

First Presbyterian Church

Shelbyville, Tennessee

Weekly Newsletter June 16, 2019 Trinity Sunday



Lewis Grizzard once told a story about two tough boys who attended the Methodist Youth Group at the Moreland, Georgia church where he grew up. It seems that they were juvenile delinquents whose court sentence was actually to attend MYF for six months.

The very first Sunday night these two boys beat up two fifth graders and threw a Cokesbury hymnal at the lady who had brought cookies for the kids. Not to be deterred from her duty or to shrink from her Christian commitment, the woman squared up her diminutive frame and stood in front of the hooligans. She said: "I do not for one minute agree with what you boys have done and Jesus doesn't either, but I guess if Jesus can forgive you so can I. Now sit down, shut up, and eat a cookie!"

Grizzard commented that that was the first time he ever witnessed a miracle and that the last he heard, those two boys grew up to have fine families, worthwhile jobs, and rarely ever missed church on Sunday.

I thought of the ways that lady might have responded in her critical moment and how the way she chose was the way that God operates in the world. In each of the personifications of God (Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer) God dispenses grace and commands us to dispense it also, just like the lady in the story.

This is Trinity Sunday when we celebrate the ways that grace enters our lives and wraps around us and how it flows from us to do the work of redeeming the world.

I also want to invite you all to the Mission Luncheon on June 30th in the fellowship hall. This event is catered and is an opportunity to learn more about how this congregation acts as the hand of God, exercising our faith in outreach. Maybe this will also spur discussion on the importance mission and finding our place in the story that God is crafting around us.

Happy Father's Day! See you Sunday!

See you next Sunday!

Godspeed,



SUNDAY, **June 16**, **2019**

Join us as we gather for worship of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

New Testament: Romans 5:1-8

Sermon: "Surrounded by Trinity"

Rev. Allen Cross

SERVING SUNDAY, June 16, 2019		SERVING SUNDAY, June 23, 2019	
Acolyte	Ean Matusek		
Lay Liturgist	Janice Womble	Lay Liturgist	Charlotte Williams
Ushers/Greeter	Brent Canady John Marsh Tony Matusek Pat Thomas	Ushers/Greeter	Tommy Anderton Helen Garner Geneva Melson Randy Reed
Hall Monitor	Tommy Anderton	Hall Monitor	Raychelle Flannagan
A Time for Young Christians	Kate Canady	A Time for Young Christians	Kate Canady
Children's Church	Kristin Wilhelm	Children's Church	Kate Canady
Nursery	Lisa Turner	Nursery	Bea Marsh



Dad's Favorite Sayings

- 10) When I was your age...
- 9) A little bit of dirt never hurt anyone.
- 8) Go ask your mother.
- 7) Were you raised in barn?
- 6) You don't know what hard work is.
- 5) It builds character.
- 4) Don't make me stop this car!
- 3) You're grounded till you're thirty.
- 2) Money doesn't grow on trees.
- 1) Because I said so.



OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Matthew 25:35: "... I was a stranger and you welcomed me"

June 20 is World Refugee Day. Currently, there are nearly 68.5 million people around the world who have been forced from their homes. These vulnerable children of God have fled due to war, natural catastrophe, persecution or fear of persecution. On this World Refugee Day, the church lifts up the needs of those who are displaced, even as it celebrates the former refugees who have become part of our communities and our churches. PDA is responding to the needs of refugees around the world as well as supporting congregations involved in refugee ministry.

Vacation Bible School ~~Organizational Meeting Wednesday, June 19 at 5:30pm in the ELA



During the month of June, Presbyterian Women is collecting 'BINGO' prizes for

The Waters Nursing Home.

Suggested items: individual snacks, individual drinks, sugar-free snacks, lotion, etc.

Leave your donation in the box in the Chapel.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S SUMMER SOCIAL



Tuesday, June 25th 6:00pm Bell Buckle Café

RSVP by Friday, June 21st

by leaving the bulletin insert in the collection plate or on the desk in the office or by calling the church office at 684-6541

Mission Lunch June 30th

The Mission Committee is sponsoring a luncheon highlighting FPC's mission activities and partners.

Come, enjoy table fellowship and learn more about how we are hands in the community.



Teachers are needed July 7, 14, 21, 28 Contact Lea Anne Windham or Call the Church Of-

Volunteers for the Nursery are needed.



GOOD SAMARITAN Items for June

Canned Meat & Tuna

Peanut Butter is always needed.