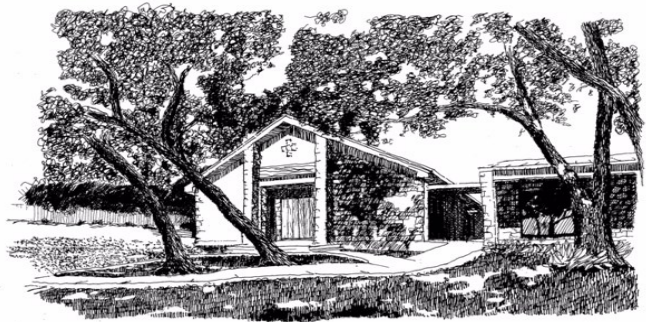


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The Feb Newsletter will be published
Jan 31

All articles need to be submitted by
Jan 20

Please e-mail your announcements
or articles to the office at
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Church Financial News

Dec Giving - \$35,891

Average Monthly

Operation Requirement - \$23,188

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Dear Church Family,

Happy New Year! Every year I embrace the hope a new year offers. Implementing better routines and habits and leaving behind unproductive ones holds out promise for a "better me." Sometimes it sticks, sometimes it doesn't.

The reason I come back to it again and again is partly a longing for a "better me", and partly because goals and aspirations are essential. John Calvin writing on a believer's calling:

"Every individual's line of life therefore, is at it were, a post assigned to him by the Lord, that he may not wander about in uncertainty all their days."

We are designed by God to press on- to reach for- and to seek. If we don't then we "*wander about in uncertainty all our days.*" I don't want that, and neither do you.

Let's start with God's end goal for each believer: Romans 8:28-29 ²⁸ *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.* ²⁹ *For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.*

There it is-God's goal for us is to conform us-each of us-into the image or likeness of Jesus. Thankfully, God is more committed to that goal than we are! He orchestrates the events and circumstances of our lives, in love, around that goal.

Now-we get to participate in the process. We set spiritual goals and pursue them- not in hopes of securing love and acceptance from God, but because we are already included, loved, and accepted in Christ, and our hope is in him not our ability to meet goals. Nevertheless, we set our hearts, minds, and wills toward our hope in Christ.

We do that by setting goals and appropriate markers. For example, we all know that bible reading, prayer, worship, and service are all practices that can shape us spiritually. So...

Do you have a plan for daily bible reading?

Do you have time set aside for daily prayer?

Are you looking for opportunities to love and serve your neighbors and church family?

Is there anyone in your life who can help you track your spiritual goals?

And spiritual markers:

Do you have growing affection for Jesus?

Are you growing in gratitude to God?

Are you generous with your time, attention, and financial resources?

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Next Council Meeting
January 16, 2018
7:00PM

Head Usher
Warren Kolar

Liturgists

7 Al Foerster
14 Dirk Dierking
21 Dallas Laumbach
28 Carol Dierking

Ushers

7 Rosalie & Dallas Laumbach
Tim Dobbs, Phil Lebkuecher
14 Jan & Harris Frampton
Karen & John Myers
21 Karen & Byron Paris
Merry & Chris Krueger
28 Sharon & Zip DeRousse
Ben Street, John Easley

Hostess

7 Ansley Kolar, Pam Tannahill
14 Janet Casper, Sarah Badal
21 Enell Bunting, Anne Clark
Mary Etta Watson
28 Robin Neal, Betty Jo Slider

Do you have an awareness of fruit of the Holy Spirit (love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23) in your life?

An old axiom holds true; "if you aim at nothing, you will hit it every time." Don't "wander about". Set some spiritual goals. If you need assistance in setting them or appropriate resources I have plenty of suggestions, or if you need someone to help you stay on track, I am available as is any member of our session.

Pastor Clint

YOUR COUNCIL AT WORK

At its Stated Meeting on December 19, 2017, the Session of WPC...

- ◆ Examined and approved the new Elders for the Class of 2020—Kellie Clark, Phil Lebkuecher, Aaron Orner, and Pam Tannahill for installation during Worship on January 14, 2018.
- ◆ Selected January 28, 2018 as the date for our next Congregational Meeting, for the purpose of reviewing WPC's budget for 2018 and for approving the Pastor Compensation Package for 2018. The meeting will start immediately following Worship on that day.
- ◆ Heard a report from Outreach Chair, Valerie Chandler that our Christmas Market took in over \$5,000 this year—thanks to all who made it successful!

Al Foerster,
Clerk of Session



Happy New Year to All! We will start this year off with an awesome monthly activity, scheduled for Jan. 14! A 2 hour archery lesson (recurve bows) by a local archery instructor in Canyon Lake! The youth group will head out after the worship service, stopping for a fast food lunch on the way. Praise and thanks for this activity's sponsor... Andrea Lipinski !



Have you been receiving your church emails? Congregational emails, "In the Know", Newsletter and Calendar of the Month? If not, please check you junk mail.

Our new address is notifications@onrealmmail.org



Annual Chili Cook Off

Get those secret recipes and "special seasonings" out to make your pot of chili for the 2018 Wimberley Presbyterian Church Chili Cook-Off.

This will take place January 10, 2018 at 6:00 PM in the church Fellowship Hall.

Yes! We will be voting to determine who made the "best Chili."
This is a fun event and lots of good tasting. Don't miss out!!!

If making chili is not something you do come on anyway. You may contribute a dessert or a salad.



- 1 Jackie Sherrill
- 5 Jacklyn Degenhart
- 6 Valerie Chandler
- 7 David Creech
- Jim Casper
- 10 Clint Regen
- 11 Jan Fulkerson
- 13 Marcia Easley
- 14 Tristan McFeeters
- 16 Johnna Dennis
- 19 Kathryn Sturdivant
- 22 Sally Pool
- 26 Heather McFeeters
- 29 Justin Youens

ATTENDANCE

Average Dec. Worship Attendance - 127



Children's Church

January

Sharon & Zip

DeRousse

Karen & Byron Paris



29 Gayle & Ronald Weir



The next meeting for Presbyterian Women will be Sunday, January 14, 12:30 - 1:30 in the WPC library. All ladies at WPC are invited and encouraged to attend. Please bring a sack lunch and join us for a study of Hebrews and an opportunity to get to know each other better !

We are looking for volunteers to work on the church website. If you are interested in helping in that area, please contact the church office at 512.847.5292.

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CURRENT COUNCIL ELDERS

Al Foerster

Administration
Clerk of Council

Zip DeRousse

Discipleship

Bob Drake

Harris Frampton
Building & Grounds

Betty Jo Slider

Fellowship

Sandra Zlatkovich

Congregational Care

Harris Frampton

Nominating

Valerie Chandler

Outreach

Johnna Dennis

Stewardship

Robert Wyatt

Worship

Margaret Busch

Youth

Brady Corbitt

Youth Elder

*Together we worship and
serve, living God's Word
and sharing God's love.*

Adult Sunday School	9:45 AM
Youth Sunday School.....	9:45 AM
(6 - 12th Grade)	
Elementary Sunday School.....	9:45 AM
(K - 5th Grade)	
Pre-School Children's Church.....	10:45 AM
(0 - 5 yrs.)	
Children's Church.....	11:00 AM
(Pre K - 5th grade-except Communion Sunday)	
Worship Service.....	11:00 AM
(Followed by fellowship & refreshments)	
Youth "Mystery Bus" Bible Study.....	Wednesday, 6:30 PM
Monday Morning Prayer Group.....	10:30 AM

WPC Staff

Rev. Clint Regen.....	Pastor
Rev. Conway Wharton.....	Pastor Emeritus
Mr. Tom Gabrielsen, Ms. Penny Gabrielsen.....	Music Director, Pianist
Ms. Janice Herreth.....	Secretary
Ms. Emily Junkin, Teri Carter.....	Nursery
Mr. Robert Miller.....	Sexton
Ms. Teresa Junkin.....	Treasurer

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