



First News

**Building Faith, Changing Lives,
& Sharing Christ.**

Claiming the Best Practices of Faith

In our world of self-help and personal advancement, we often focus on engaging in “best practices.” We seek best practices as parents who want the best for our children. We engage in best practices at work so that we are productive and our clientele is cared for. We pursue best practices in regard to our health and physical care so that we may live long and joyous lives.

We must also seek best practices when it comes to our spiritual well-being. The pandemic, over the last two years, has changed how we have pursued our spiritual life. Some of our examinations and pursuits have been very meaningful and we should continue engagement in them. Some, however, have not been as healthy for our spiritual well-being, and we should move to a new place: a place of “best spiritual practice.”

The past two years have taught us many important spiritual lessons that we need not forget. We need to remember that life changes whether we desire it to or not. We need to remember that life is precarious. We need to remember that we live in a broader community and our individual decisions impact those around us. We have learned that nothing, in all creation, neither health nor pandemic, can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ.

During these past two years, we have embraced practices that have not been the best for our personal and spiritual growth. Some of these include, but are not limited to:



- Binge-watching TV shows that are probably not very good for us to be watching in the first place;
- Attending Zoom meetings wearing a professional top (on camera) with gym shorts and fuzzy slippers (off-camera ...who would know?); and
- Becoming overly comfortable with worshipping God remotely.

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We have become much more comfortable with being distant from others. There also exists the danger of becoming distant from God. While our health precautions have been paramount, we must ask the question: "When is it safe for me to return? When do I return to in-person worship? Am I comfortable in a routine that is hindering my worship of God?"

We at the church would not ask you to compromise your personal physical health! Yet, if we are traveling on planes, if we are dining out, if we are engaging socially with others, if we are attending sporting events, is it time to consider "socializing" with God? We are so excited that Live-stream, Facebook Live, and Zoom have helped us by being a bridge during the past few years. The best technologies are no substitute for praising God in the midst of in-person worship. Possibly, for most of us, it is time to re-claim the best spiritual practice of worshiping and praising God in the "midst" of the congregation.



Beginning on October 3rd, First Presbyterian will again return to three Sunday worship services at 8:30am, 10:00am, and 11:15am. While we realize that these times are not preferable for everyone, they will allow for more space and social distancing as our worshipping population increases.

There is no doubt that remote attendance is no substitute for in-person worship. Please know, when you are ready, when your health care precautions permit, when you seek to re-claim your best spiritual health practice, we are open, safe and ready to have you back!

However you are presently able, remember the beginning and end of the last five Psalms, "Praise the Lord!"

May God bless!

Tim Womack

Welcoming our new Administrative Assistant, Lisa Jeffra!



Lisa grew up in Southern Illinois, spending time outdoors so much that her childhood dream was to become a Park Ranger. This dream became a reality, and she worked in Shenandoah and Williamsburg National Parks in Virginia developing environmental programs. Eventually, Lisa established a Park Ranger program for St. Lucie County, Florida and became a State of Florida certified law enforcement officer. She then entered the wellness field, directing a fitness center. Along with establishing an optimized club management system, she learned to develop health and longevity programs. Currently, Lisa is a volunteer for the Environmental Learning Center in Wabasso, Florida, giving interpretive tours, photographing wildlife and events, and assisting with database management. In June, she graduated with honors with a Bachelor of Science Degree in multiple branches of psychology.

Lisa is happy to have the opportunity to serve the First Presbyterian church and help create positive change that will bring happiness and satisfaction to people. Please give her a warm welcome when you see her!



Generosity & Stewardship

Finances, Consecration Sunday, and Continued Uncertainty

During these difficult and tumultuous times, First Presbyterian Church is doing more than hanging in there. First Presbyterian Church is thriving in many ways! We are asked continually, "How is the church doing? How are our finances? How will we move forward in the midst of so much uncertainty?" The short answer is, "We are doing as well as we can as we strive to do ministry in a pandemic. We are okay, financially, as of today. We will move forward as we always must, in faith!"

Before we examine our finances and generosity, our driving desire is to care for each of you as best as we possibly can. It is difficult for the church as we are often defined as a "congregation." It is indeed difficult for a "congregation" that cannot "congregate" as we have in the past. Over the past few months, we have slowly been able to increase our ability to be together, but even now, the new Delta variant is a threat to the modest gains we have made. We will continue to do our best and we want to thank all of you for your prayers, participation and continued commitment. You have done an amazing job caring for each other and being the church of Jesus Christ in a time of struggle.

Financially we are in a neutral position as both revenue and expenses are below budget. We are covering our expenses so far for 2021 through your continued support; however, current cash flow falls short of covering several budget programs and events. First Presbyterian Church could be under significant pressure if expenses increase. We still have before us three difficult months in 2021. Yet, through your continued generosity and prayerful support, First Presbyterian Church will come through this time of pandemic stronger and more faithful than ever!

As we look toward 2022, we begin focusing on the future and our congregation's stewardship initiative utilizing the **New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program** as a way to continue to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving.

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. **New Consecration Sunday** encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

Please know this as you prayerfully discern your support for your church: we know this is a difficult time for so many. Some of you have been negatively impacted financially by this pandemic. We understand. If you are able to financially support the church in 2022, we celebrate! If you are only able to participate in worship and ministries and pray for us, we celebrate!

During morning worship on **Consecration Sunday, November 14th**, either on Livestream or in the sanctuary, we are asking our friends and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world. Every friend and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily. Even if you are unable to complete an *Estimate of Giving Card*, we strongly encourage you to attend worship that morning, in the usual way, via Livestream, or in person. Spiritual generosity is always a matter of faith and of the heart. No one should feel compelled or pressured. If COVID measures allow, we will be having a celebratory brunch for everyone after each service in McAfee Hall.

Especially during this time of COVID, we will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship on **November 14th**, our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship, whether on-campus or virtually. It is the church's hope that the *Estimate of Giving Cards* will be returned either that morning in Church, sent back by mail, or emailed to the Church within the week of November 14th.

We will encourage participation in **Consecration Sunday** services through the Consecration Sunday team, our church Elders, Deacons and Trustees. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend **Consecration Sunday** worship on **November 14th**.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday worship.

Linda Masterson
Generosity and Stewardship Chairman



Worship, Music & Arts

An Update on our new Youth Music Programs

Youth Choir



Peter Mahtani, our Assistant Director of Music and Arts, has been working tirelessly to recruit singers for the new Youth Choir! There has been a steady number of new singers joining the group, which rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm. Peter has been working with middle and high school choral directors in the area to get to know the local students. He also plans to become a substitute teacher for the school district, and in doing so will have more opportunities to work with the school music programs as a clinician.

The short term goal for the Youth Choir will be to have 20-30+ singers in order to begin more detailed future plans. When these numbers are met and remain steady, Peter would like to bring this group on a performance trip to New York City - possibly as early as Summer of 2022! The hope is that eventually this group will welcome even more singers to perform high level choral music around the Treasure Coast and beyond.

Youth Handbells

We have five very excited youngsters in our Youth Handbell program, and we would love to have more! They rehearse on Wednesdays from 5:45-6:30pm, after enjoying Fellowship dinner together from 5:15-5:45pm in McAfee Hall.

They are currently working on "Jesus Loves Me" to have it ready for performance for services on Sunday, October 10th. Please be sure to give them a hearty round of applause and cheers as it will be quite an accomplishment for them! They started only a couple of months ago with NO handbell experience and minimal music reading skills. We are so very proud of these students for their strong work ethic and dedication to learning, and are looking forward to a short-term goal of building the group to a steady number of around 18 participants. If numbers increase from there, there will be a beginning and an advanced group, which will welcome up to 36 ringers total!



If you or someone you know is middle, high school, or college-aged, and interested in joining the youth choir or handbell groups, please contact Peter Mahtani:

petermahtani@firstpresvero.org, or call the church office to leave a message.



Discipleship

Pumpkin Patch and Trunk or Treat



On Sunday, October 31st from 4:00-5:00pm, we will be bringing back Trunk-or-Treat and the "Pumpkin Patch" for our children and youth. This is a great opportunity to enjoy some intergenerational fellowship! Trunk or Treat events have been around for many years- and if you haven't been to one, you've been missing out! It's a one-stop-trick-or-treat experience for our children to enjoy in a safe environment. It's also a great opportunity for our older adults to come out and see the adorable costumes all in one place!

Due to the ongoing pandemic, please be aware that we may need to cancel or adjust this event. Currently, we expect social distancing for all, and masks for unvaccinated individuals including children under 12. We plan to follow CDC guidelines and adhere to their recommendations going forward. Please stay tuned for any announcements regarding changes to this and future events as the situation is still fluid.

Contact Carie Robbins at childrensministry@firstpresvero.org if you have questions, would like to participate, or need ideas for your trunk decor/theme.

the Point

Our reimagined youth ministry, called *the Point*, will meet every Sunday night from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. This will be a time of Food, Games, Fellowship, and a devotion to get the week started. We will also be engaged in mission/service projects around the church and community each month. Come join us!

Please contact Pastor Michael for more information on any of our events and opportunities!
(803) 627-9590 or michaelyork@firstpresvero.org.

Join us in October at the Point

October 10, 2021 at 5:00 PM – the Point
Youth Rally – Food, Fellowship, & Capture the Flag

October 17, 2021 at 5:00 PM – the Point
Food, Fellowship, & Volleyball

October 24, 2021 at 5:00 PM – the Point
Food, Fellowship, & "Can we say Sardines?"

October 31, 2021 at 4:00 PM – *Trunk or Treat at FPC*
then at 5:00 PM – *Corn Maze at Countryside Citrus*

Save the Dates

- January 7-8, 2022 - Confirmation Retreat (for all 7th and 8th Graders)
- January 28, 2022 – Rock the Universe (Universal Orlando)
- February 18-21, 2022 – Ski Trip (Location TBD)
- April 22-23, 2022 – Confirmation Retreat (for all 7th and 8th Graders)
- May 1, 2022 – Confirmation Sunday (Confirmands Join the Church)
- June 12-18, 2022 – Montreat Youth Conference (Week 2)
- June 26-July 2, 2022 – Mission Trip (Location TBD)
- July 20-24, 2022 – Middle School Montreat (Maryville College, TN)



Mission

United Way "Day of Caring" Changes



It has been decided by the United Way that they would rather have teams of small groups work at their office in shifts during the month of October. Teams will be assigned specific dates and times to come in to the UWIRC office and assist. We will be assembling hygiene kits, school supply kits, and more that will all benefit the youth in our community. This will allow Teams the opportunity to still be able to volunteer while keeping them safe in a smaller, more controlled environment. First Presbyterian will be participating on **Friday, October 15th from 11am-2pm**. Those interested in volunteering at this time should contact me either through email or call Carol Smoyer at (772) 567-0929 or clsmoyer@bellsouth.net.

Dodgertown Food Pantry

We will be collecting food for the food pantry at Dodgertown during the Sunday of October 3, which is during World Communion Peace Offering. Five large baskets in the back of the sanctuary will be marked for: 1) Protein Foods, 2) Grains, 3) Dairy, 4) Vegetables and 5) Fruits. These donations will help to stock the pantry at Dodgertown Elementary School to help parents of students provide nutritious meals for their families.



**SAVE
THE
DATE**
Nov. 4, 2021



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Diocese of Palm Beach, Inc.
SAMARITAN CENTER
providing safe housing for the homeless

The Samaritan Soup Bowl - Reimagining

During the FPC Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner on **November 3rd**, several different soups will be offered. Any remaining soups may be purchased for \$15 a quart for takeout. All proceeds from the dinner will be donated to the Samaritan Center, a center for homeless families who are working towards independent living. The "soup bowls" will be sold in a separate event detailed below.

EMPTY BOWLS - FULL HEARTS
POTTERY BOWL BUYING EVENT
TO BENEFIT THE SAMARITAN CENTER, A PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES

ONE DAY ONLY

HERITAGE CENTER - DOWNTOWN VERO
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH
9AM - 5PM



EMPTY BOWLS - FULL HEARTS

Save the date for the 29th Annual Soup Bowl's "Empty Bowls, Full Hearts" to benefit the Samaritan Center, a program of Catholic Charities! Indian River Clay oversees the pottery production. Beautiful & unique handmade pottery bowls will be available at the **ONE DAY ONLY** buying event that will take place at the *Vero Beach Heritage Center & Citrus Museum* on **Thursday, November 4th, from 9AM-5PM**.



SUGGESTED DONATION

POTTERY BOWLS - \$15 EACH

THREE DRAWING - \$10 PER TICKET

EXACT CASH OR CHECKS ONLY
No Credit Cards



Mission

Justice and Honor Task Force

The Justice and Honor task force members are busily planning for our fall activities. Despite the limitations of the ongoing pandemic, we are empowered in many ways to continue offering love and unity in our beloved Indian River community.



This fall, we are again participating in **Shop with a Cop**, as well as the **Bicycle Giveaway**, both events which are sponsored by the Indian River Sheriff's Department.

Shop with a Cop is an event where needy students in Indian River County are identified and given the opportunity to go Christmas shopping with a Sheriff, using a donated gift card from a local store such as Walmart or Target. These students are a diverse group, all coming from families living below the poverty line.

The **Bicycle Giveaway** is also for needy students who have no access to exercise at home; this has especially been needed during the pandemic times as children were able to participate in much-needed outdoor activities. This event is also held close to Christmas.

The purpose of these activities is twofold; first, to bring joy to the hearts of children in need. Second, to create and continue to build positive experiences and relationships between our law enforcement community and all citizens here in Indian River County.

Our budget is limited, so your donation can make a difference in the life of a child.

If you wish to donate to these projects, please make a check to: *FPC Justice and Honor Task Force* with a note in the memo field: *Bicycle Giveaway* or *Shop with a Cop*.



Checks may be mailed to:
First Presbyterian Church
520 Royal Palm Blvd.
Vero Beach, FL 32960

Your donation is tax-deductible! If you wish to donate cash, please see me after the morning worship service, or contact me using the information below. May God bless each of you as we remember that we are, "Blessed to be a blessing!"

Peace,

Mimi Rutland, Chairperson
Justice and Honor Task Force
(305) 336-3193
Mwrutland@bellsouth.net



Fellowship



We will return to in-person dinners on October 6th!

Dinner begins at 5:15pm in McAfee Hall, an offering of \$5 per meal will be accepted.

Please let us know you're coming!

You can register online by [clicking the date you plan to attend below](#), or, contact Lisa Jeffra, lisaj@firstpresvero.org, or call her at the church office (772) 562-9088

Here's the Menu for October- we hope to see you there!

Reminder: On the first Wednesday, we celebrate all of the birthdays for the month!

October 6th

*Baked Ziti
Garden Salad
Garlic Knots
Birthday Cupcakes*

October 20th

*Salisbury Steak Casserole
Cheesy Hashbrowns
Garden Salad
Salted Caramel Bars*

October 13th

*Chicken & Dumpling Casserole
Green Beans
Garden Salad
Peach Cobbler a la Mode*

October 27th

*Unstuffed Cabbage Rolls
Garden Salad
Dinner Rolls
Chocolate Turtle Apple Pie*

Young at Heart Meet 'n Greet Dinner

You are invited to an evening diVINE! (Post & Vine, that is.)

We will kick off the fall Meet 'n Greet season with an outdoor dinner experience!

Contact Deb Alich - daalich@comcast.net or (772) 999-3644 to let us know you're coming!



YOUNG AT HEART
MINISTRY

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm

Post & Vine

1919 14th Avenue, Vero Beach, FL





Presbyterian Women

Several Presbyterian Women's activities are resuming this month!

Ladies of all ages are invited and welcomed to attend PW events. We need you, your ideas, your energy, your stories, your encouragement, and your prayers. You are encouraged to bring a friend or just come ready to make a new one.

PW General Meetings

Monday, October 4th at 1:00pm

Monday, November 1st at 1:00pm

Earnshaw Room of the Center for Christian Life
Join us as the PW officers will share updated information related to our activities and welcome your ideas for the upcoming year. We will also have a time of devotion, prayer, and fellowship together.

Grace Circle

Monday, October 18th, from 11:30am-1:00pm

Earnshaw Room in the Center for Christian Life
Contact Ann Faunce at bafaunce@gmail.com, for the zoom link. Chapter 1 of the Horizons Bible Study for the 2021-2022 year will be covered. The first hour will be the study, followed by a time for fellowship and lunch together. Please bring your own lunch.

Olive Garden Lunch

Thursday, October 14th, from 11:30 am to 1:00pm

Join us for a fellowship lunch in the back room at Olive Garden!

Located at 5995 20th Street in Vero Beach

This is a self-pay event.

The Presbyterian Women are looking for new Officers

The current PW Coordinating Team officers began serving just prior to the Covid crisis and have continued for an extended year. Our term is up January 2022. It is now time for a new team to share their gifts, ideas, and energy. Please pray seriously about your opportunity to serve on this team of important leadership to our women, our church, and our missional local and global community. Self-nominations or nominations of others are currently being collected. **Offices to be filled include: Moderator(s), Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary.** We are also in need of a publicist (not an installed officer position). Please ask any of the current officers for details. We look forward to hearing from you.

Co-Moderators, Cecily Strang, cecilystrang@gmail.com & Floy Turner, floyturner@gmail.com

Treasurer, Maggie Fleming

Recording Secretary, Connie Herr

Corresponding Secretary, Judith Taylor

Christmas Tree Lane - December 4th, 2021

Beginning in October, the Unique Boutique Committee is prepared to accept drop-offs on Thursdays: October 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th.



New and slightly used items may be dropped off at the side door of the Christian Life Center where they will be waiting to help you unload and store them ready for the sale on December 4th. We apologize for any inconvenience, however we are currently unable to accept clothing or shoes, electronics, or large furniture. Please do not leave any items for the Unique Boutique in the church office. For pick up please contact Maggie Fleming at Margaret.fleming48@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you love to bake and create Christmas specialties? Are you an Artisan? Do you sew or quilt? The Christmas Tree Lane Committee is looking for volunteers to help with this annual Presbyterian Women fundraiser. All proceeds from the event benefit the Presbyterian Women's Mission Fund. For more information, please contact Maggie Fleming at Margaret.fleming48@gmail.com or Joan Irvine at joanirvine@sbcglobal.net. Many hands make light work, please consider helping with this event.



Presbyterian Women

Profile of a Christian Woman: Kimberly Ball

by: Ann Faunce



Please welcome our new Financial Administrator, Kimberly Ball! Kimberly has been with us since May and has immediately adjusted to our Church and is very happy. Shirley Douglas says that Kimberly has fit right in with our staff. When I met Kimberly, I was beginning to use the copy machine at the Church. Ginny Bauer was teaching me, and Kimberly came to learn. Thank Goodness she was there as it is a huge and complicated machine! And as Kimberly sensed my reluctance, she took over. I asked if I could write this article about her. Fred Foy was standing there and encouraged us! When I told Kimberly I would need her favorite Bible verse, she immediately repeated Joshua 1:9! *"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."* Tim Womack also heard Kimberly, and said he was using the verse the following Sunday. There are no consequences in God's world!

Kimberly grew up in Michigan and went to a Lutheran grade school. Her father is a retired pastor with the Seventh Day Adventist Church and still lives in Michigan. She visits him every summer. When Kimberly was a teenager, she moved with her mother and stepfather, Greg, to Vero Beach. Greg worked for John Schumann, a member of our Church, at The Press Journal. Kimberly remembers when her stepdad became ill with cancer. John was very kind and supportive until Greg's death. Later, Kimberly moved to Orlando and met her husband. He was a professional baseball player, and they traveled all over the US and internationally. She loved seeing new places and learning new cultures. When they divorced, she returned to Vero Beach where her family lived.

Kimberly's grandfather was a special person in her life. After her divorce, she and her grandfather would attend Church every Sunday at Grace Lutheran. They would go to lunch and have great talks about life. He gave her such comfort and reassurance and helped build her faith. This relationship was healing for both of them as her grandfather was not well. He passed away the following summer from cancer. Kimberly says simply that God has provided for her. She also helped her brother while he healed from mold toxin that he developed from being a firefighter. He lived with her for 2 years until he was healed. During this time, they realized they were a good team and still share a home. Family is such a blessing!

Kimberly received her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and is now working on her Master's Degree in Forensic Accounting. She loves learning and educating herself! She also loves outdoor activities ... golfing, hiking, and any water sports activity. Other hobbies are reading, writing, painting, photography, and gardening.

Previously, Kimberly worked for Outback Steak House for twenty-three years where she was a manager and trainer. She has opened several stores across the country. She also worked at The Flower Box, florist shop in Vero Beach, as a bookkeeper. The Flower Box provides our sanctuary flowers for Sunday services and Memorials, and she still helps out there once a week. How did Kimberly find us? She had been praying for a new position, and looked online and saw the advertisement for a position at our Church. She says she was not nervous and had a sense of peace when she was interviewed by Michael.

We are very happy to have Kimberly join our family at First Presbyterian Church! This is truly where she is meant to be.



Presbyterian Men's Corner

Space Coast Honor Flight: A Letter of Thanks

To my Dear Friends,

Words can not express my feelings of gratitude for the over fifty notes and letters I received from my friends and many members of the Honor Flight team including handwritten notes by children with drawings of flags and soldiers. Many of the notes were from members of our church and my choir family. I will simply say thank you for your outpouring of love and affection, and for sharing your love for this great country in which we live. And, thank you to my very special friend, Dr. Jacob Craig, who accompanied me as my guardian, pushing me around Washington in a wheelchair and never leaving my side for the more than twenty-four hours we were together.



During this Honor Flight, we visited many memorials honoring those servicemen and women who fought for their country and never returned home to their loved ones. It was a poignant and emotional experience. We participated, side-by-side with the Honor Guard, in the placing of a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. With hundreds of people watching, I'm sure there was not a dry eye in the crowd.

People have asked me if there was one experience that was especially memorable. That would be tough to single out, but as Jacob and I were standing on the National Mall in front of the Lincoln Memorial, a young man approached me (pictured left), smiling, and asked if he could shake my hand. I was wearing a hat that said "Korean Veteran." As we exchanged a warm handshake, he said: "I am Korean, and I would like to thank you for saving my country." I was speechless.



The thousands of people we passed on the streets, in the airports, and in Washington, clapping, cheering and waving flags, shouting "thank you", small children holding up hand lettered signs, convinced me that in spite of all the negativity of the news media and the hatred that seems to consume so many, Americans are still a patriotic, happy, and caring people. We all need to "put a smile on our faces and a song in our hearts", and celebrate that we are so fortunate to be able to enjoy the liberty and freedoms of this wonderful land we call home. Again, many, many thanks for your love and support.

With Gratitude,
Captain Paul Ives



Presbyterian Men's Corner

Join us for the 6th Annual Car, Truck, & Motorcycle Show!



Classic auto enthusiasts are welcome to enjoy the 6th Annual Car, Truck, and Motorcycle show on Saturday, November 6, 2020, from 10:00am to 3:00pm at First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach, located at 520 Royal Palm Boulevard. Admission is free; a suggested donation of \$5.00 to benefit the FPC Men's Charity Fund will be gladly accepted. Advance registration for show vehicles is \$15, or \$20 on-site the day of the show.

Jacob Craig, who enjoys building custom bikes and refurbishing classic trucks, had a great idea a few years ago to hold a car show. He teamed up with Volkswagen Beetle collectors, car show enthusiasts, and church members Glenn and Kim Conn. Together, the three organized an impromptu show featuring twenty cars and motorcycles owned by church members and friends, held on Father's Day in 2015. The success of the first show has led it to become an annual event featuring an increasing number of participants each year.

The 2020 show was the largest yet with 67 entries! The winners were:

1st Place
Rob Hardie
1959 Chevrolet Corvette

2nd Place
Bob Kaufman
1960 Ford Thunderbird

3rd Place
Dennie & Darlene Dahle
1950 Ford Pickup

Advance vehicle registration is \$15. On-site registration is \$20 and will take place from 9 to 11am. Registration forms can be found on the church website, firstpresvero.org/events, in the church office, or on the next page of this newsletter.

Proceeds from vehicle registration and the 50/50 raffle will benefit the First Presbyterian Men's Fellowship Charity Fund. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies will be awarded by a People's Choice vote on the day of the event. There will be door prizes and the first 50 participating vehicles will receive a dash plaque to commemorate their participation. Those who come hungry, food trucks will be available serving up delicious food, drinks, and snacks. Social distancing is recommended; however, masks will not be required.

For more information, please contact Glenn Conn at (772) 226-7911 or gconn@msn.com.





First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach

6th Annual Car, Truck, & Motorcycle Show

Saturday, November 6, 2021

10:00AM to 3:00PM

In the parking lot outside of the
Center for Christian Life and the Gietz Music Suite.

Awards for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place.

Dash plaques for first 50 cars entered.

Enter our 50/50 raffle & enjoy the food trucks!



2020 1st place winner: 1959 Corvette

All proceeds from registrations will go to the FPC Men's Fellowship Charity Fund.

Do you have a vehicle that you'd love to show off? Use the form below to register.

It's only \$15 to pre-register, or \$20 on-site at the show from 9am-11am.

Forms must be received no later than Friday, November 5th for pre-registration.

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6th Annual Car, Truck, & Motorcycle Show Registration

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () - e-mail: _____

Car/Bike/Truck (year, make, model) _____

Club Affiliation (if any) _____

Make check payable to **First Presbyterian Church**

Mail to: First Presbyterian Church, Attn: Glenn Conn,
520 Royal Palm Boulevard, Vero Beach, FL 32960



News and Notes



Ongoing events for those seeking Membership

Anyone who is moved to join our church family is encouraged to contact our pastors anytime!

Pastries with the Pastors - 2nd Sunday of the month after the 10:00am service

Membership Sunday - 3rd Sunday of the month after each service

All meetings take place in the Chapel.

For more information please contact Deb Alich, Membership Coordinator, at 772-999-3644, via email at daalich@comcast.net, or call the church office at 772-562-9088.

Fellowship Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are needed to regularly assist with Memorial Receptions. If you are interested in serving, please contact Carol Goodfellow at

cgoodfellow@bellsouth.net

Teams are needed to assist with set-up and clean-up during Wednesday Night Dinners. Bring the whole family!

Contact Lisa Jeffra at lisaj@firstpresvero.org

or call the church office if you would like to help.



Mission Trip Opportunities

Are you interested in a Mission Trip? The Mission Talent Committee is looking into several options for a regional and international mission trip. The regional trip might be as close as the Florida Panhandle to help with Hurricane Recovery through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. We are also exploring international opportunities in Guatemala, Cuba, and South Africa.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please contact Rev. Michael York at michaelyork@firstpresvero.org.

Weekly Bible & Book Studies

Dr. Tim's Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10:30am

In-Person, or via LiveStream

[Click here to join](#)

Pastor Michael's Book Study:

A Long Obedience in the Same Direction

Tuesdays at 7:30pm via Zoom

[Click here to join](#)



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First Presbyterian Church Vero Beach



Notes and Notes

Church Leadership

Rev. Dr. G. Timothy Womack, Senior Pastor
 Rev. C. Michael York, Associate Pastor
 Dr. Sam Rutland, Theologian in Residence
 Dr. Jacob Craig, Director of Music & Arts
 Peter Mahtani, Assistant Director of Music & Arts
 Carie Robbins, Director of Children's Ministries
 Ginny Bauer, Administrative Assistant
 Kimberly Ball, Financial Administrator

ELDERS *indicates Elder/Trustee

Class of 2021

Deb Alich, *Harvard "Bud" Johnson,
 *Carol Marks, Kari Palmer

Class of 2022

*Jerry Garrett, Phil LoGiudice, Bonnie Nolan,
 *Carol Smoyer

Class of 2023

*Allan Bixby, James Ewing, Linda Masterson,
 *Cindy Rogers

Clerk of Session - Keith Martin

Treasurer - Scott Westermann

Director of Development - Allan Bixby

Trustees-at-Large

2021 - Melissa Shine

2022 - Bob Satola

2023 - Will Kirk

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2021

Scott Berran, Sue Coffey, Michael Goodfellow,
 Charles Hancock, Jan Satola, Floy Turner

Class of 2022

Mary Bingham, Reita Byrket, Keith Martin,
 Barbara Reed, Richard Thomas

Class of 2023

Lucille Craig, Shirley Douglas, Jenifer Foster,
 Robin Perry, Mimi Rutland, Bob Stuart

Monthly Ministry, Committee, and Talent Team Meetings

Please contact your team leader directly to confirm the status of each meeting. *All meeting dates and times are subject to change at the discretion of each committee/ministry team, as needed.*

Deacons - 1st Tuesday; 4:30pm

Discipleship - 1st Tuesday; 1pm

Fellowship - 2nd Tuesday; 11:30am

Heritage - 4th Thursday; 10am

Hospitality - 1st Monday; 3pm

Mission - 2nd Tuesday; 2pm

Personnel - Tuesday prior to Trustees Mtg; 3:30pm

PW Coordinating Team Board - Last Wednesday, 1pm

Session - 3rd Thursday; 6:50pm

Trustees - Monday of the week prior to Session; 3pm

Worship & Music - 1st Thursday; 4pm

October Birthdays

1- Dan Boylan, Betty Foster, Zack Frantz

2 - Mary Bingham, Rebecca Palmer

4- Marilyn Bittan, Joan Bruns, Serge Evanguelidi,
 Nora Jean Webster

5- Marsha Forest, Patsy Helseth, Alyssa Offutt,
 Becky Ransom, Joy Singleton

7- Barbara Dearman, Bette Walsh

8- Ethel Abramson, Linda Giel, Barb Sak, Joan Smith,
 Ellison Wease, Ruth Yensan

9- Jerri Ives

10- Tom Jones, Bob Martin, Jay Bird Miller

11- Carolyn Kline, Leigh Millar

12- Victoria Gidaro, Liz Richards, Bill Stoughton,
 Bruce Yancy

13- Irene Moodie, Bob Sinclair

14- Trevon Barnes, Joe Fredlock

15- Joan Irvine, Jane Weise

17- Kim Schumann

18- Amanda Chilberg, Vera York

19- Pat Applegate, Marlies Paulsen

20- Kristin Coxson

21- Jerry Garrett, Callum Pelletier

22- Shirley Douglas, Ann Wells

23- Madeline Burrows, Caryl Culp,
 Dennis Rafferty, Annie Smith

24- Jane Klasing

25- Kayla Chaples

27- Gail Lee

29- Bob Schneider

30- Pat DeRobertis, Connie Herr, Lillian Silkworth,
 Myra Sisson

31- Glenn Conn



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We will offer **THREE** Sunday Services beginning October 3rd 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:15am

The first Sunday of every month is Communion Sunday. If you would like one of our fellowship cups, please call the church office, and we will see that one gets delivered to you. In addition, you may also procure your own elements.

First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach continues to enforce current best healthcare protocols. Fully vaccinated people with no Covid-like symptoms do not need to mask, although if you feel more comfortable masking, we certainly appreciate your consideration of others. *Non-vaccinated members and guests of First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach are required to be masked and socially distant.*

We continue to offer both Livestream and in-person services. For those of you who do not feel comfortable attending an in-person service in the sanctuary, we honor your decision, and we look forward to having all of you attend worship via Livestream on the church website or our Facebook page.

October Scriptures and Sermons

To hear the latest sermon over the phone, call (772) 206-3548

October 3 2021

Rev. Dr. G. Timothy Womack, Senior Pastor

Genesis 2:18-24

"You are Not Alone"

October 10, 2021

Rev. Dr. G. Timothy Womack, Senior Pastor

Hebrews 4:12-16

"The Great High Priest"

October 17, 2021

Rev. C. Michael York, Associate Pastor

Hebrews 5:1-10

"Obedience"

October 24, 2021

Rev. Dr. G. Timothy Womack, Senior Pastor

Mark 10:46-52

"Our Faith in Christ"

October 31, 2021

Rev. Dr. G. Timothy Womack, Senior Pastor

John 8:31-36

"Always Being Reformed"

"For God Loves a Cheerful Giver"

Our in-person offertory procedures have changed, and we wanted you to know that your offering can also be accepted via mail or in person via the secure dropbox just outside of the church office door.

Did you know that you can also give an offering online?

[Click here to be directed to our secure portal.](#)

Or, use your smartphone for easy mobile giving!

Text "Firstpresvero" to 73256 and follow the prompts!

