E-Blast News

June 13 to June 20, 2021

Dear Saints:

Despite the lack of sustained rain, I marvel at the greenness and the growth that surrounds us. Bushes I thought I had cut down to the point of annihilation are now full again. The miracles by which God give what is needed for life are beyond my understanding ... but not beyond my gratitude.

Among the miracles of life for which Hmingi and I give thanks are son Francis's family who are coming to visit next week for a little bit. We can hardly wait. Francis, his wife Cat, Lilly and Emmy. Our house will shake and be full of life for a while! God is good!

I pray you are having a wonderful summer and that you are able to enjoy some loosening up of the lockdown in your lives.

With the permission of the Session I have moved to the front room beside Karen's office and have painted it blue. It is bright and cheerful and I invite you to come and see it (and me).

In the meantime, let's keep praying and loving and caring for one another just as God has loved us.

Yours in Christ,

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June 2021

13th 9:45am Handbell practice

10:30am Chancel Choir Practice

11:00 am Worship



Church Prayer List

FPC MEMBERS

Millie Foster, Heather Kamberg, Shelia Knoche, Jerry Nathe and Bill Stander.

FPC – FAMILY / FRIENDS

Billy Bennett, Kyler Browning (Gallant's Great Grandson), Amy Deming (Borsmann's daughter), Bob Connor, Pam and Rick Dodd, Kiersa Durfee, Roger Evans, Jane Hayward and son Ozzie, Tripp Johnson and Family, Regan LoPorto (Jan's nephew), 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. Session has approved that masks are voluntary now.

The Session has stated that masks are voluntary if you wish to do so. If you still feel comfortable wearing a mask that is fine as well.

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

Puzzles, Puzzles who wants a puzzle or two. I have 6 here at the office.



First Presbyterian Paper Angels

We were able to help 24 families on Monday, June 7th. The Paper Angels will be closed over the summer but don't forget to donate supplies for when we open back up in September.

Without your donations we would be unable to help our community. Thanks again!

Monday, **September 13th** 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: 48 Via Facebook: 52

Offering Last Sunday: \$6,709.00 Year to date: \$80,496.69

Something new! A card basket will be in the Narthex for birthday and anniversary cards. Each month we will put out a list of birthdays and anniversaries.

So if you forget to send one you have the whole month to bring it in. Plus we don't charge postage.



June - Birthdays

2 Roy Kirkpatrick

3 Tyler Maassen

7 Peggy Latimer

8 Skip West

14 Beth Liszak

16 Genie Martin

18 Jeri Ann Bennett

24 Will Browne, David Holloman

25 Kyle Tanner

26 Ron Overcash

29 Liza Cassels



June – Anniversaries

- 6 Kim and Debi Halvorson
- 16 Donnie and Lindsay Knoche
- 19 Robert and Shirley Cullom
- 25 Berkley and Peggy Latimer

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 <u>www.firstpc.church</u> 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.