



First Congregational Church

FROM THE PASTOR

I visited with two of our amazing members on Christmas Day - Mardell and Jean. They live at Las Fuentes, and I was happy to see them healthy and enjoying the company of family members in for the holiday.



The music has been fantastic for Advent and Christmas Eve, and this Sunday will bring more special music from Alter-Notes and the Chancel Singers. Sunday's sermon is "The Other Side of Christmas" and the texts are Luke 2:21-40 and Colossians 3:12-17

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all!

God bless, Jay

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, 2019



- Our own spiritual journeys: Mondays, Jan. 7 and 21; Feb. 4 and 18; 12-1:00, Library
- Social Justice: Sundays, Jan. 13 and 27; Feb. 10; 12-1:00, Library
- God is Still Speaking: What Does that Mean for Us? Wednesdays, Jan. 2 and 16; 4:30, Library
- Embracing an Adult Faith: Thursdays, Jan. 17 and 31; 12:30-1:30, Library
- The Bible and the UCC: Sundays, Feb. 24 and March 3; 9:15-10:15, Library
- Homosexuality and the Bible: a day-long symposium with speakers: tentatively Saturday Feb. 23, Perkins Hall
- Reading the Parables: a selection using dvds as a discussion guide; tentatively Saturday, Feb. 16, 1-4; meeting room 1 or Library
- Women's Retreat: Saturday, March 9; 11-4, location TBA

Questions and suggestions? See Marti Garrison or email at garrisonmarti@gmail.com



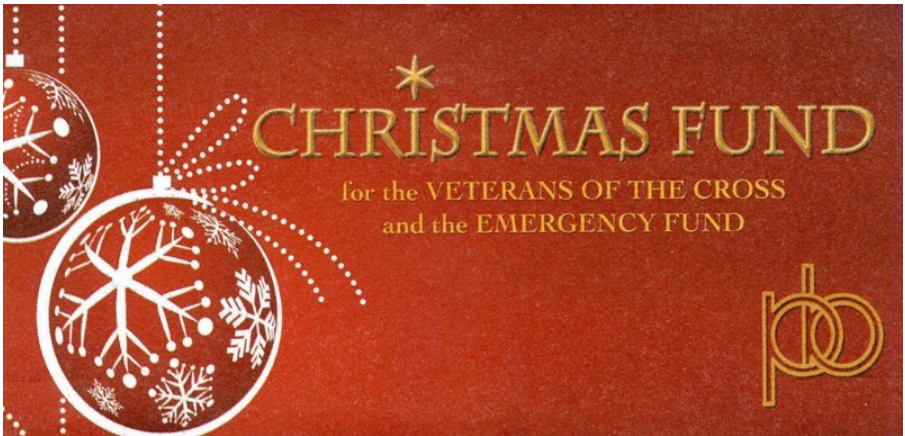
First Congregational Church Packer Team Schedule, January 7-11, 2019

- Mon: Jan 7: Randy Cook, Don Stephens
- Tues Jan 8: Jan & Wm Mauck
- Wed Jan 9: Angela Imbierowicz, Al Beeson
- Thurs Jan 10: Linda & Dave Foote
- Fri Jan 11: Pete Norum, Yoichi Matsumoto

MISSIONS OUTREACH FOR DECEMBER

Our December mission emphasis includes;

- 1. "UCC Christmas Fund: supports low income clergy and their spouses, and
- 2. Our DACA Assistance Fund, which helps college age DACA



students meet the expenses of paying out-of-state tuition and the expense of applying for the renewal of their DACA status.

Questions are welcome to any of our Mission Outreach team members: Gary Gard, Chr, Becky and Bill Bryant, Patty Gard, Staci Robbins. As always, thank you for supporting our church’s ministries of justice and compassion. We have been blessed to be a blessing. (Genesis 12:2)

2019 STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



	2017	2018	2019
Pledge Units	38	46	57
Implied (units of regular givers)	0	0	15
# Members that Pledged	50	54	44
# of Friends & Regular Attendees Pledged	8	12	17
Total Amount pledged	\$ 65,462	\$ 96,940	\$ 107,694

STEWARDSHIP BOOKLET

2019 BUDGET

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Each Week ☐ or Each Month ☐ I plan to give: _____
For an annual total of \$ _____ Date: _____
Signed: _____

SAVE THIS STUB FOR YOUR RECORDS

MY PLEDGE
Each Week ☐
Each Month ☐

\$ _____ Annual Total \$ _____

PLEDGE CARD

Regularly Scheduled

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

An informal study group meets on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in Conference room. All adults are welcome.

EVERY WEEK COMMUNION

"Every Sunday Communion" takes place in the sanctuary after worship on Sundays. Communion is open to all.

ONCE A MONTH COMMUNION

Our regularly scheduled communion is held the first Sunday of each month. Communion is open to all.

PASS MEAL

Once a month we provide a meal for the Prescott Area Shelter Services the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:00 p.m. Sign-up sheet is in Perkins Hall.

CABINET MEETING

Meets the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the Office Conference Room.

VAN MINISTRY

If you need a ride to church on Sunday mornings, please let Bill Rouse know by the Saturday before. 602-769-5770

THE RINGING BELL CHOIR PRACTICE

If you would be interested in playing with us, we will train you! This is a fun and rewarding contribution to our worship. We meet for rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays.

CHANCEL SINGERS

If you like to sing, the Chancel Singers are eager to increase membership. We meet Sundays at 9:00 a.m. before worship services.

ALTER-NOTES

Alter-Notes is an alternative music group that meets at 12:00 for rehearsal on the Chancel each Sunday. If you like to sing or can play an instrument, we are looking for new members. We play folk, pop, Celtic, spirituals and anything else. Contact Melissa Gates phone: 207-391-3276

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPTIONS

Parents may take children to Sunday school downstairs before the service begins, or wait until the children's time with the pastor and then go to Sunday school. Children are also welcome to stay in the worship service at the discretion of the parent(s).



CONTACT US

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PRESCOTT, UCC

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ADMINISTRATION

Monday - Thursday 9:00 - 4:00

Friday 9:00 - 1:00

PASTOR JAY

Monday - Thursday 9:00 - 1:00

other times by appointment