

# the chimes

## Sunday Mornings

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

## SEASON OF STEWARDSHIP



### "SHARING *When Considering What We* RECEIVE"

September 23, 2018 – November 11, 2018

September 23	Models of Faithfulness to Local and Wider Communities	Leviticus 19:9-10, 33-34 II Corinthians 8:1-9
October 7	Models of Faithfulness to a Faith Community	II Kings 4:38-41
October 21	Models of Faithfulness to Family	Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 II Kings 4:18-37
October 28	Models of Risky Faithfulness	Acts 9:10-19; 16:11-15 Mark 1:40-45
November 4	Models of Steady Faithfulness	Jeremiah 29:1,4-9 Luke 2:25-32,33-35
November 11	Models of Unconventional Faithfulness	Luke 19:1-10

## FOUNDATION EMPHASIS SUNDAY



SUN, OCT 14, the Rev. Dr. Rick Young will be preaching in the sanctuary and, following worship, will be making a brief post-lunch presentation in Fellowship Hall. Voluntary donations will be accepted for the catered meal. All are invited! Previously the pastor of First Presbyterian-Conroe, for the past 7 years Rev. Young has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Texas Presbyterian Foundation, the financial organization managing FPC-Bryan's Foundation assets. The FPC-Bryan Foundation Trustees, the Session Elders, and the congregation welcome Rev. Young as our guest and our partner in financial stewardship and Christian discipleship!

### *First Presbyterian Friends,*

Counting my year as a pastoral intern at First Presbyterian of Pasadena (TX), I've been on church payrolls for 40 years in five congregations. I've experienced multiple situations on staffs and with church members and extended communities (cities/towns/counties) with varying degrees of health and stress due to multiple factors.

This past Sunday I was technically "off," having been in Tulsa (Thursday night thru Saturday) for a church ministry and preaching conference. I wanted to sing the anthem with the choir, so I was in the building but in the choir loft only. Michelle Lassiter played piano and organ. David Kipp led the choir and congregation in singing and offered a solo, with Michelle accompanying. Kathryn Nachlinger served as liturgist. Peggy Telg led the Young Disciples' time. George Klett preached. Karen Berg had prepared the service leaflet and insert. Claire Curtiss had unlocked the building early, made coffee, and was helping provide infant and toddler care. (There's also "invisible-

on-Sunday" group: Custodial Supervisor Pat Marsh and her crew of four; Bookkeeper Donya Ragle; and Children's Center Director Jennifer Huggins, and faculty and staff.)

This is no perfect church, but – in my opinion – thanksgiving is due to God whom we know in Jesus Christ for a church staff and church members who seem exceptionally compatible and wonderfully complimentary in talent and disposition. Each looks past self to serve the One who is Sovereign, Savior, and Spirit.

In worship this past Sunday, I thought to myself and said a prayer to God: "How blessed I am to be part of a group of servant-leaders and a congregation of faithful disciples at this point in my life. Some time, some where I may have experienced 'as good,' but I do not recall ever having experienced more (or greater) emotional and spiritual health and talent in the same place at one time. Thank you, God!"

*Ted V. Foote, Jr.*, Pastor

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# COAT & BLANKET DRIVE

New and gently used coats, hats, scarves, gloves, blankets, etc. are being accepted for our friends in need in the Brazos Valley.

**If you don't wear it, SHARE IT!**

**Place your donations in the box on the Patio!**

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

### RISE AGAINST HUNGER®

Brenham Presbyterian Church in Brenham invites FPC-Bryan members and Youth to join them in their **Rise Against Hunger** (RAH, formerly Stop Hunger Now) event on **SAT, OCT 13**, beginning at 1:00pm. Stop Hunger Now, founded in 1998, is driven by the vision of a world without hunger. Volunteers of all mobility levels are welcome and encouraged to participate. **The church van has been reserved, so each participant does not have to drive unless s/he desires to do so.** Meet in the church parking lot for a 12:30pm departure. For more information, contact Pastor Ted or Karen in the church office, 979.823.8073.

## CROP HUNGER WALK, OCTOBER 14



Let's join together to fight hunger worldwide in the CROP Hunger Walk on **SUN, OCT 14**, at 2:30pm at Veteran's Park in College Station. The event supports Church World Service relief and development programs [www.cwsqglobal.org](http://www.cwsqglobal.org), and locally, where 25% of the funds raised go to the Brazos Church Pantry, serving families in our community since 1986. To be a volunteer walker and/or support a walker with your donation, contact Jessica Sahn Petersen, 979.220.2513 or [youth@fpcbryan.org](mailto:youth@fpcbryan.org).

## Growing Disciples

Christian Education Ministries ([education@fpcbryan.org](mailto:education@fpcbryan.org))



To all who brought food for & helped with clean-up following the Fall Church School Kickoff Breakfast, **THANK YOU!**

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS

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

**OCT 14. The Sad Rich Man.** After hearing the story of the rich man, children ponder what it means to follow Jesus, whether rich or poor.

**Read with your children: Mark 10:17-31**

**OCT 21. Serving Others.** Children hear Jesus' answer to James and John and imagine what it is to serve others daily. **Read with your children: Mark 10:35-45.**

**OCT 28. Hear Us, Jesus.** Children, through the story of Bartimaeus, are assured that Jesus hears their cries too.

**Read with your children: Mark 10:46-52.**

## CHURCH LADIES GATHER

On **WED, OCT 17**, at 11:30am Fish Daddy's in College Station is the place for Church Ladies to be! Church Ladies meet monthly at a local restaurant for fellowship and good food. To be added to the email notification list or for more information, contact Becky Alter, [alter@suddenlink.net](mailto:alter@suddenlink.net) or 979.776.8907.

## CHICK FLICKS



On **FRI, OCT 26**, Chick Flicks will gather at 6:00pm in the Church Library for dinner and in the Parlor for a movie. To be added to the email notification list, contact Phyllis Lee, [johnlee7@suddenlink.net](mailto:johnlee7@suddenlink.net).

## UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEN

**MEN'S LUNCHEON** (usually the last Tuesday of the month) is **TUE, OCT 30**, at 11:30am at Chicken Oil Co. in Bryan.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** (usually the first Thursday of the month) is **THU, NOV 1**, at 6:30am in Carter Creek Foyer.

These are great opportunities for men associated with FPC-Bryan to get to know one another.

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



The Session has called a meeting of the congregation on **SUN, OCT 28**, following worship in the Sanctuary for the purpose of receiving and acting upon a report from the Nominating Committee for one elder for the

Class of 2019, twelve elders for the Class of 2020, three Foundation trustees to serve for the Class of 2024, and five members-at-large to serve on the congregation's 2019-2020 Nominating Committee. Introductions will be included in the next issue of the newsletter.

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 **MARCIA MICULEK (Mod.)**, **ALICE HICKERSON (Vice Mod.)**, members-at-large **KATHRINE MACNEIL**, **MICHAEL MARTIN**, **JASEN PETERSEN**, **ROGER REESE**, and **AJ RENOLD**.

## AN INVITATION

**WHAT IS YOUR MEMBERSHIP BUILDING AND EVANGELISM COMMITTEE?** The short definition for this committee of the Session is the Marketing Committee of FPC-Bryan.

Responsibilities of the committee members include:

- Welcome Tables
- Follow-up on visitors and newcomers
- Encourage congregation to be visitor-friendly
- Undertake specific projects, as needed (*i.e.* pictorial directory)
- Develop a public relations plan to increase FPC-Bryan's visibility in the community

Here's how you can help:

The committee seeks information and suggestions from all church members, incl. officers and committee moderators, who may help the committee reach its goals. Committee members are as follows:

- **ALICE HICKERSON**, **KIM MILLER** (Co-moderators)
- **MARY NELLE ARMSTRONG** (Presbyterian Women)
- **PAT DAVIS** (Visitor Log)
- **CATHERINE EZZELL** (Visitor Mugs/Mint)
- **PHYLLIS LEE** (150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pictorial Directory)
- **RUSLEEN MAURICE** (Public Relations)

Let us hear from you!

## CARING & SHARING

The prayerful support and sympathy of the congregation are extended to **JAY BREES** and family and friends following the death of **HILDUR SATRE BREES** of Cedar Park on September 30. Hildur served as Director of Music and Organist at FPC-Bryan from the late '70's through the '90's.

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



# YOUng Adult News

Youth & Young Adult Ministries ([youngadults@fpcbryan.org](mailto:youngadults@fpcbryan.org))

## YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCHESES

Young Adults gather most weeks after worship on Sundays for fellowship and lunch at local restaurants! Following worship (on most Sundays), Tammie and/or Charley Keesee will be at the front of the sanctuary (near the chancel) to greet young adults (18-39). Come as often as your schedule allows!



**OCT 21 Fish Daddy's**, College Station  
**OCT 28 Napa Flats**, College Station

For more information about the lunches or young adults, contact Tammie Keesee, [tdsprott@gmail.com](mailto:tdsprott@gmail.com).

## YOUTH Haps



Youth & Young Adult Ministries ([youth@fpcbryan.org](mailto:youth@fpcbryan.org))

## YOUTH SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP

Youth meet weekly on Sunday evenings beginning at 6:00pm for dinner in Carter Creek Foyer followed by games, activities, and study. For more information, call or text current Youth sponsors Jessica Sahm Petersen (979.220.2513) and Jasen Petersen or email [youth@fpcbryan.org](mailto:youth@fpcbryan.org).

**SUN, OCT 14, 3:00pm.** Put on your walking shoes for FPC-Bryan's participation in **CROP HUNGER WALK**.



Meet under the pavilion at Veteran's Park, College Station.

**SUN, OCT 21, 6:00pm.** We'll meet in Carter Creek Foyer to depart for **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S PUMPKIN PATCH** to carve jack-o-lanterns and more.



**SUN, OCT 28, 6:00pm.** It's movie night and just in time for the classic Halloween comedy **HOCUS POCUS**. Meet in Carter Creek Foyer.

## CHURCH SCHOOL

Youth meet in Room 403, Sundays, 9:20am-10:20am.

**OCT 14. God's Amazing Claim.** Youth learn about God's holistic claim on their lives. **Mark 10:17-31**

**OCT 21. Greatness in God's Kingdom.** Youth learn to follow Jesus' teaching about greatness. **Mark 10:35-45**

**OCT 28. Blindness and Renewed Vision.** Youth, with Bartimaeus, reflect on what in their lives must be cast aside in order to be a more faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Mark 10:46-52.**



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**

**BIRTHDAY WISHES TO ...**



10/11 Tabitha Curtiss  
10/11 Ken Morris  
10/13 Carol Anderson  
10/14 Ruby Cole  
10/16 Jackie Zimmerman  
10/17 Jerry Norris

10/11 Janice Bradshaw  
10/18 Taliah Gonzalez  
10/21 Amber Fattig  
10/22 Sharon Bowling  
10/22 Pam Geishauser  
10/24 Lorne Dunham  
10/25 Randy Gholson  
10/25 Ulonda Rogers  
10/26 Joanie Foote  
10/27 Jake Fattig  
01/28 Rick Avery  
10/28 Burney Hamlin  
10/30 Lonna McKay



- ♥ Madison Hodges (granddaughter of Peggy & Ken Telg)
- ♥ Leroy & Wanda Kipp
- ♥ Rev. Marie Mickey
- ♥ John "Mack" Prescott
- ♥ Marjorie Wright

- ★ Christian McKinley
- ★ Ryan Ratcliffe

**MEMBERS & FRIENDS  
IN THE  
MILITARY**

**ABOUT SUNDAY WORSHIP**

- OCT 14** II Corinthians 9:6-8; Luke 10:25-37
- OCT 21** Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23; II Kings 4:18-37
- OCT 21** Acts 9:10-19; 16:11-15; Mark 1:40-45



**NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE**

The deadline for the next issue of the newsletter, The Chimes (incl. the November Calendar), covering news/events (OCT 10-31), NOON, SUN, OCT 21. Submit content to: [office@fpcbryan.org](mailto:office@fpcbryan.org).