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Friends,

Every year on the first Sunday of November, we get the chance to remember all the saints who have come before us - those who taught us the faith, sang to us, loved us, carried us, and pointed us to Christ. We even get to remember those whose names we do not know, or whose stories we have only heard about.

We are a blessed church, because so many faithful Christians have paved our way. What we know as "First Presbyterian Church" was officially organized on November 27, 1881 with one pastor, two elders, and ten members. Our predecessors met in an Episcopal Church for eleven years, until building a church at First St. and S. Jefferson in 1892. The current location was purchased in 1915, and the cornerstone of the building that we now enjoy was laid in 1924.

For the past 138 years, we have enjoyed the legacy of those who came before us. They built this church in faith, and have given it to us as a gift. They did not know our names, or what we'd look like, or what we would do with this beautiful space. They gave it to us anyway. So many people have sat in the pews of this church. They have prayed, cried, laughed, celebrated, and grieved in this holy place. And so many more will come after us to do the same.

What kind of gift will we leave for them? What kind of legacy or tradition do we want to pass on? It is obviously so much more than the building: it's a legacy of loving God and neighbor in real, hard, authentic ways. It's a legacy of humility and grace. It's a legacy of opening our doors and reaching out to the "least of these" with Christ's love, and a legacy of keeping God at the center of our lives: through worship, prayer, and service. Thank you for all the ways you carry on the beautiful traditions of this church.

With gratitude,

Melissa McNair-King

NEWS FROM PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

From Day Circle by Phyllis Vice:

In December, Presbyterian Women will be starting a new Bible study on the Ten Commandments, *Love Carved in Stone: a Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments*, by Eugenia Anne Gamble. Ms. Gamble writes, "We find these commandments, in similar form, in both Exodus (Ch. 20) and Deuteronomy (Ch. 5), but with enough differences between them to remind us that the texts are dynamic and have been interpreted to speak to different contexts, historical moments, and circumstances. They are alive with God's heart for all generations. They are the values of God and have the power to cut through stone, but they are too creative to ever finally be contained on tablets or monuments. They are words both carved on stone tablets and lovingly written into the hearts of God's people. They are the words that shape Israel's, and our own, destinies." Come join us as we delve deeper into what God wants us to do and be by hearing and learning and keeping His word carved in stone. Study books are \$10. Let Phyllis Vice know if you would like a copy.

On Monday, November 11th, at 11 a.m. in the Manse, Day Circle will finish our current study, *God With Us*, lesson nine. Scripture for this lesson is Matthew 18:15-20; 28:16-20. Bring a sack lunch and stay for fellowship after.



Presbyterian Women -
Praying, Studying, Loving, Serving

Join us for Wonderful Wednesdays! 6:00-7:30 PM, Fellowship Hall

Plan to make Wednesday church nights part of your regular routine! The suggested offering for dinner is \$4/person or \$15/family. This is anonymous, and give-as-you-can. **Everyone is welcome regardless of your ability to give.**

Thank you to those who are serving in November:

Date	Cooking Team	Clean-Up Team*	Program
November 6	Bruce	Kathy, Mike	Thanksgiving Cards (all ages together)
November 13	Ron & KD	Ron, Lance	Revelation 13, 15-16, 19
November 20	Phyllis & Dianne	Phyllis, Bernice, Larry	Revelation 17-18
November 27	OFF	OFF	Happy Thanksgiving!
December 4	Violet, Barry, Mardia	Brenda, Mike	Revelation 21-22

*If you have a conflict on your scheduled clean-up night, please find someone to sub or swap with you! Write the changes on the "master schedule" – this is located on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST is We will remember our members who have joined the Church Triumphant during the past year on Sunday, November 3rd.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED will be observing World Community Day on Friday, November 1st, at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church on Magazine St. Debbi Harrell from Pulaski Daily Bread will be our speaker. A pot luck lunch will follow the program.

COMMUNION will be served on Sunday, November 3rd.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS on Sunday, November 3rd. Please remember to turn your clocks back one hour.

YOUTH GROUP: Join us for a Lock-in in the Manse on Monday night, November 4! All middle and high school youth are invited. 8:00 PM - 8:00 AM Tuesday, featuring:

- Ice Cream Sundaes
- The Bible in 45 Minutes
- Midnight Church Games
- Movie
- Pancakes by Melissa

PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS to the church office for the December newsletter no later than Wednesday, November 13th.

DEDICATION SUNDAY for 2020 pledges will be November 17th.

HANGING OF THE GREENS: On Sunday, November 24, you are invited to stay for a light lunch after worship and then help us prepare the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas! No experience needed, and all ages are welcome.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE: In celebration of Thanksgiving, we are joining with Dublin and Pulaski congregations in shared gratitude to God. A special worship service will be held at **Randolph Avenue United Methodist Church, Sunday November 24, at 6:00 PM**. Come meet some new neighbors and lend your voice in glory to God!

DAILY BREAD will have their annual Thanksgiving meal on Wednesday, November 27th.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed on November 28th & 29th in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

SAVE THE DATE: You are invited to the NRV Community Chorus Christmas Concert. The concert will be presented on Sunday, December 15th, at 3 p.m. in the First Presbyterian sanctuary.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PRESCHOOL

Our preschool year is in full swing, and we are having a wonderful time! We started out the month of October with "Fire Prevention," and we were visited by a few of our local firemen and Sparky, the dog!

We will be taking our first field trip of the year to Thornspring Pastures Farm on Wednesday, October 23rd, to enjoy their "pumpkin patch."

The kiddos are enjoying their weekly chapel service with Melissa, and also their bi-weekly visits from Jena Coalson, the children's librarian at our local library.

Evangelist Dwight Haynes will visit our preschool in December to share some chalk art with us.

The preschool students are making incredible progress academically and socially, but most importantly, their faith is being nurtured with daily prayer and conversation.

Thank you all for your continued support and encouragement! I am blessed beyond measure to serve as your preschool director.

With love,
Jessie Brockmeyer



CHECK IT OUT!



Pastor Melissa is doing a study on Revelation for our Wonderful Wednesday gatherings. If you would like to delve deeper or read a different version of the Bible than you usually do, **check out** the books listed below. They will be on display in the church parlor.

220.52 BIB The Bible for to-day, John Stirling, ed.

220.52 COM Common English Bible: Holy Bible: a fresh translation to touch the heart.

220.52 GOO Good News Bible

220.52 LUC The Story, NIV: The Bible as one continuing story of God and his people by Max Lucado - This book reveals the unfolding, grand narrative of the Scriptures condensed into 31 accessible chapters. Events are arranged chronologically from Genesis to Revelation.

YA 220.52 LUC The Story, NIV: The Bible as one continuing story of God and his people - Teen Edition by Max Lucado - This book reveals the unfolding, grand narrative of the Scriptures condensed into 31 accessible chapters. Events are arranged chronologically from Genesis to Revelation.

220.7 JAM Commentary: critical and explanatory, on the Old and New Testaments (4 volumes) by Robert Jamieson - Total of four volumes from Genesis to Revelation.

224.9 LIV Living prophecies: the minor prophets with Daniel and The Revelation paraphrased. Bible. N.T. Revelation - paraphrases, English.

225.6 UND Understanding the books of the New Testament. Contents: New Testament survey; The four Gospels; The Acts; The Pauline letters; Hebrews and general letters; The Revelation.

236.9 MOR Eyewitness news: a visit with a visionary by Dale Lindsey Morgan - A dramatization of an interview with John the writer of Revelation - accompanies the 2010 PW Bible Study on Revelation.

255 SER Serendipity New Testament for groups New International Version - Includes subject index.

FIC HAN The Last Sacrifice by Hank Hanegraaff - One man is martyred. Another is spared, sent from Rome on a ship in the dead of night, armed with a scroll holding answers that can be found only through understanding the divine Revelation.

Test your Bible knowledge with the following quiz. Turn your answers in to Phyllis Vice by November 17. The person/s with the most correct answers will earn their name printed in the December church newsletter along with bragging rights.

Who?
(1-25)

1. Who cheated his blind father?
2. Who saw a vision on the road to Damascus?
3. Whose mother-in-law did Jesus heal?
4. Who killed the giant Goliath?
5. Who entertained three angels unaware?
6. Who was David's best friend?
7. Who named her baby Obed?
8. Who suffered from boils?
9. Who was willing to offer his only son as a human sacrifice?
10. Who did sacrifice his own daughter to fulfill a vow?
11. Who fed swine for a living?
12. Who was the first Christian martyr?
13. Who was the favorite brother of Joseph?
14. Who brought up the child Samuel?
15. Who tried to walk on the water like Jesus?
16. Who was beheaded to please a dancing girl?
17. Who was "the beloved disciple"?
18. Who married Isaac?
19. Who were the three men in the fiery furnace?
20. Who saw angels on a ladder to heaven?
21. Who read the handwriting on the wall?
22. Who betrayed Jesus?
23. Who thanked God that he had lived to see the baby Jesus?
24. Who adopted Moses?
25. Who "walked with God"?

Answers to "Who Said It?"

1. Ruth to Naomi. 2. Isaac to Jacob. 3. Angels to the shepherds. 4. Wise Men to Herod. 5. Jesus on the cross. 6. Jesus to the lame man He healed. 7. Daniel to Belshazzar. 8. John the Baptist when Jesus appeared at the Jordan. 9. Job to his friends. 10. Jesus to the thief on the cross. 11. Jesus to His mother at the cross. 12. The three women on their way to the tomb of Jesus. 13. Jesus to those who rebuked the little children. 14. King Agrippa to Paul. 15. Voice from the burning bush to Moses. 16. David. 17. John the Baptist to the people. 18. Peter to Jesus. 19. Jesus to the disciples at the Last Supper. 20. Jesus to those who were about to stone a woman to death. 21. The thief on the cross to Jesus.

From Bible Quizzes: One Thousand Bible Games, Questions, and Puzzles by Mildred Olive Honors



DATE:

LAY READERS:

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

11/3/19

Skip Martin

Violet Nash

11/10/19

Jessie Woods

Karen Payne

11/17/19

Joe Zagrapan

Barbara Roberson

11/24/19

Tom Haller

Aubrey Vaughan