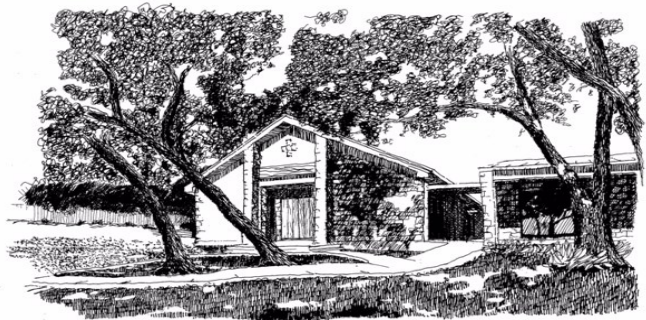


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The Oct Newsletter will be published
Oct 5
All articles need to be submitted by
Sept 20

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

August Giving - \$22,658
Average Monthly Operation Requirement -
\$23,125
HVAC Fund
Goal for 2016 \$28,000
Donations this year-to-date \$17,380

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Presbyterians in the reformed tradition have a really good answer to the question, "How does a person grow spiritually?" That answer centers on what we call "**The Ordinary Means of Grace.**" In other words, these are the resources and actions that God has provided for Christians to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

They are simple to state, not hard to find, but a challenge to integrate into our lives. The Ordinary Means of Grace are:

The Word; which refers to the Bible and to Jesus, the Word made flesh, to whom the Bible points.

Prayer; is our ongoing conversation with the God of the Bible.

Sacraments; Baptism and the Lord's Supper, which are administered through the life and mission of the church.

In order to grow spiritually every Christian must access and use the Ordinary Means of Grace. So let me begin with **Sacraments**. This points us to active involvement and participation in the life and mission of a local church. So the action point is clear: **Commit to active participation in worship and the life and ministry of the church.** That includes attending worship, volunteering to serve in the ministry of the church, and looking for opportunities to expand the mission of the Gospel.

Prayer is sometimes mysterious, sometimes intimidating, and sometimes fantastic. God saves us and unites us to himself through Christ for relationship. Prayer is essential to our personal knowing of God. So another action point is simple enough: **Pray!** Pray on purpose, pray often, pray in your head, and pray out loud. Here are a few starters: 1) The Lord's Prayer. Pray it every day and try to pray both the words and the categories 2) The Jesus Prayer: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner." (based on Luke 18:10-14) 3) other prayers in the Bible: for example, Ephesians 1:15-23, Ephesians 3:14-21, Philippians 4:4-7.

The **Word** comes to Christians in different forms; preaching, teaching, reading, hearing, studying. Action point: **give attention to the Word**, by actively listening to the Word read and preached in worship. Read the Word on your own. Read and study the Word with others. Here are some ways to do that:

Sunday School 9:45-10:45

K-2nd, 3rd-5th, Jr & Sr,
High, Adults

Brown Bag Bible Study

Tuesdays 12:00-1:00pm

MBBS Jr & Sr High

Wednesdays 6:00-8:00pm

Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm

Men's Bible Study

Coming later this month

God graciously provides us with the means to know Him, grow in Him, and grow as a body of Christ. He also, gives us the space to take those means and use them...or not. Let's use what God provides and see what God will do.

Pastor Clint

Next Council Meeting
September 20
7:00 PM

YOUR COUNCIL AT WORK

At the Stated Meeting of the Session on Tuesday, Aug 16, 2016:

Head Usher

Ben Street

- ◆ Eric Eskelund (Building & Grounds) reports that installation of the new HVAC system is now complete.
- ◆ Fellowship Committee (Betty Jo Slider) is discussing activities for fellowship opportunities (in addition to our monthly Pot Luck events) and has set the date for our church picnic for October 9 this year.
- ◆ Outreach (Bob Drake) has set the date for Christmas Market for November 19 with Teresa Junkin and Carol McCarty in charge of that event.
- ◆ Discipleship Committee still needs volunteers to lead Children's Church for September and beyond, so if you can help out, contact Robin Neal or Al Foerster.
- ◆ Youth Committee (Margaret Busch) announced another Parent/Youth kickball game and picnic is scheduled for September 18 following worship.
- ◆ Session has begun discussing ways to clarify and solidify WPC's mission pursuant to the recommendations of the Mission Presbytery Listening Team this summer.

Liturgists

4 **Johnna Dennis**
 11 **Karen Myers**
 18 **John Wilton**
 25 **Lynne Edleson**

Al Foerster,

Clerk of Session

Ushers

4 **Gay Wilkerson, Holly Valliant**
 Ansley & Warren Kolar

 11 **Harris Frampton, Nita Bagby**
 Sandra Zlatkovich, Ginny
 Butterfield

 18 **Youth of the Church**

 25 **Rosalie & Dallas Laumbach**
 Enell & Ron Bunting



YOUTH NEWS: A Parent Meeting was held on Wed. Aug. 31 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall... It was an organizational meeting to get us on our way with this school year's Youth Program!

Parents will have an opportunity to get involved with the Mission Trip Task Force, to help plan activities with the Calendar Committee and join in on our future fundraising plans!

Hostess

4 **Ansley Kolar, Sarah Badal**
 11 **Pam Tannahill, Janet Casper**
 18 **Enell Bunting, Betty Jo Slider**
 25 **Robin Neal, Mary Etta Watson**

SEPTEMBER YOUTH KICK-OFF: We will kick off this new school year with another Youth/Parent kickball game and picnic! (Back by popular demand... the adults are "mostly" recovered from achy muscles from the last game!) The date is set for Sunday, Sept. 18 at the Little League fields off Jacob's Well Road. Bring your own picnic lunch and join in on the fun! All are welcome to come cheer the teams on... or better yet, join in and play kickball! The Youth will be ushering that Sunday!

Attention All Kids and Youth

We need you to be at the next Potluck Dinner on September 14 at 6:00. Our members want to know more about you and your plans for the new school year. We want to know what activities you are involved in and how we as a church can be a support. You will be the "Stars."

Hope to see you there!



Come celebrate "Back-to-School."



The September Potluck on September 14

will focus on the kids and youth of our church. We will have the chance to get to know them better.

The Fellowship Committee will provide Tacos and beans. We are asking for A – M to bring salads and N – Z to bring deserts.

Don't miss out on this special evening!

Special Interest Groups

The Fellowship Committee would like your input on special groups you might like to be involved with in our church. These activities would not be limited to members of our congregation. You could feel free to invite others.

We have had a few suggestions but if you think of other things please share those ideas with us. Also if you would be willing to teach / lead a group let us know. Please indicate if morning, afternoon or evening would be the best time for you. Here are some ideas. You may put your form in offering plate, turn into church office or email bjslider@gmail.com

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| Knitting | Hand and Foot Card Game |
| Men's Cooking Class | Bridge |
| Book Club | Men's Bible Study |
| Financial Planning (Dave Ramsey or similar class) | |
| Other suggestions | |

ATTENDANCE

Average July Worship Attendance - 140



Sept
Kellie Clark



Worship at Deer Creek

We gather every other month to conduct a brief 30-minute worship service for those in the Deer Creek Rehab facility. Our next time will be **Sunday, September 18** at 3:30pm. We sing old Gospel hymns, visit with the folks who come, read a bit of Scripture and sing some more. The residents who come always appreciate our presence.

So come and join us and be a blessing!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 2 Christy Youens
- 3 Bruce Billingsley
- 5 Sandra Gregg
- 6 Caroline Cagle
- 7 Parker Boggs
- 8 Grant Ambrose
- Sarah Gibbs
- Stuart Gibbs
- 10 Brady Corbitt
- 11 Sailor Hendrix
- Julie Perez
- 12 Caroline Frampton
- Clyde McMakin
- 13 Phil Lebkuecher
- Teresa Ward
- 16 Randy Busch
- 19 Cade Moeller
- 20 Laura Peyton
- 21 Caroline Regen
- 22 Dirk Dierking
- Lynn Williams
- 23 Mary Barks
- 24 Mason Hernandez
- 28 Pam Tannahill
- 29 Keith Haney
- Miguel Nino



- 1 Judy & Jim Spitzer
- 11 Alice & Phil Lebkuecher
- 13 Ann & David Creech
- Pam & Bob Drake
- 15 Robin & Greg Neal
- 19 Claire & Bruce Billingsley

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CURRENT COUNCIL ELDERS

Al Foerster

Administration
Clerk of Council
Discipleship

Eric Eskelund

Harris Frampton
Building & Grounds

Betty Jo Slider

Fellowship

Judy Ansley

Congregational Care
Nominating

Bob Drake

Outreach

Johnna Dennis

Stewardship

Robert Wyatt

Worship

Margaret Busch

Youth

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

WPC Staff

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

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