MAY 2019

THE CHURCH & YOU

Welcome Jasmine Sievert,

Communications Director

We are delighted to welcome Ms. Jasmine Sievert to our staff. Jasmine began as our Communications Director on April 15. She is a graduate of Oklahoma State University with a B.A. in multimedia journalism

and comes to us from the City of Stillwater where she was a Marketing and Public Relations Specialist. This May, she will graduate with her master's degree in business administration from the University of Central Oklahoma.



Jasmine grew up in Choctaw, Oklahoma, and she enjoys going back there to visit family often. She recently relocated to Edmond and is excited to begin work at First Presbyterian Church.

"I've always wanted to find a way to serve my community as well as do what I love, which is communicating with people. I really think in this position I'll be able to do both," Sievert said.

Thank you to the search committee: Beverly Brown, Madelaine Hawkins, Mickie Smith and Larry Nichols for the skill and dedication they brought to the search.

This Month:

Saturday, May 4
1:00 p.m. | Kirk Kids play day at
Adventure Town!

Sunday, May 5Celebration of Music

2:00 p.m. | Deacons Out 'n' About: Ansel Adams and the Photographers of the West (OKC Museum of Art)

Friday, May 10
6:00 p.m. | Movie Night
Incredibles 2 | Watchorn Hall
Join us for this free event as
we celebrate Mother's Day by
watching a movie about an
incredible mom! Bring chairs or
blankets to sit on. Popcorn and
drinks are provided.

Saturday, May 25 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Parent's Night Out Room 117 (young children)

Monday, May 27 Memorial Day Closed: Church offices, FPS, SPARK

2019 Summer Camp

Dwight Mission Camp and Conference Center

Located in Vian, OK, Dwight Mission features camps for school-age children from elementary through high school.





Elementary Camps:

Grades 3-5 | June 9-15, June 16-22, June 23-29, July 7-13

Junior & Senior High Camps:

Grades 6-9, Grades 10-12 | June 9-15, June 16-22, June 23-29, June 30-July 6, July 7-13

Family Camp: May 24-27

Register online at dwightmission.org

Celebrating the Gift of Music

Sunday, May 5 | We will make a joyful noise to the Lord during our Sunday services, celebrating all the gifts music brings to our lives. The Sanctuary Singers and the Youth Chorale will sing, the Sanctuary Ringers will play handbells and the OCU Brass will join in the music-full worship!

Musical Hiatus With summer upon us, most of the musical groups that provide leadership during Sunday services will start to disperse for break beginning May 5. We are truly blessed in this congregation to have so many talented musicians that freely give of their time and talent to help us praise God. Thank you to each and every member of the Treble Choir, the Youth Chorale, the Sanctuary Ringers and the Sanctuary Singers for your dedication. We hope to see you all back in the fall!

We are also blessed with an outstanding music staff and leadership. Thank you so much John Edwards, Kelly Holst and Puffer Jones. We celebrate your talent and leadership!

Geranium Sale In time for Mother's Day!

The Presbyterian Women's Annual Geranium Sale begins Sunday, May 5. Flowers will be available at both the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. service in front of the Reception Center and after the 11:00 a.m. service in the narthex.

As always, proceeds benefit PW mission projects.



Presbyterian Youth Triennium | July 15-20

High school youth from FPCOKC will travel by bus to Purdue University this year, for the Presbyterian Youth Triennium. Our group of six youth will join 21 other youth from across Indian Nations Presbytery and 11 youth from Cimarron Presbytery. We know the prayers and support of this church family will go with us! The Oklahoma Delegation will be commissioned at the May 31 Tri-Presbytery Meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church OKC at around 4:00 p.m.

Attendees: Sophia Smith, Caroline Rogers, Justine Rogers, Lillian Keith, Emily Bakhtiari and Penelope Griffin.

Youth Fellowship

May 5: Youth Fellowship/Service

May 12: No Youth Activities – Mother's Day

May 19: End of Year Dinner and Pool Party

Follow the FPCOKC Youth & Children on Facebook and request to join our GroupMe group.

" ... 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' Then they remembered his words ... "

LUKE 24:5-8
The Resurrection of Jesus

Vacation Bible School

5 p.m., June 17-20 ReNew VBS focuses on one story, Jesus' Parable of the Sower, and helps kids explore this parable in-depth, rather than trying to learn multiple non-consecutive stories over a short period of time. Each day at ReNew, kids hear the entire parable, but then focus on one section of it to discover what the passage means for them and how it relates to caring for God's creation. The activities in ReNew are centered on stewardship. Kids learn, create and do

things that change their world. Their faith is put into action and impacts the wider community.

Dinner is provided. To register, print a registration form and return it to the church office by Friday, June 14 at noon, or email it to Leigh Miller (leigh@fpcokc).



Registration Form: <u>fpcokc.org/children/</u>

Thursday Noon Bible Study

You're invited to join us Thursdays at noon in Room 122 for a time of fellowship and study. Our latest discussion features Gregory S. Cootsona's book, "C.S. Lewis and the Crisis of a Christian." You can order the book on Amazon or contact Leigh Miller (leigh@fpcokc) to order you a copy.

If you plan to attend, please email Leigh to let her know you'll be there.

Summer Worship

To build relationships between our members who regularly attend worship at different times, we will combine our 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday services for June and July. Worship will be in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school to follow. We will return to two worship services Aug. 4.

Welcome to the Pulpit

Sunday, May 19 | We welcome Glenn Dunn back to our pulpit. Glenn is a

Commissioned Lay
Pastor of Indian Nations
Presbytery serving in
congregational care at
Westminster Presbyterian
Church. He is a graduate
of Texas Christian
University and earned
a Certificate in Ministry



at Austin Seminary. Glenn is a licensed funeral director in Oklahoma and prior to retirement, he worked in that industry.

Presbyterian Heritage

Sunday, **May 26** | Help us celebrate our Presbyterian heritage. Break out your tartans, bonnie lads and lasses, as we celebrate not only our Scottish roots but all lands and families from whence we came.

Presbyterian Women

Priscilla Circle will meet Tuesday, May 14 at 10:00 a.m. in the Reception Room.



Abigail Circle will meet Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m. Location and details to come. **Phoebe Circle** will meet Tuesday, May 14 at 1:30 p.m. in the Reception Room.

Wednesday KirkNight

Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

Program, Yoga and Kirk Kids begin at 6:30 p.m.

All are welcome. Nursery available.

Adults: \$7 | **Children:** \$4 | **Families:** \$20 max RSVP with the church office by noon Tuesday.

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Menus

May 1: Street tacos, rice, beans, sopapilla cheesecake

May 8: Luau–Kahlua pork, pineapple chicken, pineapple rice, sweet potatoes, mango salad, pina colada cake

May 15: Hot dog bar with all the fixins, chips, ice cream bar

Programs

May 1: Leigh Miller will share part two of her discussion about the book, "Will Our Children Have Faith?" by John H. Westerhoff III.

May 8: John McKinnon will continue his program on Pilgrimage and share his experience of the Isle of Iona, Scotland and the roots of our faith tradition found there.



May 15: Family Fun Night | We will end the KirkNight year with a grand party sharing Watchorn Hall with the First Presbyterian School and one of their annual fundraisers. All are welcome. Proceeds benefit playground renovations for the First Presbyterian School.

South Window Repairs Begin

You may have noticed work in progress on the south window of the sanctuary.

Lippert Bros., Inc. has the window stone secured from the inside and Willet Hauser Architectural Glass is now removing the stained glass for storage and rebuild when the time comes. So, we are seeing progress and will see even more shortly. The install of the new stone on the west window should begin within the next 30 days. It has been a long process, but we have the best in the business working on it. Thanks be to God that we can restore them to their full glory for the generations to come.



Church Life











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All are welcome! First Presbyterian Church is affiliated with The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages: 9:40 a.m.

For more information, please contact the church office at (405) 525-6584

or email office@fpcokc.org.

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Thank you!

We Appreciate Your Time at FPC, Rachel.

Rachel Nicholes has been a soloist and section leader with the Sanctuary Singers

for the past two years. She is graduating from OCU with her master's degree and will be moving on to pursue a career in Musical Theatre. We wish Rachel the best and thank her



for being a part of the musical life of this church.