

Stained Glass Gazette

First Presbyterian Church, Moultrie, GA

March 14, 2019

Bring a Friend Sunday!

Upon the recommendation of our session's Worship Committee, **March 31, 2019**, has been designated "Bring a Friend" Sunday. **March 31st** is also the fifth Sunday of this month. That means "**Covered Dish Dinner!**" Immediately after worship we will return to Fellowship Hall and share a wonderful meal together. This is going to be a great day for us to kick off Spring together in our church family. (Pray for beautiful weather!) Faye will have fried chicken, iced tea, and all the wonderful things Faye prepares for us on these occasions. Please bring a side dish for your family and friends, with a little extra to help feed the multitude.

"Bring a Friend" is a rather restricted term. The idea is that we want to bring someone or some family, ...a neighbor, a work colleague, a relative, or someone who may be a member of our church family, but has not attended in a while. All of us, seniors, youth, children, think of a person you would like to bring. Give them a call, invite them to meet you at church or to come with you on March 31st. If you plan to meet someone at church, designate a specific place so you will be easy to find. We have cards in the church office you can fill out, sign and drop into the mail as encouragement for a particular friend to come and worship with you. We want others to know the joy that is ours when we gather, hearts filled with gratitude for the life and the love God has given the world in Jesus Christ. The nineteenth century poet, Henry Van Dyke, said:

"A friend is what the heart needs all the time."

Deep down, at the core of who we are, we need one another. This is who God has created us to be. As God's children, we recognize this need in ourselves and in others. In faithfulness to the One who has given us life, the One who has given us one another, we respond with this simple effort to "Bring a Friend" to church. I am writing well ahead, so you will be preparing for this important Sunday. This is what our hearts need! I'm looking forward to a glorious Sunday together!

Dr. G.

CONCERNS

Immediate Concerns

*Bill Acuff *Patty June (Mission trip to Bangladesh) *Allen Chandler (Shirley Chandler's son) *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

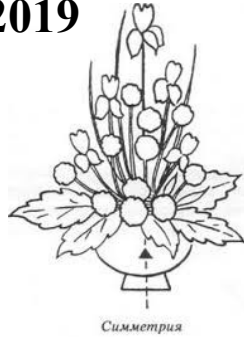
*The flowers in the church on Sunday, March 3 were given to the glory of God and in honor of **Betty Stallings** for her birthday by Norma Staton*

*The flowers in the church on Sunday, March 10 were given to the glory of God and in honor of **Doug, Laura, Carl, and Leila Hall** and in memory of **Sonny Hall** by Marie and Brett Johnson, Marie's Flower & Gift Shoppe*

FLOWERS 2019

The following dates are still available for flowers: June 2, September 1, September 8, November 10, and December 29.

If you are interested, please call or text Holly Beard at 229-798-0669. You may also call the church office at 229-985-3158.



WATCH & PLAYGROUND

To supervise the huge playground that we have, it takes 2 adults. We need the help of any adults who will watch children playing from 6:00-6:30. Adults needed April 10, 17, 24, and May 1, 8, and 15.

SAVE THE DATE Vacation Bible School July 14-18

Again this year we will join with the Methodist church to present Vacation Bible School. This year we will host VBS here at First Presbyterian. It is time to start planning for VBS. Yes, we need to start 5 months before the event. We already have a leader, Beth Cannon. She is looking for some good Christians to help plan VBS. What are your talents? We need leaders to register participants, decorate, lead art projects, lead story telling, lead science projects, lead recreation, teach preschool children, and supervise children in different age groups. Contact Beth to volunteer.

BRING A FRIEND SUNDAY

Sunday, March 31, 2019

Invite someone to church!

COVERED DISH LUNCHEON

Immediately following worship
Church will provide fried chicken.

Please bring a covered dish (enough to feed your family and a little more to cover visitors).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Committee Meeting

Sunday, March 17, 8:30 AM

Stated Session Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 4:00 PM

Friends of the Church Committee

Wednesday, March 20, 5:00 PM

Christian Education Committee

Sunday, March 24, 8:30 AM

Congregational Care Committee

Wednesday, March 27, 4:30 PM

MFPC Treasurer Report

Month of February:	2019	2018
Receipts	\$40,452	\$36,114
Expenses	(\$30,093)	(\$47,015)
Net Income (Loss)	\$10,359	(\$10,901)
Year To Date:		
Receipts	\$84,369	\$79,409
Expenses	(\$69,992)	(\$90,205)
Net Income (Loss)	\$14,377	(\$10,796)

CORNERSTONES

Gardens Trip—Saturday, March 16, Leave at 8:00 am, Cost: \$6—First stop will be the Birdsong Nature Center's Old Timey Plant Sale. Then on to Alfred B. Maclay State Park to tour the azalea gardens and picnic. Signed up: Susan, Carolyn, Jim & Linda Tuten

Cornerstones Lunch Meeting—Monday, March 18, 11:30 am, Cost: \$5

Movie Night—Thursday, March 21, 5:30 pm—We will have pizza, popcorn, and candy and watch "The Wheeler Dealers" with James Garner and Lee Remick. Cost: \$5

"A Little Murder Never Hurt Anyone"—Thursday, March 28—Leave the church at 5:00 pm to dine in Valdosta before the play. Cost: \$20

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, March 17—NO YOUTH!

Saturday, March 23—Volunteer with the Humane Society from 10-12. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, March 20. We will meet at the church at 9:45 and travel together. After we finish with this service project, we will go out to lunch together.

Sunday, March 24—NO YOUTH!

YOUTH SPORTING EVENTS:

March 18th – Middle School Soccer game @ 4:30.

March 19th – 8th grade Baseball game @ 4:00.

March 20th – 9th grade Baseball game @ 4:30.

March 25th – Middle School Soccer game @ 4:00, 8th grade baseball game @ 4:00.

March 27th – 9th grade Baseball game @ 4:00

March 29th – High School Soccer Game – 5:30 for girls, boys to follow

HUMANE SOCIETY DONATIONS NEEDED

FPC Youth will be volunteering at the Humane Society on Saturday, March 23. Please help our youth by donating bleach, puppy, cat, and dog food, and kitty litter. All donations will be taken to the Humane Society on March 23.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: Brenna Blanton

Parents: Kevin and Rhonda Blanton

What are your plans after high school?: I want to attend College of Coastal Georgia

Best High School Memories: I loved being in my first high school play this year. Cheering for the Friday night football games each week. And I love that some of the youth get together every Wednesday to watch movies after church.

Best Youth/Church Memories: Camp Kolomoki, the Disney trip, this year's ski trip, Fall youth overnights, and the mission trip.

Favorite Bible verse and or bible story: Isaiah 6:8 - Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

SCRIPTURE READING

Sign up now to be a part of scripture reading on the square during Holy Week. Our day is Wednesday, April 17, 1-4 pm. Readers will read for 15 minutes. Call the church office at 985-3158 to sign up for your choice of time slot today!

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FROM THE KITCHEN

We fed 114 people breakfast last week. We had 117 for dinner this week.

MENU for MARCH 20, 2019

REGULAR: Country Style Ribs, Calico Squash Casserole, Creamed Potatoes, Bacon Topped Green Beans, Rolls, Strawberry Pretzel Salad, Salad Bar, Fruit

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

CHILDREN: Hot Dogs, Fries

DESSERTS: Butterfinger Lush, Peanut Butter Lasagna, Ice Cream, Cookies

MENU for MARCH 27, 2019

REGULAR: Picante Chicken, Mexican Corn Casserole, Turnips, Bacon Wrapped Carrots, Rolls/ Cornbread, Strawberry Romaine Salad, Salad Bar, Fruit

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

CHILDREN: Chicken Strips, Cheese and Macaroni

DESSERTS: Banana Crunch Crumb Cake, Caramel Lover's Fudge Cake, Ice Cream, Cookies

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

When you make a promise, do your best to keep it. A person of integrity must "walk the talk".

When you say that you will do something for or with someone, you need to follow through. Let your promises be few---and kept.

In Christ, Faye