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Tom's Corner

It is good to finally be settling in to my new surroundings here in Elko, after my son Aaron's memorable wedding to my new daughter-in-law Rachel, plus the wonderful vacation I had visiting seven National Parks.

I was honored to preside over two funerals of long time members of FPC this past month.

Our Stewardship drive will be completed on November 1. I hope that many of you were able to graciously step up a percent or two toward your tithing. God ultimately holds the church together, yet we are still called to ask ourselves what our part is in that opportunity. We appreciate the generosity of your pledge as session envisions ways in which our church can serve here in Elko and beyond in the coming year.

I will be offering a 'New Members Class' in November for a 4 weeks. Classes are open to regular worshipers and anyone interested here at First church or anyone who wants to know more about what it means to be Presbyterian. I invite you to attend those classes. The first class will be on Sunday November 6th during Sunday School hour at 9:00 am in Tom's office. There will be no class on November 27. The last class will be held on December 4.

I continue to look forward to getting to know you better as I plan to be available during fellowship hour after worship and welcome your calls.

May God prepare our hearts, as we soon will be in the season of Advent.

God's Blessings to you all,

Reverend Tom Holslag - Interim Pastor

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Director of Family Ministries



What's New In Family Ministries:

Worship Service Projector Training: The projector is completely fixed and working! November 13th right after Worship Emily will be leading a class to teach people how to prepare the projector for Sunday Worship. Anyone interested in being on a rotating schedule to prepare and run the projector please attend.

Adult Studies: The Monday morning Women's Bible Study group and Wednesday morning Bible Study group are both preparing to start Advent studies in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

Christmas Program: Our Christmas Program this year will be during church on December 4th.

The show is called "The Tiniest Christmas Star" by Tina English

Our director this year is Alisa Culp. For more information, please contact her at 775-340-6159

College Group: Our college group is meeting on the second Wednesday of each month at 12:30 pm at the GBC Sweet Barrel. The College Sunday School Class meets at 8:30 at Cool Beans Coffee Shop.

New Members Class: Reverend Tom will be teaching a New Members class for anyone who is interested in church membership. The class will be held during Sunday School every Sunday in November.

Nursery: We are looking for people to be on a volunteers list to work in the nursery. To work the nursery you must have a background check and be CPR Certified. If you are interested (or willing) please talk to Melissa. A CPR class will be offered at the church in the coming months and the background check is handled by the church.

Sunday School: Look for the Winter/Spring Sunday School Curriculum order forms in the Sunday bulletins in November.

Youth: In November the youth group will be focusing on helping prepare the Christmas Program on Sunday afternoons, continuing our Tuesday Youth Game Nights, and preparing a Thanksgiving Dinner basket for a family through the Salvation Army.

Melissa Fonder

My Office Hours:

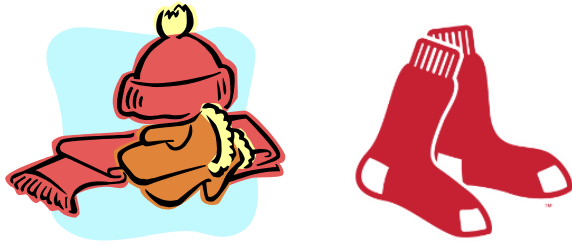
Mondays 8:00 - 3:00

Tuesdays 8:30 - 12:30

Wednesdays 11:00 - 3:00

T G I S

(Take Groceries In Sunday)



There's a Nip in the Air

The Mission Committee is now collecting cold-weather items for men and women in need. Suggested items (new), hats, gloves, scarfs, socks, sweaters, jackets, or anything else to help stay warm this winter. Your donations will be given to a local non-profit organization for distribution. Child-sized items will be given to Communities in Schools.

Please place your donations in the box in front of the church office. Thank you for your contributions of school supplies for Communities in Schools.

Thank you for your previous donations.

Grass Roots Uganda Sale

The Auxiliary will be sponsoring a sale for Grass Roots Uganda in the hospital lobby Nov. 2 & 3rd at 9:00am to 3:00pm. As a mission project for the Auxiliary all proceeds are sent to Grass Roots Uganda. For more information contact Judy Bondo at 753-6121.

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR ADVENT

Advent is coming soon. Stay after church on November 20 to decorate for Christmas. It is so much faster when we have a group of people to help.

POWER POINT AND MUSIC TRAINING

On November 13 after worship service Emily Fonder will be offering a class on how to prepare and operate the power point and the music program from the computer in the church loft. Please call Melissa at 738-3430 for more information or if you are interested in attending this class.



**TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6.**

IN THE NEWS

Glen Guttry along with a local veteran placed a wreath at the war memorial outside the courthouse.

Jason Boyce was featured with his 2016 antelope he shot.

Trenton Freitag was featured during the Elko High School vs Sparks football game.

Lexi Baum helps block the ball during the Volley Ball game at Truckee.

Amanda Boyce was pictured with her first bull elk taken in Elko County in 2015.

September 22, 1966: **Robert L. Kirth** was appointed as the first Assistant Principle at Elko High School.

Kaitlyn McLeod attempts a shot in a soccer game against Truckee.

Elko Senior Olympic games results:

John Collett: Pickle ball - scored (1) Gold

Joan Zunion: Brain Games - scored (106) Silver

Gene Schain: Pistol Shoot - scored (205) Bronze

Frances Schain: Pistol Shoot - scored (166) Gold

Frances Schain: River walk-Time (29:25) Gold

Leon Reyes: Archery-Freestyle - Gold

Gene Schain: Horseshoes – scored (3,8,6)

Gene Schain: Pool-one of three games - Silver

Judy Bondo participated in the Lamoille Harvest Festival

Bill Strickland and Fred Williams donated to the Elko Flag Foundation.

Jan Petersen holds a ghost tour to dig up scary stories from the past in Elko.

'An Update from the Membership and Outreach Committee'

After much consideration it was decided to dissolve 'The Shepherding Program' for the time being. In its place Rev. Holslag will be making himself available to all members of the church to be called on if they desire a call. Please call the church office and Bertha will pass this information on to members of the committee and Rev. Holslag. It is our hope and prayer that we will remain mindful of each other and our spiritual and physical needs. Please continue to keep reaching out in love to each other as our Lord has taught us.

Roberta Gallegos and Rev. Tom Holslag

PW CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Presbyterian Women's Christmas Party is being planned and will take place on Dec. 1. Since this is right there at the top of the calendar for December, this is an early notice so you have time to plan. Mocktails are planned for 5:30 with a wonderful potluck provided by all attending to follow. Of course there will be plenty of chattering and visiting plus our traditional "right/left" game with a wrapped ornament you are invited to bring. Mark your calendar now so you won't miss this fun evening.

Obituary

Edward Barrington passed away Friday, September 30, 2016. He is survived by his wife Emma, two sons Ed (Butch) and Matt. A graveside service was held on Oct. 5.

Birney Powell passed away on October 3, 2016. He is survived by his wife Jean, daughters Dianne, Janice, Valerie, Barbara and Rama. A memorial service was held at FPC on Saturday, October 14.



OFFICE CLOSED ON
THURSDAY 24 &
FRIDAY 25 FOR
THANKSGIVING

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

- 11/06 Roberta Gallegos, Bondo Family, Joan Zunino, Joyce Roberta, Van Slyke Family, Loretta Reed.
- 11/13 Jerry Cooney, Becky Schaffner, Toni Mendive, Gillins Family, London Family, Smith Family.
- 11/20 Frances Schain, Vicki Goichoechea, Pryzmont Family, Pat Pearce, Clarice Gamboa, King Family.
- 11/27 Alyssa Culp, Arthur Family, Diana Sackey, Donna Gary, Diana Jones, Ann Haglund.



You will also need to help set up and clean up
Everyone Welcome!



BIRTHDAYS

- 11/03 Erin Munson
11/06 Nick Thompson
11/09 Alexis Freitag
11/15 Ty Carrillo
11/16 D'Ette Burgess
11/18 Audrey White
11/21 Charlyn Van Slyke
11/25 Lehlah Keller
11/28 Evalyn Plumb
11/29 John Collett
11/30 Tim Winsley



Call the church office if your name is missing from the birthday list.

We are still trying to get all the information we lost back into the system.




Presbyterian Coffee Project

Coffee, Tea and Chocolate will be on sale in the Fellowship Hall every 2nd Sunday of the month. Come support The Presbyterian Coffee Project. Through this project we support farmers in Latin America, Africa, Asia and the U.S. as they build a better future for themselves and their families. With your support these communities invest in education, health care, and agricultural improvements.



November-2016

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		1 All Saints Day 6:00 am Handbells 1:00 Hobby Group 6:00 Youth Group 6:00 FPU	2 6:00 am Handbells 9:00 MOPS Steeing 9:00 Tai Chi 9:30 Bible Study 4:30 Cub Scouts 5:30 College Group	3 12:00 Al-Alon 5:30 NAMI 5:30 Cub Scouts	4	5
6 9:00 Sunday School for all ages New Members Class 10:15 Worship Music & Worship 12:00 Youth Studies <u>Daylight saving time ends</u>	7 6:00 Handbells 9:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 Boy Scouts	8 6:00 am Handbells 11:00 Hobby Lunch 1:00 Hobby Group 6:00 Youth Group 6:00 FPU	9 6:00 am Handbells 9:00 MOPS 9:00 Tai Chi 9:30 Bible Study 12:00 College Lunch 4:30 Cub Scouts 5:30 College Group	10 12:00 Al-Alon 5:30 NAMI 5:30 Cub Scouts	11 Veteran's Day	12
13 9:00 Sunday School for all ages New Members class Power point Class 10:15 Worship Training for power-point Mission Meeting 12:00 Youth Studies	14 6:00 Handbells 9:00 Women's Bible Study 7:00 Joy Circle	15 6:00 am Handbells 1:00 Hobby Group 6:00 SESSION 6:00 Youth Group 6:00 FPU –last day	16 6:00 am Handbells 9:00 Tai Chi 9:30 Bible Study 4:30 Cub Scouts 5:30 College Group 5:30 Handbells	17 12:00 Al-Alon 1:00 Esther Circle 5:30 NAMI 5:30 Cub Scouts	18	19
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27 NO Sunday School No New Members Class 10:15 Worship NO Youth Studies 11:45 C.E. Meeting	28 6:00 Handbells 9:00 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Cub Scouts	29 6:00 am Handbells 1:00 Hobby Group 6:00 Youth Group	30 6:00 am Handbells 9:00 MOPS 9:00 Tai Chi 9:30 Bible Study 5:30 College Group 5:30 Handbells	 Happy Thanksgiving! To You And Your Family		