



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

Tower Chimes

Week of October 29, 2017

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131 Years of Ministry

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Please plan to join us on Sunday, October 29 for our first
Fifth Sunday First Pres Family Gathering

**On this (and every fifth Sunday), we will have a
single worship service followed by a fellowship luncheon**

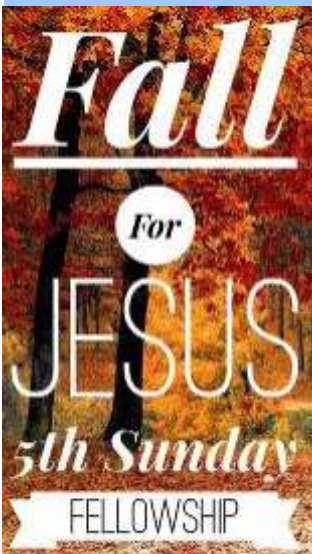
At the **Single 10:00 a.m. Worship Service** you will be able to catch up with all your First Pres friends. The service that Sunday will feature a unique order of worship with elements from our other services such as: several opening songs with our Praise Band, the Children's Singers and Chimes, an anthem presented by our Chancel Choir, Sermon, Time with Younger Disciples, prayers by our pastors, and a closing hymn accompanied on our pipe organ.

At **11:15 a.m.**, we hope to continue fellowship with our First Pres family and friends, with a **Congregation-wide Fellowship Luncheon in McLeod Hall**. This Sunday's meal (chicken tetrazzini, green beans, rolls, and cake for dessert) will be served family style at our round tables.

No reservations requested or required. (There will be plenty of food. Any leftovers will be used by our Senior High Youth for their Sunday night meal, our Middle School Youth for their Wednesday night meal, or our Saturday Soup Kitchen.)

Dr. Steve Negley will be the head cook for the October 29 Fifth Sunday Meal. If you want to join him in preparation (Saturday, October 28) or final cooking (Sunday, October 29) call him at 294-3121, or send him an email at snegley@firstpreswh.org to volunteer.

We hope you will join us for this great day of faith, friendship, and fellowship on October 29!



OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 29

10:00 a.m. Single Worship (Sanctuary)
11:15 a.m. Congregation-wide Luncheon (MH)
5:30 p.m. HSYG (GC)

Monday, October 30

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

Tuesday, October 31

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

Wednesday, November 1

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)
10:45 a.m. Preschool Music (CE103)
3:00 pm Christ Kids (CE)
5:00 p.m. Christ Kids Singer & Ringers
Practice (Sanctuary)
5:30 p.m. MSYG (GC)
6:00 p.m. APNC (ER)
6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, November 2

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

Friday, November 3

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

Saturday, November 4

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

DON'T FORGET 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 10:30 a.m. service. Please let us know if we can be of service to you.

Remember in Prayer

MEMBERS

Marie Able	Bryan Howard	Beverly Seagreaves
Roger Able	Camille Howe	Joyce Shirah
Maxie Adams	Jim Huff	Mary Alice & Emma
Kathy Andrews	Kelli Ivey	Skipper
Kathleen Avinger	Martha Johnson	Barbara A. Smith
Bill Brack	Joey Johnston	Barbara H. Smith
Tom Brackett	Peggy Kennedy	Nell Speer
Henry Braun	Toni Krieger	Scott Strey
Carol Carter	Dena Lancashire	Carol Switalski
Helen Champlain	Kathy Lockhart	Barbara Tackett
Tom Coffman	Spike Lucia	Jay Tackett
Gail Damkjer	Larry Marshall	McKenzie Tackett
Yolanda Dyer	Lynnis Mincey	Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Jana & Mike Easterling	Bev Morris	Carolyn Thompson
Jeanne Estes	Joan Murphy	Shirley Turner
Bill Everhart	Nancy Neale	Jane Whitney
Clyde Greene	Barbara Perkins	Lee Wilkinson
Frances Heath	Keith Ray	Judy Winfree
Kay Hedden	Barbara Roberts	Retha Wright
Doris Hill	Earle Roberts	
Ranell Hillman	Marilyn Schleifer	

IN THE HOSPITAL: Roger Able & John Skipper

Relatives & Friends

Robert Allen	Denise Cole's father
Mike & Linda Bechtel	Marie Able's sister & brother-in-law
Reese Burdette	Dana Cole's cousin
Al Ellis	Jim Threlkel's friend
Kevin Ehrlich	Rossanne Gorsky's son
Raymond Fenstermaker	Gale & Gwen Waters' grandson
Judy Hatcher	Kelli Ivey's mother
Donna Stuart-Jackson	Becky Everhart's friend
Pete Kent	Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew
Matt Krchmar	Tom & Jeri Oldt's friend
Fred Meier	Sarah Rennie's father
Morgan Moats	Edna Mitchell's granddaughter
Anna Robinson	Punkin Smith's friend
Alisa Sheaffer	Punkin Smith's friend
Rebecca Stone	Pat Reass' friend
Kristy Turner	Rick & Pat Reass' daughter
Monnie Vail	Bob & Marilyn Sheffield's friend
John Waters	Gale & Gwen Waters' nephew
Marshall Wood	Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend

Zach Anaya
Brenden Anderson
Christian Anderson
Karolina Crockett
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





SOUP KITCHEN NEEDS

November 4 & 25: Need Head Cook and Assistants

November 18: Need Assistants

Won't You Help Us Feed Hungry People?

Please Sign Up On The Deacon's Board In McLeod Hall.

God Bless You and Thank You!



CIRCLE MEETINGS HAVE RETURNED

Lydia Circle - **Second Monday, November 13 at 10 a.m.** in McLeod Hall

Joy Circle - **Third Tuesday, November 21 at 9:30 a.m.** at the home of Carol Carter

We will be using the PW Horizons Bible study titled: "*Cloud of Witnesses - The Community of Christ Hebrew*" written by Melissa Bane Sevier. In nine lessons, the author invites us to explore major themes found in Hebrews, relate these themes to other parts of our faith tradition, and tie them together with the overarching motif of community.



The study books are available for \$10. Contact either Carol Carter at 299-4253 or Sue McClew at 875-6176 for your copy.

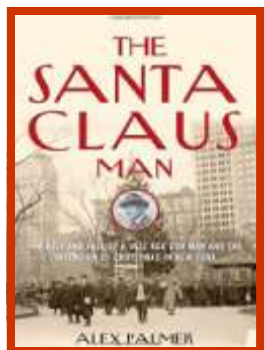
LAST OM, OM BOOK DISCUSSION CLUB OF 2017



You are invited to join us **November 20** as we examine *The Santa Claus Man* by Alex Palmer. A copy or copies should soon be available for check out in the library.

Should you wish to order a copy you may contact Jonathan o Bethany Owen in the library.

We will meet in the back of McLeod Hall for this discussion and light refreshments.

Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the church office at 294-3121 or e-mailing at office@firstpreswh.org.



 **Save the date for
Jingle Java Jam
December 3 at 4 p.m.** 

OUR STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE READY TO CARE FOR YOU!

Stephen Ministers are members of First Presbyterian Church who have been through extensive training and provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to people who are experiencing a difficult time. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and provide weekly support for you as long as your need persists.

If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by calling 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 bring God's love and care into your life.



What WE do – Thanks to YOU

A celebration of generosity and ministry

What WE do ... in Worship

When we read the history of First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven, the story is punctuated with references to WORSHIP.

Less than a month after our church was organized in December of 1886, the first public worship service was held in a room over a downtown Winter Haven store. **In the course of our church's first year, the location of public worship included a hotel and a tomato packing house. By 1893, a permanent house of worship was completed and now we gather each Lord's Day in a sanctuary where God has been worshiped for over 90 years.**

Our history is one that is rich with WORSHIP, and gathering to adore and praise God continues to be the cornerstone upon which our life together is built.

Worship at First Presbyterian Church is an every Sunday event (and some special times in between). In our Sunday morning worship services, we gather for spiritual fellowship in the family of God. In the chapel, at 8:15 am, during our Heart of Worship service at 9:30 am, and in our traditional Sanctuary worship at 11:00 am, we lift our hearts and souls in prayer and praise to God. We are aided in our worship by incredible music from organ, piano, guitar, drums, bells and other instruments, as well as ensembles and choirs. We come to focus our lives again on God, and then we go out to live for God in the world.

Our worship life also includes special services on Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, and the Services of Healing and Wholeness.

Thanks to YOU ...

Thanks to the generous contributions of our members and friends, our church will be able to investment nearly \$350,000 in the ministry of worship in 2018. This includes the cost of worship supplies such as music, materials, and **training for our church's choirs, vocal and instrumental with children and adults.** Our investment in worship also encompasses the costs related to having the services of pastors, a praise band, and a full-time Director of Music Ministries. In addition, church members annually volunteer over 6000 hours as ushers/greeters, worship leaders, and members of our various choirs so that we can worship God here at First Pres.



NOVEMBER

Birthdays

11/1	George Butz Benjamin Jax Judith Suprina	11/11	Rosalind McCoy Judith Shull	11/2	Jay Pearson George Seagraves
11/2	Ellen Miller	11/12	Ellie Hoagland Oliver Hodges	11/22	Clyde Greene Greg Marrs Mandy Matha Steve Negley Morris Reddout Suzann Threadgill
11/3	Stephany Alexander Erin Miller Connie Shipley Karla von Hahmann	11/13	Dru Gainey Gary Gardner Sy Gray IV Carol Lind	11/23	Preston Allen Kim Zimmerman
11/5	Missie Snively	11/14	Jason Upfield Ricky Montney, III	11/24	Adam Hahn Jonathan McKee
11/6	Amanda Price Hanley Renney	11/15	Phyllis Legg Carly Salomon Hope Stapor Judy Winfree	11/25	Sharon Bogey
11/7	Patti Herndon Nikki Hoagland Josh Lockhart	11/16	Cameron Weeks	11/26	Eliezer Bilancio Paula Forrest Penn Tucker
11/8	Ben Crowder Jimmy Hankin Chris Larson Judie Tucker	11/17	Henry Braun Jaleeann Johnston	11/27	David Dershimer Tracy Mercer Chuck Tate
11/9	Carolyn Hatch Carole Marotti Amy Speer	11/18	Aaron Andrews Judy Partridge	11/28	Debora Pearson Bliss Roe Louise Volpe
11/10	Ginnie Hodges Beth Luxford Padgell Palo Greg Prather	11/19	Leonard Gann Regina Keplinger Will Rowker Christopher Turner	11/29	Jackson Gainey Wade Groetsch
11/11	Cheryl Beckert Zane McCann	11/20	Todd Dantzler Elaine Dustin Marie Williams	11/30	Bob Hubbard Tish Turner
		11/21	Charley Chilton		

Anniversaries

11/1	Joni & Leonard Gann Nancy & Ken Jorgensen	11/22	Marie & Roger Able Candy & Larry Marshall
11/8	Mary Ann & James Koon	11/23	Punkin & Squire Smith
11/9	Lesley & Andy Johnston	11/25	Deborah & Terry Rayfield Mary Ann & Harvey Snively
11/12	Janet & Bob Howard Kay & Jay Stine	11/26	Cynthia & Stephen Saterbo
11/16	Laura & James Powell	11/27	Gayle & Bill Johnston Arletta & Joe Oriani
11/17	Karen & Tony Premuto	11/30	Janet & Michael Lawlor
11/18	Kathryn & Kevin Thomas		
11/20	Kelly & Hamp Walker		

Worship (and more) on the Lord's Day



8:15 a.m. Chapel Worship

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

9:30 - 10:25 a.m. Heart of Worship

A Praise and Worship service is held in our sanctuary. Along with scripture, sermon, and prayers, a 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 is 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.

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.



SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

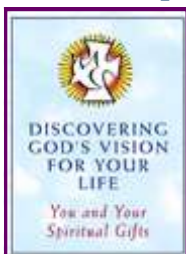


For Kids: We are getting to know some amazing Bible characters this fall: Hannah, Samuel, Saul, David, and Solomon. Short videos, music, art, and Bible activities will keep the kids coming back for more!

If your family attends the 9:30 a.m. service, kids age 4 and older worship with their families for the first part of the service. After the "Time with Younger Disciples," age 4 through grade 5 may be dismissed to the Christian Education building for music and classes until 10:45 a.m.

If your family attends the 11:00 a.m. service, come to the CE Building for music and classes from 10:00 until 10:45 a.m.

For Adults: Who is the real Jesus? How can we experience the mystery, complexity, and richness of his spirituality and teachings in our lives today? *Living Jesus: Learning the Heart of the Gospel* by Luke Timothy Johnson elucidates the mystery of Jesus' resurrection and its central role in the Christian experience. It explores the diversity and fullness of the New Testament views of Christ, revealing how each book's perspective can deepen our understanding of Jesus. Profoundly insightful, *Living Jesus* offers valuable lessons on how we can accept the Gospels' powerful invitation to an authentic Christian spirituality. Join us in the Geneva Room from **9:30 until 10:30 a.m.**



Also for Adults: To whom are spiritual gifts given? What is the purpose of spiritual gifts? How can I be sure which particular spiritual gifts I have? What does the Bible say about each of the spiritual gifts? These questions are some of the ones discussed by a new 8 week Sunday School Class. Join us **THIS Sunday, at 9:30 a.m.** in Room 207 of the Educational Building. There is a fee of \$12 to cover the cost of the book.

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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 196 bag lunches
the week of 10/16/17.

Return Service Requested

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 77 people on 10/21/17.

CHRIST KIDS SINGERS & RINGERS



We have a great start this year with our children's music program! Please add October 29th, December 3rd and December 24th to your calendar activities. All the children will sing at the "5th Sunday" at **10:00 a.m. on October 29**. The children will also sing for the Jingle Java Jam at 4:00 p.m. on December 3 and for the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service on

December 24. The Christ Kids Ringers will play and sing with all the children for the first "5th Sunday" service on October 29 at 10:00 a.m.

We will have a rehearsal on October 25 at 5:00 p.m. before the Fall Fest begins for the ringers. They will also ring for the 11:00 a.m. service on November 12. Thank you for your support, the children did a wonderful job sharing their talents in praise this past Sunday!

NEXT *Fun Times* SUNDAY, November 5 @ 12 p.m.

Because of our late lunch time, we suggest you bring a snack. We will meet in McLeod Hall and travel to the **Bartow Civic Center** for a concert by the **Bartow Adult Band** and then to **Ruby Tuesday's** for lunch. The only cost is your lunch.

Please make your reservation by this Wednesday, November 1, by calling the church office at 294-3121, e-mailing the church at office@firstpreswh.org, or filling out this tear-off and dropping in the offering plate.



Name: _____ # Attending: _____