



Newsletter

First Presbyterian Church
Marianna, Florida

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Our Place in the Universe



This page is usually reserved for a message from our Pastor, so this month I will try to fill in with a few words. Most every night I, along with my Lab named Chance, take a 20 to 30 minute walk around the perimeter of my small farm in Two Egg after I turn my 3 quarter horses out for the evening. I have often marveled at the beauty of the quiet evenings, and the brilliance of the huge amount of stars overhead. Sometimes I look for some of the Constellations, but must admit I am not much of an Astronomer. I recently read a quote in an article I was reading, and thought I would like to share it.

“When I look at the galaxies on a clear night, when I look at the incredible brilliance of creation, and think that this is what God is like, then instead of feeling intimidated and diminished by it, I am enlarged,” said author Madeleine L’Engle. “I rejoice that I am a part of it.”

How wonderful and mysterious that the Creator of the universe not only knows and loves us, but wants us to know and love Him! Incredibly, we are small and yet immeasurably significant because of whose we are.

Blessings,

Valerie Marlow
Church Administrator

The **Worship and Music Committee** has acquired Guest Preachers for the month of August.

August 2	Rev. Emily Proctor
August 9	Rev. Steve Graves
August 16	Rev. Dr. James A. Huffaker
August 23	Walt H. Reese
August 30	Rev Dr. Lewis Bullard



Greetings from New Mexico!

It has been a busy 3 weeks! We finally got all the boxes unpacked & found a place for most everything.

Blue skies, a little rain and hot (you heard about that dry heat, right?), and a whole different environment. Polly is already busy trying to photograph the different kinds of flowers, bushes, etc.

We have already started visiting churches in the Presbytery. The largest church in the Presbytery is First Presbyterian in Las Cruces (which we attended our first Sunday here) and will be our church when we are in town. So far, we attended services at the Nogal Ranchmen Camp Meeting on Sunday, followed that afternoon with a visit to our church in Corona, NM. Last weekend found us in Roswell, NM (yes, home to the UFO's & aliens) for a daylong meeting on Saturday and services at First Presbyterian of Roswell and Westminster Presbyterian, also in Roswell. This weekend we are headed back to Roswell for a meeting on Saturday and will be attending church in Alamogordo, NM on Sunday.

We miss each of you and think of you often and continue praying for the PNC. Polly keeps up with some of you on FB and we enjoy seeing faces & how everyone is doing. Thank you again for a wonderful two and a half years with a great congregation!

God Bless,
Ted & Polly Land



Rally Day Scheduled for Sunday, August 9

Please mark your calendars and join us for Rally Day.



Adult Education Hour

Enjoy cookies, juices, hot chocolate and coffee every Sunday prior to Education hour from 9:15 until 9:45. Whether you are new to Marianna or a life-long member, gather for a time of fellowship, make new friendships and to ask about our Church. There are classes for all age groups between 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. including three classes for Adults. The Adults in the parlor will be studying:

August 2 Our Redeemer Comes
Isaiah 59:15-21

August 9 A Choice to Be Just
Jeremiah 7:1-15

August 16 A Call for Repentance
Ezekiel 18:1-13, 31-32

August 23 God Demands Justice
Zechariah 7:8-14

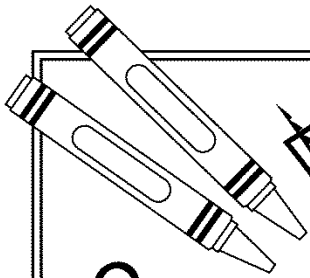
August 30 Return to a Just God
Malachi 3: 1-10

LeadingAge™

Florida Honors John Milton V

John Milton V, Chairman of the Presbyterian Retirement Communities, Inc. Board of Directors, was recently presented with the Trustee of the Year Award at the Leading Age Florida Annual Meeting held in July. Mr. Milton has served on the board since 1995 and is a strong believer in, and promoter of the mission of the organization.

Leading Age Florida is a statewide association representing nearly 400 mission driven communities providing quality care and services to seniors. This award is presented each year to a volunteer who has served with distinction on the board of a Leading Age Florida member organization and has demonstrated a significant contribution of time and effort to the betterment of the organization and its residents.




PUZZLE

Summer's gifts

Summer brings longer days, warmer nights and – for many people – time spent near water. Complete this puzzle to find out who's behind all those summertime joys.



Directions: Read Jeremiah 31:35 (NIV) below. Draw a around words describing God's actions. Draw an around words that describe day. Underline words that describe evening. Draw  under words that describe the ocean.

He who appoints the sun to shine by day,
who decrees the moon and stars to shine by night,
who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar...



Directions: Circle the capital letters. Then write them from left to right on the lines below to reveal God's name in this Bible verse.

i t T W H s p j E k e m a b L f g O h b c R d
e D q r s t c e a t o n a h f z z v u A w y L
a v n M q z l s k y z G u w H h m o T k j k Y





Answer: The LORD Almighty



Our Prayer Calendar: Earl Carroll by (requested by Hazel Nelson), Ned Grove (requested by Betty Joyce Hand), Bob Ward (requested by Mary Wierman), Kena Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson), David Clark (requested by Mel McLure), Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis), Destry Burch (requested by Mary Schmidt), Harold and Tammy Pumphrey (requested by Louise Pumphrey), Louise Pumphrey, Matt Lein, Gina Stuart, Joy Gilbert, Daun Crews, Stanley Littleton, JoAnn Rountree, Dr. Wade Crankshaw (requested by Rev. Ted Land), Piper Montana Smith (niece of Polly Land), Sid Riley and Millie Sica.

Homebound Members and Friends:

Eileen Drew
Doris Irwin
Joy Gilbert

Homebound Members and Friends Out of Town

Daun Crews (Tallahassee)
Edith Griffith (Dothan)
Louise Hoy

Signature Health at the Rehabilitation Center:

Ilene Culpepper

Remember those serving in the Military:

Wayne Busby (son of Joe and Ginny Busby) at Naval Station in Rota, Spain

Jarred Roberts (Son of Lou and Kathy Roberts) at Camp Pendleton, California

Tyler Schaeffer (grandson of Valerie Marlow) at Tyndall AFB

Destiny Schaeffer (granddaughter of Valerie Marlow) at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma

Tom Abney in Afghanistan (son-in- law of Larry and Jackie Spivey)

Sanctuary Flowers in August are given by:

- Aug. 02 Jason and Lu Anne Law
- Aug. 09 Barry and Jennifer Stafford
- Aug. 16 Bob and Beverly Hinson
- Aug. 23 Travis and Ellie Laswson
- Aug. 30 Byran and Merian Milton

Sanctuary Flowers



Thanks to Wildflowers for helping fill 4 Sundays in August flower calendar and thanks to everyone who is so generous in putting flowers in the sanctuary.



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Betty Brendemuehl	Aug. 1
Bill Long, Jr.	Aug. 1
Susie Barber	Aug. 3
Bob Cowen	Aug. 4
Marcus Green	Aug. 6
Clay Milton	Aug. 6
Cindy Eade	Aug. 7
Harrison Fuqua	Aug. 7
Amy Milton	Aug. 7
Donna Moore	Aug. 9
Cole Payne	Aug. 11
Preston Skipper	Aug. 11
Allison Hutton	Aug. 16
Frankie Stewart	Aug. 17
Benjamin Alvarez	Aug. 18
Louise Hoy	Aug. 18
Richard Christopher	Aug. 21
Belinda Christopher	Aug. 24
Fred Carpenter	Aug. 26
Jeanne Cowen	Aug. 26
Gayle DiBenedetto	Aug. 27
Kitty Myers	Aug. 27
Cecily Smith	Aug. 27
Rebecca Wynn	Aug. 27
Jose Alvarez	Aug. 28
Virginia Milton	Aug. 28
Joshua Blighton	Aug. 30

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