

First Presby's Weekly News

September 26, 2021



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.

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 remember to be very careful about "showing video" during morning worship, and thank you for focusing on the worship of our Lord. Thank you!

COVID PROTOCOLS FOR FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In their meeting on Wednesday, August 18, Session discussed the following protocols for the health and safety of the congregation and all people entering the church's buildings for worship, meetings and daily visits:

- Masks are required to be worn by everyone.
- Worship singers will be masked for the next 4 weeks as we see how the virus progresses.
- Social Distancing by putting signs on pews to indicate appropriate places to sit.
- Hand sanitizer and masks will be available at every entry point.
- Contact tracing in the sanctuary by the pew pads and an attendance roll will be taken at all events.
- Temperatures taken at entry points for all events with children and youth.
- Vaccination required for ALL people who work with children and youth up to age 18.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser- Wednesday, October 6

The Parent Advisory Board of First Presby Preschool is hosting a drive-thru spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Wednesday, October 6th from 4:30-6:30pm. Proceeds will purchase new shelving units for our classrooms. The cost of dinner is \$10 per adult dinner and \$5 per child dinner with a cap of \$30 per family. Dinner includes spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread, and dessert. Orders may be emailed to anne@firstpresby.com along with an estimated time of pick-up or fill out the order form on the bottom of the flyer. Orders are due by Wednesday We thank you for contributing to First Presby Preschool!

75th Anniversary Worship Service and Dedication - Sunday, October 10th

There will be a special service on Sunday, October 10th celebrating 75 years of operation of our beloved preschool. First Presby Preschoolers, both past and present, will have a special role in the service. A dedication of the newly renovated space will take place following the service on the playground. Please join us as we honor those who have served as Director of First Presbyterian Church Preschool over the past 75 years.

RCCR UNDERGARMENT DRIVE

First Presbyterian Church will be collecting men and women's undergarments through the months of September and October to be donated to RCCR's Clothing Boutique located at St. Mark's UMC. There is a need for packaged men's underwear, socks, ladies' undergarments, and belts. You may drop off your donations at First Presby on Sundays or during regular church office hours. There will be blue barrels placed at the Virginia Street entrance, the entrance on Leon Sullivan by the office, and by the entrance to the playground. Representatives from the Mission & Witness Committee will deliver these items to the Clothing Boutique. Thank you for helping us get these essential items into the hands of our neighbors.

SCATTER TO SERVE

Scatter to Serve (STS) has been scheduled for Sunday, October 17th immediately following the worship service. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the Mission Division made the decision to scale back our projects and to stay close to home for the fall Scatter To Serve. Hopefully, we are able to return to larger projects in 2022 to include many projects across our community.

Currently we have planned the following projects:

- **Parking Lot Entrance beside Barlow Bonsall** - Trim bushes at the entrance to increase visibility when pulling out onto Virginia Street. Cut weeds and spread mulch;
- **Side Entrance to Church from Virginia Street** - Weed, prune and generally clean up area and spread mulch;
- **Columbarium** - Weed, cut vines growing, prune bushes and general clean-up of the area including spreading mulch;
- **Pastor Bill and Margie new residence on Forrest Drive in Edgewood** - General maintenance to yard including cutting bushes, weeding and lots of general yard maintenance.

Please plan to bring shovels, rakes and clippers, working gloves and any other tools that you think would be helpful to complete these jobs and get our church ready for the winter months. A bag lunch will be provided.

Please fill out the registration card included in the bulletin indicating your willingness to help and place in collection plate so that we can plan for lunches. Thanks and hope to see you on Sunday, October 17!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: MOVING FORWARD

Calling all women of First Presby! If that first sentence pertains to you, then you are already part of the Presbyterian Women. Presbyterian Women have a long history of nurturing Christian education, serving in mission work, and creating a community of Christian women at First Presby. We would love for you to join us this coming season! As we move forward, we are asking that all First Presby women take a few minutes to complete the survey included as a bulletin insert OR go to www.firstpresby.com and click the Presbyterian Women Survey button (its pink, you can't miss it!) so that we can get a feel for what the majority of women would like to see happen in our PW community. Your feedback is very important and will help mold the future of Presbyterian Women at First Presby. Paper surveys may be returned to the church office c/o Vanessa King, Communications Coordinator.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LOGOS PROGRAM

LOGOS is back! We had a fun start to our LOGOS semester on Wednesday, September 22. It is not too late to join the fun! LOGOS is open to all children age 4 - grade 12. LOGOS is 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Youth (grades 6-12) are in the Ruffner Room, grades 3-5 are in room E-119, and PreK- grade 2 are in E-117. All students should be brought in at the breezeway door by parents so that temperatures can be taken.

To register, please visit www.firstpresby.com/logos and click the registration button. For more information, please email Vanessa King, Communications Coordinator & Programs Support, at vannessa@firstpresby.com.

CHOIR AT FIRST PRESBY

The choir is back! Due to COVID precautions, choir will look different this fall: There will be no evening rehearsals at this time, but if you are interested in singing with the choir each week, meet in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings at 9:30 (sharp!) to rehearse that week's anthem. The choir will sit in a reserved section of the main Sanctuary, not the loft. Masks and social distancing will be required at all times. If you would like to be added to the list to have each week's music sent to you ahead of time, please email Director of Music & Organist, Jayson Keeton, at jayson@firstpresby.com. Music is typically sent on Wednesday or Thursday, prior to worship on Sunday.

PRESBYTERIAN COFFEE PROJECT

The Presbyterian Coffee Project, commonly known as the "coffee closet" is now open after worship. Linda Elliott will be there to assist you in your purchase. The coffee closet is fully stocked with delicious coffees, teas, chocolate bars, and nuts! Purchasing from the Presbyterian Coffee Project helps to provide a fair wage to farmers around the world.

Daily Bible Verses for September 26 - October 2

<u>September 26</u>	<u>September 27</u>	<u>September 28</u>	<u>September 29</u>	<u>September 30</u>	<u>October 1</u>	<u>October 2</u>
Luke 5:1-11	Matt. 6:25-34	Matt. 7:1-12	Matt. 7:13-21	Matt. 7:22-29	Matt. 8:1-17	Matt. 8:18-27

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBY

Sunday, September 26

9:15 Sunday School
10:30AM WORSHIP (ZOOM)
11:00 Worship Service Broadcast on WCHS-580AM

Monday, September 27

6:00 First Presby Preschool Parent Night

Tuesday, September 28

10:00AM Staff Meeting - Ruffner Room
7:15 PM Civic Chorus Sanctuary

Wednesday, September 29

5:30 PM LOGOS

Thursday, September 30

Friday, October 1

Saturday, October 2

Sunday, October 3

9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30AM WORSHIP (ZOOM/in-person)
11:00 Worship Service Broadcast on WCHS-580AM