



The Church & You

November 2018

First Presbyterian Church

Oklahoma City

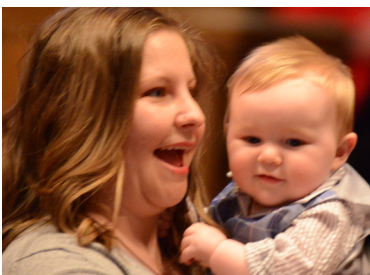


Stewardship Campaign: Together, We Are the Church

First Presbyterian Church takes seriously our mission to minister to our members and to the greater community. We offer many wonderful programs within our building and we have a far-reaching presence in missions in our community and in the world. Programs and presence take money to accomplish, as well as the time and talents of all our members. Together, we are the church and it takes our combined offerings of time, talents, and treasure to fulfill our calling.



Together we worship, praising the Lord through song and prayer. Together we listen to the Word and its interpretation. Together we pass the peace, welcoming all in our midst. Together we share in the Eucharist. Together we live out the vows of Baptism, teaching the young. Together we give of our time, talents, and treasure. Together we work, showing God's love to others. Together we have fellowship and show love for one another. Together, we are the church!



The campaign kicked off Sunday, October 27th and concludes with Dedication Sunday and a celebration lunch **November 11th**. You should have received a Stewardship brochure and pledge card in the mail. Please complete and return the pledge card. It is very helpful to your Elders as they make plans for the church's ministry and mission for 2019. Together, we are the church and it takes all of us to accomplish the work God has in store for FPC.



May the peace of Christ be with you.

Pastor John

Honoring Our Veterans

Veterans:

We sincerely hope you can attend both a worship service and the reception Sunday, Nov. 11th so we can thank you both individually and corporately. **All welcome.**

Congregation:

Please make sure to be here Sunday, Nov. 11th and stop by the Reception Center between 9:30-10:30 a.m. to help thank our Veterans!

Take Note

The OCU Brass will be with us Sundays Nov. 4th & 25th. Nov. 11th we have patriotic music planned as we will be honoring Veterans in worship.

Thank you to all who helped with our October events: three well-attended concerts (4x4, Tactus, and Chanticleer), an Animal Blessing, KirkNights, PW Book Club, and the amazing Fall Festival!

Children & Youth: Updates from Leigh

Sunday School – Children and Youth

We'd love to see everyone involved in a Sunday School. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. each week. Preschool meets in room 112, Kindergarten-2nd grade are in 217, 3rd-5th grade in 216, 6th-12th grade in the Youth Lounge.

Children in Worship

Beginning in November, Children's worship time will transition into the Godly Play model. This is a Montessori based model that will allow children to engage with God on their own level. The children will discover a sense of reverence and wonder through Bible Story time, the Church Calendar and hands on learning experiences. We will leave worship after Discovery Time and you may gather your children from Rm 217. If you are interested in becoming involved with the Godly Play team, speak with Leigh.

Youth Fellowship

The youth calendar for the 2018-2019 school year is available in the office, and on the website (fpcokc.org). Youth Fellowship meets most Sundays in the Youth Lounge (basement level), with an occasional Saturday or weekend fellowship or mission event.

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to feed the youth! There are still some empty spaces, so please sign up so they won't starve. Email or call Leigh (525-6584) and she will sign you up or send you the link.

leigh@fpcokc.org

The youth have Bible Study time after Wednesday KirkNight Dinner. We are using videos from The Bible Project and discussion time to learn about how to read and understand the Bible.

Please follow the FPCOKC Youth & Children on Facebook and request to join our GroupMe group. Contact Leigh for more info at leigh@fpcokc.org

November Youth Schedule

- 4 Youth Fellowship 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- 11 Youth to host Veterans Day Reception
- 16-18 Middle School Youth Quake – Grades 5th-8th
Register now
- 25 Hanging of the Greens



Circles Meet November 13th

Phoebe Circle meeting at Kova McLean's home.
(6604 N. St. Clair Ave., OKC 843-6914 1:30 p.m.)

Priscilla Circle meeting at Barbara Namminga's.
(8001 NW 101, OKC 830-0228 10:00 a.m.)

Women's Crafting Night

Those that registered for Board & Brush:
Join us in Casady Square for our girls' night out private event at Board and Brush.
Friday, Nov. 2nd at 7:00 p.m.





Barbara & Harold were honored as Urban Mission (UM) volunteers of the year. They were presented with the plaque at Music & the Mission by UM director, Peggy Garrett.

Volunteering Together

Our "Reserve the 3rd" community mission project for November and December will be on Friday, November 30th and Saturday, December 1st! It is our annual Christmas Food Box assembly to benefit the families of Urban Mission. The Mission's Santa Store program allows parents to shop for gifts for each of their children in a joyful and festive environment. Each child gets two gifts, books, hats, gloves, socks, Christmas decor, and a box of food for the whole family. First Presbyterian provides food boxes to these families as well as to senior clients of Urban Mission.

You can help make this happen by volunteering at The Mission. Day 1 (Friday) will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will involve setting up the assembly line by organizing the food and building the boxes that will be filled on Day 2 (Saturday). We will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday to fill the boxes. Urban Mission is located at 3737 N. Portland in Oklahoma City. If you want more information contact Fran Smith, smith70fran@att.net. Fran's experience and dedication to organizing this project provides a meaningful and fun way to help others in our community. -Elizabeth Hatcher



A recent Reserve the 3rd volunteer time in our Community Garden.



The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held at 10:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary on November 18, 2018. At this meeting, the report of the Nominating Committee will be presented and the slate of officers for the Class of 2022 will be elected.

The slate is as follows:

SESSION	TRUSTEES
Don Carter	John Benn
Erica Taylor	Jan Robinson
Gary Bryant	Kathy McCraw
Becky Osmond	
David Ligon	NOMINATING COMMITTEE
DEACONS	Angie Sholar
Delores Strider	Nita Cadenhead
Edward Burden	Sam Borquaye
Susan Perry-LeGrand	Eric Foster
Suzanne Baxter	Carren MacLemore
Sophia Smith, 2020 Youth Associate	-Gayle M. Cox, Clerk of Session

Giving in 2019

As a cost-saving measure, we are not going to be handing out boxed giving envelopes for 2019. If you need envelopes mailed to you, please call the office at 525-6584. In addition, we are no longer using giving numbers. All giving is entered by name.

You will no longer be asked to pay a \$3.00 initial offering fee for envelopes, but there is still a per capita rate due. This rate applies to EACH family member. The rate for 2019 is \$10.71 per person.

If you have any questions, please call Becki Walden at (405) 525-6584.

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Facilities Coordinator—Jack Lancaster
Organist—John L. Edwards
Pastor—The Rev. John McKinnon

Sunday Worship Hours

8:30 a.m. Chapel
11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

November KirkNight

Wednesday Dinners Followed by Fun
All welcome. Nursery available.
Yoga also meets at 6:30 each week.

6:00 *Baked Potato Bar, Salad, Dessert*
(Chocolate Turtle Apple Slices)

7th 6:30 **Guest Speaker from Tinker Air Force Base**

6:00 *Beef Chili, White Chicken Chili, Dessert*

14th 6:30 **Lyric Theater presentation and sneak peek of *A Christmas Carol!*** (Bring friends, and be sure and make dinner reservations in advance!!)

21st **See below: Special Thanksgiving Eve Event**

6:00 *Breakfast for dinner*

28th 6:30 **Christmas Arts & Crafts** (kids wear pajamas!)

Thanksgiving Eve Dinner & Worship

Wednesday, November 21st

Dinner 5:30 p.m. Worship 6:30 p.m.

Reservations for the traditional dinner needed by Thursday, Nov. 15th. Email stephanie@fpcokc.org or call (405) 525-6584.



Special Free Performance from Cast of Lyric's *A Christmas Carol!*

We have a wonderful KirkNight celebration coming soon that you will not want to miss! Several performers

from Lyric are coming to perform favorite songs from their upcoming show: *A Christmas Carol*. Please take this opportunity to invite friends to join you. **There is no charge for the program.** Tickets not required, but please RSVP for the program (as well as the dinner). RSVP to (405) 525-6584 or email stephanie@fpcokc.org

Hanging of the Greens

The Worship Committee is asking for your help on November 25th. It's our Annual Hanging of the Greens! Your gifts are needed— anything you can do, we can find a job for you! Come and join your friends in decorating a part of the church. We have three areas to work on, specific instructions and just tons of fun! Mark your calendars for noon Sunday, November 25th. After the 11 a.m. service there will be pizza for all AND Christmas caroling for all. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Doolen at 405-590-3406.