



# First Presbyterian Church 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p><b>Sunday Regular Schedule</b>            9:15am Disciples Class            9:30am Sunday School Class            10:30am Fellowship            10:45am Worship Service</p> </div>						1 All Saint's Day
2 12:15 Diaconate Meeting Daylight saving time ends 	3	4 7:00am Men's Bible Study	5 4:00pm Personnel Committee Meeting 6:00pm Inside Ministry Meeting 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Choir	6	7 6:30pm Diaconate Retreat  World Community Day	8
9	10 10:30am Presbyterian Women Meeting	11 6:30pm Session Meeting	12 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Choir	13 1:30pm Circle II Meeting	14 10:00am Circle I Meeting	15
16 Youth Food Harvest "Canned Soup" Noon Outside Ministry Meeting	17	18	19 Noon Birthday Lunch At El Palacio 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Choir	20	21 F-A-W Deadline	22
23 In-Gathering *Bring Pledge *Lunch *Greening of Church	24	25	26	27 Happy Thanksgiving Church Office Closed	28 Church Office Closed	29
30	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Weekly Volunteers</b>            Usher: Mike Steil            Liturgist: Margo Jones            Presby-Cab: Mike Steil            Hospital Visitor: Mike Steil</p> </div>					

## *CLERK'S CORNER*

October has been an eventful month and it's not over yet. You all know that Presbytery met at FPC Duncan for the first time in a very long time. The meeting took place on Friday the 10th and from the feedback we received, it was a rousing success. It took a lot of work from a lot of people but I think everyone that helped would agree it was well worth it. We heard positive remarks on everything from the food to Reverend Kathy's sermon. Our kitchen counter tops were finished just before the meeting. We barely had enough time to clean everything, including all the dishes, and get it all back in place before setting up for the luncheon. We had ladies taking pictures of the kitchen to take back to their church for ideas to use in their own redecorating project. People also seemed to enjoy the renovated parlor as a quiet place to sit and talk. I also want to mention that the offering from the worship service amounted to \$650 and was donated to Christians Concerned for their new freezer. All I have to say to everyone involved is "JOB WELL DONE."

Your session met on October 14th. It was a rather subdued meeting in light of the Hruby family tragedy. We prayed for the family as well as all the friends caring for them and grieving with them. As could be expected, Reverend Vineyard spent a great deal of time in pastoral care with the family. Sue Beall, being an old family friend, also spent a lot of time with Janis and the family. All of us have been praying while also respecting the family's request for privacy.

The session, on the recommendation of the personnel committee, hired Alyson Hays as our choir director. As of this writing, the committee is still looking for an accompanist. If you know of anyone, please let Bennie Drake know.

In other business, we discussed the leasing of mineral rights and offers we had received. Since the meeting we have leased five acres in one section. This couldn't come at a better time. We are running very short on funds thanks to an abundance of unexpected repairs as well as the new air conditioning system which we had planned for. The renovations were also planned for and included a lot of sweat equity as well as donated supplies and paint. However, beautiful as it is, our church is an old building with many repairs needed on what seems like a weekly basis. Some things can't wait. We have the regular monthly expenses that have to be paid so if something has to be cut, it would be our ministries and nobody wants that. I will just say that if any of you are planning on making a donation before the end of the year for tax purposes, now might be the time to do that.

Pledge letters will go out the first week of November and the in-gathering will be celebrated on November 23rd along with the greening of the church and followed by a luncheon. The stewardship drive this year will include moments for mission by Sue Beall on November 2nd, Robin Caldwell on November 9th and Mike Grantham on November 16th. They will be speaking on what this church means to them.

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS, PLEASE HAVE YOUR BUDGETS IN BY NOVEMBER 30TH.**

Your session wishes you a "HAPPY AND BLESSED THANKSGIVING"!!

Submitted by Joan Drake

Blessings from your session.

