

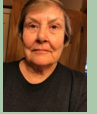
# The Bridge

First Presbyterian Church of Granbury

June 2023

## In The Interim...

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**A voice of one calling: In the desert prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God. Isaiah 40:3**

Isaiah was preparing the people for a blessing. They didn't know what the blessing would be and they certainly couldn't have even imagined that God would be sending Jesus to save His people, Israel, but they needed to be prepared anyway and that was Isaiah's job.

You may never have been in a congregation that is preparing for a new pastor but I've been in several, both as a pastor and as a member of the congregation and it's a lot of work. Mostly it is the same work, done by the same people, for the same reasons but with more responsibility.

Like Isaiah, we know there is a blessing coming but we don't yet know what it will look like.

Granbury isn't a desert, for sure, but whoever God sends still needs us to prepare a highway and keep it in good repair. I'm here to help that effort so feel free to ask questions, stop in to visit when I'm in the office on a Wednesday, call me on my cell phone or stay after worship to let me know what is going on in the life of our church. I'm not here to make changes unless the session decides something needs to be changed and you know who they are and how to reach them.

If you read the rest of Isaiah chapter 40 you'll get an idea of the work that needs to be done. We have all the people and all the skills we need and the voice is calling...

Blessings to all,  
Pastor Sherrolyn Weed

## A Note From The Mission Study Committee

### THE ROAD TO A NEW PASTOR



#### Mission Study Committee:

- Selected
- Meeting with each other
- Meeting with congregation



#### Mission Study Report:

- Completed
- Approved by Session
- Approved by Presbytery



#### Pastor Nominating Committee:

- Elected by Congregation
- Meeting with each other



#### Pastor Nominating Committee:

- Create Ministry Information Form
- Review Applicants
- Interview Candidates

## What's Happened So Far

The Mission Study Committee presented their completed Mission Study Report to both our Session and Grace Presbytery in early May. At their monthly meeting May 16, FPC Session approved the report. The following week on May 23, Grace Presbytery approved the report.

## Moving on to the Next Step!

Now that the Mission Study Report has been approved, the next step is the election of the Pastor Nominating Committee. This committee is responsible for the creation of the Ministry Information Form (a **very** detailed job posting) using information from the Mission Study Report, as well as the actual interviewing of candidates for Pastor at FPC. This process takes time. Please continue to read the bulletin and the Bridge for updates from this forthcoming committee.

# Fellowship

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We are going to be busy with our Fellowship calendar for the next few weeks! Get ready to have some fun and good food.

Our first event will be our **annual summer all-church picnic**. Ann Mitchell has invited us to her place in the country. This year it will be a potluck dinner on **Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. We will start at 6:00 PM.** Bring your lawn chairs, a dish, and your favorite beverage. If you have a yard game you want to play, bring it too.

## Directions to Ann Mitchell's house 5633 Weatherford Highway

Leaving the square on Houston St, travel North on State Hwy 4/51. Continue past the Local Goat Distillery, the Bridge over the lake, Abe's Landing, and Panchito's restaurant. Past this you will soon see some big storage tanks on your left. Ann's gate is opposite the tanks on the right hand side of the road. Look for a gate with a Texas flag and a US flag. There will also be a **"Presbyterian Church Picnic"** sign. Follow the dirt road to Ann's house.

After the picnic, our next event will be a **Hymn Sing on Sunday evening, June 25<sup>th</sup>**. Priscilla will be telling us more about this event, but on the fellowship side, we will have sandwiches and chips after we "sing a joyful noise".

Next, comes **July 4<sup>th</sup>**. **After** you watch the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, you are **invited to Fellowship Hall** for hot dogs with all the trimmings. You are asked to **bring fruit or a dessert** and here is a recipe for a great dessert.

### Key Lime Pie

Purchase a Graham Cracker Crust or make your own

#### Filling:

8 oz softened cream cheese  
1/2 cup lime juice (you can squeeze limes or use bottled lime juice)  
1 can Eagle Brand Milk  
1/2 teaspoon Vanilla

Use a mixer to beat the cream cheese till fluffy, then add the other ingredients and mix till smooth. Pour into the Graham Cracker Crust. Put pie in the refrigerator for at least 4 hours or in the freezer. You can put Cool Whip on the top if you like it or just serve it plain.





## “Then Sings My Soul”

Join us and bring friends for an ***old-fashioned hymn sing!***  
Favorites, spirituals, and gospel songs, with stories of how some originated.  
**Sunday, June 25th**  
**5:00 pm**

*Then  
sings  
My  
Soul*



and there  
proclaim  
My God  
how great  
thou art

Potluck supper afterward/Fellowship Hall

***\*Please bring either sandwiches, chips, fruit, or dessert, if able.***

If you have questions please call the church office 817.573.2337, or email  
office@fpcgranbury.com or Director, Priscilla Allen, at priscilla@fpcgranbury.org.

***June Elder of the Month***  
***Linda Allen***

### ***Worship Attendance April and May***

	<u>10:00 AM</u>	<u>On Line Views</u>
April 30	<b>109</b>	<b>29</b>
May 7	<b>113</b>	<b>49</b>
May 14	<b>102</b>	<b>30</b>
May 21	<b>95</b>	<b>37</b>

**IMPORTANT  
REMINDER**

***Please*** remember  
to ***lock all doors***, if you are the  
last person to leave any of the FPC  
buildings, for all our safety!

**One service on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.**  
**The Session will continue to monitor  
our attendance and assess the need for  
a second service, and we will continue  
to listen to the needs and opinions of  
the congregation on this matter.**

# Stewardship

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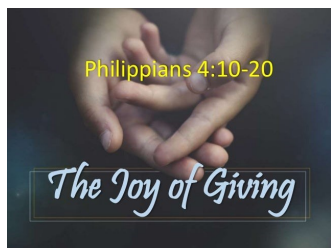


**A**s we approach those "lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer (as the old song goes), we often fill them with vacations to the ocean or the mountains or trips to visit family and friends in far away places. It's no wonder that church attendance typically dips in the summer months.

But while we enjoy our visits away from home elsewhere, our church continues to be busy with regular worship services, administrative duties, servicing and maintaining our church properties, planning and enjoying fellowship activities, providing care and comfort our the sick or homebound members, and outreaching and ministering to those in need within our community, among a host of other church functions.

Often with a change in the normal routine of our personal lives during the summer months, there can be a tendency to forget or delay in making regular offerings of pledged or non-pledged amounts. During this time of the year, even while our personal routines may be changed, the church's financial obligations do not change with funding needed for payment of general operational expenses, including pastor and staff salaries.

Therefore, If you plan on being away for an extended period, consider making your regular weekly, monthly or quarterly donation by alternative means if necessary such as submitting your offering in advance of a planned trip or simply mailing to the church office. Of course these payment methods are beneficial not only for the summer months, but also for the whole year if you are unable to attend regular worship services.



As Christian stewards of the gifts of time, talents, and treasure that God has bestowed upon us, we embrace giving as a spiritual act that enriches our lives of faith with a sense of Christian love and fulfillment. Continuing to give consistently enriches us in our Christian faith and in the joy of generosity.





# Outreach and Mission

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**RAINBOW ROOM**  
A PROMISE OF HOPE  
& A HEART FOR CHILDREN

June is the month when we begin our donation drive for Rack-Room Gift Cards for the Rainbow Room.



The gift cards will be used to purchase school shoes for children in foster care. You can buy a \$25 Rack-Room Shoes Gift Card or you can donate through the Sunday offering, just designate on your check or the offering envelope “Rack Room Gift Card.” We will give the gift cards to the Rainbow Room in July. The cards will be distributed in time for the kids to have new shoes for school in August. We have done this drive for the past several years and the kids are very appreciative and excited about their new shoes.

**Thank You** to everyone who has participated in the **Habitat for Humanity** lunch. We will be on our summer break until September 20, 2023. Habitat continues to work in the early cooler hours during the summer. At the lunch on May 17, the workers asked that I pass along their Thanks to everyone. Thank You!!



# Presbyterian Women

Nancy Burks Worcester, moderator  
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Eight women from PW attended the Mo Ranch Women's Conference. The theme this year was **Shalom of Life** and was based on Jeremiah 29:11 and Psalm 122.

We learned that Shalom meant more than just Peace. Our worship leaders and conference keynote helped us to understand that it meant **"nothing broken, nothing missing"** and that it refers to not only ourselves but our entire community.

We had time for a variety of workshops from *Collage for the Soul* to *G3: Grace, Gravity and Getting Old*. We had time for the river, swimming, napping, and taking in the beauty that is Mo Ranch. We sang together and worshipped together.

We are thankful to Presbyterian Women for the scholarships that made this possible for us. Make a note in your calendar for next year's event (June 7-9) because everyone should have the opportunity to attend an event at Mo Ranch!



Joanne Wallis, Marijane Harvey, Nancy Worcester,  
Nancy Bennett, Ann Mitchell, Bianca Brownfield,  
Linda Allen, Kathy Long









# Congregational Care

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- 1 Julia Hinterleiter
- 3 Bernice Deeds  
Kenneth Morgan
- 4 Shirley Shaffer
- 5 Arolona Herbel  
Bert Cunningham  
Neita Daughtrey  
Peggy Lewis
- 11 Lillian Ethridge
- 13 Lorraine Schmitz
- 15 Pepper Davis  
Stephen Reinke
- 16 Jacci Southern
- 17 Carol Gadbois  
Dana Sutton  
Don Williams
- 19 Ted Goller
- 20 Jim Dean
- 22 Fred J. Crawford
- 25 Gwen Clay
- 26 Bill Lowe  
Pam Christopher
- 27 Nancy Blakely
- 28 Ron Deeds
- 29 Claire Copeland



- 1 Lawson and Linda Allen
- 2 Les and Brenda Staples
- 6 Janna and Kim Sullins
- 9 Paul and Emily Holmes  
Jimmie and Sherry Johnson
- 12 Jim and Carolyn Stringer
- 17 Sallie and Peter Garland  
Daren and Lina Hardin  
Ray and Carolyn Llewellyn  
Larry and Patricia Walker
- 18 Roger and Shawn Deeds
- 19 Mark and Lori Collinsworth
- 24 Mark and Saunya Bishop  
Greg and Debbie Schneider  
Scott and Kim Wylie
- 30 Drew and Rhonda Travis

## AT HOME AND/OR RECEIVING TREATMENT

Dave Barnett, Julie Barnett, Rita Hart, Theda Deaver, Bill Wood,  
Sharon Wilemon, Carol Gadbois,



We mourn the passing of our beloved church member **Dee Holt**. We pray for peace and comfort of her family, especially Jan and Marlin Massengale, our dear church members.

Memorial service for Dee will be Thursday June, 1 at 2:30 pm.

## SPECIAL BLESSINGS:

**For those hurting and in pain, we ask your blessing and your healing. We also ask your blessing for the caretakers, struggling to help their loved ones with patience and perseverance. Give them strength for the days ahead, and help them to feel your love and grace. In Christ we pray.**

If you know of anyone who needs to be contacted for a care or concern, please email me at [susanyounk@gmail.com](mailto:susanyounk@gmail.com) or contact the church office.

If you need transportation to a doctor's appointment, etc. please contact the church office, Tim Bennett, Dan Crise, or Susan Younk. We are pleased to help!



**AT CARE/RETIREMENT FACILITIES**

**Anchor Away, Crowley**

Maureen Walker

**Waterview at Lake Granbury**

Ted Dolan, Nita Collinsworth

**AVIVA Granbury**

Dolores Groom, John Cheney, Lorraine Schmitz

**Prestonwood Court, Plano**

Linda Reed

**Town Village Crossing, Arlington**

Linda Bowlin

**Rosemont, Humble TX**

Betty Dean

**Bridgewater Memory Care, Granbury**

Bill Lowe

**Lewisville Estates, Lewisville**

Fran Smith

**Harbor Lakes**

Marina Kuyl



**CONCERNS FOR OUR EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY**

- **Marla Caraway's** daughter Whitney, who had emergency surgery (in England) to deliver twins. The twins are in NICU and Whitney is receiving medical care. They are doing well but need our prayers for continuing recovery.
- **Carol and Bob Gadbois** great grandson, 1 year old, needs prayers as he deals with a very serious health condition. Bob's sister, Toni Enos, has breast cancer and will be starting treatment.
- **Joyce**, sister of Marijane Harvey, as she recovers from health issues.
- **CJ Cluck**, grandson of Beverly McKusick, on his continued cancer recovery.
- **Jim Dean's** parents and sister as they navigate multiple health issues.
- **Earnestine Sutherland**, who is receiving cancer treatments.
- **The Ukrainian family** that has been part of Marla Caraway's daughter's life.
- **Joan Smethers**, sister of Max Jewell, as she seeks treatment for lung cancer and **Miles**, grandson of the Jewells.
- **Connie and Andrea**, friends of Judy Butler, experiencing health issues and cancer.
- **Dave Kennison**, friend of the Gulinsons, as he recovers from a series of strokes.
- **Terry Martin** (Sylvia Hickey) as he deals with cancer treatments.
- **Ann Anderson**, mother of Susan Younk, as she has entered into hospice.

**CONCERNS FOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS**

- Sallie Garland** as she recovers from a stroke.
- Mary Lee McCarthy** as she recovers from back surgery.
- Marina Kuyl** who is receiving hospice care at Harbor Lakes.
- Gardner Davis** as he battles multiple health issues.
- Dave and Julie Barnett** as they deal with multiple health issues.
- Rita Hart** as she deals with the effects of a brain tumor.
- Carol Gadbois** as she deals with multiple health issues.
- Claire Mitchell Copeland** who has multiple health issues.
- Lorraine Schmitz** as she receives Hospice care Aviva Assisted Living.
- Mary Lee McCarthy** as she recovers from back surgery.
- Ted and Trish Gollar** as they deal with the effects of Ted's brain tumor.
- Donna Callahan** as she deals with multiple health issues.
- Larry Walker** as he deals with health issues.
- Theda Deaver** as she navigates declining health.
- Sandi Ricketson** as she navigates health issues.
- Reann McHaney** as she deals with health issues.
- Faith Goodman** as she goes through cancer treatments.
- Ann McLaughlin** as she deals with health issues.

We  
care  
about  
YOU

## Prayer of the Month

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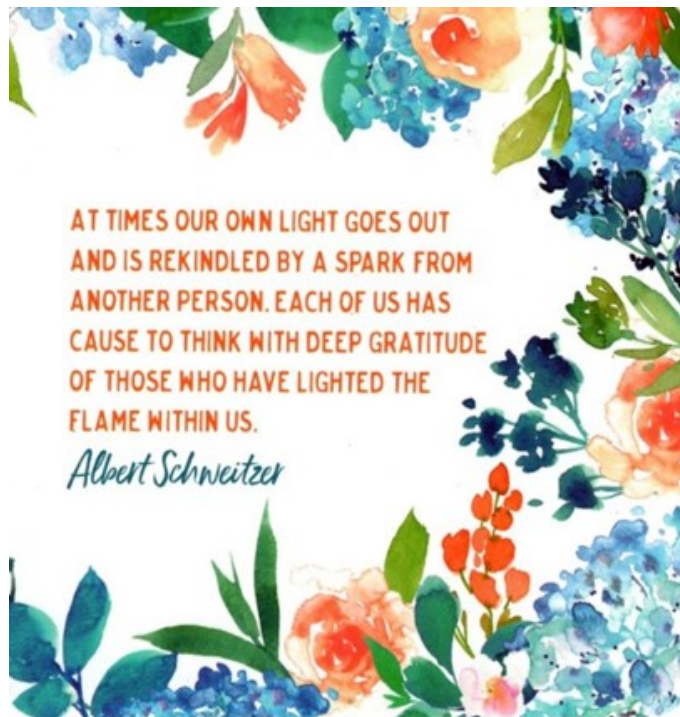


*D*ear Lord, we at First Presbyterian have so many things to be grateful for. First, we are grateful for your love, and for sending Jesus to be our savior, the Holy Bible, the Ten Commandments.

Also, we are grateful for our church and to you for sending Sherrolyn Weed to be our interim pastor, for those who have shown encouragement to us (our wonderful congregation and our families), living in Granbury, and so many other things.

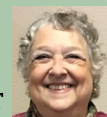
Help us reach out and offer encouragement and help to those who need it.

In Christ's name we pray, Amen



## F.U.N. Circle

Bev McKusick  
F.U.N. circle coordinator



It's hard to believe that half of the year is gone already. **Summer** has arrived and we are on summer break for most of our church activities. Have a wonderful summer and if your traveling I pray you have safe journeys, otherwise I hope to see you in church. We have a lot of wonderful things planned For FUN Circle starting in September.





# June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>28</b> 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	<b>29</b> OFFICE CLOSED Memorial Day 6:00pm - 7:00pm AL-Anon	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building 1:00pm - 2:00pm Staff Meeting 2:00pm - 3:00pm Worship Committee Meeting - Admin Building	<b>1</b> 2:30pm - 3:30pm Memorial Service - Dee Holt	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH
<b>4</b> 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	<b>5</b> 6:00pm - 7:00pm AL-Anon	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 10:00am Mission and Outreach - Fellowship Hall 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH 6:00pm Church Picnic!
<b>11</b> 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	<b>12</b> 9:00am Monthly Property Meeting - Square Cafe 1:00pm - 3:00pm Memorial Hall - Pecan Bookmarks 6:00pm - 7:00pm AL-Anon	<b>13</b> 9:00am - 12:00pm Granbury Knitting Guild - FH 10:00am - 11:30am Membership Meeting - Admin Building	<b>14</b> 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH
<b>18</b> 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	<b>19</b> 6:00pm - 7:00pm AL-Anon	<b>20</b> Bridge Articles Due 5:30pm Session - Admin Building	<b>21</b> 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH
<b>25</b> 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook 5:00pm Hymn Sing Evening and Pot Luck Dinner - Watch for Details!	<b>26</b> 6:00pm - 7:00pm AL-Anon	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b> 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH

Watch for changes to the current calendar on our website [FPCGranbury.com](https://fpcgranbury.org) and Click on Calendar at the top of the page. Or click on the link below <https://fpcgranbury.org>

The church office is open Monday — Thursday, 7:30—4:30.



To celebrate your birthday (or that of a family member or friend), and in thanksgiving for God's gift of grace, please consider making a gift of your own, in the amount of \$1 for each year of your (or your honoree's) life, to sustain the permanent endowment funds of the church.

**To:**

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