

# This Week at First Presbyterian Church

## 6th Sunday of Easter

May 14th

Prayer List

**Today:** 10:00 a.m. - Worship service, sanctuary  
Daily Change Offering received  
11:15 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, Library  
No Youth Fellowship  
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Trinity)

**Monday:** 10:00 a.m. - Creative Hands

**Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m. - Noon - Wednesday Work Group  
9:30 a.m. - Staff meeting  
7:00 p.m. - Choir

**Thursday:** 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study with David, Library  
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Shower Ministry, Lower Level

**Next Sunday: Youth & Graduation Sunday**  
10:00 a.m. - Worship service, sanctuary  
11:00 a.m. - Time for Fellowship, Narthex  
11:15 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, Library  
No Youth Fellowship  
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Friendship UMC)

Ushers: James Philhower, Madelyn Philhower, Cindy Combs

**Personal hearing devices** are available. Please see an usher. **Persons interested in joining the church** should speak to David Roquemore, Pastor, or contact the church office.

### Week of May 14th

Elder on Call: Brenda Eckard  
Greeters: Donna Kemppainen & Maria Walling  
Lay Leader: Melva Cooper  
Sound System: Bruce Deese

### Week of May 21st

Elder on Call: Suzanne Rhinehart  
Greeters: Ray Walker & Brenda Eckard  
Lay Leader: FPC Youth  
Sound System: Bruce Deese

### Attendance - May 7th, 2023

10:00 a.m. - 97

**CHURCH MEMBERS:** Lee Cranford, Julie Jones, Sondra Phillips, Nancy Gargis, Laurie Joplin, Jim Teubner, the Foley family, the Inscoe family, Tom & Linda Witherspoon, Courtney Roquemore, Beverly McAlister, Kay Long, Richard Hedrick, Jeannie Clark, Elise Yaussy, Jo Todd, Michael & Becky McRee, Judy Fulton, Terry Anderson and family, Frances Ervin, David Roquemore, Dale Whitaker, Joe Jones, Rick Knowles, Ron Valentini, Bob Neill, Sandra Teubner

**FRIENDS & FAMILY:** Zachary Ausel, Maryia Johnson & family, Margaret Hale, Caitlan Reese, Keith & Shelley Moretz, Zak Kuhn, Cora Compton, Luke Ohman, Alex Terry, family of David Crockett Long, Shirley Harwell, Michelle Nelson-Beers, Larry O'Dell, the family of Linda Mundy, Leenie Vallandingham, Fred Thompson, Nanelle McAlpin, Marjorie (Pixie) Geesaman, Katie Day, Megan Bergman (friend of Robin McGraw)

### Prayers for those with Long-term Health Concerns:

**CHURCH MEMBERS:** Janet Drum, Richard Foley, Pete Keel, Becky McRee, Robin Miller, Frankie Sigmon

### Prayers for those in Assisted Living/Homebound:

**CHURCH MEMBERS:** Johnsie Abernethy, Dennis DeBalso, Betty Epps, Frances Inscoe, Frances Ennis, Wanda Hicks, Ann White, Peggy Templeton

### Prayers for those in the Military:

John Hardin, U.S. Army, Fort Sill, OK  
(Cindy Baldwin's nephew)  
Captain Joshua Smith, U.S. Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC  
(Brenda Smith's son)  
Captain Christopher Walker, U.S. Army, Fort Knox, KY  
(Tammy Walker's son)  
LT Max Morrill, U.S. Navy, Virginia Beach, VA  
(Joan Inscoe's grandson)

### Prayers for El Redentor, our Sister Church in Guatemala:

- For the well being of all members of our sister church
- For all 20 scholarship students as they begin a new school year
- For Humberto Robles, elder, who is fulfilling requirements in secular education in order to continue his studies at the seminary
- For Dayana Rojas, who is receiving a university scholarship to study nursing
- For Yesmi Monterroso, who is receiving a university scholarship in 2023 to study business
- For the health of Timoteo Rodas, from our partner church of
  - El Redentor

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT through End of April 2023

2023 Pledge Budget	464,000.00
Pledge Budget through April 30, 2023	154,666.64
Pledge Receipts through April 30, 2023	181,560.44

## Announcements – Week of May 14th

### **Stoves for Guatemala!**

Typically in rural Guatemala, families cook their meals over an open wood fire inside their home. This leads to a higher incidence of respiratory disease due to indoor smoke and a higher rate of childhood burns and injuries. In addition, firewood for everyday is a major household expense and results in deforestation.

Circle #5 is leading an effort to fund fuel efficient stoves for members of our partner presbyteries. Each stove costs \$200. The stoves provide a preferable cooking surface, are vented to the outside, and use one third to one half as much wood, so households benefit economically and the environment suffers less degradation.

To help with this project, Alternative Giving Cards will be available during April and May in the narthex. For a donation of any amount, you will receive a card that can be used to honor a friend or loved one. These cards make wonderful gifts for Mother's Day, birthday, or any occasion.

Checks should be made payable to Presbyterian Women Circle #5, with "Guatemala Stoves" noted on the check's memo line.

### **Cedar Creek Mission Trip (June 18-23, 2023)**

Summer is quickly approaching and it's time to head back to Cedar Creek to do God's work. The deadline for first deposits and sign up for this trip is Monday, May 29th! The remaining \$50 will be due before or by Monday, June 12th! Please let Laura Sparks know ASAP if you are planning to attend so that arrangements can be made and to reserve your spot.

Also if you are an adult that is interested in attending our Cedar Creek mission trip please contact Laura now. It is an AMAZING trip and a wonderful opportunity to spend time with our youth!

### **Presbyterian Women Birthday Offering**

During the month of May, Presbyterian Women celebrate the Birthday Offering. This year's two grant recipients are Making *Miracles Group Home* in Tallahassee, Florida and *Berhane Yesus Elementary School* (Kindergarten School Construction) in Dembi Dollo, Ethiopia.

Birthday Offering Envelopes will be available at church services and in the church office the entire month of May. Or, if you are still staying at home, feel free to call the office and they will be happy to mail you one. To learn more about the Birthday Offering, visit: [www.presbyterianwomen.org/birthday](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org/birthday).

### **Guatemala Mission Trip**

The Council on Sharing is discussing the possibility of scheduling our next church mission trip to Guatemala. The planning is in the very earliest stages. It would occur sometime in 2024, and would definitely involve a couple days with our partners at El Redentor. But all other details, including dates, duration, other activities and costs, are yet to be determined and would depend on the interests of participants.

If you have any level of interest in being part of such a trip, please let Doug or Mimi Michael know. Feel free to include any suggestions, needs or questions you may have. Doug Michael - [douglaswmichael@gmail.com](mailto:douglaswmichael@gmail.com)  
Mimi Michael - [mimimichael17@gmail.com](mailto:mimimichael17@gmail.com)

### **STELLAR VBS**

(July 23-27, 2023)

5:15 p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Beth Eden Lutheran Church

### **Greetings Astronauts!**

It's almost time blast off to discover how we can let our light shine for Jesus! Join us Sunday, July 23rd through Thursday, July 27th at Beth Eden Lutheran Church. The meal will begin at 5:15 p.m. every night, with programming lasting until 8:30 p.m.

To sign your child up, please call the church office.

Two adults are also needed to help lead groups and four adults are needed to help with the Games Station and the Imagination Station Science Station. Please contact Laura Sparks if you are interested.