

The Good News

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This Week's Sermon Emphasis

Rev. Rasco will be emphasizing the reading from Matthew this Sunday in her sermon. The verses, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43, tell the Parable of the Weeds Among the Wheat.

Prayer Requests

FPC's Beverly Housewright has been having some health concerns. She will soon undergo surgery (exact date not yet known). Please pray for her, as well as the others on the Prayer List.

Kitchen Work Day Postponed

The Presbyterian Women's Kitchen Work Day has been rescheduled. It will now take place on Monday, Aug. 11, at 9 a.m.

Meetings This Week

- Tuesday, July 22, 9 a.m. – Teach the Preacher. This is your opportunity to discuss with Rev. Rasco the previous Sunday's sermon as well as the Bible verses she will be using to teach this Sunday's sermon.
- Wednesday, July 23, 6 p.m. – Adult Bible Study, led by Walt and Isabel Davis.

Assisting in Worship This Sunday

A big thank-you to the following for their help this week: Joyce Isaacs(host elder), Bob Johnson (head usher), Mason Howard (candlelighter), Martha Clevenger (liturgist), and Eric Clevenger (music). There is a vacancy for candlelighter next Sunday (July 27). Call in to fill in.

This Sunday's Food Pantry Items

Don't forget to bring something to church this Sunday for the Commerce Food Pantry. Third Sunday items are cereal/oatmeal.

In addition, the Food Pantry is in need of some extra items—your choice. These items are foods that aren't on the standard list to hand out. They are items that provide a little something "extra." They are placed on a special table and clients get to pick and choose from them—adding some variety to the food they take home.

Commerce Farmer's Market

There's still an opportunity to buy fresh grown produce in Commerce on Saturday morning from 7:30-noon at the Farmer's Market on Bonham Street.

Grace Presbytery's Discussion of the General Assembly Meetings

Note: Rev. Rasco will be traveling to Irving to attend the meeting on July 26. If you would like to carpool with her, please let her know asap.

Two gatherings have been organized by Grace Presbytery to discuss the recent meeting of the General Assembly in Detroit.

A number of significant issues were voted upon which generated a lot of conversation among Presbyterian leaders.

These gatherings are an opportunity to hear from Grace Presbytery commissioners and staff who attended the General Assembly meeting. It will also be a time to share thoughts with each other for the future.

Anyone at FPC who is interested may come to the meetings, which are scheduled on Sunday, July 20, from 2-4 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 815 East Main Street, in Kilgore and on Saturday, July 26, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Presbyterian Mission Center, 6100 Colwell Boulevard in Irving.



In Sympathy

Grace Presbytery has suffered the loss of **Charles William McNatt**. A service of witness to the Resurrection was held in the First Presbyterian Church in Athens at 11a.m. today.

He worked with several congregations in east Texas. He began as the Director of the Sabine Valley Larger Parish and Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Gladewater, Texas. He later served the Grace Presbyterian Church in Greenville and the First Presbyterian Church in Athens.

He also served in a number of capacities for Grace Presbytery, including Synod of the Sun commissioner from GP, member of the Division of Care for Church Professionals, Court Functions and Moderator of the Worship Committee for Grace Presbytery. He also served as a member of the Committee on Ministry and as a commissioner to the General Assembly in Kansas City.

He leaves behind a wife, two children, and two grandchildren.

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. Also, if you know of someone who would like to receive our church newsletters, but is not getting them, send us their email address and we will put them on our list.