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For the People of
First Presbyterian Church
Mount Dora, Florida

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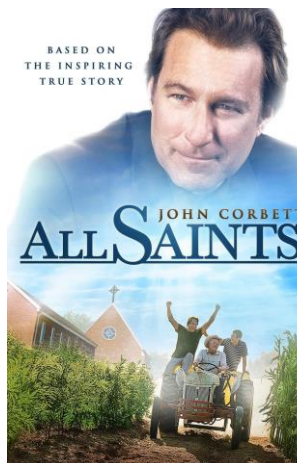
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September Highlights

- Sun 6th 2¢ Per Meal Offering
- Mon 7th Labor Day (office closed)
- Wed 9th Handbell & Choir practice starts
- Thu 10th Mt. Dora Ministerial Assoc. Mtg
- Tue 15th Session Meeting



"All Saints" Sept 9
 at 7:00pm
 Fellowship Hall



"Overcomer" Sept
 23 at 7:00pm
 Fellowship Hall

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Office Hours

M-F 9:00 am – noon

Office Staff & Schedule

Pastor Thomas J. Biery

Out of the office on Mondays

Tom's schedule varies

Randy Frieling, Director of Music &
Worship Arts

Out of the office on Mondays

Randy's schedule varies

The Music and Worship Have Not Stopped



August 30 Service



Sweet Hour of Prayer

Covid has kept us distanced but has not stopped the people of the First Presbyterian Church of Mount Dora! We are worshipping in person and live streaming to your home. Music is pouring out and lifting the spirits of all!

Facebook videos of worship service & music available to view



Pastor Rod Pinder guest sermon on July 26

You can join the worship service and hear beautiful music anytime from our [website](#) or by going directly to our channel on [YouTube](#). From the safety of your own home, church can fit your schedule! Find us on [Facebook](#) for the live service at 10:00 am, or anytime after the live service find the First Presbyterian Church service on [YouTube](#). If you are having difficulty hearing the service, use headphones or auxiliary speakers to enhance what is being produced by your device.

Randy Frieling plays and records a specially selected song almost every week. These can be viewed and listened to as often as you like! Send a "like" or comment to let Randy know how much you love the music.

Barbara Grace, Administrative
Assistant
Mon-Fri 9 am - noon

Sandy Lacher Assistant Secretary
Wed & Fri 9-Noon

Denise Jonnet, Accountant
Tue afternoon

Reception Volunteer: Linda Wise

Prayer Concerns

Gayle Barnes (friend of the Bierys)
Bryan Biery
John Birmingham (Diane Madson's
brother)
Lois & Warner Brown (Bridgewater
Assisted living)
Nancy Brundage (Linda Ash's
mother)
Carol Mae Burbank
Sharon Denick (Nurse in
CT, George Denick's
daughter)
Sandy Gray (Maine, friend of Linda
Wise)
Bob Hezlep
Barbara Higley (Linda Wise's
mother)
Phyllis Lay (Osprey Lodge)
Jane Lewandowski (Indiana, Carol
Hanna's sister)
Nick Nichols
Valerie Pankey (Ginger Adams'
sister)
Lucille Piper
Dan Swanson (friend of the
Wise's)
Matt Tuhey (Illinois)
Susan Turner
Marilyn and Morris Vainder
Joanne & Paul White (friends of
Sara Ware)
Phyllis Whitehead
Joy Wilund
Diane & Jerry Wood
Melissa Yelvington

About 30 – 40 people are attending the service at church and practicing safe social distancing. We are spread out with plenty of room, face masks on and self-serve bulletins.

Camera set up to give you front row seat viewing



Presbyterian Women



❖ We welcome.
❖ We witness.
❖ We work
(and play!).

Putting faith in action is what we do!

www.presbyterianwomen.org

Presbyterian Women

Life continues to evolve in this “new normal” state of affairs. With Florida/Lake County numbers continuing to climb, there are not big gatherings of people. The Gathering will not take place in September. We have not spent any money. We have not settled on a budget for this year. So, in short, until things normalize, we are unable to make plans or finalize any decisions! I am hopeful that we can have a Zoom CT meeting in October. Each circle leader should contact their ladies to determine whether they will be meeting for the September circle. I hope this finds our church family doing well – in God’s hands.

Blessings and hugs, Linda Hezlep, PW Moderator



Membership, Outreach & Fellowship

Our Committee was looking forward to initiating small group Food and Fellowship gatherings. Again, we must postpone. We need to keep safety for our members in mind. We have many ideas but no trips planned until we feel it is safe to do so. We had no meetings in July or August.

We hope everyone continues to keep in touch by phone or safe visits, by watching, our service online, writing notes, emailing, or messaging and daily prayer. I enjoy this one. O Heavenly Father: We thank thee for food and remember the hungry. We thank thee for health and remember the sick. We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless. We thank



(352) 735-2227

Ages 3-5

Renet McCall Preschool
Director

Available M-F 8:00 am –
3:00 pm



We welcome the Fall 2020 Preschool staff. School started August 24th. Parents are not entering the building and children are closely monitored with temperatures taken before they enter, hands sanitized after they enter the building and new cleaning protocols are in place going above and beyond the state guidelines.

thee for freedom and remember the enslaved. May these remembrances stir us to service, that thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.

We keep those working so hard to keep our wonderful loving Church running safely in our prayers and hope to see you soon.

Blessings and Prayers, Ann Prince and Nancy Staffieri



Stewardship & Finance

For those who couldn't attend or view Ken Lay's Memorial service in July, I will say again he was important member of the FPC finance team over the years. He headed up the Stewardship & Finance committee as an Elder and was Treasurer for many years. He designed Stewardship programs, graphs, charts and some of the local reconciliation programs we still use today. Also, the historical value of our financial history is important for planning future budgets and goals. Ken and his time and talents will certainly be missed.

July was one of our worst months ever as far as pledge and plate offerings. For July we collected \$16,930 and our monthly 2020 average is \$31,084. It is Summer and the Covid-19 isn't helping. Please keep up your donations!

	July 2020 Financial Results	
	<u>2020 YTD</u>	<u>July</u>
Income	\$268,859	\$22,000
Expenses	231,049	25,839
Difference	\$37,810	\$(3,839)

Stewardship & Finance Co-chairman, Fred Lipp



Discipleship, Education & Nurture

Men's Bible Study The "in-person" group meets in Fellowship Hall on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 8 am. Berry Long is coordinating. (407- 257-7807). The Zoom group meets online at 10 am. on the same days. Please contact Alberto (sunandfun57@gmail.com) by e-mail to join the meeting.

Christian Sympathy is expressed to Brian Bogue on the death of Gayle Bogue on August 9th, Service to be announced.

Christian Sympathy is expressed to the family of Jackie Lee who died on August 19th. A graveside service was conducted on August 31 in Mt. Dora.

Military & Foreign Service

1LT Adam Albright, Chemical Corp, South Korea (Denton & Lois Albright's grandson)

1LT Dylan Davis (& Jen), Fort Hood, TX
(Betty Colby's granddaughter)

MAJ Brad Jones and
MAJ Margaret Jones, Marine Corps
Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC
(Joe & Ginger Adams niece & nephew)

PO2 Erik Kopak, Naval Reserve
Rescue,
Norfolk VA (Jean Meyer's grandson)

LT. C. Sean E. Marshall, US Air Force
Hickam Field, HI and
SR. A. Keven C. Marshall, US Air
Force
Robbins AFB, GA (son & grandson of
Karen & Gary Marshall)

SSGT Kellen Riley, US Army
Recruiter,
St. Cloud, MN (Wally Green's
grandson)

MP SGT Ian Yates, WA Army National
Guard and
MAJ Kyle Yates, US Air Force –
currently deployed (& Abby, Ainsley
and Kaelin), Moody AFB, GA (Howard
& Ellen Yates' sons & family)

The Prayer Group is currently meeting on Zoom. It's at 9:30 am. on Mondays and Thursdays. Contact Alberto Montes (sunandfun57@gmail.com) if you wish to join in.

Movie night during September. The showings will be at **7 pm.**, **Fellowship Hall**, light snack provided.

Sept. 9- "All Saints"

Sept. 23- "Overcomer"

The **Summer Book Group** continuing September 2nd, 16th and 30th. The book is "The Prodigal God" by Keller at **10 am.** in Fellowship Hall. There will be a light snack provided. The book is available at the concierge desk for \$5.00.

Yours in Christ, Emily Lewis & Alberto Montes

Missions...Around the Corner... Around the World...



Two Cents Per Meal – Our church has collected \$,1934 so far this year for this offering, almost half what we collected in all of 2019!

Food Drive – We have delivered well over 600 pounds of food to Lake Cares and Agape Ministries this year. That's pretty good for a congregation mostly staying at home!

School Supplies – We've collected lots of supplies for Triangle Elementary, and we are continuing the drive through September 13th. The following items are needed: Expo dry-erase markers, crayons, glue sticks, children's scissors, pencils, folders, spiral notebooks and loose-leaf paper – all wide-ruled.

Lebanon Crisis – Anyone who has seen the damage done by the explosion in Beirut knows the needs there are great. Our church is standing by our Christian family there by donating \$1,000 through The Outreach Foundation to our Presbyterian partners in Lebanon, where the funds will be directed towards helping with food and emergency repairs.

Submitted by Elizabeth Long

September 2020

LEGEND

FH—Fellowship Hall

S—Sanctuary

MP—Multipurpose Room

PS—Preschool

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:00 am Men's Study Group-FH	2 10 am Book Group- FH	3	4	5
6 2¢ Per Meal Offering 10:00 am -S Worship Service	7 <i>Labor Day</i> Office Closed Preschool Closed Zoom Prayer Group 9:30 am	8 2 pm Administration & Personnel Mtg 3 pm finance mtg	9 4:30-5:30 Handbell practice starts-S 7:00 pm Movie "All Saints" FH 7:00-8:00 pm Choir practice starts-S	10 9:30- 11:00 am MD Ministerial Assoc. mtg Zoom Prayer Group 9:30am	11	12
13 10:00 am -S Worship Service Grandparent s Day	14 Zoom Prayer Group 9:30 am	15 8:00 am Men's Study Group-FH 10:00 am Zoom mtg 4:00 pm Stated Session mtg	16 10:00am Book Group- FH 4:30-5:30 pm Handbell -S 7:00-8:00 pm Choir practice-S	17 Zoom Prayer Group 9:30 am	18	19
20 10:00 am -S Worship Service	21 <i>International Day of Peace</i> Zoom Prayer Group 9:30 am	22 <i>First Day of Fall</i>	23 4:30-5:30 pm Handbell -S 7 pm Movie- "Overcomer" FH 7:00-8:00 pm Choir practice-S	24 Zoom Prayer Group 9:30 am	25	26
27 10:00 am -S Worship Service	28 Zoom Prayer Group 9:30 am	29	30 10am Book Group-FH 4:30-5:30 pm Handbell -S 7:00-8:00 pm Choir practice-S			

