

Missions/Sister Churches



Central Florida Presbytery

Sister Churches of the Month

Other churches in our presbytery, please lift up prayers.

- 12/3 First Presbyterian, Eustis
- 12/10 New Life, Fruitland Park
- 12/17 Glenwood Presbyterian, Glenwood
- 12/26 Community Presbyterian, Howey-in-the-Hills

Staff:

- Rev. George T. Head - Pastor
- Rev. Bill Chegwin - Pastor Emeritus
- Rev. Bev Richardson - Parish Associate
- Gale Luttrell - Administrative Assistant
- Babs King - Choir Director
- Tim Murphy - Pianist
- Steve Looney - Sound Tech
- Bruce Wilson - Custodian
- Audrey Geer - Nursery Attendant
- Susan Stuckey - Librarian
- John Bros & Floris Rogers - Slide Techs
- Susan Church - Faith Community Parish Nurse

Birthdays/Anniversaries

December Birthdays

- 12/4 Pat Stonebraker
- 12/5 Eric Wolf
- 12/7 Wilma McCarey
Ellie Osterhaus
- 12/10 Charles Fahey
Wanda Ulewicz
- 12/11 Bob Begley
- 12/13 Nancy Christian
- 12/14 Sandi Wirth
- 12/16 Mike Barringer
- 12/18 Marsha Fenstermaker
- 12/19 Mary Martin
- 12/22 Carol Kurfis
- 12/25 Megan Long
- 12/27 Anne Jensen
Bruce Wilson



December Anniversaries

- 12/5 Mark and Joan McCain
- 12/7 Bud and Honeybee Chappell
- 12/12 Rodger and Nancy Christian



December Chancel Flowers

- 12/3 Flowers given by Laurie Lee to her sister Sharon Bradshaw
- 12/10 Flowers given by Laurie Lee to Babs King and Carolyn Peters. Flowers given by Honeybee and Bud Chappell in honor of their Wedding Anniversary
- 12/17 For the Cantata Choir
- 12/24 Given by the Church
- 12/31 Available



SHOEBOX THANK YOU!

A big thankyou to Norma Carter and all the women from PW for the wonderful hard work they did to make our Shoeboxes such a success this year. They made boxes, shopped, and packed until they dropped. Also, a thank you to our congregation who filled their own boxes and the many who contributed money to buy merchandise for the boxes PW filled. It was a job well done by the church! Becky Bros

HEARTS OF HOPE

Hearts of Hope, Presbyterian Women @ FPC, meet November 13th with Bible Study at 9:30, Fellowship at 10:00 and Hearts of Hope at 10:30. All women are welcome to join us.

Elders/Deacons 2023

Elders 2023:

- Ed Carter
- Margaret Catanzariti
- Frank Ibbotson
- Chuck Johnson
- Jim Kennedy
- Marilyn Lindley
- Rod Richardson
- Floris Rogers
- Barbara Stolz
- Ralph Stonebraker
- Marshall Wright
- Bill Zei

Deacons 2023:

- Sharon Bradshaw
- Leigh Chegwin
- Nancy Frame
- Audrey Geer
- Pam Graveling
- Barbara Johnson
- Trish Kennedy
- Laurie Lee
- Doug Oliveira
- Ellenorr Osterhaus
- Jackie Toth
- Wanda Ulewicz

Deacon of the Month:

Doug Oliveira

GOOD NEWS

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 2023

509 Magnolia Street, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168 386-428-2397

DECEMBER EVENTS



“Kick Off Christmas” on December 5th @ 1pm-4pm featuring the Showdolls

“Caroling” in Eubank Hall with hot cocoa and cookies @ 5pm on December 10th



“The Christmas Cantata” on Worship Sunday with Fellowship Hour after in Eubank Hall...a reception for the Choir for their wonderful work. Please join us to recognize the choir with fellowship and food and drink on December 17th.

Christmas Eve Service @ 10am with Fellowship Hour in Eubank Hall on December 24th



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on December 24th @ 5pm.



Office Closed for Christmas Week

SESSION NEWS

ATTENDANCE FOR OCTOBER:

2023: 710 (5 Sundays)
2022: 491 (5 Sundays)

PER CAPITA FOR OCTOBER:

2023: \$.00/Yearly \$2,598.70
2022: \$.00/Yearly \$1,974.39

1/01/2023-10/31/2023 (10 months)

Income	\$ 28,436.45	\$ 327,645.80
Expenses	26,503.41	275,626.78
Difference	\$ + 1,933.04	+ \$ 52,019.02

1/01/2022-10/31/2022 (10 months)

Income	\$ 32,315.00	\$ 307,204.94
Expenses	22,409.37	265,832.80
Difference	\$ + 9,905.63	+ \$ 41,372.14



FORT MYERS MISSION TRIP

On November 5th our mission team of 8 volunteers left from First Presbyterian Church driving to Fort Myers, FL and our destination of the Buckingham Presbyterian Church which was to be our host for the next 6 days while we were to work the entire week in hurricane recovery. Our reception by the committee at Buckingham church was very welcoming and cordial as this was to be our sleeping and eating home while we were in Ft. Myers. The host church was coordinated by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) which arranged the place for our team to stay.

One of the highlights of our stay at Buckingham church was the Wednesday night delicious covered dish supper and Bible study. This event provided us with the opportunity to meet many church members who were eager to talk with us about the work we were doing. They were so appreciative of us being there to help the hurricane recovery. The evening was topped off with an outstanding Bible study lesson.

Our two worksite repairs jobs were coordinated and supervised by United Methodist Committee on Recovery (UMCOR). UMCOR provided the team with instructions, materials and tools. Our volunteer team provided the labor.

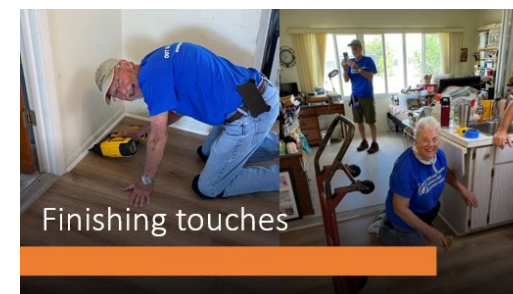
Every morning the team departed from Buckingham church to our worksites in Port Charlotte to spend our day working on the homes of two single women. Both of our homeowners were so thankful for us helping them as they had no other means to recover their hurricane damaged homes from the storms of 2022.

Working under the supervision of our UMCOR construction coordinators the team worked on task such as replacing a kitchen floor, repairing ceiling drywall and repairing/replacing soffits and gutters.

Our entire volunteer team of workers put in a full day of hard work which included a half hour lunch break. Please ask any member of our team about what a rewarding experience they had during our 2023 mission trip to the west coast of Florida. It was a great experience for all of us.

A very big Thank You goes out from our team to the three members of NSB First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Committee which accompanied us to Fort Myers. These three women were a tremendous addition to our team. They not only did all of our food shopping, but also prepared all of our meals which include laying out the lunch makings each day. Their presence with us added not only meals, but an uplifting smile to welcome us home at the end of our hard day.



Fort Myers Mission Trip



While we were not able to complete the job on Roseann's or Sandra's homes, new teams were scheduled to come in behind us and continue the work





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7:30 am - AA Mtg 11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Visual & Impaired Group in Rm 4 Office Closed	2 8:30 am - AA Mtg
3 Communion Sunday/Gifts of Love 10:00 am - Worship Celebration in the Sanctuary 11:15 am - Fellowship Hour with cake & coffee	4 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al-Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	5 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:30 am - PB&J 6:30 pm - Harmony Sound 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	6 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - Sewing Group 1:30 pm - 4:00pm - Bike Ministry	7 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crew 8:30 am - PB&J 6:00 pm - Celebrate Recovery 6:30 pm - Choir Practice	8 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - PEO in Eubank Hall 11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Visual & Impaired Group in Rm 4 Office Closed	9 8:30 am - AA Mtg
10 10:00 am - Worship Celebration in the Sanctuary 11:15 am - No Fellowship Hour 5:00 pm - Caroling in Eubank Hall - refreshment served 	11 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - Men's Breakfast 9:30 am - PW Mtg in Eubank Hall/Chapel 10:30 am - Al-Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	12 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:30 am - PB&J 6:30 pm - Harmony Sound 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	13 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - Sewing Group 10:00 am - Holy Spirit Bible Study in EH 1:30 pm - 4:00pm - Bike Ministry	14 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crew 8:30 am - PB&J 6:00 pm - Celebrate Recovery 6:30 pm - Choir Practice	15 7:30 am - AA Mtg 11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Visual & Impaired Group in Rm 4 Office Closed	16 8:30 am - AA Mtg
17 Cantata Sunday 10:00 am - Worship Celebration in the Sanctuary 11:15 am - Fellowship Hour 	18 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al-Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	19 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:30 am - PB&J 6:30 pm - Harmony Sound 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	20 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - Sewing Group 1:30 pm - 4:00pm - Bike Ministry	21 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crew 8:30 am - PB&J 4:30 pm - Deacons Meeting 6:00 pm - Celebrate Recovery 6:30 pm - Choir Practice	22 7:30 am - AA Mtg 11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Visual & Impaired Group in Rm 4 Office Closed	23 8:30 am - AA Mtg
24 Christmas Eve with Two Services 10:00 am - Worship Celebration in the Sanctuary 11:15 am - Fellowship Hour 5:00 pm - Candlelight Service 	25 Merry Christmas 7:30 am - AA Mtg 10:30 am - Al-Anon 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Colors of Hunger 6:00 pm - AA Mtg Office Closed	26 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:30 am - PB&J 6:30 pm - Harmony Sound 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon Office Closed	27 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - Sewing Group 1:30 pm - 4:00pm - Bike Ministry Office Closed	28 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:00 am - Newman's Crew 8:30 am - PB&J 6:00 pm - Celebrate Recovery 6:30 pm - Choir Practice Office Closed	29 7:30 am - AA Mtg 11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Visual & Impaired Group in Rm 4 Office Closed	30 8:30 am - AA Mtg
31 10:00 am - Worship Celebration in the Sanctuary 						