

Please God Don't Let Me Screw This Up with Lyette Reback, author

Wednesday, February 3 at 9:15 am, second floor of Neumann Center
You do not need to be a MOPS member (Mothers of Preschoolers) to hear Lyette's amazing story about the most important parenting lessons that each of her fifteen children have taught her. Lyette will have her book available to purchase for \$15. Please RSVP to CindyV@firstpres.cc.

Wednesday Night Live! 5 pm – 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall

Chef Kevin is serving Meatloaf with mushroom sauce. RSVP required by Monday at noon to Mona Petersen at 954-598-9345 or MonaP@firstpres.cc.

The Adult Activity Center for Senior Adults (AAC)

Thursday, February 4: **Square Dancing with Jack Lewis**
11:15 am each Thursday – 12:15 pm Lunch [RSVP please!]
We are excited to have with us world renowned Square Dancing Caller, Jack Lewis and guests all the way from Boynton Beach. They will be performing their Square Dancing routines for us and we will also have the chance to join them.

Chef Kevin is serving Meatloaf with mushroom sauce.
Please RSVP to Tricia Young at 954-598-9344 or TriciaY@firstpres.cc.

Christian Women Connect! Women's Bible Study this Thursday, Feb. 4

Join us for an in-depth study of the cross with Max Lucado, *He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart*.
This week: *I Will Let You Choose - God's Promise through the Two Crosses* facilitated by Mona Petersen. Fellowship at 9:45 am, Study 10 -11 am, Reflection & Discussion 11-11:30 am, held in the Study and Renewal Center. Participant Workbooks available for \$15. For more information, contact Laura Ziegler at 954-598-9312 or LauraZ@firstpres.cc.

***Join us on February 4 following class at Louie Bossi's Ristorante & Pizzeria on East Las Olas Blvd. for First Thursday Lunch.**

SERRV International Valentine's Day Sale next Sunday, February 7

Remember your special someone with a unique gift from SERRV International! Come by the Spanish Room **NEXT** Sunday February 7 and purchase a gift for your loved one or buy something special for your home. The SERRV Sale has unique foods, cookware, and other handmade items crafted by artisans worldwide who need your support. Your purchase gives them the means to be a blessing to their families.

Advertise in the Kirk Singer Playbill

If you have a business or service and would like to advertise in the Playbill of the upcoming Kirk Singer production of *Once Upon a Mattress*, please contact Karyn Greep at 5greeps@bellsouth.net for more information and pricing. Tickets for the show go on sale **next** Sunday, February 7. The dates of the show are March 3-6.

Beth Moore Living Proof Live! Get Your Ticket TODAY!!!

\$84 includes ticket plus transportation to the event in Miami both Friday April 1 and Saturday April 2. Contact Mona Petersen at 954-598-9345 or MonaP@firstpres.cc.

SEATS FILLING FAST!!!

"Little Miss Sweetheart" Father/Daughter Dance

Thursday, February 11, 6 to 8pm in Fellowship Hall, \$15 per person
Ages 4 – 13, attire is semi-formal. Reservations are necessary by February 3. Please contact Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341 or email CindyV@firstpres.cc.

4th Annual Habitat for Humanity Bike to Build

Sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale
February 13, 2016 at 7:30 am. For more information, contact Kelley Jackson at 954-868-9275 or kelley_jackson@comcast.net.

FPC Concert Series:

The Gold Coast Jazz Society presents "Love Songs and Jazz Ballads"

Sunday, February 14 at 4 pm, held in our Sanctuary.
There is no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be taken. The ensemble consists of two vocalists, piano, guitar, sax, drums, and bass. It will be a great Valentine's Day concert, so plan to come and invite your friends!

AAC February trip – Wednesday, February 17, 10:30 am – 5 pm

Join us for a "Love Makes the World Go Round" kind of a day!
Join us as we dine at Runyon's Restaurant, West Broward's landmark restaurant since 1984. Afterwards we will enjoy the Broadway Musical *Carnival* at South Florida's most popular theatre for over 21 years, Stage Door Theatre, Coral Springs, FL. Cost is \$76 per person and includes tips. For more information and to RSVP, contact our Adult Activity Center Director, Tricia Young at 954-598-9344 or TriciaY@firstpres.cc.

Wednesday evening Adult Christian Education:

Divorce Care / 6:30 pm / Spanish Room /
Facilitated by Tricia and Ronnie Young
Listening for God / 6:30 pm / Study & Renewal Center Conference Room /
Facilitated by Kathy Craven
The Women & Men of the Old Testament / 6:30 pm / Neumann Center Library Room NC-202 / Facilitated by Mary Helen Merchant

Sunday morning Adult Christian Education:

Discipleship Essentials / 9:30 am / Chapel-in-the-Sky, Room NC-301 /
Facilitated by Herb Clark and Paige Brody
The Women & Men of the Old Testament / 11 am / Neumann Center Library, Room NC-202 / Facilitated by Mary Helen Merchant



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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FORT LAUDERDALE

11 AM

January 31, 2016

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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.

WORDS OF WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

"Eternal Life"
– Olive Dungan

CATHEDRAL CHOIR

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

REV. DR. RICHARD ANDERSON

Leader: Give ear, O people, to the teaching of the Lord;
incline your ears to the words of His mouth.

**People: We will open our mouths in praise;
We will utter His truths from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.**

Leader: We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell them to the coming generation.

**People: We will declare the glorious deeds of the Lord,
and His might, and the wonders that He has done.**

Leader: Let us sing His praises.

(adapted from Psalm 78:1-4)

***HYMN 281**

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

CWM RHONDDA

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)**

Heavenly Father, loving King, our thoughts and motives cannot be hidden from Your sight. Our self-pity and pride, our cowardice and sloth, our anger and envy are laid bare before Your eyes and ours. We open ourselves to You and ask that You cover us in Christ and forgive us once again. Let us hear Your voice saying: His blood is our peace, His death is our freedom, His Spirit is our power. And let our hearts know that Your service is perfect freedom. Hear us now as we each silently bring our personal confession before you... (moment for silent prayer)

Leader: In Jesus' name, Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** “He is Lord”

He is love, He is love!
He has shown us by His life that He is love;
All His people sing with one voice of joy
That Jesus Christ is love!

ANTHEM “I Will Sing with the Spirit” CATHEDRAL CHOIR
– John Rutter

***RESPONSIVE PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Leader: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
Do you believe in God the Father?

**People: We believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People: We believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried; He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven;
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Leader: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER NIC MERCHANT

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**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.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Online giving is available by going to www.firstpres.cc, clicking the tab labeled
GIVE, and following the prompts.*

OFFERTORY “I Will Lift My Eyes” KIRK SINGERS
– Hal H. Hopson KORRION DRAKEWOOD, *soloist*
“How Great is Our God”
– Keith Christopher

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 1: 4-10 O.T. PAGE 698
*Please feel free to follow today’s scripture reading on your mobile device.
To access WiFi go to fp_guest. The password is fpcquest. Logins are case
sensitive.*

MESSAGE “The Problem of a Call” REV. DR. RUSSELL H. RITCHEL, JR.

SOLO “I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked” DENNIS RYAN, *bass*
– Geoffrey O’Hara

***HYMN 466** “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” AZMON

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

***BENEDICTION**

WELCOME GUESTS!
• Please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshment outside the Neumann Center (across the street) after worship.
• Restrooms are located through the double doors at the front left side of the Sanctuary.
• For families with young children: in addition to the nursery in the Neumann Center (Room NC 126), 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.)
• Our Sunday School Schedule is as follows:
9:30 am – Children’s Sunday School (Neumann Center)
PreK4-5th Grade (Room NC 224)
PreK3 (Room NC 132)
Middle School, Grades 6-8 (Meet in the Fellowship Hall and then walk to Hoch Youth Center after the first worship songs are completed. Ayla Kohler, our Youth Ministry Assistant, will escort our Youth.)
11 am – Children’s Chapel (Watts Chapel)

WE WELCOME back Dennis Ryan as our soloist this morning at the 8:30 and 11 am services. He is a member of our church and former member and soloist with our Cathedral Choir. Dennis is pursuing graduate studies at the University of Kansas, where he also holds a teaching position.

THE CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION IS EXTENDED TO:

Judy Britton and family on the death of her husband, Don R. Britton, on January 19, 2016. A celebration of Don’s life will be held in our Sanctuary on **Thursday, February 18 at 11 am**, and Dick and Karen Owen, Chris and Karen Owen, on the death of their mother, Dorothy June Kraut Owen on January 22, 2016. A celebration of June’s life will be held on Monday, February 8 at 10 am in the Sanctuary.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:

Paul Peck – Kindred Hospital

WORSHIP FLOWERS Please contact Emily Furdock at 954-462-6200 or EmilyF@firstpres.cc. Available dates: February 28, March 6, March 20.

THE PRAYER PAGER MINISTRY enables you to let people know that you have just prayed for them. Please call Tricia Young at 954-598-9344, if you, or someone you know, could use this means of caring support.

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN NEED OF PRAYER?

The prayer ministry team would like to pray with you. At the end of the service, come to the front of the church, and you will find a team member ready to pray with you. Prayer requests may be noted on the Connect Card inserted in your bulletin, then place it in the offering plate, and your prayer request will be added to our weekly prayer letter.

WEEKLY PRAYER LETTER

We find it a joy to pray for your prayer needs. We have a team of Prayer Warriors that receive your prayer request each week by way of a prayer letter to pray over them each week. Would you like to receive this prayer letter and be one of our Prayer Warriors? Please let Emily Furdock know at 954-462-6200 or EmilyF@firstpres.cc.

ALL ARE INVITED TO A PRAYER GROUP to pray for our church, pastors, staff and ministries. The prayer group meets in the Binger Room at 10:30 am each Sunday.

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

Annual Congregational Meeting TODAY

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale calls the Annual Congregational Meeting for **TODAY** January 31 at the conclusion of the 11 am worship service. All members in good standing of First Presbyterian Church, Fort Lauderdale, are eligible to be heard and vote in a congregational meeting.

First Cares

A group offering mutual support after significant change or loss. (*Spouse, Job, Relationship, etc.*) Meets Tuesday, February 2 at 1 pm in the Spanish Room.

Friends of Women of Faith

Tuesday, February 2 at 7 pm in the Study and Renewal Center Women of all ages are invited to gather and hear inspiring messages from Women of Faith leaders as they teach us to walk in faith with God. For more information: Contact Martha Kramer at 954-584-2337 or MKramer113@bellsouth.net.

Caregiver Support Group!

Next Meeting on Wednesday, February 3, 11 am to 12:30 pm Do you help or assist a loved one who needs care? Caregivers often experience feelings of fear, concern, and stress. Fortunately, there is hope and help. First Pres Church is hosting a Caregiver Support Group every first Wednesday of each month in the Study and Renewal Center. For more questions, please contact Tricia Young at 954-598-9344.

Happyland 2016 Registration

Registration for the 2016 School Year begins on February 2. Spaces are available for ages PK2-Kindergarten. Call 954-463-6051 to schedule a tour to find out what makes Happyland the right choice for your child or e-mail Corey Thiel, Principal at CoreyT@firstpres.cc.