



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINTER HAVEN

Tower Chimes

Week of June 2, 2019

Issue 716

133 Years of Ministry

SUMMER WORSHIP PLANS

We hope that you join us for worship on the summer Sundays that you are in town. Our plans for the summer include:

- + Observing our summer worship schedule from Memorial Day thru Labor Day with Heart of Worship and one traditional service on most Sundays.
- + Continuing our First Sunday Single Worship Service and Luncheon on the first Sundays throughout the summer.

Summer Worship dates and time

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| May 26 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am (Memorial Day Weekend) | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| June 2 | First Pres. First Sunday Gathering | Worship 10:00 am Luncheon 11:15 am |
| June 9 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| June 16 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| June 23 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| June 30 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| July 7 | First Pres. First Sunday Gathering | Worship 10:00 am Luncheon 11:15 am |
| July 14 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| July 21 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| July 28 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| August 4 | First Pres. First Sunday Gathering | Worship 10:00 am Luncheon 11:15 am |
| August 11 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| August 18 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| August 25 | Heart of Worship 9:15 am | Traditional Worship 11:00 am |
| September 1 | First Pres. First Sunday Gathering (Labor Day Weekend) | Worship 10:00 am Luncheon 11:15 am |

Dr. Steven R. Negley
Senior Pastor

Dr. C. Alan Harvey
Associate Pastor

Rev. Sarah A. Bishop
Associate Pastor for
Christian Education and
Family Ministries

Lynn M. McCoy
Director of
Music Ministries

Robin D. Miller
Director of Finance &
Administration

Connie J. Shipley
Administrative Assistant

Rose S. Flynn
Office Assistant

Sammy D. Bryant
Director of Maintenance

THE SESSION HAS CALLED A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOR SUNDAY

Please join us **June 2 at 9:55 am** in the sanctuary, immediately preceding the single First Sunday Worship Service, to hear the report of the Nominating Committee and elect Deacons and Elders to the Class of 2022, and Members-at-large to the Nominating Committee Class of 2020.

The following slate will be presented by the Nominating Committee for discussion and action:

Class of 2022 Deacon

Sean Ivey
Sharon Mann
Erin Miller
Melissa Rowker
Katie Sparr

Class of 2022 Elder

Paul Montgomery
Bethany Owen
Ed Smith
Kit Threlkel
Carson Weeks

Class of 2020 Nominating Committee At-Large

Mike Harris
Jonathan Owen
Jane Ray
Nell Speer
Ellen Zeller



Remember in Prayer

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 2

First Sunday

High School Seniors Sunday

- 9:55 am Congregational Meeting
(Sanctuary)
10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:15 am Fellowship Luncheon (MH)
3:00 pm VBS Decorating

Monday, June 3

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
3:00 pm VBS Decorating

Tuesday, June 4

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MCR)
12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH)
3:00 pm VBS Decorating
6:30 pm Session (GR)

Wednesday, June 5

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
3:00 pm VBS Decorating

Thursday, June 6

- 3:00 pm VBS Decorating

Friday, June 7

- 8:45 am MOM (CE)
3:00 pm VBS Decorating

Saturday, June 8

- 2:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
4:00 pm Soup Kitchen (737)



*We extend our deepest sympathy to
Bill Freeman and family on the
death of their wife and mother,
Lucille Freeman
who died on Monday,
May 20, 2019.*

MEMBERS

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| Kathy Andrews | Frances Heath | Randall Palmer |
| Tom Brackett | Kay Hedden | Bo Palo |
| Helen Butz | Doris Hill | Barbara Roberts |
| Helen Champlain | Bryan Howard | Earle Roberts |
| Carl Cheatham | Bob & Isobel | Dave & Bonnie Ryan |
| Tom Coffman | Hubbard | George Seagreaves |
| Charlie Darte | Jim Huff | Cash Sheaffer |
| Patricia Dexter | Martha Johnson | Joyce Shirah |
| Yolanda Dyer | Joey Johnston | Barbara H. Smith |
| Mike & Jana | John Kissel | Mary Ann Snively |
| Easterling | Toni Krieger | Christine Stevens |
| Dana Elmore | Dena Lancashire | Scott Strey |
| Bill Everhart | Spike Lucia | Barbara Tackett |
| Bill Freeman | Bob McClew | Jay Tackett |
| Scott & Kathy | Joan McCollough | Pam Tallent-Blackburn |
| Girouard | Matt McGaffigan | Carolyn Thompson |
| John Gray | Edna Mitchell | Pat Vobornik |
| Bob Hancock | Bev Morris | Gwen Waters |
| Jane Hayman | Nancy Neale | |

Relatives & Friends

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| Jacob Andrews | Augie Andrews' grandson |
| Sheryl Bachelder | Kit Threlkel's friend |
| Michael Branch | Jeff Bowen's friend |
| Reese Burdette | Dana Cole's cousin |
| Debra Cain | Tom & Jeri Oldt's sister-in-law |
| Scott Davis | Larry & Peggy Davis' son |
| Jacqueline Dewdney | Kit Threlkel's friend |
| Al Ellis | Jim Threlkel's friend |
| Mary Sue Hallmark | Jim Francis' friend |
| Sidney Hilliard | Tillie Montney's mother |
| Jay & Gail Jones | Mary Marrs' friends |
| Pete Kent | Charley & Nancy Chilton's nephew |
| Linda Harris Leeds | Debbie Sowards' friend |
| Sharon Maulden | Judy Winfree's sister |
| Carol Moore | Roger & Marie Able's friend |
| Lettie Lane North | Jean Strang's sister |
| Bill & Judy Overlock | Kit Threlkel's friends |
| Hugh and Joyce Pemberton | Rick & Pat Reass' friends |
| Jack Phares | Nell Speer's friend |
| Tom Polak | Wade & Sandy Hoffman's friend |
| Larry & Janey Powell | Alan Harvey's friends |
| Sandy Schwenk | Zane Schwenk's mother |
| Kristy Turner | Rick & Pat Reass' daughter |
| Rolland Waters | Gale & Gwen Waters' son |

MILITARY



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| Zach Anaya | Sean Harp |
| Brenden Anderson | David Knowles |
| Christian Anderson | John Marotti |
| Samuel Crockett | Mathew Massam |
| Zach Drum | KaitLin Marotti-Pitts |
| Robert Ferguson | Ashton Pitts |
| Stephanie Gillie | Shad Skinner |
| Eddie Gray | Drew Stapor |
| Daniel Harp | |

*The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated
at both worship services Sunday, June 9.
Prepare your heart to come to the Lord's Table.*

“PINT-SIZE” FUNTIMERS FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Please join us beginning **June 21 at 6:30 pm** in McLeod Hall. All ages are welcome for a fun night of board games, pizza, and fellowship. When you can't join the Funtimers during the week, join the “pint-sizers” and their fun on the third Friday of every month!

Look for our events in July and August coming soon. Contact Rev. Sarah at 294-3121 or Sbishop@firstpreswh.org with any questions.



INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday, June 23 and Sunday, July 21 at 10:30 am in McLeod Hall.
Join your church family for an immersive *Intergenerational Sunday School* gathering between worship services and open to everyone!

FLAT JESUS – JESUS SAID “I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS.”

This summer, *Flat Jesus* is packed and ready to go on your Summer adventures! Whether you are just napping in your backyard or wandering the streets of Paris, Flat Jesus would love for you to be with him. And don't forget to take a picture or two, #firstpreswhflatjesus, and share on social media! Want to know where Jesus has been a part of our church family this summer? Search #firstpreswhflatjesus and enjoy! Packets will be available in the Narthex, McLeod Hall, and downloadable from the church website. Rev Sarah is also emailing a copy out. If you were missed, contact her at sbishop@firstpreswh.org or (863)294-3121.



SOUND BOARD OPERATORS WANTED



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!!**

JOIN US FOR THE NEXT FUNTIMERS, JUNE 19TH

FunTimers and Friends, our next gathering will be on **Wednesday, June 19**. We will travel to the *Crooked Bass Grill* in Babson Park for lunch. The lunch menu includes excellent seafood choices as well as ham, chicken, and burgers in a variety of sandwiches, wraps, salads, and soups. (www.crookedbass.com)

Prices are reasonable and we have it from good sources that the food is excellent. Bring guests!

The restaurant opens at 11:30 am so we'll gather at the church at 10:30 am for a 10:45 am departure. Please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or sign-up in McLeod Hall or call the FPC office to let us know that you are joining us. We must make advance reservations prior to the 19th.



Name _____ Number going _____

Riding the bus: yes / no Phone number _____

We look forward to having you join us for great food and fellowship.

OFFICERS-ELECT AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE BIOS

DEACONS

SEAN IVEY was born and raised in Winter Haven. He is a 2018 graduate of Winter Haven High School and currently attends Polk State College. Upon completing his prerequisites, he plans to attend the University of Florida campus in Plant City to study Geomatics Engineering. Sean has been at First Pres all his life. He was baptized by Dr. Negley, served as an acolyte, regularly attended Sunday School, participated in many of Dr. Harvey's plays, joined the Jazzbyterians in 2014, was an active member of Youth Group, served on the Search Committee for Director of Music Ministry and is a member of the First Pres Praise Band for the Heart of Worship Service. Sean feels deeply honored to be nominated for the Diaconate and considers it a privilege to serve.

SHARON MANN was born, raised, and educated in South Bend, Indiana. She worked in the capacity as office manager for over thirty years. She moved to Winter Haven in 2006 with her husband of thirty-six years Alan who passed away in 2015. Sharon has two boys Brent and Bruce, two stepdaughters Angela and Susan, and six beautiful grandchildren. She was very active in her Presbyterian Church in Indiana, is on the Comfort Care Committee at First Presbyterian, became a member in 2016. Sharon feels very blessed to have First Presbyterian as her church family, and is looking forward to serving as a Deacon.

ERIN MILLER joined First Presbyterian Church Winter Haven in 1986 with her mother after moving to Florida from Colorado. She was confirmed here, participating in choir and bells in high school as well as now when time allows. Last year she was able to help with Christ's Kids and can't wait to help again when time allows. She met her husband Daniel Miller around the turn of the century and have been together since. They have the honor to be the parents of two girls and one boy: Lydia, Chloe and Dorian. The eldest is attending UF-"Go Gators"- while the other are in elementary school. She is humbled by the love this church family has shown her through out the years and is excited to serve any way she can.

MELISSA ROWKER was born in Syracuse, NY and moved to Dunedin, Florida when she was three years old. Her family relocated to Winter Haven when she was seven years old. They started attending First Presbyterian, as family in Winter Haven were already members. She graduated from Winter Haven High School and went on to earn a Bachelor's degree in Education from the University of Florida. She earned a Master's degree in Educational Policy and Management from Harvard University. Melissa served as missionary in Belfast, N. Ireland with Young Adult Volunteer program of the Presbyterian Church USA. After her service in N. Ireland, she served as a missionary for several more years in Quetzaltenango, Guatemala. She taught middle and high school in Polk County and in Chicago, Illinois. She is currently the National Director of Academic Programs for City Year, a national AmeriCorps Program.

KATIE SPARR has been married to David Sparr for almost 15 years. She is originally from Pittsburgh, PA, but has lived in Florida for the past 15 years. She and David have been members of First Presbyterian church since December 2008. She has two daughters, Laura who is 9 years old and Abigail who is 6 years old. Katie has taught Sunday School for several years in the Preschool Program and helped with the planning of our VBS program for the past two years. She has taught kindergarten for the past 5 years at Horizons Elementary School in Davenport, FL.

ELDERS

PAUL A. MONTGOMERY was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania. He married his high school sweetheart, Anne, earned a B.S. in pharmacy from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science in 1963 and a Doctorate in Pharmacy from Rutgers University in 1994. Paul, now retired, worked in the pharmaceutical industry managing clinical studies of investigational drugs at Wallace Labs, GSK, and Kyowa Pharmaceuticals for more than 40 years. The couple has two sons: Paul Jr., who lives in Whitehall, PA and James who lives in Winter Haven since our family moved here in 2016. Paul served as elder/trustee in two Presbyterian churches in Pennsylvania, enjoys golf with James and looks forward to serving the congregation at FPCWH.

CARSON WEEKS was born in Lakeland, FL and grew up in Lake Wales, FL. He has been working at Florida's Natural Growers (Citrus World) in Lake Wales for 47 + years and is currently Vice President of Planning and Logistics. Carson is married to Kay Gray Weeks and has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and one on the way! Carson has been a member of First Presbyterian since 1973. He served as a Deacon in the mid 70's. Carson and Kay have volunteered for VBS for the past several years and they currently are teaching 3 and 4 year old Sunday school. Carson is also a regular Usher. Carson, like many others in our congregation, bleeds Orange and Blue and loves Gator Football Season (mostly). He also loves Golf, fishing, and spending time with family and looks forward to more of this with retirement on the near horizon.

BETHANY OWEN was born in Owosso, Michigan and moved to Winter Haven at the age of 14 where she attended Winter Haven High. After graduating she matriculated to the University of Florida where she majored in accounting. Two years later she transferred to a small college in Orlando called the University of Central Florida where, much like Goldilocks, she found the smaller classes were "just the right size". Graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a focus on Accounting, she interned in Orlando for a time before being drawn home to a job at the City of Winter Haven working for City Manager Carl Cheatham. A career with State Farm Insurance came along, then marriage to Jonathan, followed by the births of their daughters Hadley and Sadie. Thirty years after leaving City Hall, her daughter and Carl's son have grown up together at First Presbyterian and she finds herself back at the City working for the City Manager until recently trying her hand as the City's Purchasing Manager. Bethany and her family can be found hustling books between volunteering gigs at the Friends of the Library bookstore and the three libraries here at the church. The spirit of volunteerism runs deep in the Owen family with both Bethany and Jonathan serving the FPC & Winter Haven Public libraries, serving as deacons, and elders and their daughters each serving on FPC church leadership search committees. The people of Honduras also hold a special place in the hearts of this family; although Bethany can often be heard professing the importance of her staying behind to take care of the family pets. Bethany looks forward to this opportunity to serve her church Family in another capacity.

ED SMITH was born in Palatka, Florida, but moved to Winter Haven in 1954, at the beginning of the 8th grade. He graduated from Winter Haven High School in 1960. Ed earned an Associate Degree from Coffeyville (Kansas) Community College, a Bachelors Degree from Regents College (The University of New York), a Masters Degree from Old Dominion University, and the Educational Specialist Degree from Nova Southeastern University. Ed has an extensive career in public service. He is a retired lieutenant (LDO) in the U. S. Navy in which he served for 28 years. He also served as a Winter Haven Police Officer for one and one-half years and a Polk County public school teacher and administrator for sixteen years. Ed is a former Lake Alfred city commissioner and served one term as a vice-mayor and two terms as mayor. He was first elected to the Polk County Board of County Commissioners in 2008 and was re-elected for a second term in 2012. He was board chair in 2011. Ed is a member of the Board of Directors of the Florida Association of Counties and serves as a trustee for the Florida Local Government Investment Trust. He is a member of Phi Rho Pi fraternity, Phi Delta Theta fraternity, a 32° Scottish Rite Mason, and a Shriner. Ed is a lifelong Christian having been baptized in the First Baptist Church in Hastings, Florida, at the age of seven. He was elected a deacon at Debaun Memorial Baptist Church in Chesapeake, Virginia, and was elected an elder at First Presbyterian Church in Haines City, Florida. He has taught Adult, and College and Career Sunday School classes for many years. He has six children, ten grand children, and two great grand children. Ed says that he considers it an honor and a privilege to be able to serve fellow Christians at First Presbyterian Church, Winter Haven.

KIT THRELKEL moved from Nashville, TN to Winter Haven with my family in 1972. She feels like a native! Kit joined First Presbyterian Church in 1973. After high school, she attended the University of South Carolina and graduated from the Medical College of Georgia with a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing. She has been employed at Winter Haven Hospital for the past 31 years working in many Human Resources positions and most recently as Manager of Volunteer Services. Kit's church home has always been important in her life. She served as an Elder here at First Pres between 1994-1996, chairing the Personnel and Administration Committee during that service as well as a search committee for Interim Sr. Pastor and then Sr. Pastor/HOS. She has also served on two Associate Pastor Search Committees and taught youth Sunday school. Kit currently ushers monthly and serves as a member of the Personnel and Administration Committee. She enjoys preparing meals for the Senior High Youth Group a couple of times a year. Kit considers First Pres as her second family and is humbled and privileged to be asked to serve our Lord, church, and family as an Elder.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE AT-LARGE

MICHAEL F. HARRIS – Mike was born in Newark, Ohio and reared in Melbourne, Florida. He attended Emmanuel Methodist Church where his father was a leader in the church and his mother was the choir director. After graduating from Eau Gallie High School in 1980, he entered Florida State University to study music, but instead graduated in 1986 with a Management Information Systems degree. Soon after graduation he moved to Winter Haven to begin his career as a computer programmer at Scotty's home builder's supply, for whom he had worked in college. Two months later, Mike married his college sweetheart, Cheryce Powers. Since 1999, Mike has worked for Watkins Motor Lines in Lakeland and then FedEx after it purchased Watkins. Mike will retire from FedEx on May 31 and is currently plotting his next career move. Mike and Cheryce have been members of First Presbyterian Church since 1990. In that time Mike has served twice on the Nominating Committee and once on the Diaconate. Mike's passion is music, which he has the privilege to express in many ways at First Pres as a vocalist and instrumentalist. Mike has also been responsible for most computer and web-related undertakings at First Pres and is usually a participant in any "digitally" related projects. Outside of church you can often find Mike playing locally in one of his bands.

JONATHAN OWEN: Jonathan was born in Charlottesville, Va., but moved to Florida after the third grade. He lived in Winter Haven for four years before moving to the Ft. Lauderdale area. Jonathan graduated from the University of Florida where he majored in English with a minor in Business Administration. He began working with State Farm Insurance after graduation and has worked there for over 28 years. Since moving back to Winter Haven in 1998, he and his wife Bethany, along with their daughters Hadley and Sadie, have been active with the Winter Haven Public Library and FPC. Jonathan is the chair of the city advisory board for the Winter Haven Public Library and is a past president of the Friends of the Library. At FPC, Jonathan is a resting Elder and Deacon, very active with the High School youth group, and he and Bethany run the church's three libraries. He is also a member of the World Mission Committee and Personnel Committee. Jonathan is the vice-moderator of the Tampa Bay Presbytery and a member of the Presbytery's World Mission Committee. In his spare time, Jonathan likes to read, travel with his family, and ride his motorcycle.

JANE RAY was born in Baton Rouge, LA and lived there until her junior year in high school. After her father retired from Standard Oil, they moved to Pensacola, Florida. She finished high school and went to Florida State where she received a B.S. degree in Fashion Merchandizing. She met her late husband, "Scoot Roberts" and they were married in 1961 and moved to Winter Haven. Mike, Tim, and Carol Jane were added to the family. They joined First Presbyterian in the late 70's. Due to a long standing bout with cancer, Scoot passed away in 1985. Jane went to work with Keith Ray for Savannah Foods in 1985. The office was in downtown Winter Haven until it was closed in 1995. Jane and Keith were married by Drs. Steve Negley and Jim Manor in 1997, with their six children in attendance. Seven grandchildren have been added to the family. Jane has previously served as both a Deacon and an Elder. She was an active Stephen Minister for three years and member of the search committee for the Music Director. Presently she is a member of the Chancel Choir, Co-Chairman of the Sanctuary Committee, and a member of Worship and Music and Congregational Care committees. In 2015, the Rays were chosen as Outstanding Older Adults. It is a blessing to be asked to serve God and this congregation once again.

NELL SPEER was born in Ocala FL and moved to Winter Haven when she was four years old. She graduated from Winter Haven High School in 1956. She married Ralph Speer in December 1957 and raised three children Steve, Mike, and Diane. She was raised in the Baptist faith but later became a founding and very active member of St. Johns Methodist in Winter Haven. She graduated from Polk Community College in 1977 With a Registered Nursing degree. She retired from Winter Haven Hospital after 25 years in 2002. She then worked for a time with Good Shepherd Hospice. Ralph passed away in 2011. Nell stay very busy and involved with her three children, ten grandchildren and four great grandchildren as well as extended family. She has been attending First Presbyterian for eight years and a member for seven years. She currently serves on Membership, Congregational Care, and Nominating Committees. She also served three years as a deacon. She enjoys traveling, gardening cooking, the beach, and family and friends. After many years of searching, she feels inspired by this church family and staff and feels she has finally found a home. God Bless

ELLEN ZELLER was born in Tuscaloosa, AL, graduated from Shorter College, and lived in GA until moving to Lakeland and Winter Haven. Her main interests revolved around church and school activities with their four children. She has served as deacon and elder in the Presbyterian Church. Ellen returned to teaching and taught elementary music in Polk County Schools. Hobbies include gardening and traveling with children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Her husband, Jim, is retired from a family restaurant business and is active in the Anglican Church and Meals on Wheels. She feel very privileged to be a member of this church with such a vibrant, caring congregation.

JUNE

BIRTHDAYS

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| 6/1 Carol Carter Luci Glenn Barbara Perkins | 6/9 Laura Frost 6/10 Mike Easterling Alex Girouard Hunter Stapor | 6/20 Joyce Hayman 6/21 MaryBess Thompson Jennifer Van Allen |
| 6/2 Dusty Marshall | 6/11 Spike Thompson | 6/22 Rachel Harris |
| 6/3 Bob Endres Hadley Owen | 6/12 Karen King John Van Allen | 6/23 Audrey Hawk Camryn Swango |
| 6/4 Shannon Badnell Isobel Hubbard Lynn McCoy Joe McKee Sarah Rennie Kylie Robinson | 6/13 Bill Garrett 6/14 Pam Blackburn Kay Hedden Sadie Owen | 6/24 Dana Elmore Rhonda Garneau MacKenzie Tackett |
| 6/5 Manderley Barthel Arthur Harris Janet Lawlor Adam Smith Jean Tannahill | 6/15 Elizabeth Peters Lyn Swart Hamp Walker Julie Wilson | 6/25 Joyce Anderson Rachel Alexander Dicky Jeffcoat Stella Schwenk Jane Whitney |
| 6/6 Megan Keplinger | 6/16 Til Fellows Stuart Fitzgerald | 6/26 Sherry Kennedy Krysti Rowker |
| 6/7 Ann Adams Sue Hankin Adam Roe | 6/18 Philip MacDonald Justin Ryan | 6/27 Emily Snyder 6/28 Rich Dobler |
| 6/8 Pat Miller | 6/19 John Eycleshimer Steve Lockhart | 6/29 Clare McAdams Brigitte Thompson 6/30 Ellie Threlkel |

Anniversaries

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| 6/1 Kevin & Lynne Grady | 6/12 George & Ruth Dunham |
| 6/2 Debora & Jay Pearson Andy & Sherie Ray | 6/13 Bill & Gloria Allen |
| 6/3 Joel & Barbara Smith | 6/14 Tom & Pat Nepute Craig & Betsy Wengler |
| 6/4 Richard & Dana Elmore Jim & Ellie Threlkel | 6/18 Ed & Judy Partridge |
| 6/6 Mark & Patti Bostick | 6/19 Justin & Sarah Ryan |
| 6/8 Larry & Marie Adams Steven & Jen Barthel Spike & MaryBess Thompson | 6/21 Mike & Cheryce Harris |
| 6/9 Geoff & Nicole Roe Jeff & Lisa Snyder | 6/22 Len & Mary Ellen Porter Adam & Leah Weeks |
| 6/10 Rob & Laura Frost Steve & Kim Lockhart Lou & Glenda Parrott | 6/24 Ron & Gail Damkjer John & Gail Van Allen |
| 6/11 Dick & Nancy Shaw | 6/25 Dana & Denise Cole Ryan & Jessica Groetsch Ed & Sharon Mitchell |
| 6/12 Charlie & Cindy Curry Rich & Nancy Dobler | 6/26 Dave & Penny Zwicker |
| | 6/28 Charles & Nancy Chilton Chuck & Pam Watson |

JOIN US ON SUNDAYS THIS SUMMER!!!

9:15 - 10:15 am Heart of Worship

A Praise and Worship service held in our sanctuary. Along with scripture, sermon, and prayers, a praise band will help the congregation in adoring and showing reverence to God.

11:00 am Sanctuary Worship

A traditional worship service held in our sanctuary and includes music from the Chancel Choir and the organ, as well as other instruments and groups.



DON'T MISS THE CONNECTION 10:15-10:45 AM

This fellowship time in McLeod Hall offers a coffee bar type selection with different flavored creamers, pastries, etc. It is a gathering place before or between worship for some folks.

When "Pull Yourself Together" Doesn't Work!

You've heard it said time and time again: "Pull yourself together; Cheer up; Tough it out; It's not that bad." Perhaps people have said it to you. Or perhaps you keep saying it to yourself. But it hasn't helped. You are still hurting. Things are coming apart, not coming together.



Here's the good news: You don't have to go through your struggles alone. Help is available. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers who will walk with you, listen to you, and provide confidential one-to-one care as you search through the pieces and find what is truly in your heart.

To learn more about Stephen Ministry for yourself or someone you know **call Susan Singleton at 318-9208.** Or you can talk with one of our other Stephen Leaders: Alan Harvey, Mary Marrs, Steve Negley, Barbara Perkins, or Jean Strang.



WELL DONE GRADUATES !



On **Sunday, June 2**, please plan to join us during our First Sunday single worship service as we celebrate the graduations of our church's High School Seniors. There will be a **special reception** in McLeod Hall at the luncheon following the service. Our graduates this year are **Madison Britt, Olivia Glenn, Matthew Gray, Zane McCann, and Charlie Reineke.**

We hope you will add your voice as the church family congratulates these young people on a job well done.

Our Purpose Statement

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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 166 bag lunches
the week of 5/19/19.

Soup Kitchen Ministry

We fed 86 people on 5/25/19.

Return Service Requested

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Sunday, June 9 through Thursday, June 13 from 5:30 until 8 pm

At *To Mars and Beyond VBS*, children, and their youth and adult leaders will enjoy interactive, energizing, and Bible-based good times as they explore where God's power can take them! Our voyagers will discover how to serve God and God's mission for their lives. **Registration for children, youth, and adult volunteers is on our website!**



Can't join us? Donations for supplies, decorations and snacks will be out soon! Questions? Contact Rev. Sarah at 294-3121 or sbishop@firstpreswh.org.

We will be decorating for Vacation Bible School the entire week of June 2nd.

If you have some spare time, stop by any day between 3:00 - 6:00 pm and lend a hand.

Any and all help would be greatly appreciated.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED



Art: 4X6 canvas boards; children's watercolor kits; glitter glue pens; old maps, googly eyes, tacky-craft glue; strands of fairy lights; plastic color table cloths-black, green, red, purple, orange & yellow (rectangle. Or circles); anything space or NASA-themed to help with decorations. If you would like anything returned after VBS, please add your name on the item.

Snack supplies: popcorn, cheese-its, gummy snacks, pretzel sticks & twists, Gluten-free pretzels, graham crackers and brownie mix, marshmallow fluff and frosting (white & chocolate).

