

The Good News

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We're Back!

After our first weekly *The Good News* on May 23, we took a week off to allow us to go with the larger, monthly *The Good News*, the following week. But, as promised, we are back with more news that just can't wait for the next monthly edition.

No one has been forthcoming with another name, so it looks like *The Good News* (junior version) will continue to be the name we use.

New addition to our prayer list

FPC member Nila McQuary had scheduled shoulder surgery on Tuesday (June 3). She is now home where family is taking good care of her. Please keep Nila in your prayers. She is a busy woman, especially at FPC and we all hope she recovers quickly and fully, so she can get back to her FPC friends.

In Our Prayers at First Presbyterian

Our Troops	Diane Little	Gordon Hunter	Jace Carrington
Bruce Campbell	Sara Grace Pullen	Melba Blount	Amy Lopez
Billy Marshall	Barbara Leonard	Riley Isom	Joe Yeakley
Ronnie Davidson	Rev. Roy Ditmar	Petra Strassberg	Nila McQuary

Assisting in Worship This Sunday

Dave Walvoord is the Host Elder. Ric Estes is the Head Usher. Taking Mason Howard's place as Candlelighter will be Matthew McFarland. Thank you Matthew for filling in. Neal Stewart will be one of several liturgists helping make Pentecost Sunday a special event.

Special Music and Art this Sunday

It is Pentecost Sunday this week and there will be some special music and art as part of the service. Providing a special music duet are Catherine Klassen and Blake Miles.

Special thanks also go to David Zvanut for art used in the service.

Vacation Bible School Kick-off

A trio of churches, including FPC, kick-off a combined Vacation Bible School effort starting with a VBS Kick-off Rally at First Christian Church, 1101 Sycamore Street, on Sunday (June 8) evening at 5 p.m. There will be music to inspire you and other surprises to get you ready for VBS—which starts Monday and goes through Friday (June 9-13) from 10 a.m. to noon at the Bread of Life – Church of the Nazarene. BOLCN is located at 301 Hwy. 224 in Commerce.

FPC's job as a co-host is to provide craft supplies and guide each day's craft time. If you would like to help, either with supplies or with your time—or both—call (903) 886-3783 for more information

Ladies Day Out

It's been a while, but the Presbyterian Women work hard and need a break. On Saturday, June 21, the Presbyterian Women will travel to downtown Sulphur Springs from 9:30 to about 1 p.m. for lunch, antiques, and shopping. There is a newly decorated square with a memorial to veterans, an art "bathroom", and interesting stores, according to trip organizer Bettina Zvanut. There are also several new restaurants downtown and a bakery. All women are invited.

Nursery Substitute Needed

Nancy McFarland has asked for a volunteer (or volunteers) to replace her in the nursery while she is away for about three weeks. She has time to train you if needed, but please call her at **903-408-7240** as soon as possible. The job entails taking care of little ones through Sunday School and the worship service.

Grace eNews

The Grace Presbytery's latest monthly newsletter has some stories in it that might interest you. In the June 4 edition, there is a story about a new website connecting young adults with service, community, advocacy opportunities. The new website from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is focused on giving young adults (ages 18-30) quick and easy access to information they're looking for.

Launched last week, "What's Next What's Now" is an aggregator of information, providing links to opportunities for community service, connections to worshiping communities and ways to engage with advocacy issues alongside the PC(USA).

Another story provides information about a "New Summer Conference for Junior High and Middle School Youth." Subscribe by going online at www.gracepresbytery.org/about-us/join-our-newsletter.

Keep us informed

If you have some news or information that needs to go out, please let us know. We can't print what we don't know about.

(-30-, written just that way, is newspaper jargon for the end. It let typesetters from way back in the day of hot lead, know that the story was finished and complete. It is how this newsletter will end each week.)