

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE SESSION

CLASS OF 2016

Nancy Bray
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Caroline Manuel
Joanna Shaver

CLASS OF 2017

Paul Farris
Melissa Harris
Janna Tuck

CLASS OF 2018

Barbara Calvin
Scott Harrison
Harvey Hecht
Jeanne Hirsch

SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL

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 sponsors Boy Scout Troop 4, Marcia Warren Scoutmaster, and
Cub Scout Pack 15, Brian Hall Cubmaster

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 Kathy Brown.

Ushers for this morning are Mike Brown, Emma Wolfe, Elsie & Emily Harris.

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

 **In the Military:** Michelle Bryan, CA; David Parkinson, Travis Air Force Base, CA; Jeff Parkinson, Elgin Air Force Base, FL. (Bob & Ann Parkinson's nephew); 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.



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.



In support of our local FISH Food Pantry, the August Meal a Month- Velveeta type cheese food, Package of macaroni, Can of fruit of choice. Please put in the box in the Narthex.

Mission Request--It is hard to believe that in a few weeks, the children will be heading back to school. The Mission committee decided once again we would try to help the teachers and students at Jefferson School. Last summer, we purchased backpacks for them. This year they are in dire need of #2 yellow pencils, glue sticks, 2-pocket folders, Kleenex and hand sanitizers (preferably with a pump.) Bring your school supplies to the church by Sunday, August 7. If you prefer to make a donation Mission will be happy to do the shopping. Thank you for your participation!

CALENDAR

Sunday 7/31	10:30 am	Worship Service
Monday 8/1	6:30 pm	Mission Meeting
Wednesday 8/3	Pray for	Merry Gay Lorberg, Marcia Williamson (birthday)
Thursday 8/4	Pray for	Lea & Harvey Hecht (anniversary)
Saturday 8/6	Pray for	Nelson Kasten (birthday)
Sunday 8/7	10:30 am	Worship Service
		Congregational Meeting
	12:30pm	Important Meeting & lunch in Fellowship Hall

The Second Tuesday at the Chateau group will meet for lunch and fellowship on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. in the Chateau dining room. If you would like to attend please call Sharon Metcalfe at 651 - 5274 or Ruth Needle at 334 - 4515 so that arrangements can be made for a table to accommodate all of us. We will order off the menu with each person being responsible for their own lunch. All are welcome.

Book Club—The next meeting of the Book Club will be on Thursday, August 11, at the home of Ruth Needle. We will be discussing “The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto” by Mitch Alban. The September book selection is “Tortilla Curtain” by T.C. Boyle on Thursday, September 8th, but the place is TBA.

The Session is calling a Special Meeting of the Congregation to be held at the end of the Worship Service on Sunday, August 7, 2016. The purpose of the meeting will be for the Nominating Committee to present Ray Wilhelm to fill an unexpired term on the Session. Following an election for this position there will be a service of Ordination/Installation. Rev. Grant Gillard will officiate at this meeting.

Ray Wilhelm is being nominated for Elder by the Nominating Committee. He is to fill a vacancy in the Class of 2017 on the Session. Ray and his wife Sandy joined our church in 2001 on transfer of letter from Westminster Presbyterian Church in Cape. He has served a term as Deacon, has been a member of the Fellowship Committee and ushers frequently.

Just a reminder about the very important meeting for members and friends to be held at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday August 7th. This get-together is for the open sharing of ideas, wishes and concerns about our church, and lunch will be served. Rev. Terry Epling will be with us to facilitate the discussion. **PLEASE PLAN TO COME! IT IS SO VERY IMPORTANT!** The invitation asks you to RSVP to the church, but if you wish to indicate on the pew pad this morning that you plan to attend, that will be fine.



For your faith enrichment throughout the coming week, the Bible passages for next Sunday are:

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20, Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23, Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16, Luke 12:32-40.

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.

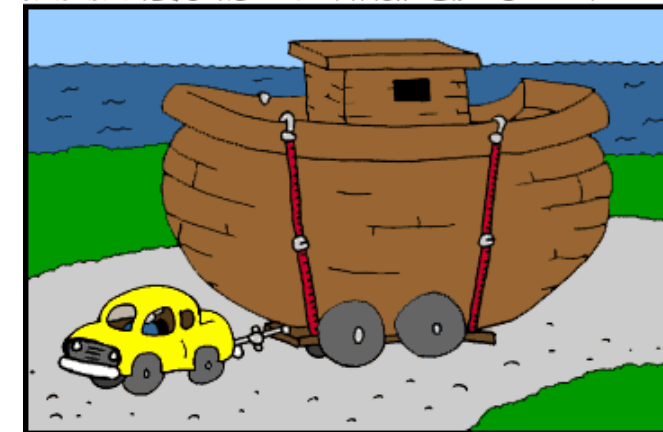
You also may want to look them up at: www.biblegateway.com

Lewis Edgar Bock will be in the pulpit today, July 31—Our speaker, is a native of Cape Girardeau. Raised and confirmed at First Presbyterian Church, he is an ordained Elder and Deacon, and is currently a member of Grace Presbyterian Church (PCA) in The Woodlands, Texas...and holds dual membership at Cape Bible Chapel in Cape Girardeau. He has been a Lay Speaker on many occasions over his church life. A 35 year career with the Allstate Corporation led him to Kansas City, Chicago, and finally to Houston. He is married to Carolyn Ford Bock (who has the Missouri half of the residences), and serves on various Boards, including the Southeast University Foundation, Young Life Gateway Region, and Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church and Cemetery.

Jean Cairns is playing the organ today.. She started playing the organ in sixth grade when her parents bought a Lowry spinet organ. She then started playing the piano in eighth grade. She still has the piano her parents “rented” for \$15.00 a month, with option to buy. In high school, the organist at her home church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Sparta, Il. started her playing the pipe organ.

The Rev. Sam Roethemeyer will be preaching on August 7, 14, & 28. He grew up in Nashville, Illinois and graduated from Greenville College, Greenville Illinois after high school, with Bachelors degree in Religion and Philosophy in 1972. He and his wife were married on May 27, 1972 in her hometown, Okawville, Illinois. Rev. Sam attended Eden Theological Seminary in 1975 with a Master's Degree and was ordained in St. Paul United Church of Christ in Nashville, June 8, 1975. He served as Pastor in Olney/Dundas, Illinois First and Saron United Church of Christ from 1975 to 1979, St. John United Church of Christ, Trenton, Illinois 1979-1988, and finally at Emanuel United Church of Christ from 1988 until September 20, 2014 when he retired. They live in Jackson and he continues to be President of the Jackson Ministerial Alliance, volunteering a lot of time to its food pantry. They have three Children, Christy Shinn (Geoff), Beth St. John (Jason), and Matthew Roethemeyer (Diana), and seven Grandchildren.

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