

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 Judith Farris.

Ushers for this morning are Sam & Sharon McCune and Ray & Sandy Wilhelm.

The Coffee Host This Morning is Donna Pikey.

Visitors Last Sunday Were: Joan Myers, Gregg Hopkins, Laura Brown, Ruth Warner.

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

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 given to the glory of God and in honor of our sister, Catherine Rueseler, from the McGowans.

In support of our local FISH, the October Meal a Month- 2 cans Kidney Beans, 2 cans Tomatoes, Chili seasoning packet, 2 Cans fruit of choice. Please put in the box in the Narthex.

CALENDAR

Sunday 10/25	Pray for 9:00 am 10:00 am 10:30 am Noon 6:30 pm	Martha Stickler, Nancy Bray (birthday) Embracing God's Word Adult Class Coffee & fellowship Worship Service Special Session Meeting Jesus, The Bible, and Homosexuality Class
Monday 10/26	Pray for	Bob Herbst (birthday)
Tuesday 10/27	Pray for	Jane Hirsch (birthday)
Wednesday 10/28	Pray for 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Barry Thornton (birthday) Handbell practice Choir practice
Saturday 10/31	Pray for	J. Fred Waltz (birthday)
Sunday 11/1	Pray for 9:00 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 6:30 pm	Beverly Hirsch (birthday) Embracing God's Word Adult Class Coffee & fellowship Worship Service Jesus, The Bible, and Homosexuality Class

Due this week--Veteran's Day photos needed for Sunday, Nov. 8

We will once again honor our Veterans on Sunday, Nov. 8 with a power-point presentation. If we missed you in the past, or if you are new to the church, please send a scanned photo of yourself in uniform to the Church Office by Nov. 1st.

Cans—The recycling bin in the Narthex is not only for bulletins. We are still collecting cans for the Ronald McDonald House. Bring your bag of cans for recycling. Do something good for yourself, a charity and the planet.

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.

Thought for the Day—"Heaven and earth are as a musical instrument; if you touch a string below, the motion goes to the top. Any good done to Christ's poor members upon earth affects him in heaven." John Donne (1573-1631)



(See Matthew 14:14-21) 10-30-2009

THAT DUDE TOTALLY GAVE ME FISH AND BREAD
AND SAID SOMETHING ABOUT THEM BEING MORE
VALUABLE THAN I KNOW!?!

Reformation Sunday and All Saints Day:

Important Calendar Milestones through the centuries.

Our Presbyterian calendar notes that today, the last Sunday in October, is Reformation Sunday. And Nov. 1, is All Saints Day, also known as All Hallows Day. The actual Reformation date was on all Hallowed Eve (or Halloween), Oct. 31, 1517. It was the evening before All Hallows Day. On that date a young Martin Luther (1483-1546), a German monk, tacked a list of 95 grievances on the Wittenberg Church door (a common place to post medieval “blogs”). The seeds of Reformation, already working for decades, were born and John Knox (1510-1572) and the Scottish Presbyterians eventually followed. The Christian church has been recognizing All Hallows Day and All Hallows Eve since before the days of Charlemagne (742-814 CE). Even after the Reformation in the 16th century, this date is acknowledged as a time to remember the dead. It is also a time to celebrate the Kingdom of God, both in heaven and on earth. In our modern age we not only celebrate our Reformation, but also our “*Re*-formation,” as the church is always *reforming*.

Thought for the day--

God *forms*
Sin *deforms*
Christ *reforms*

♪ Music Notes

On this Reformation Sunday we are reminded that the church continues to “re-form.” Therefore, it is appropriate that our music combines the best of the old *and* the new.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell (#385) uses the familiar Louis Bourgeois (c.1510-c.1561) tune “Old Hundredth,” often associated with the Doxology. The text is a paraphrase of Psalm 100 by William Kethe (d.1594?), a Scotch clergyman who was one of the translators of the *Geneva Bible*. This text and tune from so many centuries ago still speaks to us today— isn’t that amazing?! It is imperative in our present age to always have something from our core past as we look to the future.

Ein Feste Burg is the tune name of A Mighty Fortress is Our God (#275), with the well-known text by Martin Luther (1483-1546). In 1529 Luther sought to develop congregational singing and used Psalm 46 as the basis of this hymn, often called the “Battle Hymn of the Reformation.” Luther said, “The Devil, the originator of sorrowful anxieties and restless troubles, flees before the sound of music almost as much as before the Word of God.” *And*, this beloved quote—“Music is a gift and grace of God.”

The opening of the Tocatta and Fugue in d minor has made its way into popular culture in everything from rock songs to Disney movies, and even cell phone ring-tones. There is some doubt as to whether it was written for the organ, or even by Bach himself. Yet, if he did compose it, I think that Bach, being a devout Lutheran, would like to have heard it played in church.

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

Scottish Blessing--

May the blessing of light be on you - light without and light within. May the blessed sunlight shine on you like a great peat fire, so that stranger and friend may come and warm himself at it. And may light shine out of the two eyes of you, like a candle set in the window of a house, bidding the wanderer come in out of the storm. And may the blessing of the rain be on you, may it beat upon your Spirit and wash it fair and clean, and leave there a shining pool where the blue of Heaven shines, and sometimes a star.

And may the blessing of the earth be on you, soft under your feet as you pass along the roads, soft under you as you lie out on it, tired at the end of day; and may it rest easy over you when, at last, you lie out under it. May it rest so lightly over you that your soul may be out from under it quickly; up and off and on its way to God.

And now may the Lord bless you, and bless you kindly. Amen.



Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday!

The clocks “fall back” one hour.

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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