# The Church & You

First Presbyterian Church, Okllahoma City May 2017







## Celebration of Music Sunday

Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 8:30 & 10:55 a.m. Enjoy special music from the Sanctuary Singers, Sanctuary Ringers, the Treble Choir and various vocalists and instrumentalists. Cora Winstead and Sam Schlievert, two of our choir's section leaders (who graduate this year), will both have solos. We are grateful for their leadership in worship!

## Youth Sunday

Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 8:30 & 10:55 a.m. The youth will be leading both worship services. Please make plans to attend and support our youth as they lead us in worship.

## Kemp Children's Choir Concert

Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Refreshments in the Courtyard after the concert.

The Kemp Children's Choir—made up of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> graders from throughout the community—has been practicing and learning wonderful, entertaining music. Come support these young singers and this important program!

## Kirkin' o' the Tartan Senior Recognition & Banquet

Sunday, May 21st 8:30 & 10:55 a.m.
Family heritage celebrated during worship.
Bagpipes, drums, procession of pastors, choirs, and banners. Followed by
Scottish games, shortbread and scones in the Courtyard. Those attending the 10:55 service will also help us celebrate our high school and college graduates.
After the reception, everyone is invited in to lunch in Watchorn Hall.

(No charge, though reservations are needed for the lunch - email stephanie@fpcokc.org or call 525-6584. Donations accepted.)

## Trinity Sunday

Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> 9:30 a.m.
One worship service, held in the courtyard!

### Information Session

Members of the church are asked to attend a congregational information session in Watchorn Hall at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, May 7. The Session will review the budget, explain the steps taken and outline how we will proceed.

### Congregational Meeting

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting on Sunday May 14, 2017 at 9:45 a.m. in the Chapel to act upon the recommendation of the Session to 1) abolish the position of Associate Pastor (of Congregational Life and Learning) and dissolve the pastoral relationship between First Presbyterian Church Oklahoma City with The Rev. Dr. Matt Meinke and 2) to approve the dissolution agreement between First Presbyterian Church Oklahoma City with The Rev. Dr. Matt Meinke.



-Gayle M. Cox, Clerk of Session

Lucia Chamberlin Gray and Fitzgerald William Gray were baptized Easter morning! Parents Matthew and Sarah Gray formally joined the church.



We extend Christian
sympathy to
the families of
James Strider
and
Joy Garland.

## With Sincere Appreciation

Thanks to everyone for their prayers, cards, and support surrounding the death of my husband, James. Special thanks to the Presbyterian Women for facilitating the luncheon.

-Delores Strider



Asa Grantham Brittan was baptized Easter morning! His father, Grant Brittan, formally joined the church the same morning.



Tyler Lillian Woods
was born March 5, 2017.
Congratulations to parents Christine
& Shane Woods and to proud
grandparents Bert & Dan Orza.

Circles Meet
Tues., May 9th

## Priscilla Circle

home of Dorothy Hays 5504 N. MacArthur Blvd. 789-2844 10:30 a.m.

## Phoebe Circle

home of Dorothy Hays 5504 N. MacArthur Blvd. 789-2844 1:30 p.m.

## Ruth Circle

Higher Grounds Coffee Shoppe & Bakery 6:30 p.m.

### **Art Show Date Set**

Our next art show and sale will be June 16 & 17. Keep creating!

### FPS Preschool is going "Around the World"

Our Preschool children are getting their passports ready! They will be studying different countries this summer. We would like to ask our FPC Family who have traveled to help with items that would enhance their learning experiences. The little ones will be "traveling" to: France, Mexico, Japan, Uganda, Australia, Polynesia, Brazil, and the USA. If you have traveled to any of these countries and have items to share, please contact Lolieta Miller, 691-9131. -FPS Preschool Board

## **Our Graduates**

Two of our choir's section leaders graduating from OCU:

Cora Winstead—Bachelor of Music in Musical Theatre

Sam Schlievert— Master of Music in Opera Performance

Our high schoolers will graduate from the following schools:

Ashton Keith— Classen School of Advanced Studies

Jack Sergent—Classen School of Advanced Studies

Sean Smith— Harding Fine Arts Academy

Matthew Whittington— Epic Charter School

Robbie Whittington— Edmond Memorial

Taylor Whittington— Edmond Memorial

### Youth Schedule

May 7 12:15 Choir

1:00-2:30 Lunch & Activities

May 14 Youth Sunday

May 21 Senior Banquet

### Thank You for Helping!

One Great Hour of Sharing offering of \$2,463.00 will aid our neighbors near and far.

UGANDA COOKOFF AND AUCTION SATURDAY, MAY 20, 6:00 PM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH EDMOND 1001 S RANKIN EDMOND, OK 73034

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SUPPORT THE 2017 UGANDA CHURCH PLANT AND MISSION.

CONTACT: JIM BORGSTADT 405-326-0547

### Senior Recognition and Family & Presbyterian Heritage Sunday, May 21st

We will be celebrating our High School & College graduates at the 10:55 service. After the service, join us in Watchorn Hall for lunch and program as we share the memories and the next step in the lives of our High School graduates: Ashton Keith, Jack Sergent, Sean Smith, Taylor Whittington, Matthew Whittington, and Robbie Whittington.

If you know of any other high school or college graduates, please contact Christie (christie@fpcokc.org) so we can include them in the bulletin. If you would like to attend the lunch—all the congregation is invited—call the church office to make a reservation (by the 14th). (405) 525-6584 The lunch takes place directly after our Scottish shortbread and scones reception in the courtyard. (see front cover) Heritage and youth will be highly celebrated!







Thank you to all of you who donated eggs, candy, and toys for our Easter Egg hunt. We had a lot of church families, FPC School & SPARK families, and neighborhood families come and hunt for over a thousand eggs. We even had enough eggs to do a second egg hunt during children's church on Easter morning. Even though we had a rain scare and an egg-thieving squirrel on Saturday, the sun came out and it was a beautiful day. We were able to open up the sanctuary doors for people to peek in the sanctuary and hear our awesome choir rehearse their Easter music.

Thanks to Walter & Cyndi Stumpf, Bill & Becki Walden, Ardath Osborne, Emily Bakhtiari, Caroline Rogers, Justine Rogers, John & Darci McKinnon, Caroline Kivett, & Gabriel Lusby for all of your egg hiding & prize exchange help.

## First Presbyterian Church

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Pastor-The Rev. John McKinnon Associate Pastor-The Rev. Dr. Matt Meinke Director of Music & Arts-Dr. Warren Puffer Jones Organist-John L. Edwards Director of Children & Youth-Christie Peacher Communications Director-Kathy P. Rangel Business Administrator-Becki Walden Facilities Coordinator-Jack Lancaster

> Sunday Worship Services 8:30 a.m. Chapel 10:55 a.m. Sanctuary

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## **Vacation Bible School**

Our Jewish Roots

Sunday, June 4 through Thursday, June 8 5:30 Dinner, 6:00-7:30 Program (each evening)

Each evening we will learn about a different Hebrew Holiday: Sabbath Hanukkah Purim Shavout Passover.

Join us as we turn Watchorn Hall into Jerusalem's Paseo District. Come have a great meal, make fun crafts like a mask for Purim, an oil lamp for Hanukkah, and a candlestick for the Sabbath. Head to the temple to listen to Bible characters like Moses, Esther, & Judah Maccabee and find out how their stories are our stories. To sign up, go to the church website, fpcokc.org/children/, and download a brochure. Contact Christie if you have any questons.

Our Reserve the 3rd event, Saturday, May 20th, will be at Urban Mission. This is one of our volunteers' favorite locations for community service. If you would like to follow the food trail from our monthly "Fill a Bag, Feed a Family" program and get an opportunity to be behind the scenes of a local food pantry, this is your chance! You will be working alongside FPC members, filling bags of rice, sorting donated food, and stocking shelves. We will meet in the warehouse at 9:00 a.m. and finish before noon. Urban Mission is located at 3737 N. Portland in OKC. Park and enter on the south side of the building. If you want more information, contact Elizabeth Hatcher, elizhatcher@gmail.com.