



Presbeat



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"How to Give to God"



"Each one should give what he has decided in his heart he should give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

~ II Corinthians 9:7

The Bible tells us how God wants us to offer our money to Him. Whatever we give to the Lord is to be given cheerfully. In II Corinthians 9:7, the English word, cheerful, comes from the Greek word *hilarion*. This is also where we get our English word, hilarious. In other words, God loves it when we give to Him hilariously.

In reality, we are no different. Imagine it is your birthday and someone gives you a gift saying, "Here is your rotten, lousy birthday present. It cost too much and I wish I could have spent the money on something for myself instead. Happy Birthday." How would you feel? You would probably feel horrible and say, "I think you should keep the present." However, it is quite different when someone gives you a gift and says, "I can't wait to see you open this. I had such fun looking for it and buying it for you. Happy Birthday!" That's a present you would enjoy receiving.

When we give our money to God, the Lord wants our attitude to be cheerful and full of joy. "Here's my offering to you, Lord. I can't wait to see what you do with it!"

God wants you to enjoy giving. After all, this is how the Lord feels about giving to us.

In Christ, *David*

Happy November FPCU Families!



Fall has been such a fun time so far for our Youth and Family Ministries!

HANGOUT, our mid-week ministry for kindergarten-5th graders, has been going so well! Kids have been showing up every Thursday night for dinner, games, arts and crafts, and singing! Each week our students run in to the sanctuary, so excited to be with us and so excited to participate in this ministry!

We even capped off our first month of Hangout this year with our super special **TRUNK OR TREAT**, an event that brought kids and parents from all throughout the community together to celebrate Halloween! There was so much candy, music, crafts, and fun! A huge THANK YOU To all who helped us put on this event! We couldn't have done it without our amazing congregation.

Although we had to postpone our Fall Retreat, **YOUTH GROUP** has continued to meet every Wednesday from 6 to 7:30pm. Most recently, we have begun working on beginning our Winter garden! We are excited to have some new plants pop up soon, such as lettuce, kale, beets, and more! Stay tuned to hear when the **FALL RETREAT** will be rescheduled.

As usual, we are continuing to hold the **NURSERY, SUNDAY SCHOOL, and DONUTS & DEVOTIONALS** (a Bible study for grades 6-12) on Sunday mornings! Sunday morning is a time to celebrate together all the love and joy God gives to us throughout the week! We encourage our families to join us for this weekly time of worship.

For more information about Children and Family Programs, contact Alexis at 707-391-9460 or alexis@fpcukiah.org. You can also find us on Facebook at "FPCU Youth and Family Ministries" and on Instagram at @fpcuyouth

In Christ ~ *Alexis*



Pastor David manning the booth at Pumpkinfest.





Hanging of the Greens - November 24th After Worship

The annual *Hanging of the Greens* will be held right after worship on November 24th. We will put up the tree, hang the green boughs, put out the candles and nativity scene. It is a fun time, so please join to prepare for the season of Advent starting December 1st. We will fill our tree with mittens, scarves, socks, hats, and things needed for those in need. Bless you as you bless others.

MOMENT FOR MISSION *Mark Smith, Elder*

We had a very successful Meals-To-Go fundraiser on Friday October 25. We served 330 meals, 58 more than the previous fundraiser. A big THANK YOU! goes out to all who worked to clean and cook the potatoes, prepare the salads, cook the tri-tip and assemble and distribute the meal packages. This team has really done well to provide a very tasty meal by having a well-organized process developed over the years. Next spring we will be using the internet via our web site to assist in sales of tickets for the event. The funds raised from this event (over \$3000) are earmarked for use for the upcoming Uganda Mission trip next January.



Our new Sweat Equity mission project, that helps construct new homes in Ukiah and fire rebuild projects in Lake County, gets underway this month. On Saturday Nov. 2 and 9, we invite you to join us in Ukiah. If you are interested in helping out anytime from 7AM to 4PM on those days, see Mark or Kitty for information.



Operation Christmas Child – National Collection Week – 11/18 – 25

Time to finish up your shopping or making gifts to put into the shoeboxes. Shoeboxes and labels are available at the church.

New Life Community Church – new drop off location – 750 Yosemite Dr.

New Contact: Kim Garrouette 467-7503

Hours of operation: You may take your boxes directly to New Life

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 3:30 – 5:30 pm

Tuesday and Thursday: 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

You may also bring your boxes to First Pres on Sunday 11/17 and on Sunday 11/24 – before noon.

Volunteer Opportunity

Please let Kim Garrouette, from New Life, know if you would like to volunteer on Tuesday or Thursday, or both! There is also a sign-up sheet at the church with the boxes.

VIP Luncheon

Wednesday, November 20th @ 11:30am

All those Very Important People age 70 and over are invited to a luncheon on the 3rd Wednesday of every month.

Menu: “Autumn” soups, surprise dessert

Come join us as we gather around the table for good food and fellowship. No reservations necessary. But do let us know if you need a ride.





The Salvation Army

Dear Friends,

Did you know just 60 minutes red kettle bell ringing can yield enough in donations to feed 13 people or provide 10 nights of shelter for someone in need.

The Salvation Army is looking for outstanding service clubs, church's, youth ministry, first responders and more who would like to volunteer during our "RED KETTLE CAMPAIGN" in Mendocino county. This campaign runs from November 15, 2019 until December 24, 2019.

The annual Red Kettle Campaign is one of The Salvation Army's primary fundraising efforts, which helps raise much needed funds to support the services and programs throughout the year. This includes; feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, providing toys and Christmas dinner to disadvantaged youth, and hosting after school programs for children in need-Summer Programs as well.

For over 100 years The Salvation Army's Red Kettles have been a symbol of good-will during the holiday season. The Bell Ringing program is a tradition which provides locals the opportunity to meet the public while spreading a holiday message of hope to the less fortunate. The Salvation Army makes the most of every donation, since 100 % of funds collected go to support community programs and services for those in need.

If your service club/church/business or organization is interested in teaming up with The Salvation Army this holiday season by volunteering at a Red Kettle, please fill out and return the form below through the mail or email Mary Glanders by October 2019. We will coordinate with you a convenient date, time and location for your group. Thank you for helping us serve the people of Mendocino Co. It is our privilege and honor to do so. Best Regards.

Mary Glanders (mary.glanders@usw.salvationarmy.org)

The Salvation Army-707-510-1103

Ukiah Service Coordinator-You may mail response to: P.O. BOX 2046-UKIAH, CA. 95482

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Update from Finance:

Through September we have contributions of \$195,177 and expenses of \$197,857. Our giving is slightly behind our expenses by \$2,700. Please do not forget to submit your per capita if you are able. (\$31.43 per member). This is an expense we pay each year to Presbytery. Thank you to your faithful giving to our church not only through monetary contributions, but all of the support you do for our programs. We are able to share God's love in our community and around the world, because of each of you.

We also want to take this opportunity to let you know that your giving is tax exempt. Our Federal Tax ID is 94-1601886. You may also give online on our website: <http://fpcukiah.org/giving/>

Thank you all for your faithful giving in order to meet the mission of First Presbyterian Ukiah.

Session Meeting: September 19

Decisions/Action Items:

- Ariel Mink, Assoc Exec. Presbyter of Redwoods Pres, preach/serve communion 10/6
- Warren Pribyl to be Delegate to 9/21 Presbytery meeting
- Kathy Smith/Francine Selim to be 2018 Financial Audit Committee
- George Phelan to preach 10/13

Pastor Report:

- 8/30 served communion to shut-ins.
- 9/7 conducted a wedding in New York.

Director Youth/Families Ministries Report

- **Youth Group:** One night for combined 6-12th graders, splitting into boys/girls groups. Roe, Indigo Funk, John and Pam Schnare are regular volunteers.
- **Sunday Morning Nursery/Sunday School/Donuts and Devotionals:** The programs are running smoothly. Lead Sunday School Volunteers are set for the rest of the year. **Hangout:** Hangout will be on a weekly basis from 5:30 - 7:00 pm starting Thursday October 3, 2019. The work has been split among many people, hopefully making the program more sustainable than before.

As of September 30th, 2019		Total \$\$
Income	\$	195,157
Expenses	\$	197,857
Difference	\$	(2,700)
Balance in Checking Account		Total \$\$
Non-Designated Funds	\$	91,441
Designated Funds (detail below)	\$	45,740
Total Balance in Checking	\$	137,182
Balance in Savings		Total \$\$
CD's	\$	44,479
Mutual Funds	\$	27,941
Other Savings	\$	68,533
Total Balance in Savings	\$	140,953
Detail of Designated Funds in Checking Account		
Missions	\$	1,076
Mission Trip	\$	6,459
Missions Fundraiser	\$	4,113
Centsability	\$	131
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$	-
Shoes 4 You	\$	-
Pedals 4 Protein	\$	-
Pass-Through	\$	-
Per Capita	\$	-
Deacons	\$	7
Flowers	\$	-
General Memorial	\$	28,583
Buildings & Grounds	\$	-
Compassionate Ministries	\$	1,615
Pastor Appreciation	\$	300
Singalong	\$	462
Fellowship Meals	\$	46
Adult Ministries	\$	3
Youth Activities	\$	-
Children's Activities	\$	-
Camperships	\$	160
Children's Playground	\$	2,786
Total	\$	45,740

- **Trunk or Treat:** Trunk or Treat will be held in the church parking lot during Hangout on Halloween 10-31-19. The plan is to serve the winning chili from the in-house chili cook-off Sunday October 20, 2019.
- **Student Leader Training:** On 9-15 leadership training was held for 8-12th graders interested in becoming Student Leaders, primarily for Hangout, serving as assistants to the adult leaders.
- **Upcoming Event:** A Fall Retreat is being planned for November 1-3 at Mendocino Retreat Center (affiliated with First Presbyterian Church, Mendocino) for our 6-12th graders.

Resource Council Reports:

- **Finance:** The Session was presented with three reports: 1) Income Statement for General Funds, August 2019 vs. Budget. FPCU budgeted income of \$18,885, however, the church received \$19, 587. At the same time budgeted total expenses were projected to be \$27, 751, but were only \$26,694. Expenses were more in August than normal due to three payrolls. The church is currently on track with a strong YTD giving to have a shortfall for 2019 to income of \$5,400, which is significantly under the budgeted shortfall of \$31,467. 2) Designated Income and Expenses. By the end of August Designated Funds received an additional \$15,596. At the same time expenses have been \$13,084. The balance at the end of August was \$44,165. 3) PresBeat Summary. AS of 8-31-19 income as \$172,744, expenses were \$177,458, with a shortfall of \$4,714. The total in the checking account was \$132,521, while the balance in savings was \$147,735. The Designate Funds total in the checking account was \$44,165.
- **Buildings and Grounds:** Next meeting 10-3-19: budget will be discussed/developed. Next workday 10-12-19.
- **Personnel:** Continuing research on Fingerprinting and Background check process.
- **Nominating:** Four Elder, four Deacon, and 3 Nominating Committee (congregational) positions will need to be filled.

Family Council Reports:

- **Worship and Music:** Operation Christmas Child presentation October 6, 2019.
- **Christian Education:** The curriculum has been well received by teachers and children. Former classroom teachers have been a positive influence on the program.
- **Communication:** Denise and Perry are developing a new website design.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 21st.

Session Members: *Randy Beckler, Kevin DeVries, Jerry Garcia, Randy Huffman, Shirley Lewis, Alexis Moore, David Rodriguez (ex-officio), Roe Sandelin, Mark Smith, Lenord Swope*

Did we miss your birthday???

Please contact the church office or email Denise, denise@fpcukiah.org so that we can celebrate with you!



Happy Birthday!

11/2 Danna Johnston

11/5 Trudi Gernert

11/6 Meredith Lintott

11/8 Shannon Phelan

11/11 David Rodriguez

11/16 Priscilla Aguilar

11/18 Debbie Brutocao

11/22 Robert Rogers

11/29 Dona Huff

Event Calendar ~ November



Sun weekly	10:00am	Worship Celebration
Mon weekly	6:00pm	Cub Scouts
Tue. weekly	7:00am	Men's Bible Study
	8:30am	Serendipity Women's Bible Study
	5:00pm	SIPs Bible Study
	6:00pm	Spanish AA; NAHOP
Wed. weekly	1:00 pm	Knitting Group
	6:00pm	Youth Group
	7:00pm	Worship Team
Thurs. weekly	5:30pm	Hangout Kids Club
	6:00pm	Spanish AA
Mon-Fri weekly	all-day	Salvation Army (James Room)

...additional events for the month

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| <p>11/3 Daylight Savings' Time ends
 10:00am Cents-ability / Communion
 12:30pm Singalong rehearsal</p> <p>11/5 10:30am Communications Committee
 11:15am Worship Committee
 5:30pm Christian Education Committee</p> <p>11/9 1:00pm PEO Fundraiser</p> <p>11/10 11:15am Missions Committee
 12:30pm Singalong rehearsal
 6:00pm Young Adult Group</p> <p>11/11 Veteran's Day Holiday – office closed
 1:30pm PW Bible Study</p> <p>11/14 12:30pm ABC Program
 6:30pm Scouts BSA</p> | <p>11/17 Bring OCC shoeboxes to the church
 12:30pm Singalong rehearsal</p> <p>11/19 11:30am Family/Outreach Council</p> <p>11/20 11:30am VIP Luncheon</p> <p>11/21 6:00pm Session</p> <p>11/22 5:30pm Red Wagon Craft Faire</p> <p>11/23 10:00am Red Wagon Craft Faire</p> <p>11/24 Bring OCC shoeboxes to the church
 11:00am Hanging of the Greens
 12:30pm Singalong Rehearsal</p> <p>11/26 1:30pm PW Bible Study</p> <p>11/27 11:00am ABC Luncheon</p> <p>11/28-29 Thanksgiving – Office Closed</p> |
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Our Calendar is also available online @ <http://fpcukiah.org/calendar/calendar/>

(Note: if using a phone, view in landscape orientation to view properly)

