

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trailblazers: This is a new term and possibly a new idea for FUPC. It is a way for members of this congregation to "blaze a trail" for our mission trip participants through prayer and support. Participants have filled out short information forms about their interests and likes, as well as concerns they carry with them for which you can pray. If you would like to support one of these young people through prayer and a small care package with a few of his/her favorite things, please see Kristi Button today to sign up. We leave Sunday, July 19, 6am and we still need eight care packages. Packages can be delivered when you see us off on July 19, or can be dropped off in the church office by July 17. For questions, call Kristi Button 442-4411.

Family Fun Gathering: 5:30 pm, Gulley Park, meet at the pavilion; bring a picnic supper for your family.

Volunteers Still Needed for Summer Sunday School:

July 19, July 26, August 9, August 16 --one or two people for the elementary children. The children are doing a modified rotation model where they study the same story for 5 lessons in five different ways. They have been studying the parables of the lost coin, sheep and prodigal son and are about to begin 5 Sundays on David, the King. You have your choice of games, music, art, science, storytelling or cooking. The average number has been 10-12 children.

August 2, August 9-- one person for preschool. Average attendance has been 4 children. They are doing their usual Rock Solid curriculum, which has a very simple to follow leader's guide and various ideas for activities. You let them play, share the story with them from the story booklets included for each child, have a snack, do one or two activities and let them play some more. Our primary focus is a safe, nurturing environment. Please let Kristi know when you are available. She will be gone on a youth mission trip from July 19-25 so she needs to fill July 19 and July 26 now in order to get materials to you before she leaves.

Do You Need a scholarship? First Presbyterian Church offers academic scholarships 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 been watering and weeding the potted flowers and plants around the sanctuary and amphitheater. We still need one or two more folks to complete the schedule. Please call Al Hanna 521-2238 or the church office 442-4411 for more information or to volunteer.

Special Offering: Thank you for your contributions on July 5 totaling \$940.00 for the work of Cooperative Emergency Outreach. During 2008, CEO distributed food, gasoline, utility and rental assistance to 9,800 Fayetteville and South Washington County Residents.

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, 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 Koeppel (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, Brooksie Cate Lawson (Nancy Mays' aunt)

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2009

Worship Services*: Sanctuary:

8:30 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

Adult Sunday School: 9:45 am, assigned space

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

Youth Mission Trip Participants Meeting and Cook-Out: 3:00 pm, potluck for side dishes. Kristi's (504 N. Sequoyah)

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

MONDAY, JULY 13

First School Chapel: 8:45 am

Boy Scouts: 7pm, Activity Center

TUESDAY, JULY 14

First School Chapel: 8:45 am

Staff Meeting: 11:00 am, Commons Room

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

Bulletin Announcements for July 19 Due

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

First School Jitterbugs: 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

First School Field Trip: 9 am - 1:30 pm (Bus)

Family Fun Gathering: 5:30 pm, Gulley Park, Meet at the pavilion with picnic supper for your family

THURSDAY, JULY 16

First School Jitterbugs: 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

First School Field Trip: 9 am - 1:30 pm (Bus)

Intercessory Prayer Group: 3:30 pm, BTV Library

Everyone Can Sing: 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY, JULY 17

7-Hills Community Meals: 8:30 am, Kitchen

Hooks and Needles: 10:00 am, Activity Center

Thurrow Wedding Rehearsal: 5:30 - 6:30 pm (Wedding at different location)

SATURDAY, JULY 18

AA Meeting: 8:00 pm, Activity Center

SUNDAY, JULY 19

Worship Services*: Sanctuary

8:30 am (Communion)

Called Session: 10:30 am, Parlor

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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No UPY: 6:00 am, Departure for Mission Trip to Louisville, KY

For UPY schedule, please check upyfayetteville.com

*Indicates that professional childcare is provided for these events.

#Indicates that reservations must be made.

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).

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 12, 2009

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 12, 2009

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Andante* A. Guilmant

*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 Ben Olsen and Cory Cox

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
The world and those who dwell in it.

**For the Lord founded it upon the waters,
and made the earth stand firm above the rivers.**

Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors.

**For the Lord of hosts approaches,
entering our midst in glory.**

Who is this glorious Sovereign?

**Our Lord, the lord of hosts, is the Sovereign
who rules in our midst.**

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN *Come Thou Fount* PH 356

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**Great God, we have set our affections on the things
of this world,
when you challenge us to set our hearts on things above.
We pray for your kingdom to come,
yet we turn away from your light when it reveals
how we have stumbled in our chosen darkness.**

**Forgive us for the many ways we deny your rightful rule.
Teach us to fear you well, and lead us in your paths
of righteousness. We lay our lives before you in repentance,
that you may work your holy purposes in us,
for your honor and glory.**

(silent confession)

*KYRIE

**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

YOUTH MISSION TRIP COMMISSIONING

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 24

SPECIAL MUSIC *Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)* Chris Rice
vocalists: Mary Mann, Barry Littleton,
Michael Heath, Roger Haak

Weak and wounded sinner, lost and left to die,
raise your head, for Love is passing by.
Come to Jesus, come to Jesus, come to Jesus and live!

Now your burden's lifted and carried far away,
and precious blood has washed away the stain.
So sing to Jesus, sing to Jesus, sing to Jesus and live!

And like a newborn baby, don't be afraid to crawl.
Remember when you walk, sometimes you fall.
So fall on Jesus, fall on Jesus, fall on Jesus and live!

Sometimes the way is lonely and steep and filled with pain.
So if your sky is dark and pours the rain,
cry to Jesus, cry to Jesus, cry to Jesus and live!

And when the love spills over and music fills the night,
and when you can't contain your joy inside,
dance for Jesus, dance for Jesus, dance for Jesus and live!

And with your final heartbeat, kiss the world goodbye,
then go in peace and go on glory's side,
and fly to Jesus, fly to Jesus, fly to Jesus and live!

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Ephesians 1:1-10

SERMON *Predestination — A Destiny Forged in Love*
Rev. Barry Williams

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.**

**Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.
In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah
chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.
Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.**

**Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.**

**With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.**

*HYMN *There's a Wideness* PH 298

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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30am)

Song

Flor Peeters

(11:00am)

Rising Spirit

Susanna Lowy

Beth Stockdell, harp

*DOXOLOGY PH 592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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

SENDING

*HYMN *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* PH 369

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (responsive)

Remember each day that you are called by God.
Be open to the spiritual blessings available at all times.
**We are cleansed and free, and made whole and alive.
Great is our God and greatly to be praised!**

Dwell in the mystery of God's will for you.
Dare to reach out in love to those who share this world.
We will seek God's counsel daily.

We will open our hearts to others' needs.
The Holy Spirit goes with you to empower you.
The love of Christ sustains you in all circumstances.
**We have been blessed and fed in this place.
We will share with others the joy we know.**

Amen.
Amen.

POSTLUDE *Grand Choeur* Th. Dubois/arr. S. Scott

*Please stand as you are able.