

Grace Presbyterian News

February 2019



Help Feed the Hungry on February 3

The Souper Bowl of Caring began at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina, on Super Bowl Sunday 1990. It has grown to raise tens of millions of dollars to alleviate hunger over the years, so we hope you will support this effort on Sunday, February 3 with proceeds going to First Presbyterian, Memphis soup kitchen. Please bring your canned goods or monetary contributions Sunday, February 3.

Hug Bugs are Coming – Sundays, February 10 and 17

Hug Bugs are coming – these are little googly-eyed pom balls with an I Love You note. Church goers fill out a form to send a hug bug to another church member and they will be delivered by our children and youth on Sundays, February 10 and 17.

Chili Cook Off – Sunday, February 17, at 6:00 p.m.

Bring a batch of your best chili to our Chili Cook Off dinner on Sunday, February 17 at 6 pm. Mild, spicy, chicken, beef - whatever kind you like best - we'll eat it! We will provide cornbread, crackers, tortilla chips, and beverages. We could use a few desserts too. And stay for a movie to follow.

A Reminder of Weekly Events at Grace Presbyterian Church

Sunday Prayer and Praise begins at 9:30 p.m.

Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:45 p.m.

Sunday Worship begins at 11:00 a.m.

Bell choir rehearsal is held most Sundays after worship at about 12:00 noon.

Chapel for the Extended Care resumes in March.

Choir rehearsals are held in the sanctuary on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

GrandPals read to children in the preschool on Fridays at 11:00 a.m.

Mustard Seed program for children meets Fridays at 4:15 p.m.

Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings in February

Night Circle meets Monday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

Day Circle meets Tuesday, February 12, at 10:00 a.m. at the church.

Game Night – Friday, February 22, at 6:30 p.m.

Monthly game night is Friday, February 22. Bring a game and/or a snack and we will have fun.

Pastor Mike Takes a Breather For Three Sundays

My wife Patsy retires January 31, 2019, after more than 30 years in the classroom and administration at the University of Memphis. So we are taking a celebratory trip in early February. Following that journey, I plan to be home for a couple of days, long enough for the session meeting, and then back out for the annual spring training baseball trip to Florida. Spring training baseball now begins in late February. You will be in good hands with LindaJo and Don McKim, for Sundays, February 10, 17, and 24. I will look forward to seeing you on Sunday, February 3, for worship with Communion, and Souper Bowl of Caring, and then again on Sunday, March 3, which is Transfiguration Sunday. Lent will begin with Ash Wednesday on March 6, and I am scheduled to be here through all of that holy season, culminating in Holy Week and Easter, April 21, 2019. It is a joy to serve with you and I look forward to our ongoing worship, ministry and mission.

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Session Chairs and Officers for 2019

The elders who serve on the session each chair a committee, and here is the lineup for 2019. If you have interest in certain areas of the church's life, speak to the appropriate elder about how to help:

Care – Ruth Ellen Cox

Child Care – Brooks Keiser

Christian Education – Emily Mayne

Commitment – Rickie Cooke

Congregational Life – Janet Vawter

Mission Outreach – Anna Tate

Property – Kevin Bopp

Worship – Rosemary Gordon

Clerk of Session – Elizabeth Velazquez

Treasurer – Jere Lawson

An Invitation from a Neighboring Church

Pastor Jay Earheart-Brown, of Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church, has asked me to invite anyone from Grace Presbyterian Church to be part of their Kerygma Bible Study, which begins on Thursday, February 7, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. and continues until 11:30 a.m. The course starts with an intro called Your Bible: The Study Begins, and then move to a year-long survey course. The cost for a resource book for the first 10 weeks is \$14. Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church is located at 3427 Appling Road.

Visitors in Worship who signed the register in January 2019

Linda Bellis; Rick & Michelle Brown; Ann Browning; Nadiyah Gibbs; Sandra Hurley; Dan & Roseann Mayo; Don and LindaJo McKim; Annalisa Mickelson, New York NY; Linda G. Perry; Martha Starnes, Hapeville GA; Randy & Linda Starnes, Maple Grove MN; Roger and Ann Wade; Steve White.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 11:00 am GrandPals read to pre- schoolers 4:15 Mustard Seed <i>Patti Smith</i>	2 <i>Charlotte Hicks</i>
3 9:30Prayer&Praise 9:45SundaySchool 11:00 Worship/ Communion/ Souper Bowl of Caring Bell Choir after worship	4	5 <i>LindaTolley</i>	6 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	7 <i>Marilyn Wilson</i>	8 11:00 am GrandPals read to pre- schoolers 4:15 Mustard Seed <i>Kathy Cooke</i>	9
10 9:30Prayer&Praise 9:45SundaySchool 11:00 Worship/ LindaJo McKim Hug Bugs given out	11 7:00 pm Night Circle of PW	12 10:00 am Day Circle of PW	13 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal <i>Hugh Bishop</i>	14	15 4:15 Mustard Seed	16 <i>Vickie Washburn</i>
17 9:30Prayer&Praise 9:45SundaySchool 11:00 Worship/ Don McKim Hug Bugs given out 6:00 Chili Cook Off & Movie	18 5:30 p.m. Session Mtg. <i>Janet Vawter</i>	19 <i>Mary Korowin</i>	20 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	21	22 11:00 am GrandPals read to pre- schoolers 4:15 Mustard Seed 6:30 pm Game Night	23
24 9:30Prayer&Praise 9:45SundaySchool 11:00 Worship/ LindaJo McKim	25 <i>Don McKim</i>	26	27 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	28 <i>Suzanne Getman</i>		

Elders Serving Communion

February 3:

Brooks Keiser, Mary Korowin, Sara Lawson,
John Price, Jean Starnes

Usher Schedule

February 3: Jim Pickren & Anna Tate

February 10 & 17: Bob Harrold & Scott Hunter

February 24: Hugh Bishop & Kendall Walker

Closing Elder

February 3: Elizabeth Velazquez

February 10: Ruth Ellen Cox

February 17: Kevin Bopp

February 24: Rickie Cooke

Scripture Readings for Worship:

Feb. 3: Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71;
1 Corinthians 13:1-13; Luke 4:21-30

Feb. 10: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 138;
1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

Feb. 17: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1
Ephesians 2:11-22; Matthew 12:46-50

Feb. 24: Genesis 45:3-11,15; Psalm 37:1-11
1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50; Luke 6:27-38

A Prayer for Children

Great God, guard the laughter of children.
Bring them safely through injury and illness,
so they may live the promises you give.
Do not let us be so preoccupied with our
purposes that we fail to hear their special
vision of the truth; but keep us with them,
ready to listen and to love, even as in Jesus
Christ you have loved us, your grown up,
wayward children. Amen. (From *The
Worshipbook*, 1970)

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