

Tower Chimes

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Week of February 16, 2003

117 Years of Ministry

Come and See What God Has Done

In Outreach and Evangelism

For the past few weeks we have made *Come and See What God Has Done* our theme for a portion of the Tower Chimes and our weekly worship services. As a prelude to our pledging to God's work here in 2003, we have focused on what God has been doing through us here in the areas of worship, mission and benevolences, Christian education, congregational care and membership and ministry support. Finally our appeal comes full circle in *Outreach and Evangelism*.



The invitation to *Come and See* is at the heart of the church's outreach and evangelism. Outreach reminds us that we are to follow Christ's command to "go into the world" baptizing and teaching what Christ has taught us. Evangelism literally means "sharing the good news!"

If you have experienced God's life giving presence in worship –

If you have been moved by God's Spirit as you have shared your God given resources with people in need

If you have been nurtured in faith and fed by the Word in Christian education –

If you have felt a part of the family of God

Then you can share what God has been doing in your life as you invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers, and relatives to *Come and See What God Has Done* in and through you here at First

Presbyterian. They might be looking for just what you have found!

Remember Your Pennies

The **3-cents-a-meal offering** will be collected again on Sunday, February 16 (third Sunday of the month!). Bring the change you have been saving in your home collection bottle and add it to the big bottle in the narthex. The **3-cents-a-meal** money supports our local food bag ministry, feeding programs with farmworkers at Beth-El and our international partners in the Presbytery of Honduras.

Soup and Potato Bar - Sunday February 16

Come join us after the second worship service for some good food and fellowship. We will be serving homemade soup and a hot potato for you to decorate with your favorite yummy toppings as well as an assortment of desserts. Cost is a donation to go towards youth summer camps for 2003. PARENTS & YOUTH! We need families to donate hot pots/crock pots of soup. Please call or e-mail Amanda.



The Session has called for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation for Sunday, February 23, 10:55 a.m. At that time, Annual Reports for 2002 will be distributed, and we will discuss action on the annual review of terms of call for installed pastors.

Church Calendar

Week of February 16

Sunday, February 16

8:30 a.m. Early Worship
 9:30 a.m. OJ Fellowship, MH
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Music Meditation
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
 12:00 p.m. Youth Potato Bar Fund Raiser, MH
 6:00 p.m. Sr. High Fellowship

Monday, February 17

8:30 a.m. M.O.M.
 10:00 a.m. PW Prayer Fellowship, ER
 10:00 a.m. Quilters, MH
 11:00 a.m. PW Circle 5
 4:30 p.m. Girl Scouts #158
 5:00 p.m. McLeod Choir
 5:00 p.m. Senior Couples, MH
 5:45 p.m. Chancel Bells
 7:30 p.m. PW Circle 4, GR

Tuesday, February 18

8:30 a.m. M.O.M.
 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, MCR
 1:00 p.m. AL-ANON, Rm. 103
 5:15 p.m. Long Range Planning, MCR
 7:00 p.m. Evangelism Committee, UR

Wednesday, February 19

8:30 a.m. M.O.M.
 11:30 a.m. Buildings & Grounds, MH
 3:00 p.m. Christ Kids – Bowling
 3:45 p.m. Middle School Group, Andy's
 4:00 p.m. Confirmation, UR
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Peer Grp., GR
 6:30 p.m. Growing Kids..., Rm. 201
 7:00 p.m. C.E. Committee, UR
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
 7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts #121
 8:00 p.m. AA

Thursday, February 20

3:30 p.m. Youth Rummage Sale Workday
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts #75
 6:00 p.m. PEO, Phyllis Gilbert, MH

Friday, February 21

6:00 p.m. Middle School Fellowship
 8:00 p.m. AA

Saturday, February 22

9:00 a.m. Youth Rummage Sale Workday
 5:00 p.m. Troop #121 Blue & Gold Banquet

Volunteers

Week of February 16

Angel Van..... Bob Grode
 Bread DeliveryMargaret Hite
 Enrichment The Bogdahns
 Stephen Ministers.....Ruth Briggs
 Cindy Bruce

Week of February 23

Angel Van..... Bob Grode
 Bread Delivery Lynn Boland
 Enrichment . Adam & Karyn Sterken
 Stephen Ministers..... Bob Hines
 Barbara Crowder

Senior Couples Meet

Senior Couples meet Monday, February 17, in McLeod Hall. We will have a social time from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m., and dinner will follow. Mike Harris, Ann Tiner and several youth vocalists will present a musical program sure to leave you smiling and tapping your toes. So come and be entertained! Please call Hildegard and Bob Lindstrom, 293-0865, for reservations and to tell them what dish you wish to bring and share at dinner.

Do You Like To Set The Table?

If so, then you might find special enjoyment in assisting setting the Lord's table. We are still trying to recruit people to join teams for setting up for and cleaning up after Communion. If this is of interest to you, then please call Margaret Hite at 967-1616, Jane Ray at 318-1833 or Alan Harvey at 294-3121.

Calling All Boat Captains



We need you and your boat for a very special Saturday Nite Live adventure. On the third Saturday of May (May 17), our developmentally and physically disabled adults in Saturday Nite Live will be hitting the water for a trip to watch the Cypress Gardens Ski Show. We will be loading from docks on Lake Summit at 3:00 p.m. and return after the show and a little lake cruise around 6:00 p.m. If you have a boat that you would be willing to volunteer, call the Houstons (324-2584), the Roberts (324-7277) or Steve Negley (294-3121).

Our Prayer List

Winter Haven Hospital:

In Need of Your Prayers:

David Allsopp	Voleita Braswell
Freddie Berghage	Ruth Booth
Enid Brandle	Mary Alice Byrne
Bill Clark	George Dilg
Ilene Drew	David Fry
Mary Geitgey	Helen Gross
Ted Harland	Iris Hendrix
Irma Benedict	Josephine Hughes
Bill Jax	Dorothy Jorgensen
Donna Kelly	John & Joyce Lanehart
Florence Livingston	Mary MacKintosh
Mary McDowell	Mary Montonye
Richard Murphy	Pauline Nelson
Corinne O'Donnell	Raymond Pace
Marj Roe	Libby Ray
Dorothy Sailor	Joanne Saxion
Barbara Smith	Gale Scafe
Bill Thompson	Joe Todd
Claire Upfield	Ken & Helen Welch
Aurelia Weigold	Eleanor Wilson
Roy Williamson	

Friends & Relatives:

Gloria Alderman	(Golden's friend)
Tay Batts	(Debbie Sowards' cousin)
Donna Beard	(Golden's friend)
Rob & Lori Blaser	(Carl/Kathy Cheatham's friends)
Del Bullock	(Bob Hines' & Golden's friend)
Andy Cale	(Harriett Cale's son)
Chuck Calhoun	(Sylvia Chambers' brother-in-law)
David Clark	(Lillian Harden's father)
Franklin Endres	(Lisa Endres' brother-in-law)
Shannon Fraaf	(Arlene Wing's granddaughter)
Keith Goff	(Ken & Sue Anne Dixon's friend)
Meri Murray	(Jill Kosmensky's friend)
Patricia Murrell	(Golden's friend)
Roderick Newton	(Elizabeth Newton's son)
Amanda Patrick	(Margaret Patrick's granddaughter)
Lisa Roberts	(Earle & Katie's daughter-in-law)
Ella Vaughan	(Sue Vaughan's granddaughter)

Sunday School Perfect Attendance for January

<u>2 & 3 Year Olds</u>	<u>6th – 8th Grades</u>
Isabella Bogdahn	Nicholas Elmore
Madison Grode	Lindsay Snyder
Sadie Owen	Jack Gray
Caitlin Seney	
<u>4 Year Olds</u>	<u>9th – 12th Grades</u>
Hadley Owen	Erin Gray
	Lindsay Fitzgerald
	Adam Smith
<u>K & 1st Grade</u>	Ryan Groetsch
Emily Snyder	
<u>3rd Grade</u>	
Devan Price	

Congratulations to Brent & Dana Parrish on the birth of their son, Jackson Hayes Parrish, born February 6, 2003.

Youth News

Friday February 14, 5:30-10:30 p.m. - Middle School Youth goes to the Rodeo at the Kissimme Sports Arena. Meet us at 5:30 p.m. for dinner and to load up in the vans for our trip. Cost is \$8 plus any spending money you may want. We will return by 10:30 p.m. Come out and see what this is all about!

Saturday, February 15, 2:00-3:00 p.m. - Ultimate Frisbee at the church.

Saturday, February 15, 3:00-5:00 p.m. - Potato Bar set-up. Come out and help us set up for our Soup and Potato Bar fundraiser. If you want to come early you can catch us playing Ultimate Frisbee at 2:00p.m.

Sunday, February 16, After church luncheon. Come help us out and earn money towards camp at the same time. Just make sure you check in with Amanda to get your hours.

Sunday, February 16, 6:00 p.m. - Sr. High Youth Group movie night. Dinner provided.

Wednesday, February 19, 4:00-5:30 p.m. - 6th grade confirmation class.

Wednesday, February 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Middle School Group at Andy's.

Friday, February 21, 6:00-8:30 p.m. - Middle School Youth.

Saturday, February 22 - You have to sign up for these hours:

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - Rummage Sale work hours

2:00-5:00 p.m. - Rummage Sale work hours

The "Souper Bowl" was a great success. We raised \$350, which is being sent to the Christian Family Youth Services (off Central Ave.). The flag football game was also a great hit. Check out our web-site for some great pictures.

Thank You

Joe (Virginia's brother) and Miriam Gautier, have expressed appreciation to members of the congregation, who were helpful in moving some of John and Virginia Montgomery's possessions to their daughter's home in Lakeland. (Scott Hedden, Jim Lammer and Earle Roberts were the movers and the Congregational Care Committee thanks them too and applauds their efforts on behalf of the Montgomerys.)

When Do We Eat Next?

Tuesday, March 4 - 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Wednesday, March 12 & 19, April 2 & 9

5:15-6:30 p.m.-**Fellowship dinners with three**

programming options to follow:

1. "Growing Kids God's Way"
2. A Bible study of the Passion Week narratives from Palm Sunday through Good Friday
3. "Lenten, Passion and Easter Hymnody"

Thursday, April 17 - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday family style dinner and service of Holy Communion around the tables in McLeod Hall.

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Jennifer Van Allen graduated cum laude from the University of Central Florida on December 14, 2002. Jennifer received a degree in Elementary Education and is now teaching at Cheney Elementary School in Orlando.

April Roe, a freshman at Emory University, was on a team that spent ten days in the Dominican Republic doing mission work in late 2002 and early 2003. While they were there they lived in a one-room church just outside Barahona. Like our folks on Honduran mission trips, they did some hands-on ministry of mixing concrete and molding lintels for a trade-school as well as sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with the Dominicans. Of her experience April writes, "*As an American, it is easy to pity the Dominicans because of their poverty. But watching them all week, I realized how richness in faith triumphs over any amount of money.* **Thanks for being an ambassador of Christ and sharing your experience with us!**

Courtney Marshall, a junior at Lake Region High School, was recently honored with second runner-up in the Miss LRHS pageant. She is also co-captain of the varsity cheerleading squad.

Congratulations to these young people on these experiences and honors!

Got a news item for **First Facts**, then phone Pat Lammer at 875-1356 or Alan at 294-3121. You can also e-mail Alan at aharvey@firstpreswh.org.

Welcome New Members

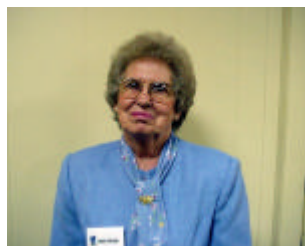


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Sarah & Kris
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Mrs. Louise Slocum
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Winter Haven 33880
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Jim & Mary Dukes
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Habitat College Work Crew Coming

Once again First Presbyterian Church will be hosting a Habitat college work crew. In early March, a group of college students will spend their spring break working on a Habitat for Humanity house. During that week they will call our church buildings home! We will be providing bag lunches for them daily and having them join us for our Wednesday night supper. If you can provide canned drinks (or bottled water) or several bag lunches for one week day, please sign the **“college crew food list”** located in McLeod Hall.