



## *First Presbyterian Church*

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**June, 2021**



Just these lines...my friends in Christ... to welcome summer; to introduce shorter summer worship services; an exciting week of Vacation Bible School; an adult and youth Bible study on James; special youth fellowships; our annual Montreat experience and the commencement of our wonderful and wonder-filled church family's search for our next installed pastor. Here's some "Presbyterianese" for calling a new pastor.....

PNC The Pastor Nominating Committee is elected by the congregation (05/02/21)

EP Executive Presbyter — Dr. Roy Martin of our Florida Presbytery will be an always available resource for our PNC.

COM The Committee On Ministry of our presbytery chair Ruling Elder Don Mowatt of Lynn Haven, will be our liaison to the PNC. The COM approves our Ministry Information Form and will meet with and approve our potential pastor to discern a match for our church. Every Presbytery has a COM made up of pastors and laypeople.

MIF The Ministry Information Form gives prospective pastors a glimpse of our church and demographics, and the characteristics and gifts for which we're looking in our next pastor.

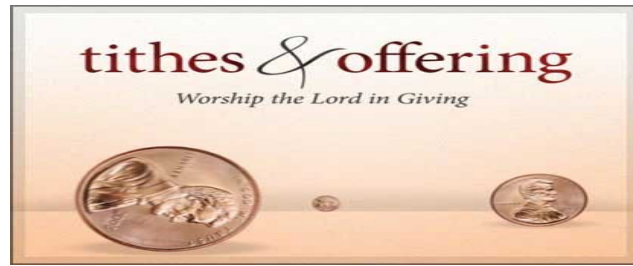
PIF The Personal Information Form is completed by pastors open to a new Call, allowing them to share what they feel are their gifts for ministry and what they're praying for in their next church.

CLC The Church Leadership Connection office in Louisville, KY, is a resource for PNC's and pastors open to a new Call. (The CLC computer matches our MIF with PIFs for our PNC to consider.)

Next month I'll share a timeline/process for the PNC from now until the congregational meeting to elect our new pastor. Be in daily prayer about this Calling process and let me or a member of Session or the PNC know if you have any questions.

When you're in town, worship our Lord faithfully with us. When you're on vacation, find a church in which to worship and bring me a copy of your bulletin as I love seeing what's happening in and for our Lord in other parishes. And, as always, call, text or email if you have questions, ideas, concerns, or if I can be of support with you/yours in any way. It's a blessing for Donna and me to be in ministry and mission with you.

*Pastor Raymond*  
(850-765-3659)



“The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.” II Corinthians 9:6-8.

As we are all faithful in our giving (regardless of our income) our church is faithful in sharing the Gospel, here near and far! Amen!

## QUIPS FROM “ACROSS THE POND”

“The mind cannot absorb what the backside cannot endure.”

(The late Prince Philip on long sermons.)

“Grief is the price we pay for love.”

(Queen Elizabeth)

We pray for all of our fathers a very happy and blessed day on June 20th



**Join us each Wednesday in June at noon in the fellowship hall. Bring your lunch if you'd like! Bring a friend!**

**The Book of JAMES  
Commentary by Pastor Francis Chan**

True faith produces fruit. A faith without action and without life change is ultimately a dead faith. The book of James speaks to the realities of a living faith in Jesus—the kind of roll-up-your-sleeve and get-your-hands-dirty discipleship that is borne out of an authentic relationship with our risen Lord. James writes to believers who know suffering, who've faced trials, and who ultimately desire a deep relationship with God.

Francis Chan unpacks the dense truth contained in the book of James in front of the iconic backdrop of the west coast city where he lives and teaches and pastors. Francis works through James verse-by-verse, challenging followers of Christ to move beyond a private, intellectual knowledge of God and Word, to a vibrant faith that impacts every square inch of our lives.

We'll prayerfully read and ponder a chapter in James each week at home; come to the fellowship hall on Wednesdays at noon (with our lunch if we'd like), listen to Pastor Chan's "take" on the chapter; and then discuss what the chapter is saying to the church/Christ's disciples in the summer of 2021!

Week #1 – James 1

Week #2 – James 2

Week #3 – James 3

Week #4 – James 4

Week #5 – James 5

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of our family of faith is to worship God; to successfully nurture the spiritual growth of each person in our church family so that we experience loving fellowship, joy, and peace; and to share our love and talents with others in our community and beyond.

**MAY**  
**SESSION NOTES**

1. Jan Howell lit the Christ candle.
2. Opened (LuAnne Law) and closed (Bill Stevens) the meeting with prayer.
3. Received a report from Chuck Morgan on our operations balance.
4. Gave praise for Chuck and Cindy's faithfulness in our church since 1979, including his leadership as church treasurer and a member of the 1835 Fund.
5. Received reports from our Christian Education, Evangelism and Fellowship, Congregational Care and Pastor Nominating Committees.
6. Revived our church organ committee to bring a recommendation to session.
7. Interim Pastor's Report
  - A. What a warm welcoming church FPC Marianna is!
  - B. We're exploring an additional adult Sunday School class for fall (the Bible and current events).
  - C. Our food pantry mission is phenomenal.
  - D. With the new sewing for mission group now meeting, we're looking into ways to expand our mission and outreach.
  - E. Recommended that we update the pastor's study before prospective pastors come for visits.

**MAY WAS**  
**WILL EMPHASIS MONTH**

Thank you for prayerfully considering remembering our church's growing mission and mainstay in your last will and testament (testimony) through our 1835 Fund.

***Your FPC Administration Committee***

**FROM YOUR 1835**  
**ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE**

In the April, 2021 newsletter we gave a recap of the giving to the 1835 Endowment Fund for the 1st quarter of the year.

As of May, 30, 2021 nothing has changed. We will give you an update in the July newsletter for the 2nd quarter of the year.

Your Endowment Committee Members would like to thank you for donations made in the past and to remind you that donations made to the 1835 Endowment Fund in Honor of or in Memory of someone are very much appreciated. Please make your check out to the church and designate who it is you are remembering.



We are so very sorry that we have to say goodbye to Chuck and Cindy Morgan. They have been very faithful members of our church for a very long time, and Chuck was the treasurer for many of those years.

Chuck is retiring from the bank where he has been working, and they are moving to Indiana. Yet, Chuck is remaining as chair of our 1835 Endowment Fund.

**WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED  
LOVE AND SUPPORT**

**AND**

**WE ARE GOING TO MISS YOU**



**DOGWOOD ACRES  
SUMMER CAMP 2021**

Jesus, adventures, swimming, canoeing, hiking, campfires, challenge courses, s'mores, stars, music, memories, Jesus

For information go to:

[dogwoodacres.org/summercamp](http://dogwoodacres.org/summercamp)

Or call:

Director, Ben Powell

(850-528-3575)



Brochures and registration forms are available in the Narthex. Scholarships are available.

Week 1: June 27—July 1

Week 2: July 11 — July 15

Week 3: July 18 — July 22

Week 4: July 25 — July 29

PRAY FOR  
OUR MISSIONARIES

**JAMES and JODI MC GILL**  
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We always want to remember to pray for our missionaries — the ones we specifically send money to, but there are missionaries all over the world who need to be prayed for. There are people in the United States doing mission work, such as our Food Pantry. I, Connie, know of people in various parts of the country who have walked away from their occupation to minister to those in need in our United States. Remember to pray for all types of missionaries.

SEWING/CRAFT GROUP



Pastor Raymond's wife, Donna, has a group of ladies coming to the meeting room in the church office building for the purpose of creating items for missions — sewing, quilting, crafting, whatever we all decide we want to accomplish.

We have begun meeting, and there is room for more, so please come and bring a friend if you'd like.

Good Fellowship Too!

WEDNESDAYS at 10:00 a.m.





**OUR ELDERS**

Class of 2021

Janet Howell  
 Travis Lawson  
 Larry Spivey  
 Barry Stafford

Class of 2022

Amanda Hinson  
 LuAnne Law  
 Bryan Milton  
 Matt Milton

Class of 2023

Mel McLure Clark  
 Donna Moore  
 Aggie Schack  
 Bill Stevens

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1835 Endowment Committee

Chair: Chuck Morgan  
 Members: Guy Green, LuAnne Law, Amy Milton, John Milton V., Jack Peacock, Larry Spivey, Beth Westmoreland  
*Meets quarterly*

Pastor Nominating Committee

Chair: LuAnne Law  
 Members: Mel McLure Clark, May Ann Gibbs, John W. Milton, Andy Tinsley

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Our Church Staff

Raymond Guterman	Interim Pastor 352-817-8700
Kenneth Kelley	Choir Director 850-557-1198
Christine Yoshikawa	Organist
Connie Butts	Office Administrator
Melissa Krebeck	Food Pantry Coordinator

**OUR COMMITTEES**

Administration

Chair: Larry Spivey  
 Members: Jan Howell, John W. Milton, Chuck Morgan, Beth Westmoreland  
*Will meet during summer if necessary.*

Christian Education

Chair: LuAnne Law  
 Members: Jim Gibbs, Mary Ann Gibbs, Ashley Rackley  
*Will meet 3rd Sunday of month at 9 a.m.*

Congregational Care

Chair: Jan Howell  
 Members: Alma Milton, Donna Moore, Andrew Tinsley, Gina Tinsley, Muriel Turner  
*Meets quarterly — next meeting — August 18th*

Evangelism and Fellowship

Chair: Amanda Hinson  
 Members: Mel McLure Clark, Lauren Lyons, Geriann Milton, Peggy Peacock, Jennifer Stafford

Property and Operations

Chair: Barry Stafford  
 Members: MaryLu Andreu, Mel McLure Clark, John W. Milton, Matt Milton, Chuck Morgan, Xylpha Schwehm, Scott Yant  
*Meets as needed*

Worship and Music

Chair: Bryan Milton  
 Members: Macky Gortemoller, Joy Hinton, Kenneth Kelley, Anna Beth Milton, Tom Stadskev  
*During summer as needed*

Mission and Service

Chair: Kathy Milton  
 Members: Sharon Bannerman, Mary Ann Gibbs, Marsha Rodgers Litteral, Travis Lawson, Bill Stevens



**Joy Lewis**

***Brent Bedini's fiancé, Azur, lost her son, Blake Sims, in a motorcycle wreck***

Cindy Yant

Buddy Bannerman (requested by Sharon)

Theresa Forehand (requested by Kenneth & Leslie Kelley)

Jane Powell

Glenna Barber (requested by Cindy Yant)

Sherry Barber (Amanda Hinson's mother)

Roy Turner

Hedy Williams (Hanni Daffin's sister)

Ruth Hammett (Scott Yant's mother)

Fran and Ernie McNeill

Charlotte Hunter

Dr. Megan Johnson (Wamsley's niece)

Charlton Keen Jr. and niece, Kathryn Keen

Doug Woolery (requested by Cindy Morgan)

Zoey Chancey (requested by Ginger Green)

Joy Gilbert

Sumi Hanstine (requested by Ashley Rackley)

Ronnie Heath (requested by Larry & Jackie Spivey)

Mary Bevis Schmidt (requested by Mel McLure Clark)

Howard Alig (Cindy Morgan's brother)

Steven Quigley

**Our Elders and PNC**

**Our Missionaries — Jim and Jodi McGill and children in Niger**

**People around us and all around God's world who are hurting emotionally,  
physically or financially.**

**Men and women serving in our military.**



# GOD'S WARRIORS

Wednesday, June 16th

6:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Food,  
Fellowship  
and  
BIBLE STUDY

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## GOD'S WARRIORS

### Men's Group of

First Presbyterian Church

Marianna, FL

Mission Statement:

"We are committed to being role models to one another and to grow in faith and service to our

Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ"

"As Iron Sharpens Iron,  
One Man Sharpens Another"

Proverbs 27:17



Invite other others to join in our fellowship, study and service. Let us be strong in the Lord together

# WOMEN'S CIRCLES

**Circle 1:** Chair is Joy Hinton  
Lesson Planner is Frankie Stewart  
Meets 1st Monday at 10:30 a.m.  
June 7th Fellowship Hall  
Study: What My Grandmothers Taught Me

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**Circle 2:** Chair is Dot Carpenter  
Lesson Planner — Rotates  
Meets 1st Monday at 4:00 p.m.  
June 7th Fellowship Hall  
Study: "Into The Light"

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**Circle 3:** The Lunch Bunch  
Chair is Peggy Peacock  
Lesson Planner — Rotates  
3rd Monday at 11:30 a.m.  
June 21st Fellowship Hall  
Study: "The Purpose Driven Life"

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The Wildflowers  
Lesson Planner — Rotates  
Meets Year Round on the  
1st Wednesday at 6:30 in homes.  
No June Meeting

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*Each women's group has its own flavor and mission.  
Find the group that fits you.  
It is never too late to join in.*

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# CHILDREN & YOUTH

## Wild Wonderful Wednesdays

3:00 pm Piano lessons with Xylpha Schwehm

3:15 pm Bell Choir with Karen Smith

3:15 pm WWW with Aggie Schack & Helpers

5:30 pm Sr. High with LuAnne Law and SQUAD with Jennifer Stafford

## Sundays

9:45 am Sunday School



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



**June 21-24**

**8 am to 11 am**

**Come**

**and bring**

**your friends**

**for a great**

**adventure in VBS.**



## FOOD PANTRY

**We thank those of you in our congregation who donate so generously and so regularly to our Food Pantry**

Remember to pray for the people in the community who need what we can provide via the Food Pantry. For many of them their needs go way beyond food and yet they are thankful for what we are able to provide. May we remember to ask God to care for them.

**We thank Southern Craft Creamery for providing us with milk upon occasion.**



**June 2nd**

Chelsey McCrary  
John W. Milton

**June 11th**

Carol Maxson

**June 13th**

Pam Fuqua

**June 17th**

Joy Hinton

**June 18th**

Paige Lawson  
Barry Stafford

**June 22nd**

Alexis Pueschel

**June 23rd**

Cindy Yant

**June 24th**

Jason Law

**June 25th**

Syntha Alvarez  
Buddy Bannerman

**June 27th**

Lauren Lyons

***If your June birthday is not listed, please contact the church office so we may update our records.***