

AAC (Senior Adult Ministry): Chris MacDonald, a Tribute to Elvis Show

Thursday, February 2, 11:15 am in Fellowship Hall

Come join us for this special treat of a show. Reservations are a must for this special day. Chef Kevin is serving Lasagna. Cost: \$9, RSVP: TriciaY@firstpres.cc or 954-598-9344.

AAC February Trip

Tuesday, February 14 from 8:15am to 4:30pm

Valentine’s Day Luncheon Cruise from Stuart, FL to Jupiter, FL on the Island Princess. Cost is \$72. RSVP to Tricia Young at 954-598-9344 or TriciaY@firstpres.cc.

Annual Kirk Singer Musical: Thoroughly Modern Millie

Thursday – Sunday, March 9-12

Tickets go on sale Sunday, February 5 following each worship service.

First Presbyterian Concert Series presents Dunlap and Pennington

Sunday, February 19 at 7pm

Our Concert Series continues with the presentation of the duo keyboard team *Dunlap and Pennington*. These very entertaining musicians perform with a concert grand piano and a synthesizer that replicates a full orchestra! Their show, enhanced by video cameras, allows the audience to see the players and their techniques up close projected on the big screen. The program consists of classical, jazz, and popular musical selections.

“Little Miss Sweetheart” Father/Daughter Dance

Thursday, February 9, 6 to 8pm in Fellowship Hall, Ages 4 – 13

Dinner, Entertainment, Memories. RSVP to Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341 or email CindyV@firstpres.cc.

Early Registration has begun for Happyland Day School

First Presbyterian members are eligible to register before registration opens up to the community on January 30. There is limited space available in PK2-Kindergarten. Call to set up a tour and see what makes Happyland the perfect place for your little one to grow, learn, and play! Office phone: 954-463-6051.

CPR Training: Get Trained. Save a life. You'll be glad you did.

Save the date: Sunday, March 5, 12pm in the St. Andrew's Room

Cost is \$40 and includes a light lunch. Make your reservation for this lifesaving course by contacting Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341.

Check Out Our New Church App!

Search for FirstPres.cc at the App Store or Google Play, and download our app for quick links to live streamed or recorded services, our giving page, Bible study helps, and ways to connect with us!

The Best of Ireland: Waterford, Killarney, Galway, Dublin, & more!

11 days: June 26-July 6, 2017 • Hosted by Rev. Dr. Richard Anderson

\$3599 per person and includes: round-trip air from Fort Lauderdale, first class/select hotels, most meals, professional driver/guide & comprehensive sightseeing. For a brochure and more information contact Rev. Dr. Anderson at 954-598-9330 or RichardA@firstpres.cc.



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

A Light In The Window

Book \$10, Kindle \$8.99 amazon.com
Facilitated by Kathy Craven
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Study & Renewal Center
Begins January 11, 2017

The Women & Men of the New Testament

Bring you Bible
Facilitated by Mary Helen Merchant
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Chapel in the Sky (3rd floor / Neumann Center)
Resumes January 11, 2017

CONGREGATIONAL CARE OFFERINGS

Grief Support Small Group

Facilitated by Tim Dobbins
Wednesdays at 4:30pm
Spanish Room

Divorce Care

Workbook: \$20 (scholarships available)
Facilitated by Tricia and Ronnie Young
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Spanish Room

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Galatians for Everyone

Sundays at 9:30am
Facilitated by Bill Cranshaw
Room NC-216

and

Sundays at 11:00am
Facilitated by Mona Petersen
Room NC - 216
Begins January 15, 2017

The Parables of Jesus

Book: \$10.99 / Ebook: \$9.59
Facilitated by Herb Clark and Paige Brody
Sundays at 9:30am
Chapel in the Sky (3rd floor / Neumann Center)
Begins January 15, 2017

Bible 101: “Enrich Your Relationship With God”

Bring a Bible
Facilitated by Patty Stover and Darleen Callaghan
Sundays at 9:30am
Room NC - 227
Begins February 5, 2017

The Seven Last “Words” of Paul

Bring a Bible
Facilitated by Tim Dobbins
Sundays at 9:30am
Room NC-202 / Neumann Center Library
Begins January 15, 2017

SUNDAY EVENINGS

Devotions for Sacred Parenting

Facilitated by Karen Owen and Kathy Mayers
Sundays at 5:00pm
Room NC-227

TUESDAY AM / PM

Men’s Bible Study

Tuesdays at 7:45am
NC - 202 / Neumann Center Library
Ongoing

Pebbles of Faith Evening Women’s Bible Study - “Battlefield of the Mind”

by Joyce Meyer.
Fourth Tuesday of the month
Potluck at 6:00pm with study to follow
Facilitated by Kim White
NC - 219 (second floor / Neumann Center)

THURSDAY AM / PM

Christian Women Connect!

Morning Women’s Bible Study
“THE ARMOR OF GOD” (by Priscilla Shirer).
Study Guide: \$15
Contact (954) 598-9312 / LauraZ@firstpres.cc
9:45am / Fellowship time
10:00am / Study and discussion begin
Study & Renewal Center
Begins January 12, 2017

Men’s Bible Study & Lunch

Facilitated by Eric Johnson
Thursdays at 12:00pm/noon
NC-202 / Neumann Center Library
Ongoing

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY: GALATIANS

The Book of Galatians

Paul’s strong corrective message and good news in Galatians demands to be heard and reheard.
Get plugged in to a small group Bible study for the new year! Choose from a variety of days and times.

To get plugged in and find out more:
Mona Petersen, Director
Adult Christian Education & Small Groups
954-598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc



11 AM

January 29, 2017
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

PRELUDE "Prayer" SUSAN DODD, piano
– Ludwig Van Beethoven

***CALL TO WORSHIP** TIMOTHY B. DOBBINS

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in Your tent?
Who may dwell on Your holy hill?

People: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right; and speak the truth from their heart.

Leader: Those who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends.

People: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Leader: Let us worship God!

***HYMN 263** “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” ST. DENIO

***LITANY OF CONFESSION**

Leader: When the cross appears as folly instead of God’s power;

People: Let those who boast, boast of the Lord.

Leader: When some demand signs and others seek wisdom;

People: Let those who boast, boast for the Lord.

Leader: When the favored of the world claim the favor of God;

People: Let those who boast, boast of the Lord.

Leader: We despise the weak and long to be strong;

People: God’s foolishness is wisdom; God’s weakness is strength.

Leader: We despise the ignorant and seek to be wise;

People: God’s foolishness is wisdom; God’s weakness is strength.

Leader: We despise the lowly and struggle for status;

People: God’s foolishness is wisdom; God’s weakness is strength.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Save us from weak resignation, To the evils we deplore.

Let the gift of Thy salvation, Be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

Serving Thee whom we adore, Serving Thee whom we adore.

ANTHEM "I Will Lift My Eyes to the Hills" (Ps. 121) CATHEDRAL CHOIR
– Mark Hayes

PASTORAL PRAYER REV. DR. RICHARD B. ANDERSON

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 "Blest Are They" (Matthew 5:3-12) CATHEDRAL CHOIR
– David Haas

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 5:1-12 N.T. PAGE 4

1 Corinthians 1: 18-31 N.T. PAGE 166

Please feel free to follow today's scripture reading on your mobile device.

To access WiFi go to fp_guest. Password: fpcguest (case sensitive)

MESSAGE "The Yuck Factor" REV. DR. CHRISTOPHER J. BENEK

***HYMN 441** "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" ST. THOMAS
(Stanzas 1-4)

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

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 120), 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:
9:30 am: PreK4-5th grade-2nd floor NC-224, PreK3-1st floor Room NC-127 (Held in Neumann Center)
11 am: Children's Chapel is held in Watts Chapel. Children ages 4 and up will join together in exploring their faith with a Sunday School lesson and fun Bible story activities.

THE CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION IS EXTENDED TO:

Michelle and John Pidgeon and family on the death of their sons, Damon and Dustin See, on January 23 and 24, 2017. A celebration of their lives was held Friday, January 27 at 1pm at Fred Hunter Funeral Home, 6301 Taft Street, Hollywood with a reception to follow at Tower Club from 3pm to 5pm. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made to the First Presbyterian Church Youth Ministry; and to

Veronica DePadro and family on the death of her mother, Jane Wentworth DePadro, on January 19, 2017. A celebration of Jane's life was held Friday, January 27 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Coleman's Catholic Church, 1200 S. Federal Highway, Pompano Beach, FL; and to

Mikki and Bob Crosby and family on the death of Mikki's mother, Mary Leona Banta, on January 22, 2017. A celebration of Leona's life was held Thursday, January 26, at 11am at Church by the Sea, 2700 Mayan Drive, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:

Georgee Edelmayer – Holy Cross Hospital

WORSHIP FLOWERS Please call 954-462-6200.

Available dates: February 5 and February 12

LEADING US IN WORSHIP TODAY: Rev. Dr. Christopher J. Benek, Associate Pastor, Timothy B. Dobbins, Pastoral Associate, Rev. Dr. Richard B. Anderson, Associate Pastor

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

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:

Wini Mogk – call pager number 954-823-0119

Patti Mitchell – call pager number 954-823-0114

Kristen Berardi – call pager number 954-823-0118

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.

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST

We offer breakfast in the St. Andrew's Room every Sunday morning from 9:15 am – 11 am. 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 – first come, first served. Hope to see you there!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

We extend our grateful thanks and appreciation to those officers who have completed their terms as Elders and Deacons:

Elders:

James R. Acton
Kay Lani Atkinson
Bob Crosby
Dan Ehmke
Laura Foster
Barbara Hollowell
Lesley M. Karentz
Betty Ann Smith
Birch Willey

Deacons:

Sally Brown
Bonnie Craven
Kay Davy Burns
Carol Edson
Steve Stimpson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL FOR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale calls the Annual Congregational Meeting for TODAY, January 29 at the conclusion of the 11 am worship service for the purposes of reviewing Clergy Terms of Call, receiving the 2017 Budget, electing five Elders to fill vacancies on Session and approving an extension of term for two at-large members of the Congregational Nominating Committee. All members in good standing of First Presbyterian Church, Fort Lauderdale, are eligible to be heard and vote in a congregational meeting.

Caregiver Support Group!

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 the first Wednesday of each month in the Study and Renewal Center from 11am to 12:30pm. We will have our next meeting on Wednesday, February 1. For more questions, please contact Tricia Young at 954-598-9344.

Wednesday Night Live! February 1, 2017 at 6pm

Menu: Lasagna • \$8 Teens/Adults, \$4 six – twelve yrs, kids under 6 eat free. Volunteer to serve dinner (Choose from 4:45 – 5:30 or 5:30 – 6:15) and your meal is on the house! RSVP by noon Monday to Mona Petersen 954-598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc.

Did you take part in the "Bless Someone for Christmas" activity by giving a \$25 Visa gift card to someone in your community who had to work on Christmas Day? If so, please share your giving experience with us! Contact Mona Petersen today at 954-598-9345.

Christian Women Connect Bible Study on Thursday, February 2

9:45 - 11:15 a.m. in the Study and Renewal Center
Join us for a Bible study that will bring light to the war around you and challenge you to suit up, stand firm and secure victory in your life!
The Armor of God by Priscilla Shirer. This week: Georgiana Schuldtt will facilitate *The Breastplate of Righteousness*. Study Guides: \$15. For information: LauraZ@firstpres.cc or 954-598-9312. ***Don't forget to reserve your First Thursday boxed Lunch by 1/30 for February 2, Curry Chicken Salad Croissant.**