



# First Presbyterian Church

## EPISTLE

Our Mission: Connecting with God and sharing the Good News  
of Jesus Christ with the community.

### **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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### **CHURCH STAFF:**

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Pastor

**Jennifer Johnson**  
Administrative Asst

**Ross Shipman**  
Youth Director

**Nyadia Thorpe,**  
Choir Director

**Sheila Baker**  
Guest Director

**Brittany Haywood,**  
Accompanist

**Sean Russell,**  
Sound Room Technician

**Ana Ortiz**  
Nursery

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## Doing the Right Thing

I recently finished the book *A Man Called Ove*. Ove was an old curmudgeon, but he was a good man. He turned found items into Lost and Found, he didn't rat on his co-workers, he leant needed items if asked and he was responsible.

During my terms on Session, I have had the privilege of working with many of you who do the right thing. You give of your time, talent, energy, ideas and finances. In so doing, you bless this church and this community and, in turn, are blessed yourself. I'm cycling off Session this month, but I still intend to spend time working with all of you as we do the right thing! Let's continue to serve

and ask ourselves what is the next right thing for all of us to work on? We can distribute vegetables to our community from Help to Heal's Seeds of Love Garden. We can fund-raise for the choir trip to Carnegie Hall. We can answer the call to serve in any number of ways! We have Christ's example of service, so let's serve and be blessed.

Your fellow servant,  
*Sharon Ingram*



## Sharing Blessings with the Community

On Wednesday, May 30, the youth distributed bags of vegetables to the low-income apartments across Wheatland. They were able to give most of the bags away but had a few left over.

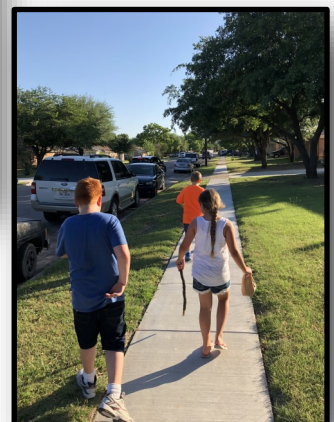
Then, Thursday afternoon, Pastor Ginger and I had the privilege of distributing the remaining bags of vegetables to our neighbors. We went to houses on a street just beyond the apartments. We even went to people in parked cars! One lady was sitting in her car waiting to pick up her child from school. She rolled down her window and we explained what we were doing and she gratefully took a bag. We went to a house and the man who answered the door did not take the vegetables, because he has his own garden out back overflowing with produce that he said he has been giving away himself! Praise Jesus.

At another house we gave a bag to a lady who gratefully accepted, then after not getting a response at a house that said "no solicitors" we crossed to the other side and rang another bell, again with no response. A vehicle pulled up across the street and we went to see if the driver would like some vegetables. He rolled down his window and was excited about the onions and garlic that he could use to make gumbo!

We went to another house and the lady who answered immediately invited us in. We sat on her sofa as she explained how she was house sitting for her friend who was in the hospital, and she asked us more about the bags so she could tell her friend where the great vegetables came from when she got back home. It was such a blessing to be able to sit with her, and keep her company for a few minutes while spreading Jesus' love. Before we left, Pastor Ginger asked if we could pray with her for her friend, and we huddled in a circle and bowed our heads together.

Giving out bags of vegetables blesses our neighbors, but it is also a blessing to those who give and can see how their gifts are positively impacting other people. May we keep our eyes focused on Jesus and how he can use us to impact people for his Kingdom.

*Jennifer Johnson*



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June 2018

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**Worship Volunteer Schedule  
June 2018**

**June 3**

**Greeters  
Ushers  
Tellers  
Nursery  
End of Service Ministry  
Communion Servers**

**Donna To & Wendy Jensen  
Dub Guthrie & Eddie Cowand  
Teresa Reed & Joan Brown  
Susan Walters  
Paul Griffith & Jaime Cordova  
Dub Guthrie, Diane Pegues,  
Joan Brown, Eugene Jimmerson  
& Darrell Ingram**

**June 10**

**Greeters  
Ushers  
Tellers  
Nursery Volunteer  
End of Service Ministry**

**Darlene Cowand & Anna Murphy  
Eugene Jimmerson & Irving Kezar  
Jocelyn Bolles & Margaret Lewis  
Logan Russell  
Sean Russell & Darlene Cowand**

**June 17**

**Greeters  
Ushers  
Tellers  
Nursery Volunteer  
End of Service Ministry**

**Doris Metzger & Eddie Cowand  
Jack Pegues & Albert Teel  
Darrell Ingram & Anna Murphy  
Jocelyn Bolles  
Vanessa Cordova & Doris Metzger**

**June 24**

**Greeters  
Ushers  
Tellers  
Nursery Volunteer  
End of Service Ministry**

**Youth  
Youth  
Lori Glover & Brenda Everett  
Sharon Ingram  
Sharon Ingram & Connie Steger**

***He leads me beside the still waters.  
He restores my soul***

*From Psalm 23:2-3*

## June Birthdays

If we've missed your birthday and you would like us to include it in this "birthday" section of the newsletter, please contact us at (972) 298-3043 or [info@fpcd.org](mailto:info@fpcd.org). Thank you.

Vanessa Cordova, June 11	Susan Murphy, June 17
Kent Glover, June 11	Nita Malone, June 21
Katherine Liddle, June 11	Devon Kezar, June 22



### 2018 MINISTRY RECEIPTS UPDATE

	Receipts	Expenditures
April	\$32,031*	\$24,783 **
Jan - Apr	\$86,436***	\$86,547****

\*\$3,225 for Carnegie Hall Trip, \$28,806 for budget

\*\*\$8,100 for Carnegie Hall Trip, \$16,683 for budget

\*\*\*\$12,980 for Carnegie Hall Trip, \$73,456 for budget

\*\*\*\*\$15,140 for Carnegie Hall Trip, \$71,407 for budget

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Christian Education  
Worship Service

— 9:15 a.m.  
— 10:30 a.m.

### WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Youth Group

— 6:00 p.m.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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