and the bulletins a few weeks ahead of that time for **members** to phone in your request to receive the Lord's Supper and for **officers** to join ministers in the homebound celebration of Holy Communion.

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

Music for the very young Wednesday 10:45-11:15 & 11:15-11:45 (Drop-ins welcome at 10:45)

Lynn does a special music class for the Morning Out Moms' children. Drop-ins are welcome to attend the music session. Singing, movement, pre-reading skills, story time, and playing a variety of non-pitched instruments makes music time fun. Traditional and contemporary children's Christian songs provide a wealth of resources.



Children Wednesday Christ Kids and Sunday School

Children from preschool through grade 5 participate in music activities using singing, instruments and movement. They regularly participate in the worship service with their offering of praise through song. They use a variety of percussion instruments, ukulele, guitar and recorders to encourage music reading and to develop their musical talents. There is also a Christ Kids Ringers ensemble for hand bells.

Youth Sunday 4:30

The Youth meet on Sunday prior to Youth group in the Golden Center. Any high school or middle school youth who are interested in singing or playing an instrument are invited to come and join. The Youth regularly share their praise with song during worship service. Resources include a variety of musical styles from classical to contemporary Christian. There are many opportunities to use your talents in a large group or small ensemble so come and join a great group of kids! High School youth are also invited to join the adult Chancel choir and Chancel and Chapel Bells.

Adult Chancel Choir meets on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** and **Sunday a half hour before service.** Anyone from high school age and up is welcome to join a wonderful fellowship of praise through song. There is no audition required. The Chancel Choir regularly sings at the 11:00 service and special events throughout the year. The Choir will be singing at the 2016 Jingle Java Jam in December, Disney Candlelight Processional, and this year we will present a joint concert with Haines City Presbyterian Church – stay tuned!



Hand Bells. We have two adult hand bell groups. Chancel Bells meets on **Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.** and Chapel Bells meets on **Thursday at 1:15 p.m.** High School through adult ages are welcome. Both groups play regularly for Sunday worship service and for special occasions. We have space for beginners and advanced ringers. You just need to make a commitment to the rehearsal schedule! We have a special Spring Ring planned for April 2017!



Praise and Worship Band. We have a new opportunity this year for those who are interested in playing or singing contemporary Christian music. There is weekly rehearsals on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and music will be shared at our Praise and Worship service on Sunday morning. Please contact Lynn if you are interested in joining this group on a regular or drop-in basis. This is a new and exciting opportunity for musicians in our church.

Solo and Small Ensemble Voice/Instrumental opportunities

If you are a youth with 3 years band experience or an adult who used to play, and any singers who are unable to commit to regular choir rehearsals, we would love to have you join one of our small music ensembles. We use piano, keyboard or organ in every service and we welcome and encourage those with keyboard skills.

There are opportunities every Sunday to share your talent during worship service. Please contact Lynn at 701-570-1485 and we will find a place for you to share your praise on Sunday morning.



REMEMBER THE ANGEL VAN MINISTRY

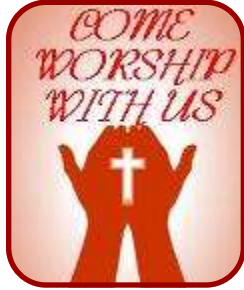
The Angel Van is a service deacons provide for adults who have no means of transportation to and from our Sunday worship.

Those who would like to take advantage of this service need to call the office at 294-3121 by noon on Fridays. Your request will be relayed to the deacon driving on that Sunday and the deacon will contact you by telephone on Saturday to confirm your desire to be transported and to arrange the time of pick up for our Summer Worship Service at 10 a.m. Please let us know if we can be of service to you.



HERE'S WHAT YOU'LL FIND EACH SUNDAY MORNING!

WORSHIP SERVICES



8:15 a.m.

Chapel Worship

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

9:30 - 10:25 a.m.

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 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.

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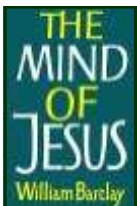
9:15 – 10:45 a.m.

An extended fellowship time in McLeod Hall which will offer a coffee bar type selection with different flavors, creamers, pastries, etc. It will be a gathering place before (or after) worship, and between worship and Sunday School for some. Videos of church activities will be playing on a loop in McLeod Hall. Hosts will 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.



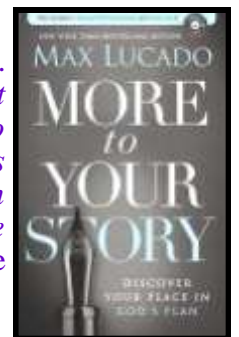
SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPOTUNITIES

9:30 a.m. – Adult



The Perspectives Class studies, **The Mind of Jesus** by William Barclay. Please join this class in the Geneva Room at 9:30 a.m. "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.

Max Lucado – More to Your Story DVD study will be held October 23 – November 27. Rick and Pat Reass will lead this class. *Car pools and car crashes. Job changes and joint custody. Life can feel overwhelming and inconsequential. But bestselling author Max Lucado says there's more to your story than the chaos, confusion, and clutter of daily life. Your life is a crafted narrative written by a great God, who is working toward your supreme good. Join Max on a journey through the great promises of the New Testament and discover your place in God's plan. Everything changes when you see how your story fits with God's story. Come join in fellowship and discussion in Room 207 of the CE building.*



9:45 – Children

On Sunday mornings all children age three through fifth grade will 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 a brand new Sunday School curriculum called **252 Basics**. This new curriculum is designed to provoke discovery and invite kids into a new understanding of how to grow in relationship with Jesus. We look forward to you all joining us on Sunday mornings!



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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
292 bag lunches the week of 10/10/16

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 121 people on 10/15/16

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW CUSTODIAN

Please join us in welcoming Kathy Jackson to our church staff as our new custodian.



Kathy may be familiar to many of you as she has worked for the City of Winter Haven for the past dozen years primarily at city hall and the library.

Kathy is now bringing her skills to First Pres to help us maintain our beautiful church facilities. As you are here at the church on Sunday or during the week, please introduce yourself to Kathy, and add your own welcome to this newest member of our First Pres family.