



# The Good News

Weekly Edition

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## Pointsettias Have Arrived!

In addition to the Chrismon Tree and all the other decorations in the Sanctuary, a sea of red poinsettias has been added. Helon Razniak did her usual good job and your orders made it all come about.

Look for an insert in the Sunday bulletin with names of those who ordered poinsettias and who they ordered them for.

Here's the list. If you ordered a poinsettia and we got the information wrong, contact Roger McKenzie in the church office so that he can correct the mistake.

### In Memory of:

Stephen Razniak by Helon Razniak

Kenneth McCord by Joyce McCord

Richard & Zona Clevenger and W.C. & Louise  
Hogenson by Martha, Eric & Hui Clevenger

Jack and Eva Duncan and Jack and Louis Duncan by  
Danny & Janet Duncan

Jack and Lois Chapin and Eddie Chapin by Danny &  
Janet Duncan

Janie Fuller by Danny & Janet Duncan

John McQuary by Nila McQuary

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. McFadden and Mr. and Mrs. W. R.  
Stewart by Neal and Odeana Stewart



Leona Germany by Bart and Nancy Green

Clara Stovall Smith by Monty Howard & family

Fred & Lucille Cox and Frank & Doris Dickson by Joe  
Fred & Jane Cox

Ian Hunter-Reeves & Walter Reeves by Susan Reeves

Alice Procter (Bob's sister) by Dr. and Mrs. Robert  
Johnson, Jr.

Kenneth & Billie Pirtle (Kathy's parents) by Ken and  
Kathy Miller

Lee Leonard by Brenda & Ric Estes

Our parents Vern and Honey Fletcher by Rick and Tina  
Fletcher Selvaggi

Robert Morgan Scaff by Hoyle & Ann Julian

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In Honor of:

My grandchildren, Alex, Stephen, Sophia, Izzy and Thomas by Helon Rązniak

Diane Little by Monty Howard & family.

Karen & Steve & Andy & Aaron Bohl by Joe Fred and Jane Cox

My grandkids Kiley, Zachary, and Alex by Mona Towne  
Dudley Miller & Barbara McCoy (Ken's parents) by Ken

& Kathy Miller

Our children by Brenda & Ric Estes

Rev. Krista Rasco, Jason, & Kaitlynn by Jim & Toni Deaton

Our parents Rossi and Lillian Sevaggi by Rick and Tina Fletcher Selvaggi

The descendants of Robert Morgan Scaff by Hoyle & Ann Julian

Our grandchildren, Matthew, Jason and Meredith by Keith and Nancy McFarland

**Sermon Focus**

For this Sunday (second Sunday in Advent), Rev. Rasco will use the Old Testament words of Isaiah 40:1-11 as the source for her sermon. The subhead for these verses is "God's People Are Comforted."

**Assisting With Worship This Week**

Those assisting with worship this week are: Sherry Johnson, Host Elder; Ric Estes, Head Usher; Lily Selvaggi, Candlelighter; and Tina Sevaggi, Liturgist. In charge of the Elements for Communion Sunday is Ric Estes.

**Flower Calendar**

Because only a few weeks remain in the calendar year, a new 2015 calendar for Flower Signup has been posted on the bulletin board near the Kitchen. This is an opportunity to honor or remember someone special. Some Sunday dates are more popular than others. First come, first served.



**Addition to Prayer List**

Sammy Elwell, a local high school student, has been added to our prayer list. He is in the hospital after a fall and head injury. Please pray for him and the others on our list. If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please let someone know.

**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
Rev. Roy Ditmar	Peri Poole	Todd Shinn	Joyce McCord
Family of Dave Walvoord	Family of Larry Harris	Bill and Lisa Rhoades	Sammy Elwell



**Don't Forget Holiday Concert**

Be sure to come back to the FPC sanctuary at 5 p.m. this Sunday (Dec. 7) to hear the TAMUC Department of Music Chamber Singers present their Holiday Concert. The Presbyterian Women will host a reception afterward. Bring friends!

### Upcoming Events

In addition to the **Holiday Concert on Sunday, Dec. 7**, which we mentioned on the previous page, there are some other events you may need to know about. *(Note: PW Circle Chair Nila McQuary reminds women that they need to bring finger foods for the reception following the Holiday Concert. If you have questions, call her.)*

The **PW Circle meeting** will be at **10:00 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 8**, in the Fellowship Hall. Gaye Furry will lead the lesson (Chapter 4) from PW's Bible study books and Toni Deaton is hostess. Members are asked to bring a can of meat/fish for the food pantry. All women are invited to attend.

**Teach the Preacher** is on for **Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 9 a.m.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

On **Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 6 p.m.**, FPC will conduct its monthly **session meeting**.

### Food Pantry News

This Sunday at FPC, the first Sunday of the month, calls for peanut butter and/or jelly. Place your items in the box at the back of the sanctuary. As always, thank you for your donation.

Speaking of donations, groups and individuals continue to come forward to help out the Commerce Food Pantry. Students in the TAMUC recently contributed 1,000 cans of food. Every donation, big or small, helps.

Gabryl Pecina is only a little boy. But he has a great big heart. He gets it from a great family. Gabryl asked his mother Karryn if he could go shopping and buy food for the food pantry and the people who need a helping hand. His mother gave him some money and he went shopping, spending all but 28 cents. He picked out the food and his mother and sister Gabrielle helped him fulfill his wish.

The trio came to the Food Pantry and dropped off the food with best wishes and even a hug for the person who let them in. Merry Christmas Pecina family! And thanks!



*In the photo above, pictured from left to right, Karryn, Gabrielle, and Gabryl Pecina are pictured as they bring a donation to Commerce Food Pantry.*

### Grace Presbytery News

A while back, we reported on a departure from Grace Presbytery. But change goes both ways. Legacy Presbyterian Church of Frisco became the newest Grace Presbytery congregation when the presbytery approved its charter on Friday, Nov. 21, at its November meeting.

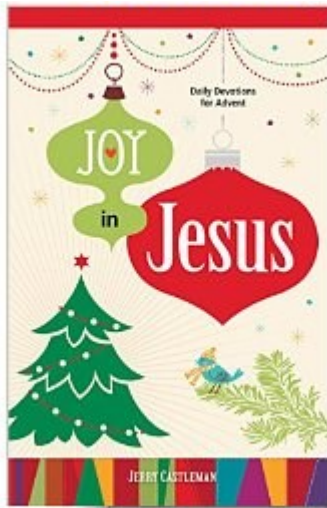
Welcome, Legacy Presbyterian!

### It's Almost Time to Kiss the Pig

Bettina Zvanut has announced that the FPC youth will host a stew supper on Dec. 21 after church to introduce the Mason Howard's pig, Sir Little Bacon, at his coming out party. Sir Little Bacon will not only be introduced, he'll get his first kiss—at least from a human.

It's the conclusion of the Kiss the Pig Contest, with proceeds from the event's voting and from the stew supper (donation) going to help send our youth to SHY-C in late January. SHY-C is a gathering of about 600 Presbyterian High School kids from our Grace Presbytery. They meet at Austin College for Bible study, singing, games, and worship.

Either Dr. Rick Selvaggi, Joe Fred Cox, Sherry Johnson, or Rev. Krista Rasco will get the "honor" of bestowing the kiss on Sir Little Bacon. It should be great fun. Bettina asked that if possible people bring a side dish to go with the stew. See ya there!



### Advent Devotions

Advent daily devotion booklets, titled *Joy in Jesus*, are now available. You can pick up a copy on the table in the Sanctuary or in the back entrance hallway.

**Did we forget something? Don't forget to let us have your news items as soon as possible!**