

May 6, 2019

Presby News Flash

An abbreviated
News Flash of
3 pages.

Hello Faith Family at Winfield First Presbyterian,

Thank you for an outstanding and wonderfully uplifting Sunday yesterday May 5!

From the outside intergenerational activities (words of hope in chalk, an art mural of love and peace, and painting images of God's love trumping evil) to the Nick Lockyear Cinco de Maya fundraiser breakfast, the generous grant of donuts and proteins, dynamic Deacon led prayer and laying on of hands at the beginning of Worship, the farewell to the College Singers, and spirit filled praise, we had a WONDERFUL morning. As member Carol Mackey remarked 'I felt the spirit in worship this morning. I also felt the love of everyone in attendance. Beautiful morning!'

For those of you who have not heard, the church was broken into sometime Thursday evening or Friday morning. The window was taken out in the office door, the drawer fronts were pried off of the desk and money, keys, soda and candy were missing from the main office

and the CE office, the pulpit was ransacked and other areas throughout the building were violated.

As a result of the break in the locks have been changed at the church and a very limited amount of keys will be distributed.

We are glad to see you any time you want to come in, or volunteer, just give us a call before to make sure someone is here as the staff is active and out and about.

The liturgy that many of you remarked that you found inspiring was compiled three weeks earlier. The image that Cathy found for the Bulletin cover was found days before the break-in. God knew what God was doing in those ironic details.

"You break in, O God,
on the road
you break in, O God,
exactly the way we don't believe you
break in, O God,
and change everything!"

Onward and upward with JOY
renewed thank you,

Pastor Angela

Session Highlights

Session met with the Deacons on Sunday April 28, 2019. During the meeting the following were approved:

Session Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2019; an email vote approving the payment of 1/2 Triennium fee for 5 high schoolers and the full fee for 1 adult sponsor; an email vote to receive a new member and 2 transferred members and to baptize and infant; removal from the roles of Byron Jones, Charlotte Thompson and Donald O'Connor due to death, and 4 others due to transfer and inactivity.

The audit of the church finances was received; the resignation of one session member was approved.

The Finance Team brought a Motion to Session to enact the following:

Freeze staff continuing education spending (this does not include the Pastor's continuing education as she is in a called covenant relationship).

Stop advertising.

Reuse existing music and not make any new purchases this year.

Eliminate the History position so as not to duplicate services of the Clerk of Session and to eliminate history funding.

Create a fundraising committee that reports to the finance committee and ultimately Session.

The motion was **Approved unanimously**.

Other items approved:

Comforter Joy—A drawing for a quarterly give away a comforter made by Susan Lowe in an effort to bring new visitors; receive back the Cheetos bike and sell the bike online with funds going to the youth; selling ping-pong table with proceeds to go to purchasing items for the youth room.

A full copy of the minutes are posted outside the office door.

Cathy Royston

Sunday's Intergenerational Sunday School



Farewell to Stephanie Shattuck

Stephanie moved to Stillwater to be with her finace'

Upcoming Events

5/12 MOTHER'S DAY—Every gal receives a gift

5/19 GRADUATION SUNDAY—
with graduation recognition for

- Ethan Archer
- Hayden Gobson
- Steven Kendall
- John Mackey
- Briana Sherman
- Billy Wollard
- Kylee Wollard