



# TOWER CHIMES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WINTER HAVEN  
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## COME TO THE TABLE WITH OUR NEW ELDERS & DEACONS



This Sunday, January 7 our congregation will celebrate the ordination and installation of our new Elders and Deacons, and celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Being ordained and/or installed will be: **Amy McKee, Andy Ray, Lisa Snyder, David Sparr, & Kalen West** to the office of Elder and **David Fellows, Kelli Ivey, Autumn Jacobson, Carrie Mitchell, & Kim Zimmerman** to the office of Deacon. These new officers will also assist in the service of communion in worship.

## WE ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR OUTGOING OFFICERS FOR THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE.

Completing terms of service are:

Elders: **Cindy Chilton, Lisa Endres, Lindsey Ivey, & Mike Seney.**

Deacons: **Becca Alexander, Kevin Britt, Hadley Owen, & Gail VanAllen.**

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Sunday, January 7**  
**COMMUNION**

### ORDAIN & INSTALL OFFICERS

- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (GR)
- 10:00 am Single Service Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:15 am Children Sunday School (CE 206)
- 5:30 pm High School Youth Group (GC)

**Monday, January 8**

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 6:00 pm Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (MH)
- 6:30 pm Christian Education (GR)

**Tuesday, January 9**

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH)
- 6:00 pm Personnel (MCR)

**Wednesday, January 10**

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)
- 1:00 pm American Mah Jongg (CE 102)
- 3:15 pm Christ's Kids (CE)
- 5:30 pm Middle School Youth Group (GC)
- 6:00 pm Chancel Bells (BR)
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir (CR)

**Thursday, January 11**

- 1:15 pm Chapel Bells (BR)

**Friday, January 12**

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)

**Saturday, January 13**

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



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

### MEMBERS

Stephen Abbott	Lynne Grady	Edna Mitchell
Ann Adams	Pam Gray	Jeri & Tom Oldt
Pat Berrell	Heidi Munoz-	Mary Ellen Porter
Orin Champlain	Gutierrez	Sharon Ramseyer
Ellie Crowder	Ken Hart	Dick Shaw
Gail Damkjer	Jane Hayman	Joyce Shirah
Marjorie DiLorenzo	Wade Hoffman	Katie Sparr
Zan Dismuke	Jim Huff	Barbara Tackett
Rob Donaldy	Scott & Becky Irvin	Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Dana Elmore	Joanie Kooser	Jennifer & Mike Vibrat
Bill Everhart	Ray & Gladys Larson	Suzan Wales
Gloria Goss	Pat McCarty	Gale & Gwen Waters
Caitlyn Grady	Pat Miller	

### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Mike Bell	Juan Joy	Durb Pearson
Donna Brannen	John Linn	Dennis Ryan
Bobby Calvery	Ada Lopez-Mendez	Laurie Selling
Rick Cheney	Brian Marino	Emily Sheffield
Ernie French	Khyla Martinez	Lucinda Shelby
Pam Gordon	Joe Morton	Joyce Snively
Mitzi Gross	Ed & Anne Neumyer	Ruth Thiebout

## THE 2024 FLOWER CHART IS POSTED IN NARTHEX





You are invited to sign up for your important Sunday worship dates. Please be sure to call or email the church office the week before with bulletin dedication information.

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**Bag Lunch Ministry**  
We gave out 194 lunches  
the week of 12/18/23.   
We gave out 161 lunches  
the week of 12/25/23.

**Soup Kitchen Ministry**  
 We fed 88 people on  
Saturday, 12/23/23.  
We fed 125 people on  
Saturday, 12/30/23.

**Return Service Requested**

## SUNDAY MORNING HELP NEEDED IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY



Beginning **Monday, January 8, 2024**, we will be installing a new elevator at First Pres. For at least the first two months of the year, the only way to access the second floor of the sanctuary building will be the stairs or a new temporary ramp. On Sunday mornings, we will have wheelchairs available for those who would like to use the ramp.

If you would be willing to volunteer to help push people in wheelchairs up and down the ramps before and after worship, please email the church office ([cshiple@firstpreswh.org](mailto:cshiple@firstpreswh.org)) and let us know what Sundays you would be available. Thanks for your assistance.

## SOUP LUNCHEON RETURNS!

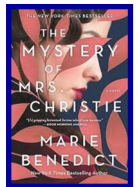
You are invited to a soup luncheon on **Sunday, January 14 at 11:15 am** after our **single 10 am worship service**. The Stephen Ministers will again host this lunch of soups, salad, and dessert. It will be a great time of food, fun, and fellowship. We will also commission **Lisa Snyder** as our newest Stephen Leader in worship.



We hope to see you there!

## JANUARY BOOK CLUB

We will meet on **Monday, January 15 at 3 pm** in McLeod Hall as we discuss ***The Mystery of Mrs. Christie***, by Marie Benedict.



This is a deft, fascinating page-turner reconstruction of one of the most notorious events in literary history: Agatha Christie's mysterious 11-day disappearance in 1926.

## FUNTIMERS JANUARY ADVENTURE



Our next FunTimers event is **Thursday, January 18, 11 am - 2 pm** and we will take a ride on the **Ridge Live Steamers Outdoor Model Railroad**. We will meet at the church and take the bus to 7760 N. Scenic Highway. Bring a bag lunch. Drinks will be provided. This will be an outside activity. It's colder on the train, so please dress accordingly. For our safety, no open-toed shoes.

Please RSVP by signing up in McLeod Hall or calling or emailing the church office. And bring a friend!

## WE THANK BARBARA'S CENTRE FOR DANCE

We are so thankful that once again, the girls from Barbara's Centre for Dance held a Christmas blanket drive to benefit our Soup Kitchen.

On December 21, the dancers and their families met Dr. Negley at the church and donated 213 blankets for our church to distribute on cold days with our bag lunches and at the Saturday Soup Kitchen.

