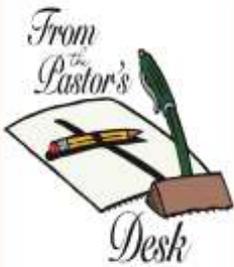


October

PRESBYTERIAN TIMES



We live in unprecedented times. Mark D. Robert's describes his weariness:

“The doggedness of the COVID pandemic, now driven by the delta variant; devastation and danger from natural catastrophes, including raging fires and overwhelming floods; the threat to world harmony from many quarters, most recently Afghanistan; hostile division and unbridled anger permeating both our country and the world; persistent global injustice that threatens all people, especially the vulnerable and the oppressed.”

We all look around and wonder, where is God in the midst of this? When fear and worry is at an all time high, how are we to cope with our current situation?

I like the comfort that Jesus brings in the following verse.



Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!
(Luke 12:24)

When Jesus mentions the ravens, a natural reaction from the first century Jewish reader is repulsion. Ravens in the first century were unclean animals. They preyed upon the flesh of other animals they were detestable and avoided at all costs. Why is Jesus comparing us to them?

Jesus uses the most repulsive animal in a comparison to us in order to demonstrate how God cares for us. What is shocking here is that God cares for even the most repulsive animal. **The conclusion is... that if God cares for the most repulsive, how much more value are we than the birds.**

We can only conclude that God loves us and cares for us. When you are watching the news and become fearful and filled with anxiety, turn off the TV, and realize that God loves us more than we could ever imagine. God has the capacity to care and provide for the trivial and repulsive. God loves us more than we could ever think.

Will you take time to sit back and praise God for how much he loves and cares for you? God's love for us is on a scale beyond comprehension.

I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God (Ephesians 3:18-19 NRSV)

God bless you this month! Pastor Eric

Our Vision: KNOW Christ, GROW in Faith, SOW the love of Christ, GO where God calls.



- 10/01 Christina Freitag Martin
- 10/02 Tom Mioduszewski
- 10/03 Katie Guthrie
- 10/04 Hannah Dotson
- 10/06 Carol Lambert
- 10/07 Carol McDougall
- 10/07 Jacey Royalty
- 10/09 A.B. "Bud" Eargood
- 10/10 Jim Bates
- 10/10 Emma Warner
- 10/11 Gary Thomas
- 10/11 Peyton Dassell
- 10/18 Sophia Jourdan
- 10/19 Leslie Eargood
- 10/21 Lucy Bailey
- 10/21 Bill Fidler
- 10/23 Mackenzie Poe
- 10/25 Sandra Kaiser
- 10/26 Nelson Redmon
- 10/30 Bill Freitag

Anniversaries

- 10/01 Jim & Bettye Bates
- 10/24 Glen & Cindy Thweatt

**Henderson Christian
Community Outreach**

We will be collecting **boxed stuffing** for HCCO during the month of October.



We collected 304 packages of ramen noodles during the month of September.

Thank you for your generous support of this organization!

Grand Piano Fund

A special fund has been started to raise money to purchase a grand piano for the sanctuary. The fund currently has \$5,050.00.

You can make your contribution in honor or memory of someone.

If you would like to contribute please make sure your donation indicates "Piano Fund"



The flowers in the sanctuary during the month of October are provided by Terry Arnold and Glenn Ridley



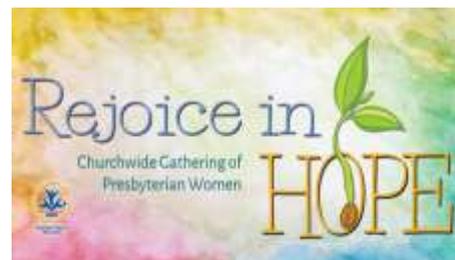
PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

We will be meeting on Monday, October 4th. The Coordinating Team will meet at 9:30 am in the library and the Circle will meet at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. The lessons for the next several meetings are available now and can be picked up in the Fellowship Hall.

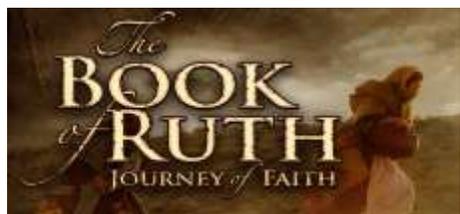
The new PW 2021-2022 Yearbooks are available now. You can pick one up at the church or if you would like one mailed to you please contact the church office.

Please be saving dried plants, pine cones, reeds and pods for our naturally decorated Christmas tree for the Fellowship Hall.

The PW of West Kentucky will be having a Fall Gathering on October 16th from 9:30 am to noon. The topic will be Rejoice in Hope. The deadline for registration is October 5th. Brochures for the Fall Gathering can be picked up in the back of the sanctuary or you can contact me for additional information.



Love,
Betty



Please join us for the online Bible study on the book of Ruth on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm.

Zoom Meeting ID: 984 3627 7403
Passcode: 500727

The These Days daily devotionals for October, November and December are available now.

You can pick one up in the back of the sanctuary or if you would like one mailed to you please contact the church office.





Dear Church family,

We were deeply touched by your words and acts of comfort during the recent passing of my father Allen Wong in August.

Although our hearts are saddened with this loss, we rejoice that he lived 90 years and is with his Lord and Savior (and with my mother Frieda who passed away February 2020).

We had an honoring Celebration of Life Service for both of them on September 4th in California with many family and friends. Thank you friends for the beautiful Cross made of flowers that adorned the chapel, and thank you Presbyterian Women for the lovely plant that was enjoyed in our Hoey home. We feel so blessed by your love and care for us during this time and are forever grateful.

With our gratitude,

Cynthia and Pastor Eric, Timothy, Jonathan, Allison and Nathaniel



The **Handbell Choir** will resume rehearsal on Wednesday evenings beginning on October 6th from 6:15 to 7:00 pm in Hoffman Hall.

The **Chancel Choir** will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:15 to 8:00 pm in the Choir Room.

If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Jones.



Preparing for Advent Season

While we are still enjoying the warm early days of fall, Christmas may seem far off to most of us. However, we need to begin preparations for decorating the church for the Advent season.

We have had several years of use of the bows, ribbons and ornaments that adorn our trees and wreaths, but it is time to freshen those up.

If you would like to contribute toward this, you may include your donation with your offering or send a check made out to Presbyterian Church.

Please designate it for Advent decorations. Any amount will be greatly appreciated.

The Presbyterian Women, with the help of Dave Brashear, look forward to preparing the church for this season of anticipation of the birth of our savior. Thank you in advance!



FAMILY NIGHT at CATE'S FARM

When: Sunday, October 24th

Time: 4:00 pm — 7:00 pm
(4 pm at church to carpool — or 4:30 pm at the farm)

Where: Cate's Farm, 8132 Pruitt Agnew Road, Henderson

Fee: \$7 (children 3-11yo) — \$9 (12yo-Adult)

RSVP: Church office 270-826-3981 or Cynthia 502-599-1041
by 10/22 please

We will enjoy the corn maze, hay rides, pumpkin patch (and pick out your own pumpkin to take home) and so many other fun activities!

We will provide dinner and s'mores too!

Dress for the weather and bring a flashlight.

Invite your friends!



FAMILY MATTERS CONFERENCE....Navigating the heart of your child

When: Fri., Oct. 15th (5:15 pm - 7:30 pm) and Sat., Oct. 16th (8:45 am - 12:00 pm)

Focus: On the emotional well-being of our children...and their parents; and having FUN together!

Program: Friday Dinner, Saturday Breakfast and Lunch, Learning Sessions, Family Fun Video Scavenger Hunt and Family Games

Where: First Baptist Church, 307 Center Street, Henderson

Cost: \$10 per family

Register online and for more info: fbchenderson.org/familymatters and let Cynthia know you would like to attend 502-599-1041.

Childcare is available by reservation only

David Thomas LMSW, the Director of Family Counseling at Daystar Counseling in Nashville, TN will be having sessions on “Navigating the Emotional World of Children and Teens” and “Nurturing Resilience in Children and Teens”. He has written 8 books and has released a podcast called “Raising Boys and Girls.”

FAMILYmatters!



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