







First Presbyterian Church

JUNE 2010

Sunday Regular Schedule
 9:00am Disciples Class
 9:30am Sunday School Class
 10:30am Fellowship
 10:45am Worship Service

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1	2 6:00pm Inside Ministry Comm. Mtg 7:00pm Choir Practice	3 12:15pm Diaconate Meeting	4	5
6	7	8	9 6:00pm Bell Choir Practice 7:00pm Choir Practice	10	11	12
13 6:00pm Pot Luck Dinner 	14	15 6:30pm Session Meeting	16 Noon Birthday lunch @ El Palacio 7:00pm Choir Practice	17	18 FAW Deadline (See Below)	19
20 Food Harvest (Canned Fruit) Father's Day	21	22	23 6:00pm Bell Choir Practice 7:00pm Choir Practice	24	25	26
27 The Lord's Supper will be celebrated during worship	28	29	30 7:00pm Choir Practice		Walking is a Good Thing! 	



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



June Ushers: Peggy Gilchrist
 Beverly Moody

Hospital Visitor: Charlotte Utley
Presby Cab: Bennie Drake

**"I apologize for the early entry deadline. I will not be available at the end of the month."
 Sally Barthell**

For the Time Being A note from Aaron Carland

The Road to General Assembly...

The 219th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will meet July 3-10 in Minneapolis. Already commissioners, GA staff, GA “junkies” and vendors are organizing for the biennial gathering. The committee on local arrangements from this year’s hosts (the presbyteries of the Twin Cities Area, Northern Waters, and Minnesota Valleys, and the Synod of Lakes and Prairies) are preparing a warm welcome for approximately 5,000 Presbyterians expected to attend.

INP commissioners to this year’s Assembly are Louis Fife, David Lewis, Rosella McQuain and Sue Trei-Conrad; and our young adult advisory delegate is Maggie Alsup. Alternate commissioners are Tara Brown, Jim Burns, Joe Charles and Bobbie McGarey; and alternate advisory delegate is Rachel McCann.

GA participants again will access business documents online through PC-BIZ – a real plus for those of us who remember having to lug around a couple of reams of paper reports. Online reports make it easier, too, for folks around the country to follow Assembly business. For information about GA business and to view streaming video from the plenary sessions, go to www.pcusa.org/ga219. Watch the video welcome message from Stated Clerk Gradye Parsons and check out the links to news about the General Assembly. Logging onto PC-BIZ, the website for Assembly business items, is simple; and you can select the “I’m watching” feature to follow specific items of interest throughout the Assembly process. Overtures are available online now, as well as several reports.

The General Assembly will receive reports, study papers and recommendations from the church’s agencies and task forces; set administrative and mission budgets; and deal with overtures from presbyteries and synods. Two items of business coming to the Assembly already have been in the news: a proposed revision to the Form of Government, and the report of the Middle East Study Committee. The Assembly also will consider recommendations pertaining to the *Book of Confessions*.

GA watchers will find many overtures on issues that have occupied recent Assemblies, which is to be expected when there are deep-seated differences of opinion. Frustrating as repetitious overtures can be, they do indicate the need for continuing dialogue on issues affecting our common life. My prayer for the Assembly is that we will listen carefully to the whole church and rely on God’s Spirit to guide our decisions.

I hope each of you will take advantage of information and resources available to gain a greater understanding of the way the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) works – and go online to watch the streaming video of the Assembly’s plenary sessions. We cannot count on news media and advocacy groups to give complete or balanced coverage. So, follow the Assembly yourself – and remember to pray for the commissioners as they seek God’s leading.

Shalom!

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