



First Presby's Weekly News

November 15, 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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING CALLED FOR NOVEMBER 22

The Session has called a **special congregational meeting for Sunday, November 22, immediately following morning worship for the stated purpose of electing Elders and Deacons and Trustees.** As of this writing, the COVID map indicates that Kanawha County is "red", and therefore (again) a special hybrid meeting is necessary - some members in person and others to gather on ZOOM. **If you are willing to be present from 11:30-11:45am on Sunday, November 22, and wear a mask, practice social-distancing and hand washing,** please send an email to Emily Burdette, Office Manager, at emily@firstpresby.com prior to Thursday, November 19, indicating your willingness to comply with the time frame and other requirements. Once again, we will need to ensure a quorum in order to elect officers and Trustees, and ZOOM is our additional option. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY PLEDGE CARDS BEING RECEIVED



Thank you to members and friends for picking up 90+ meals last week and bringing pledge cards on Stewardship Sunday, November 8. As you know, "Jesus Christ Yesterday Today Tomorrow" is our faith foundation for continued investment in First Presbyterian Church as we serve God, the church and this community for the future. Stewardship materials and pledge cards have been mailed. If you have any questions about a pledge card for 2021, please contact Jenny Pitchford, Financial Manager, at jenny@firstpresby.com. Thank you for your dedication and investment!

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 Tuesday afternoon. Any changes to the Prayer Guide please email to Emily Burdette at emily@firstpresby.com. Thank you.

JESUS AND THE DISINHERITED

The November Adult Study for Christian spiritual formation is the book by Howard Thurman titled Jesus and the Disinherited. Books have been ordered, and you are encouraged to read the second chapter in preparation for class discussion this Tuesday, November 17. Our ZOOM gathering with the Howard Thurman work is **Tuesdays at 6:30pm** and will continue for five weeks through December 13, 2020. In the words of Thurman, "The significance of the religion of Jesus to people who stand with their backs against the wall has always seemed to me to be crucial." Join us on Tuesdays!

HOPE VILLAGE 2020



Hope Village goods have arrived, and are being organized for display for the 2020 event that begins again in three weeks! **Pandemic-influenced changes include:** mask-wearing, signing-in for contact tracing, a solid stretch of days, and one centralized location (gymnasium in the Activities Building). **Hope Village is open from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. beginning on Saturday, November 14**, with the exception of Wednesday, November 18 (break). In addition, on Sundays, November 15 and November 22, the Hope Village hours are 12:00 noon-3:00 p.m. As you may know, **the mission of Hope Village is to serve Christ in the "least of these" in our world** by selling fair trade goods which sends money back to the artisans to support and enrich their lives and communities.

SUNDAY SCHOOL IN A SACK FOR NOVEMBER

Sundays at 11:45 a.m. via ZOOM we are having "Sunday School in a Sack!" For the month of November, we are taking a look at the story of "The Parable of the Good Samaritan" from the Gospel According to Luke in the New Testament. We gather with others to learn more about God, and to experience God's love. Thank you for your participation and support of November Sunday School in a Sack! December "Sunday School in a Sack" will be delivered before Thanksgiving Holiday, and actually begins with the First Sunday of Advent, November 29.



MANNA MEAL COOKIES REACHES 6,000



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.

RCCR BEANS AND CORNBREAD DINNER



24th Annual Beans & Cornbread Dinner **TO-GO!**

PURCHASE TICKETS @ RCCR.ORG OR CALL 304-346-6398

Nov 19, 2020
Pick Up 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

1600 Kanawha Blvd E
Charleston, WV 25311



DINNER FOR TWO • BEANS & CORNBREAD • GREENS • ROASTED POTATOES • DESSERT

ADVENT ARRIVES IN A FEW WEEKS

Requests for Advent Calendars have been received in the church office. Thank you for your RSVP! Advent Calendars are provided free of cost to the congregation in order that we might quiet our hearts and minds to contemplate receiving Christ, once again, into our hearts and this world. As we ponder again the gifts of hope, peace, joy and love, **please remember that the season of Advent begins Sunday, November 29.** Advent calendars will be delivered before Thanksgiving.



Daily Bible Verses for October November 15-21

November 15 Matthew 23:13-24
November 16 Luke 16:19-31
November 17 Luke 17:1-10
November 18 Luke 17:11-19
November 19 Luke 17:20-37
November 20 Luke 18:1-8
November 21 Luke 18:9-14

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBY

Sunday, November 15

Sacrament of Baptism for Charles Reuben Moses

10:30AM WORSHIP (ZOOM)

11:00 Worship Service Broadcast on WCHS-580AM
11:45 Sunday School in a Sack via ZOOM (NK)
12:00PM Hope Village Open
5:00 Youth Group (TR/NK)

Monday, November 16

Monday Morning Manna Meal Cookies
Pick-Up/Transport - Contact Ken Tolley
Clean Cloth Mask Pick-Up - Ken too!
6:00AM Preschool Kits Delivery Begins (GT)
9:00 Morning Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)
10:00 Hope Village Open
3:00PM Working Group - MG - via ZOOM
9:00 Evening Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)

Tuesday, November 17

9:00AM Morning Prayer via Facebook Live (BH)
10:00 Preschool ZOOM (GT/JK)
10:00 Hope Village Open
10:30 Staff Meeting - onsite with protocols
3:00PM *Prayer Guide* for the week distributed via email
6:30 *Jesus and the Disinherited* by Howard Thurman
Adult Study via ZOOM
9:00 Evening Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)

Wednesday, November 18

9:00AM Morning Prayer via Facebook Live (BH)
6:30PM Session Meeting via ZOOM
9:00 Evening Prayer via Facebook Live (NK)

Thursday, November 19

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)
10:00 Hope Village Open
3:00PM Bible Study at Edgewood Summit
weather permitting (NK/AD)
5:15 HHHH - Holy Happy Half Hour via ZOOM (NK)
5:30 PNC Meeting
6:30 Bells Rehearsal - onsite with protocols (JK)
9:00 Evening Prayer on Facebook Live (NK)

Friday, November 20

9:00AM Morning Prayer on Facebook Live (BH)
10:00 Hope Village Open
9:00PM Evening Prayer on Facebook Live (BH)

Saturday, November 21

9:00AM Morning Prayer on Facebook Live (BH)
10:00 Hope Village Open
9:00PM Evening Prayer on Facebook Live (NK)

Sunday, November 22

Christ the King Sunday

10:30AM WORSHIP (ZOOM)

11:00 Worship Service Broadcast on WCHS-580AM
11:30 Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers and Trustees
11:45 Sunday School in a Sack via ZOOM (NK)
12:00PM Hope Village Open
5:00 Youth Group

AD = Art Doumaux
BH = Bill Hairston
NK = Nancy Kahaian
TR= Taylor Raab
GT = Ginna Taylor