

**To Our Guests:** We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God's word. If you would like more information concerning our church, you may fill out one of the Welcome Cards in the pews and place it in the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office at 850-526-2430. [www.firstpresmarianna.org](http://www.firstpresmarianna.org)

**Nursery Care** is available for children Kindergarten and below during our Worship Service each Sunday morning.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH**

**Today, January 15th**

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. – Coffee, Juice and Fellowship
- 8:30 a.m. – Christian Education Committee
- 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service
- 12:15 p.m. – Worship & Music Committee

**Monday, January 16th**

**Holiday – Office Closed**

- 9:00 a.m. - Ladies Exercise Class

**Tuesday, January 17th**

- 11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch Group
- 3:30 p.m.- Food Pantry Bagging

**Wednesday, January 18th**

- 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. –Food Pantry
- 3:15 – 5:15 p.m. – Wild Wonderful Wednesday
- 3:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (note: new time)
- 6:00 p.m. – Pizza with a Purpose Bible Study
- Glory Days – Part 1, Open to all.
- Church Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, January 19th**

- 7:00 p.m. - NA Meeting

**Friday, January 20th**

- 9:00 a.m. - Ladies Exercise Class

**Saturday, January 21st**

**9:00 – Lunch – Elder Mini-Retreat**

**Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> – Montreat Luncheon**

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. – Refreshments & Fellowship
- 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship
- 12:15 p.m. – Worship & Music Committee
- 5:30 p.m. – Youth Group

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We are taking up our monthly offering for our Food Pantry this morning. Place coins, cash or checks in the cans that the young disciples (children's sermon group) will pass around. Please plan on supporting our youth next Sunday as they offer a great luncheon for you to enjoy. (Jan. 22)

**First Presbyterian Prays for: (new requests in bold!)**

**Ronnie Heath- Heart Transplant, Nephew of Larry & Jackie Spivey**

**Jane Powell**

- Joy Gilbert
- Frankie Stewart
- Beth Westmoreland
- Gina Stuart
- Dustin Reidesel (requested by Betty Joyce Hand)
- Joyce Ward (requested by Beth Westmoreland)
- Louise Pumphrey
- Linda Bevis, (requested by Mary Bevis Schmidt),
- Louise Daffin,
- Gil Lowe,
- Emmy Lou Brown Granger, (requested by Beverly Hinson)
- Matt Goold, (requested by family)
- Savannah McCroan Merrifield
- Shelley Fite (requested by Donna Moore, aunt)
- Suzanne Payne
- Bobbie Harris (requested by Kathy Roberts)
- Sybil Schmidt King (requested by Mary B. Schmidt)
- Melanie Turner McCroan
- Shelby Kandle (requested by family)
- Gail Stearn (Guy Green's Sister)
- Jeff Allen (requested by Hazel Nelson)
- Destry Burch (requested by Mary B. Schmidt)
- Bob Ward (requested by Mary Wierman)
- Kena Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson)
- Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis)

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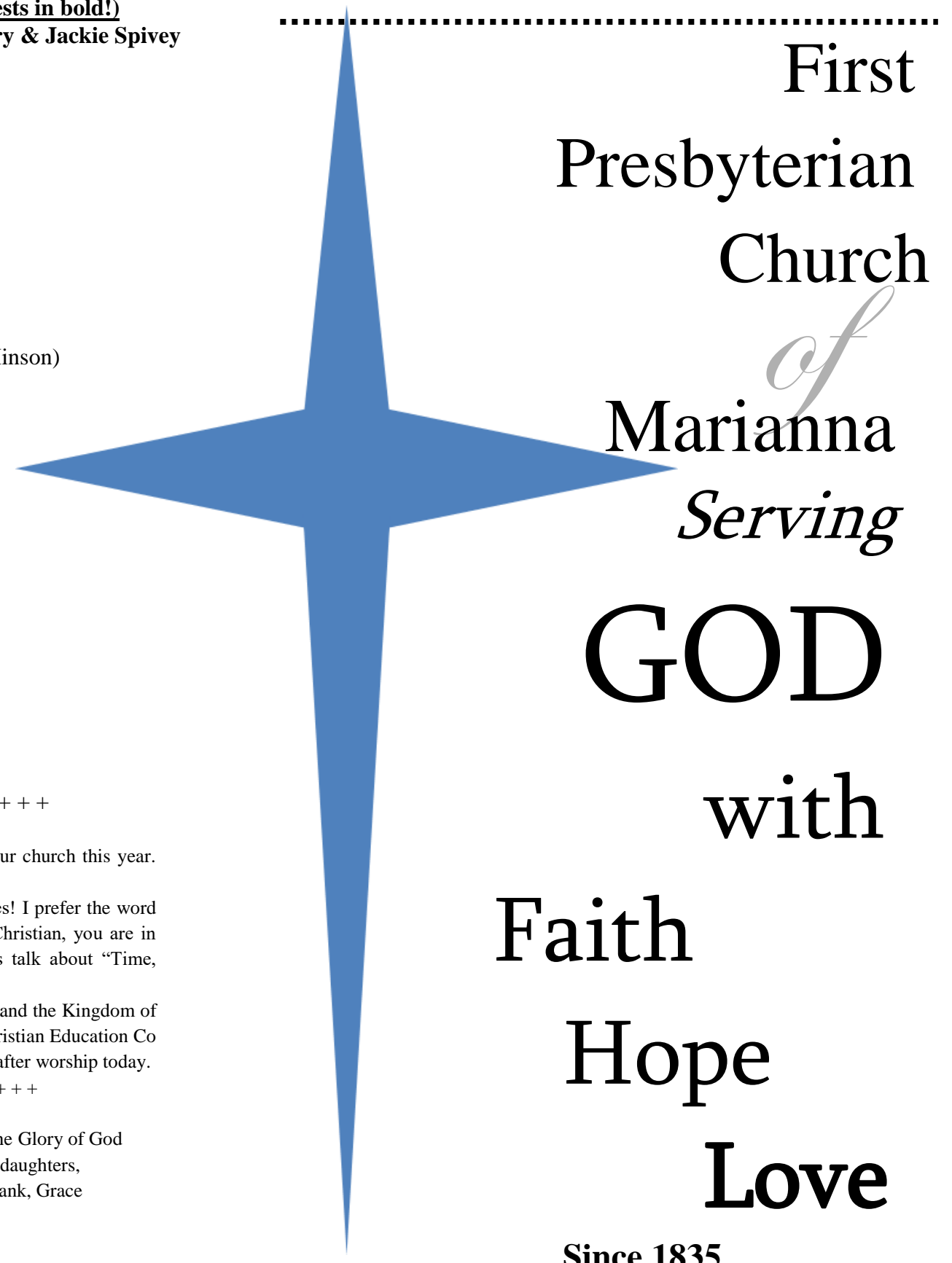
The insert this morning is for you to look at and prayerfully consider where God is calling you to serve in and through your church this year. The old cliché for most churches is that "20% of the people do 80% of the work. Let's not be one of those churches! I prefer the word "ministry" over "work" and I also like to say "If you are a Christian, you are in ministry." When we talk about STEWARDSHIP, we always talk about "Time, Talents, & Treasure".

Here is your chance to respond to a calling to serve the church and the Kingdom of God with your gifts and time and passion. For example, the Christian Education Co met this morning and the Worship and Music Committee meet after worship today.

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**The Flowers** gracing our Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God by Chuck and Cindy Morgan in celebration of the lives of their daughters, Amanda, Sarah and B.J., as well as their grandchildren, Jane, Hank, Grace and Lucy.

**Last week**, the beautiful arrangements of white flowers were given to the Glory of God by Hazel Nelson in loving memory of her husband, Lawrence Nelson.



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# Celebration of Worship

January 15, 2017

11:00 a.m.

## Gather - Assemble in God's Name

### Prelude

### The Chiming of the Hour

### Welcome and Sharing of Community Life

### Call To Worship

Leader: Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;

**PEOPLE: break forth, O mountains, into singing!**

Leader: For the Lord has comforted his people,

**PEOPLE: and will have compassion on his suffering ones.**

**\*Hymn of Praise** "Arise, Your Light Is Come!"  
Page #411, Hymnal

### **\*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

God of grace, you have given us Jesus, who is the Way, but all too often we have stumbled along on our own way. You have given us Jesus, who is the Truth, but all too often we have believed the untruths of our culture. You have given us Jesus, who is the Life, but all too often we have made decisions that endanger ourselves and others.

### **\*A time for Silent Confession**

### **\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

John the Baptist says to us as he said to the people of his day: "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."  
*John 1:29*

### **\*The Response of Praise and Gratitude**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end.

A-men, A-men.

## Grow - Proclaim God's Word

### Children's Message

### Old Testament Lesson

**Isaiah 49:1-7**

*Pew Bible, Page #592*

### Faith Sharing

Amanda Hinson

### Choral Anthem

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

Text: F. W. Faber

Tune: Holy Manna

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in His justice, Which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner, And more graces for the good;  
There is mercy with the Savior; There is healing in His blood.

There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in Heaven;

There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment given.

There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader Than the measure of our mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more faithful, We should take Him at His word;  
And our lives would be thanksgiving For the goodness of the Lord.

### Gospel Lesson

John 1:29 - 42

*Pew Bible, Page #862*

### Message "The Lamb of God"

Rev. John T. Wamsley

### \*Hymn "Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

Page #370, Hymnal

### Affirmation of Faith

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ.

We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

We believe that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker.

We believe that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

*Adapted from the Confession of Belhar*

### Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

("debts and debtors")

### Offertory

### **\*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

## Go - In God's Name

**\*Hymn** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Page #276, Hymnal

### **\*Benediction and Congregational Response**

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Page #376 v4, Hymnal

Finish then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless

Let us be; Let us see Thy great salvation

Perfectly restored in Thee; Changed from glory into

glory, Til in heaven we take our place, Til we cast our

crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love and praise.

### \*POSTLUDE

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