

**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



**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**



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FORT LAUDERDALE

9:30 AM

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP**

January 29, 2017

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to worship at First Pres. We are happy to have you with us this morning. It is completely appropriate to dress casually for this service, if you wish. The nursery is available for children 3 and younger, if you choose, but we would also love to have your children worship with us.

\* Worship

Welcome and Announcements

\* Worship

Scripture Readings

Matthew 5:1-12

I Corinthians 1: 18-31

Message

"The Yuck Factor"

Rev. Dr. Christopher J. Benek

Offering

Mona Petersen

\* Worship

\* Benediction

\*please stand if you are able

The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by:

- Leading people to Jesus Christ.
- Learning about our faith.
- Living a Christ-centered life.
- Loving our neighbor through ministries of service and compassion.



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**Preacher:** Rev. Dr. Christopher J. Benek

**Worship Team:** Ragan Jacaty, Al Leonardis, Mona Petersen, Steve Smithberg, Ronnie Young

**Projection Imagery:** Tricia Young

**Sound, Lights, Video:** Evan Barber, Tom Gilliam

*This week's music*

"Our God" – Chris Tomlin

"Rising Sun" – All Sons and Daughters

"Lord, I Need You" – Matt Maher

"Lift Up Your Hearts" (*performed by the Kirk Singers*)

"How Great Is Our God" (*performed by the Kirk Singers*)

"You'll Come" – Hillsong

#### WELCOME GUESTS!

- Thank you for joining us in worship in our newly renovated Fellowship Hall. Please join us for a time of fellowship after worship!
- First Presbyterian is also the home of Happyland Day School, a quality preschool for over sixty years. For more info, call 954-463-6051.
- For families with young children: the nursery is located in the Neumann Center (Room NC 120).
- Our Sunday School Schedule:  
**9:30 am:** PreK4-5<sup>th</sup> grade-2<sup>nd</sup> floor NC-224, PreK3-1<sup>st</sup> floor Room NC-120 (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:

Georgie Edelmayer – Holy Cross Hospital

**LEADING US IN WORSHIP TODAY:** Rev. Dr. Christopher J. Benek, Associate Pastor, Mona Petersen, Director of Adult Christian Education Ministry and Small Groups

**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

#### 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!

## 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](mailto: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 Schuldt will facilitate *The Breastplate of Righteousness*. Study Guides: \$15. For information: [LauraZ@firstpres.cc](mailto: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.**

#### 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](mailto: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 to Jupiter on the Island Princess. Cost is \$72. RSVP to Tricia Young at 954-598-9344 or [TriciaY@firstpres.cc](mailto: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](mailto: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!