

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CEO Offering: Today

Our custodian, Richard Stout, has tendered his resignation effective July 15: He will pursue opportunities in the AC/heating field for which he recently earned certification. If needed, Richard has agreed to cover basic custodial needs through the end of the month. Personnel Committee has appointed Bo Morton to chair a search committee to fill this position. If you know of any potential candidates, please tell them that a job description and salary/benefit information are available at the church office through Melanie, or to contact Bo at (479) 587-9988 or email: gbm@morton-law.us

Todd Prickett and Family have arrived: Our new music director, Todd Prickett, his wife, Amy, and their children, Nathan and Madelyn have moved into their new home. Todd will begin work on Monday, August 3.

Thank you to everyone who worked to make VBS a wonderful success. We are receiving very good feedback about how much children enjoyed the week. Thanks to everyone who did his/her part to create such a special experience. What a wonderful congregation of volunteers!

Thank you to each of the people who have taught our children Sunday School so far this summer. You have given the regular teachers a needed time off and have let the children get acquainted with other people in the congregation who care for them. Thanks to Amy and Maria Rossetti, Jim and Michelle Price, Kathy Sprouse, Katie Jackson, Melissa Gray, Melinda Nickle and Bo Morton who taught in June. We are now looking for volunteers for July: **July 12**-one person to lead the youth in their discussion of the mission stories curriculum, **July 19**-one or two people to lead the elementary children, **July 26**-one or two people to lead the elementary children. For more information, please contact Kristi 442-4411 or kbutton@fupcfay.org.

Trailblazers: This may be a new term and new idea for this congregation. It is a way for members to "blaze a trail" for our mission trip participants through prayers and support. Those making the trip will fill out short information forms about their interests and likes, as well as their concerns for which you can pray. If you would like to support one of these young people or adult leaders through prayer and a small care package, please see Kristi Button this Sunday. There will be a commissioning for the mission trip during the 11 am service on July 12; we leave for Kentucky on July 19, 6am. Care packages can be delivered as you see us off on July 19, or they can be dropped off in the church office by July 17. For more information, please call Kristi Button at the church 442-4411.

Do You Need a scholarship? First Presbyterian Church offers a scholarship through our Endowment. The Grace Vawter Scholarship offers college assistance to students who meet the standards of the endowment gift. For information and an application, please see Melanie in the Church office.

Summer Help Still Needed: Thank you to Shawn Guthrie and John Stitt who have volunteered to help keep the potted flowers and plants healthy during the heat. We still need one or two more folks to fill the schedule. Please call Al Hanna 521-2238 or the church office 442-4411 for more information or to volunteer.

Annual Church Picnic: Saturday, August 22, Bobby and Lana Odom's. Details will be announced.

Prayer Concerns: Carver Lewis (great grandson of Carole Walter), Carolyn Bonds (Mary Vaughn's mother), Mary Margaret Morton, Billy Thompson, Cheryl Willock (Laurie Marshall's mother), Mary Schaller, Van Kinsey (son of Ed and Vickie Kinsey), Anna Smitherman, Jan Dixon, Eva Stalker, Bob Folsom (father of Nell Sisco and Tabitha Christensen), Barbara and Patrick George, Adam Watkins and family, Don Shefte, John Burhorn, Jim Scroggs, Wilma Webb, Catherine Cross, Rita Davis, Mari Simmons (daughter of Marilyn and Brooks Rice), Andy Burns (spouse of First School teacher), Barbara Faulkner (daughter of Kitty Bryan), Mary Frances Gladney, Helen Ezell (death of brother Lawrence West), Sue Ellen Ward, Jim Reed [father-in-law of Karen (Clausen) Reed], Estel Whitehead [relative of Karen (Clausen) Reed], Tommy Vanzandt (friend of Cathy Hairston), James Ostie (brother of Dolores Sharp), Carol Van Scyoc, Nick and Trent Talbert (Nephews of Ron and Alice Talbert), Annie Johnson (friend of Ollie and David Birkett), Jim Gilbreath, Roger Koepp (death of father), Vickie Kinsey, Dot Camp (death of Hal), Lloyd Howe (father of Laura Winburn), Ella Daniel (infant granddaughter of former members Charlie and Linda Harwell), Betty Monroe, Rev. Maury Roberts, Marilyn Anderson (death of sister Elaine McDonald), Marion Orton, Cynthia Campbell, Ted Brewer, Mary Johnston (death of Max), Lorene Raymond, Molly Williams, Sharon and Bill Knapp (friends of Bob Zierak), Tony Stankus, Sara Koenig, Ted Sekiguchi, Karen Campe [(death of Dave) friends of Rob Button]

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 5

Worship Services*: Sanctuary:

8:30 am (Communion), 11:00 am

CEO Offering

Pre-school: 9:30 am, Lower Calvin (Room 105)

Elementary Sunday School: 9:30 am, Lower Knox

Youth and Young Adult: 9:30 am, Mission Stories Series in Library

Adult Sunday School Assembly: 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Adult Sunday School: 9:45 am, assigned space

NO UPY: For UPY schedule, please check upyfayetteville.com

MONDAY, JULY 6

Minutes Due from June Committee Mtgs.

First School Chapel: 8:45 am

Stephen Ministry: 6:30 pm, Calvin 203

Boy Scouts: 7pm, Activity Center

TUESDAY, JULY 7

First School Chapel: 8:45 am

Communion at BTV: 4:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

Bulletin Announcements for July 12 Due

Men's Prayer Breakfast: 6:30 am, Village Inn

First School Martial Arts: 9:00 am and 10:00 am, Activity Center

First School Jitterbugs: 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

UPY to Food Bank: 12:30 am (Bus)

THURSDAY, JULY 9

First School Martial Arts: 9:00 am and 10:00 am, Activity Center

First School Jitterbugs: 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Intercessory Prayer Group: 3:30 pm, BTV Library

Everyone Can Sing: 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY, JULY 10

Hooks and Needles: 10:00 am, Activity Center

SATURDAY, JULY 11

AA Meeting: 8:00 pm, Activity Center

Sunday, July 12

Worship Services*: Sanctuary

8:30 am (Communion), 11:00 am (Communion)

Commissioning Youth Mission Trip

Pre-school: 9:30 am, Lower Calvin (Room 105)

Elementary Sunday School: 9:30 am, Lower Knox

Youth and Young Adult: 9:30 am, Mission Stories Series in Library

Adult Sunday School Assembly: 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall

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Parents Meeting for Youth Trip: 2:15 pm, Kristi's, 504 N. Sequoyah

Youth Meeting for Mission Trip, 3:00 pm, Kristi's

Mission Trip Participants' Cookout: 4:00 pm, Kristi's, potluck for side dishes and desserts

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*Indicates that professional childcare is provided for these events.

Please call the church office, 442-4411,
during the week with prayer concerns, joys or hospital information.

First United Presbyterian Church Fayetteville, Arkansas

*Called to be a **light on the hill**,
we boldly proclaim and serve Christ,
the hope of our changing world.*



*First United Presbyterian Church
is a faithful, dynamic congregation
visibly demonstrating a deep commitment
to proclaim Jesus Christ,
as we lovingly grow in discipleship
and eagerly engage in service to others.*

July 5, 2009

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 5, 2009

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Battle Hymn of the Republic* Roger C. Wilson

*PASSING THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

LIFE AND WORK OF GOD'S PEOPLE

STRIKING OF THE BELL AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
(11:00AM)
ACOLYTES: Robert Ross and Will Hewat

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God, atop the holy hill.
*God is in the citadels,
for God is known as our sure refuge.*
O God, your praise, like your name,
reaches to the earth's farthest end.
*Your right hand is full of justice,
and your city boasts many watchtowers.*
The city of God has strong bulwarks,
it is a stronghold in time of terror.
*O Lord, you are our God forevermore;
Be our guide forever and ever. Amen*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies* PH 564

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)
*Almighty God, giver of strength,
be gracious to us in our need,
for we confess to you our sin.
Forgive us—
for ignoring the struggles of our neighbors;
for turning from you in times of trial;
for relying on our power instead of your grace;
for keeping to ourselves the news of your love.*

*Transform us, O God, by your saving power.
Free us from the sin that clings so closely.
Guide us by the Spirit of Jesus Christ
to live new lives in joyful service
to the glory of your holy name.
(silent confession)*

*KYRIE PH 572

*Lord, have mercy, upon us.
Christ, have mercy, upon us.
Lord, have mercy, upon us.*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Friends believe the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI PH 579

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON II Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

SPECIAL MUSIC *This is My Song* Sibelius/Stone & Harkness
soloist: Michael Heath

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams
as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations:
myself I give you; let your will be done.

EPISTLE LESSON II Corinthians 12:2-10

SERMON *The Thorn In Our Side* Rev. Lee Power

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

*HYMN *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* PH 280

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (11:00 AM)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Jesus, I Come* Lani Smith

*DOXOLOGY PH 592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
*Faithful God, we offer these tithes because we are not content
that our sisters and brothers are weak with hunger,
persecuted by hardship, and oppressed by need.
Bless this bounty to be sufficient for them. Amen.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (8:30 AM)
INCLUDING THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

*HYMN *Lift Every Voice and Sing* PH 563
(Please bring your CEO donations forward
to the communion table during the last hymn.)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING (responsive)
Go out into the world in the name of the carpenter.
Emulate Christ's deeds of compassion and power.
*We face hardships and calamities with courage.
Christ strengthens us when we are weak.*
In humility, reach out to help and to be helped.
Travel light, with your faith as your major resource.
*We will trust God in our preparations and on the journey.
We will give our best, relying also on God's grace.*
As disciples of Jesus Christ, you are blessed and empowered.
God's steadfast love surrounds you wherever you go.
*Great is our God, and greatly to be praised!
God will be our guide today and forever.*
Amen.
Amen.

*POSTLUDE *America! America!* Robert J. Hughes

*Please stand as you are able.

WELCOME GUESTS, we pray that our worship together will strengthen and nurture our faith. If you are seeking a church home, please feel free to learn more about First United Presbyterian Church by speaking to a minister, a staff member, or a member of Session.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP PACKETS are available in the Narthex. These include activity sheets, crayons and bookmarks.

PROFESSIONAL NURSERY CARE is provided in lower level Calvin.

MEMBERSHIP IN FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—All are invited to unite with the church by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of church letter. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the pastors or the church office (442-4411).