

## Welcome in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ

We are pleased you have joined us for worship this Sunday morning. We are a faithful congregation of the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA) and within the bounds of the Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery. Worship is one of the many ministries that are facilitated by this historic and active congregation. A small group of Presbyterians began this ministry in 1835 and we are called by God to continue their faithful witness of Jesus Christ to our community and world. Bible studies and mission projects punctuate our weekly activities. If you would like more information about our ministries and/or becoming a new member, please call our church office during the week or talk to our pastor after worship. *Visitors and members alike are encouraged to complete the registration pad located on the main aisle of each pew.* Your contact information is never shared with any other identity.



**Lay Leader** is Judith Farris.



**Coffee host** is Caroline Manuel.

**Visitors Last Sunday** were Glenn & Renee Wilhelm, Laura & Maddie Michaud, Gregg Wilhelm, Dempsey Hankins, Jean Rausa.



**Ushers** for this morning are Bob & Ann Parkinson and Neva Kay Ross & Daryl Henry.

**Pastoral Care:** Dixie Hopkins, Donne Williams, Ray Ritter, Barbara Taylor, Paul Rice, Bruce Woods

**In the Military:** Michelle Bryan, CA; Eric Rueseler, LCPL; David Parkinson, Travis Air Force Base, CA; Col. Richard Parkinson, MacDill Air Force Base, FL; Jeff Parkinson, Elgin Air Force Base, FL. (Bob & Ann Parkinson's nephews); John Raimondo, Camp LeJeune, N. Carolina (Sharon Metcalfe's grandson); Ryan Bloomingdale, Ft. Campbell, Ky (grandson of Sharon Metcalfe) Eric Yocom, Air Force, Mountain Home, Idaho (Ray & Sandy Wilhelm's grandson)

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** Both Children's Sunday School Classes will meet after the Kid's Message in worship. The Lower Grade's Class will meet in their classroom next to the Nursery. Kathy Woodfin and Cherie Herbst will be teaching this class. The curriculum will focus on "The Stories of the Old Testament" based on the *Read and Learn Bible*. The Upper Grade's Class will meet in their classroom on the second floor. Their curriculum will focus on "The 12 names of Jesus". This class will be team taught by Kathy Brown, Melissa Harris, Sandy Wilhelm, and Julie Harrison.



**In support of our local FISH Food Pantry, the April Meal a Month-** 1 lb. package of pasta, Can of spaghetti sauce, Can of carrots or peas, Can of fruit. Please put in the box in the Narthex.



**Flowers for Worship:** Flowers for worship may be shared to celebrate your anniversary, someone's birthday, or in memory of a loved one or friend. They can also just say "Thanks, God!" Please call the church office (335-2579) to sign up for flowers.

## CALENDAR

Sunday 4/24	9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am	Adult Sunday School Coffee & fellowship Worship Service Music Ministry Meeting
Tuesday 4/26	2:00 pm	Endowment Meeting
Wednesday 4/27	Pray for 7:30 pm	Bob & Cherie Herbst (anniversary) Choir Practice
Thursday 4/28	Pray for	Ralph Sitter (birthday) Dale & Sue Watkins (anniversary)
Friday 4/29	Pray for 7:00 pm	Emily Harris (birthday) Karaoke Night
Sunday 5/1	9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am	Adult Sunday School Coffee & fellowship Worship Service



**Mother's Day Mission Project:** In honor of all our mothers, we ask you to bring paper products for the Amen Center. The Amen Center is currently supporting 70+ of our brothers and sisters and they go through paper supplies quickly. We will collect the paper products until Mother's Day (May 8<sup>th</sup>) and the items will be dedicated on that Sunday. Paper products can include but are not limited to paper towels, tissue, toilet paper, diapers, baby wipes, and feminine hygiene products.

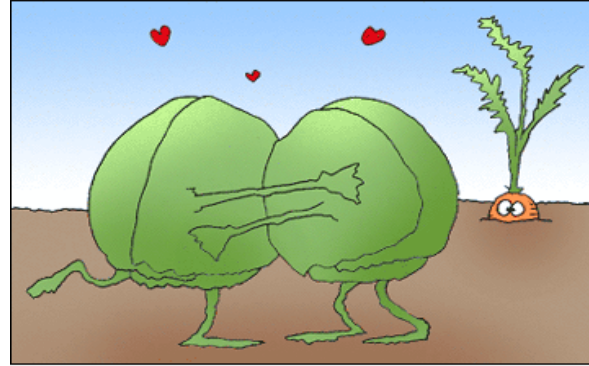


**DAYTIME CIRCLE** will meet in the Chateau dining room at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, May 10, 2016. We will order off the menu and each person will be responsible for their own lunch. Please call Sharon Metcalfe at 651-5274 or Ruth Needle at 334-4515 to let one of them know you plan to attend. A brief meditation will be offered as the closing program of the Daytime Circle.



For your faith enrichment throughout the coming week, the [Bible passages for next Sunday](#) are: Acts 16:9-15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21:1-10, 22-22:5, John 14:23-29.

Did you know that you can hear these readings in a podcast version? Check it out at the National Presbyterian Church website: [www.pcusa.org/devotions/podcast](http://www.pcusa.org/devotions/podcast). You also may want to look them up at: [www.biblegateway.com](http://www.biblegateway.com)



Thanks to Tim McNeal

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BELOVED LETTUCE, LOVE ONE ANOTHER

### 🎵 Music Notes

The word **Alleluia** is used in both Hebrew and Christian traditions as a way to praise God with thanksgiving. From Easter to Pentecost we will be using many hymns with the word “Alleluia” to affirm our joy in the risen Christ.

Come, Christians, Join to Sing was first titled, “Come, *Children*, Join to Sing.” The tune name “Madrid” was from a popular Spanish folk melody. Christian Henry Bateman authored the text in 1843. He served three Congregational churches in Scotland and England, and eventually became an Anglican clergyman. The words “Alleluia” and “Amen” mean “Praise the Lord” and “So be it.” It is a call to praise God in this hymn *and* in our daily life. Amen!

Blest Be the Tie That Binds is one of those hymns that is at the “core” of most Presbyterian churches. Its verses, by the English clergyman John Fawcett (1740-1817), speak to the heart of our Christian beliefs—that of loving God and loving one another. Fawcett served a small parish in England for many years, declining an offer to move to London and a much larger church and salary. Perhaps it was his relationship with his local parishioners that allowed him to write this much cherished hymn. In 1811 the humble minister, and author of a number of Christian articles, received an honorary Doctor of Ministry degree from Brown University. The music was composed by Hans Georg Nägeli (1773-1836), the son of a Swiss minister. It was arranged by Lowell Mason (1792-1872), reportedly the first music teacher in an American public school (Boston, MA). This hymn is featured in all three acts of the Pulitzer Prize-winning play “Our Town,” by Thornton Wilder (1897-1975), and in the 1940 movie of the same name.



John Fawcett

May you be inspired to meditate on the music and texts.

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#### **THE SESSION**

##### **CLASS OF 2016**

Nancy Bray  
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Caroline Manuel  
Joanna Shaver

##### **CLASS OF 2017**

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Janna Tuck  
Dale Watkins

##### **CLASS OF 2018**

Barbara Calvin  
Scott Harrison  
Harvey Hecht  
Jeanne Hirsch

#### **SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL**

9:30 A.M. Adult Education  
10:30 A.M. Worship Service  
10:45-11:30 Children and Youth Sunday School

#### **GENERAL NOTICES**

Childcare for infants, toddlers and preschoolers is provided during worship.  
The Session meets the third Sunday of the month.  
The Church Choir rehearses Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M.  
The Church sponsors Boy Scout Troop 4, Marcia Warren Scoutmaster, and  
Cub Scout Pack 15, Brian Hall Cubmaster