

Stained Glass Gazette

First Presbyterian Church, Moultrie, GA

January 31, 2019

“How Long, O Lord, How Long?”

Dear Friends, we are closing in on the end game! Well, at least we are getting a lot closer. I don't want to raise false hope within the congregation regarding the completion time for the entire restoration task in the Vereen Building, but the contractors are zeroing in on finishing the phase involving our wood floors, which are indeed going to be beautiful!

This being said, please be aware **that no one will be allowed to walk in or through the Vereen building until next Wednesday, February 6th, at the earliest. This includes this coming Sunday, February 3rd!** Not even the choir will be allowed to go upstairs! ...not even the pastor could wheedle a special dispensation! This is yet another minor inconvenience, and we ask for your continuing cooperation.

Workers will be finishing sanding today (Thursday), staining Thursday and Friday, applying the polyurethane Saturday, or some schedule close to this. The floors need to be completely dry and set for several days before we can walk on them. So, please watch for posted signs notifying you as to what is being allowed.

For this weekend, Dr. G.'s Inquirer and Choices Class will meet in the sanctuary.

One final note: Please join me in sending a special shout out of gratitude to David Zeanah! David has taken responsibility for guiding us through this process. He has been right on top of this job from the beginning, coordinating with contractors, moving furniture, being here to watch over everything, doing all he can to keep us moving forward. We thank you, David, for all you are doing!

Before we know it, these days of inconvenience will be a faded memory.

The Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

Dr. G.

CONCERNS

Immediate Concerns

*Glenda Bivins (Ricky Griffin's mother) *Justin Williams (Rhonda Blanton's cousin)
*Sonny Hall family (Doug Hall's father) *Ben Harrison *Joyce Laabs *Phil Keeny
*Anne Carlton *Joanne Harsh Meredith

On-Going Concerns

*Mitch Britt (Alice Griner's son) *Baby Max Herndon *Ann Vereen (Jerry Vereen's daughter-in-law)
*Bill Acuff *Luna Chappell (Verna Moon's great granddaughter) *Sherry Rentz

**CHILDREN & YOUTH
ICE SKATING &
JACKSONVILLE ZOO TRIP**



Due to lack
of interest!

**INSTEAD....
WAKULLA RIVER TRIP**

Monday, February 18

Leave church at 10:00 am.

Bring your own lunch or buy something at the Soda Fountain. Play on the playground & take a boat ride down beautiful Wakulla River

This trip is open to children and youth.

Cost: Child 3-12—\$5 Ages 13-64—\$8

**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN FOR 2019-2020**

Preschool registration is now open for church members and current preschool families. We have programs for ages 1-4. Registration forms are available in the church office. Be sure to sign up now if you are interested as spots go quickly and registration will open up to the public after February 15.

**PRESCHOOL TEACHER
NEEDED**

The Presbyterian Preschool program is seeking applicants for the 2 year-old teaching position. Melanie Rykard is retiring at the end of this school year, after many years of service. If you are interested in the position, please leave your resume in the church office marked to the attention of Katie Jenkins, preschool director.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christian Education Committee

Sunday, January 27, 8:30 AM

Men's Breakfast

Sunday, February 3, 8:30 AM

Presbyterian Women Executive Board

Monday, February 4, 10:00 AM

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, February 6, 4:00 PM

Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 6, 5:00 PM

Deacon's Meeting

Sunday, February 10, 8:15 AM

Ladies' Evening Circle

Monday, February 11, 7:00 PM

Home of Joan White

Tuesday Morning Circle

Tuesday, February 12, 10:00 AM

Children's Ministry Team Meeting

Wednesday, February 13, 5:00 PM

Attention!

The Vereen Building will be closed until further notice! The floors are being sanded and stained. Choir will practice in the sanctuary choir loft. Friendship class will meet in the Fellowship Hall. The Inquirer's class will meet in the Sanctuary.

TUESDAY MORNING CIRCLE

Calling all women! Please join our Tuesday Morning Circle on February 12 at 10:00 am in the Parlor. Continuing our study of Proverbs, we will talk about hiding God's word in our hearts. Dianne Klar will be the teacher and Lynda Harris and Joyce Laabs will serve as hostesses.

CORNERSTONES

Paint a Bowl at the Arts Center—Saturday, February 2

This is for the Empty Bowl Soup Supper on Feb. 7 which benefits the Colquitt Co. Food Bank.

“The Games Afoot or Holmes for the Holiday” in Valdosta—Saturday, February 9

Leave at 5 pm for supper before the play. Cost: \$20. Signed up: Susan P., Lynn

Cornerstones Meeting —Monday, February 11, 11:30 am ***Please note change!***

Hot potato bar at the church. Signed up: Susan P., Virginia, Bea, Peaches, Jane, Molly, Art, Lynda

“Cemetary Club” at the Arts Center—Sunday, February 17, 2:00 pm

Eat lunch together and then go to the play. Signed up: Susan P.

COOKIES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

If you volunteered to bake cookies, please have them at the church by Monday, February 4 at 10:00 am. Thank you!!



HELPING HANDS COLLECTION BOX

From January through March, we are collecting food for the Food Bank. Especially needed are canned goods: peas, soup, mixed veggies, potatoes, spaghetti sauce, fruit, and mixed fruit.

After worship this Sunday, February 3, the youth will be collecting an offering that will go to Crossroads Mission and Life Under the Son. Across the nation, offerings will be collected to help people with empty soup bowls. Thus football Super Bowl Sunday becomes a time to care for others.

YOUTH NEWS

FLINT RIVER PRESBYTERY SPRING YOUTH OUTING—Saturday, February 23rd, First Presbyterian in Columbus is hosting the 2019 Flint River Presbytery Spring Youth Outing for grades 6th–12th. This year's gathering focuses on reaffirming in our youth (and adults) the CONFIDENCE in the promise that they ARE ENOUGH, that they BELONG and that they are GOD'S OWN. The day will be full of fellowship, white water rafting, music, food, and worship with a keynote address from Catherine Albert. The \$30 registration fee is all inclusive. Items to bring: All release forms, Bible, Swimwear for Rafting, Change of Clothes, Towel, any required medications and snacks for the community table.

We will need adults to volunteer to help with this event! Let Diane know if you can attend. Sign up sheet will be in the social hall, deadline to sign up is Wednesday, February 6th.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the church on Sunday, January 27 were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my dad and our grandparents by Kay and Darrell Moore

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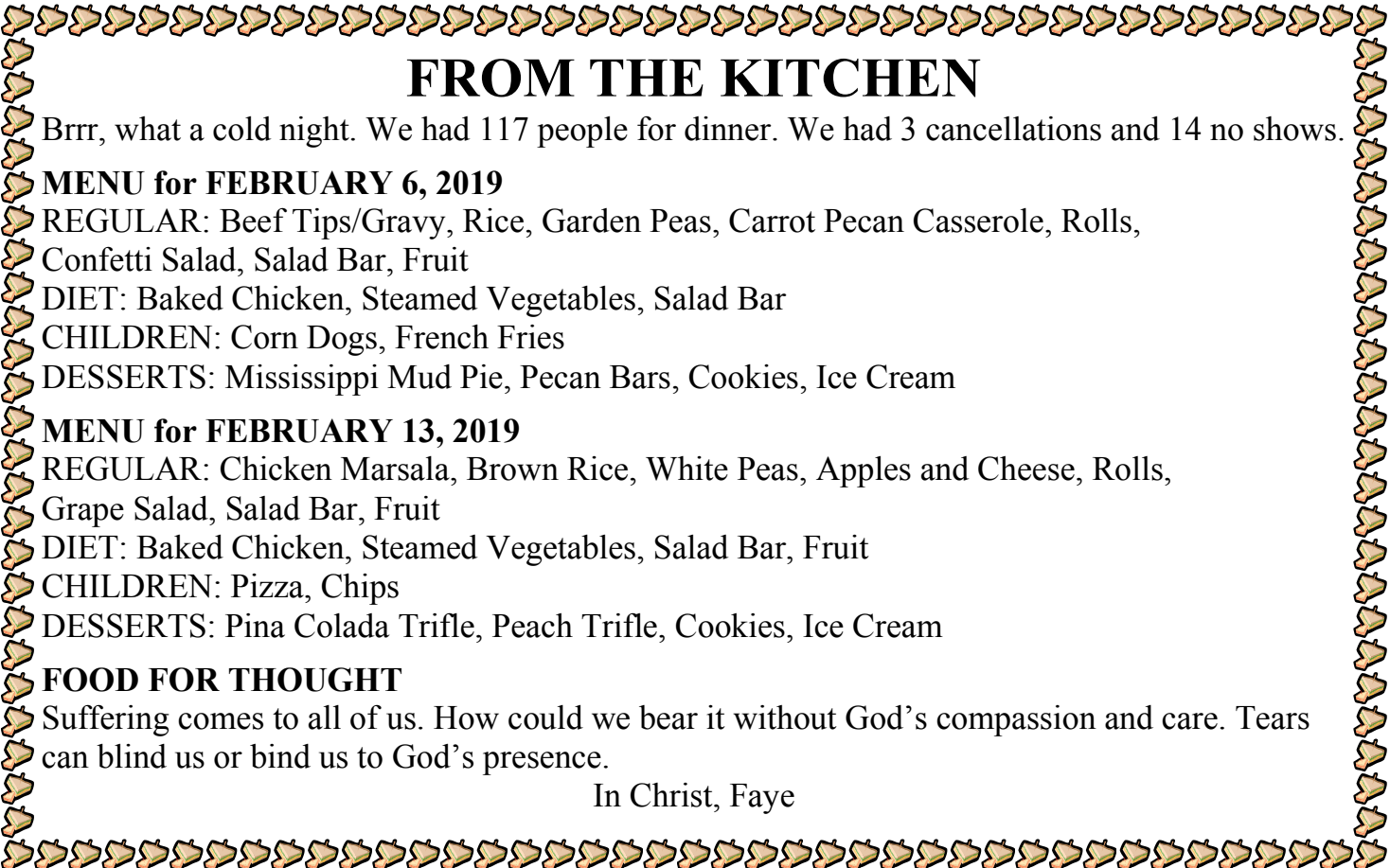
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FROM THE KITCHEN

Brrr, what a cold night. We had 117 people for dinner. We had 3 cancellations and 14 no shows.

MENU for FEBRUARY 6, 2019

REGULAR: Beef Tips/Gravy, Rice, Garden Peas, Carrot Pecan Casserole, Rolls, Confetti Salad, Salad Bar, Fruit

DIET: Baked Chicken, Steamed Vegetables, Salad Bar

CHILDREN: Corn Dogs, French Fries

DESSERTS: Mississippi Mud Pie, Pecan Bars, Cookies, Ice Cream

MENU for FEBRUARY 13, 2019

REGULAR: Chicken Marsala, Brown Rice, White Peas, Apples and Cheese, Rolls, Grape Salad, Salad Bar, Fruit

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

CHILDREN: Pizza, Chips

DESSERTS: Pina Colada Trifle, Peach Trifle, Cookies, Ice Cream

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Suffering comes to all of us. How could we bear it without God's compassion and care. Tears can blind us or bind us to God's presence.

In Christ, Faye