

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 this morning is Kathy Brown.

Ushers for this morning are Phil & Joanna Shaver and Kathy Hargrove & Tami Miller.

Visitors Last Sunday Were: Sara & Bill Shaver, Anthony Shaver, Kim Richardson, Bob & Nita Sheets, Mark & Betsy Mueth, Emily Kovach, John Cody, Jacob Kovach, Walt & Karen Wilde

Pastoral Care: Myra Peo, Dixie Hopkins, Becky Parkinson, Donne Williams, Bill Stover, Ray Ritter, Barbara Taylor, Fern Harris, Charles Wiles, Paul Rice, Judy Rueseler

In the Military: Michelle Bryan, CA; Donald Shaver (brother-in-law of Joanna Shaver), Cape Girardeau; 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); 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 studying "The Parables of Jesus". This class will be team taught by Kathy Brown, Melissa Harris, Sandy Wilhelm, Kate Broeckling 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.

The flowers in the sanctuary are in honor of Rebecca Nelson's birthday.

In support of our local FISH, the November Meal a Month- 2 cans tomato soup, 1 can evaporated milk, box of crackers, 2 Cans fruit of choice. Please put in the box in the Narthex.

You are invited today to the Gather, Share, and Eat. The menu will be chicken and dumplings, slaw, hot rolls, dessert, etc. Please come and join us for Sue's homemade chicken and dumplings! Just come and bring your appetites.

CALENDAR Sunday 11/8

Pray for	Rebecca Nelson (birthday)	
9:00 am	Embracing God's Word Adult Class	
10:00 am	Coffee & fellowship	
10:30 am	Worship Service	
Noon	Gather, Share & Eat	
6:30 pm	Jesus, The Bible, and Homosexuality Class	
Monday 11/9	Property Meeting	
Tuesday 11/10	Pray for	
	Julia Woodfin (birthday)	
	Daytime Circle	
Wednesday 11/11	Pray for	
	Sue Burford (birthday)	
	Communion at Veterans Home	
	Worship & Art Meeting	
	Hand Bells	
	Christian Education Meeting	
	Choir Practice	
Thursday 11/12	10:00 am	Communion at Chateau
	7:00 pm	Book Club
Saturday 11/14	6:00 pm	Trivia Night
Sunday 11/15	Pray for	Sharon McCune (birthday)
	9:00 am	Embracing God's Word Adult Class
	10:00 am	Coffee & fellowship
	10:30 am	Worship Service
	Noon	Session Meeting

The Daytime Circle will meet in the Chateau dining room at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, November 10, 2015. 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. The discussion will be on Lesson 7 from our study book, PSALMS by Sue Edwards. Or - read Psalm 103 and you will be ready to participate.

We now have the newsletters, bulletins and sermons on our website. **The first of the year**, we will no longer mail the newsletters to everyone. We will post them on our website and have copies in the narthex. If you do not have access to a computer and can't make it to church, call the office and we will add you to a short mailing list. You will be able to see the newsletters much quicker than mailing them and save the church money. www.firstpccape.org

NAACP Presents Trivia Night on Saturday, November 14th at 7:00pm at First Pres. Church. Teams of 8, \$20 per person/ \$160 per team. To register email: naacpsemo@gmail.com. For more info : 225-385-1259.

Next Sunday is our Celebration of Birthdays and Anniversaries. We celebrate these milestones in our church family on the third Sunday of the month. As we acknowledge and honor our church family members we also support the work of the Heifer International Project. This is a nonprofit charitable organization that provides sustainable farm animals to impoverished people all over the globe. For more information visit their website at: www.heifer.org.

♪ Music Notes

Lord of All Good (#711) was written in 1962 by Albert Bayly (1901-1984), a pastor who served Congregational churches in England. In 1972 he was made a fellow of the Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ, and was honored at Westminster Abbey in 1978. Bayly is also the author of “When the Morning Stars Together” (#689) written in 1966. The French tune, “Toulon,” is from the Genevan Psalter (1551).

Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven, by Pepper Choplin (b.1957), is based on Matthew 6:19-34. Yes, “Pepper” is his real name. Choplin is a member of ASCAP and has both Bachelor and Master degrees in Music. He is the minister of music at the Greystone Baptist Church in Raleigh, NC. For more information visit his website at: www.pepperchoplin.com.

In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful (#654) is from the ecumenical community of Taizé, located in the Burgundy region of France. Both Protestant and Roman Catholic Christians from many nations gather there each week for prayer, scripture study, and meditation. For more information visit their website at: www.taize.fr.

In 1972 Karen Lafferty (b. 1948) wrote Seek Ye First (#175), based on Matthew 6:33. During the Southern California “Jesus Movement,” the New Mexico born and educated Lafferty sang her simple song. With the international success of the song, Lafferty labeled herself a “musicianary.”

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



Decorate the Church--Holiday Decorations-- The Worship and Arts team invites all of you to decorate our church for Advent. Please consider helping to make our church festive for the holiday season. The date and time has not been set as yet but we will let you know ASAP.

Today we honor our veterans for their patriotism and love of country, their willingness to serve, and their sacrifice for the common good. Established in 1919 as “Armistice Day” the November date was in honor of the World War I agreement to “lay down arms.” It went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, on Nov. 11, 1918, almost one hundred years ago. In 1954 it became a date to honor all American veterans of all wars. We sometimes hear comments by various leaders trying to “avert World War III.” On this Veteran’s Day we need to pray that the goal of the original date, and a “war to end all wars,” truly becomes reality.



A Prayer Litany for Veterans

God of love, peace and justice, it is your will for the world that we may live together in peace. You have promised through the prophet Isaiah that one day the swords will be beaten into ploughshares. Yet we live in a broken world, and there are times that war seems inevitable. Let us recognize with humility and sadness the tragic loss of life that comes in war. Even so, as we gather here free from persecution, we may give thanks for those that have served with courage and honor.

For those in our presence that are either in active duty or reserve duty, and the fathers, mothers, siblings, spouses and grandparents of those that are currently serving—
Please rise as we pray:

God, we praise you for those that are willing to serve. Let all of our current military serve with honor, pride, and compassion. Do not let their hearts be hardened by the actions they must take. Strengthen their families. Keep them surrounded in your love and peace.

For those in our presence that have served in the military in the past—
Please rise as we pray:

God, we praise you for those that have served in the military. We thank you for those that put the welfare of others ahead of their own safety. Let us all be inspired by their self-sacrifice in service to those who needed protection.

For those in our presence who have lost a loved one in war--

Please rise as we pray:

God, we know that you embrace those that have made the ultimate sacrifice. We ask that you comfort those that still feel the pain of their loss. Keep us mindful that you have promised to comfort those that mourn.

For all those who have gathered here today in your name, and, who continue to worship in safety because of the sacrifices of others—

Please rise as we pray:

God, we praise you for granting us these freedoms. Let us honor those who have served by working for peace. Let us never forget those that have served, and let us never let go of your promise of peace.

Adapted from a Litany for Veterans by Robb McCoy with permission to publish granted by Robb McCoy, <http://fatpastor.wordpress.com>

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THE SESSION

CLASS OF 2015

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SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL

9:00 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 Wednesday of the month.
The Church Choir rehearses Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M.
The Church sponsors Boy Scout Troop 4, David Remley Scoutmaster, and
Cub Scout Pack 15, Brian Hall Cubmaster