

First Presbyterian Church of Alvin

Press Bytes



To the saints at First Presbyterian:

Greetings. On June 11, there will be a guest minister leading worship since I will be on vacation. It is Amy Klinkovsky. She has been here before and has done a great job filling the pulpit. Herb Myers will preach June 18 since I will be returning from vacation on that Sunday.

On June 11, Marissa will be talking to you after worship about the form you will need to fill out for Presbytery dealing with the search for a new minister. The form asks the church seeking a minister a lot of pertinent questions. I hope as many of you as possible can come that Sunday to see what you will need to do to fill out this form to secure a new minister for your future. The prospective candidates will take this form and read it as to what kind of church you are and what you want in a minister. The more of you that can share your thoughts the better it will be.

You have two choices: an Installed Minister goes through the Board of Pensions and will require 50+ thousand to fulfill the financial package you will need to have. Your saving grace is that you have a Manse. That takes away a large part of the call package under the heading of Housing Allowance. As a congregation, you will vote on the call to a new person.

Second option is to call a Stated Supply, which is the position I hold. This position is a lot less costly since this position doesn't have to go through the Board of Pensions. This person is no different from an Installed pastor in his/her duties except this position is called by the Session and is not installed by Presbytery.

I am not leaving any time soon so you will not have a vacancy to try and fill in a rush. I'm good as long as you need me. I will help you go through the process of filling out this form.

The financial package will ultimately determine the kind of minister you can call. If the funds aren't there to call an Installed pastor, there is enough finances to call Stated Supply. Stated Supply's can stay as long as you want them to stay. The Session just has to renew the contract each year as well as the pastor signs on for another year.

This is usually a long process but you have a lot of really great things going for you which should attract prospective candidates.

It's an orderly process and presbytery will help us to accomplish this task. You can act on the form anytime you want to.

Peace,

C.O.

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“Shout joyfully to God, all the ear; Sing the gloty of His name; Make His praise glorious.”

Psalm 86 1-2



Come Share Your Talent!

The choir is taking off for the summer, so we are looking for individuals or groups to provide a Special in lieu of the Anthem. Whether singing, playing an instrument, or some other joyful expression, we would love to have you share your gift. Please contact Scott Gondesen (281-948-3369) to schedule. Thanks!



Choir Members Easter Sunday

Back Row: Audrie Gondesen, Nancy Melenric, Rhonda Ashcraft, Scott Gondesen, & C.O. Magee.

Front Row: Barbara Whitfield, Brenda Magee, Marilyn Thomas, Faye Steckert & Jason Elkins.

Summer Mission Sale

Donations are now being accepted for the Summer Mission Sale that will take place on Saturday, July 22nd, 8 am - 2 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Accepted items should be gently used and may include tools, kitchen ware, household objects, toys, bags and purses, and small electronics in working condition. In addition to clothing and shoes, we are no longer accepting books, DVD's, and VHS tapes. You may donate your treasures any time before July 18th. If you need any assistance, or need to drop off your donations please call the church office, 281-585-3406. Remember that the proceeds from this sale will supplement the offerings collected for our local and world outreach efforts. These include Clothing Outlet/School Supplies, Heifer Project, Relay for Life, the Women's Center of Brazoria County, Joy Gift Offering, One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, Christmas families, Peace and Global Witness Offering, and Pentecost Offering. Thank you for your help.

July 22nd
8am-2pm





Ongoing Prayers : Kristy Myers, Betty Faulkner, Jerome Jozwiak, John Cornell, Patty & Norman Hirsch, Kathryn Wilkerson, Brooklyn Palavicini, Ron DeWalt, Kaye McDonald, Alice Ledet, Sissy Gross, and Barbara Passmore.

Immediate Concerns : The Family of Paylen Alaniz, the Family of Gene Calkins, the Family of Gladys McKissick, and the Family of Mary Delassandro.

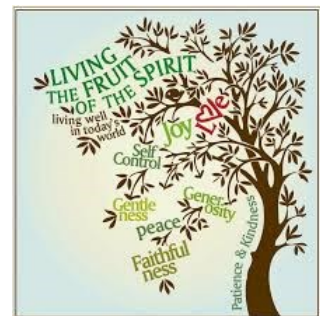
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Elder of the Month - Randy Phipps
Fellowship Refreshments - Congregational Life



June 1	Helen Escobedo	June 2	Janet DeLeon
June 6	Faye Steckert	June 9	Chris Pounds
June 10	Caleb Petty	June 12	Joann Froberg
June 20	Marion Rowsey	June 22	Samantha Lewis
June 23	Adrienne Thomas	June 24	Randy Phipps
June 25	Rhonda Newell	June 25	Geoffrey Lewis
June 25	Melissa Pounds	June 26	Braiden Anderson
June 27	Barbara Lewis	June 30	Sue Kelso





Graduating Seniors



**Congratulations, Class of 2023 Graduates
Good Luck on Your Future Endeavors!**

Allison “Ally” Roles



Allison “Ally” Roles, daughter of Amy and Jason Roles, granddaughter of Cindy and Bill Waggoner and Mike and Gail Roles, graduated from Kinder High School for the Performing and Visual Arts on May 25. She was a Senior Ambassador, Advanced Placement Scholar, member of National Honor Society, Science National Honor Society and History National Honor Society, a dance teacher and was on the Honors List. She will be attending University of Arizona as a dance and pre-physical therapy major on a full tuition scholarship. She plans to pursue a professional dance career and attend physical therapy school. Congratulations, Ally; wishing you much success on your future endeavors.

Braiden Michael Anderson



Braiden Anderson, son of Savannah Farris and James Anderson III, graduated from Alvin High School on May 26. He plans to get a full-time job immediately following high school working until he decides what he wants to do. Congratulations, Braiden; wishing you much success on your future endeavors.

Congratulations
Graduates

Emma Gondesen



Emma Gondesen, daughter of Scott and Audrie Gondesen and Schelli Gondesen, graduated from Dickinson High School on May 25. She was a member of Dickinson High School Marching Band her freshman and sophomore year and a four-year member of Dickinson High School Choir, President of the Dickinson Choir her junior and senior year, Vice-President her sophomore year and member of the Varsity Choir Ensemble her junior and senior year. During her sophomore year she was a member of the Advanced Women’s Choir Ensemble getting all first-place awards and sweepstakes for stage performance and sight reading and participated in a varsity eight-person ensemble that advanced to the state level. She plans to attend College of the Mainland to complete her basic studies then transfer to the University of Houston to study in the Music Education Program to become a high school choir director. Congratulations, Emma; wishing you much success on your future endeavors.



Our Newest Members

On Easter Sunday, Barbara Bennett presented Alex Pannell with the bible we give all our 3rd graders. He was unable to get his with his class due to Covid. We are so happy he was able to retrieve it.



On Sunday, April 23rd, we welcomed Jeff, Keylan, Gabriel, & Gavin Pearce into our congregation. We are excited to welcome them to our church family and look forward to helping them with their spiritual growth.





Join us for
Vacation Bible School
June 19, 2023
9:30a - 11:30a
302 S. Johnson St
Alvin, TX 77511
281-585-3406
fpcalvin@fpcalvin.org

Please scan the QR Code to register today.



Time & Talent

On Sunday, April 30th, Darlene Draeger & DeNae led the offertory with special music. It was a pleasant surprise for the congregation.

We look forward to seeing what Darlene & DeNae may have in store for the future. Do you have a talent to share with the congregation?



Gathering Place Happenings

The participants, caregivers, and volunteers of First Presbyterians Church's Gathering Place were treated to some Hispanic music and dancing

performed by Teresa Recio, Maggie Garza, and our very own Volunteer-At-Large, Teresa Segovia. We all had an enjoyable time celebrating Fiesta!!





In 1967, Grace Ward Harby had a vision to provide inexpensive, serviceable clothing to school-age children and their families. What started as a ministry in her car evolved into what is now the Clothing Outlet, located on our church campus. As it was back in Ms. Harby's day, the proceeds from the Clothing Outlet still provide school supplies for children/families in need.

Now, over 50 years later, this ministry is still going strong, and we have joined with the Alvin Independent School District, the AARSP (Alvin Area Retired School Personnel) and the Greater Houston YMCA, as well as others to better serve our community. This year, this combined group will host a drive through event at one of the AISD campuses.

Which campus? The former E.C. Mason Elementary School. With this group effort, we hope to:

- * Provide school supplies to children who cannot afford them
- * Get the whole family involved in "serving others" in need
- * Make a difference in a child's educational experience by setting them up for success

In the past, you all were kind enough to provide glue sticks and bottles of 4 oz. glue. This year, we could use **4 oz bottles of glue, dry erase markers, and highlighters** . Thank you!!

We will have more information regarding volunteering for packing bags as soon as it's available.

Blessings and peace.



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