

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are so glad that you are here!

Please take a minute to fill out the friendship pad in your pew and pass it along to others.

Our desire is to serve you and your family as you seek to grow in your faith.

Please speak to the pastor if you would like to become a member of this community of faith.

WORSHIP TODAY

Flowers today are given to the glory of God and presented by Virgil & Lou Cammack in celebration of their 56th wedding anniversary,

The Barnabas Cards are also located in the pews. They are used like thinking-of-you cards. Fill out the person's name on the front and place it in the offering plate. A volunteer will address it and mail it for you.

Remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Health concerns: Norma Shepherd; Jackie Sydnor; Brenda McCaleb; Deanna Herreth; Sue Miller; Jamie Jamison; Frances Jamison; Kelsey Hilson; Kirsten Hilson; Dean Pogue; Jim Tinney; Betty Abramchuk; Dr. Jack Walker; Christopher Finch; Sally Carr; Jimmy Gilchrest; Susan Robinson; Dianne Bunnell; Aaron-Nathaniel Arambula; Cassandra Guice; Pat Clark; Doris Reed; Carrie Walker; Nancy Heeth; Rachel Herreth; Vicki Jones; Virgil Cammack; Olga Pate; Dave Askine; Trey Cooper; and Glenn Williams.

WORSHIP HELPS

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me..." At First Presbyterian Church, we believe that children enrich worship within the full faith community. In them, Christ is present for us. We also believe that children learn best to worship by worshipping! Therefore, all adults and youth are encouraged to help our young children experience the rhythms and rituals of worship: finding and standing for hymns, being still when we pray, and learning responses. Following "Chancel Time with Children", children are invited to take a Children's Bulletin from Pastor Jim and a worship bag or notebook to draw them further into the remainder of worship. Younger children (under 5) may go to the nursery in Room 1, if desired.

Bibles and hearing enhancement devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Coffee is available before and after worship in the fellowship hall.

FPC Event Calendar

Today	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Handbells	12:15 pm
	Grief Recovery Group	1:00 pm
	Removal of the Greens	3:00 pm
Monday, January 4	Committee Meetings	6:45 pm
	Tuesday, January 5	PW Board Mtg.
Wednesday, January 6	Bend & Be Fit	11:30 am
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 pm
	Deacon's Mtg.	6:00 pm
	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer Group	11:00 am
	De-Cluttering Group	6:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, January 7	Men's Breakfast at Frank's	7:00 am
	Bend & Be Fit	11:30 am
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 pm
Sunday, January 10 <i>Ordination & Installation of Officers</i>	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Pot Luck Lunch	12:00 pm
	YGAC	12:00 pm
	Confirmation Class	2:00 pm

We will be celebrating The Lord's Supper January 17th during the Worship Services.

It is almost the end of the year. Statements thru mid-November have been mailed. Year-end statements will go out in January.

As of November 30, 2015:

Operating Budget:	Total Income: \$367,576	Total Expenses: \$370,047
Organ Repair Fund:	Total Needed: \$ 56,925	Total Collected \$ 50,175

Thanks to all who turned in pledges. This really helps me prepare the estimate for next year, which in turns sets the budget. It is not too late, if you still would like to turn your card in. You can mail it, leave it in my box or drop it in the offering plate. They are located in the pews or here in the office. All 2015 offerings and 2016 pre-pledges must be in my office by 12/31/2015 to receive credit for this year.

FRIDGE NOTES 1-3-16 Second Sunday after Christmas Day

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church.

*We pray that our eyes may be opened to see the wonder of the world around us...
to connect with, commit to, and celebrate Emmanuel...God With Us.*



Worshipping God With Open Eyes this Christmas Season and Beyond There are many ways to pray...with words, silence, music, and movement, to name a few. We can also pray with our eyes, sometimes called “visio divina” or “sacred gazing”. This morning, as you reflect on the images on the screens, prayerfully look for glimpses of God’s presence. May we be open to the majesty and mystery of God’s world here in worship as well as when we walk out the doors today. A special thanks to all who have submitted photos for our sanctuary screens. As always, if you have an image that somehow reflects God’s glory and presence, please send it to the office. We’d love to add your photos to the weekly rotation.

Spread the Good News! FPC Youth invite you to pick up a few discount cards to area restaurants and activities. For a love offering (any amount) you are encouraged to take some cards and share them with neighbors, teachers and friends. Proceeds will offset the cost of camps and conferences, but even more, the cards share the good news of the ministries here and through FPC. Thanks for spreading the joy!

Brown Bag Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, January 6, 2016.

Committees meet tomorrow night, January 4th at 6:45. We’ll begin in the sanctuary for opening prayers and announcements, then travel to other spaces for an hour or so of prayerful planning. All youth and adults are encouraged to be part of shaping the life of the church here at FPC.

PW Board will meet this Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 9:30 am. The day and night circles will meet on January 12th at 9:30 am and 7:00 pm.

Want to Simplify Your Life in 2016? Come be part of the FPC Decluttering Group this Wednesday, January 6, in Room 11, from 6-7 p.m. On the first Wednesday of each month, we support one another in letting go of what we no longer need and we learn to keep that which adds joy, purpose and meaning to our lives. We share our successes as well as our challenges, AND we share a lot laughter! Curious? Come for inspiration and friendship as we begin a brand new year together.

FIRST SUNDAY DINNER OF 2016 WILL BE JANUARY 10, 2016..In conjunction with Church Officer Installation and Ordination, First Sunday Dinner will actually be Second Sunday Dinner in January. This will be a Pot Luck so please bring your favorite entrée, side dish or dessert on Sunday, January 10, 2016.

Youth Group After Church (YGAC) Resumes Next Sunday! All 6th-12th graders are encouraged to stay for the all-church potluck lunch then meet until 2 p.m. in The Oasis. As always, friends are welcome!

Confirmation Class to Begin Next Sunday, January 10 at 2 p.m. (Following YGAC) Confirmation is a time for a young person to explore and discover in new ways what it means to follow Jesus Christ. It is an important milestone in a young person’s faith journey. All 6th-12th graders (and their parents/grandparents) who are interested in (or curious about) the new class are invited to stay after Youth Group for a one hour introduction and overview. A schedule and details will be given on this day. Questions? Contact Jim or Jo Ann Currie

Brunch & Book Group, Saturday, January 16, from 10-12 noon. The group will be fed in body and spirit as we discuss *Imperial Woman* by Pearl S. Buck. Newcomers are always welcome!

Financial News...For those of you requesting giving envelopes for 2016, they will be located on the table in the Narthex. If you still need envelopes let Kimberly or Marvin know. Thanks to all who gave through Bethlehem Market. We collected and forwarded \$4,789.00!

A Library Invitation...Ruth Askine is our FPC librarian. To enrich the season, she has done an amazing job of pulling out the Christmas books from our collection and has put them in three places around the church building: in the back of the sanctuary, on the carts in the fellowship hall reading corner, and in the library itself. For a time of rest and renewal this season, stop by one of these places, sit down and read a story...alone or with a child.

Looking for Some Peace & Quiet? If so, you are invited walk through our interactive prayer stations at the back of the sanctuary. Whenever the doors of the building are open, you are welcome to come in for a time of reflection and prayer...whether for ten minutes, an hour or an afternoon. ***“Be still, and know that I am God”*** is an open invitation to all.