

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## June 2021



## PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS

Welcome to Ordinary Time! Beginning the first Sunday in June we will be in the Liturgical Season of *Ordinary Time*, the months between Pentecost and Advent. The paraments will be green, representing the time of Hope, Life, and Anticipation. And unlike other liturgical seasons such as Advent or Lent which last for a few weeks, Ordinary Time lasts for months! Ordinary Time goes on and on and on.

What a welcomed thought! Ordinary. Just plain ole ordinary. For once in our lives we are extremely thankful for anything ordinary and normal, because for more than a year we have endured a life of anything but ordinary. As a matter of fact, life has been extraordinary for the entire world. What we have been longing for has finally arrived - ORDINARY!

And we can already sense it and see it in our church family. Gathering around the tables on Wednesday night, Sunday School classes and committees meeting in person not Zooming, choir singing and offering plates passed - all signs of a return to normal. Our new members are a real sign of *Life, Hope and Anticipation*.

All that is to say, welcome to Ordinary! I hope and pray you will all come and enjoy some Ordinary with us at church. I'll see you on Sunday!

Faithfully yours.

Dianne

# JUNE CALENDAR

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### SUNDAY

- 9:30 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal  
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Class  
 11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary (live-streamed on Facebook)

### MONDAY

- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Annex

### WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 a.m. Card Ministry  
 6:00 p.m. Family Night Potluck Supper  
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (in-person & Zoom)  
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

### THURSDAY

- 9:00 a.m. Angel Quilts

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### WEDNESDAY, June 2

- 5:15 p.m. C.E. Meeting

### SUNDAY, June 6

- Long Communion

### WEDNESDAY, June 9

- 5:15 p.m. Diaconate Meeting

### THURSDAY, June 10

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

### MONDAY, June 14

- 1:00 p.m. PW Coordinating Team Meeting - Zoom

### WEDNESDAY, June 16

- 5:15 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

### THURSDAY, June 17

- 5:15 p.m. Session Meeting - Fellowship Hall  
 6:00 p.m. Zelle/Moore Circle - Zoom

### SUNDAY, June 20

- Father's Day/Men of the Church-  
 Danny Gray

### THURSDAY, June 24

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

### FRIDAY, June 25-SUNDAY, June 27

- Family Camp

## Family Camp

It's that time of year again! Family Camp will be held June 25-27, 2021 at Jan-Kay Ranch in Detroit, Texas. The cost for ages 13-up; \$115, ages 9-12; \$86.25, ages 3-8; \$57.50 and 2 & under; free, which includes 2 nights lodging and 5 meals along with lots of activities to choose from like miniature golf, horseback riding, swimming, fishing, basketball, hiking, canoeing, horseshoes and more. **Deadline to sign up is June 18!** A sign up sheet will be outside the fellowship hall early June. Or you can contact Betty Anthony.

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------|----------------------|
| 3 Jane Portis    | 21 Georgette Peckham |
| 4 Lil McClerkin  | 25 June Owen         |
| 7 Steven Burns   | 25 Chris Gilliland   |
| 15 Ethan Davitt  | 30 John Wesley       |
| 16 Emory Johns   | 30 Griffin Johnson   |
| 18 Roy Thomas    |                      |
| 21 Linda Cogbill |                      |

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 9 Cynthia & Lary Walker | 20 Shirley & Ted Cline |
| 12 Patty & Willis Smith | 21 Gail & Gene Cogbill |



## Presbyterian Women

June 2021

**PW Coordinating Team (Zoom): Monday, June 14,  
at 1:00 p.m.**

**Beck/Greisser Circle (in-person and Zoom): No June Meeting**  
**Zelle/Moore Circle (Zoom): Thursday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m.**

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### FATHER'S DAY AND MEN OF THE CHURCH SUNDAY

Sunday, June 20, is Father's Day for everyone. But for our church it is also Men of the Church Sunday. On that day the men will be leading in worship and singing in the choir. Danny Gray will be preaching. And all the men will receive a sweet treat that day! Please be present to honor all our Fathers and support the men as they lead us in worship.

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### HERO'S PANTRY

Hero's Pantry is an organization that helps to feed local Veterans in our area. FPC will have a monthly challenge that will be announced each month in the newsletter. We will have a bin set up outside of the fellowship hall in which you can place your items and they will be taken to Hero's Pantry on the 3rd Sunday of the month. If you are interested in volunteering by putting the boxes together you can show up at Trinity EPC at 9:00 am on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. FPC's challenge for June will be **white rice**.

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### DESTINATION DIG VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2021

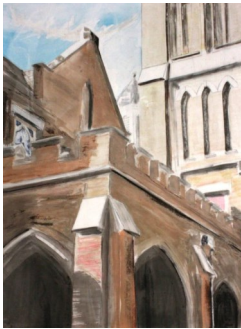
**Sunday mornings 9:00 - 10:30**

**July 11, 18, 25 and August 1**

Pack your bags and grab your gear, VBS 2021 is headed to present-day Israel for Destination Dig!

As junior archaeologists, kids will explore where Jesus walked and examine artifacts that bring the Bible to life. They'll study tangible pieces of the past to learn about who Jesus is and why He came. ***Along the way, they'll unearth the truth of Jeremiah 29:13 — that God reveals Himself to us when we seek and search for Him with all our hearts.***

Plan to join us for stories, games, crafts, snacks, and all sorts of VBS fun!



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Rebecca Johnson, Administrative Assistant

Roy Thomas, Custodian

Nancy Jackson, Clerk of Session

Susan Andrews, Moderator of Diaconate

Dan Boyles, Church Treasurer

Betty Anthony, Church Co-Treasurer

A very special welcome to our newest members **Richard & Nikki Launius!** We are so excited and blessed to have them be a part of our church family.



We had an amazing Senior Sunday with our two seniors leading worship. Good luck and blessings to both of you.



Pentecost Sunday was a truly outstanding day, and we would like to thank our church family for wearing red!



This is the day  
the Lord hath made  
**Rejoice!**  
and be glad in it.  
Psalm 118:24