

# FIRST PRESSES

*The Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville*

January 7, 2017

## CHURCH NEWS

**COMMUNION** will be offered at both services on Sunday, January 7th.

**CLUB 543** is an exciting club for children in 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. Christian fellowship, mission projects and discipleship are our goal! **The next meeting is at noon on January 7th** in Room 210. Lunch is offered. Contact Britany Spivey at [britany@firstprez.com](mailto:britany@firstprez.com) or 910-483-0121.



**CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL** – Pre-Cadet basketball for ages 8-10 has started and league play for the First Prez team begins today, January 5th. The game starts at 7 p.m. and will be played at the Snyder Memorial Baptist Church gymnasium. The opponent is St. John's Episcopal Church. Come out and cheer our team.

**STEWARDSHIP** – The theme this year is "Generations of Generosity" as the church reaffirms its connection to the families who have given so generously to the mission of Christ. Please fill out and return your pledge card to the church. You can also email your pledge to [joan@firstprez.com](mailto:joan@firstprez.com).

**SIGN UP ONLINE** for the ski trip in January. Go to "Youth Ministry" at [www.firstprez.com](http://www.firstprez.com).

**WEDNESDAY TOGETHER** resumes January 10th. Make this a **crazy sock night** and wear your wackiest, most outlandish foot appare! **See next page.**

**DINNER FOR SIX-ISH** – The next round of popular dinner and fellowship program is starting. If you haven't filled out a registration form before, please do so now. Forms are in Eller Hall. This round will go from January through March. Questions? Contact Lou Brooks (804) 928-5057 or [lobpt01@verizon.net](mailto:lobpt01@verizon.net).

**SALT PLANS LUNCHEON** – The Seasoned Adults group will have lunch at Luigi's Italian Restaurant on January 22, 2018, at noon. Call Melanie Strickland at 484-5905 by **January 14** to make reservations.

**TAPESTRY** – The Women's Bible Study is studying Beth Moore's "David: Seeking a Heart Like His" every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the Activity Room. The study continues January 11th.

**MOPS** – The next MOPS & MOMSNEXT meeting is January 21 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Activity Room. For information, contact Kerri Napoli at [firstprez-mops@gmail.com](mailto:firstprez-mops@gmail.com).



**CATECHISM CLASS** for 5th graders (and 6th graders who have not participated) begins January 21st at 4 p.m. The class delves into the fundamentals of our Christian beliefs and Presbyterian faith. Call Britany Spivey or the church office for more information.

**GET READY! GET SET! WORSHIP!** – The worship preparedness class for 1st graders begins January 28th during the Sunday School hour. Call Britany Spivey or the church office for more information.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** is for kindergarten and 1st graders during the 11 a.m. service. The teacher will stand in front of the Sanctuary to escort the children to Room 116 at the start of the second hymn.

**PW'S JANUARY SERVICE PROJECT.** Better Health provides assistance, referral, and education for unmet healthcare needs. Donations needed include cleaning supplies, paper products, disposable briefs and bed pads, diabetic testing strips, and liquid nutritional supplements such as Ensure, Boost, or Glucerna. Bring donations to the volunteer desk, upstairs bin, or the church office.

**MEALS THAT MATTER** – Teams prepare and deliver meals to church family members in need. Requests for meals may be directed through the church office. If interested in the Meals that Matter Ministry, please contact Debbie Williams ([debbiewilliams954@gmail.com](mailto:debbiewilliams954@gmail.com) or 910-485-2692).

## HAITI HEALTH KIT DAY FOR SATURDAY HAS BEEN CANCELLED!

The January 6th packaging event will not take place due to freezing temperatures on Saturday morning. There are no plans to reschedule.



## Ordination/Installation of Church Officers

Sunday, January 7

11 AM • The Sanctuary

## Wednesday Together Adult Classes

Meal – 5:15 p.m. • Classes – 6:00 p.m.  
Classes resume Jan. 10th

### "The Me I'd Like to Be"

**Instructor: Dr. Mike Garrett.** Join Dr. Garrett for five sessions looking at the historic, transforming practices Christians have used to become more like Jesus Christ. **Room 405**



### Wrestling with Grace

**Instructor: Dr. Donna Fowler-Marchant.** The Wednesday Together class continues with *Wrestling with Grace: A Spirituality for the Rough Edges of Daily Life* by Robert Corin Morris. The class began in the fall and will continue to be studied through the first half of the winter session. **Room 416**

### Tapestry 2.0: "The Gospel of Mark – The Jesus We're Aching For"

**Instructor: Kelly Sherrill.** This women's Bible study takes up author Lisa Harper's look at Mark. This gospel highlights Jesus' unparalleled spiritual power and authority. **Room 413**

### Yoga and Meditation

**Instructor: Susie McFadyen.** Suitable for beginners, this gentle yoga class will journey through several styles of yoga. Guided meditations will be Christian-based and self-reflective. **Sign up January 10.** Class begins January 17. **Room 232**

## first things first

The calendar below is an effort to keep you informed of the events happening at First Presbyterian Church. For a complete listing of activities, refer to our website at [www.firstprez.com](http://www.firstprez.com).

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

- 8:30a Worship & communion - Chapel
- 9:45a Sunday School
- 9:45a New elder training
- 10:45a Session meeting - Parlor
- 11:00a Worship & communion - Sanctuary
- 12:00p Club 543 - Room 210
- 1:00p Homebound Communion
- 1:30p Canticle Ringers - Handbell Room
- 4:00p Women's Ensemble - Choir Room
- 5:00p CRAVE youth
- 5:00p Stephen Ministry - Stephen Ministry offices

### MONDAY, JANUARY 8

- 9:30a First School - Chapel
- 12:00p Finance Committee - Room 225
- 1:30p Revelation Ringers - Handbell Room
- 6:00p Pre-Cadet practice - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00p Witness Committee - Room 225

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

- 9:30a First School - Chapel
- 10:00a Martha Circle - Parlor
- 4:30p VBS Committee - Room 207
- 4:45p Food Service Committee - Eller Hall
- 5:15p Children's Ministry meeting - Room 207
- 6:00p Hannah Circle - Chestnutt home
- 6:00p Deacons meeting - Activity Room
- 7:00p Men's Basketball - Fellowship Hall

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

- 12:00p Property Committee - Room 225
- 2:00p SALT Reading Group - Room 413
- 4:45p Millennial Ringers - Handbell Room
- 5:15p Wednesday meal - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00p Wednesday Together classes
- 6:00p Celebration Choir - Music Suite
- 7:00p C.E. Committee - Room 207

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

- 9:30p Tapestry - Activity Room
- 12:30p First Chapter Circle - Hilltop House

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

- Youth ski trip through January 15

# Knock Your Socks Off Potluck Dinner!



## Wednesday Together January 10, 2018

Kick-off Wednesday Together with a KNOCK YOUR SOCKS OFF event! Plan to wear your wackiest, most colorful, or most stylin' socks. Everyone is invited to participate – young and old! We will vote for 3 winners – Wackiest Sock, Most Colorful Sock, and Most Stylin' Sock!

*Please invite those who do not attend to come with you or bring a friend!*

### Stewardship 2018

## Generations of Generosity

Number of pledges: **180**  
Total to date: **\$1,204,136**

*As of Wednesday, January 3, 2018*

Have you made your pledge to the church mission for the upcoming year? Pledge cards are available around the church, or email your pledge to [joan@firstprez.com](mailto:joan@firstprez.com).

### The Two Cents Offering

The fund aids the Fayetteville Urban Ministry and the "House of Moses" Crisis Nursery in Lusaka, Zambia.  
**The Two Cents Offering on Sunday, December 31, 2017, was \$483.60.** The total to date is **\$8,834.30**. The next offering is Sunday, January 28, 2018.



### Procedures for January 10th:

1. Meals will start at 5:15 p.m.
2. Classes will start at 5:45 p.m. for children and 6 p.m. for adults.
3. Food should arrive by 5:10 p.m.
4. [Please sign-up online at www.firstprez.com](http://www.firstprez.com). We need main dishes, side dishes, salads, fruit, and breads.