

First Presbyterian Church of Ferguson

Church Matters



November 2019

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Mike Trautman,
Minister

Dr. Bill Wade,
Music Director

Marcia Key,
Office Administrator

Lee Weltmer,
Treasurer

John Shugert,
Financial Recorder

LaHaji Thomas,
Youth Ministry
Coordinator

Susan Owens,
Nursery Supervisor

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday:
8:30am to 12:30pm
Friday: Closed

Worship Schedule

9:00am Sunday School
9:45am Coffee Hour
10:15am Worship

Choir Practice

Sunday 9:00am
Wednesday 7:00pm

Hand Bell Choir Practice

Wednesday 2:00pm



Like many things in my life I am not prepared or even looking forward to our coming winter. Early reports are saying that we are going to have “a cold and wet winter”. Yuck, I say! Yet like most of life. Such news is largely dependent on what we do with it. So today I have vowed to look forward to this coming winter with curiosity. I am going to lay aside my initial negative emotional response and open myself up to being curious about what opportunities may come my way. To be sure, there will be times when winter will mess with my life and that is to be expected or maybe even enjoyed just a little. Perhaps being snowed in and sitting by the fireplace reading or watching television or just chatting with a friend will be just the gift we may need.

Come on winter, my new found friend and open us up to a life lived with new ways of seeing the simple things in life.

Peace, Mike

November Birthdays

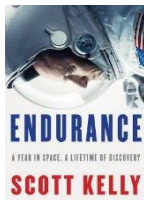
1 - Lauren Downs
5 - Betty Rybacki
5 - Judy Weng
12 - Laura Squires
15 - Carl Raab
17 - Ryan Rockow
20 - McKenna Koser



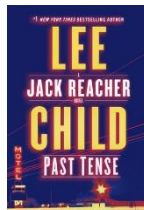
21 - Aaron Burnett
23 - Madreen Meyer
26 - Gary Bibko
27 - Steve Rockow
28 - Patty Knowles
29 - Joy Shackelford

(If someone's birthday is missing or incorrect, please; let the office know.)

THE BOOK CLUB



November 5, 2019
7:00 pm
The Great Alone
By Kristin Hannah
Please Join Us!



December 3, 2019
7:00 pm
Past Tense
By Lee Child
Please Join Us! Group Dinner!



A Way Forward, a three-word phrase to describe the steps planned to assure a future for First Presbyterian Church of Ferguson. These steps present changes and our church leaders (Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery, Rev. Trautman, session, trustees and church staff) are at work to assure that the changes meet the needs of our church family and the Ferguson community. Please give prayerful thought to your commitment. Pledges will power us to our church's goal of being a meaningful presence in Ferguson.

FAIR TRADE SALE

Sunday, December 1



On the **Sunday, December 1, before and after the worship service in Fellowship Hall**, you will have the opportunity to purchase some of the most beautiful and unique hand-crafted items by men and women of Peru, Cambodia, Haiti and Egypt. If you enjoy meaningful gift-giving for Christmas, birthdays, anniversaries or for any special occasion, please consider choosing from a variety of items that will be made available to you on December 1.

These items, brought to us through Partner's for Just Trade, grew out of the Joining Hands partnership with Peru of the Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery. Their base of operation is located at Webster Groves Presbyterian Church. The goal has always been to improve the economic livelihood of these countries through Fair Trade. With your help we make this happen every day!

Cemetery Plots



Our church is in the possession of 12 cemetery plots at Laurel Hill Memorial Garden (2 sets of 4 consecutive spaces) and Valhalla Cemetery (4 consecutive spaces). These plots were donated by members years ago. If you would like more information about these plots, please contact Mike. The Sessions had a discussion about what to do with these plots. They are going to determine if there is a social service agency that would accept these plots for use for an indigent person or family.

Advent/Christmas Schedule

December 1 - 1st Sunday of Advent 10:15am

December 7 - Hanging of the Greens 9:00am-1:00pm

December 13- Getting Ready for Breakfast with Santa 10:00am

December 14 - Breakfast with Santa 9:30am 12:30p

December 15 - Christmas Cantata 10:15am

December 22 – Family Christmas Service 10:15am

December 24 – Christmas Eve 11:00pm

December 29 – Hymn Sing 10:15am





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Concern List:



- Betty Allen
- Betty Allen's Children– Ken, Patty and Tom
- Tommy Babb – Friend of the Rockow family
- Jane Ann Bowen – Cousin of Debby Koenig and Jane Foster
- Santiago Casas –Great Grandson of Becky Henderson
- Joe Cieniceros, Jr. – Nephew of Earleen Lawrence
- Robert Elliott – Lovene Hartman's Brother
- Nancy Fedorchak
- Kelly Gorham – Mike Trautman's Friend
- Matt Helm – Betty & Bob Rybacki's Grandson-in-Law
- Leah Holler
- Aaron Hotze
- Karen – Barbara Bowyer's Sister
- The Kennedy Family
- Jerry Miller
- Howard Nelson
- Nora – Great Granddaughter of Becky Henderson
- Margaret Rauhut– Lee Rauhut's Mother
- Phyllis Ritts
- David Rutherford – Son of Maureen Rutherford
- Carson Shelley - Mike Trautman's Friend
- Sue Schmidt – Friend of Jamie McDonald
- Todd Shelton "Big Todd"
- Rich Shugert – Brother of John Shugert
- Arlie Tempel
- Nancy Tempel

Please contact the church office if you have additional names.

CHURCH MATTERS

Church Happenings...

- Nov 2 10:00 am - AGO
- Nov 5 8:00 am - ROMEOS at Cracker Barrel
- Nov 5 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)
- Nov 5 7:00 pm - Book Club
- Nov 8 9:00 am - PEO
- Nov 11 **Veteran's Day**
- Nov 12 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)
- Nov 13 11:00 am - Bible Study with Mike
- Nov 14 10:00 am - 2nd Thurs. Women's Circle
- Nov 16 12pm - Human Trafficking Awareness F/H
- Nov 17 11:30 am - Session Meeting
- Nov 19 8:00 am - ROMEOS at Cracker Barrel
- Nov 19 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)
- Nov 20 10:00 am - Voucher Program
- Nov 28 **Thanksgiving**
- Nov 26 12:30 am - Card Making (upstairs)
- Nov 27 11:00 am - Bible Study with Mike



VETERANS DAY— November 11, 2019
In Memory of Many, In Honor of All.
Thank You for Your Service

