



First Pres

January, 2012

First Presbyterian Church's New Onboard Policy for New Members

Quarterly Introduction of our New Members to
the Congregation!

We are starting a "New Quarterly Introduction of our New Members at First Presbyterian Church starting in January, 2012"!

"Once a Quarter" we will introduce all our new members for the previous Quarter at our 10:30 am Sunday Service. We will also introduce those new members who were absent when we introduced our new members the past Quarter.

The normal date for our New Member Introductions will be the second Sunday after each Quarter (Jan-Mar, April-June, July-Sept, Oct-Dec) except where there is a conflict.

The Membership and Commitment Committee (M&CC) will be responsible for contacting and informing our new members in advance of our Quarterly Sunday Service where they will be introduced to the Congregation.

In Addition, our Diaconate through the Deacons on Weekly Duty will be contacting our New Members regularly over their first year! They will be assisting our new members with their transition into the daily life at First Pres. It maybe a phone call or a visit, inviting them to attend their Sunday School Class, or to attend their Dinner Group, or one of our Bible Studies (Mon-Tues-Wed), a Presbyterian Women's function, the Men's Breakfast or telling them about the best kept secret at First Pres. – Attending our 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

Our New Member's name, address, phone number will be included in our Church Bulletin the following Sunday, and also be put in our next monthly First Pres. with their picture! And our New Member's pictures will continue to be put on our New Member's Bulletin Board in the Ramp Room for all to see.

And most important, when you see someone at First Pres. you do not recognize, speak to them, introduce yourself and make them feel welcome! If they are a guest, offer to give them one of our newly updated green "Guest Information Brochures" for them to read and take home. These Brochures are in the pews, Narthex and Ramp Room!

First Pres. is known as a "Friendly Church", and it is because of our congregation who seeks out and speaks to our members and guests!

So for all who joined First Presbyterian Church in the year 2011, we have scheduled the second Sunday in January 2012, January 8th as our Quarterly Introduction of all our 2011 New Members!

In addition, any members who have not been previously introduced at our Sunday Service who would like to be included on January 8th, please contact Larry Moore, Membership & Commitment Committee, 774-4818 or at Lmoore8145@cox.net to be included.

Newsletter Deadlines

The newsletter is published on the 3rd Wed. of the month. The deadline is the Sun. prior.

Date Published	Deadline Date
Jan 18	Jan 15
Feb 15	Feb 12
Mar 21	Mar 18
Apr 18	Apr 15
May 16	May 13
Jun 20	Jun 17
Jul 18	Jul 15
Aug 15	Aug 12
Sep 19	Sep 16

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Lectionary Readings—January

Jan. 1—Isa. 61:10—62:3; Ps. 148; Gal. 4:4—7; Luke 2:22—40

Jan. 8—Gen. 1:1—5; Ps. 29; Acts 19:1—7; Mark 1:4—11

Jan. 15—1 Sam. 3:1—10 (11—20); Ps. 139:1—6, 13—18; 1 Cor. 6:12—20; John 1:43—51

Jan. 22—Jonah 3:1—5, 10; Ps. 62:5—12; 1 Cor. 7:29—31; Mark 1:14—20

Jan. 29—Deut. 18:15—20; Ps. 111; 1 Cor. 8:1—13; Mark 1:21—28



Don't miss

LOGOS

every Wed.

Dinner at 5:00 pm

LOGOS Menus—January

January 4

Lasagna
Garlic Bread
Tossed Salad
Dessert

January 18

Chicken Pot Pie
Tossed Salad
Rolls/Butter
Dessert

January 11

Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Rolls/Butter
Dessert

January 25 – Birthday Night

Chicken Noodle Soup
Corn Bread/Butter
Tossed Salad
Birthday Cake and Ice
Cream Cups

Please Do Not Forget



Please do not forget 1st Sunday Food Drive for Presbyterian Community Center. The Center is truly in need; so many people needing a hand-up. The Witness and Service Committee urges you to please put your contribution of food in the big soup can every first Sunday.

The pantry is ALWAYS in short supply of the following items:

- ◆ Beef Stew
- ◆ Tuna
- ◆ Canned & Dry Beans
- ◆ Jelly
- ◆ Chicken Noodle Soup

- ◆ Tomato Soup
- ◆ Oatmeal, cereal, pancake mix
- ◆ Syrup
- ◆ Canned Vegetables

PAPER grocery bags are always needed

Birthdays



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|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Teal Bennett | 13 Owyn Dawyot | 25 Mary Lou Henderson |
| 1 Donna Mills | 14 Sue Garrett | 26 Claudia Farmer |
| 1 Carolyn Fedison | 15 Trish Hawley | 26 Danielle Brinkley |
| 2 Nancy Farthing | 15 Bill Gordge | 27 Barbara Branch |
| 3 Charlotte Kidd | 17 Doug Freeman | 28 Pegram Johnson |
| 3 Nola Cleary | 17 Dave Eberhard | 29 Ross Silvius |
| 3 Susan McQuade | 17 Kimberly Doane | 29 Lisa Green |
| 4 Ed Bennett | 18 Bill Moles | 30 Camille Miles |
| 4 Daniel Newman | 18 Mary Thornhill | 31 Deborah Mattern |
| 4 Sam Bush | 19 Sam Farthing | |
| 5 Mary Beth Venable | 21 Vera Collis | |
| 6 Barrett Henderson | 22 Ruth Dillard | |
| 7 Melvin Hutchings | 23 Emily Hoyer | |
| 8 Bob Rutherford | 23 Carol Danielsen | |
| 9 Sallie Richards | 23 Helen Gearhart | |
| 11 Jack Callahan | 23 Jennifer Havens | |

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the recognition of my tenth anniversary with First Pres. It was a great surprise! I am grateful for the opportunities God has given me through you and your children. Your gift was generous and appreciated!

I look forward to the years ahead, serving side by side with you.

Blessings,

Patti Trail

Mark your calendars

January 1, 2012

Joint Presbyterian Worship Service

Salem Civic Center

2:00 pm

There will not be Sunday school or worship service that morning at
First Presbyterian

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Receive your copy of our New Church Directory on January 8, 2012!

Our new First Presbyterian Church Directory will be in the pews on Sunday, January 8, 2012!

We are asking that for each directory for your personal use please contribute \$2.00 to the Church to help cover the cost. This contribution can be added to your next check to FPC or put in the offering plate any Sunday.

After January 8th, you can find copies of our new Church Directory in the ramp room or see Lorri Wright or Larry Moore.

We want all our members and regular guests to receive a copy.

After January 8th, I will be handing out copies of our new Church Directory at our 10:30 a.m. Service for the next 3 Sundays.

Larry Moore - Membership and Commitment Committee

2011 New Members

Bobby & Susan Dobyms
3518 Verona Trail, 24018

Edith Larson
6936 Scotch Pine Lane, 24019

Elizabeth Watts Jones
2419 Avenham, 24014

Morgan Ayers
1313 Deer Run Dr., Vinton, 24179

James Hill
5453 Warwood Dr., 24018

Emma Hartman
8272 Olsen Rd., 24019

Morgan Stanfill
1803 Grandin Rd., 24015

Children's Corner



⁶ Start children off on the way they should go,
and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Proverbs 22:6 (New International Version, ©2010)

Please Mark Your Calendars

- January 1 No SS or Worship, Joint service at 2:00 PM
- January 4 LOGOS/FWF resumes with PJ party (movie in fell. hall for FWF-grade 5)
- February 22 Ash Wednesday Service/No LOGOS
- March 16 Parent's Night Out! 6:00 PM- 9:30 PM
- April 7 Easter Celebration 12:00 noon
- May 18 Spring Lock-In for grades 1-5
- June 18-22 VBS, 9:00 – 12:00 daily

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| Date | Acolytes |
| 1-8 | Aiden and Corbin McLaughlin |
| 1-15 | Calista Ballagh and Lexie Rhodes |
| 1-22 | Maddie Laucella and Ainsley Harris |
| 1-29 | Grace Whitesell and Tanner Thomas |

GOOD NEWS CLASS TO STUDY GIANTS OF FAITH
The Good News Class will begin the New Year With a study of Hebrews 11.

The author of Hebrews begins this chapter by stating, "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." He then explains how to live by faith giving illustrations of faithful men and women in Israel's history and giving encouragement for daily living. Please join us as we examine the lives of these giants of faith and continue our theme for the year "Growing in Faith."

We will begin on January 8 in room 207.

Ring in the New Year

With the faithful First Pres lunch bunch



Start your New Year right and join us at the Roanoker Restaurant on Colonial Ave, Thurs, Jan. 19 at 12:00 pm.
Our special guests will be Shelia and Clarence.

For reservations, please call Janet, 776-2153, or Blanche, 776-2106 by Wed. January 18.

January 2012

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 No Sunday School or Worship 2:00 pm Joint Worship Service at Salem Civic Center 5:00 pm Diaconate Mtg	2 Church Office Closed	3 9:30 am Bible St. 6:00 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	4 3:00 pm Knitting 5:00 pm LOGOS 7:00 pm Carillonneurs	5 7:00 am Men's Breakfast 7:00 pm Jordan's Small Group	6 10:30 am Prayers for the Church	7
8 2 cents a meal	9 11:00 am Staff Mtg 5:00 pm Worship Committee Mtg. 6:45 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Sermon Apps	10 10:00 am PW Coordinating Team 10:45 am PW Circles 12:00 pm PW Lunch 6:00 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	11 5:00 pm LOGOS 7:00 pm Carillonneurs	12	13 10:30 am Prayers for the Church	14
15 Newsletter Dead- line 11:45 am Chamber Choir	16 11:00 am Staff Mtg 6:45 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Sermon Apps	17 9:30 am Bible St. 6:00 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	18 Newsletter Published 9:15 am PS/MDO Board Mtg. 3:00 pm Knitting 5:00 pm LOGOS 7:00 pm Carillonneurs	19 7:00 am Men's Break- fast 7:00 pm Jordan's Small Group	20 10:30 am Prayers for the Church	21
22	23 11:00 am Staff Mtg 6:45 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Session Mtg.	24 9:30 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	25 5:00 pm LOGOS 7:00 pm Carillonneurs	26	27 10:30 am Prayers for the Church	28
29 11:45 am Chamber Choir	30 11:00 am Staff Mtg 6:45 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Sermon Apps	31 9:30 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible St. 7:00 pm Chancel Choir				

Schedule of Events

- **Sundays—Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship 10:30 am**
- **1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays—Chamber Choir immediately after Worship**
- **1st Sunday—Diaconate Mtg., 5:00 pm**
- **3rd Sunday—Session Mtg., 7:00 pm**
- **Mondays—Staff Mtg., 11:00 am; Women's Bible Study, 6:45 pm; Sermon Apps, 7:00 pm**
- **Tuesdays—Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am (except 2nd); Adult Bible Study, 6:00 pm; Chancel Choir, 7:00 pm**
- **2nd Tuesdays—Presbyterian Women, 10:45 am**
- **Wednesdays—LOGOS, 5:00 pm; Carillonneurs, 7:00 pm**
- **1st & 3rd Thursdays—Men's Breakfast, 7:00 am**
- **1st & 3rd Thursdays—Jordan's Small Group, 7:00 pm**
- **Fridays—Prayers for the Church, 10:30 am**

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**December
31
Deadline**

“Fall Catch Up” on Tithes & Offerings has been occurring, but we are still behind. Please pray that those behind will catch up and/or others will find a way to increase this years giving cheerfully.

Remember that for tax purposes your gifts must be to the Church by December 31. If you are

transferring stock/mutual funds please inform Larry in the office. Also if you will be prepaying any 2012 commitment, please indicate that on your gift.

Thank you and may God bless you as you give,
Your Finance Committee

**2012 Fall
Stewardship
Campaign**

The commitment phase of our “FOLLOWING HIS WILL, SHARING HIS LOVE” annual campaign is well underway. We have gotten off to a good start, but we still have a way to go. As of December 13, we have received 76 cards from our 256 families. Thank you to those who have turned them in!

The participation of all is so vitally important. If you have not completed yours yet, please put your card in the offering plate or get it to Larry in

the church office as soon as possible. In this way we can prepare our 2012 Financial Plan for Ministry (Budget).

Thank you for your prayerful, sacrificial and faithful consideration of commitment to the ministry of our church and God’s work here on earth.

May God bless you as we serve together,
Your Stewardship Committee

**Tuesday
Evening
Bible Study**

Beginning Tuesday, January 3rd, the Tuesday Evening Bible Study will begin a 10-week series on Why We Believe the Bible. Our culture presents many worldviews each vying for top spot in our thinking. Which should you trust? This series is designed to help you explore why the Bible alone is worthy of our confidence as the book of books, pointing infallibly to the King of kings.

This DVD series can stand alone, or for a \$10 fee a supplemental study

guide can be made available that follows the series and is designed to give deeper exploration to the topics discussed. Some of the topic and questions considered are; why does it matter if the Bible is true? Do we have the very words written by the biblical authors? How can we justify the claim that the bible is God’s word? What does it mean that the Bible is inerrant?

Our study time will begin at 6:00 and end by 7:30 Tuesday evenings in the

Church Library. The main content will be completed by 7:00 to allow for choir members to participate. We will follow each session with a time for holding each other up in prayer.

It would be great to have you come and join us. See you then, January 3rd.

Sunday School—9:00 a.m.

Adult Classes

McCLANAHAN CLASS

Fellowship Hall

GOOD NEWS CLASS

Room 207

KOINONIA CLASS

Parlor

CORNERSTONE CLASS

Session Room

It is never too late for Children and Youth to join our Sunday School Classes. If you need more information, please contact Patti Trail (Children's Ministry) or Pete Guillard (Youth) at 344-3204.

Children

Birth - 3: Room 115

Preschool: Room 114

Kindergarten: Room 215

Grades 1 & 2: Room 206

Grades 3—5: Room 203

Youth

Grades 6-12: Youth Room

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Prayer Concerns

Continuing Prayer Support

Dottie Magee

Hazel Capito

Ruth Moutoux

Kaye Henderson

First Pres Prayer Chain

If you or someone you know needs our prayers, please let the church office (lwright@fpc.roacoxmail.com) or Heather Jackson (jacksonclan@roadrunner.com; 992-5289) know and we will put your prayer request on the Prayer Chain.

If you have put someone on the

prayer chain list and their need has been answered or they are no longer in crisis, please let us know so we can keep the prayer list current.



Children's Worship—January

- 1 No Children's Worship
- 8 Baby Jesus is presented to God (1) FJ, Leader: Cheryl Gilliland
Greeters: Pat Povtak, Jeff Povtak, James Venable
- 15 Follow Me (2) FJ, Leader: Deborah Mattern
Greeters: Helen Dean, Keith Humphreys, Madeline Quinn
- 22 A New Teaching (3) FJ, Leader: Bill Gordge
Greeters: Connie Macklem, Greg Macklem, Terra Wiley
- 29 Jesus Calls the Twelve (6) FJ, Leader: Donna Miles
Greeters: Chris Ayers, Mike Trail, Emma Hartman



January Reminders

Elders: Helen Dean

Sound System

TBA

Children's Time

1—No service

8—Ed Bennett

15—Bob Smith

22—Phil Brown

29—Bob Smith

Greeters

Narthex:

1—No service

8—Barry & Elizabeth Jones

15—Mac & Stella Snead

22—Andrea Guillard, Caroline Roberts

29—Terra Wiley, Trish Hawley

Ramp Room:

1—No service

8—Phil & Sue Brown

15—Daryl & Carolyn Keys

22—Mel & Donna Hutchings

29—Barry & Anne Webb

Bread Delivery

1—No delivery

8—Barry Jones

15—Dave Davis

22—Ed & Debbie Bennett

29—Ed Bartlett

Deacons on Duty—(week of)

TBA

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Elders

Class of 2012

Phillip Brown

Artie Bush

Leslie Matney

Donna Mills

Kathy Petty

Mac Snead

Class of 2013

Bob Hartman

Harvey Hotinger

Connie Macklem

Jerry Quinn

Chris Venable

Terra Wiley

Class of 2014

Helen Dean

Ed Kappus

Larry Moore

Ted Richardson

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Dr. Erma Rose, Handbell Director

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Mrs. Lorri Wright, Administrative Assistant,

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Mr. Clarence Smith, Custodian

Mrs. Shelia Keeling, Custodian

Sunday worship service: 10:30 am
in the Sanctuary. Sunday School
begins at 9:00 am. Children's Wor-
ship provided in room 205 during
worship service. Nursery provided
for infants and toddlers from 9:00
a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Guests welcome.

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