



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

# Tower Chimes

Week of November 13, 2016

Issue 603

130 Years of Ministry

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## JINGLE JAVA JAM

Please join us on **December 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.** as we begin the Christmas season with a celebration of songs from around the world. The second annual Jingle Java Jam will bring you a variety of seasonal music sung and played by our talented church members.



We will have our choirs, bells, and a wide assortment of ensembles from children to adults that will share some of their favorite music with you. Don't miss out on this prelude to the Christmas season with special fellowship and special Christmas treats being served.

To make your reservation, please contact the church office by calling 294-3121, emailing to [office@firstpreswh.org](mailto:office@firstpreswh.org), or filling out this tear-off and dropping in offering plate on Sunday or bringing to the office

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Casting for COME TO THE STABLE and BETHLEHEM SQUARE has begun.***

**PLEASE STOP BY THE BOARDS IN THE NARTHEX AND SIGNUP!**

**SHEPHERDS AND ANGELS are needed for both performances.**

**SHOPKEEPERS and GREETERS are needed for  
BETHLEHEM SQUARE.**

**Signup sheets for performers are on the library side of the board.  
(THE ABOVE ARE ALL COSTUMED ROLES!)**

For **non-costumed roles** we have the following openings:  
prepare the food and beverages for serving and/or cleanup after, guide our guests in the parking lot, setup of the stable site and the technology prior to the performances and/or take down after, and in Bethlehem Square reconfigure the room to normal setup after the performances.

**Signup sheets for BACKSTAGE and PRE- and POST-EVENT needs are on the Edinburgh Room-side of the board along with sheets to sign-up to provide food and beverages.**

**Thank you for participating.**



# OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

## Sunday, Friday, November 13

### Blood Mobile

8:15 a.m. Chapel Worship (Chapel)  
8:30 a.m. Blood Mobile (Parking Lot)  
9:15 a.m. The Connection (MH)  
9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School  
9:30 a.m. Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School (CE)  
11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)  
4:30 p.m. HSYG Music Rehearsal (GC)  
5:30 p.m. HSYG (GC)

## Monday, Friday, November 14

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)  
10:00 a.m. Lydia Circle (MH)  
6:00 p.m. Christian Education (GR)

## Tuesday, November 15

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)  
9:30 a.m. Joy Circle (Off-site)  
12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)  
12:00 p.m. Finance (UR)  
6:30 p.m. Deacons (GR)

## Wednesday, November 16

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)  
10:45 a.m. Preschool Music (CE 103)  
11:15 a.m. Preschool Music (CE 103)  
12:00 p.m. Buildings & Grounds (MH)  
3:00 a.m. Christ Kids (CE)  
5:00 p.m. Memorial Garden (MCR)  
5:30 p.m. Chirst Kids Bell Ringers (MS)  
5:30 p.m. MSYG (GC)  
6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells (MS)  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MS)

## Thursday, November 17

9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (GC)  
1:15 p.m. Chapel Bells (MS)  
6:30 p.m. Praise and Worship Band  
(Sanctuary)

## Friday, November 18

8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

## Saturday, November 19

2:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)  
4:00 p.m. Soup Kitchen (737)  
7:00 p.m. Saturday Nite Live (MH)

## DON'T FORGET 3 CENTS-A-MEAL THIS SUNDAY

We will collect the  
**3 Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering**  
during worship this Sunday,  
**November 20.**



This offering is divided between our Soup  
Kitchen/Bag Lunch Ministry,  
Beth-El Farm-workers Ministry, and Honduras.

# Remember in Prayer

members

Roger Able  
Maxie Adams  
Tom Brackett  
Jonye Briggs  
Millie Carrier  
Helen Champlain  
Tom & Anamarie Coffman  
Charlie Darte  
Elaine Dustin  
Jana & Mike Easterling  
Jeanne Estes  
Bill Everhart  
Lois Frakes  
Bill Garrett  
Margaret Goodman  
Jane Hayman  
Marilyn Hearn

Frances Heath  
Doris Hill  
Camille Howe  
Jim Huff  
Joey Johnston  
Sara Koon  
Toni Krieger  
Dena Lancashire  
Jackie Lawn  
Spike Lucia  
Elaine Maltese  
Larry Marshall  
Dick McCauley  
Jack Meadows  
Gladys Meier  
Lynn Mincey  
Bev Morris

Joan Murphy  
Ed Partridge  
Anthony Premuto  
Robert Ramseyer  
Keith Ray  
Barbara Roberts  
Earle Roberts  
Dave Ryan  
Marilyn Schleifer  
Barbara A. Smith  
Barbara H. Smith  
Pam Tallent-Blackburn  
Carolyn Thompson  
Shirley Turner  
Jim Vobornik  
Lee Wilkinson  
Marie Williams

## IN THE HOSPITAL: Doug Purnell

## Relatives & Friends

Kathy Andrews  
Peggy Argudo  
Susan Bryan  
Reese Burdette  
Anna Clawson & twins  
Allen Cofiori  
Paul Darlington  
Sarah Dubinsky  
Al Ellis  
Raymond Fenstermaker  
Richard Honer  
Pete Kent  
Nan Mason  
Cynthia McCaleb  
Marisa Middaugh  
Kate & Johnny Olson  
Kristy Turner  
Debbie Webb  
Marshall Wood

Augie Andrews' daughter  
Gene Aspy's friend  
Jim Francis' friend  
Dana Cole's cousin  
Linda & Andy Stavres' granddaughter  
Gale & Gwen Waters' friend  
Rick & Pat Reass' friend  
Linda & Andy Stavres' friend  
Jim Threlkel's friend  
Gale & Gwen Waters' grandson  
Butz family's friend  
Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew  
Harvey & Mary Ann Snively's daughter  
Carolyn Thompson's daughter  
Gene Aspy's niece  
Toni Barger's friend  
Rick & Pat Reass' daughter  
Jonathan Owen's friend  
Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend



*Our Christian  
sympathy goes to  
Ann Meadows  
on the death of  
her husband,  
Jack Meadows,  
who died on  
October 29, 2016.*



Samuel Crockett  
Zach Drum  
Robert Ferguson  
Stephanie Gillie  
Eddie Gray  
David Knowles  
John Marotti  
KaitLin Marotti-Pitts  
Ashton Pitts  
Drew Stapor



## LADIES, JOIN ONE OF OUR CIRCLE MEETINGS



Lydia Circle meets the **2nd Monday of each month at 10 a.m.** in McLeod Hall. **November 14** is the next meeting.

Joy Circle meets the **3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.** at the home of Carol Carter. **November 15** is the next meeting.

Study books are available for \$8.00. Contact either Carol Carter at 299-4253 or Sue McClew at 875-6176 for your copy.

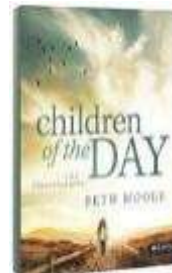
## FALL WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY IS HERE

*Children of the Day* by Beth Moore

The New Testament believers carried the Spirit of God as they walked along the shores of Thessalonica, just as we carry that light today when we're grocery shopping, having coffee, or picking up children. Your circumstances and conditions are not coincidental in your journey. God's timing is impeccable. Join us for video/discussion study with author Beth Moore on the Thessalonian shores.

If you would like to attend please contact Lia Gray at [uncpair@gmail.com](mailto:uncpair@gmail.com) or call 318-1541. Optional study books are \$18. We will meet in the **Golden Center** on 6th Street between the Christian Education and Soup Kitchen buildings.)

All meeting times are from 9am - 11am and will meet: **November 17, December 1 & 15, January 12 & 26, February 9 & 23.**



## OM, OM BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the OM, OM Book Club is **Monday, November 21 at 3 pm** in the back of McLeod Hall.

We will enjoy light refreshments and discuss the book *The Immortal Nicholas* by Glenn Beck.

**Be sure to call the church office at 294-3121 if you plan to attend.**

## DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR DIRECTORY AT THE CHURCH

Please keep in mind that mailing them costs \$3.40 each. So, we'd like for you to pick up your copy.

You can pick up your directory in the Edinburgh Room. They are in stacks labeled with the family name in alphabetical order.

If you do not find a directory with your family name on it and need one, please write your name and phone number on the form at the end of the table or call the church office at 294-3121.



## CARETAKER NEEDED

Our Morning Out Mom program which meets on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. is looking for a head caretaker and an additional caretaker to serve our program.

We need people who are dependable, enjoys being around children, able to lift children (walking through age three) onto the changing table, and has the flexibility to work from 8:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Please contact Amy McKee for more information (294-3121).

## ACOLYTES ARE NEEDED...

for the 9:30 & 11 am services. All children in first through fifth grade are invited to participate.

If your child needs a training session, please contact Amy McKee. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the CE building by the CE desk area.



# REMEMBER OUR STEPHEN MINISTRY PROGRAM IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEEDS HELP...

connect with one of our Stephen Ministers, by calling **Pat Reass at 206-9914**, or talk with one of our other Stephen Minister Leaders: **Alan Harvey, Ray Larson, Mary Marrs, Steve Negley, Les O'Neal, Barbara Perkins, or Jean Strang.**

You can also use one of the three Request Form Boxes located in the Centennial Room, narthex, and balcony hallway.



**Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!**



# 4 OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE

## SOUP KITCHEN HEAD COOKS NEEDED

- Our Saturday Soup Kitchen needs a Head Cook for **November 26, December 3 & 17.** Please sign up on Deacons' board in McLeod Hall.



## THE CONNECTION



Are you looking for an opportunity to share in fellowship with other members and friends of First Pres? If you answered, "YES" then we have a perfect opportunity for you. We are looking for folks to help "Oversee the Connection" time on Sunday mornings. We need your help setting out the food on platters and making sure that the trays have enough goodies on them throughout the morning.

The actual Connection time runs from 9:15-10:45 a.m. We would need your help starting around 8:30 a.m. to get all of the goodies out on trays. Please contact the church office at 294-3121 and speak to Alan Harvey or Amy McKee for more information. Thank you in advance for your faithful service!



## ARE YOU A TECHIE???

- If technology is your thing, we have a place for you in our musical praise!! We are in need of people who would like to learn about our sound system and help during the worship services to make sure all our praise is heard!

We will be holding a training session so contact Lynn at 701-570-1485 and let her know if you are willing to join the Sunday rotation in the sound booth. **PLEASE!!**



## STAGE SET-UP FOR PRAISE & WORSHIP ORDINARILY ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON-EVENINGS



- I can help set up stage and put on skirting
- I can help with displaying banners and paraments
- I can help move podium, communion table, musician stands, and stools

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Best Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_



## GOODBYES ARE SO VERY HARD!!

With regret, the Session has accepted the resignation of **Amy McKee** from the position of Director of Christian Education. After ten years leading our educational ministry (and two years as a mom) Amy and her family have decided for her to put her full-time energy into parenting Jonathan and Timothy. Amy will be serving in her current position here until the end of the year. The Session will be overseeing the transition in January. We will be holding a celebration of Amy's ministry later in December. Thank you, Amy, for the wonderful decade of service here at First Pres!



### HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT OUR THREE WORSHIP SERVICES?

#### 8:15 a.m. ~ Chapel Worship

A traditional worship service held in our chapel. The service follows the same order as the 11:00 a.m. worship service, but does not have a Chancel Choir. Musical ensembles offer special music on many Sundays. A Time with Younger Disciples is included if we have children in attendance.



#### 9:30 - 10:25 a.m. ~ Heart of Worship

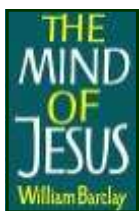
A Praise and Worship service held in our sanctuary. Along with scripture, sermon, and prayers, the praise band helps the congregation in adoring and showing reverence to God. Following the Time with Younger Disciples, children are invited to join Ms. Lynn in music and then to join in their own Children's Sunday School Classes.

#### 11:00 a.m. ~ Sanctuary Worship

A traditional worship service held in our sanctuary. The service follows the same order as the 8:15 a.m. Chapel Service, and includes music from the Chancel Choir and the organ, as well as other instruments and groups.

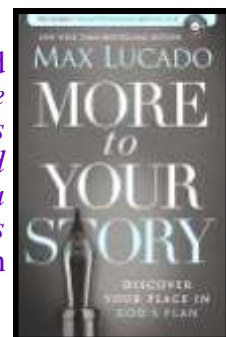
### SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

#### 9:30 a.m. – Adult



The Perspectives Class studies, **The Mind of Jesus** by William Barclay. Please join this class in the Geneva Room at 9:30 a.m. "Jesus suffered, doubted, hoped, feared, dreamed, wept, knew loneliness, planned, and built. William Barclay achieves in **The Mind of Jesus** his aim "to make the figure of Jesus more vividly alive, so that we may know him better and love him more." This class is facilitated by Dr. Jim Threlkel and Glenn Thomas.

**Max Lucado – More to Your Story** DVD study will meet through November 27. Rick and Pat Reass leads this class. *Car pools and car crashes. Job changes and joint custody. Life can feel overwhelming and inconsequential. But bestselling author Max Lucado says there's more to your story than the chaos, confusion, and clutter of daily life. Your life is a crafted narrative written by a great God, who is working toward your supreme good. Join Max on a journey through the great promises of the New Testament and discover your place in God's plan. Everything changes when you see how your story fits with God's story. Come join in fellowship and discussion in Room 207 of the CE building.*



#### 9:45 – Children

On Sunday mornings all children age three through fifth grade have a special music time with Ms. Lynn from **9:45 – 10 a.m.**

**At 10 a.m. the Preschool Children** (ages 3 and 4) meet in Room 101 for their own time of Bible lesson, craft, snack, and playtime.

The **Elementary children** (kindergarten through fifth grade) are invited to experience a brand new Sunday School curriculum called **252 Basics**. This new curriculum is designed to provoke discovery and invite kids into a new understanding of how to grow in relationship with Jesus. We look forward to you all joining us on Sunday mornings!



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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  
1,326 bag lunches the week of 10/31/16.

**We gave out 1,326 bag lunches  
in October.**

### Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 125 people on 10/29/16.

**We fed 557 people in October.**

**Return Service Requested**

## CAN YOU JOIN US AS WE GET GOD'S HOUSE READY FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT?

We need about a dozen folks to  
help us put up the new Advent  
Banners and Sanctuary Christmas  
Trees on Sunday, **November 20,**  
**starting at 2 p.m.**

**(We should be done by 4 p.m.)**



We'll have the ladders and tools.

Please contact the church office

([office@firstpreswh.org](mailto:office@firstpreswh.org)

or 294-3121) to let us know

If we can expect your help.