

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE SESSION

CLASS OF 2017

Paul Farris
Melissa Harris
Janna Tuck
Ray Wilhelm

CLASS OF 2018

Nancy Bray
Harvey Hecht
Jeanne Hirsch

CLASS OF 2019

Mike Brown
Joyce Rayfield
Charles Wiles

SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL

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

GENERAL NOTICES

Children are always welcome in worship.
Childcare for infants, toddlers and preschoolers is provided during worship.
The Session meets the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.
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 entity.



Ushers for this morning are Ruth & Paul Pautler, and Ray & Sandy Wilhelm.

Visitors Last Sunday were: Laura Marble, Sherry Whitt, Kim Richardson, Phil Shaver's Parents.



Pastoral Care: Ray Ritter, Barb Taylor.



In the Military: Michelle Bryan, 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)



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 November Meal-a-Month is 2 cans of tomato soup, can of evaporated milk, box of crackers. Please put in the box in the Narthex.



COFFEE will be available before church in the Atrium area off the Narthex. If you don't know where this is, ask an usher and enjoy a cup of coffee with others.

CALENDAR

Sunday 11/5	10:30 am	Worship Service Congregational Meeting
	Noon	Reception in fellowship Hall
Monday 11/6		Office Closed
	6:30 pm	Property Meeting
Wednesday 11/8	7:00 pm	Book Club
Thursday 11/9	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Saturday 11/11	Pray for	Terry Epling (birthday)
Sunday 11/12	10:30 am	Worship Service

Congregational Meeting



The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for today, Sunday, November 5, 2017, immediately following worship for the purpose of receiving a report from the Pastor Nominating Committee about the candidate they have selected to be the next Pastor and Head of Staff at First Presbyterian Church. After their report, we will vote to approve the call of their candidate, the Reverend Ellen Gurnon. She will be preaching and conducting our worship service today.

Please plan to stay after church and the meeting to welcome Reverend Gurnon and attend a reception in her honor in the Fellowship Hall.



The Book Club will meet in November on the 8th. We will read "Our Souls at Night" by Kent Haruf, and the discussion will take place at the home of Ruth Needle. There will be NO meeting of the book club in December, but we have picked a book for the new year. The January book is "Paris Architect" by Charles Belfoure. We will meet at the home of Jeanne Hirsch on January 10, 2018. All are welcome and the reading of the book is optional.



SECOND TUESDAY AT THE CHATEAU will meet in the Chateau dining room on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 for lunch and fellowship. We will order off the menu with each person being responsible for their own lunch. Please call Sharon Metcalfe at 651 - 5274 or Ruth Needle at 334 - 4515 if you would like to attend so that arrangements can be made to accommodate all of us. All are welcome.



POINSETTIAS will once again fill the sanctuary beginning December 10th. If you wish to purchase one in honor or memory of a loved one (or for any other reason of the season) please fill in the order blank below and return it to the church office or place in the offering plate during Sunday worship by December 6th. The cost of the poinsettias will be \$8.00 each.

I/We would like to place a poinsettia in the church sanctuary.

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

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From _____