

## Confirmation

Calling all 8<sup>th</sup> Graders! Sign up for Confirmation by contacting Chandler, 954-232-4378 and/or ChandlerG@firstpres.cc.

## Concert Series: The Westminster Concert Handbell Choir

Sunday afternoon, January 20 at 4pm  
These students from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J. are on tour throughout the southern states and have appeared here several times. They play on the largest set of handbells in the world and always present a great program of music of all kinds. It is as much of a joy to see and watch as it is to hear them. Invite a friend to come with you! No tickets or admission charge.

## AAC [Adult Activity Center]

- Thursday, January 17 at 11:15 am in Fellowship Hall
- **Happening this week: Presidents and their First Ladies, dramatically speaking William and Sue Wills present Theodore and Edith Roosevelt**  
Cost: \$9, Menu Selection: Stuffed Pork Chop, RSVP by Monday mornings at 10 am to Laura Ziegler, 954-598-9312 / Lauraz@firstpres.cc.
  - **Now accepting reservations for our February Day Excursion to the Wick Theater in Boca Raton:** Lunch at Tavern at the Wick and Broadway Performance of *Funny Girl*. Call the AAC office for details and pricing!
  - **Sign up for our AAC Afternoon Activities:**  
Thursdays at 1:15 pm in Room 200
    - Long Term Care w/ John Ripley - January 17 and 31
    - AARP Senior Safe Driving Course - February 21 and 28

## Christian Women Connect:

Thursdays 9:45am fellowship / 10am Bible study and reflection  
Held in the Study & Renewal Center. New Bible Study: "You Make Me Crazy" Bible study with Rick Warren. Study guides available. Contact Mona Petersen 954-598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc.

## Pebbles of Faith

Tuesday, January 22, 6pm potluck dinner, 6:30 Study & reflection  
Room NC-218. We continue with "The Gospel of Mark" with Lisa Harper.  
Contact Kim White: west\_kim@bellsouth.net

## Father-Daughter Lil Sweetheart Dance

Thursday, February 7, 6-8pm  
Join us for a fun evening where memories are made. The evening includes dinner, dancing, and entertainment. For ages 3 and up. Dads, grandfathers, uncles, or any other special someone are welcome. Attire is semi-formal. Cost is \$15pp. Paid reservations are needed by February 1. Please contact Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341.  
\*You can now pay using our FirstPresFTL app. (click on give/other/give one time) Please specify Father-Daughter Dance in the memo and the number of tickets needed.



## CHILDREN

Up to 5th grade

**Children's Sunday School**  
Sundays / 9:30am  
Pre K 2-4: Room NC 120  
K-5th grade: Rooms NC 219-223

**Children's Chapel Time**  
Sundays / 11:00am / Watts Chapel  
Pre K 4-5th grade

## YOUTH & COLLEGE

6th grade thru college

**High School ALPHA Series**  
Wednesdays / 6:30pm / the Harbor  
**Middle School Sunday School**  
Sundays / 9:30 / the Harbor  
Contact: Chandler Gelb (954) 232-4378

## ADULTS

Beginning at 21 yrs

**YOUNG ADULTS**  
Tuesdays / 6:15pm / Floridian Restaurant  
Contact: Simeon Rodgers 954.706.2292  
Ask about the Facebook group for updates!

## ADULT STUDIES

**Small Group Bible Study: 1 Corinthians**  
Wednesdays / 6:30pm / Room NC-216

**"Grow With the Gospels"**  
Wednesdays / 6:30pm / Chapel In The Sky

**"The Gospel of Mark for Everyone"**  
Sundays / 9:30am / Room NC-216

**Small Group Bible Study: 1 Corinthians**  
Sundays / 10:45am / Room NC-216

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Room NC-202 (Neumann Center Library)

**Morning Bible Study for Men**  
Tuesdays / 7:45am

**Bible Study and Lunch**  
Thursdays / 12:00pm

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

**Christian Women Connect**  
**Women's Morning Bible Study**  
"You Make Me Crazy!- Surviving Relationships God's Way"  
Thursdays / Study & Renewal Center  
**January 10th - February 14th**  
9:45am Fellowship  
10:00am Study and reflection  
Contact: MonaP@firstpres.cc / 954.598.9345

**Pebbles of Faith**  
**Women's Evening Bible Study**  
"The Gospel of Mark - The Jesus We Are Aching For"  
Fourth Tuesdays / 6:00pm  
Room NC-220  
(Potluck dinner with study and discussion to follow)  
Contact: www.west\_kim@bellsouth.net

**Faith and Fellowship Opportunities**  
Study & Renewal Center

**Friends of Women of Faith**  
First Tuesdays / 6:00pm  
Contact: mkramer113@bellsouth.net

**Tea & Table Talk**  
Second Tuesdays / 2:00pm  
Contact: margaretbuchholz@bellsouth.net

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**CHURCH-WIDE LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: "HE CHOSE THE NAILS"**  
**MARCH 13 - APRIL 10**

## Congregational Care Support Groups

**Divorce Care Support Group** / A new 13-week Divorce Care group begins January 16th  
Wednesdays / 6:30pm / Study & Renewal Center  
Contact: carpenter.kristen@yahoo.com and visit: [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org)

**Caregiver Support Group** / 1st Wednesdays / 11:00am / Study & Renewal Center  
Contact Alina Aiken alzacs.org@gmail.com

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.FIRSTPRES.CC](http://WWW.FIRSTPRES.CC) // Contact Our Ministry Directors:  
CHILDREN'S - Cindy Vason, Director (954) 598-9342 / CindyV@firstpres.cc  
YOUTH & COLLEGE - Chandler Gelb, Interim Director (954) 598-9361 / ChandlerG@firstpres.cc  
YOUNG ADULTS Simeon Rodgers, Intern (954) 598-9361 / SimeonR@firstpres.cc  
ADULTS - Mona Petersen, Director (954) 598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc



11 AM

January 13, 2019  
Baptism of the Lord

Welcome to worship! As a courtesy to others around you, please silence your cell phone. Nursery service is available in the Neumann Center for children aged 3 and younger. Ask an usher for assistance, if needed.

## SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Loving God,  
we begin this new day in the sure knowledge  
that You have claimed us as Your children.  
In all that we do,  
keep us mindful of actions that are pleasing in Your sight.  
In all that we say,  
make us attentive to the witness we give to Your love.  
Let our lives be an example to all whom we encounter,  
living as daughters and sons of God  
who follow in the path of Jesus, our Lord and our brother. Amen.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** REV. DR. PATRICK H. WRISLEY

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** SUSAN DODD, organ

**CALL TO WORSHIP** REV. DR. PATRICK H. WRISLEY

\*HYMN 485 "To God Be the Glory" WILLIAM HOWARD DOANE

**AFFIRMING WHAT WE BELIEVE** REV. DR. PATRICK H. WRISLEY  
*What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

**That I belong – body and soul, in life and in death – not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

*The First Question and Answer from The Heidelberg Catechism*

\*PASSING THE PEACE

**SCRIPTURE READING** Isaiah 43:1-7 O.T. PAGE 672

**ANTHEM** "Here I Am, Lord" KIRK SINGERS  
– Daniel Schutte

## THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

Constitutional Questions: Rev. Patrick H. Wrisley – Elders

Rev. Pamela Masten – Deacons

Elder Mary Alice Denny – Congregation

Prayer of Ordination: Rev. Patrick H. Wrisley

Declaration of Ordination and Installation: Rev. Patrick H. Wrisley

**ANTHEM** “Offertory” (Micah 6: 6-8) CATHEDRAL CHOIR  
– John Ness Beck

**PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER** REV. NICHOLAS B. MERCHANT

**Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## SHARING OUR GIFTS

**OFFERTORY** “This is the Day the Lord Has Made” CATHEDRAL CHOIR  
(Psalm 118)  
– Mark Hayes

## \*DOXOLOGY

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND ILLUMINATION** REV. PAMELA MASTEN

**PREACHING TEXT** Acts 16:6-10 N.T. PAGE 136

**THE MESSAGE** “Come Over and Help Us” REV. PAMELA MASTEN  
*Candidate, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care*

**\*HYMN 339** “Be Thou My Vision” SLANE

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**\*INVITATION AND BLESSING** REV. PAMELA MASTEN

*We welcome to ministry our incoming Elders and Deacons being ordained and installed to service today!*

### Elders, Class of 2019

Karen Owen

### Elders Class of 2021

Kathy Craven Kathy Mayers

Sarah Del Negri James (Jim) Sabin

Karyn Greep Charles(Chuck) Whiteman

### Deacons Class of 2021

Carol Callahan James (Jim) Mahon

Joann C. Kratky Sandra(Sandy) Steffen

Melrose E. Whittaker

## WELCOME GUESTS!

- Please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshment outside the Neumann Center after worship.
- Restrooms are located through the double doors at the front left side of the Sanctuary.
- Please feel free to follow today’s scripture readings on your mobile device. To access WiFi go to fp\_guest. Password: fpcguest
- For families with young children: We have a “crying room” located in the Spanish Room with a live stream of the service. (Also through the double doors at the front left side of the Sanctuary.)

### Children’s Sunday School Schedule:

- **9:30am** in the Neumann Center – All children will come together during the Contemporary worship service for a children’s message and then will be led by their teachers to their respective classrooms. • PreK 3 & 4 in Room NC 120 • K-5<sup>th</sup> grade in Rooms NC 219, 221, 223 (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)
- **11am** Children’s Chapel in Watts Chapel (PreK4-5<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Nursery care is available during all 3 services in Room NC 126

## THE CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION IS EXTENDED:

To the family and friends of Marge Adams who died on December 25, 2018; and

To Kim Dubois and the Weber family on the death of Kim’s uncle, Ted Dubois.

**LEADING US IN WORSHIP TODAY:** Rev. Dr. Patrick H. Wrisley, *Senior Pastor*, Rev. Nicholas B. Merchant, *Associate Pastor*, Rev. Pamela Masten, *Candidate, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care*

**PLEASE VISIT** <http://firstpres.cc/about-us/staff/> for the full staff listing.

**FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL** are given in loving memory of our parents, Olive Rohlf and Donald MacLachlan, by Jane Grieger and Sue Young.

**WORSHIP FLOWERS** Please call 954-462-6200.

Available dates: January 20, January 27

Our Deacons weekly divide the altar flowers that are not taken by the sender and deliver them to our Care Connects and to any others who might need cheering up. If you have any unused bud vases, thank you for bringing them to church for use by our Deacons in this ministry.

**THE PRAYER PAGER MINISTRY** enables you to let someone know that you have just prayed for them. It is an easy, anonymous, and effective way of providing encouragement and comfort during a difficult time. Please call the church office if you, or someone you know, could use this means of caring support.

**This week, please pray for:**

Yvonne Bachman – call pager number 954-823-0118

**HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:**

Gloria Neer – Holy Cross Hospital

*If you or someone you love is in the hospital, please let us know. HIPAA laws do not allow the hospitals to call and inform us, so we rely on you. Thank you in advance.*

## ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN NEED OF PRAYER?

We are a praying church and have a team of prayer warriors who will pray and lift up your prayer requests and praises each week. Please write them on your connect card or email them to **DarleenC@firstpres.cc** to be placed on our prayer letter. If you would like to pray with someone in person, there will be a team in front of the steps after the service each week. Would you like to be a prayer warrior? Please email Darleen to receive our weekly prayer letter.

## FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST RESUMES TODAY!

We offer breakfast in the St. Andrew’s Room every Sunday morning from 9am – 10:45am. So whatever service you attend – you can still join us for a delicious, homemade breakfast before or after church. Come fellowship with friends, new and old! Cost is \$5 per person. No RSVP needed.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale calls a Congregational Meeting TODAY at the conclusion of the 11 am worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. All members in good standing of First Presbyterian Church, Fort Lauderdale, are eligible to be heard and vote in a congregational meeting.

## New Member Orientation

Become a member of our First Pres family on January 27, 2019 from 10:30am – 11am in the Binger Conference Room, S-114 (1<sup>st</sup> floor of the church building, in the Apostles hallway).

## Happyland Registration for FPC Members

Begins Monday, January 14  
Schedule a tour to find out why Happyland is right for your family. Registration opens to the general public on February 4, so reserve your seat now by calling 954-463-6051!

## Divorce Care: New Support Group beginning Wednesday, January 16

A 13-week session for those going through or who have had a separation or divorce. Workbook: \$20. Contact Kristin Carpenter at [carpenter.kristin@yahoo.com](mailto:carpenter.kristin@yahoo.com).

## The Souper Bowl of Caring is coming!

Start your shopping now for canned food and soups to support our youth in this mission!

*If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?*

– 1 John 3:17