

Prayer Request	Staff & Praise Team																																					
<p>The men and women serving in the Armed Forces and the members and friends of our church including:</p> <p>Oma Shaddox, Diane Winans, Shirley Butler, John Sessions, L.P. Lindley, Casey Beaver, Bill Walker, Imogene Hammerschmidt, Narges Moshiri, Catherine Franks, Collene Clayborne Jesse, Vivian Bickerton, Aline Wright, Dave Shaw, Mandy Moore, Mike Bracken, Charles & Francis Dunkle, Lorena Markley, Louella Layton, Rex Bennett, Chuck Holcomb, Hester Brisco, Ralph Parkinson, Rev. Seamus Doyle, Mark Butler, Barbara Leer, Mildred Ruth Edwards, Richard Harber, Del Strickland, Joe & Janet Watkins, Brenda & Steve Rush, Anita Roy, Jean Hathorne, Donna Gerhart, Anne Goode, Nancy Barron, Drew Morlan, Charles Andrus, Pebble Bennett, Alicia Kimberlin, Donna Davidson, Richard Harber, Bob Sagget, Britney Horton, and Vicky Crunk</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>In Our Thoughts & Prayers</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Staff</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Pastor</td> <td>Rev. Chip Andrus</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Administrative Assistant</td> <td>Pamela Kerr</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bookkeeper</td> <td>Judi Didway</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer</td> <td>Elizabeth Doshier</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sextons</td> <td>Steve Kraemaer</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Mendy Leonard</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Choir Director</td> <td>Amy Briggs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Handbell Choir Director</td> <td>Charles Butler</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Children's Choir Directors</td> <td>Donna Butler</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Rev. Chip Andrus</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Organist</td> <td>Myrna Brittain</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">Praise Team</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Guitarist</td> <td>Scott Hoffmann</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Guitarist</td> <td>Alan Kimberlin</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bass</td> <td>Harry Cikanek</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Horns</td> <td>George Holcomb</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Drums</td> <td>Wes Williams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Percussion</td> <td>David Davis</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vocalist</td> <td>Kathleen Stanley</td> </tr> </table>		Pastor	Rev. Chip Andrus	Administrative Assistant	Pamela Kerr	Bookkeeper	Judi Didway	Treasurer	Elizabeth Doshier	Sextons	Steve Kraemaer		Mendy Leonard	Choir Director	Amy Briggs	Handbell Choir Director	Charles Butler	Children's Choir Directors	Donna Butler		Rev. Chip Andrus	Organist	Myrna Brittain	Guitarist	Scott Hoffmann	Guitarist	Alan Kimberlin	Bass	Harry Cikanek	Horns	George Holcomb	Drums	Wes Williams	Percussion	David Davis	Vocalist	Kathleen Stanley
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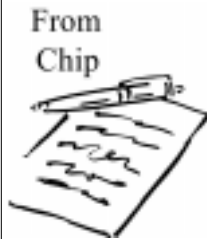
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Grace and peace to you in the name of Christ our Savior.

What a beautiful fall! In this harvest season we give thanks to God for pumpkins, fall squash, apple cider, the colors of autumn, and all the wonderful things that make this season special. The 'ordinary' things of the season are ways in which people of faith can see how beautiful, delicious and bountiful God's presence among us truly is. And this presence is most vividly shown in the presence of our sisters and brothers, with whom we gather around all these 'ordinary' things of life and seasons. In the ordinary, yet holy things like water, Word, wine and bread, present each and every Sunday the Holy Spirit helps us see the sacredness of God present in all creation.

This is a time of thanksgiving, where we will gather around fireplaces, campfires, tables and cozy living rooms with loved ones and friends. However, there are many people who do not have full houses to go home to, or family that visits. In a season where gathering with loved ones and friends is accentuated in music, lights and many emotionally charged characteristics of the season, the church becomes even more precious to the fostering of love, compassion and the presence of others. We are also reminded that the only place of gathering for many is the church.

We should never take for granted the life we share together as a family of faith, and the baptismal vows we have made before God to love, care and nurture one another. There is something about this time of year that makes our losses of all kinds, (loved ones, abilities, opportunities, etc.) most acute. As the days grow shorter and the nights grow longer (and colder) many people who are sensitive to these changes are prone to depression and feelings of sadness and loss. This is normal and effects more people that we might think. So it is very important for us to be aware of the needs of others, visit our sisters and brothers, and nurture our time together as a community. This is not only true for the month of November but also the whole holiday season that extends into 2009.

As we enter November and prepare for the days ahead let us remember that all our lives are grounded in God and the unity Christ gives us in his Body, the Church. We are family! And the sacraments are holy reminders of all these things. In baptism we are reminded that we are born into one family, that we care from one another, and that even death cannot separate us from the love of God or this family of faith. In the Lord's Supper we are reminded that all our meals, not just Thanksgiving and Christmas, are places where Christ is our guest, made known in the breaking of bread and where we are nourished with more than food. We are nourished with God's Spirit that brings life through all these ordinary things, like pumpkin, fall squash, beautiful trees, wine, bread, water, Word and each other.

May God bless us this month and throughout these holy seasons. May God bind us in love through the power of the Holy Spirit that we may love, comfort, nurture and celebrate one another, each and everyday. To God be all glory and honor, forever and ever.

I love you all and thank God for our family of faith,

Chip



The next session meeting is Monday, November 3, at 6 p.m.

Session packets will be ready for pickup on Friday, October 31 by noon.



Our Sunday Worship Service is broadcast every Sunday morning at 8 a.m. on TKO Channel 8 and Cox Cable Channel 14.



The church office will be closed Thursday, November 25 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Pastor Chip will be out of the office for Thursday, November 6–20. Pastor Chip will be back in the office Friday, November 21. Pastor Chip will be teaching at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh, PA and on vacation. The Rev. Leslie Beldon will deliver the sermon on Sunday, November 9, and the Rev. Sallie Watson will deliver the sermon Sunday, November 16. Please make them feel welcome.

The First Presbyterian Church Directory's are in! A table is set up in the Gathering Space and outside of the Sanctuary or the church office. It is very important that you sign for your directory. There is a very limited amount of directories available.

The deadline for the December 2008, newsletter is November 28, at 10 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend choir practice on Wednesday nights. Children's choir is at 5 p.m. and adult choir is at 7 p.m.

Greeters for November

8:45 a.m. Kathy Cikanik
Harry Cikanik

11 a.m. Mendy Leonard
Paul Barron
Lois Brown
Anna Sue Parkinson
Donna Gerhart

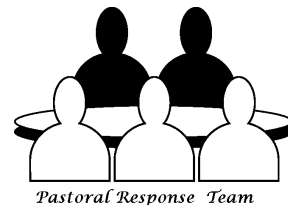
Ushers for November

11 a.m. John Campbell
David Morton
Gail Morton
Sharon Huff

Liturgists for Sunday's in November

November 2 Kim Brooks
November 9 Joe Melton
November 16 Ann Lemley
November 23 Evelyn Mills
November 30 Evelyn Mills

Pastoral Response Team



As always we hope that we can share our joys and concerns with each other. The pastoral response team is here to listen to any joys or concerns you might have. This group works for reconciliation and to preserve the peace, unity and purity of the church. Our first course of action when there is a problem is to go to the person who has offended us. However, if this is not possible, or rumors arise, this team will listen and help us work out any difficulties that may arise. We also want you to share your joys about our church. This team will meet together when needed.

The pastoral response team consists of: Personnel Chair: Clark Middleton, Elder on Session: Roger Orr, Elder at large: Kim Brooks, Pastor: Rev. Chip Andrus

You may talk to anyone on this team at any time about anything.



The Presbyterian Woman bazaar and bake sale. Items for crafts and fond treasures for the Saturday, November 8, bazaar may be received anytime after Sunday, November 2–6, in the Gathering Space. On Wednesday afternoon November 5, and Thursday, November 6, there will be someone in the Gathering Space to receive your items. A receiving sheet will be available in the Gathering Space for you to sign in and list your item (s) description and suggested retail price. The food and bake sale items may be brought to the church on Friday, November 7, and the morning of Saturday, November 8. For easy access to the Gathering Space (no steps) look for the bright colored ribbons on the double doors between the covered South East entry and the identified Gathering Room (steps). If you have any questions concerning the bazaar, please call Galena McCaleb or Lila Lee Shaw.



Hospital policy change. The North Arkansas Regional Medical Center Hospital has changed their policy and we no longer have access to list of patients. If you are admitted to the hospital you must tell the hospital staff that you are a Presbyterian and that it is okay for a Presbyterian Pastor to visit you. It is very important that you or a loved one call to let Pastor Chip or the church office know that you are in the hospital.



8:45 a.m. Worship in the Gathering Space
9:45 a.m. Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Fellowship
11 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



02 Pam Lawrence
04 Dan Butler
06 Paul Patrick
09 Dylan Sessions
18 Tinley Williams
19 Trevor Williams
21 Clark Middleton
24 John Sessions
26 Kim Brooks
28 Anna Sue Parkinson
Lee Davis
Abby Nelson
Alyssa Nelson



03 Paul & Shirley Patrick
15 Chris & Donna Williams
16 Junior & Betty Brisco
18 Josh & Amber Thomason
22 Charles & Donna Butler



Birthday and anniversary If you have noticed your birthday or anniversary hasn't been included in the newsletter and you would like it to be, contact the church office to update our records.

November 2008



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Every Monday Thru Friday morning prayer at 8:30 a.m.			Every Wednesday Childrens Choir at 5 p.m. and Frogs & youth classes at 6 p.m.			11 a.m. Tech training Free to all members. 4 p.m. St. John's Episcopal Church
8:45 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 5:30 p.m. Frogs & Youth <small>Daylight Savings Time ends.</small>	6 p.m. Session Meeting	5:30 p.m. Christian Ed. Council 7 p.m. Humane Society <small>Election Day.</small>	9:45 a.m. CC Chapel 6 p.m. Handbell choir 7 p.m. Chancel Choir	<small>Pastor Chip at Seminary.</small>	<small>Pastor Chip Seminary.</small>	<small>Pastor Chip Seminary.</small>
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10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Combined Worship Service 5:30 p.m. Frogs & Youth	10 a.m. Newsletter Deadline 6:15 p.m. Evangelism Council	9:45 a.m. CC Chapel 6 p.m. Handbell choir 7 p.m. Chancel Choir	Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving			
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August-08

	Actual Monthly	Budget Monthly	Actual Year to Date
REVENUE			
Pledges	16,086.00	16,553.00	136,430.00
Non Pledge Contributions	2,985.00	2,042.00	20,526.84
Plate Money/Sunday School	601.03	275.00	3,455.01
Interest	27.75		329.24
Other	115.00		11,324.95
Total Revenue	\$19,814.78	\$18,870.00	\$172,066.04
EXPENSES			
Personnel	14,111.97	14,614.00	92,177.92
Property	3,239.03	4,558.00	37,943.02
Administrative	1,315.13	1,640.00	11,095.00
Councils	3,770.12	3,908.00	32,399.93
Total Expenses	22,436.25	24,720.00	173,615.87
Net Income/Loss	-\$2,621.47		-\$1,549.83
Building			
	Monthly	YTD	
Bldg pledges	4,872.00	320,304.81	
Bldg Non Pledges	10.00	1,085.00	
Bldg Memorials	1,957.00	13,477.00	
Columbarium	1,300.00	4,034.67	
Sale of Spring St. Bldg	299,102.00	299,102.00	
Bldg Income	307,241.00	638,003.48	
Building Expenses			
Columbarium Expenses	1,095.64	4617.77	
Net Income/Loss	\$ 306,145.36	\$ 633,385.71	

Childrens Community News



In November we take time to give thanks for the many blessing that God has bestowed on the Children's Community. We will enjoy family and friends and lots of good food.

November 6, is our annual Chili Cook-off. Which is the same night as our Book Fair Open House. Watch for the "Open for Books" insert in the church bulletin. Also the week before Thanksgiving we will be gathering our little Indians and Pilgrims and having thanks for the many things we enjoy in our nation today. As Pastor Chip says, "for what else do we give thanks? Let me extend a thank you to all the church members who support and help us as we strive to teach the children to love themselves, love others, and most of all to love God.



Invite a Friend



I would like to thank the following members of our church who helped with the hayride for our youth: Kim Brooks for organizing, Brian Davis for cooking, Grant Van Veldhuizen, and Lad Brooks for chaperoning,

Josh and Amber Thomason for letting us use their property, and Butch May for driving the truck and trailer. This was a special event, and it could not have happened without those volunteers. You do not have to have a child in youth groups to help in an activity, either by volunteering or helping financially.

These are the future leaders of our church, and the more we can do for them, the better their lives will be.

So think about helping. You could always contact Gwen Hoffman or Kim Brooks.

Peace,

Mary Ann Washington

Lectionary Readings for Sundays in November 2008

November 2,
31st. Sunday in Ordinary Time
Josh. 3:7-17;
Ps. 107:1-7, 33-37;
1 Thess. 2:9-13;
Matt. 23:1-12

November 9,
32nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time
Josh. 24:1-3a, 14-25;
Ps. 78:1-7;
1 Thess. 4:13-18;
Matt. 25:1-13

November 16,
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Judges 4:1-7;
Ps. 123;
1 Thess. 5:1-11;
Matt. 25:14-30

November 23,
Christ the King/Reign of Christ
Exek. 34:11-16, 20-24;
Ps. 100;
Eph. 1:15-23;
Matt. 25:31-46

November 30,
1st Sunday of Advent
Isa. 64:1-9;
Ps. 80:1-7, 17-19;
1 Cor. 1:3-9;
Mark 13:24-37



Potluck Supper for the Month of:

November Service Group C.
December Service Group A.

Combined Service & Potluck-
November 23, instead of November 30.
Congregational meeting too. Host-Servie
Group C.



Calling all Presbyterian Razorbacks! Stop by for hamburgers and hotdogs at the United Campus Ministry, YOUR Presbyterian Campus Center at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, Homecoming -

November 1 from 10:30 am til noon. (Kickoff is at 1 pm against Tulsa.) Mix and mingle with friends from across the state and get to know our students. Limited first-come, first-to-park parking. No charge for parking or the meal, but donations will be gratefully accepted. We're at 902 West Maple - easy walking distance to the stadium. Let us know you're coming so we'll have enough food! Call 479.442.8041 or e-mail LeslieBeld@aol.com



The Harrison Upward program began in 2002 with the advent of Upward basketball and included over 200 children and was housed solely at Eagle Heights Baptist Church in Harrison, AR. Partnering with First Baptist Church of Harrison and later Faith Assembly and First Presbyterian, Harrison Upward has seen its leagues grow to a include over 650 children in the basketball and cheerleading leagues. Upward basketball registration is happening now. You can find information and registration form as well as scholarship forms at <http://harrisonupward.org/>



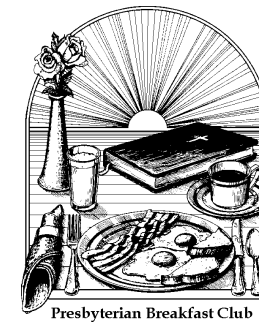
Please turn in completed registration forms no later than November 15 to: Eagle Heights Baptist Church, Faith Assembly of God, or First Baptist Church



All Saint's Day Service will at St. John's Episcopal Church Saturday, November 1, at 4 p.m.

Tech Training Scott Hoffmann will hold a class on Tech training on Saturday, November 1, at 11 a.m. The class is Free to all First Presbyterian church members.

First Presbyterian Church, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas would like to invite everyone to their 130th Anniversary Celebration Sunday, November 2, at 2:30 p.m. a reception will follow.



Presbyterian Breakfast Club

You are invited to join together in fun, food, and fellowship every third Thursday morning at 9 a.m. for the newly formed "Presbyterian Breakfast Club or PBC."

The next breakfast will be November 21, at Coffee and More. If you would

like more information, please call Opal or Imogene Phillips. If you need transportation please contact the church office. Please note that all meals are "Dutch treat" (you pay).



Meet two times a week! Every Sunday from 5:30-7 p.m. and Every Wednesday at 6 p.m.



Sponsor a Child's Bible.

The Christian Education Committee has purchased 20 bibles for the children to use during the Wednesday night program. The cost to sponsor a bible is \$20. So far 5 bibles have been sponsored. That only leaves 14 bibles to be sponsored. Sign up forms are located in the Gathering Space, outside of the Sanctuary, and in the church office.