



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

# Tower Chimes

Week of October 5, 2014

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128 Years of Ministry

## WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



**This Sunday, October 5,** our members will gather at Christ's Table along with millions of Christians around the globe as we celebrate our unity in Christ on World Communion Sunday.

## SUPPER WITH THE STRANGS

Come help us celebrate ministry around the globe on World Communion Sunday as we enjoy "Supper with the Strangs." Fred Foy and Cecily Strang will be our special guests as we hear about their plan to return to Africa and the mission field. The Rev. Dr. Strang (Fred Foy), son of Jean and Shorter Strang, grew up here at First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven. Fred Foy is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church USA. He has earned his Master of Divinity, Doctor of Ministry, and PhD degrees. Cecily, a registered nurse, has just completed her PhD in nursing with a focus on culturally congruent malaria care for the Maasai people.

The Strangs have served God in ministry with the Maasai people full time for 2 years and part time for decades. (You can visit the website for the Maasai Special Projects Fund [www.mspfonline.com](http://www.mspfonline.com) for more of the story.) Fred Foy and Cecily have felt God's call to once again move to Africa full time and complete the new Oldoinyo Kiti (small mountain) Theological Education by Extension and Rural Retreat and Training Center among the Maasai people. Our church is making a donation from this year's foreign mission line item in the budget to the construction of this training center.

Please join us for supper (chicken tetrazzini, green beans, bread) with Cecily and Fred Foy on **Sunday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m.** to hear how God is working among the Maasai through these wonderful servants of God. No reservation required.

Dr. Steven R. Negley  
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Associate Pastor

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Minister of Visitation

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Parish Associate

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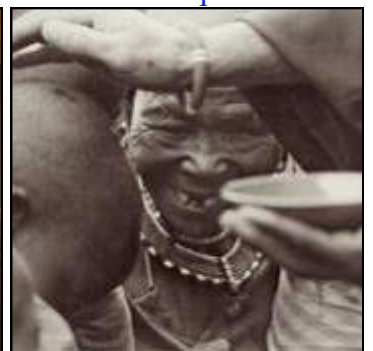
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### AFRICA

Kenya  
Tanzania



# Church calendar

Sunday, October 5

## WORLD COMMUNION

- 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
- 5:30 p.m. HSYG (SC)
- 6:00 p.m. Supper with the Strangs

## Monday, October 6

- 8:45 a.m. MOM
- 6:30 p.m. Christian Education (GR)

## Tuesday, September 7

- 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)
- 6:00 p.m. Saturday Nite Live Planning (MH)

## Wednesday, October 8

- 8:45 a.m. MOM
- 12:00 p.m. Buildings & Grounds (MH)
- 3:00 p.m. Christ Kids
- 5:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group (SC)
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

## Thursday, October 9

- 7:00 p.m. Chapel Bells

## Friday, October 10

- 8:45 a.m. MOM

## Saturday, October 11

- 2:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
- 4:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen (737)

# Remember in Prayer

members

Bill Allen  
 Anna Marie Barton  
 Maggie Beeland  
 Win Betrus  
 R. Otis Bice, Jr.  
 Guy Bostick  
 Jeff Bowen  
 Lois Burrell  
 Millie Carrier  
 Bob Carter  
 George & Sylvia Chambers  
 Tom Coffman  
 Norma Conner  
 Don Dinger  
 Jerry Dugger  
 Ginny Dunson  
 Jana Easterling  
 Jeanne Estes  
 Grace Goodman

Pete & Jean Harman  
 Frances Heath  
 Doris Hill  
 Ranell Hillman  
 Ed Houston  
 Camille Howe  
 Dorothy Johnson  
 Toni Krieger  
 Ronda Lacy  
 Dena Lancashire  
 Anne LeMacks  
 Dot Lenfestey  
 Judy Lindsay  
 Spike & Jane Lucia  
 Elaine Maltese  
 Rita Marcacci  
 Gladys Meier  
 Heidi Van Allen-Munoz  
 Joan Murphy

Nancy Neale  
 Joe Oriani  
 Dee Palmore  
 Judy Partain  
 Liz Purnell  
 Barbara Roberts  
 Mary Ellen Rowker  
 Dave Ryan  
 Dorothy Ryan  
 Dean Shull  
 Barbara A. Smith  
 Lucy Jackson Teeter  
 Carolyn Thompson  
 Ed Threadgill  
 Lorraine Todd  
 Shirley Turner  
 Betty von Hahmann  
 Anne Windham



## Military service

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

In the hospital: Kathy Girouard & Pam Gray

## Family and friends

Bob Cameron  
 Brenda Cape  
 Roland Castro  
 Monica Clement  
 Jerry Cooley  
 Marilyn Dorsey  
 Al Ellis  
 Bill Galloway  
 Gloria Goss  
 Jean Hehn  
 Nan Mason  
 Lettie Lane North  
 Peggy Seigler  
 Barbara Simpson  
 Rae Tucker

Larry & Candy Marshall's friend  
 Alan Harvey's friend  
 Alan Harvey's friend  
 Jennifer Boyce's aunt  
 Susan Singleton's friend  
 Carol Carter's sister-in-law  
 Jim Threlkel's friend  
 Zan Dismuke's friend  
 Carolyn Thompson's daughter  
 Ellie Threlkel's friend  
 Harvey & Mary Ann Snivley's daughter  
 Jean Strang's sister  
 Ellie Threlkel's friend  
 Amy Powell's friend  
 Tish Turner's mother



## 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.**





# SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR

The new 2015 Flower Calendar will be posted by this Sunday October 5.

*New with this calendar* is space to sign up for placing flowers in the narthex on a given Sunday, when the sanctuary flowers for your desired date have already been selected by someone else.

**Never given sanctuary or narthex flowers before and wonder what to do?**

Follow these simple instructions:

1. Sign your name on the calendar for the date you wish to give flowers. If the sanctuary spot has already been selected, then you can choose to have your floral arrangement in the narthex for the same date.
2. Complete this step by giving your phone number and identifying your florist.
3. If giving sanctuary flowers and you would like to use the church's brass urn, please ask Ann or Sam for the glass liner and deliver it to your florist or ask the florist to pick it up at the church.
4. Place an order for flowers from your preferred florist.
5. Call Connie at the church office (294-3121) no later than Wednesday prior to your chosen date and inform her as to how you wish for the acknowledgment of flowers to read in the bulletin.
6. Request that the florist deliver the flowers to the church by noon on Saturday and have them include a name on the arrangement so that we know by whom they are given and where they are to be placed.

Any other questions, please call Alan or Connie. **Thank you!**



## WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP YOUR CHURCH WELCOME FIRST TIME VISITORS?

Would you like to join with the Deacons and Elders in participating in this important ministry?

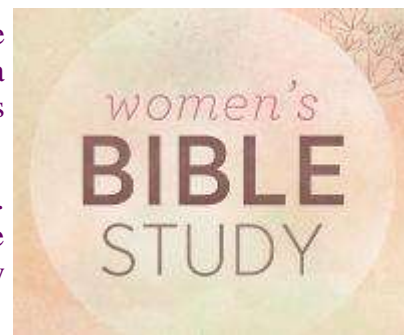
Currently we have need of volunteers for **Sundays, October 12, 19, & 26.**

If you have more questions or if your answer is "Yes," then please call Alan at the church office (294-3121). **Thank you!**

## THE LYDIA CIRCLE AND JOY CIRCLE WILL START SOON!

The two groups for our Presbyterian Women (the Lydia Circle and the Joy Circle) will hold their first meetings of the fall in October. Jana Easterling and Carol Carter will lead the women in Bible Study again this program year (October – April).

The Bible Study for this year will be based on the Acts of the Apostles. Circle study leaders Jana and Carol will be using the Interpretation Bible Series as a resource for this look at the church in the power of the Holy Spirit. Bring your Bible and plan to join with other women of faith.



The Lydia Circle begins **Monday, October 13 at 10:00 a.m.** and meets in the back of McLeod Hall,  
**AND . . .**

The Joy Circle begins **Tuesday, October 21 at 9:30 a.m.** and meets at Carol Carter's house.  
Call her at 299-4253 if you need directions.

## FRIENDSHIP CALLERS



We have need of some who would like to become a little more involved in the life and ministry of our church. You are invited to look into becoming a Friendship Caller: you do not need any special talent or the giving of a lot of your time to this vital ministry. You need the gift of wanting to lift another who is lonely and/or cannot get out on their own.

Please call Ray, or one of our present Friendship Callers: Bill Allen, Orrin & Helen Champlain, Ed & Joan Houston, Joey Johnston, Phyllis Legg, Les & Alison O'Neal, Kline Roberts. We have many friends and members who would love to welcome your visit.

## FALL FEST IS COMING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29!!!

We will have our usual pizza dinner starting at **5:30 p.m.**, followed by the **festival at 6 p.m.** Please bring in individually wrapped candy (all types are welcome) or small prizes for our Fall Fest.

If you would like to volunteer for the event, please call Amy McKee as well. We will need folks to help set up on Wednesday morning, October 29 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Call Amy for more information at 294-3121.



## LOCAL MISSION SUPPLIES NEEDED

When you are out and about, please consider picking up some of these items for a few of our local missions:

- **Family Emergency Services** - Food pantry items.
- **Soup Kitchen** - Travel sizes of soap, shampoo, conditioner, tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, razors.
- **Angels Care** - Food pantry items, travel sizes of soap, shampoo, conditioner, tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, razors, Bible themed coloring books, crayons, small books, stickers, wash cloths, band aids, wet wipes, antibacterial soap, antibiotic ointment.

# FIRST PRES



## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

School is back in session, and so are our Wednesday afternoon meetings for the First Pres Middle School Youth. All young people in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to join us on **Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.** in the First Pres. Student Center (711 Sixth Street NW). There will be **FOOD** (supper is provided) **FELLOWSHIP** (the 737 building is open for basketball, four square, carpet ball, and general hanging out with friends) **FUN, FAITH, AND FRIENDS** (we have a great group of adults who will help you and your friends explore the Christian faith and learn more about loving and serving God.) We wrap up at 7:30 p.m. Bring a friend and be sure to attend.

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

All 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade young people are encouraged to join our High School Youth. The group meets on **Sunday nights, from 5:30p.m.–7:30 p.m.** in the Student Center, 711 Sixth Street NW.

**WHAT WILL YOU FIND?** Supper with your friends, time to catch up with your friends, some games and laughs with your friends, bible study and Christian service with your friends.

Come out each Sunday and make some new friends in Christ at our High School Youth.

# FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

## CHILDREN & YOUTH AT 9:45 A.M. AND ADULTS AT 10 A.M.

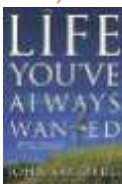


All children gather for music with Mr. David from 9:45 – 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings in Room 101.

Children ages three and four gather in Room 108 for their own Sunday School time of crafts, snack, Bible lesson, and fun.

Children in kindergarten through fifth grade will rotate through Art, Science, Cooking, Storytelling, Computer, and Movies on Sunday mornings. The theme changes every 6 weeks. They will begin this fall talking about Adam & Eve.

The Youth of the church, those in Middle School and High School are invited to come hang out in the Student Center from 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. We have a variety of volunteers who will lead this engaging class filled with faith-building, friendship, fun, food, and great times.



Connect - Grow - Thrive meets in Room 207. This fall they will dive into the book, *The Life You've Always Wanted: Spiritual Disciplines for Ordinary People* by John Ortberg. All are invited to join in this discussion filled class. Laura Frost handles the communication of this class and members of the class take part in leading the discussion each week.

The Perspectives Class meets in the Geneva Room and is facilitated by Dr. Jim Threlkel and Glenn Thomas. This Fall they will begin a brand new study focusing on Martin Thielen's book, *What's the Least I Can Believe and Still Be A Christian?* Everyone is invited to join in this thought-provoking discussion time. Pastor and author Martin Thielen has compiled a list of ten things people need to believe, and ten things they don't, in order to be a Christian. This lively and engaging book will be a help to seekers as well as a comfort to believers who may find themselves questioning some of the assumptions they grew up with.



Dr. Steve Negley's class meets in the back of McLeod Hall. This Fall the topic will be: **Mastering the Basics in I John.** This eight-week study will take the class on a journey through a little book (I John) tucked near the back of the New Testament. Long before C.S. Lewis and his look at "Mere" Christianity, a writer named John was putting pen to papyrus and helping early Christians explore the essential elements of their faith. Addressing a congregation where faith and practice had taken some wrong turns, John shared the good news of how things

could move in the right direction. Bring your Bible and be prepared to explore how we can walk in the Light and walk in love; test the spirits and be aware of antichrists; live as children of God who love one another; and revel in how God's love inspires our love.

**FALL FOR  
ONE OF OUR  
SUNDAY  
SCHOOL  
CLASSES**

## FALL SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE HAS RETURNED



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 **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.*

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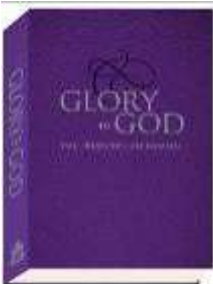
**Bag Lunch Ministry**

We gave out 322 bag lunches the week of 9/22/14.

**Soup Kitchen Ministry**

We fed 125 people on 9/27/14

**YOU CAN STILL DEDICATE A HYMNAL TO SOMEONE SPECIAL**



This year's Palm Sunday marked the dedication of the *Glory to God* hymnals for our use in worship. Out of 500 hymnals, 392 have been dedicated, which means there are still 108 hymnals needing dedications.

On **November 2**, the church will observe All Saints Day in worship. As we celebrate the lives of all those who have joined the Church Triumphant in the past year, we will again print the full dedication list.

If there is someone you wish to honor with the dedication of a hymnal, please fill out the form(s) below and turn it into the church office with \$20 by **Monday, October 27**.

**Hymnal Dedication**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one - **In Memory** of or **In Honor** of: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hymnal Dedication**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one - **In Memory** of or **In Honor** of: \_\_\_\_\_

