

First Presbyterian Church Newsletter

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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From our Session

The Value of Patience

Recently I have had reason to remember visiting my grandparents' houses as a child. One distinct memory I have is that often, while inside, it was quiet enough to hear the ticking of a clock. Especially at night, you could hear the tick tock of the second hand as time passed, (a sound not heard much in our modern digital age).

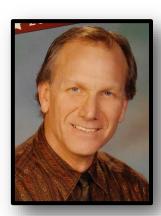
I think one reason I loved those visits so much is because time didn't seem to be an issue. At my grandparents' I don't remember ever having a schedule. It was just free time, which is something else we have very little of today. I also remember having to wait. Waiting to get there, because the drive took a while, and waiting to eat, because those meals were often from scratch.

Now with everything digital, streamed, and updated by the second, it almost seems we have lost our handle on time. Now it's endless reminders from our phone or device of instant updates and deadlines. Timelines shrink. Where once we practiced patience, instant gratification now rules supreme.

Maybe we should look to God's Word about this matter of time and how the Bible instructs us concerning patience. The Apostle Paul writes of patience no less than 12 times in his epistles, even lifting it up as one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. James instructs his listeners – "Be patient, therefore, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains? You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, [wait patiently] for the coming of the Lord is at hand."

Let this reminder of the virtue of patience give us pause in our fast paced, digital, instant gratification world. Breathe deeply, pause and take time to listen for the "tick tock" of life that surrounds us every day. Though it won't slow the clock down, it will definitely be worth the time.

Sean



Joys & Toys - A Community Christmas Concert

You're Invited! Sing with the Duncanville Community Chorus at a

Community Christmas Concert Sunday, December 4, 2022, 5 PM



REHEARSALS with DCC Director Nyadia Thorpe Mondays, 7:00 PM

October 10, 17, 24, November 7, 14, 28 at First Presbyterian Church Duncanville, 543 E. Freeman Street Dress Rehearsal Sunday, December 4, 2:00 PM

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Sing with us!

The Duncanville Community Chorus, directed by Nyadia Thorpe, is performing a Christmas Concert on December 4th! Presented by the Duncanville Chamber of Commerce, this event is a city-wide celebration of Christmas with music performed by DCC & Duncanville School Choirs. The concert will be held at the Tom and Verda Shine Performance Hall at Duncanville High School. Will you consider singing with us?

Rehearsal dates are as follows:

Mondays: Oct. 10, Oct. 17, Oct. 24, Nov. 7, Nov. 14, Nov. 28, 7:00 PM at First Presbyterian Church Duncanville, 543 E Freeman Street Dress Rehearsal on Sunday, December 4, 2:00 PM at Shine Performance Hall, 900 W Camp Wisdom Road Concert on Sunday, December 4, 5:00 PM



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October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	4 5 11 1 18 1	Sep 2022 1 T W T F S 1 2 3 5 6 7 8 9 10 2 13 14 15 16 17 9 20 21 22 23 24 6 27 28 29 30	Nov 2022 S M T W T 1 2 3 6 7 8 9 10 13 14 15 16 17 20 21 22 23 24 27 28 29 30	4 5 11 12 18 19		Men's Fellowship 9 AM
9:15 AM Sunday School for All Ages 10:30 AM Worship Service	3	4	7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM Worship Planning Meeting	7	8 Men's Fellowship 9 AM
9:15 AM Sunday School for All Ages 10:30 AM Worship Service	10 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	11 7 PM Sarah Circle	7:00 PM Member Care Meeting	13	14	Men's Fellowship 9 AM Newsletter Articles Due!
9:15 AM Sunday School for All Ages 10:30 AM Worship Service 3rd Sunday Potluck	17 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	18	19	20 4:00 PM Parking Lot Ministry	21	22 Men's Fellowship 9 AM
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Worship Volunteer Schedule October 2022

Greeters October 2 Connie Steger & Joan Brown

Jocelyn Bolles & Margaret Lewis Tellers

End of Service Ministry Dennis Walters & Nancy Bergman **Sound Room Assistant** Jimmy Cordova

COMMUNION Servers Paul Griffith & Joan Brown

October 9 Greeters Sharon Ingram

> Tellers Teresa Reed & Joan Brown

End of Service Ministry Jaime Cordova & Darlene Cowand

Sound Room Assistant Jennifer McWilliams

October 16 **Greeters Dudley Austin**

> Lori Glover & Jaime Cordova Tellers

End of Service Ministry Sean Russell & Brenda Everett

Sound Room Assistant Allen Conley

October 23 **Greeters** Jocelyn Bolles

Tellers

Brenda Everett & Linda Simons End of Service Ministry Brittany Haywood & Dub Guthrie

Sound Room Assistant Jennifer McWilliams

October 30 Greeters Connie Steger & Joan Brown

> **Tellers** Jocelyn Bolles & Margaret Lewis

End of Service Ministry Roy Watson & Joan Brown

Sound Room Assistant Jimmy Cordova

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

Matthew 6:33 ESV

.m.s 21:9 — .m.s 08:01 — Christian Education Worship Service

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Expenditures

October 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.

Thank you.

Zephyr Lewis, October 2 Diane Pegues, October 3 Carlos Benitez, October 8 Grant Everett, October 9 Sean Russell, October 14 Doyce Smith, October 15 Jonathan Liddle, October 18 Barbara Notari, October 19 Andres Benitez, October 22 Brandon Cowand, October 24 Lorraine Cordova, October 30



2022 MINISTRY RECEIPTS UPDATE

August	\$19,438	\$34,406	
Jan - August	\$164,509	\$199,660	

Receipts