

First Press Weekly Update

October 29, 2023



Prayer List

CELEBRATION – Welcome to new members **Lewis and Johnnie Stubblefield** who joined First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 22, 2023.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY - The Congregation extends Christian Sympathy to the family of Trudi Pullin (cousin of Becca Wright) upon her death on October 20, 2023, in Knoxville, TN.

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK – Check Garcia; Inez, David and Kay McBee; Emily Gaude and Gerry Mayberry.

MISSIONARIES – Eliane Menezes, Guatemala.

Five Cents-a-Meal Offering

The Five Cents-A-Meal offering will be received today. Donations may be dropped in the basket by the door as you leave the Chapel service, and in the basket on the altar steps during the “Hymn of Sending” for the Sanctuary service. We are honored to have John McCord speak on behalf of Cora Cox Academy for the Minute-for-Mission during the 11:00 a.m. service today. The Cora Cox Academy will also receive 25% of today’s Five-Cents-A-Meal collection.

Knuckleheads Men’s Bible Study

The Knuckleheads meet Tuesdays from 12:15-1:15 p.m. in the History Room.

Church Night Supper

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper on **November 1**, catered by Chef’s Restaurant. We will have pizza, salad and dessert. The cost for the dinner is \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children under 10, with a family maximum of \$20.00. Reservations must be received by noon on Tuesday. To make reservations, fill out the pew pad on Sunday mornings, call the church office at (423) 245-0104 or register online at www.firstpreskingsport.org. Come and hear Dr. Shelton’s last message on Forgiveness--you don’t want to miss it!

Wednesday Night Class ~ “Forgiven People Forgive”

Mike Shelton will conclude his class on forgiveness following Church Night Supper this week. Please join us whether you are coming for dinner or not.

Trunk or Treat Today!

Sunday, October 29, 4:00-5:00 p.m., Church Parking Lot

We need cars to help make this happen. Feel free to decorate your car or just bring a bag of candy. If you can help, contact Russ. Also we’ll begin taking candy donations. Drop them off at church in our foyer.

New Church Directory Photos

There is still time to get a photo into the upcoming pictorial directory. You may submit a digital photo to Vickie at vgreen@firstpreskingsport.org by **November 15, 2023**. The new pictorial directory will be published after the first of the year. It will be updated periodically throughout the year if there are changes within the membership. When the directory is published online there will be directions on how members can access it from the church website. You may also request a printed copy of the directory by letting Vickie know.

Birthdays This Week

October 31: Betsy Boyd, Tonya McInturff, Wes Argabrite, Sharon Amstutz

November 1: Sue Adrian, Anna Gamble, Emily Pridemore

November 3: Maggie Booher

November 4: Jennie Compton, Eli Arrowsmith

November 5: Kraemer Scott, Henry King

Coming Soon

- ◆ November 15 ~ Thanksgiving Dinner with your church family, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ November 19 ~ Community Thanksgiving Service at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 5 p.m.
- ◆ December 3 ~ Church Circle Nativity and Advent Service, 12:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Kingsport
Performing Arts Series 2023 Season



Adults \$25; Seniors \$20;
Students, \$10

Laura Ann Singh

presents An Evening of Song -
American Songbook, Bossa Nova
and Popular Song

Friday, November 3, 7:30 p.m.

*The acclaimed multilingual singer, in trio
with keyboard and bass, offers an exciting and spicy
tapestry of American and Brazilian song.*

For tickets or more information: (423) 383-7876 • www.firstpreskingsport.org

NOTE: Tickets for concerts can be purchased online on our website or in person at Wednesday night suppers and on Sunday mornings between services and after the 11:00 a.m. service.

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