# In Touch



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First Presbyterian Church seeks to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ by expressing our love for Him and our neighbors through worship, discipleship, stewardship, fellowship, congregational care, and mission. ပ Z ROANOKE RAPIDS FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

#### **CLEAN WATER PROJECT**



Our church has always had a special place in our hearts and history for clean water for everyone. Due to this fact the Witness Committee has placed an empty water jug in the Narthex in which to place your spare change. The money will be collected and used for purchasing water filters, helping with a well or purification systems for those not as fortunate as us.

Your "change" can change the world.
You'll be amazed at how much your spare
change can add up to be!
Help us help others with clean water!

Let's make our water jug look like this one!







Souper Bowl of Caring will be celebrated on Sunday, February 2nd. Please bring non-perishable food items or money which will be given to local food pantries. A box will be placed in the Narthex for your donations.



We have recently increased the number of children served through the Book Bag Buddies project from 77 to 104. We added another class at Aurelian Springs School. If you would like to be put on the volunteer lists: pick-up (pick-up food from Raleigh food pantry), delivery (to Clara Hearne or Aurelian Springs Schools) or stocking pantry (BBB Room in Walker Building) please let Susan Gaylor know or call the church office.

The Witness Committee plans to honor the Roanoke Rapids High School Choir, Band, and Drama Club with a dinner in February. They are really talented and we are proud of them all! If you wish to help with this contact Wally Spragins or Noreen Knudson.



### **CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

#### **Worldwide Concerns**

- SYRIA and YEMEN
- SOMALIA, drought, famine, anarchy
- EGYPT and LIBYA with political unrest
- ISRAEL, PALESTINE, GAZA for peaceful coexistence
- IRAQ, AFGHANISTAN, security
- USA, war in Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan
- NIGERIA, the approximately 100 abducted Chibok school girls
- Ukrainian people victimized by foreign aggression
- The people of the Democratic Republic of Congo as they struggle with an Ebola outbreak, Government instability and famine
- Families separated at the Southern Border
- People of Venezuela
- Victims of violence in Sri Lanka
- People of Sudan
- Victims of gun violence in our country

#### **On-Going Care**

Sandy Sandoval Charles Harris Vintage Inn 826 East Boulevard Villa #5 Williamston, NC 27892

All people who provide on-going care

#### **Special Prayers**

- We pray for the children of Aurelian Springs Elementary and Clara Hearne Preschool and our ministry to them.
- Stanley White and Littleton Churches
- Pray for our congregation, that God will lead people into our company to experience the love of Christ

#### **Healing Friends & Families of the Church**

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Priscilla Ricks

Bill Howell

Glenn & Gayle Garner, @ Meals on Wheels

Sally Ray Warren

Sheryl and Wayne O'Neil

Ken and Holly Phipps & family

Kevin and Michael

Doug Hayes

David and LaNae Grimes

Sandra Stephenson

Mary Francis Fisher

Harrison West

Ellen Burnett

Susan Horrell

Delbra Davis

Betsy Medlin

B.T. Brown

Billy Green

Joyce Thomas

Jason Mitcham

Marie Anderson

Chris Fitts

Diane Bone

Amy Browder Heybrock

Yvonne Joyner

Eula Cutler

Bill Davis

Susan Lloyd

Al Hayes

Benjamin Hayes

**Larry Spears** 

Tim Hardy





We look forward to Donald Marsden's visit on March 22nd! He will lead us in worship, join us for a covered dish lunch and share his experiences with Frontier Fellowship with us. Mark your calendars and plan to be here!

#### **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive in honor of Terrie Parker Bennett at the Kirkwood Adams Community Center, 1100 Hamilton St in Roanoke Rapids on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 from 12:00 till 6:00. Terrie needs a kidney transplant and through this drive we hope to raise awareness of the importance of becoming organ donors in addition to donating blood. There will be information available on becoming organ donors.

There is a critical blood shortage so every donation is important.



At
EL TENAMPA
on Wednesday,
February 19th



Please join us for a Dutch treat lunch, at 12:00 Noon, each month as we fellowship together!

All are welcome!



# LIVE AND LEARN, LEARN AND LIVE RETURNS FOR 2020

We're all excited and looking forward to what's in store for us at Live and Learn, Learn and Live this year!

The Committee is hard at work on classes and dates! We'll see some familiar faces returning and a few new ones too!

As soon as everything is finalized there will be an insert in the bulletin! These classes are always fun and informative and the profits will benefit the Bethlehem Food Pantry and The Boys and Girls Club of Roanoke Rapids again this year.

Keep your eyes and ears peeled for more announcements!



#### <u>UPCOMING MARCH</u> <u>LENTEN LUNCHEON SERVICES</u>

March 4	HOST—Rosemary United Methodist Church;	
	PREACHER—Rev. Joe Casteel	
March 11	HOST—First United Methodist Church;	
	PREACHER—Dr. Layne Wallace	
March 18	HOST—Rosemary Baptist Church;	
	PREACHER—Rev. Joe Sandoval	
March 25	HOST—First Presbyterian Church;	
	PREACHER—Rev. Steve McElroy	

## **FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2—Souper Bowl of Caring 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

> TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 9:30 am Morning Circle Group Discussion of Lesson #6

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 12:00-6:00 pm Blood Drive (Civic Center) 6:30 pm Choir

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6
7:00 pm Evening Circle @ Loy Bldg.
Hostess-Muzette Kiger
Lesson #6 Leader-Susan Gaylor

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 7:00 pm Movie Night—*Sully* 

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 6:00 pm Worship Committee 7:00 pm Christian Ed

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12 3:30 pm Witness Committee 6:30 pm Choir

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 6:00 pm Finance & Personnel

# **FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 6:00 pm Session

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19 12:00 Noon Lunch Bunch @ El Tenampa 6:30 pm Choir

> FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 7:00 pm Movie Night— To Kill a Mockingbird

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 New Hope Presbytery meets @ North Raleigh Church

> SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26
Ash Wednesday
6:30 pm Choir

# HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY TO

Margaret Biggs 14th Ginger Phipps 15th Rachel Pate 16th Cheryl White 16th 17th Jonathan Hayes G.C. Warren 19th Cameron Pate 22nd **Tammy Spragins** 27th



#### JOIN US FOR A



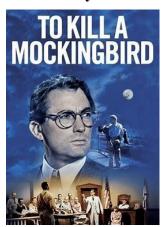
ON
FRIDAY
At 7:00 pm
In the Loy Building

#### **MOVIE SHOWING IS....**

February 7th



February 21st



Drinks and popcorn will be provided! Hope to see you at the movies!

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