



First Presby's Weekly News

October 4, 2020

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. (Worship is broadcast at 11:00 a.m. on WCHS-580AM)

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ZOOM INTO WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS AT 10:30 a.m.

First Presby began ZOOM-ing its 10:30 a.m. Worship Service recently. This successful launch provides the encouragement to continue through the summer. Please note carefully: A ZOOM link will be emailed with the worship bulletin, hymns and Green Sheet on Fridays. You will need this link to ZOOM for morning worship on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. After you click on the 'blue link' on Sunday morning, you will be admitted to a waiting room before the service begins. You will "enter worship" during the opening notes of the organ prelude. The First Presby morning worship service will also continue to be broadcast on the radio WCHS-580AM at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday.

Please note that a second service for this **Sunday, October 4 will be posted on the First Presby website.** It is a World Communion Sunday led by clergy and members of Bream Memorial, Kanawha United, Village Chapel, and First Presbyterian churches.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

The first celebration of World Communion Sunday occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA in 1933. It was envisioned as a way of bringing churches together in a service of Christian unity - in which everyone might receive both inspiration and information, and above all, to know how important the Church of Jesus Christ is, and how each congregation is interconnected with one another. **We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion on World Communion Sunday, October 4 during morning worship.** Additional questions? Please contact Interim Pastor, Reverend Dr. Nancy Kahaian.



MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER



Every morning at 9:00 a.m. and every evening at 9:00 p.m. we gather to pray on Facebook Live. (Morning and Evening Prayer hosted Monday through Saturday every week.) Make sure your Facebook Settings allow live notifications from First Presbyterian Church, Charleston, WV to access the praying community. A "Prayer Guide" for our regular prayers is emailed on Tuesdays only this summer. (Any **changes to the Prayer Guide please email to Emily Burdette** at emily@firstpresby.com. Thank you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL IN A SACK FOR OCTOBER

Sundays at 11:45 a.m. via ZOOM we are having “Sunday School in a Sack!” For the month of October, we are taking a look at the story of “Noah and the Ark” from the Book of Genesis in the Old Testament. “Sunday School in a Sack” was delivered this past week, and children are encouraged to complete some of the scavenger hunt activities in preparation for week one, Sunday, October 4. We gather with others to learn more about God, and to experience God’s love. Thank you for your participation and support of October Sunday School in a Sack!



OCTOBER CHURCH OFFICE HOURS AND STAFF MEETINGS

Continuing in October, the church office will be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and on Fridays from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Please make note. In addition, staff meetings return to Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. on-site with all protocols. Thank you for your careful attention.

YOUTH GROUP GATHERS ON SUNDAY EVENINGS

Youth Group “Serve and Study” Meetings have returned to Sunday evenings. With their mission component and education emphasis, Sunday evening Youth Group will be co-lead by Ginna Taylor and Ken Tolley. Please remember the permission form, mask-wearing, and social-distance protocols, for Sundays at 6:00 p.m. at the Dining Room at First Presby. Questions? Please contact Ken at ken@firstpresby.com or Ginna at ginna@firstpresby.com. Thank you!

MANNA MEAL COOKIES ON ITS WAY TO 5,000



Continuing in October, please contact Ken Tolley, Director of Missions and Community Outreach, if you would like **transport for your Manna Meal cookies.** Mondays and Thursdays are magical days for us to provide dozens and dozens of cookies to our friends at Manna Meal. (Cookies can also be dropped off at church on these days.) You can reach Ken at ken@firstpresby.com. Ken can also pick up new, clean, cloth masks for distribution at church and in downtown Charleston.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Your animal companions are welcome to accompany you to the First Presbyterian Church on **Saturday, October 10 at 10:00am** for a “Blessing of the Animals”. This outdoor worship service will be hosted on the Virginia Street steps outside of First Presby. Animals companions should be properly leashed and/or contained, and human caretakers need to wear masks and practice social-distancing. As we know from Scripture, God rejoices in all God’s works, everything that God has created. We will gather to give God thanks for our animal companions and invite God’s blessing upon our lives together. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday morning, October 10!

Daily Bible Verses for October 4-10

October 4
Matthew 14:1-12

October 5
Luke 6:39-49

October 6
Luke 7:1-17

October 7
Luke 7:18-35

October 8
Luke 7:36-50

October 9
Luke 8:1-15

October 10
Luke 8:16-25

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBY

Sunday, October 4

World Communion Sunday

10:30AM WORSHIP with the Sacrament of Holy Communion (ZOOM)

11:00 Worship Service Broadcast on WCHS-580AM

11:45 Sunday School in a Sack via ZOOM (NK)

6:00PM Youth Group Study and Serve (GT/KT)

Monday, October 5

Monday Morning Manna Meal Cookies

Pick-Up/Transport - Contact Ken Tolley

Clean Cloth Mask Pick-Up - Ken too!

6:00AM Preschool Kits Delivery Begins

9:00AM Morning Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)

6:30PM Special Session Meeting (ZOOM)

9:00 Evening Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)

Tuesday, October 6

9:00AM Morning Prayer via Facebook Live (BH)

10:00 Preschool ZOOM (GT/JK)

10:15 Staff Meeting - onsite with protocols

3:00PM *Prayer Guide* for the week distributed via email

5:15 HHHH - Holy Happy Half Hour (ZOOM)

9:00 Evening Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)

Wednesday, October 7

9:00AM Morning Prayer via Facebook Live (BH)

6:30PM Cooking with the Bible via FacebookLive (NK)

9:00 Evening Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)

Thursday, October 8

Thursday Morning Manna Meal Cookies

Pick-Up/Transport - contact Ken Tolley

Clean Cloth Masks Pick-Up - Ken too!

9:00AM Morning Prayer via Facebook Live (BH)

10:00 Preschool ZOOM (GT/BH)

3:00PM Bible Study at Edgewood Summit (NK/AD)

5:30 PNC Meeting - onsite with protocols

9:00 Evening Prayer on Facebook Live (NK)

Friday, October 9

9:00AM Morning Prayer on Facebook Live (BH)

9:00PM Evening Prayer on Facebook Live (BH)

Saturday, October 10

9:00AM Morning Prayer on Facebook Live (BH)

10:00 Blessing of the Animals Service -

Virginia Street entrance steps (NK/KT)

Mask-wearing please

9:00PM Evening Prayer on Facebook Live (NK)

Sunday, October 11

10:30AM WORSHIP (ZOOM)

11:00 Worship Service Broadcast on WCHS-580AM

11:45 Sunday School in a Sack via ZOOM (NK)

5:30PM Adult Education Ecumenical and Interfaith
via ZOOM - please participate!

6:00 Youth Group Study and Serve (GT/KT)

AD = Art Doumaux

BH = Bill Hairston

JC = Janet Chambers

JK = Jayson Keeton

NK = Nancy Kahaian

GT = Ginna Taylor

KT = Ken Tolley

Please note that effective Thursday, October 1, 2020, the Session has approved a two-month leave of absence for staff member Janet Chambers. Continue to surround her with your prayers and care during these days. Thank you.