



TOWER CHIMES

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THE CHOSEN



You are invited to join us this **Sunday, October 13, 5 - 7 pm** in McLeod Hall to watch a Bible round table for season 4 from **The Chosen**, then discuss what we have seen. Please join us even if you haven't watched the series, we will help you catch up.

Please bring a covered dish to share and enjoy an evening with your friends from First Pres. Childcare will be provided.

LAST CHANCE TO SUBMIT YOUR PHOTO

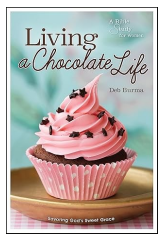


The Membership Committee has decided that we will produce a new church pictorial directory in house. When completed, every church family will have at their finger tips pictures, address and contact information for the entire congregation.

You can submit your photo in a JPG or PNG format (not PDF) to assistant@firstpreswh.org. If you prefer, a committee or church staff member will be happy to take your picture Sunday after worship, or during office hours.

Please email your contact info if you have had any recent changes. (Example, you have eliminated your land line.)

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



The *Lydia and Joy Circles* have begun a new Bible study: **Living a Chocolate Life** by Deb Burma.

The Joy Circle meets on the **3rd Tuesday** of each month, the next meeting is **October 15 at 10:00 am** at Carol Carter's house.

The Lydia Circle meets on the **3rd Thursday** of each month, the next meeting is **October 17 at 10:00 am** in the Manor Conference Room in the church office.

Our circles are open to any and all women of the church interested in fellowship and Bible study.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 13

- 8:00 am Chapel Worship
- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (GR)
- 10:00 am Sanctuary Worship
- 10:15 am Children Sunday School (CE 206)
- 5:00 pm The Chosen Bible Study (MH)
- 5:30 pm High School Youth Group (GC)

Monday, October 14

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

Tuesday, October 15

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (MCR)
- 12:00 pm Men's Lunch (MH)
- 6:30 pm Deacons (MH)

Wednesday, October 16

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

Thursday, October 17

- 10:00 am Lydia Circle (MCR)
- 1:15 pm Chapel Bells (MH)

Friday, October 18

- 8:45 am Morning Out Mom (CE)

Saturday, October 19

- 2:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep (Kitchen)
- 4:00 pm Soup Kitchen (737)
- 6:00 pm Saturday Nite Live (MH)



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MEMBERS

Ann Adams	Wade & Sandy Hoffman	Norm Patrick
Orrin Champlain	Scott & Becky Irvin	Sharon Ramseyer
Charles Chilton	Joanie Kooser	Pat Reass
Marjorie DiLorenzo	Ray & Gladys Larson	Dick & Nancy Shaw
Rob Donaldy	Lynn Lassater	Joyce Shirah
Richard & Dana Elmore	Kyle Lease	Katie Sparr
Bill Everhart	Steve Lockhart	Linda Stavres
Gloria Goss	Pat McCarty	Barbara Tackett
Caitlyn Grady	Pat Miller	Pam Tallent-Blackburn
Lynne Grady	Edna Mitchell	Jennifer & Mike Vibral
Pam Gray	Heidi Munoz-Gutierrez	Gale & Gwen Waters
Ken Hart	Tom Oldt	
Jane Hayman		

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Chad Anderson	Tamara Keyes	Karen Sadler-Banks
Jerry Burns	Ada Lopez-Mendez	Charles Sample
Sara Cliett	James & Eileen Martin	Bob & Nikki Shade
Pat Cokewell	Jeannie Martin	Craig Smith
Diane Conaly	Khyla Martinez	Barbara Spinella
Jenny Crane	Heather Nelson	Lytic Taylor
Brian Damkjer	Patty Oakley	Nadine Waters-Robbins
Bryan Howard	Ann Reddout	Danny Williams
Juan Joy		



OUR SYMPATHIES

Our Christian sympathy goes to **Kay Stine** upon the death of her mother, **Margaret Sobieski**, who died on September 30, 2024.

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Return Service Requested

Bag Lunch Ministry
We gave out 204 lunches
the week of 9/30/24.



Soup Kitchen Ministry
We fed 118 people on
Saturday, 10/5/24.



FUNTIMERS



Come out and enjoy a Classic Car Show and luncheon on **Monday, October 21, from 11:30 am to 1 pm.**

We'll spend a little time around the lunch (menu: sandwiches, chips, cookies, and drinks.) tables in McLeod Hall then head out to the parking lot to take a trip down memory lane with some jewels from the past. The cost is \$6.

Call or email the church office so we can plan for lunch. Then come and join the fun and fellowship with your church friends and family.

TRUNK OR TREAT

We are planning another incredible afternoon of candy, fellowship and fun. We will be hosting our annual Trunk Or Treat on **Sunday, October 27** from 5 to 6 pm.



We are in need of decorated trunks and candy. If you can bring your decorated vehicle, please sign up in the church office or on the board in the Narthex. You can also drop off bags of candy in McLeod Hall.

Please come join the fun! Any questions can be directed to Rev. Sarah.

A DISCUSSION STARTER ON END OF LIFE ISSUES

We will be previewing *Five Wishes*, a document which helps open the discussion on these important topics.

Then you will hear about our *Memorial Garden*. The purpose of the Memorial Garden is to provide a place for the permanent preservation of the cremains of members of First Pres, affiliate members, and their immediate families.

Please join us, **Tuesday, October 29** from **5:30-6:30 pm** in the Memorial Garden to hear Dr. Negley discuss these important end of life issues. To reserve your spot at the table, you can call or email the church office, or sign up in McLeod Hall.

CHRIST'S KIDS MISSION CHALLENGE



Join us in collecting items to complete hygiene kits for our Soup Kitchen through the month of October!

Items being collecting are travel-size and new: soaps, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, combs, wash cloths, gallon-size ziploc bags and feminine hygiene products. Place in marked collection boxes in McLeod Hall. Our Christ's Kids will assemble the kits for distribution.

Thank you and we hope you can be one of our volunteers that shares a completed kit at your next date with the Soup Kitchen.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School has returned for our children (PreK-5th grade) after the Time with Younger Disciples in the 10:00 am worship service. Class meets in **CE room 206**. And ART Sundays meet in **Room 207**. We are excited for a year where together,



kids experience God's greatest gift, being Simply Loved.

ADULT'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Adult Sunday School has begun a new series, *The Story of the Bible*, meeting at **9:00 am** in the **Geneva Room**. In our fall lessons they will join a New Testament professor in videos discussing the four stages of the history, process, critical periods and even recovery of new ancient sources that were stitched together to form our Biblical canon.

