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A Message from the Pastor:

It's hard to believe that in just a few short days we will have finished our first month here with you all in Demopolis. Our family wants to thank you all again for the incredible welcome that we have received. It's certainly never easy to move away from home, but y'all have made this transition for us as smooth as it could possibly be. We're so thankful and excited to be here.

As y'all know, this summer has been one of the busiest summers that our family has ever experienced. Over the past two months our family has been preparing for Presbytery Exams, putting everything we own into boxes, moving to Demopolis, taking everything that we own out of boxes, and beginning our ministry here with you all. And the reality is that we are beginning to feel a desire for rest. We love y'all. We're thrilled to be here. Y'all have given us an incredible welcome. And at the same time, we're beginning to feel that desire for rest.

I'm sure that all of you know that feeling. Maybe you've been on the road for a few weeks, maybe you've been carrying a heavier load at work, maybe your kids are struggling, or maybe you are struggling yourself. When our lives get busy, when the work begins to pile up, when our troubles start wearing us out, we all find ourselves desiring rest.

For many of us when we're tired from a long day we tend to want to relax in front of the t.v., or scroll through facebook, or do some other sort of mindless thing. Unfortunately most of the things that we do "to rest" don't provide us with any sort of

actual rest. We aren't really resting. We're just not doing anything. Our minds aren't being refreshed. The weariness of our heart isn't being addressed. We're just giving our brains something easier to do than what they were doing. Ultimately when we go back to work having rested so poorly we still feel tired, and we begin to feel like we have nothing to give. There's a song that says, "a glass can only spill what it contains." And that's an important truth. If we fill our glass with nothing during our time of resting from our work, then we will have nothing to give.

The good news for all of us is that in Matthew 11: 28 Jesus says to us, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." In Jesus, we find true rest. In Jesus, we find refreshment for our souls.

As the busyness of August and the new school year begins once again, remember that when you feel that desire for rest to go to the one who can provide true rest for your weary souls. Turn to His Word, go to Him in prayer, spend time with one another sharing your burdens and your struggles, and join with one another on Sunday mornings to worship our Lord and to encourage each other. Doing these things won't make your life less busy, but they will help our hearts find rest in Him even during our busiest seasons.

Grace and Peace,
Jeff

August 2018

OUR VISION:

The First Presbyterian Church of Demopolis, Alabama, is a body of believers in Jesus Christ, That wants God's love to grow in us and radiate to all people through us.

To that end,

OUR MISSION

STATEMENT:

First Presbyterian Church of Demopolis, Alabama is: a fellowship of believers in Jesus Christ, striving to glorify God and enjoy Him forever, by making disciples for Christ, in Demopolis and beyond by:

- Exalting God in authentic biblical worship and prayer;
- Building up believers in knowledge and faith through biblical preaching, teaching, discipleship and fellowship;
- Evangelizing the lost by sharing Christ and living according to His example; Extending God's mercy through sacrificial service to those in need.

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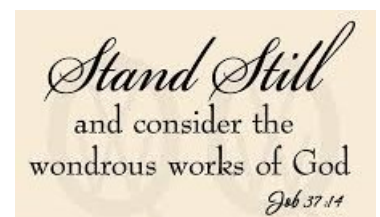
<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tue</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Sat</u>
			1 <u>VBS Worker</u> <u>Appreciation Cookout:</u> 6pm <u>B-Day:</u> Courtney Lawrence	2	3	4 <u>Spiritual Connection</u> <u>B-Day:</u> Lydia Buroker <u>B-Day:</u> Carly Lawrence
5 <u>Nursery:</u> Andrea Ward	6 <u>B-Day:</u> Caty Lawrence <u>B-Day:</u> Eleanor Gill	7 <u>B-Day:</u> Sara Dukes	8 <u>B-Day:</u> Heather Symon Rimes	9	10	11 <u>B-Day:</u> Madison Solliday <u>Anniv:</u> David & Nadine Coddington
12 <u>Nursery:</u> Joy Mackin <u>Diaconate Meeting:</u> 8am	13 <u>1st Day of School for Demopolis Schools</u>	14	15 <u>Puddle Jumpers:</u> Registration Deadline <u>B-Day:</u> Carrie Morgan Wilson	16	17 <u>Anniv:</u> Bill & Melissa Weltin <u>Anniv:</u> Ozzy & Ann Resto	18 <u>B-Day:</u> Ray Evans
19 <u>Nursery:</u> Patty Kirkpatrick <u>Communion</u> <u>Fellowship Luncheon</u> <u>Session Meeting:</u> 4:30pm	20 <u>B-Day:</u> Bruce Brown <u>Puddle Jumpers:</u> Set up; Consignors check in 4-6pm	21 <u>Puddle Jumpers:</u> Set up; Consignors check in 4-6pm	22 <u>Puddle Jumpers:</u> Consignors Pre-Sale 4-6pm	23 <u>Puddle Jumpers:</u> Public Sale 3-6pm <u>B-Day:</u> Karen Davidson	24 <u>Puddle Jumpers:</u> Public Sale 3-6pm <u>Newsletter Deadline</u>	25 <u>Puddle Jumpers:</u> Half Off Public Sale 8am-12noon; Clean Up/Inventory 12noon-1pm; Consignors Pick Up 1-2pm
26 <u>Nursery:</u> Katy Basinger <u>HOP Meeting:</u> 2pm <u>B-Day:</u> Billy Symon, Jr. <u>B-Day:</u> Aubrey Ward	27	28 <u>Anniv:</u> CJ & Mary Beth Hilchey	29	30	31	

<u>2018</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>2018 YTD</u>
General Fund Contributions	\$13,941.25	\$54,416.66
General Fund Expenses	<u>\$10,854.97</u>	<u>\$40,740.01</u>
Net Gain(Loss)	\$3,086.28	\$13,676.65
<u>2017</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>2017 YTD</u>
General Fund Contributions	\$8,820.12	\$57,176.82
General Fund Expenses	<u>\$9,045.82</u>	<u>\$60,678.76</u>
Net Gain(Loss)	(\$225.70)	(\$3,501.94)

THANK YOU TO FPC:

We appreciate your prayers, thoughts and kindnesses that have been shown to us. We are extremely grateful for such a loving church family. Thank you so much!

Doris Kirkpatrick



Upcoming Events:

Deacons of the Month: Ozzy Resto and Stephen Cannon.

Nursery Workers: Please arrive in the nursery by 10:30 am.

Food Ministry Leader of the Month: Andrea Ward.

Wednesday, August 1st: VBS Worker Appreciation Cookout, 6:00 pm.

Saturday, August 4th: Warrior Presbytery—Women’s Ministry, Spiritual Connection, at Faunsdale Presbyterian Church, Registration begins at 9:00 am.

Sunday, August 12th: Diaconate Meeting, 8:00 am.

Monday, August 13th: First Day of School for Demopolis Public Schools.

Sunday, August 19th:

- Communion Service.
- Fellowship Luncheon, immediately following the morning worship service.
 - Leaders — Scott & Patty Kirkpatrick
 - Committee — TJ & Cindy Keasler
 - Tyree Tripp
 - Allison Ward
- Session Meeting, 4:30 pm.

Sunday, August 26th: HOP (Hooked on Prayer), 2:00 pm, at Eloise Harris’ home. If you have a heart to pray for the critically, chronically or terminally ill, HOP needs you.

Puddle Jumpers: Week of August 20th to 25th. Puddle Jumpers is an annual community outreach event where the public is invited to consign children’s clothes, toys, furniture, maternity clothes, etc. Consignors are guaranteed to receive 70% of their sales proceeds but also have an opportunity to earn an additional commission (up to 10%) by working the event. The remaining funds will go to the FPC Women and Children’s Ministries. This annual event requires a lot of help to set up, organize the inventory, work the sale, and breakdown the inventory at the end of the sale.

We will need as many workers as possible to make this event a success. Also, we are now accepting all of your large department store shopping bags. See the schedule below for the public sale dates and times.

2018 Puddle Jumpers Schedule:

Consignor Registration Deadline	Wed, Aug 15th	
Consignor Check-in (A-G)*	Mon, Aug. 20th	4 - 6 pm
Consignor Check-in (H-Z)*	Tues, Aug. 21st	4 - 6 pm
Pre-Sale for Consignors Only	Wed, Aug. 22nd	4 - 6 pm
Pre-Sale for Consignors & Guests	Wed, Aug. 22nd	5 - 6 pm
Public Sale	Thurs, Aug. 23rd	3 - 6 pm
Public Sale	Fri, Aug. 24th	3 - 6 pm
Half Off Public Sale	Sat, Aug. 25th	8 am - 12 noon
Clean-Up and Inventory	Sat, Aug. 25th	12 noon - 1 pm
Consignors Pick Up Unsold Items/Checks	Sat, Aug. 25th	1 - 2 pm

*Alternate/Pre-Arranged Check-in Mon, Aug. 20th 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

*Alternate/Pre-Arranged Check-in Tues, Aug. 21st 10:30 am - 12:30 pm



SHORTER CATECHISM

Q. 15. What was the sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created?

A. The sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created, was their eating the forbidden fruit.

Scripture Proofs

Genesis 3:6. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

SPIRITUAL CONNECTION

Warrior Presbytery Women's Ministry

Saturday, August 4, 2018

Faunsdale Presbyterian Church

35305 AL-25, Faunsdale, AL 36738

Lunch and Child Care will be provided.

Registration 9:00—9:30 am

Deadline to sign-up is July 23rd.

Wednesday Mourning

A Theology of Grief

Written and Performed by Norma Nielsen Bennett



Guest Speaker: Norma Nielsen Bennett

She is a writer and performer— born and raised on an Alberta grain farm, Norma experienced the freedom of creativity that comes through the natural world. A graduate of Prairie Bible College, she now lives in California with her husband of 34 years, who is a minister (PCA). She has written and produced over 50 plays, and has worked in schools, colleges, churches, and community settings.

Special Music: Karen Sonnenschein

Born with a love for music and theatre, Karen has traveled extensively singing and performing with repertory groups. From Bach cantatas to musical stage shows, she has used her gifting to bring joy to others, and glory to God. Karen studied vocal performance at UCSB and is rarely without a singing and/or performing project. Married to Ernie for the past 10 years, Karen lives in Southern California.



Children's Consignment Sale Puddle Jumpers



SALE DATES

Aug 23 3-6pm

Aug 24 3-6pm

Aug 25 8-12noon

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Hooked On Prayer (HOP):

Allinder, Ike	Fuqua, Blake	Mutisya, Cecilia Ndunge
Allinder, Kate	Hanson, Sherry	Newberry, Madi
Barkley, Mack	Harvey, John	Parker, Mary
Bazvin, Caiden	Hedrick, Gail	Perry, James
Beeler, Peggy	Hilbish, Bette	Phillips, Max
Benham, Bernice	Hocker, Jeannie	Pickerill, Paula
Boggs, Ben	Hogg, Ian	Plummer, Kaegan
Brooker, Chrissy	Hollinger, Walter	Randall, Ruth
Brooker, Jan	Holman, Joann	Ray, Brenda
Burge, Raymond	Hooks, Chesnee	Reynolds, Christy
Busby, Rhae	Hurt, Amber	Saelens, Jacob
Cistrunk, Narsis	Husbands, Jennie	Sakon, Ethan
Coburn, Luiza	Hux, Karen	Sharp, Chris
Coker, Jean	Jennifer (Missionary)	Sims, Anna Katherine
Collins, Bette	Johnson, Virgil	Sims, Sarah
Collins, Brandon	Kimbrell, Tommy	Stemple, Nita
Colvin, Tory O'Dell	Kirkland, Jamie	Stephens, Kay
Combs, Angie	Kyser, Helen	Tartt, Tom
Cook, Buddy Roy	LaRocca, Dominic	Taylor, Marie
Copeland, Roy	Lashley, Joe	TenHaaf, WM
Craig, Kaleigh	Latham, Jeffie	Terry, Pope
Crispin, Michelle	Leascher, Chad	Thomas, Ethel
Cross, Margaret	Leascher, Jim	Thornton, Alaina
Cross, Margaret Anne	Lessman, Linus	Tipton, Carolyn
Daughtery, Jody	Levitz, Ruth	Trayler, Drew
Davidson, Karen	Logan, Stevie	Tucker, Sadie
Deas, Deloris	Ludeman, Brandon	Turner, Ian
Drinkard, Charles	Marquis, Alana	VanderMolen, Popko
Duncan, Conner	McCarter, Jean	Williams, Ed
Dyer, Doug	McCraw, Beverly	Williams, Mary Lynne
Dykes, Cory	McDonald, Nelda	Williamson, Trevor
Eatmon, Megan	McIntier, Jodie	Wise, Naomi
Eshee, Judy	Mickens, Jaleesa	Witherspoon, Mary Stewart
Espy, Emily	Miller, Tommie	Womble, Caleb
Etheridge, Brooks	Mills, Angel	Wright, Hettie
Etheridge, Mary Ellen	Milsap, Goldie	
Ezell, Bobby	Mize, Robin	
Farst, Dick	Morgan, Laura	
Finley, Betty	Mullinax, Eddie	
Forte, Tony		



If you know anyone who needs to be added or taken off any of these lists, please provide Ann Resto with the information to keep the prayer lists current.

OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel

Ch William Broderick
 Kyle Westbrook
 Dan Parsons
 Sam Brasfield
 Jason Freeman
 Kyle Newton
 Steven Mackin
 Gregory Harrington
 Jimmy Hart
 Jonathan Stephens
 William R. Horton
 Victor Resto
 Daniel Phillips
 Josh Allums
 James Hayes
 Joseph Wilson
 Brian Tripp

Cancer:

Jody Daugherty
 Rita Poole Horton
 Luke (Jonah's son)
 Angela Green
 Ava Hunter
 Kaleigh Craig
 Walter (Holl) Hollinger
 James Perry
 Scott Kirkpatrick

Illnesses

Joe Bunn
 Jimmie Lawrence
 Brian Schrieber
 Stanley Bond
 Jennifer Cohen Sullivan
 Sarah Marlene Chapman
 Elizabeth Forehand
 Carolyn Tipton
 William Burke
 Ian Hogg
 Cecil Radcliff
 Glenn Sealy
 Dick Farst
 Laura Morgan

Special Needs

Joe Lashley
 CJ Golston
 RJ Blount
 Loretta Strickland
 Liz Bond
 Michael Jacks
 Melanie Hulsey
 Sue Entrekin
 Sara Elizabeth Hart
 Frank Ramey
 Viola Cook
 Alice Washburn

Shut-Ins:

Luiza Coburn
 Mary Parker

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