

Stained Glass Gazette

First Presbyterian Church, Moultrie, GA

April 25, 2019

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY OFFERING

On Sunday, May 5th at 5:30 p.m. the Presbyterian Women will be celebrating their annual Birthday Offering. It was 147 years ago that the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in North America asked the women members to devise some way to systematically raise money to support women missionaries in the field, which they did. Then, in 1922, the Birthday Offering was begun.

Here we celebrate our annual Birthday Offering on the first Sunday in May, which is the 5th. There will be Birthday Offering envelopes in the pew to facilitate the joy of giving by all to displaced children.

This year the selected local mission is "*The Forgotten Initiative.*" Briefly, most of the children who enter DFCS, Department of Family and Children's Services custody are removed for their safety and it is immediate. This is a sudden and traumatic event for the child. Often they are removed with only the clothes on their backs. Foster parents cannot be given much notice either and rarely have the needed items on-hand for another child suddenly coming into their home. This is where The Forgotten Initiative comes in to bridge that transition for the child and the foster family. Here at our DFCS there is a dedicated room stocked with toiletries, pajamas, nice clothes and shoes that fit, an attractive bag to pack it all in, and a handmade 'cuddly' to hold. All these items are for the child to keep and help ease the child's fears of the unknown ahead of them. Also provided are gift cards to fast food restaurants, as many of the children might have skipped the last meal or two.

All women are invited to gather at 5:30 p.m., on Sunday May 5th, in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate the 97th Birthday Offering. Amber Schwalls, the advocate for "*The Forgotten Initiative,*" will be our guest speaker. Please come, bring another, and find out about the needs in our community and how we can be of service to this ministry and His children.

May 5th, Sunday afternoon, 5:30 p.m.

Faye's Famous Hot Chicken Salad, and a Birthday Cake will be provided
Covered dish of sides or salad requested

Report of Session Actions at April Stated Meeting 2019

1. Formed and approved a committee from the Session to perform an annual review of Dr. Richard Gillespie.
2. Approved a transaction releasing funds regarding a prior donation to the Fellowship of Disadvantaged Peoples located in Bangladesh.

CONCERNS

Immediate Concerns

*Tom Crawford (Josh Hancock's grandfather) *Pastor Wayne Woods *Scott Hart (Lacey Hart's father-in-law)
*Pearl Grandy *Bill Acuff *Bob Norris *Jane Fraser *Glenda Bivins (Ricky Griffin's mother)
*Justin Williams (Rhonda Blanton's cousin) *Ben Harrison *Phil Keeny *Joanne Harsh Meredith

On-Going Concerns

*Joyce Laabs *Anne Carlton *Mitch Britt (Alice Griner's son)
*Luna Chappell (Verna Moon's great granddaughter)

FLOWERS

The flowers in the church on Sunday, April 14 were given to the glory of God by Flowers by Barrett, Ronnie Barrett.

The crown of thorns on the cross each year is from the Holy Land. It is a gift to our church from Marie and Brett Johnson.

The Easter lilies on the cross on Sunday, April 21 were given by the Bert Harsh family to honor our Risen Lord and in expression of the joy of His resurrection.

CORNERSTONES

Goodwood House & Gardens and Lunch with Beth & John Mercer and Martha Ann McCaskill at Westminster Oaks—Saturday, April 27, 9:00 am—Signed up: Susan, Bea, Virginia, Jim, Anne, Ben, Vicki

“Sister Act” at Tallahassee Theater—Friday, May 3—Leave at 5:00 pm for supper before the show. Cost: \$20. Signed up: Susan, Jim, Anne, Joyce

Lunch on the Road to Pecan Hill—Thursday, May 9, 11:00 am—Signed up: Susan, Virginia, Jane, Joyce, Ben, Vicki

“Wheel of Murder” at Monticello Opera House—Friday, May 17—Leave at 5:30 for dinner and show. Cost: \$42. Signed up: Susan, Jim, Anne, Joyce, Vicki

SENIOR BIBLES

This year we are starting something new. We will be giving each Senior in our church a Bible during the Baccalaureate service on Sunday, May 19th. I want to ask each person to highlight their favorite Bible verse and then write your name out to the side of that verse. When the Seniors receive this Bible and open it, it will be highlighted with verses that each of you find important in your life. I know this will be something they will treasure for for the rest of their life. The Bibles will be located on the stage and each one will have a Bible highlighter and pen with it. The last day to have your verse highlighted is Friday, May 17th. If you have any questions, please see Diane Herndon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christian Education Committee

Sunday, April 28, 8:30 AM

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, May 1, 4:00 PM

Men’s Breakfast

Sunday, May 5, 8:30 AM

Children’s Ministry Team

Wednesday, May 8, 5:00 PM

Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 8, 5:00 PM

Deacon’s Meeting

Sunday, May 12, 8:15 AM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 5 —Youth-led worship

Sunday, May 5 — Presbyterian Women

Birthday Gathering, 5:30

Covered dish meal in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 15 — Youth Auction and Last WATCH

Sunday, May 19 — Baccalaureate Service to honor graduates

Sunday, June 9 — Pentecost

Wear red to celebrate

Sunday, June 30 — Firth Sunday congregational covered dish lunch with patriotic theme

Sunday, July 15 – Thursday, July 18, Vacation Bible School

YOUTH AUCTION

The Youth Auction will be held on Wednesday, May 15. Please come out and support our youth! The funds raised from this auction help with all youth events throughout the year. We couldn't do it without each of you!!

END OF THE YEAR PARTY FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Freckles Skating Rink

Monday, May 20

6:00—8:00



CLASS OF 2019

Maegan Bair	Peyton Klar
Brenna Blanton	Madeline Norman
Kyle Gay	Albert Stringer
George Jacobs	

WATCH CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

May 1 Water Fun—come prepared to get wet!

May 8 Children's Recognition—At 6:30 pm, the Children's Choir will sing and classes will be recognized.

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, April 28th —Youth will meet from 5:00 to 6:30 in the youth room.

Sunday, May 5th—Youth Led Service—All youth need to be at church by 9:00 am.

Sunday, May 5th—All Senior photo boards are due.

Saturday, May 11th—Youth will travel to Columbus to zip line and go rafting. Youth will meet at the church at 8:30. Bring money for snacks. Total cost is \$25. Deadline to sign up is Monday, May 6th.

Wednesday, May 15th—Youth Auction—Each youth will be responsible for getting two items donated. Please see Kimberly Jacobs, Diane Herndon, or Rhonda Blanton with any questions.

Sunday, May 19th—Baccalaureate Service

Monday, May 20th—Youth Skate Party at Freckles

Wednesday, May 22nd—Last Day of School

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: Albert Stringer

Parents: Bud and Dolly Stringer

What are your plans after high school?: Attend University of North Georgia (Oconee Campus)

Best High School Memories: End of the year field day; football Fridays; Meeting with my Kindergarten buddy; winning state tennis

Best Youth/Church Memories: Going to Montreat...best week! Overnights with others in the Presbytery; Family camping trips; helping with VBS; Christmas craft day

Favorite Bible verse and or Bible story: Acts 20:9-12—When a boy named Eutychus was listening to Paul speak and he fell asleep and fell 3 stories to his death. Paul went downstairs and threw himself on the boy and revived him. Paul said, "Don't be alarmed, for his life is in him."

As a kid, this story really made an impact on me because it would have been so sad for a young boy to die. I remember realizing that we must believe in God to have everlasting life.

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FROM THE KITCHEN

Wow, did we have the people missing this week at WATCH. We only fed 85 people. We had 12 cancellations and 17 no shows. Thanks to those who remembered to call and cancel. I would like to thank Richard Garcia, Frank Harrison, John Norman, and Roscoe Stallings for grilling the chicken for our picnic on Sunday, April 14. The chicken was delicious. I think I might talk them into grilling for our summer WATCH. THANKS again.

MENU for MAY 1, 2019

REGULAR: Cashew Chicken, Rice, Steamed Broccoli, Hot Curried Fruit, Rolls, Orange Fluff Salad, Salad Bar, Fruit

DIET: Baked Chicken, Steamed Vegetables, Salad Bar, Fruit

CHILDREN: Hot Dogs, Corn on the Cob

DESSERTS: Toffee Bars, Lemon Bars, Cookies, Ice Cream

MENU for MAY 8, 2019

REGULAR/CHILDREN: Fried Chicken, Livers, Gizzards, Creamed Corn, White Peas, Spinach Maria, Rolls, Fruit Salad, Salad Bar, Fruit

DIET: Baked Chicken, Steamed Vegetables, Salad Bar, Fruit

DESSERTS: Strawberry Lemon Sheet Cake, Chocolate Sheet Cake, Cookies, Ice Cream

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

We live in a noisy world, filled with distractions, frustrations, and complications. If we allow these distractions to separate us from God's peace, we do ourselves a disservice. Remember, nothing is more important than the time spent with your Savior.

In Christ, Faye