



First Presbyterian Church Newsletter

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

From our Session

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Welcome to PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

At the Annual Congregational Meeting in February, you nominated and approved a Pastor Nominating Committee (known as PNC) in charge of searching for a new pastor. This team has been meeting for almost two months. Members are Darrell Ingram, Dub Guthrie, Jennifer McWilliams, Jeff Thorpe, Roy Watson, Dennis Walters, Brittany Haywood, and Lori Glover.

Here is a brief update on our search for a pastor:

Our first meeting was with the advisors assigned to our church from Grace Presbytery, Rev. Ken Ritchie and Kymberlaine Banks. They met with us and gave us the scope of our job, as well as advising what rules and procedures we should follow. We were given numerous forms to fill out, after serious discussion in our group. These questions took

three meetings to complete, but we are finally ready to submit our answers to Presbytery for their approval.

Once the Presbytery approves these forms, we will be able to receive resumes from approved candidates. It is important to know once we start receiving resumes from approved candidates, we will have strict confidentiality, and only discussions between PNC members will be allowed.

We are excited to see where God leads us in our search for a pastor. We know that God has wonderful things planned for our congregation. Keep our committee in prayer during this time. Also pray for the best candidate to be directed our way.

Future updates will be forthcoming.

Lori

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PW Annual Plant and Bake Sale

Mark your calendars now (and your phones too) for the annual PW Plant and Bake Sale. The date is Sunday, May 7, 2023, following the morning worship service. In addition to assorted garden annuals, perennials, grasses and hanging baskets, we have some indoor specialties just in time for Mothers' Day the following Sunday. Plus, you'll find a delicious assortment of baked goods from the kitchens of our illustrious bakers.

We purchase most of the plants we offer, but if you want to donate a plant or two, please do. Also, we can't offer the selection of delicious baked goods without donations from you, our illustrious bakers and cooks. So please plan to have your baking or cooking donations available for Sunday, May 7.

Thank you.



I trusted
in thee,
O LORD:
I said,
Thou art
my God.

PSALM 31:14, KJV



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May 2023

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**Worship Volunteer Schedule
May 2023**

May 7

**Greeters
Tellers
End of Service Ministry
Sound Room Assistant
COMMUNION Servers
COMMUNION Prep**

Jocelyn Bolles
Brenda Everett & Linda Simons
Darlene Cowand & TBD
Jimmy Cordova
Roy Watson, Margaret Lewis
Diane Pegues

May 14

**Greeters
Tellers
End of Service Ministry
Sound Room Assistant**

Connie Steger & Joan Brown
Jocelyn Bolles & Margaret Lewis
Lori Glover & Brenda Everett
Jennifer McWilliams

May 21

**Greeters
Tellers
End of Service Ministry
Sound Room Assistant**

Sharon Ingram
Joan Brown & Teresa Reed
Brittany Haywood & Dudley Austin
Jimmy Cordova

May 28

Greeters

Dudley Austin

There is
➤ NO WAY ➤
to be a
PERFECT
MOTHER,
but a
MILLION
WAYS
to be a
GOOD
ONE.

-Jill Churchill



May 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.

Steve Bayless, May 7
Erin Laurent, May 12
Michael Nzoundja, May 12
Eli Epperson, May 16

Marna Bayless, May 22
Gary Walters, May 22
Alexander Gaskins, May 31



2023 MINISTRY RECEIPTS UPDATE

	Receipts	Expenditures
March	\$ 36,396	\$ 42,967
Jan—Mar	\$ 67,010	\$ 94,773

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Christian Education
Worship Service

— 9:15 a.m.
— 10:30 a.m.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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