

GOD'S PEOPLE DOING GOD'S WORK IN GOD'S WORLD

Clerk's Corner

Session met July 20 in the parlor as usual with all members present except one excused. The normal house-keeping tasks were accomplished and the Treasurer, Linda Helms, said that the Pentecost offering was \$394.40 and 40% of that has been kept for the Edge Ministry Fund. That was a higher amount than previous years.

The money from the Ted Legg bequest has been spent as required. The wood soffits, etc have been replaced, thus preventing squirrels and critters from coming to church with us. A tithe from the bequest was sent to the Cameron Campus Ministry. We will be hearing from those folks later in the year.

A motion was made that the 2009-2011 Book of Order and our local by-laws will continue to be our governing statutes until such time a new set of operating manuals are prepared and approved by the congregation. Approved.

A motion was made that the position of Parish Nurse be dissolved. Approved

A new official active member list is available by calling the church office.

It was noted that Sally Barthell is retiring from being editor of Faith at Work and her work will now be done by Kassie Gilmore, Administrative Assistant. She will need your special help in getting news items turned in to her so she can continue to produce the excellent and much coveted newsletter. Our special thanks to Sally and to Jim for all the work they have done. Many thanks, Sally.

June average attendance was 39. The Lord's Supper will be observed August 7, 2011.

Shalom, Rosella McQuain, Clerk of Session

Oklahoma City Museum of History Church Outing and Bible Exhibit Tour

At 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 15 a group from the church will be traveling to Oklahoma City to visit the "Passages" Bible exhibit at the Oklahoma City Museum of Art. At this unique exhibit, high-tech robots are combined with ancient Bible manuscripts to help bring the story of translation and preservation of the Bible to life.

If you are interested and you would like to travel with the group, please call the church office by August 4. If you need a ride, one can be provided. If you would prefer to drive your own vehicle and you are willing to have passengers, please let the office know how many you can take.

We will stop for lunch and then go to the Art Museum to see the display of Bibles and related exhibits. This is a great opportunity to see a one of a kind collection and have a good time with your brothers and sisters in Christ. Let us know.

Submitted by Rosella McQuain



FINANCIAL UPDATE

The Session wants to financially update the Congregation on a routine basis. The figures below are as of July 18, 2011 and will be updated monthly.

Yearly Income to date: \$110,746.29

Yearly Expense to date: \$118,728.84

LET US REMEMBER

Carroll McClellan

Lavina Hofmann

Country Club Care

1904 Hwy 81, Duncan, OK



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Audrey Waggoner

Chisholm Trail Assisted Living

625 Chisholm Trail Pkwy, Duncan, OK

PRAYER CORNER

Let us keep our friends and family

in our prayers

*Jason Kramer - Army

Rachel Livingston

Doris Stokes

Carroll Goss

Elizabeth Steigleder

Sam Thompson

Mary Bennett

Lu Morgan

Helen Sue Lowe

Vicky Benson

Pat & Colleen Winn

Ron Twelves

Susie Grantham

Jessica Jones

Mary Cearley

Barbara Black

Lucille Fleming

Gene Florence

Quannah Cox

Ted Elam

Jacob Helms

Tom Thomson

Lori Evans

* Currently serving our country



Thank You

I took one of the lawn mowers out to Mike Steil's last week to be repaired. He repaired it while we were waiting - wouldn't take any money for it - said to consider it as part of his tithes and service to the church.

"A BIG Thank You" to Mike Steil for a quick repair.

Submitted by Lonnie McCain



Thank You

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so very much for the Bible. It is nice to know that I have such a loving and caring church family.

Ricky Trent, Jr.

Thank You

To First Presbyterian Church from:

Christians Concerned for the gift of \$131.67.

Goodland Academy for the gift of \$229.17.

Thank You

To this wonderful church family.

I just want to say "thank you" so much for the cards, prayers and words of encouragement. I have just passed my 1st anniversary of being "cancer free"; and I feel wonderful.

Blessed be, Terry Evans

Thank You

To First Presbyterian Women of the church from:

Women's Haven Staff for the donation.

Christians Concerned for gifts of \$16.36 and \$50.00

SIGN IN PLEASE

In order to better serve our congregation it is important that you, as a member of the congregation or a visitor, **sign the Welcome Register** each time you attend **Worship Service**.

You will find the Welcome Register on the center aisle side of your pew. Please sign it and pass it down the pew for others to sign; then return it to the aisle seat.

Thank you for your cooperation

Reminder to bring:

Please bring your Campbell Soup Labels, box tops for schools coupons, aluminum pull tabs, empty pill bottles (labels removed) and empty inkjet cartridges to the church office. These items will be used to help others in need.

**OFFICERS OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DUNCAN, OKLAHOMA**

ELDERS

<u>Class of 2011</u> Bennie Drake Steve Reasor	<u>Class of 2012</u> Lonnie Helms Rosella McQuain	<u>Class of 2013</u> Jerry Fleming Vicki Zimmerman
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DIACONATE

<u>Class of 2011</u> Mike Grantham Jack Munn	<u>Class of 2012</u> Leah Berning Charlotte Utley	<u>Class of 2013</u> Robin Caldwell LaJuan Fleming
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Treasurer – Linda Helms **Asst. Treasurer** – Jerry Fleming



We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper on Sunday, August 7th during worship service

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT FAW ENTRY IS
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 24TH**

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Dear Friends,

Though Labor Day is still a month away, it seems that August now marks the end of summer as we go back to school, or back to work, or at least back to our regularly scheduled programming.

In the church, this means Nominating Committees are doing their work, the choir is back from vacation, plans are underway for fall potlucks, stewardship drives and for projects connecting our congregation with our neighbors: The Edge Academy and Early Head Start. This is a great time in the life of this congregation. I expect the session will soon call for a Pastor Nominating Committee which will then begin the work of calling your next pastor.

I hope you'll join me in prayer for our congregation. We are in a good place to look to the future, and want to pay attention to the Holy Spirit's leading. Prayer will be the key as we move into another season.

"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever." Isaiah 40:8 reminds us that seasons and generations may come and go, but we will always have God's word.

If you haven't already made plans to do so, I hope you will consider joining us as we venture to the Oklahoma City Museum of Art for the Passages exhibit. This collection of rare biblical manuscripts, Bibles and historical items is making its world debut in Oklahoma City.

There will be a group from the church going on Monday, August 15th, leaving at 10:00 a.m. We will carpool there, have lunch and then tour the exhibit. We should be back in Duncan by 5:00 p.m.

There is a sign-up sheet in the office, or call Kassie and let us know you would like to be part of this group. Feel free to invite others to join us, too.

Cost is to be determined once we know the group size; the ticket price for the museum will be under \$19.95.

If you would like more info on the Passages exhibit, go to www.explorepassages.com. This is an extraordinary opportunity and is being met with great reviews. If you can't make it on the 15th, the exhibit will be there until October 16, 2011.

Grace and peace,
Tracy

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