



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WINTER HAVEN

Tower Chimes

Weeks of June 18 & 25 2017

Issue 631

131 Years of Ministry

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VBS ~ Avalanche Ranch!

June 18 - 22 from 6:15 - 8:30 p.m.

Registration forms are in McLeod Hall.

Mary Marrs & Katie Sparr are VBS directors this year and they need **YOU** to join us for our Wild Ride Through God's Word!

VBS is overflowing with fun for kids! It's fun for the teenagers and adult crew leaders as well! Everyone involved in Avalanche Ranch will jump into God's Word for an unforgettable week. As kids explore amazing Bible adventures, they will take part in Daily Challenges that encourage them to apply Bible truths to everyday life.

Yes, kids can register at the "corral" in McLeod Hall at **6:15** any evening from **Sunday, June 18 through Thursday, June 22.**

Yes, we still need some of the "Chuck Wagon Chow" snack items. Please pick up a card from the bulletin board in the narthex.

Each evening begins with "Sing & Play Stampede". Then each Ranch Crew will head out for "Wild Bible Adventures," "Cowpoke Crafts," and "Horseplay Games!" On **Sunday, June 25** the congregation will get to experience VBS when the kids sing at the **9:00 a.m.** Heart of Worship service.

We hope to see you there pardner!!

**THANK YOU
DAD
FOR EVERYTHING**

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, June 18
3 Cents-a-Meal
Father's Day

- 9:00 a.m. Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 a.m. The Connection (McLeod Hall)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 p.m. Steinway Recital (MH)

Monday, June 19

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

Tuesday, June 20

- 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)
- 12:00 p.m. Finance (FFR)
- 2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Called Session Meeting (ER)

Wednesday, June 21

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

Thursday, June 22

- 6:30 p.m. Praise & Worship Band (Sanctuary)

Friday, June 23

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)
- 9:00 a.m. Kids Summer Escape Teachers Set-up (CE)

Saturday, June 24

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



Sunday, June 25

- 9:00 a.m. Heart of Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 a.m. The Connection (MH)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, June 26

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)
- 10:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl (MH-Back)

Tuesday, June 27

- 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch (MH)
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers (MH-Back)

Wednesday, June 28

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

Thursday, June 29

- 6:30 p.m. Praise & Worship Band (Sanctuary)

Friday, June 30

- 8:45 a.m. MOM (CE)

Saturday, July 1

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

Remember in Prayer

MEMBERS

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| Angie & Kaylie Arnold | Kay Hedden | Barbara Roberts |
| Roger Able | Doris Hill | Earle Roberts |
| Maxie Adams | Camille Howe | Marilyn Schleifer |
| Kathy Andrews | Jim Huff | Joyce Shirah |
| Kathleen Avinger | Martha Johnson | Mary Alice, Jaron, Emma, & John Skipper |
| Tom Brackett | Joey Johnston | Barbara A. Smith |
| Henry Braun | Kelly Kennedy | Barbara H. Smith |
| Helen Champlain | Peggy Kennedy | Scott Strey |
| Tom Coffman | Toni Krieger | Barbara Tackett |
| Charlie Darte | Dena Lancashire | Pam Tallent-Blackburn |
| Jana & Mike Easterling | Jackie Lawn | Carolyn Thompson |
| Jeanne Estes | Spike Lucia | Shirley Turner |
| Bill Everhart | Larry Marshall | Lee Wilkinson |
| Margaret Goodman | Gladys Meier | Marie Williams |
| Matthew Gray | Bev Morris | Nancy Williamson |
| Clyde Green | Joan Murphy | Judy Winfree |
| Jane Hayman | Nancy Neale | Retha Wright |
| Joyce Hayman | Jackie Pinckney | |
| Frances Heath | Keith Ray | |

IN THE HOSPITAL: Jim King, Lynn Mincey, & Jay Tackett

Relatives & Friends

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| Reese Burdette | Dana Cole's cousin |
| Suzie Cole | Augie Andrews' friend |
| Bruce Conner | Jane Hayman's friend |
| Mary Tom Drew | Gene Aspy's friend |
| Al Ellis | Jim Threlkel's friend |
| Raymond Fenstermaker | Gale & Gwen Waters' grandson |
| Jeanne Gardner | Augie Andrews' friend |
| Mike Giammetta | Jackie Lawn's brother |
| Traci Henry | Lynn Oakley's friend |
| Cooper Hicks | Mary Ellen Rowker's friend |
| Pete Kent | Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew |
| Micki Reass | Rick's Reass' mother |
| Michael & Sadie O'Neil | Dick & Nancy Shaw's friend |
| Ashish Shah | Orrin & Helen Champlain's friend |
| Kristy Turner | Rick & Pat Reass' daughter |
| Marshall Wood | Jim & Ellie Threlkel's friend |



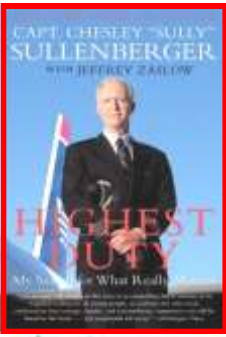
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| Brenden Anderson | Eddie Gray |
| Christian Anderson | David Knowles |
| Karolina Crockett | John Marotti |
| Samuel Crockett | KaitLin Marotti-Pitts |
| Zach Drum | Ashton Pitts |
| Robert Ferguson | Shad Skinner |
| Stephanie Gillie | Drew Stapor |



Our Christian sympathy goes to Angie & Kaylie Arnold on the death of their husband and father, Bryan, who died on Saturday, June 3, 2017.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Matthew, Pam, & Courtney Gray on the death of Gary Webb, Sunday, June 4th, 2017.

ODD MONTH, ODD MONDAY BOOK DISCUSSION



The next meeting is **Monday, July 17 at 3 p.m.** in the back of McLeod Hall. We will enjoy light refreshments and discuss the book, *Highest Duty: My Search for What Really Matters* by Chesley B. Sullenberger III and Jeffrey Zaslow.

A copy or copies of the titles are available for check out in the library. Should you wish to order a copy you may contact Jonathan or Bethany Owen in the library.

We will meet in the back of McLeod Hall. Reservations are requested to ensure adequate refreshments. You may RSVP through the church office at 294-3121.

You are invited to join us.



WHAT IS WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?

Only Two Plates Are Filled And Those Are Done By Deacons!
(June 24 and September 9)

One Plate (July 29) Is Filled With A Head Cook And Two Assistants,
But More Are Needed!

Thirteen More Dates This Summer Need Head Cooks And Assistants.

Won't You Help Us Feed Hungry People This Summer?

Please Sign Up On The Bulletin Board In The Narthex Or On The
Deacon's Board In McLeod Hall. God Bless You and Thank You!



FIRST PRES PREPARES TO WELCOME NEW DIRECTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRIES

The Session and Search Committee are excited about the addition of a new Director of Student Ministries to our church family – Mr. Leonard Mosiah. Leonard was born in South Africa, where his father was and is a pastor, and his mother a teacher. Sports, music, mission, and a love for young people have been driving factors in Leonard's adult life. He has been involved with groups in touring the United States, Germany, Namibia, and Mozambique, helping young people create a biblical worldview, as they prepare to become effective disciples/disciple makers in the world.



Leonard has been living in the United States for the past five years, as he completed his bachelors degree in Evangelism and Discipleship at the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. While living and studying in Chicago, Leonard met and then married his wife, Elizabeth. They have an infant son, Micah. Leonard and his family are currently visiting South Africa so that his parents can meet their newest grandchild.

Leonard and family are in Winter Haven on July 1. All youth (sixth – twelfth grades) and their families will be invited to an evening cookout at the First Pres Golden Student Center on Sunday, July 2 to meet the Mosiahs.



DON'T FORGET THE ANGEL VAN MINISTRY

The Angel Van is a service deacons provide for adults who have no means of transportation to and from our Sunday worship. Those who would like to take advantage of this service need to call the office at 294-3121 by noon on Fridays. Your request will be relayed to the deacon driving on that Sunday and the deacon will contact you by telephone on Saturday to confirm your desire to be transported and to arrange the time of pick up for our Worship Service at 11 a.m. Please let us know if we can be of service to you.



Summer Mission Opportunities

We have officially moved into summer. Many people find they have a little extra time (and maybe money) on their hands that they might want to invest in the kingdom of God. Here are some wonderful ways that you can get involved, help our neighbors, and generously serve God with a smile at the same time:

Saturday Soup Kitchen—Head Cooks and Helpers Wanted

We feed around 100 people each Saturday night, year-round. Our weekly ministry of providing a hot meal, in the name of Jesus Christ, to the hungry in our community will hit a summer slump. The crews usually meet in the church kitchen around **2:00 p.m. on Saturday** for food prep and set-up. The serving hour at our 737 building is **4:00 - 5:00 p.m.** Clean-up is usually done in 30 minutes, and the volunteers are out the door by 5:30 p.m.—filled with the knowledge that lots of our neighbors will not go to bed hungry that night! If you would like to be a part of this ministry of care and compassion, sign up on the bulletin board in McLeod Hall. Head cooks and helpers are needed.



Bag Lunch Ministry—Assemble Food Bags on your Schedule



For over 20 years, First Presbyterian Church has responded to Matthew 25 by feeding every hungry person who comes to our doors. Now, our Bag Lunch Ministry feeds an average of 50 people each weekday. Food items are purchased in bulk by the Deacons, and volunteers are needed to assemble bag lunches. It takes about an hour or two for one person to bag 125 lunches (about a day and a half worth of our distribution). If you would be willing to come by, just call the church office and find out how our supply is holding out, and schedule your time to help.

Meals on Wheels—Summer Drivers Needed

Each weekday, over two hundred residents of our area depend on the drivers from Meals on Wheels to deliver the hot, nutritious lunch and personal contact that helps them stay in their own homes. During the summer months, when many regular Meals on Wheels volunteers are away at their alternate addresses, or on vacation, Meals on Wheels desperately needs fill-in drivers. It takes a couple of hours around lunch time to deliver the meals on a route. If you could help one or more days a week, or even one or two days this summer, it would be a God-send. Meals on Wheels is located on Sixth Street, NW, directly across from our church. Call 299-1616 or drop by to find out where you are needed.



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We hope you will join us for worship every Sunday this summer. Our SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE runs through **Labor Day Weekend (Sunday, September 3.)**



HEART OF WORSHIP (Praise and Worship): **9:00 a.m.** in the Sanctuary

The Connection (Fellowship and Refreshments):
10:00 a.m. in McLeod Hall

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary



DON'T MISS THE CONNECTION
10:00 a.m.

Fellowship time in McLeod Hall offers a coffee bar type selection with different flavored creamers, pastries, etc. It is a gathering place before (or after) worship, and between worship and Sunday School for some. Hosts circulate in McLeod Hall and the CE Building to greet and assist people in making connections with others in one of the worship or Christian Education options.



SUMMER BRINGS ...

- ... beach trips and swimming pools,
- ... trips to visit family and new places,
- ... new worship schedule at First Pres: **9:00 & 10:30 a.m.**,
- ... and **Sunday Summer Second Sunday School** for all ages.

Mark your calendars now for **July 9**, and **August 13** for our Sunday Summer Second Sunday School (SSSSS)!!!

Each class will be offered in the back of McLeod Hall twice; the first session at **9:00 a.m.** and the second at **10:30 a.m.** Both sessions will have the same content and will be led by Evelyn McMullen and a team of assistants. So you may choose to worship at 9:00 a.m. and come to SSSSS at 10:30 a.m. **OR** come to SSSSS at 9:00 a.m. and worship at 10:30 a.m.



July 9: The Lord's Supper

All generations explore the meaning and mystery of this sacrament

August 13: Christian Symbols

All generations explore visual expressions of faith

Each week will include 20 minutes of age-appropriate learning and 40 minutes of learning together. We hope to see all of you at our summer sessions.

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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 2412 bag lunches the week of 5/29/17.

We gave out 308 bag lunches the week of 6/5/17.

We gave out 1358 bag lunches in May, 2017.

Return Service Requested

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 75 people on 6/3/17.

We fed 96 people on 6/10/17.

We fed 339 people in May, 2017.

THREE CHEERS FOR THE RED, WHITE, AND BLUE!!



Our *Patriotic Lunch and Sing Along* is scheduled for **Sunday, July 2 at 11:30 a.m.** in McLeod Hall. The dining will be festooned with red, white, and blue bunting. Anamarie Coffman will be at the keyboard.

Rick's Bar-B-Q will cater the luncheon for us. The menu includes: Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Coleslaw and Roll with dessert and beverage. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under. Reservations are required and the deadline is Wednesday, June 28 by noon!



PATRIOTIC LUNCHEON RESERVATION

Name: _____ # of Adults: _____ # of Children: _____

Please do not pre-pay. Money will be collected the day of luncheon.