

E-Blast News

May 23, to May 30, 2021

Dear Saints:

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. With humility and gratitude, we remember God's gifts of the Spirit to the gathered disciples and their transformation into being the church – the body of Christ. We celebrate the stories of wonder and grace that have been passed down these two millennium so that we too can feel the power of the Spirit come into our lives.

To help us in this celebration we ask you to wear something red and to bring a red unscented candle to place unlit on the table in front of the Communion Table as you come in. We will also have a Pentecost Birthday Cake after worship to celebrate this birthday of the church universal. The red is to remind us of the 'fire' of our baptism by the Spirit and of how we were never the same again.

The session has permitted me to shift my office to the south side of the front of our offices. This gives me more room, more air and more light. I am very grateful for Jeff and Logan Adams and Edward and Jill Maassen and Karen Cassels who provided brain power and muscle power to get the move accomplished. There is still a lot of tidying up to do by I feel better already and will now continue the process of transferring one of my library to the church office.

I look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

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May 2021

23rd 9:45am Sunday school
 10:30am Chancel Choir Practice
 11:00 am Worship – bring red unscented candle
 12:00 pm Celebration in the breezeway of the birth of the church
26th 6:30 pm Handbell practice

Please bring a **red** unscented candle for Pentecost this Sunday, May 23rd.



Church Prayer List

FPC MEMBERS

Rich & Jean Borsmann, Millie Foster, Murial Hall, Heather Kamberg, Shelia Knoche and Marilyn McConnell

FPC – FAMILY / FRIENDS

Billy Bennett, Hans Bursa, Pam and Rick Dodd, Roger Evans, Jane Hayward and son Ozzie, Tripp Johnson and Family, Hanna Joy Lepianka (Rich & Jean Borsmann's granddaughter), Keith Markey, Rusty and Robbie Mullins, Bobby O'Neal (Edith's friend), Dean Phillips, Bob Smith (Sheila Knoche's uncle), Ruth Ann Smith, Ann Stevens (Jan's mother), Sherri Turner, Malcomb & Jackie Underwood, Margaret White (Mitzie's mom), and JoLynn Wright(Bill Stander's cousin).

MILITARY LIST

Julian Davis, Sean Davis, Curtis Johnson, Ryan Maassen, and Cole Overcash

Homebound Members

We have members who are sick or haven't been outside due to the Covid-19 and You know they would love to have some cheer. How about sending out a card or two and let them know they are still loved and missed.

Jerry Anderman: 1013 E. Gibson St. Arcadia, FL 34266
Peggy Dees: 2692 NE Hwy 70 #747 Arcadia, FL 34266
Norma Fisher: 1013 E. Gibson St. Arcadia, FL 34266
Robert Treadwell: 2052 NE Floridian Circle Arcadia, FL 3426



We thank you for following the Session's guideline asking you to wear a mask covering both your nose and mouth and to maintain social distance, except those who have medical reasons for not wearing a mask all the time.

In doing this even if we do not feel endangered ourselves, we honor Christ's command to love and serve our neighbors and we help each other. Please also pray that the vaccinations may happen quickly and we can get beyond this pandemic.

If you are in need of offering envelopes please call the church office.

Puzzles, Puzzles who wants a puzzle or two. I have 7 here at the office.



Our thoughts and prayers for the family of Landon Yoder.



Rich came through his procedure with flying colors!



First Presbyterian Paper Angels

Monday, **June 14th** from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm we will distribute of the paper goods.

Come and share the joy with us.

The Congregational Team has developed a new way to get involved with our community. We will be supplementing items that Trinity Methodist food pantry does not provide. We have met and come up with a list of items that are needed and we will also greatly appreciate volunteers. These are the items we are starting off with and we may add more items to the list.

Bar soap, small liquid soap, tooth brush, toothpaste, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products (tampons, napkins), paper towels, travel size (body lotion, shampoo, body wash) wipes, wash cloths and hand sanitizer.

If you are unable to pick up supplies monetary donations by cash or check. Make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and in the memo section put Paper Angels.

Thank you all for your help!



Attendance/Offering

Attendance Last Sunday: 41

Via Facebook: 41

Offering Last Sunday: \$2,404.00

Year to date: \$68,961.69



May – Birthdays

1 Vivien Liszak, Cooper Hancock

2 Ray Sutphin

4 Dave Bremer

7 Tom Anderman

8 Alex Martin

11 Rev. Bige Combs

17 Wayne Gallant, Laren Fender

23 Jan Hancock

26 Ernie Hewett

27 Marilyn Gallant



May – Anniversaries

10 Edward and Jill Maassen

29 Ken and Ann Pepper

Church Information:

Church Mailing Address is:

First Presbyterian Church

20 N. Orange Ave.

Arcadia, FL 34266

SESSION

2021: Beth Liszak, Mitzie McGavic, Johnny Maassen, Jean Borsmann

2022: Judy Kirkpatrick, Don Knoche, Jill Maassen, Bill Stander

2023: Jeff Adams, Ann Pepper, Ellie Sutphin, Edith Wildt

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Margaret Way

David Holloman

Be sure to sign up for our Facebook page and **like** our page. Each day we post a scripture verse and we put up live services and events. We post pictures as well.

Also, visit our website www.firstpc.church we have information, pictures, services that you can listen to if you can't make it to church. If you have questions, or problems give me a call at the office. 863-494-4434.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WEBSITE

1. Type in www.firstpc.church
2. You will see the sermon on the main page now so just click on it.