



# The REDbud

The Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church  
Mountain Home, Arkansas

## OCTOBER 2024



Sunday Worship Services 10:00 am

Coffee Fellowship after Worship Service

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

Monday– Thursday

### Humble Beginnings

True Christian religion does not begin at the highest as all other religions do, but at the lowest. Therefore whenever you are concerned to think and act about your salvation, you must put away all speculations about the Majesty, all thoughts of works, traditions and philosophy – indeed, of the Law of God itself.

And you must run directly to the manger and the mother's womb, embrace this Infant and Virgin's Child in your arms, and look at Him – born, being nursed, growing up, going about in human society, teaching, dying, rising again, ascending above all the heavens, and having authority over all things.

—Martin Luther, Commentary on Galatians



## **A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR**

### **Personal Biography of Lila DeMoss**

**As I heard someone say, I was born at a young age. Raised in Iowa; joined the US Air Force, where I served for four years, two of them in Southwest Asia; came back and went to college. I went to work at what was then called the Hospital for the Criminally Insane, where I met many interesting people. I was a foster parent for a number of years. On and off I helped my father in his auto body shop, which I enjoyed.**

**I then returned to school and studied computer science engineering. I worked for several companies in various states until I retired and moved to the beautiful state of Arkansas to enjoy life and relax in peace.**

**Then I received a call to the ministry to assist ministers and churches in need. I attended the Memphis Theological Seminary. I work for the Mission Board of the Cumberland Presbytery for the state of Arkansas, where I am officially a Missionary to Churches and Prisons. I'm also on one of the Presbytery boards.**

**I am the assistant pastor at Pineville Cumberland church, and I substitute for whatever minister or church has an emergency and needs me, as is my calling from God. I'm a Certified Religious Assistant at the prison at Calico Rock, where I teach, hold services as requested by the prison Chaplain, and speak one on one with the prisoners.**

**I live in Horseshoe Bend. I love to read and wood carve, neither of which do I have time for these days. I have three dogs. I'm a fifty year member of the American Legion where I'm on the Honor Guard for funerals, and I hold three officer positions for the Legion Post in Horseshoe Bend. Until recently I was the District Commander of the Legion that covered a five state area.**

**So, I wear several hats right now, and now I'm also here. I keep busy for sure.**

**Do you have any questions? Thank you.**

# Special Dates in **OCTOBER**

## Birthdays

**14-Phil Jordan**

**18-Doug Wells**

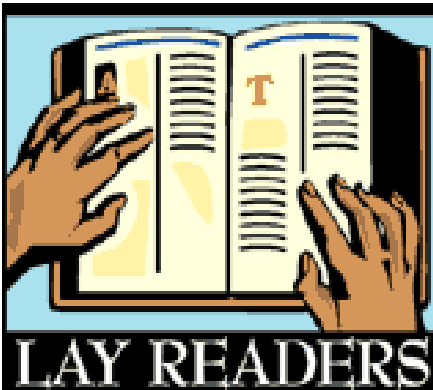
**26-Regina Manning**



## Special Dates

- Pastor Appreciation Month
- World Communion Sunday, October 6, 2024
- Columbus Day, October 14, 2024
- Indigenous Peoples Day, October 14, 2024
- Reformation Sunday, October 27, 2024
- Reformation Day, October 31, 2024

## *Serving in Worship*



### October Lay Readers

06-Ellen J

13-Marty H

20-Doug W

27-Kay K



### October 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 October currently hanging on the board.



### October Ushers

06-Mary S

13-Open

20-Marty H

27-Barb H

# ***Church Leadership Meetings***

## **JULY SESSION UPDATE**

The Session met on 28 July 2024 with all elders in attendance; Rev. Mike Clark, moderator. Session met to discuss changes in Pastoral Supply and Personnel changes. A copy of the approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board in the mailroom. Next meeting set for November 17, with Rev. Lila DeMoss as moderator.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Priest, Clerk of Session

## **SEPTEMBER DEACONS UPDATE**

The Deacons did not meet in September but did check with their list and the list of each Deacon was reviewed, giving assistance if needed. The balance in the Deacons Fund is **\$2,359.18**. The next scheduled meeting will be **October 21**. Each Deacon can be reached by telephone if help is needed. Be with us in all our tomorrows.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Wheat, Moderator

“The fullness of joy is to behold God in all.”

—Julian of Norwich

## **TREASURER’S REPORT as of AUGUST 30, 2024**

|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Donations/Deposits      | \$ 8,800.00         |
| Cleared Checks/Expenses | \$ 5,611.74         |
| Bank Balance            | <b>\$ 44,509.24</b> |

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Priest, Treasurer



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

# MISSIONS HEADLINES

**The Mission committee will host a delicious breakfast on the thirteenth for everyone. Make plans to be here!**

**The Mission committee will also be starting the Good Samaritans Shoe Boxes this month and ending in November.**

**The next meeting for the Mission committee will be Wednesday, October 2 at 1:00 pm.**



**Mary Smith– Moderator**



## **Women of the Church**

The next meeting will be October 8 at 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. The leader will be Nancy Priest and the hostess will be Marty Hasty. In September Kim Terrell lead the lesson for the Women of the Church. The topic was about Epiphany. Hostess was Ellen Jordan. This was the first time meeting since taking the summer off.

Mark your calendars and bring a friend! Enjoy the fellowship.

Respectfully submitted, Eleanore Wheeler

### **Prayer List for Congregations, Presbytery of Arkansas**

October 06-Cane Hill Church, Cane Hill (Members:06 Est:1828)

Active & Retired Christian Educators

October 13-First, Van Buren (Members:50 Est:1906)

First, Batesville (Members:192 Est:1842)

October 20-First, Benton (Members:151 Est:1829)

Central, Russellville (Members:328 Est:1871)

October 27-First, Helena (Members:19 Est:1849)

West End, Arkadelphia (Members:51 Est:1901)



**CHRISTIAN FLAG** — Dating to the early 20th century, the Christian flag represents all of Christianity, though it's been used primarily in the Americas and Africa. The red Latin cross symbolizes Jesus' blood shed on Calvary to grant us eternal life. The blue background represents Christ's faithfulness even unto death, as well as our baptism into Christ. The white field signifies Jesus' purity, nonviolence and surrender to God's will, plus the peace we gain by surrendering ourselves to Christ.

# ***SCRIPTURES FOR OCTOBER 2024***

**Sunday October 06**

**20th Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 2:18-24

Psalm 8

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

**Sunday October 13**

**21st Sunday after Pentecost**

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Psalm 90:12-17

Hebrews 4:12-16; 2:5-12

Mark 10:17-31

**Sunday October 20**

**22nd Sunday after Pentecost**

Isaiah 53:4-12

Psalm 91:9-16

Hebrews 5:1-10; 2:5-12

Mark 10:35-45

**Sunday October 27**

**23rd Sunday after Pentecost**

Jeremiah 31:7-9



Psalm 126

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 10:46-52

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

# OCTOBER

| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday                | Wednesday                | Thursday                        | Friday                     | Sat |
|---|--------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|
|   |        | 1                      | 2<br>Mission Mtg<br>1 pm | 3                               | 4<br><b>Office Closed</b>  | 5   |
| 6<br><br>HOLY COMMUNION | 7      | 8<br>WOC 1 pm          | 9                        | 10<br>Master Gardeners<br>12 pm | 11<br><b>Office Closed</b> | 12  |
| 13<br>Breakfast Hosted by Mission C.  | 14     | 15<br>Deacons<br>10 am | 16                       | 17                              | 18<br><b>Office Closed</b> | 19  |
| 20  | 21     | 22                     | 23                       | 24                              | 25<br><b>Office Closed</b> | 26  |
| 27<br>Reformation Sunday  | 28     | 29                     | 30                       | 31                              | <b>Office Closed</b>       |     |
|                     |        |                        |                          |                                 |                            |     |



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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



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