

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS 2024

The Session of First Presbyterian Church normally meets on the third Monday of each month at 4:30 in Room 2. These meetings are open for anyone to observe. Each month Session reviews the financial report, receives reports from each standing committee, discusses, approves, or denies specific requests brought via the committees, and prays for the congregation and God's leading and guidance as decisions are made for ministry in the congregation, community, and world.

Below are some additional specific highlights from the first few months of this year.

1. Authorized the ordination and installation of Deacons and Elders on January 28, 2024.
2. Elected Ed Carter as the Treasurer for 2024.
3. Elected Anne Perdue as the Clerk for 2024.
4. Approved the resignation of Bill Zei from Session.
5. Authorized the formation of a team to review the Membership Rolls to have an accurate number.
6. Authorized additional security measures throughout the facility.
7. Authorized the purchase of an additional AED (Automatic External Defibrillator).
8. Approved the creation of a 150th Anniversary Task Force to plan the celebration in 2025.

DIRECTORIES

The new directories are in...if you wish to have one please come to the church office Monday - Thursday from 9am - 12pm to pick one up. Please one per family. Thank you.

MOTHER'S DAY

We would like to celebrate Mother's Day by displaying a picture of your mother, grandmother or someone that was a special "mother figure" to you. In order to accomplish this please submit a picture and we will display them on Mother's Day on the slides. The pictures will be given back to each of you. Let's make Mother's Day very special for our loved ones. You may email your picture to me at: Galebows@att.net. Thank you from Gale and the Worship



SESSION NEWS

1/01/2024-3/31/2024 (3 months)		1/01/2023-3/31/2023 (3 months)	
Income/Expenses		Income/Expenses	
\$ 40,412.04	\$ 131,384.19	\$ 30,073.33	\$ 111,387.11
<u>31,244.86</u>	<u>84,186.88</u>	<u>26,169.91</u>	<u>81,271.37</u>
\$+ 9,167.18	\$+ 47,197.31	\$+ 3,903.42	\$+ 30,115.74

ATTENDANCE FOR MARCH:

2024: 1033 (5 Sundays with Maundy Thursday)
2023: 756 (4 Sundays)

PER CAPITA FOR MARCH:

2024: \$2,000.00/Yrly \$2,040.00
2023: \$121.50/Yrly \$2,537.95

ELDERS/DEACONS

Elders 2024:

Ed Carter
Margaret Catanzariti
Frank Ibbotson
Chuck Johnson
Jim Kennedy
Anne Perdue
Floris Rogers
Ralph Stonebraker
Susan Stuckey
Dennis Toth
Marshall Wright



Deacons 2024:

Sharon Bradshaw
Leigh Chegwin
Debbie Devine
Audrey Geer
Pam Gravelding
Barbara Johnson
Trish Kennedy
Laurie Lee
Ellenorr Osterhaus
Jackie Toth
Wanda Ulewicz
Chris Williams
Sandi Wirth

Deacon of the Month:
Barb Johnson

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
Marshall Wright - Media
Susan Church - Faith Community Parish Nurse



GOOD NEWS

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MAY 2024

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

150th ANNIVERSARY OF OUR CHURCH



RENEW - REJOICE - RECONNECT
Celebrating the Legacy of 150 Years!



First Presbyterian Church of New Smyrna Beach was established in 1875 and is celebrating 150 years of ministry in 2025! To prepare for this big celebration, the Session formed a Task Force to begin the planning, make initial decisions, and form working teams.

The Theme is **RENEW - REJOICE - RECONNECT: Celebrating the Legacy of 150 Years!**

The scriptural foundation is **Psalm 150**.

Although we will be celebrating with multiple activities throughout the year, the 150th Anniversary Celebration Worship Service, followed by a catered luncheon, will be held on **March 2, 2025**. That will allow many of our snowbirds to be here to celebrate with us!

As with any celebration, the hope is to include many who have been a part of our ministry and worship in the past, as well as those from local religious and community groups. In preparation, we're also going to do a few updates to our facility.

It will take more than a small Task Force of people to make this celebration all we hope it will be, so we need **YOU** to volunteer for one of the working teams! You each have interests, skills, experience, and creativity, so you're exactly who we need! What do we need you to do?

The first thing is to pray thanksgiving for God's faithfulness and leading through 150 years of ministry here in New Smyrna Beach. Then continuing prayers for our plans and celebrations, that the triune God remains our foundation and center. Other ways to celebrate are to purchase a tile for the Celebration Tile Garden and/or volunteer for one of the teams. Some are beginning to plan now, and all will be starting soon.

We have ten different teams working on everything including banners, history, property, communication, music, and the website, but are highlighting one today: **Special Events**. We need a **leader and volunteers** to plan and coordinate multiple special events throughout the year. It's an opportunity to be creative for ourselves or to participate in ongoing community events. We're open to a variety of ways to celebrate!

Anne Perdue is facilitating the teams, so contact her for additional information and to volunteer. Call / text (386) 478-3479 or e-mail anne0415@cfl.rr.com. It's going to be a faith and praise filled celebration, so we're looking forward to you being an important part of it!

MISSIONS/SISTER CHURCHES



PB & J Missions

Sister Churches of the Month

Other churches in our presbytery, please lift up prayers.

- 5/5 First Pres., Maitland
- 5/12 Good Shepherd, Melbourne
- 5/19 Palmdale, Melbourne
- 5/26 Southminster, Daytona Beach

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

In February, our [Hearts of Hope - FPC NSB Women](#) raised funds for the "ClotheAChild" program at [Read-Pattillo Elementary](#).

PW Ladies, the funds were raised (and what fun and fellowship we enjoyed "At the Hop")! Our shoppers shopped and on Friday, the clothes and shoes were delivered. Of the \$1,025 raised, we have some remaining funds to make another donation this fall. Sincere thanks to everyone and praise to God for making it all possible!

On Friday, a delivery of clothing and shoes was made. Thanks to everyone who worked to raise the funds, shop, deliver items and especially the generosity of everyone at [First Presbyterian Church](#).



BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

May Birthdays

- 5/1 Jackie Mayberry
- 5/3 Barbara Newman
Faith Zei
- 5/4 Doug Oliveira
- 5/7 Gary Williams
- 5/8 Pam Gravelding
- 5/9 Patti Gee
- 5/10 Nicole Jarsak
Ken Wengel
- 5/13 Janice Stach
- 5/20 Ed Hasty
- 5/21 Kathleen Abbatecchio
- 5/22 Brad Bennison
Audrey Geer
- 5/25 Diane Heckendorf
Allen Winterwerp
- 5/26 Kathy Wengel
- 5/28 Henrietta McPhail
Dale Weddle
- 5/29 Debra Head
Abby Herring
- 5/31 George Head

May Anniversaries

- 5/01 Ralph and Pat
Stonebraker
- 5/14 Eric and Doreen Coln
- 5/20 Bill and Judy Walker
Bill and Chris
Biedenbach
- 5/29 Bryan and Bonnie
Sanderson
- 5/31 Doug and Maryanne
Oliviera



May Chancel Flowers

- 5/5 Available
- 5/12 **Mother's Day Flowers**
- 5/19 Available
- 5/26 Available

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS



Baby Evelyn Clair Greenwood
Arrived...March 28, 2024 at 10pm, weighing in at 6.3 and 19"...such a blessing to my family. She is named after my mother, Evy, who passed away on October 8, 2021, and for my girls father's dad, Clair.

A true blessing.



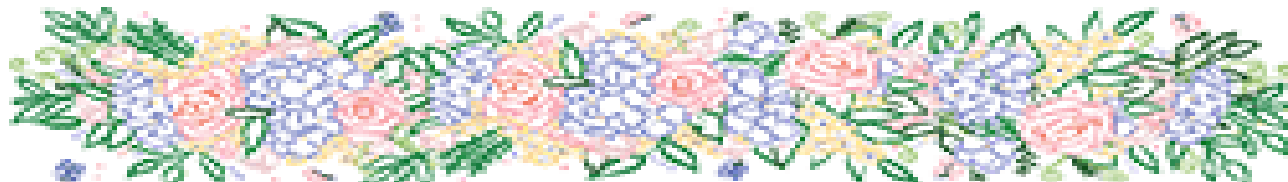
I wish to thank everyone for your prayers and support for my daughter and family for the delivery of this precious bundle...because of your prayers and God's blessing. I am a grandmother! Love to you all, Gale

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWS



On May 13 our "Hearts of Hope" Presbyterian Women will host a celebration brunch and baby shower for Coastal Choices Crisis Pregnancy Center. So much to celebrate including the final meeting of our second year, special guests with Janet Foley, District Moderator for PW, Jessica Deese of Coastal Choices, wonderful food, fellowship and of course praise and thanksgiving to the glory of God.

If you would like to share a baby gift, bring it to services on May 12 and we'll make sure it is delivered. We're already looking ahead with plans for a wonderful 2024-25. Our love, thanks and appreciation for our amazing FPC congregation and support in our community.





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Sat

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5 Communion Sunday/Gifts of Love 10:00 am - Worship Celebration in the Sanctuary 11:15 am - No Fellowship Hour	6 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - Men's Breakfast 10:30 am - AI-Anon 6:00 pm - AA Mtg	7 7:30 am - AA Mtg 8:30 am - PB&J 10:30 am - Education Mtg/Rm 2 6:30 pm - Harmony Sound 7:30 pm - Narcotics Anon	8 7:30 am - AA Mtg 9:00 am - Sewing Group 1:30 pm - 4:00pm - Bike Ministry 6:30 pm - Choir Practice	9 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	10 7:30 am - AA Mtg Office Closed	11 8:30 am - AA Mtg .
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