

From under the Redbud Tree.....



The Redbud

The Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church

January 2020

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A Prayer for the Journey

The following prayer, almost 1,000 years old, was written for pilgrims walking the Camino de Santiago (the Way of St. James) —500 miles across northern Spain. Use this adaptation as you journey into the new year:

God, you called your servant Abraham from Ur in Chaldea, watching over him in all his wanderings, and guided the Hebrew people as they crossed the desert. Guard your children, who seek to grow in you this year.

Be their companion on the way,
their guide at the crossroads, their strength in weariness,
their defense in dangers, their shelter on the path,
their shade in the heat, their light in the darkness,
their comfort in discouragement,
and the firmness of their intentions.

Through your guidance, may they be enriched
with grace and virtue, and be filled with
salutary and lasting joy.

—from the 12th –century *Codex Calixtinus*



Coffee and
cookie teams

Month of January

- 5th - Deacons
- 12th - Women's Circle #1
- 19th - Finance Committee
- 26th - Ministry Committee



Jan. 1 Dee Crapnell
Jan. 2 William Jordan
Jan. 2 Susan Kearns
Jan. 4 Gale Newman
Jan. 4 Sandy Kidd
Jan. 16 Mareline Bond
Jan. 22 Yvonne Kilpatrick
Jan. 27 Chuck Beall
Jan. 30 Judy Sulephen

IF YOU DON'T SEE YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE SO WE CAN GET YOU STORED IN OUR RECORDS!! THE SAME GOES FOR ANY MISTAKES YOU MAY SEE!!

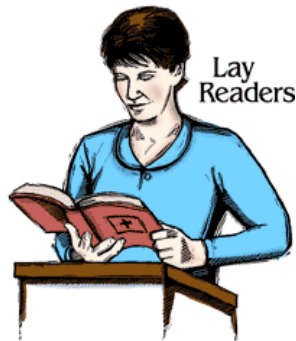
(We can't fix it...if we don't know it's broke!) We appreciate your help!

**COMMUNION SET-UP
TEAM FOR JANUARY 5, 2020**

**Mary Smith and
Barbara Sandberg**



Jan. 18 Chuck & Cheryl Munson
Beall
Jan. 21 Gaines & Jackie Hoff



Jan. 5th Nancy Priest
Jan. 12th Nan Jordan
Jan. 19th Ralph Gillespie
Jan. 26th Gale Newman



FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

5th-
12th -
19th -
26th -



JANUARY 5, 2020

**Ralph and Karen Gillespie
Sherman Fine and Cathy Roeover**

For the month of January

CHURCH CHUCKLES



From a church newsletter:

JOIN OUR NEW-MEMBER CLASS.

... explore tenants of our faith.

Meet other people at First Any Church

We hope all those residents learned the faith *tenets*.



- New Year's Day, January 1, 2020
- Epiphany, January 6, 2020
- Baptism of the Lord, January 12, 2020
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18-25, 2020
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 20, 2020



2020 Church Directory!!

Please notify the church office if you have had a change in your mailing address, email address, phone number, etc!!

We will be starting the 2020 church directory soon and need all changes you may have.

Thanks for your co-operation!

Your Office Staff



The Women's meeting is Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. at the Church Fellowship Hall.

The Lesson: Chapter 2 in the new book "Love Carved in Stone- a Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments." The Hostess: Marty Hasty, The Leader: Cathy Roevers.

A dinner was served in December at Serenity by Nancy Priest, Lowetta Rogers and Kay Kunkel.

Circle members are donating to Alpha House and Gamma House for their yearly charitable donation.

Please continue to collect Best Choice labels for us.

FOR THE THINKERS

If poison expires, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?

Your future self is watching you right now through memories.

100 years ago a Twenty Dollar bill and a Twenty Dollar gold piece were interchangeable. Either one would buy a new suit, new shoes and a night on the town. The Twenty Dollar gold piece will still do that.

If you rip a hole in a net, there are actually fewer holes in it than there were before.



Scripture Readings for the month of January

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Mountain Home, Arkansas, met for a Stated Session meeting on

NO SESSION MINUTES

Thank you,
you are able to see a complete copy of session minutes or committee reports in the mail room.

Mari Ruegsegger
Clerk of Session

Sunday, Jan 5th

2nd Sunday of Christmas

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalm 147:12-20, Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:(1-9) 10-18

Sunday, Jan. 12th

Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42:1-9, Psalm 29

Acts 10:34-43,

Matthew 3:13-17

Sunday, Jan. 19th

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 49:1-7,

Psalm 40:1-11

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

John 1:29-42

Sunday, Jan. 26th

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 9:1-4

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23



COMING SOON! "WAR ROOM"


WEDNESDAY, January 8th, 10:00 a.m.

A compelling faith drama filled with humor and heart. A story about a young couple, Tony and Elizabeth who appears to have it all. But in reality their world is crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. They meet Miss Clara and her "war room". Prayer changes everything! The movie explores the power of prayer and how it can change one's life.

Please join the Wednesday morning Bible Study group on Wednesday, January 8th in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 10:00 a.m. to see the movie with discussion following. Please bring a brown bag lunch so we can have a good discussion following and share a meal together. We will gather around the T.V. in the fellowship hall.

You are welcome to bring a friend.

REDBUD CALENDAR JANUARY 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Fri	Sat
			1  New Year's Day	2	3	4
5 9am—Adult Sunday School 10am - Worship Service/ Communion 11am - Coffee hosted by The Deacons 11am - Blood Pressure Screening-Deacons offering	6 9 am - Counters	7 1 pm-Women's Circles 	8 10 am - Lectionary Bible Study 1 pm Choir practice 2 pm Mission Cmte. 	9 Master Gardeners meet at 12noon 	10 C L O S E D	11
12 9am—Adult Sunday School 10am - Worship Service Copper Kettle offering 11am - Coffee hosted by Women's Circle #1	13 9 am - Counters	14	15 10 am - Lectionary Bible Study 11 am Worship Committee 1 pm Choir practice 	16 SESSION MEETS FRIDAY AT 10:30 am 	17	18
19 9am—Adult Sunday School 10am - Worship Service 11am - Coffee hosted by The Finance Committee	20 Post office closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday	21 9 am - Counters 10 am - Deacons meet 	22 10 am - Lectionary Bible Study 11:15 am - Ministry Cmte. 1 pm - Choir Practice	23	24 C L O S E D	25
26 9am—Adult Sunday School 10am - Worship Service 11 am - coffee hosted by the Ministry Committee	27 9 am - Counters 	28	29 10 am - Lectionary Bible Study 1 pm - Choir Practice	30	31 C L O S E D	



I've learned so much from my mistakes.....

I'm thinking of making a few more!

Publication Deadlines

Weekly bulletin - Wednesday afternoon
 Newsletter - Redbud deadline -WEDNESDAY January 27th
 Please submit all articles in writing.
 You may drop them off at the office or email to Connie McLaurin: fpcmh@centurytel.net

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9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday

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