

# First Presby's Weekly News

## November 19, 2023

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

The Session has called a congregational meeting for this Sunday, November 19, immediately following morning worship for the stated purpose of electing Elders, Deacons, and Trustees.

### HANGING OF THE GREENS

The annual "Hanging of the Greens" is scheduled for Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. The Worship Division is planning to begin this project after the service on that day to prepare our worship space for the Advent and the Christmas season. If you can spare some time, we would love your help!

### HOPE VILLAGE

Hope Village is here and there is a virtual cornucopia of volunteer opportunities. If you have never been involved, or if you have been involved for years, we have jobs that fit every capability!

We need workers to wrap, man the floor and do the check out. Amy Isaac is our volunteer coordinator for these jobs and she would love to hear from you!

You can contact Dina at [dinamohler@yahoo.com](mailto:dinamohler@yahoo.com), Debbe at [debdock@aol.com](mailto:debdock@aol.com), and Amy at [apisaac@hotmail.com](mailto:apisaac@hotmail.com) We look forward to another fantastic Hope Village! Thanks for all your support, whether you are able to work or show up to shop and support our artisans and their missions. We appreciate each and every one of you! Now let's shop for a purpose!

### CHRISTMAS EVE READERS

Christmas is right around the corner and planning is underway! We will need a few readers for the 8pm and 10pm services on Christmas Eve. If you are interested in reading scripture that night, please contact Diana at the front office. Thank you!

### CHRISTMAS PARADE

First Presby Preschool and Church are teaming up to create a float for the Charleston Christmas Parade Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. We are looking for someone to drive the truck/trailer in the parade, if you are interested, please call the front office. If you want to walk with us, meet on Kanawha Blvd at Greenbrier Street starting at 5:30pm and wear something festive, or just come and watch the parade on Capital Street or Summer Street.

### HALLWAY JOLLY BRAWLEY TREE - First Presby's Version

We will be collecting Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Mittens, Socks and Hand Warmers to be given to many of our neighbors, both sheltered and unsheltered during this winter season. Please hang your donations on the tree in the hallway or put them in the baskets under the tree. Thank you so much!!!

**KNITTED SEEKING DONATED YARN**

The knitting group meets every other Wednesday at 10am in room 406. We make prayer shawls/blankets to be blessed and taken to those in need. We are asking if members of the congregation might be willing to donate old yarns that are no longer needed to our volunteers. We especially appreciate medium weight acrylic yarns, which can be easily washed. These yarns may be left in the church office. Many thanks!

**YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS EVENT**

Join us for Light the Night!!! - Charleston's biggest and best Winter light fest. Experience more than 2 million lights, a choreographed lights and music show, themed areas, holiday shopping, great food, Santa Claus, ice skating, and so much more! The Youth Group is invited on Sunday Dec. 10 from 5-7:30pm. Friends and siblings are encouraged! RSVP's are also encouraged as this is a ticketed event. Tickets, refreshments, and skate rental are all included. Any questions and RSVPs can be directed to Taylor Raab @ 304-546-1820

**PRESCHOOL DIAPER DRIVE**

The Preschool is collecting diapers and pull ups for Covenant House and Gabriel Project this Christmas season. If this mission speaks to you, please leave your donations by the locked preschool double doors in the main hallway.

**WEST SIDE NEIGHBORS NEED HELP**

If you have been asking how we can help our neighbors without gas on the West Side, look no further. The WV Health Right Clinic at 515 Central Ave are accepting items such as heated blankets, air fryers, electric cooktops and space heaters. Residents also need just basic hygiene items to be able to wash up in the showers provided as well as blankets and hand warmers. Please drop your donations off at WV Health Right clinic on 515 Central Ave on the West Side.

**WORSHIP MEMORIAL FUND**

Please fill out the information below and return or use an envelope in the bulletin to make a gift to our **“Worship Gifts and Memorials Fund”** in honor of those who are living and in memory of loved ones who are deceased. These names will be printed in a special insert for the worship bulletin for Sunday, December 17, and for worship services on Christmas Eve. The Worship Gifts & Memorials Fund has been used to purchase Easter flowers, Lenten materials, poinsettias, Advent materials, and worship-related supplies. The Fund has also been used to provide honorariums for guest preachers. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

**Our due date to receive the names of loved ones “in honor of” and/or “in memory of” is Sunday, December 10.** Thank you for your kind attention.

**WORSHIP GIFTS AND MEMORIALS FUND OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

In Memory \_\_\_\_\_ OR In Honor \_\_\_\_\_ of: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and designate for “Worship Memorials Fund”.**

## PRESBYTERY CHURCH PRAYERS

Each week we pray for other congregations in our presbytery, along with the Presbytery of West Virginia and other ministry partners. This week please pray for Marlinton Presbyterian Church and Westminster Presbyterian Church.

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBY

#### Sunday, November 19

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  
9:15 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship  
11:00 AM Worship broadcast on WCHS-580AM  
11:30 AM Congregational Meeting  
11:30 AM Hope Village

#### Monday, November 20

8:30 AM Aerobics

#### Tuesday, November 21

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

#### Wednesday, November 22

8:30 AM Aerobics

#### Thursday, November 23

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - Happy Thanksgiving!

#### Friday, November 24

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  
12:00 PM Hope Village

#### Saturday, November 25

10:00 AM Hope Village

### HOPE VILLAGE DATES

#### Activities Building (Bud Francis Room)

Nov. 12 12pm - 3pm  
Nov. 16,17,18 10am - 3pm  
Nov. 19, 24 12pm - 3pm  
Nov. 25 10am - 3pm  
Nov. 26 12pm - 3pm  
Nov. 30 10am - 3pm  
Dec. 1,2 10am - 3pm  
Dec. 3 12pm - 3pm

### DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

**Sunday, November 19** Luke 16:1-13  
**Monday, November 20** Matthew 17:1-13  
**Tuesday, November 21** Matthew 17:14-21  
**Wednesday, November 22** Matthew 17:22-27  
**Thursday, November 23** Matthew 18:1-9  
**Friday, November 24** Matthew 18:10-20  
**Saturday, November 25** Matthew 18:21-35

### DISCOVERY CLASS | 9:15AM DINING ROOM

11.19 – A Thanksgiving Message – Pastor Myers  
11.26 – NO CLASS – Thanksgiving Weekend  
12.3 – “The cultural & religious significance of the #12” – Rick Vorhees  
12.10 – “TBD” - John Nesius  
12.17 – “A Christmas Story – Dave Nolan  
12.24 – NO CLASS  
12.31 – NO CLASS