

The Bridge

First Presbyterian Church of Granbury

August 2024

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After leaving them, he went up on a mountainside to pray.

Mark 6:45 –46

Pastor's Pen...

Rev. Angela Madden Scott, Pastor, Spiritual Leader, Teaching Elder



Dear Faith Family,

One writer says this about Paul's hopeful letter to the church in Ephesus: The Kingdom of God is not a matter of getting individuals to heaven, but of transforming the life on earth into the harmony of heaven.--

Walter Rauschenbusch, *Christianity and the Social Crisis* (Macmillan, 1913), 65.

Bringing heaven to earth now is your calling, and mine.

Do you feel the Bond of God between you and strangers?

Are you participating in bringing kingdom to earth now? If not, why?

No one in the deeply divided country knew what to expect of the President Lincoln's inaugural address. North and South had been at war for four years. By the time Abraham Lincoln was preparing to be inaugurated for his second term, the Union's eventual victory seemed assured. Victorious northerners looked to him to excoriate the southerners, to vindicate their sacrifices of blood and gold for the cause of freedom. Beleaguered southerners glumly expected to be excoriated.

But that's not what the Great Emancipator gave the American people on March 4, 1865. What he did for them was to transform his inauguration into a day of national healing.

With remarkable restraint, Lincoln ends his speech by describing a God who's likely to sternly judge both sides in the war, the victor as well as the vanquished: "Fondly do we hope — fervently do we pray — that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. Yet, if God wills that it continue until all the wealth piled by the bondsman's two hundred and fifty years of unrequited toil shall be sunk, and until every drop of blood drawn with the lash shall be paid by another drawn with the sword, as was said three thousand years ago, so still it must be said 'the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.' With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations."

Lincoln sees himself in that speech as President of the entire nation — a nation that remains one people, although temporarily divided. He's just as concerned for kindred in the South — who are facing the ruin of their livelihood and the passing-away of so much they hold dear — as he is for the Yankee boys in blue. More than any other Presidential inaugural speech before or since, this one is a remarkably powerful and perceptive statement of faith and the power of reconciliation.

Why do we have passports? What do they allow us to do? What kind of information is in the passport? Do we need a passport to go from one state to another in the United States? No. Do we need a passport to go to Canada or Mexico from the United States? Yes, we need a passport! Do we use passports to go to churches that are different from our own church? No, of course we don't need a passport to go to church. But what if we did have a passport from our church? What are some things we would take with us on our trip?

I am not asking about things, although a Bible would be a good answer. Rather, what qualities would we take with us? We would want to take kindness with us and generosity, goodwill, and a willingness to forgive.

continued...

Just like the job of an ambassador to another country, we are traveling as an ambassador from our church.

That is exactly what we are: ambassadors for God.

But in the commonwealth of God, one can roam at will. We are free to go into areas of poverty and give food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty, clothing to the naked, shelter to the homeless and medical aid to the sick. We are free to build schools and hospitals, open clinics and food banks. We are welcomed in communities of faith. We are free to speak truth to power, to march in protests, to worship in peace, to proclaim the coming of the sovereign realm of God. No restrictions. It's a powerful passport that we carry as citizens of another country. But perhaps it needs to be renewed.

In a world where divisions seem to grow deeper every day, it's time for the church to renew the passport we've been given in Jesus Christ. It's time to be bold enough to break down walls of racial, ethnic, social and political division in the church so that we can demonstrate to the world what true citizens of the divine commonwealth look like. We must be willing to go and share life together with other citizens whom governments and pundits might see as aliens and strangers, but whom the people of God see as brothers and sisters, and fellow citizens of another world, a different age.

Citizens of the commonwealth of God, although from many backgrounds, share a common bond. The church is more than a place where strangers need not feel strange. The church is a place that knows no strangers. (Exegetical commentary on Ephesians 2: Homiletics Magazine).

Each of us is a building block, and Jesus has made it possible for us to get along together and not knock each other down (vv. 17-18). "The church is a house for God," so our job is to stand tall together, treat each other well, and know that God is living inside us. May God strengthen us and help us to grow into a "holy temple" together (v. 21).

With hope in turbulent seasons for FPC Granbury to be a BEACON of light and ambassadors of love,
 Rev. Angela Madden Scott

Prayer "Dear God, we are thankful that no matter where we travel, you are with us and in us. And help us to remember that no matter where we go, we go as your people, bringing peace and kindness to each person we meet. Amen."

Worship
Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat... Pat Luley, Spiritual Leader Elder 

August Sermon Titles and Texts	
Aug. 4:	<i>"Nothing to Worry About"</i> Communion Sunday 2 Sam. 11:26-12:13a & Ephesians 4:1-16
Aug. 11:	<i>"Dear Miss Manners"</i> Baptism Reception following worship 2 Sam. 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 & Ephesians 4:25-5:2 Pizza Party Game Night, 5 PM Fellowship Hall
Aug. 18:	<i>"Just 1 Wish!"</i> 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14 & Ephesians 5: 15-20 Blessing of the Backpacks Pre-K to College
Aug. 25:	<i>"A Christian Helmet"</i> 1 Kings 8: 1, 6, 10-11, 22-30 & Ephesians 6:10—20 Blessing School and Sunday School Teachers

Worship Attendance
July, 2024

	<u>In Person</u>	<u>On Line</u>
July 7	109	45
July 14	119	45
July 21	102	44
July 28	118	36

Elder In Charge August
 Stephanie Mosley



What Is Spiritual Formation?

Spiritual formation is the activity of the Holy Spirit which molds our lives into the likeness of Jesus Christ.

This likeness is one of deep intimacy with God and genuine compassion for all of creation.

The Spirit works not only in the lives of individuals but also in the church, shaping it into the Body of Christ.

We cooperate with this work of the Spirit through practices that make us more open and responsive to the Spirit's touch, disciplines such as sabbath keeping, works of compassion and justice, discernment, worship, hospitality, spiritual friendships, and contemplative silence.

—definition of the Office of Spiritual Formation, Presbyterian Church (USA)

As Summer winds down and fall begins, consider adopting a new 'holy habit' of faith. A 'holy habit' of faith is an exercise of faith that will mold your spiritual life and foster a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. A 'holy habit' of faith might be 15 minutes of daily silence, or hosting a meal with people outside of your normal circle of friends, or taking time to journal and write down your questions to God.



BROWN BAG BIBLE LUNCH GROUP

Each Tuesday beginning Aug. 6, Brown Bag Bible will be held at 12 noon in the Administration Building. Pastor Angela leads a dialogue on the Bible passages for the upcoming Sunday worship. Brown Bag Bible offers you a Spiritual Formation opportunity to discuss with and learn from other people of all ages. You will experience unpacking the scripture and it's relevance to your everyday life. Bring your brown bag lunch and a Bible and expect to grow in your faith!

- Aug. 11 2 Sam. 18:5-9, 15, 31-33
Eph. 4:25-5:2
- Aug. 18 I Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14
Eph. 5:15-20
- Aug. 25 I Kings 8:1, 6, 10-11, 22-30
Eph. 6:10-20



Session Highlights

First Presbyterian Church of Granbury

June 20, 2024, Session Meeting

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After leaving them, he went up on a mountainside to pray.

Mark 6:45 –46

Session Spiritual Leaders met for their regularly scheduled meeting on June 20. The Spiritual Leaders invoked Christ's presence into the meeting by lighting a candle and sharing joys and concerns/pits and cherries. Session Spiritual Leaders were led on a Spiritual Formation Exercise by Rev. Madden Scott on the topic of "Transformational Leaders Embrace Change and Discomfort." Leaders were given homework to discern where transformation is happening and where the Spirit is inviting us to possess a stronger sense of urgency for radical change.

Session Highlights:

- Session will begin meeting monthly on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m.
- During the month of July the Session has a SABBATH.
- During the month of September, Session will meet the 4th Tuesday, September 24.
- Rev. Madden will be away from the pulpit: July 7, September 22, October 27, December 29.
- The INSTALLATION Worship gathering for Rev. Angela D. Madden Scott will be November 3 at 4 p.m. By the Grace Presbytery guidelines the worship is an action of the Presbytery and cannot start any earlier than 4 p.m
- The next rummage sale was approved by Session to be October 4 and 5 with set-up to begin at 11:30 a.m. on 9/29. Session authorized the use of all rooms of the church in all buildings and spaces of the church. All rooms will be photographed prior to the set-up and returned to their design by 4 p.m. October 5. (A craft fair may be a component of this year's Fall Rummage Sale, TBD).
- Rev. Angela will be away for continuing education 9/15 at noon through 9/22.
- Rev. Angela will be away to be a trainer for the Grace Presbytery Commissioned Lay Pastors' Retreat on October 21-24.
- 4 visitors have completed requests to join in membership with FPC.
- Bertha Cunningham was removed from the rolls by reason of death.
- Session acknowledged a generous trust disbursement of \$425,000 from Jack and Ruby Walters' Family Trust and Estate: gifted to FPC.
- Cane's Chicken gave a generous donation of 'Kids' Meals Free Passes' to the Vacation Bible School of FPC Granbury.
- Session Spiritual Leaders will acknowledge the gifts from the Walters and Cane's Chicken.
- A decision was made to have the paid team/staff who serve the church report to the Pastor as Head of Staff, and she will work alongside the Administration Team.
- Nursery Care Attendants will be sought through advertising to begin positions in late summer or early fall.
- Lawson Allen and Mylene Bole have been authorized as assistant treasurers to perform the offertory collection counting duties of the treasurer when the Treasurer is unavailable.
- Online Bill Pay will be set up by the Treasurer.
- Upcoming Presbytery Meeting dates: September 21 and December 5
- \$1730 additional funds were allocated to send any child/youth to camp.
- The Admin Team and Pastor will begin advertising and recruiting for paid Nursery Care Attendants.

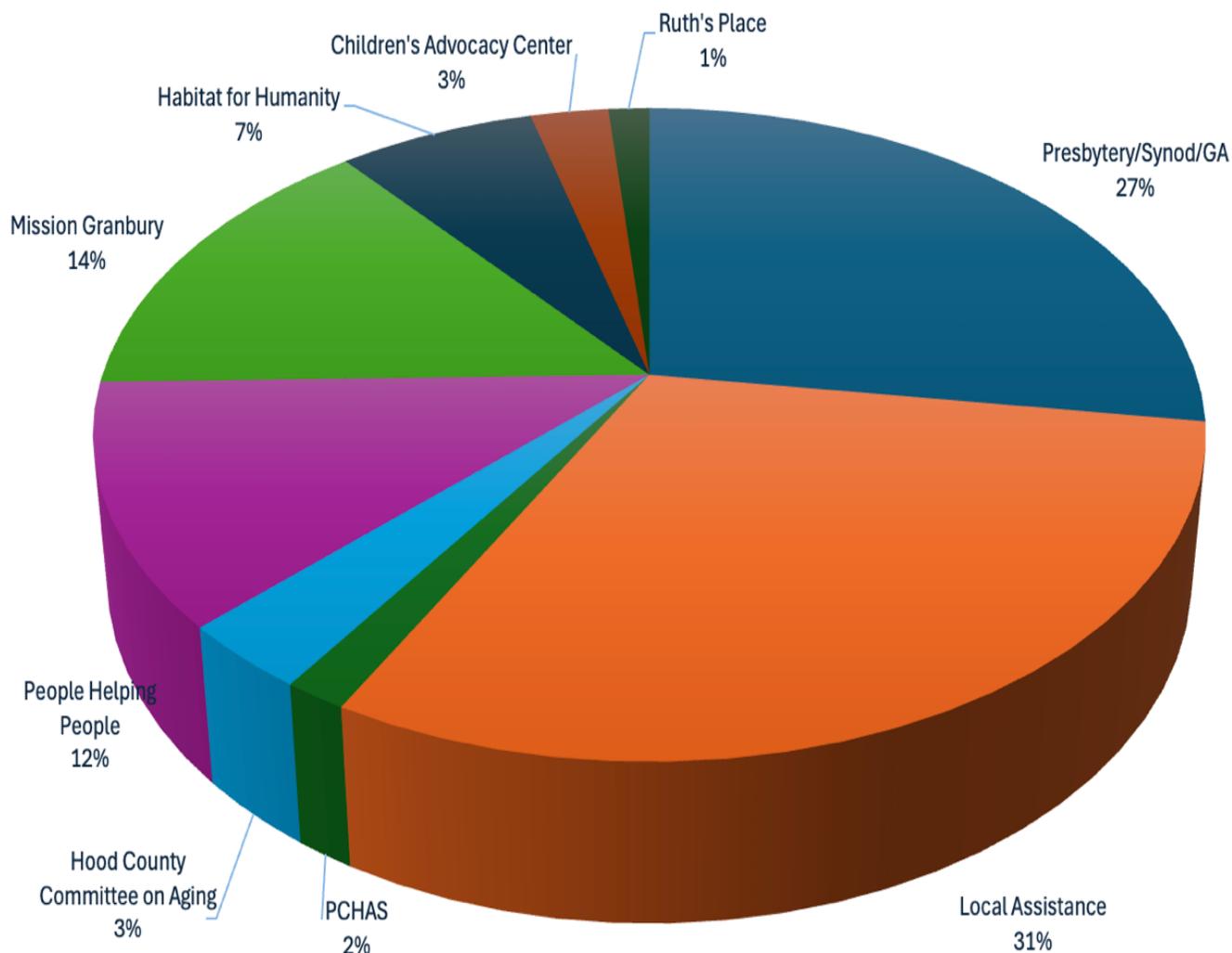
From the Treasurer

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat...

Nancy Bennett



In addition to the generous special request gifts the congregation has made this year (One Great Hour of Sharing & Rainbow Room), we also donate to local and worldwide mission. The pie chart below represents over \$58,000 which is approximately 20% of our budgeted expenses. Thank you to each and every one of you who helps us reach out to our neighbors in need.



Session meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month. 4:30pm
Administration Building.

Outreach and Mission

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat...

Connie Darne, Spiritual Leader Elder



Once again I want to thank everyone for your support of the Rack Room Shoe drive for the foster children in Hood County. Your contributions were above the greatest expectations. We collected a total of \$7,395.00 consisting of both cash donations and gift cards. The VBS Seekers in Sneakers contributed VBS offering of \$172.68. to the gift card drive. The Grand Total was \$7,567.68.

Due to your generosity, we were able to go beyond our initial plan of buying only back-to-school shoe gift cards. We bought Rack Room gift cards for the 65 foster children in Hood County. We were also able to purchase Walmart gift cards for back to school clothes and other necessities and Kroger gift cards to be given for food and gas as the needs arise. Here is a breakdown of how the money was used:

Rack Room Gift Cards - 65 children, \$50 per child	\$3,250.00
Walmart Gift Cards - 80 gift cards, \$25 each	2,000.00
Kroger Gift Cards - 40 gift cards, \$25 each	1,000.00
Cash Donation to Rainbow Room	<u>1,317.68</u>
Total	\$7,567.68

The Rainbow Room receives requests for assistance for a wide variety of things. Vanessa reported that this summer the Rainbow Room has purchased a stove, a refrigerator,

a washing machine, a dining room table and chairs, 2 air conditioners, and \$750 in formula for a 5-year-old who is fed through a g-spot, etc. The week before we gave the cash donation, she received a request for a computer & printer for an 18-year old boy who is aging out of foster care. He is enrolled in Weatherford College for the fall semester and needs the computer for college. The \$1,317.68 cash donation enabled the Rainbow Room to buy him the computer and printer and other items for his dorm room.



Next year, look for our BACK TO SCHOOL drive for the foster children. We are the Faith Family of First Presbyterian Church, Granbury, and we will continue to support the foster children and the agencies that work for their well-being and safety.



Stewardship

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat...

Dan Crise, Spiritual Leader Elder



As we have heard before, stewardship is defined as the prudent and responsible guardianship of something generally of great value that has been entrusted to one's care. For Christians, stewardship is about recognizing and appreciating the bountiful gifts that we have all received from God and what we should do with them in service to Him as His stewards. There are various citations of biblical scripture that emphasize this point. For example, "**Like good stewards of the grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.**" (1 Peter 4:10 NRSV)

What gifts have we received from God? The short answer is everything, beginning with the giving of His Son to die on the cross for us. Knowing that God created our world and everyone and everything in it is the foundation of our faith as Christians and, by extension, Christian stewardship. As scripture tells us, "**The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and all those who live in it.**" (Psalm 24:1 NRSV).

For all those who serve as faithful Christian stewards of God's gifts, there are common tendencies and characteristics. One characteristic is **gratitude**. A Christian steward receives God's gifts gratefully and acknowledges God to be the true owner of all the gifts of time, talents, and treasure that we each possess. Gratitude to God helps us to maintain a true sense of identity as a follower and disciple of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Another characteristic of Christian stewardship is **generosity**. Opportunities for acts of generosity can be found everywhere. A Christian steward doesn't need to be wealthy to give generously. One doesn't need to give money to be generous, but instead, can give their time and talents to do good for others. What one gets back in return for giving generously can be very rewarding.

Accountability is another characteristic that exemplifies a Christian steward. Being accountable for the stewardship of God's gifts reminds us that we are responsible for what we do (or fail to do) with our time, talents, and treasure that God has bestowed upon us. Accountability reminds us that we are responsible for what we do (or fail to do) with our time, talents, and treasure.

As children of God, each of us has been blessed with gifts to be used in His glory. Recognize the beauty of the gifts you've been given, and be a good steward of them. In doing so, you will be even further enriched.

Prayer of the Month

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat...

Gloria Mitchell, Coordina-



Dear God, I'm thinking of our students going back to school and their teachers here in Granbury and across our great country, and I have several prayers to ask of you.

To begin with, please help the security teams at each school provide protection for everyone in each school from anyone who might cause them harm. Help the children remain safe from traffic and predators on their way to and from school. For the students going to school for the first time and for those going to a new school, help them handle the transition. Help the teachers teach in a way that appeals to their students, and help the students absorb the information and store it in their memories. Help any children who might have problems at home, leave those problems at home and start their day as a new one as soon as they walk into school. Help the children remember to treat others as they wish to be treated. Help any children who are shy or feel left out, look for others who feel the same way, and offer friendship.

Bless the children of our congregation, and help them have a good school year. And bless our pastor, her family, and the rest of our congregation.

In Jesus's name, Amen.

Membership Committee

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat... Linda Somerville, Spiritual Leader Elder



We are the Jones'...JONES....Doug and Paula.

After residing in the MetroPlex for 30+ years, we decided the hustle and bustle was beginning to be overwhelming. A decision was made to relocate in anticipation of complete retirement to Granbury. After raising 3 very active sons, all still residing in the metroplex with 7 wonderful grandbabies we thought the proximity was both close enough and mental health rewarding. We have not been disappointed.

Paula enjoys cooking, seasonally decorating, pool activities, and being on the Staff at DCBE. Doug enjoys all sporting activities and people.

Our 3-legged dog 'Rusty' has become a celebrity in our neighborhood.

Having booked over 4 million miles in travel over a lengthy career, travel is not prevalent on our calendar. We have been pleased to attend FPC for over a year and appreciated all serving the Church with reverence, kindness, and care. We are happy to be welcomed as members.

*Looking forward to next month's Bridge to our interviews with **Kevin and Robbie Monaghan, Shawn Hansson, and Terri Moss.***



The Importance of Traditional Hymns in Worship

Our society is fixed on what's new and what's next, but what's new is not always best. Singing the historic hymns of our faith reminds the congregation that we are not the first generation that has wrestled with problems, prayed, asked, and believed in God's mercy and providence. Traditional hymns provide a tangible link to the rich heritage of the Christian faith. We walk daily in the footsteps of our forefathers who have written praises to Go that have stood the test of time; countless men and women have shared these songs over hundreds of years. With a diet of merely new choruses, we can develop both "modern idolatry and historical amnesia".

4 Reasons We Should Keep Singing Hymns in Church

- 1) Hymns Teach Us
Hymns are portable sermons that articulate biblical truths. They shape the way we view God, man, and Christ, and how we are to live in light of the gospel. Hymns are poetic and emotive renditions of Scripture that open us to the word of God in unique ways central to the worship experience.
- 2) Hymns Admonish Us
Singing hymns about God's character emphasizes His greatness. Hymns for consecration remind us of the steadfast grace of God. We sing to admonish the weak, the weary, and the doubting to believe and be renewed. And we sing to admonish the suffering that they have a hope that is unwavering.
- 3) Hymns Inspire Worship
The aim of singing hymns is to engage the head and the heart. Just as we read and meditate on the Scriptures to connect to God, so we should choose songs that teach robust theological truths that cause our hearts to erupt with praise. Historical hymns are full of rich theology that should be remembered and cherished!
- 4) Hymns are Inclusive
By singing the same hymns that generations before us sang, we enter into a sense of unity with believers from different eras, cultures, traditions, and age groups. Regardless of the ages or ethnic makeup of a congregation, singing hymns together as the body of Christ reinforces our identity as part of the broader Christian community. These timeless songs bring old and young together as they consider the timeless truths of the Gospel.

Thank you, Director Priscilla Allen, for this article.

[Adapted from "Singing Hymns in Church – 4 Reasons You Should Keep Them" by Matt Boswell, Sept. 25, 2023.]

Fellowship

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat...

Bev McKusick, Spiritual Leader Elder



FELLOWSHIP

What is fellowship? The dictionary states, a friendly association, especially with people who share one's interests. "They value fun and good fellowship as the cement of the community". I think this defines what fellowship is with our church. We share the love of the Holy Trinity. We can cement our church family with fun events and spending time getting to know each other.

We have had some great fellowships this year, and we have a lot more to come. We have recently lost several members from the Fellowship and Benevolence committee due to members moving out of the area and illness. If you are a new member to the church or even a long-time member and want to be more involved in planning future events, please contact me. You will never work with a finer group of people. We've been called the fun group!

It is so hot in August, I thought I would give you a recipe that is delicious and does not require the use of oven or stove.

HOUSTONIAN CHICKEN SALAD

- 2 cups cooked chicken, chopped
- 1 7oz box of chicken flavored Rice A Roni
- 2 to 4 green onions
- 2 2.25 oz cans of sliced black olives, drained
- 1 8 oz can water chestnuts, sliced and drained
- 1 8 oz jar marinated artichoke hearts
- 1 cup Hellman's mayonnaise and Salt and pepper to taste

Cook and chop chicken into bite size bits. (I usually buy a rotisserie chicken, for one I don't have to cook it, and because I can use it for numerous recipes.) Cook the Rice A Roni per package instructions. Drain the artichokes and reserve the marinade. Mince the onions. Drain the water chestnuts and half the slices. Combine the chicken, Rice A Roni, onions, black olives chestnuts and artichoke hearts. Mix the mayonnaise with the marinade and pour over the mixture. Season to taste. May be serve hot or cold. One teaspoon of curry could be added to the mayonnaise for a different taste. Serves 8. ENJOY!

Nursery Care Lead Attendant and Assistant Attendant Needed

2 Openings

First Presbyterian Church Granbury a Vital and Vibrant Church

Do you love Jesus and have a love and passion for caring for children? First Presbyterian church Granbury is a vibrant and growing church. If you have the **necessary talents coupled with a faith filled caring heart**, contact us right away to partner with FPC to shape, create, and implement future generations of dedicated disciples. **Excellent pay:** \$25 an hour for **Lead Attendant**, and \$20 an hour for the **Assistant Attendant** – approximately 5 hours per week (Sunday morning 8:30—11:30 and Wednesday evening 2 hours). A successful candidate will pass a criminal background check and a drug test. Do not let this opportunity get away: contact Rev. Angela Madden Scott/Head of Staff at RevAngela@fpcgranbury.org or call 817-573-2337 Ext. 2. Policy prevents members from being employees.

Beginning in September the Church Session is seeking 2 volunteers for the Nursery until the vacant positions are filled. Please consider serving in the nursery on one of these dates and email Pastor Angela to let her know: 817-573-2337 ext. 2, or revangela@fpcgranbury.org

September 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; October 6, 13, 20, and 27

This is a total of **18 volunteers!** The church will obtain the background checks on any volunteers who need one updated with our Faith Family. The precious children that God loans to us would be blessed by your love and nurturing. Even if you have recently volunteered we are prayerful you will volunteer again!

Congregational Care

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat... Susan Younk Kidd, Spiritual Leader Elder



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| 1 Lina Hardin | 2 James Witt and Jamie Sanders |
| 2 Christopher Smith | 4 Kevin and Robbie Monaghan |
| Rhonda Travis | 5 Andy and Lou Ann Attaway |
| 3 Nancy Bennett | 12 Derek and Vanessa Faulkner |
| 6 Brittany Clifton | 23 Ted and Trish Goller |
| Doug Jones | 24 Gary and Brenda Towers |
| 7 Emily Holmes | 25 Mike and Margaret Gulinson |
| 9 Donna Callahan | 27 Kathy and Jerry Long |
| 13 Connie Gilmore | 28 Max and Ruth Ann Jewell |
| 15 Howard Lovelady | |
| 16 Nancy Mielke | |
| 17 Daren Hardin | |
| 18 Jack Scott | |
| 19 Mark Collinsworth | |
| 20 Wanda Moon | |
| Bill McMillan | |
| 25 Richard McCarthy | |
| 26 Beverly McKusick | |
| 30 Hannah Briese | |

At Care/Retirement Homes

Waterview at Lake Granbury:

Ted Dolan; Bill Wood

AVIVA Granbury:

Dolores Groom; John Cheney, Rita Hart

Town Village Crossing, Arlington:

Linda Bowlin

Lewisville Estates, Lewisville:

Fran Smith

Good Samaritan—Denton:

Juanita Morgan

Bridgewater Memory Care, Granbury:

Bill Lowe

The Courtyards:

Margie and Jimmy Randles



Margie & Jimmy Randles express gratitude for all the care, compassion and love shown them during these last few months. Thank to all who came to celebrate their 65th anniversary, their hearts were touched deeply. You, our congregation, show God's love in so many ways. Never doubt the impact your love has on those round you.

Concerns for our Church Family and Extended Church Family

Allen Hardin, Max Jewell, Bill McMillan, Gardner Davis, Dave Barnett, Rita Hart, Claire Mitchell, Larry Walker, Donna Callahan, Reann McHaney, Ann McLaughlin, Carol Davis, and Carol Gadbois, Margie and Jimmy Randles, and Jo Beth Ross.

Jim Dean's parents and sister, **Peggy Lewis's** brother, **Charles Somervill's** sister, **Max Jewell's** sister and grandson, **Connie, Donna,** and **Andrea,** friends of Judy Butler, **Michael and Margaret Gulinson's** friend, Dave Kennison, **Terry Martin** (Sylvia Hickey) health issues, **Dan Crise's** sister-in-law and friends, **Marla Caraway's** friends in the Ukraine, **Saunya Bishop's** cousin, **Kay McMillan's** husband, Bill, and **JD Finley's** daughter, Christy, **Beverly McKusick's** husband and grandson, and **Louise Murray's** friend who has cancer.

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. Amen.

If you know of anyone who needs to be contacted for a care or concern, please email me at susyounk@gmail.com or contact the church office by calling 817.573.2337 or email of-
fice@fpcgranbury.com. 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!

Important Dates and INFORMATION



All are invited Sunday, August 11,
5-7 pm to the Fellowship Event
Pizza & Game Night!

You and your friends won't want to miss
it! Pizza and Salad provided. Free will
donations accepted.

Bring a game, and if inclined, some
cookies to share with your Faith family.

FPC Granbury

Calling all Children,
Youth, and College
learners to bring your
backpacks and we will
bless the packs and
students during
10 am Worship on 8.18.



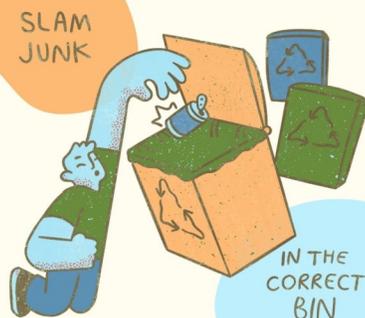
SAVE THE
Date
8 Sept.

RALLY DAY
WITH POTLUCK
FOLLOWING
WORSHIP

FPC Recycle

RECYCLE

YOUR SUNDAY BULLETIN
BY INVITING A NEIGHBOR.
RECYCLE BINS FOR CANS
AND PLASTIC ARE NOW IN
THE ADMIN BUILDING.
RECYCLE BINS FOR PAPER
ARE BESIDE THE CHURCH
SANCTUARY EXITS.





INTRODUCTION TO
HANDBELLS

See if they're a fit for you!

Come to either class,
or both.

No pressure or
commitment to join.

Wednesday
August 21 & 28

6:00 - 7:00 PM
in Fellowship Hall

Regular Handbell Choir
rehearsal is Wednesdays,
6-7 PM, September - April and
requires weekly commitment.

QUESTIONS?

Emily Graham
817-578-5420

Something awesome is

**Coming
Soon**

2024-235
Fellowship
Calendar will
be handed out
on September
8, 2024



WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 1

Celebrating Years of Service

Priscilla Allen - 3 years of service - Music Director
Emily Graham - 7 years of service - Director Bell Choir
Nancy Worcester for stepping in to lead the nursery this summer
Maryjane Harvey for leading nursery through May 2024



Rev Angela Madden Scott

November 3 - 4:00 pm

Installation



For a Pastoral Emergency, please contact Pastor Angela at 620-388-5780 cell! Pastor Angela will observe Sabbath on Friday and Saturdays and if you have an emergency (death, health diagnosis, hospitalization, tragedy, accident) on those days, please phone her number twice, back-to-back to let her know the matter is urgent; leave a message and she will get back to you promptly. For non-emergencies please also leave a message and she will return your call after her Sabbath rest. She welcomes meeting you for coffee, ice cream, to walk, to talk, and become a part of your life story.

Christian Education

Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat... Sylvia Hickey, Spiritual Leader Elder



THANK YOU to all
volunteers for making this
years **VBS** a huge success!
35 volunteers and
23 children joined us for the
week long event of
Seekers in Sneakers!

Christian Education Sunday School Event So Much Fun for All Ages!



August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:00am - 9:45am Sunday Learning for All Ages 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	29 6:00pm - 7:00pm AI-Anon	30 1:30pm - 2:30pm Music Planning - Admin	31 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building	1 Pastor Angela's Continuing Education	2 Pastor Angela's Sabbath	3 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH
4 Communion Sunday 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	5 6:00pm - 7:00pm AI-Anon	6 12:00pm - 1:00pm Brown Bag Bible Lunch Group - Admin. Building	7 10:00am Mission & Outreach-FH 12:00pm - Men's Study - Admin Building 1:30pm - 2:30pm Staff Meeting 2:30pm-3:30pm Worship Committee	8	9 Pastor Angela's Sabbath	10 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH
11 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook 5:00pm - 7:00pm Game Night Pizza Party - Fellowship Hall	12 1:00pm - 3:00pm Memorial Hall - Pecan Bookmarks 6:00pm - 7:00pm AI-Anon	13 9:00am - 12:00pm Granbury Knitting Guild - FH 12:00pm - 1:00pm Brown Bag Bible Lunch Group - Admin. Building 2:30pm - 3:30pm Fellowship Meeting - Fellowship Hall 2:30pm - 4:00pm Membership Meeting - Admin Building	14 9:30am - 12:29pm PEO Meeting - FH 10:00am - 11:00am CE Committee Meeting - Admin Building 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building 4:00pm - 5:30pm Choir Practice - Memorial Hall	15	16 Pastor Angela's Sabbath	17 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH
18 Blessing of the Backpacks 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	19 6:00pm - 7:00pm AI-Anon	20 Bridge Articles Due 12:00pm - 1:00pm Brown Bag Bible Lunch Group - Admin. Building 4:30pm Session - Admin Building	21 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building 4:00pm - 5:30pm Choir Practice - Memorial Hall 6:00pm - 7:00pm Intro to Handbells - Fellowship Hall	22 1:00-3:00pm Pastor Angela Officiating Funeral 3:00pm - 5:00pm Pastor Angela Community Event	23 Pastor Angela's Sabbath	24 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH
25 Blessing of the Sunday School Teachers 10:00am Worship Service - Live Stream and Facebook	26 6:00pm - 7:00pm AI-Anon	27 12:00pm - 1:00pm Brown Bag Bible Lunch Group - Admin. Building 1:30-2:30pm Nominating Committee	28 10:00am FUN Circle - Fellowship Hall 12:00pm - 1:00pm Men's Study - Admin Building 4:00pm - 5:30pm Choir Practice - Memorial Hall 6:00pm - 7:00pm Intro to Handbells - Fellowship Hall	29	30 Pastor Angela's Sabbath	31 10:00am - 11:30am Women's Way Out- MH

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