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This Week at First Pres

As of June 12

June 17 - 23, 2012

Sunday

(After All Services)

Donuts for Dad in Great Hall

8:30 AM

Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

9:30 AM

Blood Pressure Screening

9:45 AM

A&O Sunday MS & HS
Early Child Critter Land
Elementary Sunday School
Summer Adult Sunday School

11:00 AM
The Road Fellowship
Bilingual Worship
Room 304

Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

11:05 AM
1105 Contemporary Worship

SESSION UPDATE

After several months of prayerful study and discussion, your session voted unanimously Monday night to join The Fellowship of Presbyterians. The Fellowship of Presbyterians is NOT a new denomination, but rather a covenanted biblical community that was formed by several evangelical PC(USA) pastors who are concerned about the current direction of the PC(USA). The mission of The Fellowship of Presbyterians is to "build flourishing churches that make disciples of Jesus Christ." As a part of their values they "believe the Bible is the unique and authoritative Word of God, that teaches all that is necessary for faith and life . . . and the unrivaled authority of the Bible directs our actions to be in concert with Christ's very best for our lives." You may learn more about The Fellowship of Presbyterians at <http://www.fellowship-pres.org/about/>. On Sunday, July 15, from 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, there will be a town hall meeting to respond to the actions of the General Assembly and to explain why the session voted unanimously to join The Fellowship of Presbyterians.



VBS: A Great Success!

Downstairs in Fellowship Center

12:30 PM
Affinity Lunch Group

Monday

7:00 AM
Men's Prayer Breakfast

8:30 AM
Affinity Group - Exercise

12:00 PM
Kathrine Kirk Wilson Circle

5:30 PM
Women's Bible Study-
Sicola

Tuesday

8:30 AM
Affinity Group - Exercise
Prayer Group A

3:00 PM
Affinity Group -
Needlework

Wednesday

8:30 AM
Affinity Group - Exercise

9:45 AM
Prayer Group B

12:00 PM
Men's Summer Bible Study

1:30 PM
Affinity Group - Bridge

5:00 PM
Women's Ministry Team

Thursday



Amarillo Sox team members signed autographs after VBS to get kids excited for the baseball game!

First Pres welcomed lots of children for VBS last week. Of the 118 who attended, 70 kids were from First Pres, including four from our bilingual service, Comunidad el Camino. Many kids from other churches in Amarillo and some from out of town participated also. The most exciting news is that we had a chance to share Christ with 20 children who do not have a church home!

Many volunteers came together to serve and to love on these kids. Volunteer Sarah Griffin said, "One little girl shared that her parents did not believe in God, but that she really wanted to learn more about God. She asked us if we had a Bible she could read at home, and we were able to give her one."

Along with Bible stories, application, crafts, and snacks, the kids enjoyed games that were tied to the lessons. Volunteer Amanda Soukup reported seeing children ". . . look past winning or losing and just cheer for one another. I feel like the kids were mimicking the attributes of Jesus. They also did a great job of making Bible connections to the games."

8:30 AM
Affinity Group - Exercise

9:30 AM
Women's Bible Study

Friday

8:30 AM
Affinity Group - Exercise

Saturday

9:30 AM
Neely Bible Study



Kids made crafts, including decorating pillow cases to take home.

On Wednesday of VBS, lots of the children and their family members came out to the Amarillo Sox game sponsored by First Pres. Some of the players stopped by the church that afternoon as the kids were leaving and signed autographs.

Thanks to all staff and volunteers who made this vital week possible. Seeds were planted and lives were changed with your hard work and your willingness to share the love of Christ.



CLARIFICATION REGARDING KANNWISCHER DVDs

Recent announcements of the online availability of Rich Kannwischer's sermons from The Morris Distinguished Preaching Series stated that DVDs were not produced. This is partially in error because only his Sunday morning and evening messages were recorded, not his Monday sermon in the Parlor where recording facilities were not available. The Morris Committee determined that DVDs would not be produced for sale since the complete series was not recorded. However, generally Sunday morning sermons are recorded weekly and are available for check out in the library or may be ordered individually on the order blank in the pew rack. This is also true for Rev. Kannwischer's two Sunday sermons.



CONNECT

HEY, DAD! CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY WITH A DONUT AND A BOOK!

After all worship services this Sunday, the Outreach Team invites all dads to the Great Hall to grab a donut and pick out a free book. Dads may choose from the following books:

- In a Pit with a Lion on a Snowy Day: (How to Survive and Thrive When Opportunity Roars)* by Mark Batterson
- The Measure of a Man* by Gene A Getz
- He Chose the Nails* by Max Lucado
- Dad in the Mirror* by Patrick Morley and David Delk
- The Case for Christ* by Lee Strobel
- Just Walk Across the Room* by Bill Hybels.



SERVE

POTENTIAL NOMINEES SOUGHT FOR CHURCH OFFICE

The Congregational Nominating Committee is requesting your assistance to identify potential nominees for the offices of elder, deacon, and CNC member-at-large. If you desire to recommend potential nominees for these offices, email your suggestions to CNC@firstpres.com or submit them in writing to Charlotte Kinch in the church offices. Qualifications and duties for the offices may be found on the website as well at <http://www.firstpres.com/#/serve>. The CNC will nominate a slate of names for the different offices at a congregational meeting in late September. The deadline for making suggestions is Monday, July 2 at noon.

SEVEN OPENINGS AVAILABLE FOR MISSION TRIP TO HELP REBUILD JOPLIN, MO

Seven spots are still available for the mission trip to Joplin, Missouri, July 29 - August 2, to help rebuild from the tornado that struck that city about a year ago. This opportunity to serve the Lord is for people of all ages, although a parent or guardian must accompany anyone under age 18. We will be staying at Abundant Life Christian Center and will be working for three days on different projects as they are assigned. Job assignments will change daily so we won't know until we get there what work will be done. To read more about "Restore Joplin" visit <http://www.abundantlifejoplin.org> and go to volunteer village. If you would like to join the group please call Anita at 350-5202. The cost is \$150.00, but negotiable.

DIAPERS AND WIPES NEEDED IN JUNE

To help those in our community who need them, please leave your contributions of diapers and wipes on the Mission table in the southwest corner of the Great Hall Crossroads.

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO

The family of Art SoRelle, who died June 10, 2012 in Amarillo: His parents, Polly and Charles; his sister, Jan; and other members of the family.

GIFTS IN MEMORY OF

Jack Duncan Rhodes

Given by

Brenda & Dan Talley

Tracie & Shannon Brooks

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