



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

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Week of March 23, 2014

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 23 is the Third Sunday in the church season known as Lent. Lent is the 40 day period leading up to Easter in which Christians prepare themselves to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus. The forty days often begin with fasting on Ash Wednesday and include acts of penitent self-examination.



In their Lenten preaching, Dr. Harvey and Dr. Negley will be focusing on “Faithful Forties”; biblical stories which emphasize 40 days or 40 years in the lives of God’s people. Please plan to make Lenten worship a part of your preparation for Easter.

PRIMETIMERS IS MONDAY, MARCH 24

This month we will discuss senior housing opportunities in Polk county. All church members and friends 55 years old and up are invited to join us for this informative gathering. Joyce Snively will be catering the meal. (\$8.00 per person)

When: Monday, March 24, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Where: McLeod Hall

What to Do: Call Carol Switalski at 845-5416 or the church office at 294-3121 to make your lunch reservation.

Dr. Steven R. Negley
Senior Pastor

Dr. C. Alan Harvey
Associate Pastor

Dr. Raymond M. Larson
Minister of Visitation

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Parish Associate

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Administrative Assistant

Rose Flynn
Office Assistant

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Director of Maintenance

Ann M. Quessenberry
Custodian



Senior Housing
Opportunities



Remember in prayer

Church calendar

Sunday, March 23
 8:50 a.m. Worship
 9:30 a.m. OJ Fellowship (MH)
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School-Children & Youth
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School-Adults
 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, March 24
 10:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl (MH)
 11:30 a.m. PrimeTimers (MH)
 1:30 p.m. Friendship Callers (MCR)

Tuesday, March 25
 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)
 12:00 p.m. **Men's Lunch (MH)**
 5:30 p.m. Stephen Minister Leaders (MH)
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers (MH)

Wednesday, March 26
 6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 27
 3:00 p.m. Stephen Minster Training (UR)
 7:00 p.m. Chapel Bells

Friday, March 28

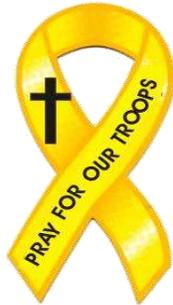
Saturday, March 29
 9:00 a.m. Stephen Minster Training (UR)
 2:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
 4:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen (737)

members

Anna Marie Barton	Pete & Jean Harman	Judy Partain
Maggie Beeland	Audrey Hawk	Liz Purnell
Michele & Neil Berger	Frances Heath	Barbara Roberts
Win Bertrus	Doris Hill	Mary Ellen Rowker
R. Otis Bice, Jr.	Ranell Hillman	Dave Ryan
Lois Burrell	Ed Houston	Dorothy Ryan
Millie Carrier	Camille Howe	Harvey Snively, Jr.
Joan Carruth	Scott Irvin	Jeff & Lisa Snyder
George & Sylvia Chambers	Dorothy Johnson	Myrtice Stolz
Tom Coffman	Toni Krieger	Jean Tannahill
Norma Conner	Dena Lancashire	Lucy Jackson Teeter
Don Dinger	Anne LeMacks	Hazel Thomas
Eunice Dishman	Dot Lenfestey	Gene & Carolyn Thompson
Rich & Nancy Dobler	Pete & Judy Lindsay	Ed & Suzy Threadgill
Jerry Dugger	Spike & Jane Lucia	Shirley Turner
Jeanne Estes	Rita Marcacci	Jennifer Vibral
Dawn & David Fellows	Matt McGaffigan	Max & Betty vonHahmann
Lois Frakes	Joan Murphy	Anne Windham
Phyllis Gilbert	Nancy Neale	
Marge Goodman	Randall Palmer	

In the hospital: Gene Thompson

Friends and family



Military service

Aaron Ashley
 James E. Baker
 Ben Clark
 Deborah Clark
 Tim Davis
 Leah (Doty) Fuscia
 Eddie Gray
 Beau Gresham
 Chris Hagen
 Daniel Harp
 Sean Harp
 Coree Jones
 Terry Jones, Jr.
 Jackie Jung
 David Knowles
 Timothy Lee
 John Marotti
 Kaitlin Marotti
 Adam McPhail
 Andrew Stapor
 Keaton Thompson
 Jacob van Zandt

Linda Allen
 Charlotte Baker
 Jerry Cooley
 Luann Corby
 Steve Crisman
 Rodney Dugger
 Millie Farthing
 Thomas Francis
 Arthur Girone
 Clyde & Nancy Gray
 Selma Griffith
 Allen Hadley
 Bryan Howard
 John Katros
 Bailee Kent
 Geoff Lewis
 Ruth Little
 Sandy Neitsch
 LaDonna Owen
 Mike Parker
 Warren Partain
 Cliff Peno
 Cassandra Pierce & family
 Dottie Rhodes
 Bob Santos
 Peggy Seigler
 Brian Smith
 David Smith
 Kim Smith
 Robert "Ned" Snively, Jr.
 Scarlet Turner
 Julie Valk & family

Peggy & Larry Davis' friend
 Rachal Little's friend
 Susan Singleton's friend
 Ron Damkjer's friend
 Brian & Jennifer Boyce's friend
 Jeff Bowen's friend
 Squire & Punkin Smith's friend
 Jim Francis' brother
 Janet Golden's friend
 Pam Gray's father & step-mother
 Mary Ann Snively's friend
 Morris Reddout's great-nephew
 Bob & Janet Howard's son
 Lisa Endres father
 Nancy Chilton's niece
 Punkin & Squire Smith's friend
 Rachal Little's mother
 Sherie Ray's friend
 Jonathan Owen's aunt
 Julia Parker's son
 Judy Partain's son
 Helen & Orin Champlain
 Jonathan Owen's friends
 Howard Beckert's sister
 Marcia Keplinger's friend
 Ellie Threlkel's friend
 Ed & Donna Rounsley's friend
 Penn Tucker' friend
 Marilyn Sheffield & Cori Swango's friend
 Jean Harman's son
 Rick & Pat Reass' granddaughter
 Penn Tucker's friends

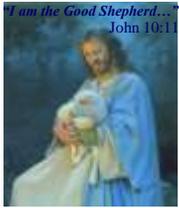


Please help us visit our hospitalized members!

The tightening of HIPAA regulations has meant that we have missed visiting some of our members during their hospital stay. If you are a member or a friend of this congregation, or you have a family member admitted to any hospital, please call the church office and let the pastors know.

Thank you for helping us stay in touch with the congregation.

WE ARE Following the I AM
A series of Lenten Devotions for the Members and Friends
of First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven



The Pastors and Program Staff members of our church will be providing daily devotions for the congregation to be used each day (excluding Sundays) in Lent 2014. The focus will be guided weekly by one "I AM" statement of Jesus. The six staff members will each reflect on the identity of Christ which is revealed in that scripture and share their thoughts and a prayer in a brief written devotional. The week of **March 24** will be "*I am the Good Shepherd.*"

You can join this Lenten devotional activity by having the daily thoughts e-mailed to you. If you receive the Tower Chimes by e-mail, this will come to you automatically. If you do not receive your Tower Chimes by e-mail and want to receive the daily devotionals by e-mail, please send your request to office@firstpreswh.org. New devotionals will also be posted daily on the church's Facebook page. Print copies can be picked up on Sunday for the six days which will follow.

IT'S EVERYONE'S FAVORITE TIME OF YEAR...

Are you wondering how you can support the youth group AND put a smile on your neighbor's face? Well, wonder no more because the answer is here – participate in our Flamingo FUNdraiser!
 It is as easy as 1, 2, 3:

- Step 1:** Look for the sign up table as you leave the Sanctuary after either Sunday Service starting **March 30**.
- Step 2:** Order flamingos to the yard of your choice.
- Step 3:** Relax and enjoy the show!

One flocking costs \$20.00, or you can send **THREE** flocks for \$50.00. For those of you who want to ensure your house does **NOT** get flocked, you can purchase flamingo insurance for \$40.00.

We want to do everything we can to make our summer trips as affordable for our students as possible. Please consider how you can get involved and support our youth group's summer retreats. Also, please call Rachal Little (294-3121) if you are interested in donating to the trips or sponsoring a student!



Sales start Sunday morning, **March 30**, and flocking will begin that week.

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR THE ALL CHURCH RETREAT?

Are you ready for an incredible weekend of Christian fellowship with your friends from First Pres? The dates for the retreat are: **April 5&6**.

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ISTP	ISFP	INFP	INTP
ESTP	ESFP	ENFP	ENTP
ESTJ	ESFJ	ENFJ	ENTJ

This year, we are doing a more "in-depth" personality and faith study where participants are able to take a brief Myers-Briggs Type Personality test ahead of time. It's going to be a blast, but it's not just study time.

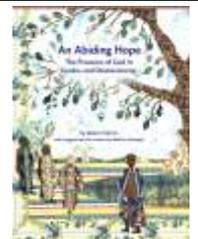
There will be tubing, outdoor recreation, games, snacks, home cooked meals, outdoor worship, and so much more.

Be sure to fill out a registration form today to reserve your spot!
 Please contact Amy McKee at 294-3121 for more information.

LADIES, COME JOIN US FOR LYDIA AND/OR JOY CIRCLE

Lydia Circle meets on the **second Monday of each month at 10 a.m. in McLeod Hall**. Joy Circle meets on the **third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at Carol Carter's house**.

This year's study is titled "An Abiding Hope - The Presence of God in Exodus and Deuteronomy" from the Horizons Bible Study program.



2014 EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

It is time to order your Easter lily for Easter Sunday, April 20. Easter lilies are a yearly tradition to decorate the church on Easter Sunday. To purchase a lily "in honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one or friend, please fill out the order form below.

The cost is \$12.00 per plant. Checks should be made payable to First Presbyterian Church and marked "Easter Lily Fund". Place the order form and check in the offering plate, mail, or take to the church office by **Monday, April 14.**



A complete listing will be available Easter Sunday, April 20.

The Sanctuary Committee will again remove the yellow stamen from each lily so it will not bother your allergies.

EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

Donor(s): _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

I will pick up my lily after the 11:00 a.m. service Easter Sunday.

I would like my lily delivered to a shut-in.

BRIGHT SUNDAY BUTTERFLY RELEASE

The Worship and Music Committee has approved purchasing butterflies to be released in memory of church members who have died since Bright Sunday, April 7, 2013, and for those who have sustained the loss of a **child, parent, sibling or spouse since that date.**

As we have done for the past six years, if you would like to release a butterfly in memory of a loved one who died prior to, or after, April 7, 2013, or who is beyond the relationship guidelines mentioned above (for example, grandparent, aunt, cousin, son-in-law, etc.), you may purchase a butterfly for \$5.00.

So that we may have an accurate count of how many butterflies to order, please fill out the tear off form at the bottom of this page and drop in the offering plate or drop off at the church office.

Or, you can call the office at 294-3121 with your information.

Since the order for butterflies needs to be placed soon, *please have your orders in by Palm Sunday, April 13.*

Your name: _____ Deceased loved one: _____

Relationship to you: _____ Which worship service April 27: 8:50 a.m. 11:00 a.m.



MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014 DINNER



Family Style Menu
Baked Ham
Macaroni and Cheese
Green Beans
Baked Beans
Cornbread Muffins
Assorted Cookies
Coffee, Tea, or Lemonade



Cost: \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children ages 5 – 10. Pre-K children and under eat for free.
Reservations required By Monday **April 14, 2014**. Call the church office at 294-3121 or
complete reservation form in bulletins and Tower Chimes.

MAUNDY THURSDAY RESERVATIONS

Name: _____

of Adults: _____ # of Children: _____

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN FOR EASTER EGG CANDY!!!

The Christian Education Committee is collecting plastic Easter Eggs with individually wrapped candy (no chocolate) or small prizes inside. These may be dropped off in McLeod Hall or the church office till **Friday, April 18**.



We will host our Eggstravaganza Easter Egg hunt on Easter Sunday at **10:25 a.m. SHARP**.



Ham and Cheese Strata

Festive Holiday Bread

Grits

Fresh Fruit Cup

Juice

For kids: Cereal & Donuts



A suggested donation of \$4 per adult and \$2 per child is thankfully accepted.

EASTER BREAKFAST RESERVATION

Name: _____ Number of adults: _____ Number of Children: _____

Celebrating Generosity through 3-Cents-a-Meal

In the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, Jesus told his disciples in Jerusalem that as “they received power when the Holy Spirit had come upon them, they would be his witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” These ever-expanding circles of witness and care form the basis for one of our church’s ministries: **THREE CENTS A MEAL**. As members of a church in the Presbytery of Tampa Bay, we are invited to join in this wonderful demonstration of Christ’s love as we donate three cents each time we eat to help feed people in need here in Winter Haven (through our Deacons and their benevolences), at Beth-El Mission (with migrant farmworkers), and in Honduras (the second poorest country in our hemisphere).



Each week, volunteers from our church prepare and serve bag lunches and a hot meal to the hungry and homeless in Winter Haven. The local portion of our Three Cents a Meal money stays right here to help fund the **Soup Kitchen and Bag Lunch Ministries of First Pres.** We distribute bag lunches to approximately 50 people each weekday and feed between 80 and 100 hungry people each Saturday night.



Beth-El Mission is our Presbytery's Ministry with migrant farmworkers. Located in Wimauma, Florida – Beth-El is a place for worship, education, legal aid, and meeting daily needs through food and clothing assistance. The regional portion of our Three Cents a Meal offering supports **Beth-El Mission**.



International Partnership with the Presbytery of Honduras

The 22 Presbyterian Churches in the Presbytery of Honduras proclaim the good news of what God has done for us in Jesus Christ to hundreds of people each year. Ministry in the second poorest county in our hemisphere means that hunger is a constant concern. As children arrive for Sunday School and worship each week, a hot breakfast awaits them. This feeding ministry is just one way that the love of God is demonstrated by our mission partners in Honduras. The international portion of our Three Cents a Meal offering supports the ministry of our Christian brothers and sisters in Honduras.

If you feel that God is calling you to feed the hungry each time you feed yourself, join us in Three Cents a Meal.

HYMNS FROM *GLORY TO GOD*



Irishman Joseph M. Scriven (1819-1896) was 25 years old and engaged to the love of his life. Sadly, the day before his wedding his fiancé died in a tragic drowning accident. Heartbroken, Joseph needed to start anew and set sail for a new life in Canada. He worked as a teacher and fell in love again and was engaged to Eliza Roche. Tragedy struck again, and his fiancé became ill and died before the wedding.

Even with the turmoil in this young man's life, his writings tell us it was his faith in God that sustained him. Soon after Eliza's death Joseph began preaching for a Baptist church. He never married, but spent the remainder of his life giving all his time, money, and even the clothes off his back to help those in need.

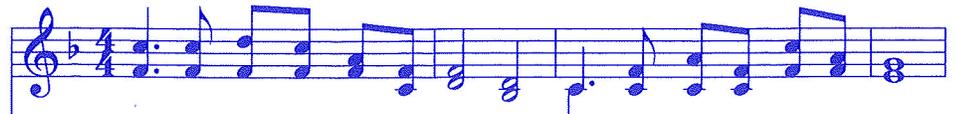
Also around the time Eliza died, Joseph received a note from Ireland that his mother was ill and near death. He was unable to go and be with her, so instead he wrote a letter of comfort and included a poem entitled *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*.

When Joseph became ill, a friend came across another copy of this poem along with a few others. Almost 30 years after the original letter, Joseph's poems were published in a book. Soon after, Charles Converse put music to Joseph's poem.

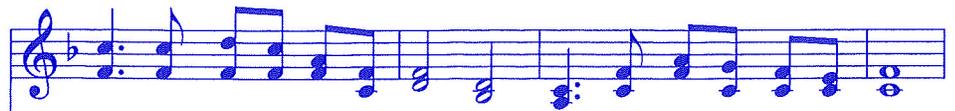
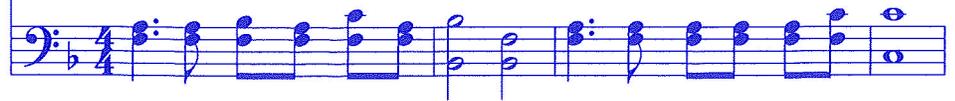
In 1897, one year after his death, the hymn first appeared in a Presbyterian Hymnal. The seemingly sad and obscure life of one man resulted in many lives being uplifted, both his own and through his work with the poor, and for many years after whenever the comforting words of *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* are sung.

465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

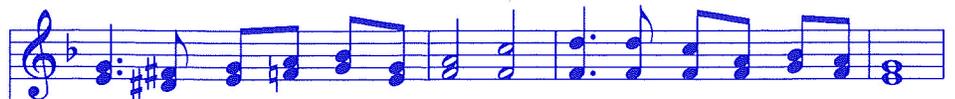
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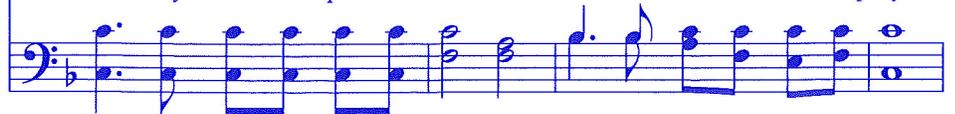
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum-bere'd with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.





GLORY TO GOD

THE PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL

QUICK FACTS

- *Glory to God* contains 853 hymns, compared to 605 of the current Blue hymnal.
- 65% of the Blue hymnal is in *Glory to God*; which basically means, if there is a hymn you like in the Blue hymnal... it's in *Glory to God*.
- The 65% of the Blue hymnal only constitutes 50% of the new hymnal.
- This means there are over 400 new hymns in the *Glory to God*!

To raise the funds necessary for *Glory to God*, the Session has approved the selling of dedications for each hymnal. Each dedication will be attached to the inside cover of the hymnal and will cost **\$20**.

“What about the Blue hymnals?”

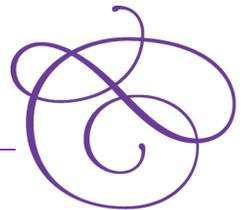
- If you or your family purchased a Blue hymnal dedication, you will be encouraged to take that hymnal home after *Glory to God* is adopted in mid-April. The Worship and Music Committee will be labeling all the blue hymnals for pick-up.

We hope that you will consider purchasing a hymnal in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please fill out the forms below and return them to the office.

GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL DEDICATION

Your Name: _____ Amount: \$ _____

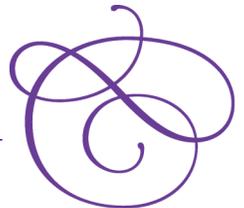
In Memory of / In Honor of: _____



GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL DEDICATION

Your Name: _____ Amount: \$ _____

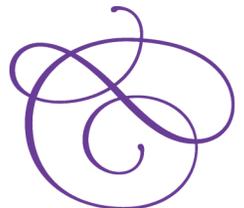
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GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL DEDICATION

Your Name: _____ Amount: \$ _____

In Memory of/In Honor of: _____



YOUTH GROUP

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



- March 23-30: No youth groups
SPRING BREAK!!!
- March 30: Flamingo Sales Begin
- March 31: College Scholarship Applications Due
- April 2: Confirmation Class 5:15-6:30 pm
MSYG 5:30 - 7:30 pm
- April 5 - 6: All Church Retreat at Cedarkirk

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATING SENIORS AND COLLEGE STUDENTS

Applications for the First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven College Scholarship are available. If you are interested in applying for either of our two scholarships, please contact Rachal Little at rlittle@firstpreswh.org or 294-3121 to pick up your application.

Applications are due March 31 by 4:00 p.m.



APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

Middle School Youth Group (MSYG) is for all students in grades 6-8. We meet every **Wednesday from 5:30-7:30 pm** in the Student Center for dinner, games, fellowship, and a lesson about God's love and what it means to be a young believer.

High School Youth Group (HSYG) is for anyone in grades 9-12. Our meetings are **Sunday nights from 5:30-7:30 pm** in the Student Center. We enjoy dinner, games, fellowship, and discuss God, our relationship with Him, and other relevant topics in the lives of high school age students.

For more information regarding our youth groups or to RSVP for any of these events, contact Rachal Little at 294-3121 or rlittle@firstpreswh.org.



BECOME A FRIENDSHIP CALLER

Would you like to "DO MORE" faith wise? We have a great place for you to make your wish become a reality! Become A FRIENDSHIP CALLER. What will you be asked to do? Simply be and do what you normally do; call on friends and neighbors to share your friendly self!

STRESSED? DISCOURAGED? LONELY? SAD? DON'T SUFFER ALONE. OUR STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE READY TO CARE FOR YOU!

Sometimes we fall into a trap where we think it's a sign of weakness to ask for help. So when we're stressed, discouraged, lonely, or sad, we try to keep our struggles hidden and are reluctant to ask for help. However, that's not God's plan. Galatians 6:2 says, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." God wants us to care for others--and allow others to care for us in our time of need.



If you're sad or struggling inside, *don't suffer alone*. Ask for help. We've got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to provide confidential one-to-one care, encouragement, and support to help you through a tough time. Find out more about Stephen Ministry by calling Pat Reass today at 206-9914, or ask one of our Stephen Minister Leaders: *Alan Harvey, Ray Larson, Steve Negley, Barbara Perkins, or Jean Strang.*

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life.

PLEASE JOIN US AT ONE OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Preschool Children – Meet in Room 108 for their very own time of Bible stories, craft, and snack time.



All children in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to attend *Route 52: A 52-Week Bible Journey* – just for kids! The children explore the Bible with hands-on crafts, food, Bible study, and lots of fun with their friends. Children are divided into two groups: kindergarten through second grade and third through fifth grade. We gather for music from 9:45-10 a.m. in Room 101 and depart from there.

Middle School & High School Youth – meet in the **Mary Spencer Reference Library** at **9:45 a.m.** for *Soul Pancake*. There is discussion, activity time, and of course **BREAKFAST**. Come hungry, come happy, and come hang out with Rachal Little and a variety of faithful volunteers on Sunday mornings.

The Perspectives Class – facilitated by Dr. Jim Threlkel and Mr. Glenn Thomas continues the second part of their study on *The Old Law, The New Law* by William Barclay. The class spends their time in The New Law. The words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount have moved and challenged men and women since He first spoke them. Here they are explained, simply and clearly, showing how Jesus mixed honesty with compassion and helped people to inject good into life. This is the New Law. This study raises questions about war and peace, God and materialism, and about fostering essential relationships and values. This class meets in the Geneva Room in the CE Building.



Join **Connect - Grow - Thrive** as they begin *Unfinished* in 2014 ..."So you believe in God. Now what? Just before he left, Jesus sent his followers into the world with a revolutionary mission: to change the world by proclaiming God's truth and demonstrating his incredible love. But the single task he gave us to accomplish remains unfinished. In this small group Bible study, best-selling author Rich Stearns takes you and your small group on a breathtaking journey to rediscover the critical mission of Christ in our world today and the richness of God's calling on our lives. Why are you here, what is your purpose, and where do you fit in the bigger story God is writing?" This class meets in Room 207, please feel free to drop in anytime. Newcomers are **ALWAYS** welcome!

Sundays with Steve, God Talk in the Family of Faith - As people of the Christian faith, we talk about our faith. Questions and answers abound. Dr. Steve Negley invites you to join in a class that will explore the biblical texts that help us to answer some of the questions we face in life:

- How can we find God?
- What are we doing here?
- Why doesn't God do something about evil?
- What does God want with us?
- Is God against us?
- ...to name a few.



Bring your Bible and your God-given curiosity to the back section of McLeod Hall on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. to join in this exploration of faith.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE



At 8:50 a.m., members and friends of First Presbyterian Church are invited to attend **The Gathering**. This service is held in the sanctuary. The piano is the primary instrument for leading in congregational music with a variety of instruments adding special touches from week to week. The prayers in worship and the flow of the service help the congregation gather in God's love. The Gathering ordinarily lasts 50 minutes and will conclude with the Benediction at 9:40 a.m.

At 9:45 a.m. children & youth Sunday School and **10:00 a.m.** adult Sunday School.

At 11:00 a.m., you are invited to attend our later morning worship. This service is held in the sanctuary with music and responses regularly led by our chancel choir and accompanied by organ and piano. In the tradition of our church, cultivated over the last few decades, a full liturgy gives the congregation opportunities for spiritual enrichment and the sense of God's love and grace. This worship service ordinarily lasts one hour and concludes with the Benediction at 12:00 p.m.

We hope you will join us in worship, study, and fellowship!

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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.

Adopted by Session, 2003

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Bag Lunch Ministry

We gave out 178 bag lunches in the week of 3/10/14.

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed ??? people on 3/15/14.

Return Service Requested

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Shrove Tuesday celebration.

*We had a delightful time with **The Batter That Matters Part II**. It was absolutely hilarious and if you missed it, here are a few pictures to catch you up to speed. Thank you to our talented cooks and kitchen helpers: **Ray and Gladys Larson, Jim Lammer, Kline Roberts, Jeff Bowen, Bill Patchen, Retha Wright, and Ramona Cargo**. A huge thank you goes to **Dr. Steve Negley and Dr. Alan Harvey** for sharing their humor and hilarious personalities with us!*

