



First Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville in its completed state located on Oak Street and South Road.

We will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary in October. As we prepare to commemorate our heritage we will remember how God has been with us through the ages. We will look back at our lives and the life of our church as we give thanks to God for the ways God has sustained this church and

used us as a witness to the Good News in our community.

In light of this special time in our history we will also be thinking about our spiritual heritage. In our worship services during the summer we will be focusing on the patriarchs of our faith: Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Though they are long gone, the way God interacted with them informs our relationship with God. God protected, sustained, and worked through the Israelites. They made many mistakes, but God forgave them and continued to be in relationship with them, just as God does for us.

God created the world and us. God called a people through whom God would bless the whole world. Through the stories of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and their families we see God's relationship with people. God cares, protects, forgives, loves, and connects with them. And they are to share that connection with other nations. Blessed to be a blessing, this was the gift given to this family and ultimately to us. God's love for the whole human family overflows throughout history; the history of the Israelites; the history of our church; and the history of your own life. We will seek to discover clues that help us recognize the touch of God as we delve into our church's heritage and our spiritual roots.

Pentecost Sunday

On Pentecost Sunday, we met in the fellowship hall with members of the community for a special service. We ate breakfast, worshipped, and enjoyed time together.



Church News

Meet your new committee chairs!

Worship and Christian Education: Michael and Karen

Hospitality: Rosie

Outreach: Ivan

Finance: Mary Lee

Property and Maintenance: Barbara

Personnel: Beth

Social Media Team: Perla

Anniversary Celebration Task Force: Beth and Barbara

Online Donation Task Force: Ivan, Perla, Dylan

We're getting new members! Dawn, Lauryn and Logan, and Pat were joyfully received as new members by the session. Logan will be baptized and they will all be welcomed into our church family during worship on June 7. Welcome!



The Presbyterian Women's circle had visitors this month. Margot brought her sister-in-law, Mary Beth, and Manie, a missionary in India. It was wonderful to hear about the way God is working in India.

Ministers, Themes, and Scriptures for June

June 7	Mary Jane	Psalm 105:1-9	Gen. 12:1-9
June 14	Rev. Michael	Ps. 116:1-2, 12-19	Gen. 18:1-15 (21:1-7)
June 21	Mary Jane	Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17	Gen. 21:8-21
June 28	Mary Jane	Psalm 13	Gen. 22:1-14

Attendance for May

May 3: 22 May 10: 36 May 17: 29 May 24: 37

Session Summary

The stated session meeting met on May 24 after church. Pat, Lauryn, Logan, and Dawn were examined for membership and were joyfully received into the congregation. They will be presented to the congregation on June 7. Rosie was elected commissioner to the Presbytery meeting on June 13. The next stated meeting will be on June 28.

May Report from the Community Care Room

In the month of May, we gave members of our community:

- 319 snack bags
- 77 hygiene packs/individual hygiene items
- 119 shirts, dresses, or hoodies and 105 pairs of pants or shorts
- 199 items such as socks or underwear
- 12 coats, jackets, or hats
- 3 bags or backpacks
- 20 pairs of shoes
- 2 single-use packets of laundry detergent and 5 servings of dog food
- 25 blankets and towels

Announcements

Bible Study continues on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. The book we are discussing is "Hope: A User's Manual" by MaryAnn McKibben Dana. Come and enjoy connection and conversation about hope.

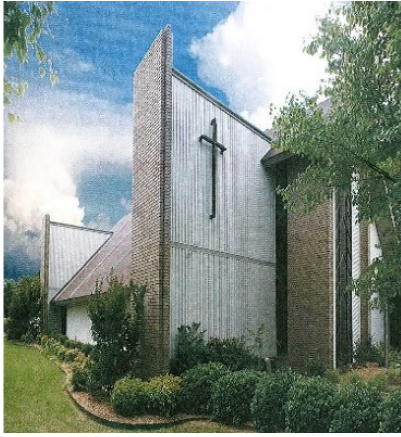
Presbyterian Women's Circle will be taking a summer break during June and July. We will meet again in August.

Thank you for your hymn suggestions. We will be singing many of those throughout the summer!

Your Anniversary Celebration Task Force is working hard to commemorate our 100th year. Be sure to reserve Saturday, October 10, from 1:00-4:00 on your calendar.

Prayer Requests from May

Barbara J
Becky H
Beth H
Billie Ann M
Chris S
David H
Debbie Mand family
Devona B
Eric E
Glenn F
Jackie B
Jamella G
Jeannie and John P
Jeff and Pam S
Jeff T and family
Jill H
Juan C
Katie W
Klara, Pawel, and Feliks W
Lynn
Mark C
Mary Virginia S
Michael M
Pam M
Randy and Lisa N
Rosie Band family
Sydney Da S
Terry J and family
Tom H
Toni H
Vona T
The family of Rob H
The family of Stephanie W



Connect with Us

Sunday School 9:15

Worship 10:00

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Mission Statement

The mission of First Presbyterian Church is to be disciples of Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, and service.

Purpose

The purpose of First Presbyterian Church is to love the Lord our God with all our hearts, with all our souls, with all our minds, and with all our strength; and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

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