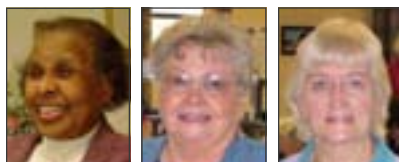


THE BELL RINGER

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



A PRAYER REQUEST

What friends my family has had in Laverne and Donald Dennis! Although Donald is with us in spirit, ever since our daughters were babies, he and Laverne have helped Daisy and Hope to know who to be and what to do. We sense also that there is a meaning that Laverne and Donald have received from us. Our relationship recalls to mind Psalm 145:4—“One generation shall laud Thy works to another”.

I pray that more relationships like these could happen in our church. Perhaps these kind of relationships are a sign of how we need to live as God's people. When Joel issued his prophetic call for prayerful repentance, he called for the children to be brought together and the aged assembled (Joel 1:13-2:17). Why did Joel single out the young and the old? Was it the innocence of the children and the faithfulness of the aged or that older adults had already tried every other idolatry imaginable and knew their hope was finally in God alone? As one of

your pastors, I believe God is always calling us to a revival of faith. Renewal requires a starting point. The church that would seek to increase a sense of faith and faithfulness would do well to heed Joel's practice of starting with those who are most likely to respond – the young and the old.

The next time you come to church, I hope you will look around at the people gathered in the pews. One of the greatest strengths of our congregation is that we are inter-generational: twenty percent of our members are under the age of 23, and thirty-one percent are over 60 years of age. The former have a youthful receptivity to God. The latter have lived through those dynamic experiences that our older church members know so well – the Great Depression, World War II, the Korean Conflict, the turbulent 60's and the Vietnam War.

Joel is mindful that God has given older adults gifts in life that must not be overlooked or taken for granted or little appreciated. Joel suggests

they are the people the church is to turn to when seeking God's wisdom. God moves mightily during the old age, as the biblical record confirms again and again. Consider the children born late in life to Abraham and Sarah (Gen. 21:2) and to Zechariah and Elizabeth (Luke 1:18; 36). Peter, preaching at Pentecost, quoted the prophet Joel, who declared that in the last days the young will see visions and the old will dream dreams (Acts 2:17). It is true that older folk may not be as visionary as they were when they were young, but they still have dreams, which I take to mean that they can still teach the teacher and preach to the preacher.

Please join me in praying that our church will find ways to make the elderly and the young available to each other, to clasp hands across the years, to enter into each other's lives, to create a space where each can be heard and listened to with careful attention. Let us learn of this act of God's loving kindness, for it has the power to profit us all. To God be the glory.

Jonathan

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WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST 1

The Master's Companions Sermon Series
**"James and James: The Son of Zebedee and
the Son of Alphaeus"**

Mark 3:18; Matthew 20:20-28; John 14:22-23

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

8:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: James Shore, Marge Smith, Deborah Susik

Prayer vigil: Carla and Paul Szafran

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Clay Brelsford, Suzanne Cook,
Laverne Dennis

Prayer vigil: Nancy and Bailey Salmon

Serving breakfast at Newgate Mission

The Master's Companions Sermon Series
"Philip: The First Disciple to Follow Jesus"

John 6

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

8:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Kathy and Paul Watson, Jim Brun

Prayer vigil: Pat Taylor, E. T. Testerman

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Mike and Pollie King, Donny McCoy

Prayer vigil: Ellen Adams, Wayne Major

**12:00 p.m. - Congregational Meeting for the purpose of
voting on the report of the Church Officer Nominating
Committee which will present the nominees for Church
Officer Class of 2013.**

AUGUST 8

The Master's Companions Sermon Series
"Thaddeus: The Disciple Who Became a Healer"

Luke 6:16; Matthew 10:3

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

8:30 a.m. - Worship-Communion

Greeters: Carla and Paul Szafran, Wil White

Prayer vigil: Donna and Jeff Kearns

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Marge and Tom Dome, Tiffany Jehorek

Prayer vigil: Sherry and Don Brown

AUGUST 29

The Master's Companions Sermon Series
"Judas: The Great Disappointment"

Matthew 26:14-16

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

8:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Christine and Lewis Beville, Nancy Clemens

Prayer vigil: Dede Byrd, Beverly Coleman

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: JoAnn and Richard Lazarus, Pearline Mitchell

Prayer vigil: Penny and Kirk Shields

AUGUST 15

The Master's Companions Sermon Series
"Hannah: The Courageous Companion"

1 Samuel 1:4-11; 2:1-10

The Rev. Shelley Kral

8:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Chan and Buster Turner, Buck Birdsong

Prayer vigil: Kathy and Paul Watson

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Amy and Marshall Jackson, Jim Lindsey

Prayer vigil: Kitty Booth, Joyce Moomau

AUGUST 22

*If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary in
honor or in memory of someone or some occasion, the
following dates are available: August 8, 15, 22, 29,
September 5 and 26. Please call or email the church
office if you are interested.*

IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT



Dixie McKinney, mother of Karen Yost

Our Christian sympathy is offered to
their family and friends

*Neither death nor life can separate us from
the love of God which is in Christ Jesus.*

-Romans 8:38

PCC, WOMEN, AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The coordinating team of the Presbyterian Women will not meet in August.

For any Circle members who plan to teach one (or more) of the Circle lessons from the Presbyterian Women's study book, "A Journey Through Revelation..." help is coming in the form of a class

taught by Shelley Kral. Please make every effort to attend the meeting on Wednesday, August 25 at 5:30 p.m. in the church parlor. A light dinner will be served. So that sufficient food can be made, please RSVP to Kathy Watson at <paulwatson@cablelynx.com> or 903-663-9348.

Presbyterian Women will have their first General Meeting and Luncheon for 2010-11 on Tuesday, September 28. More information will be included in the next Bell Ringer.



YOUTH MINISTRY

I wanted to express my appreciation for the support and prayers for our mission trip to Peru. We had an awesome time with the people of Peru and with each other. Thank you for allowing us to be an extension of the body of Christ. If you did not see the pictures and/or read the blog, here are the links to those:

samsmead.zenfolio.com and

www.freemanlife.wordpress.com

In Christ,

Jason Hubbard

Youth Director of FPC Longview

KEEP IN TOUCH!

Help us stay in touch with your high school graduates as they take up residence at college, the military, etc. Please submit their new addresses as soon as you have them with a date that they are in use so we can send them newsletters and the all-important Care packages!

AUGUST DATES OF NOTE

Enjoy your last few weeks of summer vacation and be ready to start youth fellowship in September.

- Senior High Celebration at Gilmont is August 6-8
- Youth Fellowship Kickoff will be September 12.



PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S CENTER

PCC BACK-TO-SCHOOL

August is upon us and we are excited about the new school year.

PCC still has a few openings for full or part time students. Please contact the PCC office for further information 903-757-8672.

Important dates in August are:

- Tuesday, 8/17—PCC teacher orientation
- Friday, 8/20—PCC closed
- Monday, 8/23—PCC begins new year! Open House at 5:30 p.m.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." -Matthew 19:14

Church School starts at 9:45 am and ends at 10:45 a.m.
All children are released to parents only

SUMMER CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHOOL
KID'S QUEST CATECHISM CLUB
FOR PRESCHOOL 4'S THROUGH 5TH GRADE.

Classes and Locations:

Two's/Three's room 115

Preschool/Kindergarten—Room 106

Elementary I (1st—3rd) -room 204

Elementary II (4th -5th) -room 202

Please see Summer Booklet for
Parental leadership schedule.

Summer Church School continues through August 29

All Students are grade promoted for September 1



Fall Workshop Rotation has several openings.

Please contact Tammy Moyes if you can take a particular area or month.

Sept 12-Oct 3—Joseph's Coat of Many Colors- Art or Computer Rotation

Oct 10-31—Joseph in Egypt—Science or Video Rotation

Nov 2-28—Ruth and Naomi—Art or Video Rotation

Dec 5-19—the Angel's Announcement—cooking Rotation

Third Grade Bible Presentations will be made on Rally Day, September 5 during the 10:30 am worship Service.

Third graders receiving Bibles are;

Ainsley Daugbjerg, Hudson Finley, Victoria Hester, Verona McLemore, Eliana Melton, Gracie Roberts, and Mackenzie Wyche.

Children's Sub-committee Meeting to plan Fall Activities

Sunday August 1, 2010

5:00 pm in the Parlor

Confirmation Class 2011 is now forming!

All 5th or 6th grade students and parents are invited to the

2011 Class Orientation.

Sunday, August 29, 2010

4:30—7 p.m.

Camp Gilmont

Hwy 155 Gilmer TX



Parents and Students will be presented an overview of the confirmation program, class dates, special events and opportunities. After the presentation a meal will be served in the dining hall for all parents, students and siblings.

Is it hard to have Jesus as your hero? After a fun-filled week with the Camp Gilmont summer counselors and 51 active campers and a host of wonderful volunteers...the answer is no! I can not thank everyone enough for supporting this wonderful week. Tammy Moyes



FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Fellowship Groups are places where individuals come together to share with one another what God is doing in their lives. In the process they become a gospel community: relationally driven people seeking to increase, and live from, their knowledge and experience of God.

Groups meet together on a regular basis, engage in prayer and meaningful conversation, and study biblical curriculums.

Following are quotes from Fellowship Group participants:

"Studying the Bible and other materials in small groups has provided the basis for thoughtful discussion and fellowship that have led to lasting and valuable friendships as I seek to learn more about our Lord and about living the Christian life." – Karen Harris

"The group has been a rich time to sit with other men, and hear what God is up to in their lives. It is a good place

for friendships to deepen as we journey together." – Chad Melton

"It humbles me to have people in the group who are willing to be real and share their thoughts and ideas. We often live isolated lives and fellowship groups are a safe place to grow. I have been grateful for the people I was able to get to know on a real level instead of just 'hello, nice to see you' at church or church suppers."

– Nancy Salmon

"I really enjoy the intimacy of the group - listening and learning about how God is working in each person's life and how real he is. I also like how our group is intergenerational. It has been the best place for me to connect with other people in our church on a personal level and to begin relationships and friendships that go beyond a hello in the hallway."

– Ginia Northcutt

For more information or if you are interested in joining a group, contact Shelley: shelleykral@fpclongview.org or 903.757.2525.

Fellowship Groups occurring this Fall include:

- Tuesday Morning Men's Group: Registering now
- Wednesday Morning Women's Group: This group is currently FULL.
- Thursday Morning Women's Group: Registering now
- Thursday Evening Women's Group: This group is currently FULL.
- Thursday Evening Co-ed Group: Registering Now



Karen Harris, Carla Szafran and Nancy Salmon are active in Fellowship Groups

MUSIC MINISTRY—MO RANCH/PAM WORSHIP AND MUSIC 2010

In June a small but enthusiastic group from our church (Richard Holsomback, Karoleta Stone, Karen Harris, Tim Konvalin, and Don, Sherry and Katelyn Brown) attended the Worship and Music Conference at Mo Ranch. This was an amazing week of doing just what the title of the conference suggested, worshiping and making music. Choirs of voices, handbells, instruments and drums, comprised of people of all ages, joined together preparing for worship and times of celebration. Highlights of worship included a renewal of baptismal vows at the river, taking communion, and an extended time of worship at "The Chapel on the Hill" with everyone in attendance playing a drum, percussion instrument, tone chime or boom whacker.

Next year's Worship and Music has already been set and is being planned. Reserve the date and be a part of this amazing conference. June 19-24, 2011
All Creatures Bless You Creator



Katelyn ringing handbells (and concentrating)



Tim, Richard, Karoleta and Karen "drummin' on the hill"



Worship Leader K. C. Ptomey



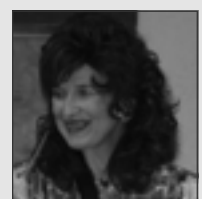
Richard directing the instrumental ensemble



Tim in rehearsal



Don and Sherry enjoying the barbecue at the river



Handbell director Cynthia Dobrinski

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

THANK YOU'S

From Amanda Horne Nance, husband Mark and sons Nathaniel and Karl:

Thank you for the engraved baby Bible for Karl and the knitted washcloth. We appreciate you thinking of us during this joyful time.

From Marjorie Davis:

Thanks for being so thoughtful—your kindness is appreciated. The flower arrangement was beautiful that Liz brought to me. I enjoyed receiving them.

From Joseph W. Hill, General Presbyter, Presbytery of the Pines [in response to the donation of \$281.15 given by the children of FPC during the 2009-2010 church school year]:

Thank you for the contribution ... to the Living Waters for the World mission project of the Presbytery of the Pines. The thoughtfulness and generosity as a supporter of this ministry is inspiring and gratefully appreciated. This gift will allow the Presbytery program to grow and impact the lives of God's children through clean water.

From the Grace Presbytery Summer Camps Counselors:

Thank you very much for allowing us to host a Grace Camps week here at your church. We had an amazing time with all of the campers and helpers who participated. We also feel truly grateful for the outpouring of support that we received from the congregation. Thank you.

From Karen and Matt Yost:

Words cannot express our heartfelt gratitude for all the cards, texts, emails, kind words, flowers, plants, hugs and especially prayers we received after the sudden loss of our mother, Dixie. Each and every prayer was felt. We are so blessed to be in this church family.

THANK YOU TO...

Felicia and Jack Moore for providing the church with communion ware used at the 2010 General Assembly in Minneapolis, Minnesota in July. The blue earthenware chalice and plate were made by a local Minnesota potter and are stamped with the PCUSA logo and authenticated as having been used to serve communion to the participants of the 219th General Assembly. Look for these items to be in use during our future celebrations of the Lord's Supper.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent need: Randy Cook, Jim Yancey

Continuing need: Bill Hollingsworth, Jeff Kearns, Mainard McCabe, Diana McMahon, Terry Wohlfahrt, Richard Fuhrman, Mack Baushke, Martha Armstrong, Davis Bankston, Lukas Wyche, Leslie Konvalin, Jack Vander Woude, Biff Cook, Mary Crawford, Hugh Taylor, Garland Baldwin, Elizabeth Stevenson, Mildred Shelton, Lottie McWhorter, Catherine Steinmeyer, Dorothy Bartlett, Janette Canterbury, Judy Suter, Brenda Taliaferro

OUR MILITARY FAMILY:

Iraq: David Morris, Stuart Gray, Tanner Bagley, Derek Czapnik

Germany: Angela Hammett

U.S.: Austin Bogert, James Barnhill, Jeff Beckworth, Malisa Hammett, Kyle Moseley, Brad Parr, Justin Phillips, Christopher Ray, Joshua Ray

Coast Guard: Justin Vaughan

Others: Patrick Amalfi, James V. Browder, Justin L. Browder, Colin Byrd, Ryan Byrd, Jeffrey Clark, Nate Cole, Mark Curtis, William Daniels, Joel Davidson, Charles Galloway, Mitch Hall, Julie Hodges, Brian Hughes, Brad Jones, Brandon Jones, Steven Lewis, Tyson Mabry, Justin Miller, Michael Smith

OUR RETIREMENT FAMILY:

Ray Hall, Mack Baushke - *Colonial Village*

Jean George, John Whitaker, Anne Wyant - *Hawkins Creek*

Dorothy Chandler, Grace Raney, Helena and Roy Talmage
- *Buckner Westminster Place*

Evelyne Busch, Rosa Lamb, Judy Martin - *Buckner Greenhouse*

Betty Denton, Dot Word - *Songbird Assisted Living*

Bill White - *Kilgore Manor, Kilgore*

Vi Jamison - *Oak Tree Assisted Living, New Braunfels*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO USHER

Robbie Sherrod, chair of the ushering subcommittee, has diligently lined up ushers for the 11 o'clock services thus far, but is having difficulty filling the positions for the future. If you can help in this valuable service to the church, please contact Robbie at 903-297-3140 or robsherrod@aol.com to volunteer.

BIRTHDAYS, STEWARDSHIP AND CLERK'S CORNER

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1 - Alisa Yancey	17 - Emily Dugan
2 - Caedmon Liebengood	Tony Godsey
Jim Lindsey	18 - Nancy Clemens
3 - Dorothy Appel	Maddie Shore
Alex Bickham	19 - Jon Kral
Michael Goolsby	Nancy Salmon
Jack Johnson	Andrew Yancey
4 - Gaynelle Brashear	20 - Byron Horne
Erin McCabe	Kristi Hunt
Sandra Skoog	Anna Rue
5 - Jeff Kearns	Matt Yost
Jason Player	21 - Brian Daugbjerg
Bob Sweat	22 - Doug Allen
6 - Henry Dugan	Kyle Bickham
Nathan Johnson	Beverly Brenner
7 - Nell Mitchell	Barbara Fairbanks
8 - Bob Osborne	Cody Parks
Grant Shore	Sandra Shipp
9 - Meg Cox	Beckanne Sisk
Chad Johnson	23 - Gary Borders
Carolyn Langseth	Jerry Martin
Tom McMahan	24 - Jason Walker
10 - Donald Armstrong	25 - Jeremy Lane
Chloe McMahan	26 - Sole Coleman
Pearline Mitchell	Mary Goll
Elisabeth Mobley	Jenelle Kral
Clark Presley	Steve Paine
Phillip Smith	Lisa Richardson
11 - Logan Deeks	Carroll Shipp
12 - Clay Brelsford	27 - Kathie Ramey
Rob Foster	Ann Werline
Megan Hedgecock	28 - Adam Burton
13 - Christine Beville	Kristy Hawkins
Mary Taylor	Joe Jordan
14 - Gena Bunn	Lesley Jordan
Craig Cave	Leeann Kienzle
Bob Moomau	Betty Vaughan
16 - Steve Bratteli	30 - Matthew Armstrong
Mainard McCabe	31 - Chloe Liebengood
Donny McCoy	Jack Mitchell
	Casey Rathbun



FINANCIAL REPORT—JUNE

Monthly Receipts	\$82,900	[Budget \$93,247]
Monthly Expenses	\$94,300	[Budget \$96,151]
Year to date net Income under Expenses—	-(69,370)	

Mission Donations paid from budget

Sick & Relief assistance	166
Newgate Breakfast	205
Contingencies	304
Grace Presbytery, Synod, PCUSA	4167
Theological Education/PCUSA	267
Newgate Stewpot	200
Meals on Wheels	150
House of Hope	2800
Longview Community Ministries	500
Food Box	150
Literacy Council	200
LIHN (Longview Interfaith Hosp Network)	1000
Habitat for Humanity	1000
PCHAS (Itasca)	750
Medical Benevolence Foundation (MBF)	500

Donations in addition to budget

Haiti	200
Living Waters Project-Presbytery of the Pines	400
World Mission	100

Quarterly statements were mailed on July 16

Automatic giving available

With the summer travel season here, you can keep your giving consistent through electronic draft. Go to www.fpclongview.org - then go to "Serve" and click on "online giving".

LCM FOOD BOX FOR AUGUST

Our Food Box is located in front of Grace Hall

Food needs: canned meats, tuna, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, cereal/oatmeal, canned fruits, beans, rice.

All hygiene products are needed.

Volunteers are needed to pick up food donations.

For more information, contact Hope Elliott, program manager at lcmprogram@cablelynx.com or cal 903-753-3561, ext 207.



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kimstanley@fpclongview.org
The next Bellringer will be
published August 25, 2010.

**NEXT CURSILLO WEEKEND
OCTOBER 21-24, 2010
AT CAMP GILMONT!**

**Contact Karen Harris for more information
or to register, go to the website:**

www.ntpcursillo.org

CHURCH DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Our 2010-11 church directory will be printed this summer. If you are a member or frequent visitor and your contact information has changed within the last year, please contact the church office at 903-757-2525 or kimstanley@fpclongview.org.

As always, we *hope* to have the new directory available on Rally Day, September 5, so please let us know as *soon as possible* of any changes. Thank you very much for your assistance creating this important document in the life of our church.

**NEXT SENIOR ADULT RETREAT AT
CAMP GILMONT**

SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2010

“MORE PRECIOUS THAN GOLD”

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER DR. BOB CRILLEY
OF 1ST PRESBYTERIAN, GRAPEVINE**

Our own Lien Ege will be presenting a workshop
on yoga and stretching.

Other sessions on nature photography, small
construction projects, etc. will be offered.

Cost is \$125 each or \$225 for couples.

Day trip cost is \$35/day/person.

Registration forms are available in church office.