

E-Blast News

May 2, to May 9 2021

Dear Saints:

How did it get to be May? Spring feels fully sprung (though it is harder to tell that in Florida). And it feels as if spring from COVID is getting close with so many of us getting vaccinated. Prayers for a return to some kind of normality seem to be getting answered. Thanks be to God!

We need to fervently pray for those for whom COVID is causing massive deaths. Pray for our mission hospitals that are in the midst of the crisis and are doing their best to serve and love others in Christ's name.

Thank God for God's loving us and then love others. A good summation of 1 John 4 which is our primary text for worship and communion this Sunday. See you at the table of the Lord.

Let us thank God for the gift of this time,

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A breakfast honoring
 the women of
 the church
 Will be held
 on Mother's Day
 Sunday, May 9, 2021
 in Pfrangle Hall
 from 9:30-10:30 A.M.
 By reservation only

Mother's Day breakfast reservation form

Name	# attending	phone

Seating is limited.

Reservations must be placed by **May 2,**

Interested ?

Please fill out the form above and

1. place it in the offering plate, or
2. turn it into the office, or
3. call the office for a reservation.

Chef Rich is cooking !

Bill of Fare

*egg, sausage, and cheese
 casserole*

fruit-laced bread pudding

fresh fruit medley

coffee, water, orange juice



May 2021

- 2nd 9:45am Sunday school
 10:30am Chancel Choir Practice
 11:00 am Worship with Communion
- 4th 5:00 pm Christian Ed Meeting/Duplex
- 5th 2:00 pm Worship/Music Meeting/Duplex
 6:30 pm **No** Handbell practice



Church Prayer List

FPC MEMBERS

Jean Borsmann, Millie Foster, Murial Hall, Shelia Knoche and Marilyn McConnell

FPC – FAMILY / FRIENDS

Billy Bennett, Hans Bursa, Dan Cribbs (Clair Cribb's son), Pam and Rick Dodd, Roger Evans, Brian Harris (Gallant's son in law), Jane Hayward and son Ozzie, Hanna Joy Lepianka (Rich & Jean Borsmann's granddaughter), Keith Markey, Bobby O'Neal (Edith's friend), Dean Phillips, Bob Smith (Sheila Knoche's uncle), Ruth Ann Smith, Sherri Turner, Malcomb & Jackie Underwood, Margaret White (Mitzie's mom), JoLynn Wright(Bill Stander's cousin) and Landon Yoder.

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.



We collected \$316.82 for One Great Hour of Sharing. Thank you all for your kind donations.

With deepest
sympathy



In hope of eternal life,
which God, that cannot lie,
promised before the
world began.

Titus 1:2

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Margaret Hays.



It's been a sad week because of Margaret Hays death. She was a lifelong member of our church and was one of the first members to join the choir in 1960. She was always very supportive and loved the music we sang.

We will all miss Margaret.



First Presbyterian Paper Angels

Monday, **May 10th** from 10 am to 12 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.

We are also collecting pill bottles so please bring in your empty pill bottles.

Thank you all for your help!



Attendance/Offering

Attendance Last Sunday: 52

Via Facebook: 65

Offering Last Sunday: \$2,659.00

Year to date: \$60,279.69



May – Birthdays

1 Vivien Lizak, 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 Lyszak, Mitzie McGavic, Johnny Maassen, Jean Borsmann

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

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

ELDERS EMERITI

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.