



The REDbud

The Newsletter of First Presbyterian
Church Mountain Home, Arkansas



July 2022

Sunday Worship Services 10:00 am

Coffee Fellowship after Worship Service

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Office hours: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Monday– Thursday

Liberty through surrender



To non-believers, talk of finding freedom through complete dependence on Jesus must sound foolish. How can surrendering your desires, time, heart — indeed, your entire life — lead to anything but bondage?

The answer is evident in Jesus' own life and ministry, writes Michael Card in *Immanuel: Reflections on the Life of Christ*. In a twist on Julius Caesar's motto "Veni, vidi, vici" ("I came, I saw, I conquered"), "Jesus lived by the motto, 'I came, I saw, I surrendered,'" Card notes. "By living out this unorthodox pronouncement, Jesus demonstrated that what the world regards as power is really impotence. True victory is only through surrender."

During the 16th century, St. Ignatius of Loyola wrote this prayer of surrender that's still relevant today: "Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding and my whole will. All that I am and all that I possess, Thou hast given me: I surrender it all to Thee to be disposed of according to Thy will. Give me only Thy love and Thy grace; with these I will be rich enough and will desire nothing more. Amen."

BIRTHDAYS

July 3– Charlotte Cherry

July 4– Marty Hasty

July 14– Carolyn Hannon

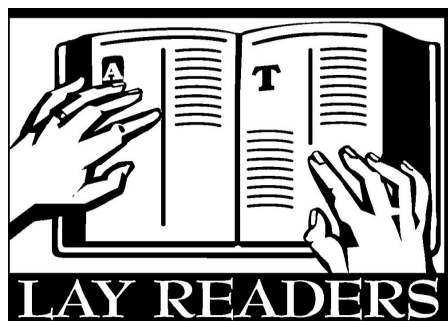
July 19– Regina Manning

July 24 –Chris Constantine

July 29 - Andrew Ruegsegger



Serving in Worship



July Lay Readers

July 3– Carolyn H.

July 10 - Doug W.

July 17– Don C.

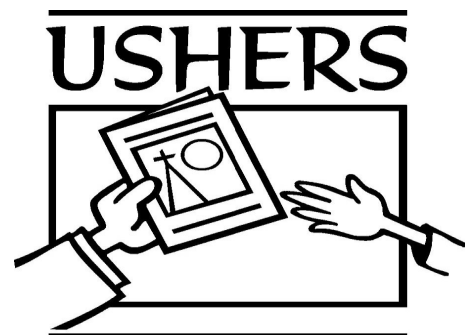
July 24– Ralph G.

July 31 - Nancy P.



July Fellowship

Don't forget to volunteer to host fellowship by signing up on the bulletin board on the way to the fellowship hall. There is a sign up sheet for July and August currently hanging on the board.



July Ushers

July 3– Loweta R.

July 10– Ellen J.

July 17– Phil J.

July 24– Robert K.

July 31 - Susan K.



JULY 3 - LOWETA ROGERS

JULY 10 - ELLEN JORDAN

JULY 17 - PHIL JORDAN

JULY 24 - ROBERT KEARNS

JULY 31 - SUSAN KEARNS

AUGUST 7 - LILLIAN EUERS

AUGUST 14 - RUTH FINE

AUGUST 21 - RUTH FINE

AUGUST 28 - RUTH FINE



SEPTEMBER 4 - SHERMAN FINE

SEPTEMBER 11 - ELLEN JORDAN

SEPTEMBER 18 - SHERMAN FINE

SEPTEMBER 25 - MARY SMITH

So Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law.

– Galatians 5:1

Church Leadership Meetings

JUNE SESSION UPDATE

The Session met June 19. Rev. Ward Rudolph moderated. A quorum was present. Repairs to the roof was completed. Next Session meeting in July will be as needed. A complete copy of the minutes are available on the bulletin board in the mail room.

JUNE DEACONS UPDATE

The minutes of the April meeting were approved , and the Deacon Fund was reviewed.

Each of the Deacons present reported joys and concerns for each of their church family members. They also shared concerns for friends of the church families and joys and concerns of their own.

The next Deacons meeting will be **August 16, 2022.**

Marty Hasty– Moderator

Treasurer's Report as of May 31, 2022:

Donations/Deposits	\$ 8,277.36
Cleared Checks/Expenses	\$13,460.00
Bank Balance	\$66,959.71*
(*Uncleared checks \$1,872.34)	



“Holy Spirit, Right Divine, King within my conscience reign; be my guide, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.”

——— Samuel Longfellow

Mission Matters

The Mission Committee is currently participating with The United Methodist Church of Mountain Home by accepting donations for the After School Back Pack Program. Canned food and non perishable items are placed in a back pack and given to children in the area schools that need extra help at home with food assistance. Please look for flyers to take home and placed in Fellowship Hall for more details. The Goal is to collect 110 items!

Examples include: canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned meats, soup, pancake mix, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, one pound bags of rice and beans and peanut butter.

Snack items like granola bars, applesauce cups, crackers, cereal, pop tarts.

Mary Smith– Moderator

P.S. The Missions Committee will NOT be meeting in July.



Food Donations



Women of the Church

Women of the Church met June 14. Nancy Priest opened her lovely home for the June meeting of the Women of the Church. Fourteen met to hear the lesson on Tamar, Genesis 38, presented by Jan Clark. If you have not read this chapter of the Bible I would urge you to do so. The recording of an abused woman who stepped up to do what she needed to do to further the line of Judah and assure the lineage of Jesus.

Please join us on **July 12** as we learn more about the women in the lineage of Jesus. Nancy Priest will bring us the lesson on Rahab. Hostesses will be Barb Hough and Jackie Hoff.



WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Communion Servers for July are Marilyn Wheat and Cheryl Munson-Beall. August Communion Servers are Marty Hasty and Loweta Rodgers.

Thanks for serving your church family,
Carolyn Hannon, Worship Committee Moderator



SCRIPTURES FOR JULY 2022

Sunday July 3

4th Sunday after Pentecost/ Communion

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalm 66:1-9

Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16

Luke 9:1-2 10:1-12, 16-20

Sunday July 10

5th Sunday after Pentecost

Deut 30:9-14

Psalm 25:1-10

Col 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

Sunday July 17

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm 15

Col 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42



Sunday July 24

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm 138

Col 2:6-15 [16-19]

Luke 11:1-13

Sunday July 31

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Eccles 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Psalm 49:1-12

Col 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

A prayer for strength

God of inexhaustible strength and limitless energy, our refuge, strength and very present help in trouble: When even youth faint in weariness and the young fall exhausted, help us wait patiently for you to come to renew our strength, so that we will mount up with wings to soar like eagles, riding on the undercurrents of the wind of your Spirit.

You who need no slumber nor sleep, by your Holy Spirit's power keep us from all evil, safe in Jesus' nail-scarred hands. Help us never weary as we run after you and never faint as we walk in Christ's footsteps, now and forevermore. Amen.

“No one else holds or has held the place in the heart of the world which Jesus holds. Other gods have been as devoutly worshipped; no other man has been so devoutly loved.”

John Knox

Freedom

Each one of us is born most free
And we alone can choose
To do what God would have us do,
To use what God would use.


Or we are also free to seek
The proud and selfish way —
A life where other gods come first
To reign and hold full sway.

But when we follow where Christ leads,
We find that freedom's place
Is really in God's will for us,
And we have chosen GRACE!



—Peggy Ferrell, *Prayers and Poems*

JULY 2022

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Sat</i>
					1	2
					Office closed	
3	4 <i>Independence Day</i> <i>Office Closed</i>	5	6	7	8	9
					Office closed	
10	11	12 <i>Women's Circle</i> <i>1 pm</i>	13	14 <i>Master Gardeners</i> <i>12 pm</i>	15	16
					Office closed	
17	18	19 <i>Session 1 pm</i>	20	21	22	
					Office closed	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
					Office closed	
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



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9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. /Monday -Thursday

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