

The REDbud

The Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church

Mountain Home, Arkansas

SEPTEMBER 2024



Sunday Worship Services 10:00 am

Coffee Fellowship after Worship Service

Phone: 870-425-3799 email: fpcmh@centurytel.net

Office hours: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Monday-Thursday

The Gift of Work

Missionary and author Elisabeth Elliot considered work a gift and a blessing. Ponder the following quotes of hers as you celebrate Labor Day. How do they mesh with your own views of work?

"This job has been given to me to do. Therefore, it is a gift. Therefore, it is a privilege. Therefore, it is an offering I may make to God. Therefore, it is to be done gladly, if it is done for him. Here, not somewhere else, I may learn God's way. In this job, not in some other, God looks for faithfulness."

"Work is a blessing. God has so arranged the world that work is necessary, and he gives us hands and strength to do it. The enjoyment of leisure would be nothing if we had only leisure. It is the joy of work well done that enables us to enjoy rest, just as it is the experiences of hunger and thirst that make food and drink such pleasures."

Special Dates in **SEPTEMBER**

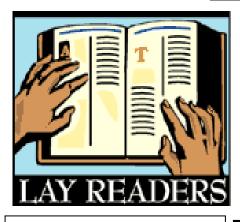
<u>Birthday</u> 05-Paula Stewart



Special dates

- Labor Day, September 2, 2024
- National Grandparents
 Day, September 8, 2024
- Patriot Day, September 11, 2024
- Hispanic Heritage Month, 15–Oct. 15, 2024
- First day of Autumn, September 22, 2024

Serving in Worship







September Lay Readers

01-Doug W

08-Marty H

15-Kay K

22-Nancy P

29-Don C

September Fellowship

Don't forget to volunteer to host fellowship by signing up on the bulletin board on the way to the fellowship hall. There is a sign up sheet for September currently hanging on the board.

September Ushers

01-Open

o8-Open

15-Open

22-Open

29-Marilyn Wheat

Church Leadership Meetings

JUNE SESSION UPDATE

The Session met on 14 June 2024 with all elders in attendance; Rev. Stewart Smith, moderator. Session met to discuss the financial changes with our Texas Presbytery Fund and personnel issues. A copy of the approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board in the mailroom.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Priest, Clerk of Session

AUGUST DEACONS UPDATE

The Deacons did not have a scheduled meeting in July and will not have one in August. The Deacons will continue to stay in touch by telephone or called meeting as necessary. Our thanks to the amazing Missions Committee for the July 14 picnic and sing-along. The balance in the Deacons Fund is \$2,359.18. Prayers and best wishes to our church members, families, and friends. Be with us in all our tomorrows.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Wheat, Moderator

"Not seeing results? Feel like giving up? Consider this: The last thing to grow on a fruit tree ... is the fruit." —Unknown

Treasurer's Report as of JULY 30, 2024

Donations/Deposits \$ 8,800.00 Cleared Checks/Expenses \$ 5,611.74 Bank Balance \$ 49,317.16

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Priest, Treasurer



"The fullness of joy is to behold God in all."

—Julian of Norwich



The CALL is a non-profit organization that mobilizes local churches to serve local children and youth placed in foster care. The CALL in Baxter County is asking for the following to help with the needs of local children in foster care:

Diapers: Size 4, 5, 7

Boys Clothes Sizes: 18-24 months, 2T, 3T, 4T, 5T, 7/8, 10/12

Girls Clothes Sizes: 4T, 5T, 7/8, 10/12

Summer PJ's

Girls: 3-6 months, 3T, 4T, 5T

Boys: 24 months, 2T, 3T, 4T, 5T

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The next meeting for the Mission Committee will be October 2. There will be NO Mission Committee meeting in September.

Mary Smith-Moderator



Women of the Church

Kim Terrell will be leading the next lesson for the Women of the Church on September 10 at 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. The topic will be about Epiphany. Hostess will be Ellen Jordan. This will be the first time meeting since taking the summer off. Mark your calendars and bring a friend! Enjoy the fellowship.

Respectfully submitted, Eleanore Wheeler

"We turn not older with years, but newer every day."

—Emily Dickinson

Prayer List for Congregations, Presbytery of Arkansas

September 01-Faith, Pine Bluff (Members:68 Est:1952)

First, Beebe (Members:29 Est:1879)

September 08-Central, Pine Bluff (Members:92 Est:1910)

Church Camp Ministries

September 15-First, Brinkley (Members:04 Est:1887)

First, Jonesboro (Members:139 Est:1889)

September 22-First, Gurdon (Members:11 Est:1886)

Churches in Presbyteries in Honduras

September 29-Wynne Church, Wynne (Members:98 Est:1885)
Commissioned Ruling Elders

Because Jesus is our great high priest, we "approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16, NRSV).

SCRIPTURES FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Sunday September 01

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Deut. 4:1-2, 6-9 Psalm 15

James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sunday September 08

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 35:4-7a Psalm 146

James 2:1-10 (11-13), 14-17 Mark 7:24-37

Sunday September 15

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 116:1-9

James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38

Sunday September 22

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11:18-20 Psalm 54

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37

Sunday September 29

19th Sunday after Pentecost

Num. 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 Psalm 19:7-14

James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50

All Scriptures are taken from the Presbyterian Planning Calendar. (Complementary)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
1	2 Labor Day Office Closed	3	4	5	6	7
					Offic	e Closed
Communion	9	10 WOC 1 pm	11	12	13	14
Happy Grandparents Day			Patriot Day		Office	Closed
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Deacons 10 am				
					Office	Closed
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Autumn Begins					Office	Closed
29	30					
					Offic	e Closed
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