

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, September 18

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
 12:00 p.m. - Lemonade on the Lawn

Tuesday, September 20

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, September 21

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 22 through Sunday, September 25

Rev. Doughton will be away for his High School Reunion & family visit

Thursday, September 22

The Church Office will be closed - Renee Stormer is attending Presbytery Meeting

Saturday, September 24

8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. - Faith Builders and L.I.F.E. Youth *Trash Bash*

Sunday, September 25 - Guest Preacher, Rev. Krueger

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Wednesday, September 28

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner
 6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen
 6:30 p.m. - Adult Class led by Rev. Doughton
 7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, October 1

TBD - Addressing Mesquite Day

Sunday, October 2 - World Wide Communion

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. - Called Congregational Meeting (Church Officer Nominations)
 4:00 p.m. - Church Picnic at Town Center Park in Sunnyvale
 6:00 p.m. - Vespers at the Picnic

Tuesday, October 4

9:30 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Morning Circle
 7:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Evening Circle

Wednesday, October 5

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner
 6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen
 6:30 p.m. - Adult Class led by Rev. Doughton
 7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 7:30 p.m. - Board of Deacons Meeting

Friday - Sunday, October 7-9

Women's Retreat

Sunday, October 9 - Blood Drive

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

THOSE WHO SERVE

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor
 Ben Clifton, Director of Music Ministries
 Ryoji Shimpo, Organist
 Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant
 Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus



Wednesday Night Live will return for an eight-week run starting Wednesday, September 28 through November 16.

Chef Rod Graham will prepare a light meal. The price is \$5 each. **Please sign up to attend, there is a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center.**

Pete Allen will offer a different type class, "Art Anywhere." Pete will cover drawing, sketching, and using colored pencils.

Rev. Doughton will begin a short series on his trip to the Holy Land.

We offer for children and youth "First Wednesdays" on October 5 and November 2. There will be a special program for them on those nights.

Childcare will be provided upon request. Please call ahead and let us know you would like to utilize childcare, we want to have someone scheduled on staff.

18th Annual Addressing Mesquite Day

Addressing Mesquite Day is held in partnership with the Mesquite Ministerial Alliance and the City of Mesquite. This annual one-day event focuses on home repairs needed by senior citizens, single parents, military veterans, the disabled, and other homeowners in Mesquite.

This year's AMD will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022. We have already been assigned a home and family to assist. Each year we volunteer our time as an All-Church Mission Outreach. Please sign up to help at the Welcome Center. There is a form to be completed and submitted to Eric Schwartz, who is our representative this year.

Mission Opportunity for All!

The Presbyterian Women are collecting school supplies for Florence Black Elementary School. Please drop off school supplies in the container near the Welcome Center through September.

Trash Bash

Faith Builders and L.I.F.E. Youth will join together with others in the community Saturday, September 24 at 8:00 a.m. to participate in a community litter cleanup event! Today is the last day to fill out the volunteer application, they are in the Welcome Center. Please sign up today. Contact Amanda Aynes or Sheila Hammer to participate in this event.



THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues. . .

Let us carry on THE CHALLENGE to collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total for September is currently 37 items.



Please use the QR Code on the signs in the hall to sign up for our next blood drive, Sunday, October 9, 2022.

This drive will have 30 slots for donors, our goal is to have at least 20 or more successful donors.

Let's be mission-minded and save lives through our donation of blood.

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

September 18, 2022

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Rev. Doughton provides us with our bulletin cover this Sunday. This altar is shaped like a boat to represent the fishermen who followed Jesus. One can look out the window and see the Sea of Galilee. It is located in the chapel of Magdala-the home town of Mary Magdalene-Mary of Magdala.



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk () invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Let us worship God!*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *The Solid Rock* arr. Michael Wilson

INTROIT *Be Not Afraid* arr. John L. Bell

Be not afraid; sing out for Joy!
Christ is risen, alleluia!
Be not afraid; sing out for joy!
Christ is risen, alleluia!

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2*
Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

All praise to You, God our Father Who loves us with an everlasting love, All praise to You, Jesus Christ-Who gives us grace without end, All praise to You, Holy Spirit Who brings us together as a fellowship family of faith; All Praise to You Holy Trinity, three in one. Amen.

*HYMN 353 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Holy, and Gracious God; we confess that we have not followed the light of Your word. We have not searched for signs of Your love in the world or trusted Your good news to be good. We have refused Your peace on earth, we have expected little, and we have hoped for less. Forgive our doubt and renew in us all fine desires and godly ambitions, in Jesus name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE *(Hymn 581)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM *(11:00)* *When Jesus Wept* arr. Philip Kern
Chancel Choir

When Jesus wept, the falling tear
in mercy flowed beyond all bound.
When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear
seized all the guilty world around.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, take Your Word and apply it to our minds that we not grow shallow, apply it to our hearts that we not grow cold, and apply it to our feet that we might not just be hearers of Your Word but doers also. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Deuteronomy 15:7-11*

If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the Lord your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, The seventh year, the year of remission, is near, and therefore view your needy neighbor with hostility and give nothing; your neighbor might cry to the Lord against you, and you would incur guilt. Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Matthew 6:1-4*

“Beware of practicing your righteousness before others in order to be seen by them, for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. “So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Kay Alvarez

The children and youth are asked to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 438 *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

SERMON *Do Not Sound a Trumpet* Rev. Doughton

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*DOXOLOGY *(Hymn 606)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*HYMN 846 *Fight the Good Fight*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE *O God, You Are My God* David Strasser

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

I will seek You in the morning,
and I will learn to walk in Your ways.

And step by step You'll lead me,
and I will follow You all of my days.

*POSTLUDE *Jesus Shall Reign* arr. John Hatton

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Renee Stormer *(8:45)*; Kay Alvarez *(11:00)*

Deacon/Ushers - Taylor Hammer, Madison Villafana, Schyler Marin, and Sheila Hammer

First notice is hereby given of a **called congregational meeting**, to be held in the church sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, October 2. The purpose of this meeting is to hear and act upon the report from the Church Officer Nominating Committee.

ELDER:	DEACON:	TRUSTEE
Roger Foltz _____	John Futrell _____	H.C. Allen, Jr (Pete) _____
Linda Fricke _____	Rodney Graham _____	
John Kusewitt _____	Patty Kim _____	
Paul Luce _____	Alberto Villafana (Youth Deacon) _____	
Gina Villafana _____		
Bennett J Doughton (Youth Elder) _____		