#### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 11/3 Emily Veracka
- 11/4 Linda Stephens
- 11/5 Susan Stuckey
- 11/6 John Heckendorn Kathy Hancock
- 11/14 Stephen Stolz Jill Migliara
- 11/16 Bobbie Schomer
- 11/17 Faith Firman
- 11/18 Barb Cole
- **Bob Arfstrom**
- 11/20 Alan Dobson Mickie Ascherl
- 11/27 Jane McConnell Nancy Randolph

Debbie Devine

#### ANNIVERSARIES

11/9 Dennis and Barb Cole

Have a birthday or anniversary you would like announced? Please let the office know and we will make sure that we have you in our computer with the correct dates. 386-428-2397

#### **FLOWERS**

- 11/1 Available
- 11/8 Available
- 11/15 Given by Sharyn and Marla to the Glory of God and in honor of Bob Arfstrom's birthday. 11/15 Given by Dennis Cole to the
- Glory of God and in honor of my wife, Barb's birthday. 11/22 Given by Arlene Daley to the
- Glory of God and in loving memory of my husband, John's birthday. 11/29 Available

### **ONLINE GIVING**

In addition to going through the FPC website, there are also easy options with your smart cell phone using the app GIVE+ or this QR Code, which will take you directly to our online giving website. Due to Worship being postponed at this time you may still give to the church through the Online Giving. If you need help in setting this up please contact Martha Nighswonger @ 386-405-3779.



#### WORSHIP ON OUR WEBSITE AND **FACEBOOK**

Wherever you are in the world, you are able to see and hear at a distance our Sunday morning worship! Log on to our website: firstpresbyteriannsb.com and click on Sermons then click the picture. On Facebook look for First Presbyterian Church and click on our picture of the church then go to videos and you will see the sermon for that Sunday and others.

## In Our Prayers...for healing and in passing

Lift up in prayers: Lea Codrington, Arlene Daley, Hazel Henderly, Ellen Kimbell, Jane McConell, Faye Rhodes, Bobbie Schomer, Rev. Fred West and the Celebrate Recovery Members.

Lift up our prayers to the families of those loved ones we have lost:

Hazel Lewis who passed away on Sunday, September 20th at the age of 102. Lew Taylor passed away on Saturday, October 10th.

**Thomas Holowitz** who passed away over the weekend of October 16th. His wife Kerma sang in our choir and is in Ohio.

Many prayers for the families of the loved ones that we have lost.

#### **Praver Ministry**

Elder Marilyn Lindley is asking for people to pray weekly for those in need of prayer. During this time of need from the COVID-19 virus we are urging those that need prayer for themselves or

their loved ones to please contact Marilyn Lindley @ 386-427-3531

If you would like a card sent to the person we are praying for, please email the full name, address & brief reason for prayer/praise to:

laurieblee@aol.com

# MISSIONS

Grace House Pregnancy Center

#### **Sister Churches of the Month**

- 11/1 Markham Woods, Lake Mary
- 11/8 Graceway, Leesburg
- 11/15 Lake Square, Leesburg
- 11/22 Wekiva, Longwood
- 11/29 First Presbyterian, Maitland

Other churches in our presbytery, please lift up

## Deacon of the month of November:

Susan Stuckey @ 386-957-4336

#### Staff:

Rev. George T. Head - Pastor

Rev. Bill Chegwin - Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Bev Richardson - Parish Associate

Gale Luttrell-Bowser - Office Manager

Babs King - Choir Director Tim Murphy - Pianist

Steve Looney - Sound Tech Bruce Wilson - Custodian

#### Elders 2020:

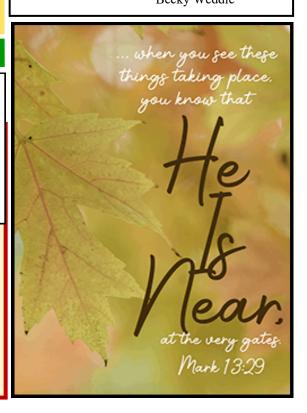
Jeff Abbott **Bob Arfstrom** Laurie Grizzard Frank Ibbotson Peggy Imbert Marilyn Lindley Roderick McPhail Martha Nighswonger Rod Richardson

Floris Rogers

Bill Zei

#### Deacons 2020:

Sharon Bradshaw Leigh Chegwin Al Imbert Laurie Lee Henrietta McPhail Mary Martin Doug Oliviera Carolyn Peters Dot Rogers Linda Stephens Susan Stuckey Becky Weddle





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# Good News November 2020

#### **PASTOR'S CORNER**

saints. Roman Catholics recognized that, among them were men and women touched by God. They were honored, some would say adored, by people wanting to emulate the divine characteristics of special people.

Presbyterians believe in saints too, but in a different way. Catholics honored saints after they were dead. Presbyterian honor saints because they are among us. It called the "Doctrine of the sainthood of all believers."

Now, before you nod off to sleep because I used the word "Doctrine" stay with me a minute. We are surrounded by men and women who are close to God, who exemplify a close walk in faith with Jesus Christ. From the Fellowship lady who brought you cookies, the singer who shared their faith in a song, the guy who spent the afternoon on hot day pulling weeds to make the church more attractive to visitors... byterian Church and give thanks! the list is endless. All of it done to the glory of God. There are those who read their Bible every single day, studying for

There is a wonderful tradition in Christianity, the tradition of God's Holy Spirit to move them. Countless prayer warriors who go to their knees to seek God's presence, God's healing, and God's spirit in the lives of others.

> All of them considered to be saints. Remember the saying, "there are angels among us." Well, there are "saints among

On October 31, (Halloween) We are in the old days, getting ready for "ALL SAINTS DAY." (Halloween is derived from 'All Hallows Eve' or 'all who are holy eve' as the night before All Saints Day.



And here is the great part, those "holy" people, they are you! So, this All Saints Day, think about, pray for, all those "saints" who have blessed your life, and all the "Saints" of First Pres-

Folks, there are saints among us! And they are YOU!

Rev. George T. Head

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER**

Please join us in celebrating the Christmas Holiday with a con- Christmas Season. So please join us in making this Christmas cert of Flute and Harp by "The Astralis Chamber Ensemble" in the Sanctuary followed by the "Festival of Nativity" Creche on Monday, December 7th, concert starting at 5:00pm in the Sanctuary with the Creche immediately following in Eubank Hall. We ask that you bring your favorite Nativity Scene to the Fellowship Hall for display, the deadline to bring your nativity is Wednesday, December 2nd. The Creche will be on display through Friday, December 18th. We will have refreshments for everyone to enjoy and experience the many beautiful Nativities that each of us are sharing.

We will be participating in Self Distancing in the Fellowship Hall. Masks required to walk through and experience the

Season memorable for all of us during this pandemic. Faith over Fear is truly the answer for all...let us be safe and stay healthy! Watch for more information about the concert. Thank you!



#### **SESSION NEWS**

#### ATTENDANCE FOR SEPTEMBER

2020: 237 (4 Sundays @ 50% Capacity) 2019: 642 (5 Sundays)

#### PER CAPITA FOR SEPTEMBER

2020: \$00.00/\$1.679.25 Yearly 2019: \$16.75/\$1,798.75 Yearly

#### TREASURER'S REPORT SEPTEMBER YEAR-TO-DATE

## 1/01/2020-9/30/2020 (9 months)

\$ 25,224.23 \$ 238,166.65 19,476.36 Expenses Difference +\$ 5,747.87 +\$ 26,469.84

## 1/01/2019-9/30/2019 (9 months)

Income \$ 22,894.40 \$ 231,244.38 35,069,62 Expenses Difference -\$ 12,175.22 -\$ 20,742.6







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Gifts of Love 10:00 am - WOR- SHIP CELEBRA- TION IN THE SANCTUARY Daylight Saving Ends/Change Your Clocks	2 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al- Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	3 Election Day 7:30 am - AA Mtg 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	4 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:00 am - Noon - Shoe Box Assistance in Eubank Hall 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm - Newman's Building Open for Personal Projects & Bike Repair	5 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crewmen 6:30 pm - Celebrate Recovery	6 7:30 am - AA Mtg  World Community Day	7 8:30 am - AA Mtg
8 10:00 am - WOR- SHIP CELEBRA- TION IN THE SANCTUARY  *No Fellowship Hour until further notice!	9 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al- Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	10 7:30 am - AA Mtg 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	7:30 am - AA Mtg 4:00 pm Deane/ Taylor Wedding in the Chapel 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm - Newman's Building Open for Personal Projects & Bike Re- pair	7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crewmen 6:30 pm - Celebrate Recovery	13 7:30 am - AA Mtg	14 8:30 am - AA Mtg
15 10:00 am - WOR- SHIP CELEBRA- TION IN THE SANCTUARY *No Fellowship Hour until further notice!	16 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al- Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	7:30 am - AA Mtg 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	7:30 am - AA Mtg 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm - Newman's Building Open for Personal Projects & Bike Re- pair	7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crewmen 6:30 pm - Celebrate Recovery	20 7:30 am - AA Mtg	8:30 am - AA Mtg 2:30 pm Nighswonger Wedding in Sanctuary
22 10:00 am - WOR-SHIP CELEBRA-TION IN THE SANCTUARY *No Fellowship Hour until further notice!	23 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al- Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	7:30 am - AA Mtg 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	7:30 am - AA Mtg 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm - Newman's Building Open for Personal Projects & Bike Re- pair	26 Office Closed 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crewmen 6:30 pm - Celebrate Recovery	27 Office Closed 7:30 am - AA Mtg	28 8:30 am - AA Mtg
29 1st Sunday of Advent 10:00 am - WOR- SHIP CELEBRA- TION IN THE SANCTUARY  *No Fellowship Hour until further notice!	30 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al- Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg			Upcoming events: 12/7 "Festival of Nativity" in Eubank Hall and also that same day a concert in the Sanctuary. Watch for more information.		

#### **EVENTS**

# **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Fill a shoebox from the safety of your own home! HOW?

On your internet, enter Operation Shoebox

Then click on the icon BUILD A SHOEBOX ONLINE.

Then click on "START BUILDING". It is an easy process.

Then pick a Girl or Boy.

Pick an age.

Follow the directions to pick items for your box.

When finished, a blank sheet of paper will appear for you to write a note to your child.

Then you check out or you can add another child.

The cost is \$25.00 a box and you can add an additional \$6.00 for tools for teaching children about Jesus.

Sign up: November 1st through November 20th



If you need help in registering your boxes online, Becky Bros will be at the church to help out on Wednesday, November 4th @ 10:00 am to 12:00 noon to help filling out the online form for buying a Christmas Box. Any problems please contact Becky Bros for help 352-895-1687.

## Pray for the Children

\*If you have already started a box (boxes), you may drop them off at the Cornerstone Radio Station, 4295 Ridgewood Avenue in Port Orange. For directions please call - (386) 756-9094.

#### 2020 DAILY ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

As we have done here at First Presbyterian Church for scripture to reflect and write about. 3) You write a the past two years, we're going to create a Daily Advent Devotional for 2020. It will be a wonderful way for each of us to share in the Advent preparation for the celebration of our Savior's birth through reading and praying a devotion each day, even as we remain distanced from one another.

The calendar says it's October, so the time is here to begin signing up to participate. Participation means writing one devotion, based on a scripture I'll provide 957-4222 C: (386) 478for you, for one day of the 27 days of Advent this year 3479 (November 29 to December 25). We'll put all of the devotions in a small booklet and have it ready for distribution on November 22.

Participation is an easy process: 1) Let me know you want to write a devotion. 2) I'll send you an Advent

devotion, including a short ending prayer. 4) Send your devotion back to me. That's it!

The important date to remember is Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> because that's the final date to get your devotion to me. Whether or not you've written one before, we need you! Share your love for Jesus with your First Presbyterian family and volunteer to write an Advent devotion. Thank you – You are a blessing, so call, text, or e-mail. anne0415@cfl.rr.com H: (386)

Blessings and Shalom, Anne Perdue.



