

the chimes

Sunday Mornings

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

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

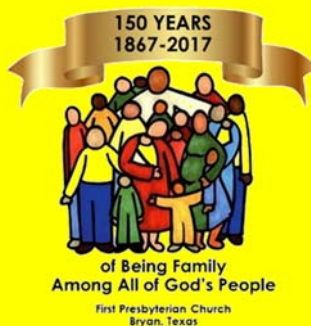


The Session has called a meeting of the congregation on **SUN, OCT 28**, following worship in the Sanctuary for the purpose of receiving and acting upon a report from the Nominating Committee for one elder to fill an unexpired term (Class of 2019), twelve elders (Class of 2020), three trustees to the Foundation (Class of 2024) and five members-at-large to serve on the 2019-2020 Nominating Committee. Nominations may be made from the floor, provided those placing a name in nomination have obtained permission from the one being nominated. This year's Nominating Committee members are ruling elders Marcia Miculek (Mod.) and Alice Hickerson (Vice Mod.), and members-at-large Kathrine MacNeil, Michael Martin, Jasen Petersen, Roger Reese, A.J. Renold.

(See insert this issue for church officer nominee introductions.)

FPC-BRYAN CLOSSES 150TH YEAR WITH LUNCH

On **SUN, NOV 11**, FPC will bring to a close the year-long celebration of our 150th anniversary. All are invited to Fellowship Hall following worship for a luncheon and a short program to include a slide presentation featuring photographs from our initial 150th anniversary luncheon (November 2017) and a congregational hymn sing from a treasured century-old FPC-Bryan hymn book.



The main entrée of grilled chicken strips, buttered new potatoes, and green beans will be catered. Luncheon attendees are invited to bring a side dish or dessert (if able). To help with head count, please contact Karen in the church office, office@fpcbryan.org or 979.823.8073, and let her know how many from your household will attend and what you will bring (if you are able).

ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEWS

The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC) has met six times in the last four months. Much of the committee work occurs between meetings as members diligently spend hours and hours reviewing Personal Information Forms (PIFs) of potential candidates. So far the committee has reviewed 75 PIFs. In addition to the FPC-Bryan's Ministry Information Form for our Associate Pastor position listed on our church website, the PC(USA's) Church Leadership Connection website, the APNC reached out to Synod of the Sun (which consists of all Presbyteries in TX, LA, AK, and OK). Our position is now posted on their Job Board, and they are highlighting our position through their various communication links. The APNC continues to explore outreach opportunities.

The committee is working hard to find the right candidates for the church and is committed to following the expectations outlined by the congregation through the Visioning Process. Those expectations are contained in the Ministry Information Form (job description). We are convinced that God is leading us in this process and that we will find the right candidate. We appreciate your continued prayers as we work through the process.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the APNC

(Ken Telg, Ellen Weichert, Charley Bankston, Jake Fattig, Ulonda Rogers, Debe Shafer, Jackie Zimmerman)
Ken Telg, *Moderator*

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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 through November 9!

"STOCK THE PANTRY"



ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN POUNDS of food and personal hygiene items from FPC-Bryan were delivered to the Brazos Church Pantry in October. Lots of personal hygiene products! They are always appreciated and in high demand. Most of personal hygiene products received were given to those in need on October 12 (when Ken Telg delivered the goods), because The Pantry was totally out when he arrived with our donations, so keep those personal hygiene products coming!

PAPER GOODS DRIVE FOR STILL CREEK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

The Mission Committee is sponsoring a Paper Goods Drive for Still Creek—since 1988 Still Creek has rescued boys and girls from crisis environments including abuse, neglect, abandonment, and sexual exploitation. Their mission is to restore their lives by placing them in a family-style home environment, and through our accredited boarding school, Bible-based counseling, TCAL athletics, fine arts, and our equestrian, and agricultural programs. Still Creek does not take any government funding and operates exclusively through donations and is completely debt-free.



The November drive is for much needed supplies of **COPY PAPER, PAPER TOWELS, FACIAL TISSUES, and TOILET PAPER.** Please place your donations on the table in the Patio through DEC 2. Thank you for your help! The Mission Committee

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE THRU 2018

DEADLINE	DISTRIBUTION
November 4	November 7
November 25	November 28
December 9	December 12

Growing Disciples

Christian Education Ministries (education@fpcbryan.org)

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.

NOV 4 Forever Friends. Children discover through the story of Ruth and Naomi how God cares for them through the people around them.

Read with your children: Mark 12:28-34.

NOV 11. A Generous Offering Children explore the story of the woman and two coins to define generosity.

Read with your children: Mark 12:38-44.

PRIME TIME FELLOWSHIP

Lively & spirited older adults who are 60+ usually gather on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 11:30am in the Church Parlor and Library for lunch and fellowship. On **THU, NOV 8**, a **Thanksgiving Feast** will be followed by conversation centering around remembering **your most unexpected Thanksgiving.** Ham/Sweet Potatoes and Turkey & Dressing will be provided. Bring your grateful self, a friend, and a side dish or dessert (if you are able). For more information, contact Karen or Ted in the church office, 979.823.8073 or office@fpcbryan.org.



COMPLIMENTARY 8X10 PORTRAITS

ATTENTION

Lifetouch®

Pictorial Directory Participants!

For those of you who did not order pictures through Lifetouch, your complimentary 8x10 portrait has arrived and is ready and waiting for you in the church office.



Set your clocks back
ONE HOUR before
going to bed on
NOVEMBER 3
(SATURDAY)



YOUng Adult News

Youth & Young Adult Ministries (youngadults@fpcbryan.org)

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCHES

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!



NOV 4 McAlister's Deli, College Station
NOV 11 Fellowship Hall
(150th Anniversary Luncheon)

For more information about the lunches or young adults, contact Tammie Keesee, tdsprott@gmail.com.

YOUTH Haps



Youth & Young Adult Ministries (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 Youth sponsors Jessica Sahm Petersen (979.220.2513) and Jasen Petersen or email youth@fpcbryan.org.

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Meet in Carter Creek Foyer for supper and fellowship.

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Watch for emails and/or texts with details!

CHURCH SCHOOL

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

NOV 4. **Crossing Boundaries.** Youth connect with the God who transcends boundaries to bring new life and hope. **Mark 12:28-34**

NOV 11. **Letting Go of Ego.** Youth recognize how the desire to be the best can interfere with becoming a more faithful disciple. **Mark 12:38-44**

Concerts on CARTER CREEK presents . . .

concert pianist and Steinway Artist TAO LIN in our sanctuary on SUN, NOV 18, at 5:00pm. Described by critics as possessing "keen musical intelligence and excellent facility" as well as "opulent and romantic tone," Lin has performed in Asia, North America, and Europe as a soloist, a recitalist and a chamber musician. Lin will perform selections by Schubert, Chopin and Ginastera. The concert is free. Child care is provided. A reception follows the concert.

CALLING ALL WOMEN OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

(Yes, that's you!)

Please join your sisters in Christ for

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S THANK OFFERING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 6:00pm

Fellowship Hall

Soup and Salad and Christian fellowship

GUEST SPEAKER

A.J. Renold, *Exec. Director*, Voices for Children (VFC)

All invited to bring diapers benefitting VFC.

The Thank Offering will benefit programs that provide education, safe housing, clean water, health care, help for prisoners, justice for women, and much more.

THOSE WHO SERVE IN NOVEMBER

COMMUNION SERVERS (Nov 4)

Hap Wert, Nancy Robertson, Kim Miller,
BJ Hendler, Ernie Wright, Alice Hickerson

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION SERVERS (Nov 4)

M. Criaco, C. Page, N. Robertson, H. Wert, C. Wingert

MONEY COUNTERS

Peggy Telg, Ernie Wright (4,18,25), Hap Wert (11)

NEW MEMBER CALLER

Marlee Criaco

USHER CO-CAPTAINS

T. Keesee, R. Cochrane (4,11), C. Keesee (18), C. Page (25)

USHERS/GREETERS

- 4 Janice Bradshaw, Trish Burk, Judy Hughson, Keith Halsell
- 11 Beth Pennebaker, Dick & Linda Witherite,
Mary Nelle Armstrong
- 18 Beth Pennebaker, Dave & Janice Haverland,
Ranney McDonald
- 25 Rick Page, Beth Pennebaker, Mary Nelle Armstrong,
Ranney McDonald



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 . . .



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| 11/02 Dick Witherite | 11/10 Tammie Keesee |
| 11/02 Jack Miller | 11/11 Alison Windham |
| 11/03 Nancy Self | 11/11 Brian Windham |
| 11/04 David Bilbo | 11/12 Michelle Bilbo-Swanzy |
| 11/04 Beth Morris | 11/13 Wendy Wolfe |
| 11/06 Ellen Weichert | 11/13 Billy Housman |
| 11/07 Rachel Cochrane | |
| 11/08 Anne Beal | |
| 11/09 Ken Telg | |



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

- ★ Christian McKinley
- ★ Ryan Ratcliffe

**MEMBERS & FRIENDS
IN THE
MILITARY**

ABOUT SUNDAY WORSHIP

NOV 4 Jeremiah 29:1,4-9
Luke 2:25-32,33-35

NOV 11 Luke 19:1-10



NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

The deadline for the next issue of the newsletter, The Chimes, covering news/events **NOV 15-DEC 5**, is **NOON, SUN, NOV 4**.

Submit content to: office@fpcbryan.org.