

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 Don & Jane Christopher in celebration of their 49th 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; Dean Pogue; Jim Tinney; Betty Abramchuk; Elois Murray; Dr. Jack Walker; Shelly Childers; Christopher Finch; Sally Carr; Garland DeLoach; Jimmy Gilchrest; Henry Kreitz; Susan Robinson; Sue Clark; and Joe Wallace.

Loss of a loved one: the Jamison family

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 worshiping! 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.

Worship Attendance: 8/16/15: 96

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) has set up an account for receiving contributions to assist in the Texas Floods. Go to this website - <https://pda.pcusa.org/page/active-accounts/> and the link will be: DR000191-U.S. Flooding

FPC Event Calendar

Tuesday, August 25	Bend & Be Fit	11:30 am
	Prayer Shawl Ministry	2:00 pm
Wednesday, August 26	Intercessory Prayer Group	11:00 am
	75th Anniversary Planning Committee	5:45 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, August 27	Men's Breakfast at Franks	7:00 am
	Gathering Place/Common Ground	10:00 am
	Bend & Be Fit	11:30 am
	ECP - Meet the Teacher	6:30 pm
	Men's Bible Study (BR)	7:00 pm
Saturday, August 29	Men's Breakfast	8:00 am
Sunday, August 30	Worship	10:30 am
	Handbell Practice	12:15 pm

FRIDGE NOTES 8-23-15 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Today is Our Annual "Blessing of the Backpacks". As is our custom, today we will pray for those who are involved in education beyond our walls...students, teachers, administrators, custodians, bus drivers, crossing guards, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, volunteers in the schools and more. During the Chancel Time with Children, we invite anyone involved in education to come forward when you are called. If you brought a symbol of your work (backpack, laptop, briefcase) please feel free to bring it with you. May God bless all children, youth and adults in our community as we return to the rhythm of the school year. (FYI...We will pray for and commission our FPC educational ministry team, including our Early Childhood Program, during worship on Rally Day, September 13.)

A Day-Trip to Jasper This Wednesday, August 26, some of the women of FPC are going to Jasper to visit Liz Reed in her new home, have lunch in a local restaurant, and meet the pastor of the Presbyterian Church. So far, we have two cars going. If you'd like to reserve a space in one of the vehicles (or if you'd like to drive yourself and others) please contact Jo Ann Currie by tomorrow. We'll meet in the fellowship hall at 8:30 a.m. for the 2.5 hour trek and plan to be home by 5 p.m.

Attention Volunteers - The Gathering Place will meet on August 27th at 10:00 am. This month's theme is "My Summer Vacation." Volunteers please be at the church no later than 9:30 am on that morning.

Men's Breakfast at FPC...On August 29th at 8:00 am, the men will gather for their monthly breakfast/meeting. All men are welcome.

You Are Invited! All members and friends of First Presbyterian Church are invited to celebrate the marriage of Barry Webb and Joy Brink on Saturday, September 5, at 11 a.m. Please RSVP at Texasjoy6@gmail.com. May God bless them as they prepare for this new part of their journey.

Men's Breakfast...Every Thursday morning at 7 a.m. FPC Men gather for breakfast at Frank's Grill. All FPC men are invited to come and enjoy the food and the fellowship. It's a great way to start the day!

Worshipping God With Open Eyes Thanks to all who have sent photos for our sanctuary screens, adding a powerful visual dimension to our Sunday morning worship. If you have an image with enough open space to allow for words, we'd love to add it to the rotation of photos. May we be open to the beauty of God's world here in worship as well as when we walk out the doors today.

Soul Stories: 75 Years of Sowing Seeds of Hope The deadline for submitting your memories of FPC is *September 20th!* Please see details on the new table in the narthex.. Your stories are an important part of the spiritual history of our church. Thank you for sharing!

Kairos

Church Family,

How long do you go between the everyday and telling people how important they are? People matter, and more than that, they are more important than we are. It is time for us, as a family to move from the everyday, back to letting people know they matter. There is no better way then to tell them they are loved and valued. If you don't get to personally see them, then you can write a note of encouragement, sponsor them for a meal, sign a prayer chain, color a place mat, donate your personal time, bake cookies (Kairos approved only please) or just give financial support. When Christ said to love your neighbor as you love God, He didn't specify who your neighbor is. Get out of your everyday and let people know you are their neighbor and you care.

C.L.
Mark Corder

FUN FACTS at First

Pasadena Community Ministry (PCM) had its beginning in 1982 as a food drive to furnish the Food Pantry at 1st Christian Church.

"Fun Facts at First"

If you would like to submit "Fun Facts at 1st", please send them to:

Melba Slaven
ddsmls@aol.com
731-941-3666

75th Anniversary

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75th Anniversary Time Line...Please take a card from the baskets in the Fellowship Hall, or on the 75th Anniversary table in the narthex. Write the date and a special event in your life that took place at our church. It could be a wedding, a baptism, membership date, youth mission trip, etc. Use the available sticky items to place the card on the proper decade on the Time Line in the Fellowship Hall. THANK YOU!