

## This week at FPC

### July 24, 2024—July 30, 2024

Let me give you a few updates as I tickle the keys of my computer this afternoon. We are on schedule to finish worship in the sanctuary this Sunday and start worshipping in the Fellowship Hall on August 4. Some work will start next week, but the big work of removing the old air conditioner and starting to install a new one will begin on Monday, August 5.

We'll have a congregational meeting after church this Sunday, July 28. We are electing members to be the nominating committee for new Elders and Deacons. Members who will be nominated are Mary Moore, Kathy Hart, Jim Yancey, Van Akin, Jackie Albright, Pat Greaves, Bentley Johnson, and Bill Tucker as chair.

After worship we will do a little housekeeping to get ready for the move. We'll box up hymnbooks and Bibles and put the pretty pillows in plastic bags. They will be kept safe during the construction. I hope you will stay a few minutes and help.

Our Middle School youth got back Sunday night from a great conference. Read next week's monthly Spire newsletter to see their pictures and pictures from the high school youth and their trip to Montreat in June. There are also great pictures of our fantastic VBS.

Good things are happening at First Presbyterian in Ocala! Thank you.

### Congregational Meeting

A Congregational Meeting will be held this Sunday, July 28, 2024 in the sanctuary immediately following the worship service.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect members for the Elder and Deacon Nominating Committee.

Members proposed are Mary Moore, Kathy Hart, Jim Yancey, Van Akin, Jackie Albright, Pat Greaves, Bentley Johnson, and Bill Tucker as chair.

### Please join your FPC Deacons in their church-wide July Drive for Open Arms Village

The mission of Open Arms Village is to combat homelessness by providing transitional housing and supportive services to single homeless men, equipping them to become independent, productive members of the community. Open Arms Village is a beacon of hope restoring dignity, self-worth, faith, and stability - offering a second chance at life. Currently OAV is supporting 28 men.

Please join your Deacons in their JULY DRIVE for OPEN ARMS VILLAGE:

#### Requested items:

- Non-perishable lunchbox snack items- crackers, cookies, chips, bars, etc.
- Sandwich size Ziplock bags, lunch size paper sacks
- Lunch boxes for men
- Re-useable, large, water bottles
- Gift cards to Walmart, Bus passes
- Coffee—ground for drip machine
- Other needs: pillows, blankets, socks, bedding for twin beds, cleaning supplies

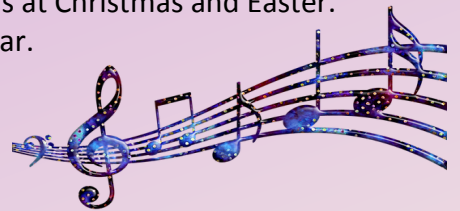


Donations can be gathered throughout the month of July and delivered to the church Office at your convenience or brought to church on the **final collection date of Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:30a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

**“It Takes A Village!”**

[Openarmsvillageocala.org](http://Openarmsvillageocala.org)

**Chancel Choir is Beginning Soon!** The Chancel Choir will begin rehearsing on Wednesdays in the choir room on Wednesday, August 7, 2024 from 6:30-7:30 pm. We sing in church almost every Sunday through May and also sing cantatas at Christmas and Easter. Please join us if you are interested in singing at any time during the year. For any questions, please contact Phyllis Von Ebers (509)998 -6039. First Sunday to sing is August 18, 2024.



### Handbell Ringers Needed!

Handbell Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, August 7, 2024 from 5:30 - 6:30. We play about once per month through May. If you are interested in substituting, please contact Phyllis Von Ebers: (509) 998-6039.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS WANTED

For information call Sandra Dailey 352-895-5299



### PRAYER LIST

**Esther Arango-Palencia**  
**Pat Bishop**  
**Bill Blackwell** (brother of Mary Kauffman)  
**Linda Blount** (cousin of Janice Kelly, broken hip)  
**Andy Carlisle**  
**Billy Davis** (grandson-in-law of David Demarest)  
**Linda and Randall Deyton**  
 (sister and brother-in-law of Annette Pickard)  
**Mina DiGeronimo**  
**Charline Drake** (stroke)  
**Ruth Fraser** (broken hip)  
**Gabby Gates** (friend of Dave Bice)  
**Joe Glenn** (friend of Mary Kauffman)  
**Dorothy Halliwell** (sister-in-law of Pat Interdonato)  
**Bill and Barbara Harrel**  
**Betty Hamilton** (neighbor of Evelyn Yorlano)  
**Victoria Johnson** (great-granddaughter of Christine)  
**CJ Jones** (nephew of Margaret Trump)  
**Lloyd Kauffman** (husband of Mary)  
**The Kelly family** (on the death of Janice)  
**Jose Kornmann** (cancer, friend of Julia Wirono)

**Lanier Lance** (sister of Bill Tucker)  
**Pete Martel** (friend of Margaret Trump)  
**Judith Martin**  
**Gloria Miller**  
**Jodi Miller** (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)  
**Bruce Moore**  
**Susan Mulligan** (friend of Mary Kauffman)  
**The O'Hart family** (on the death of Ann)  
**Barbara Parks**  
**Theresa Poteet** (broken hip)  
**Susan Raffa** (several infections)  
**Fritz Rain** (friend of Marybeth Olson)  
**Ruthanne and John Reiss**  
**Vicki Roberts** (broken femur)  
**Michael Rou** (cousin of Dr. David Albright)  
**Rosalie Scettini** (sister of Chris Longo)  
**Debra Tomkins** (sister of Rusty Juergens)  
**Ann VanDenburgh**  
**Bill Wiechmann** (husband of Peggy, hip surgery)  
**William Wright**  
**Thomas Yorlano** (brother-in-law of Evelyn)

### This Week's Daily Bible Readings

God's Guiding Word: Mercy and Forgiveness					
			Saturday	July 27	Psalm 38
Wednesday	July 24	Zephaniah 2:1-15	Sunday	July 28	Psalm 40
Thursday	July 24	Zephaniah 3:1-20	Monday	July 29	Psalm 41
Friday	July 26	Psalm 32	Tuesday	July 30	Psalm 130