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This week at First Presbyterian....

Sunday, November 18
 8:30 a.m. Worship - Gallant Chapel
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 11:30 a.m. Middle School Lunch & Hike w/Central Pres
 12:00 p.m. Private Event - McDougald Rm
 5:30 p.m. High School Dinner & Bible Study

Monday, November 19
 1:00 p.m. Seekers Bible Study - Rm 212
 5:55 p.m. Yoga - FLC
 6:00 p.m. Pack 41 - Kirk

Tuesday, November 20
 9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
 10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
 12:15 p.m. Chancel Chimers - Session Rm
 2:00 p.m. Staff meeting - Library
 3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212
 5:30 p.m. Mission Ministry - Parlor

Wednesday, November 21
Daycare Closed
 12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - FLC

Thursday, November 22 - Happy Thanksgiving
Daycare Closed
Church Office Closed
 12:00 p.m. Haven of Rest meal served in FLC

Friday, November 23
Daycare Closed
Church Office Closed
 5:00 p.m. Wedding in Chapel

Saturday, November 24
 No scheduled events

CHANCEL GUILD

Members of the Chancel Guild will be decorating the sanctuary for Advent on Friday, December 14 at 9:00am. They are in need of fresh greenery to use - if you have some in your yard you can donate please bring and put on breezeway on Thursday, December 13. They will undecorate the sanctuary on Thursday, December 27 at 9:00am. Questions? Call Libby Winkler or Dianne Hollingsworth.

Annual Advent Event
"Unwrapping Advent"
Wednesday, November 28th
5:30—7:30pm

Everyone is invited to join us for our "Unwrapping Advent" event. We will enjoy a simple meal together before getting busy with our creations. This year, each family will create a wooden Christmas scene to put on your fireplace hearth or by your front door, assemble a special "unwrapping Advent" package for home, and make a variety of smaller ornaments as well.

Cost: \$5 per person for meal
 + \$5 per person for supplies
 (\$35 family max)

Call Jennifer Stewart or the church office to reserve your space today!
 Reservations are important to ensure we have enough supplies. 225-2551

ANGEL TREE

Be a part of making a child's Christmas wishes come true by adopting an Angel this year. Gift ideas and clothing sizes will be listed on each Angel to help you with shopping. Your donation will make a child's Christmas extra special, and in some cases will be the only gifts that child will receive. The Angel tree is in the hallway behind the sanctuary. Wrapped gifts will be due back to the church office in early December.

With Sympathy

The Christian sympathy of the pastor and congregation is expressed to **Dwight Burrell and family** on the death of his wife **Ann Burrell** on November 7.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
 November 18, 2018
 10:30am



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 302 West Whitner Street
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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

10:30 A.M.

Welcome!

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ today. We are delighted you have chosen to join us. Whether you are a longtime FPC disciple or a new friend, please sign the fellowship pad in the pew.

WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE	<i>Prelude and Chaconne</i>	Buxtehude
ANNOUNCEMENTS		Laura Jones
INTROIT	<i>Author of Faith, Eternal Word</i> Chancel Choir	Helvey

WE PRAISE GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

God is our refuge and strength
Our very present help in trouble
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
Though its waters roar and foam,
Though the mountains tremble with its tumult
God's unending love is our refuge and our strength
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Come Let us Worship to God!

◆ HYMN 14 *For the Beauty of the Earth* DIX

◆ LITANY OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, We confess that we have not always lived up to the witness of Jesus Christ.

We confess how difficult it is to truly love the people around us; to care as deeply for their well-being as for our own, to delight in their good fortune without feeling envious. We confess how often we act out of our own self-interest; putting our needs and desires ahead of the needs of others, hoarding our resources rather than sharing them freely.

Forgive us. Teach us to live with generosity and compassion.

We confess how easy it is to do what we know is wrong: to rationalize our bad decisions and behaviors, to make excuses for our hurtful words and actions.

Forgive us. Teach us to turn away from what is wrong and pursue what is right.

We confess that we find it very difficult to love our enemies: to pray for their well-being, to act in their best interests, to leave thoughts of vengeance behind.

Forgive us. Teach us to love even those who hurt or offend us.

You call us to turn away from the behaviors and attitudes of the world around us; and to be renewed and transformed by Your grace at work in our lives.

Through Your Holy Spirit, continue the work that You have begun in us, so that our words and deeds may bring honor and glory to You.

◆ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit if you are able. You are invited to join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in bold.

◆ GLORIA PATRI 581 GREATOREX

God Created Everything Schram
Cherub Choir

O How Majestic Schram
Come, Let Us Sing Bailey
Children's Choir

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(Our young disciples, ages 5k and under, are dismissed for extended worship.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 1:5-9* Pew Bible, p. 657

NEW TESTAMENT READING *Romans 12:9-21* Pew Bible, p. 142

SERMON *"Do Not Lag in Zeal"* Rev. Deborah G. Foster

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Hymnal p. 35

◆ HYMN 643 *Now Thank We All Our God*
(Verse 1 only) NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

OFFERTORY *The Dream Isaiah Saw* Rudolph
Chancel Choir

◆ DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH, Hymnal, pg. 606

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

◆ HYMN 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* AR HYD Y NOS

◆ BENEDICTION

◆ POSTLUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* arr. Burkhardt

As a courtesy to those worshipping with you today, please silence cell phones during our service. Please let our ushers know if you need directions to the nursery or to pick your child up from Extended Worship. A video broadcast of the service is available downstairs for those who may need to leave the sanctuary. The ushers can direct you to this room.

Please check with an usher if you would like large print hymns. After worship, we invite you to keep your bulletin or place in the recycle baskets at each entrance.

THANK YOU!

The sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Glenn Hellenga for his birthday by Nancy Hellenga.