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Sunday Mornings

9:20am Church School * | 10:45am Worship in Sanctuary * (* Child care provided.)

SEASON OF STEWARDSHIP

October 22, 2017 to November 12, 2017



TIME. TALENT. TREASURE.

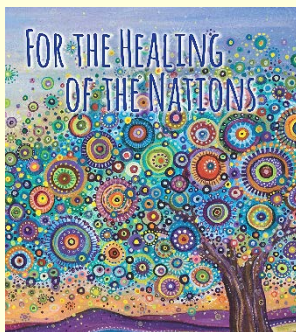
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All women of the church
are invited to

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S

Thank Offering Luncheon

(Delicious soup, salad, and dessert provided.)



MONDAY • NOVEMBER 6 • 11:30am
Fellowship Hall

Captains Paul & Analese Ryerson
The Salvation Army

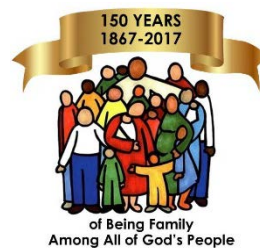
For more information,
contact Mary Nelle Armstrong,
972.365.3055 or mna77@aol.com.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



The Session has called a meeting of the congregation on **SUN, NOV 12**, following worship in the Sanctuary for the purpose of receiving and acting upon a report from the Nominating Committee for twelve elders for the Class of 2019 and five members-at-large to serve on the 2018-2019 Nominating Committee. Nominations may be made from the floor, provided those placing a name in nomination have obtained permission from the one being nominated. Please continue prayers for this year's Nominating Committee: ruling elders David Sahm (Mod.) and Marcia Miculek (Vice Mod.), and members-at-large Cadie Davison, Allyn Jordan, Glenn Mathews, Don Spencer, and Marilyn Wright.

VOLUNTEER NEEDS: 150TH ANNIVERSARY



The 150th Anniversary Coordinating Team is gathering historical artifacts and treasures for display and narratives to share with FPC-Bryan and friends on **SUN, NOV 19**, before and after worship related to 150 years in the Brazos Valley. Hospitality opportunities are being offered to and provided by the congregation-at-large are as follows:

- **TRANSPORTATION:** A ride to worship and to related anniversary reception and/or luncheon are available AND volunteers are needed to provide a ride to those who desire rides
- **GREETERS:** Two for reception (9:30am-10:30am) on Patio
- **CLEAN-UP/TAKEDOWN FOLLOWING LUNCHEON:** Volunteers to provide a helping hand following the luncheon to remove all decorations, return tables and chairs to the closet, and other tasks as needed.

If you can help out with any of the above, please contact Karen Berg in the church office, 979.823.8073 or office@fpcbryan.org. Watch for other volunteer opportunities related to the 150th Anniversary (as there will be more)!

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HURRICANE RELIEF MISSION OPPORTUNITY



FPC youth will be attending the annual Youth Rally led by the Presbyterian Youth Connection Council at First Presbyterian Church in Conroe on **SUN, NOV 12**. Along side youth in the Presbytery, FPC youth will worship, play games, and assemble Hygiene Buckets for families within Presbytery of New Covenant. The youth ministry is asking for help from the congregation to donate content items for the buckets. Your donated items can be multiples of any item(s) below. Materials needed for each Hygiene Bucket are:

- 5 gallon bucket with lid
- Hand towel (approx. 16" x 28", no fingertip or bath towels)
- Washcloth
- Wide-tooth comb (REMOVED from package)
- Nail clipper (REMOVED from package)
- Bar of soap (Bath size in wrapper)
- Toothbrush (in original package)
- Toothpaste
- Band-Aids® or other adhesive bandage strips
- Shampoo and conditioner

Please place your donated items in the container on the Patio by **FRI, NOV 10**.

TAKING A BREAK

CARE TEAM (usually meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month) recently completed their study of *Waking Up White* is taking a holiday break. Their next meeting is scheduled for **WED, JAN 17, 2018**.

CHICK FLICKS (usually meets the 4th Friday of each month) is taking a holiday break. Have a wonderful rest of 2017 and mark Chick Flicks moving night on your calendar for **FRI, JAN 22, 2018**.

Growing Disciples Christian Education Ministries (education@fpcbryan.org)

NEW! CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS

The Library Class continues *What's So Amazing about Grace?* by Philip Yancey. Lessons are as follows:

- NOV 5. An Unnatural Act: Extending Grace When You've Been Wronged
- NOV 12. The Art of Forgiving: Responding with Grace When It Seems Impossible

For more information, contact Jerry Norris, 979.777.0082 or jgnorris1@suddenlink.net. The class meets on Sundays (9:20am to 10:20am) in the Church Library. All are invited!

GIVE A GIFT OF WARMTH

A tall cardboard container is located on the indoor patio for donations to the annual **TWIN CITY MISSION COAT & BLANKET DRIVE**. The likely pick-up date is **FRI, NOV 10**.

CHURCH LADIES

All women are invited for lunch and fellowship at Ozona Grill in College Station at 11:30am on **WED, NOV 14**. For more information and/or to be notified on a monthly basis, contact Becky Alter, alter@suddenlink.net.

PRIME TIME CELEBRATES AN 1867-STYLE THANKSGIVING IN THE BRAZOS VALLEY

Come with a grateful heart ready to share a southern Thanksgiving dinner on **THU, NOV 9**, at 11:30am in the Parlor/Library. Lamb and beef stews will be the featured entrees. Bring southern vegetable dishes and desserts and a friend. Ted Foote will share a post Civil War look at Bryan, Texas, and the early years of FPC-Bryan. Contact the church office, office@fpcbryan.org, for more information.

FROM THE TREASURER

Fellow church members,
You should be receiving your quarterly giving statements in the mail any day now. Please take time to look these over. It is extremely important that we look to complete our giving by the end of the year. While we are currently operating within our budget, in order for us to fulfill our mission giving and end the year in the black we need to continue our generous giving. Please give this your prayerful consideration.

Rick Page, Treasurer

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS

Sundays (9:20am to 10:20am); 3 Years Old thru GR 4 meet in Room 13. Beth Morris, Claire Schmidt, and Amber Fattig teach this class. GR 5-6 meet in Room 10. David Sahn teaches this class.

- NOV 5. Serving in Word and Deed. Children hear Jesus' words to the religious leaders and interpret from them how to serve God. Read with your children: Matthew 23:1-12.
- NOV 12. Get Ready. Children ponder how to prepare faithfully for Christ as did the wise bridesmaids for the groom. Read with your children: Matthew 25:1-13.



Set your clocks back
ONE HOUR before
going to bed on
NOVEMBER 4
(SATURDAY)

Concerts on CARTER CREEK

BRAZOS CHAMBER PLAYERS

All are invited to the sanctuary on SUN, NOV 12, at 5:00pm for our next Concert on Carter Creek. Woodwind principals from the BRAZOS VALLEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA and others have put together

a choice selection of classical masterpieces. The program will feature selections from composers Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, Camille Saint-Saens, and Francis Poulenc. The ensemble includes Penny Zent (flute), Rebecca Haskins (oboe), Jill Stewart (clarinet), Eric Miller (bassoon), Steven Winter (French horn), and Chris Hoffman (piano). Child care is provided during the concert. A reception follows the concert.

YOUTH HAPS



Eric Peterson, *Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries*
(youth@fpcbryan.org)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Room 401 at 7:00pm is the place for youth to be EVERY WEDNESDAY for bible study. Study leaders alternate between ERIC PETERSON and one of our youth, RACHEL PRATT.

DINNER, FELLOWSHIP, ACTIVITIES

SUN, NOV 5, 6:00pm. "Why does God seem so different between the Old Testament and New Testament?" by *Thoughtful Christian*. Meet in Room 403.

SUN, NOV 12, 9:00am. Youth participate in the annual YOUTH RALLY DAY led by Presbyterian Youth Connection Council at First Presbyterian Church in Conroe. FPC youth join other youth in the Presbytery for worship, games, and this year's mission service project – assembling Hygiene Buckets for families within Presbytery of New Covenant.

(See Hurricane Relief article under Ministry on the Move, left page, for invitation to congregation to donate items for hygiene buckets)



YOUng Adult News

Eric Peterson, *Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries*
(youngadults@fpcbryan.org)

Young adults from FPC-Bryan and other local churches in the BCS area will gather together for an ECUMENICAL YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP at Carney's Pub and Grill, 3410 S. College Ave, Bryan on THU, NOV 2, at 8:00pm.

Tammie and Charley Keesee will host FRIENDSGIVING MOVIE NIGHT at their home located at 3987 Windfree Drive in College Station on FRI, NOV 17, at 7:00pm. This potluck event invites everyone bring their favorite Thanksgiving dish/dessert.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!



On October 22, TAMMIE KEESEE was received into membership. Tammie comes to us by reaffirmation of faith pending letter of transfer from Alpine Presbyterian Church in Longview. Tammie has been an Affiliate Member since 2011. Tammie rings in the Handbell Choir, and she and her husband Charley are active in Young Adults. They live at 3987 Windfree DR, College Station 77845. You can reach Tammie at 903.399.5690 or tdsprott@gmail.com. Welcome, Tammie!

CARING & SHARING

Congratulations to CLAIRE SCHMIDT and ISIDORO GONZALEZ on the birth of their daughter Taliah Grace on October 18. Proud brothers and sisters are Luna, Tabitha, Haven, Isidoro, Isidoro, and Rose.

"I am fearfully and wonderfully made . . ." – Psalm 139:14

The prayerful support and sympathy of the congregation are extended to:

- Friend of the church CAROLYN EVANS on the death of her husband David on October 24.
- HARRY GREEN and family and friends following the death of Nelda on October 8.
- RUTH & RANDY GHOLSON and family following the death of Randy's father, Ralph, in Homer, LA on October 5.

"I am the resurrection and the life," saith the Lord. —John 11:25

Friends, Thank you for your prayers, notes, and expressions of love and concern following the recent loss of my wife Nelda. With love and gratitude, Harry Green

Friends, Thank you so much for the beautiful plant. Your kind expression of sympathy is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated. With heartfelt thanks, Ralph Gholson and Randy Gholson



Please notify the church office at 979.823.8073, when you have news to share in the newsletter, or if you or someone you know is in the hospital, is scheduled for admission, or was recently hospitalized. When admitted, please list First Presbyterian Church, as your church affiliation. If you would like to be visited by one of our hospital visitors, please agree to be included on the Pastoral Care List. Your church family wants to minister to you whenever you are ill, especially when you are in the hospital, and they can only do this if you inform them of your needs.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

STOCK THE PANTRY

127 pounds of food received and recently delivered to the Brazos Church Pantry. Thank you!!!
PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS FOR MEN AND WOMEN ESPECIALLY WELCOME!

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
TO . . .



- 11/02 Jack Miller
- 11/02 Dick Witherite
- 11/03 Nancy Self
- 11/04 David Bilbo
- 11/04 Erin Fry
- 11/04 Beth Morris

- 11/04 Lydia Shipley
- 11/05 Keith Bryant
- 11/06 Ellen Weichert
- 11/07 Rachel Cochrane
- 11/08 Anne Beal
- 11/09 Ken Telg
- 11/10 Red Cashion
- 11/10 Tammie Keesee
- 11/11 Alison Windham
- 11/11 Brian Windham
- 11/12 Michell Bilbo
- 11/12 Keatan King
- 11/13 Billie Housman
- 11/13 Wendy Wolfe



- ♥ Ron Douglas
- ♥ Harry Green
- ♥ Madison Hodges
(granddaughter of Peggy & Ken Telg)
- ♥ Haskell Monroe
- ♥ Gladys Wilding
- ♥ Marjorie Wright

- ★ Christian McKinley
- ★ Ryan Ratcliffe



ABOUT SUNDAY WORSHIP



NOVEMBER 5
Judges 6:11-18,36-40

NOVEMBER 12
Judges 7:1-8
James 2:22-26

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

covering news and events from NOV 16-29,
the deadline for the next issue of the newsletter,
The Chimes, is NOON, SUN, NOV 5.
Submit content to: office@fpcbryan.org.