

October 29 & November 5, 2017

MARK'S MESSAGE

## Crayola Change

People commonly resist change. In 1990, Crayola decided to retire eight colors from its iconic box of 64 crayons. In their place, Crayola introduced eight new vibrant colors, including Royal Purple and Jungle Green.

Children – Crayola's primary audience – loved the new colors. It didn't seem likely anyone would miss the departing hues. But Crayola was taking no chances. They actually held a press conference at their Pennsylvania headquarters to announce the honorable retirement of the eight crayons. Children mostly shrugged, but some of their parents, nostalgic for their own childhoods, were concerned. In the end, the eight crayons that had seemingly been put to rest were resurrected as Crayola Collector's Colors.

It's worth noting that Crayola has taken a different approach to the transformation of its inventory over the past 25 years. Why not invite potential customers to participate in the design and introduction of new crayons? The company now boasts 170 shades in active production.

It's not hard to tell that kids had a hand in choosing some of the new names: Alien Armpit, Big Foot Feet, Macaroni & Cheese, Fuzzy Wuzzy, Razmatazz, Wash the Dog, Smashed Pumpkin, Atomic Tangerine, and my favorite, Booger Buster – although I'm a little hesitant to find out exactly what color that might be.

All of us are called to respond to change in healthy ways. God, after all, is in the change business. *"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up. Do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."* (Isaiah 43:19)

"A new thing" (Isaiah 43:19) is coming to FPC beginning Sunday, November 12 – the addition of a third Sunday morning worship service. No changes will take place in the 8:15 informal traditional worship service held in the chapel. The slight change in the 10:30 worship service will be a traditional worship experience. A new 9:00 am contemporary Sunday worship service will be held in the sanctuary. A second Kidz Church will be held at 9:00 am. We are excited about this opportunity for FPC to grow and serve more people for Christ.

Our call is not to fear what is new and different, nor to be afraid that tomorrow will look different from today. God is Lord of both today and tomorrow. And God is not going to change. Which is why we also don't have to be afraid, every now and then, to color outside the lines.

In Christ,



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**Join the Excitement!**  
**Worship @ 9 is Coming to FPC**  
**Beginning Sunday Morning, November 12**

We are excited to announce something new at First Presbyterian Church! To continue serving various people, to help FPC grow spiritually and numerically, and to reach out to others for Christ, First Presbyterian Church will add on Sunday morning, November 12, a third worship service – contemporary in style and at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary!

The 8:15 a.m. informal traditional worship service in the chapel will continue without change. Adult Christian Education at 9:30 a.m. will not change, either. Kidz Church will continue to be offered during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. The Refresh Café will continue to be open 8:45-10:15 a.m. The 10:30 a.m. worship service in the sanctuary will become more traditional with the Chancel Choir.

What will be added to our regular Sunday morning schedule is a new third worship service in the sanctuary 9:00–9:45 a.m. This service will be contemporary. Kidz Church will also be offered at 9:00 a.m. as well as during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. These additions will give members and other many others better options to worship the Lord and to invite children, youth and adults to FPC.

See you Sunday mornings at 8:15, 9:00 or 10:30 a.m.!

## BLESSING BOX

### Blessing Box

The concept is simple: Stock a box with nonperishable food items, toiletries or other basic household needs that can withstand storage outdoors. Invite people to take what they need and give what they can. Nobody is coming along and taking all of the contents from the box; it is only one or two items. It really is meeting a need already in our community. The people who are using it are not operating out of greed, but instead out of need.

**Please support our Blessing Box Mission by bringing:**  
**Canned Food ~ Hygiene Items ~ Wipes/Diapers ~ Socks, Gloves, Scarves**  
**(Please put items in plastic bags)**





Dear Friends,

First Presbyterian Church has been a place of worship here in Hutchinson for so many people over the years. People of all ages – children, youth and adults – have met Jesus through the ministry of FPC and all because in 1873 there was a vision and dream for the use of these grounds.

There is no doubt in my mind that God's hand has been on the ministry here throughout the past 144 years. There is also no doubt in my mind that He continues to deeply work in the lives of the people who spend time here, seeking a place to belong and refreshment for their souls.

It is now time for us to have faith that God has already gone ahead of us and is already there in the future with more dreams and plans than we can even imagine for the ministry and life of First Presbyterian.

I believe that God is preparing us for what He has prepared for us! I believe God wants FPC to grow and increase in outreach to those around us and to build His Kingdom. These are exciting times; there are so many opportunities to serve Him and to make His name known. So I have an invitation for you: please become part of this exciting journey. Catch the vision for growing our membership and changing lives like our founders did all those years ago. They believed that God was calling them to build and to step out in faith. Today God is calling on us to build and to step out in faith as we try to reach a new generation. I invite you to prayerfully consider whom you can reach out to and bring them to one of our services on a Sunday morning here. It is the personal relationship and the personal face-to-face invitation that is the most effective way to bring people to church and to experience Jesus.

My prayer is that each of us will catch a new and fresh vision for what God can and will do through you and me as we choose to become a part of God's future plans here at FPC.

## Outreach Offering ~ November 12 ~ "Giving Shape to God's Grace"

Have you heard the call? Giving shape to God's grace with words of encouragement, acts of kindness and gentle acceptance can change a world of too much taking into more giving. This call is for you. FPC Outreach Offering collected on November 12 will support the year-round programs of Christmas Giving and Summer Scholarships.

**Shop for a family!** Depending on the situation, you will either initiate a phone interview with your family to find out needs or for confidentiality purposes, the list of needs maybe provided directly to you. You will then be provided a designated amount of money to shop for your family. Depending on your family's preference, you will bring items to the church in mid-December for your family to pick up or you will deliver the items to their home.

**Support our Outreach program financially!** Your check will support these two neighborhood Outreach projects...Christmas Giving and Summer Scholarships. Please make your check out to First Presbyterian Church and note "Outreach Offering" in the memo. Place your check and form below in the offering plate or mail them to the church office.

**"Warm Up Hutch":** FPC's tradition of the Mitten Tree is morphing into a new program called "Warm Up Hutch". We are beginning our collection early this year to allow time to gather plenty of items to provide all of our Christmas Outreach families with outer wear and coverings to warm them up! **Two totes are in the parlor to collect, blankets, bedding, hats and gloves.** If you are donating gently used bedding, please indicate the size.

Thank you for generously sharing your blessings in "Warm Up Hutch" this Christmas! You can even say that you already have some of your Christmas shopping done, and it's in a box!

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\_\_\_\_\_ (Tear off and return to the church) \_\_\_\_\_

### Outreach Offering 2017

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We would like to sign up and want to shop for a family this Christmas

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We will financially support FPC's expanded neighborhood Outreach

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### Sunday Morning Adult Education Opportunities — 9:30-10:15 a.m.

*"The Wired Word"*, Facilitated by Bob Fee, Cornerstone Room

*"The Psalms — Glorifying the Lord"*, Facilitated by Pastor Mark Miller, Large Conference Room

### "The Parables of Jesus"

Our next small group meeting will be Tuesday, October 31, at 1:30 p.m. at Darrel McCool's house. We will continue our study of the Parables of Jesus with the Growing Seed, Watchful Servants, Money Lender. All are welcome.

## FOOD BANK/NEW BEGINNINGS

It's time again for our monthly donation to the Reno County Food Bank. They are requesting **canned chicken or tuna, juice, pancake mix and syrup**. You may leave those items at any of the entrances to First Presbyterian. We will pick them up on November 5. Monetary donations to the food bank are welcome and needed, as well. We also will collect donations for New Beginnings. Suggested items are: **laundry soap, dish soap, tall kitchen trash bags, 33-39 gallon trash bags and magic erasers**.

Thanks, The Deacons

<sup>1</sup> John 3:17-18 *"But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth."*

## KEEP IN PRAYER

*For those in the hospital or hurting*

*For all FPC shut-ins*

*For First Presbyterian Church, Kingman*

*(10/29/17)*

*For First Presbyterian Church, Liberal (11/05/17)*

***"The greatest tragedy of life is not unanswered prayer, but unoffered prayer."***

**— F.B. Meyer**

## BIRTHDAYS

29 Amy Fluck	3 Kevin Long
29 Greg Lackey	3 Avery Saenger
29 Brian Lee	3 Arlene Spellman
29 Terri McQueen	4 Sharon Bauer
30 Maggie Heck	4 Linda Chandler
31 Chuck Bell	5 Michelle DeMeyer
31 Lova McMahon	7 Lawson Schultz
31 Kye Reneau	7 Anderson Stewart
31 Barbara Roberts	8 Charity Townsend
31 Jo Willems	9 Katlyn Meggers
1 Paige Brown	9 Ryan Swanson
2 Katie Arnold	10 Lily Hobart
2 Rob Brown	11 Sam Buttram
2 Henry Gregory	11 Doris Poltera
2 Chandler Kelley	

## SESSION SNIPPET

This month's Session meeting was held on October 16 and elders acted favorably on a motion to add a third service to our Sunday worship schedule. A contemporary praise service will be held in the sanctuary from 9:00 to 9:45, with Keith responsible for the message and the music. This will be an opportunity to address the desires of a growing segment of our membership. The other two services will remain at 8:15 in the chapel and the traditional service at 10:30. This new schedule will begin on November 12. We hope you will participate enthusiastically and regularly in one of the three options that are now available for your worship style and preference.

The newly-formed Membership Committee has begun its task of reaching out to members who had not actively participated in the life of the church in the last three years. Letters have been sent out to those in this category and we are hoping for responses on their intentions by November 1. The membership number we turn into PSK by December 31 will be reflected in our per capita assessment obligation for 2019.

The Nominating Committee is being diligent to fill the last 2-3 slots for officers for next year. Watch the Chimes for the date when the completed slate will be elected in the next few weeks. Logos and Youth Group continue to see numbers increasing in attendance and Mission continues with its variety of programs and projects in the community.

All this activity is indicative of the enthusiasm and purpose for a congregation that is actively living our Mission Statement of "Love God, Love People." As always, please visit with Pastor Mark or any Session member if you have questions or concerns.

## CHURCH OFFICE NOTES

### *Chimes* Note

Deadline for next issue of *Chimes* will be **10:00 a.m. Monday, November 6**, for the issue covering November 12-25.

### Chancel Flower Calendar

**October 29, November 5, 12, 26, December 10, 24, and 31** are open on the 2017 Chancel Flower Calendar. If you would like to provide flowers for worship one of these days, please contact Janice in the church office: [janice@fpchurch.org](mailto:janice@fpchurch.org) or 665-5549, ext. 106 (afternoons), by the preceding Monday.

### Could You Help?

Would you have approximately one to two hours once or twice a month to donate to your church? We have a wonderful group of volunteers who restocks pew supplies, picks up left-over bulletins, etc., in the chapel and sanctuary. We could use a few more to put in the rotation. If you're interested, please contact Rita in the church office: [rita@fpchurch.org](mailto:rita@fpchurch.org) or 665-5549, ext. 101.

### Membership Directories

Membership directories are available for pick-up in the church office. Feel free to help yourself!

## CALENDAR — OCTOBER 29 - NOVEMBER 12

### Sunday, October 29, 2017

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Bob Callahan, 727-3659

*Preacher Mark Miller: Isaiah 64:1-8*

8:15 am	Worship service	Chapel
9:00 am	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
9:00-10:15	ReFresh Café open	Refresh Café
9:30 am	Christian Education	
10:30 am	Worship service/Kidz Church	Sanctuary
11:30 am	Fellowship time	Parlor
11:30-12:00	Book store open	Parlor

### Monday, October 30

8:30 am	Exercise class	Kids' Cave
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 301	Fellowship Hall

### Tuesday, October 31

9:00 am	Koinonia Women	Large Conference Rm
1:30 pm	Bible study	McCool's house

### Wednesday, November 1

8:30 am	Exercise class	Kids' Cave
9:00 am	Staff meeting	Conference Room
12:00 pm	Building & Grounds	Conference Room
3:30 pm	LOGOS	
6:15 pm	Confirmation class	Large Conf Room
7:00 pm	Youth Group	The Basement

### Thursday, November 2

7:00 am	Men's Bible study	Parlor
12:00 pm	Congregational Connections	Conf Rm

### Friday, November 3

9:00 am	Walk-a-mile class	Kids' Cave
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### Saturday, November 4

Daylight Saving Time ends — Set clocks BACK

### Sunday, November 5

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Anne Sellers, 663-4998

*Preacher Keith Neill: Romans 10:13-14*

8:15 am	Worship service	Chapel
9:00 am	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
9:00-10:15	ReFresh Café open	Refresh Café
9:30 am	Christian Education	
10:30 am	Worship service/Kidz Church	Sanctuary
11:30 am	Fellowship time	Parlor
11:30-12:00	Book store open	Parlor

### Monday, November 6

8:30 am	Exercise class	Kids' Cave
9:30 am	Book study	Large Conference Room

### Monday, November 6

4:00 pm	Music staff meeting	Conference Room
5:30 pm	Worship Committee	Conference Room
7:00 pm	Worship practice	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 301	Fellowship Hall

### Tuesday, November 7

9:00 am	Koinonia Women	Large Conference Rm
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### Wednesday, November 8

8:30 am	Exercise class	Kids' Cave
9:00 am	Staff meeting	Conference Room
3:30 pm	LOGOS	
6:15 pm	Confirmation class	Large Conf Room
7:00 pm	Youth Group	The Basement

### Thursday, November 9

7:00 am	Men's Bible study	Parlor
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### Friday, November 10

9:00 am	Walk-a-mile class	Kids' Cave
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### Sunday, November 12

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Misti McLain, 259-6977

*Preacher Mark Miller: Philippians 4:8-9*

8:15 am	Worship service	Chapel
8:45-10:15	ReFresh Café open	Refresh Café
9:00 am	Worship service/Kidz Church	Sanctuary
9:15 am	Chancel Choir	Chapel
9:30 am	Adult Christian Education	
10:30 am	Worship service/Kidz Church	Sanctuary
11:30 am	Fellowship time	Parlor
11:30-12:00	Book store open	Parlor

## LOGOS

### Kids Helping Kids at LOGOS

Lincoln Elementary can use new or "gently-used" items in their Clothing Closet. Help the 6<sup>th</sup> grade LOGOS class in collection.

#### Delivery will be November 8.

Collection boxes are at the bottom of east stairs.

**Drawstring Pants — Shirts — Coats**

**Hats — Scarves — Mittens/Gloves**

**Socks — Underwear**



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## PASTOR APPRECIATION

October is "Pastor Appreciation Month" and we will honor Mark and Keith at a special Fellowship Hour following the 10:30 service on October 29. Please plan on attending! If you would like to write a card or note to our two fine leaders, there will be baskets available to put them in on that day.

We thank these two men for their dedication to FPC and for being true examples of Jesus' love to others.

 A graphic with a dark, textured background. The word 'PASTOR' is written in large, gold, 3D-style letters. Each letter of 'PASTOR' contains a small, circular inset photo of a man's face. Below 'PASTOR', the words 'APPRECIATION DAY' are written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font.
 

PASTOR  
 APPRECIATION DAY