

First Presbyterian Church Sweetwater, Texas

July 2022

*The mission of our church is to make disciples for Jesus Christ
Our vision is to be an oasis of God's love.*

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Bulletin board by Jessica Cockrill and Barbara Bond

Dates to Remember

- 3 Hoyt Place Worship
Worship~ 10:45am
Reverse Offering and Noisy Offering
Communion Class of 2023
- 4 Church Office Closed~ 4th of July Holiday
4th of July Parade~ Line up at 9:00
on Ash Street
- 10 Worship ~ 10:45am
- 11 Zoo Trip~ Meet at Cumbie's 8:00am
- 17 Worship~ 10:45am
- 20 Session Meeting~ 5:30pm
- 24 Worship~ 10:45am
- 31 Worship~ 10:45~ Noisy Offering

**Sign Up Sheets for Committees
are in the Narthex**



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Lou Ann



- 4 Kay Hamlin
- 5 Donella Parker
Elizabeth Hammit
- 10 Scarlett Whitteker
- 12 Blake Cumbie
Ethan Boswell
- 17 Judy Byrd
- 18 Dylan Bennett
- 20 Bill Shirley
- 24 Jim Gesin
- 26 Dorian Westacott
- 28 Becky Brock
Kirk Stroman
- 29 Pat Beall
- 31 Reece Whitteker



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for celebrating my graduation by giving me the beautiful Bible and for providing the luncheon after church. All of the gifts you gave me are very much appreciated, and they will be a big help when I get started at college this fall!

**Love,
Katie Reed**



Summer Blessings!

July 4:

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July 11 (Monday): Zoo and lunch

Meet at the Cumbie's House, 1622 Morris Ave, at 8:00am. We will follow each other, but I have extra seats and would love to take anyone who needs a ride. Just let me know, so that I have plenty of room! We will eat lunch afterwards and return home right after that. Bring money for the zoo, feeding the giraffe (if you want), quarters for the fish, and for lunch.

Adults \$10

Child \$

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New Studies Available

A Journey Through Psalm 23

BRAD BONHOMME

Join Brad Bonhomme on a verse-by-verse journey through one of the most celebrated passages in the Bible, Psalm 23. David—poet, shepherd, and king—illustrates in this psalm how God meets our physical, spiritual, emotional, directional, relational, and eternal needs. In this six-part series, discover the depths of your Heavenly Father's affection for you. Rest in the presence, protection, and provision of Jesus.

Table Talks

BIANCA JUÁREZ OLTHOFF

Have you ever thought about the central role the table plays in the lives of Christians? The Bible is full of references about food, drink, eating, and fellowship. Jesus knew the power of the table and used it to teach and embody truth about himself. And when we sit down for a meal with others, we get to know them better while we nourish our bodies and souls. In this seven-session series, complete with simple yet delicious recipes, Bianca Juárez Olthof leads us through Jesus's interactions around the table, inspiring us to invite people into our homes, open the Word of God, and break bread together.

Reckless Love

Follow the adventures of Bob Goff, Greg Boyd, Mo Isom, and Karen McKinney as they seek one thing - Reckless Love. This fun and inspiring 4-episode video series asks the big questions while encouraging you to recklessly live out your faith.

Anyone can sign up and you are welcome to share this with family members and friends. The sign-up link is on the website

www.fpcsweetwater.org

Stewardship – Exodus 16:11-16, 31

(God provides manna to the Israelites
in the wilderness)

The Lord said to Moses, 12 “I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.” 13 That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning, there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14 When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat. 16 This is what the Lord has commanded: “Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.”

31 The people of Israel called the bread manna. It was white like coriander seed and tasted like wafers made with honey.

The provision of manna to the Israelites wandering in the wilderness is a reminder that God provides abundantly for all of us. The details in this story of “meat at night and bread in the morning” and the delicious description of the manna offer a unique perspective that God doesn’t just give us the bare minimum, but provides abundantly. In turn, we are called to share abundantly in our response to God, not just offering the bare minimum, but offering our best.

First Presbyterian Church	
2022 Financial Report	
2022 Budget \$143,931.25	
Year to Date Totals	
Plate & Pledge	\$48,302.00
Dividends and Other Contributions	\$4,139.90
Expenses	-\$59,190.98
Total	-\$6,749.08

2022 Noisy Offering	
Designated to the Ministerial Alliance	
Received Year to Date	\$478.17

2022 Food Pantry	
Designated to the Nolan County Food Pantry	
Received Year to Date	\$390.00

Swim Party at Country Club



Owen Hammit, Kallen Moody, Emily Hammit,
Averi Moody, Peyton Gee, Mackenzie
Lambert, Carla Lambert, Brandie Gee, Lou
Ann Cumbie, Doug Richards, Beth Hammit,
Dustin Hammit





Golf Night~ Youth and Adults





Rob and Peggy Elliott's granddaughters
are in town
enjoying our wonderful playground.



Thanks to Jim Gesin for installation of pergola
over the church bell.

More pictures on the photo page of
the church's website

<http://fpcsweetwater.org/>



Tres and Sadie Campbell along with their
families welcomes Milo Campbell into the
world on Father's Day,
8lb., 1 oz., 21.5 inches long.
They reside in Guthrie,
Texas.



Kay Staton's daughters, Kristen and Kimberly
are friendly face at Hendricks Medical
Center in Abilene.