

The Parish Caller

"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

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First Congregational
Church, United
Church of Christ,
Prescott



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Ways you can help with the Pancake breakfast:

1. Post your name on the sign-up sheet in Perkins Hall
2. See Julie in the Church office for flyers you can give out to your friends and neighbors
3. Invite everyone you know!

This Week At First Congregational Church...

- ◆ New member orientation class today after the worship service.
- ◆ Exploring Faith Monday night discussion class meets at 6:30 pm in the church Library.
- ◆ Fish Fry at the Krings', Thursday evening at 5:30 pm.
- ◆ Get to Know the Pastor Patio Fish Fry, July 2nd 5:30 pm - Sign-up sheet in Perkins Hall

Sunday Worship to Include "Everlasting God" Praise Song

One of Pastor Jay's favorite worship songs will be introduced this Sunday. To get a glimpse of how it sounds and get familiar with it go to:
<http://youtu.be/yubLGTOcm8c>

Pancake Breakfast July 4th, still needs a few more volunteers
Shift Schedule

First Shift 6:00-8:00 am

Second Shift 8:00-10:00 am

Kitchen-Clean up 10:00-12:00

Openings: 1 for First Shift Ticket Sales
1 for First Shift Pancake Flipper
1 for Second Shift Tear-Down
As many as 8 for Kitchen Clean-Up

Everyone: invite your friends and neighbors

Thanks to everyone that is participating!

Sign-Up Sheet in Perkins Hall

Summer Patio Fish Fry! ~5 seats available~

Thursday night, July 2nd at 5:30 pm
at Alice and Charlie Krings

As part of our "Get to know the Pastor Lunch/Dinners" drive, the Krings are hosting a fish fry!
2343 E. Kring Dr., Prescott

Call Alice Kring for more details: 928-445-0033, *Sign-up sheet in Perkins Hall*



Lunch at Las Fuentes Retirement Community!

Friday, July 24th at Noon

Judy Daly is hosting a luncheon at Las Fuentes. Come and visit with our member residents and "Get to Know the Pastor". See Judy Daly for details
928-237-9577 or 858-883-9596; Email: jdaly59@gmail.com. *Sign-up sheet in Perkins Hall*



Host Your Own Get to Know the Pastor Lunch/Dinners

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to host a lunch or dinner with Pastor Jay! We have two dinners and one lunch scheduled so far (and more to come over the next couple of months). If you would like to attend one of the events listed below, or host one of your own, please sign up in Perkins Hall after church, or contact Judy Daly (Phone: 928-237-9577 or 858-883-9596; Email: jdaly59@gmail.com). *Sign-up sheet in Perkins Hall*

Thursday night, July 9th

Friday Noon, July 10th

Thursday night, July 30th

Happy Campers!

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Anne Solt is thanking our church for the church camp scholarships given to her two grandchildren, Adam and Jason. They loved being there, singing the songs, being in the activities, making new friends, and being loved and guided by excellent counselors and staff. While they live in Flagstaff, they regularly visit our church Sunday school once a month. Thanks to everyone for making this happen!



Adam and Jason at UCC Summer Camp



Jason and his new friends in their camp shirts

Prayer for Historic Emanuel AME Church of Charleston, SC

A Prayer For Historic Emanuel AME Church Of Charleston, SC
Dear Mother [Emanuel](#):

You, who authored courageous slave rebellions, who suffered and survived
wretched bigotry, burnings and earthquake,
You, you who worshipped underground when black churches were outlawed ...
Dear Mother Emanuel, in this day of grievous heartache we wrap you in bands of
prayer.

We pour out upon your broken hearts the healing balm of Gilead.

You, whose shepherd has been taken from you,
whose building has become a tomb,
whose children are terrified:

We stand with you.

We weep with you.

We rage for you.

We keep vigil with you for your beloved dead.

May the God of Moses and Miriam, of Jesus and the Mary's, anoint you with
healing, furnish you with hope and, one day, some day, mend your torn hearts
and wipe the tears from your swollen eyes.

God help us. Amen.



About the Author

Nancy S. Taylor is the Senior Minister of Old South Church in Boston, Massachusetts.

New Directory Scheduled to Print in Late June

Julie McCurdy, our Church Clerk will be conducting an audit of our Church Directory. In order to ensure that our directory is complete, we would like to update it and provide copies to our congregation.

Ways you can help with directory updates

- Email: fccuccprescott@gmail.com your address and phone number(s).
- Julie M. will be contacting each of you in the congregation and auditing our records.
- Fill out your info on the "Weekly Caller" update form in Perkins Hall
- Don't want to wait? Simply call the church office and verify your information.

Announcements
& ways to get
involved

Facebook

Summer Choir

July 4th Annual Pancake
Breakfast needs Volunteers
*Many hands are needed to
make this event successful!*

July 12th The Church is
Receiving New Members

John Dorhauer’s Farewell
Service to be held at Church
of the Red Rocks, Sedona
July 16th at 7:00 pm

Pastor Installation Service

June Missions Focus:
*We will also explore how our
SW Conference has used
Strengthen the Church funds
in our local churches. Stay
tuned...*

June Food Donations
*Just place your donations in
the basket by the front door
of the Church.*

Special Reception Planned for the Pastor Installation July 18th at 11:00 am
Cool finger sandwiches, relish trays, veggie and fruit trays and cupcakes are planned for this reception. If you would like to help with providing these, *there is a sign-up sheet in Perkins Hall. Thank you!*

Do You Like Social Media...

We are looking for members of our church community who want to help us build a Facebook following. You don’t have to be too tech-y for this, just willing to log onto the church’s Facebook page a few times a week and post interesting articles and memes to our page. *See Julie in the office for details.*

Do You Enjoy Singing? Then SUMMER CHOIR is for you! July and August, the Chancel choir invites you to join us for Sunday morning worship. We will meet at 9:30 before Sunday Service for a half hour practice and sing two responses and an easy hymn for the anthem. No choir robes! Just come and enjoy singing with us. For more information, please contact Jane Osborn, 713-4752 or prescottsong@hotmail.com.

Our Annual Pancake Breakfast Saturday, July 4th.

Many thanks for those that have signed up to help with this annual event. There is still room for more helping hands! *There is a sign-up sheet in Perkins Hall. See John Huff for details. Thank You!*

We will be receiving new members on Sunday, July 12...

Those who have an interest in becoming a member of First Congregational Church should let us know in the church office 445-4555. We have a brochure for you and can answer any questions you have. There will be orientation classes meeting in the church office, after worship this Sunday.

Farewell Service for John Dorhauer...

Everyone is invited Thursday, July 16th at 7:00 pm at the Church of the Red Rocks in Sedona. This will be an opportunity for our UCC congregations to get together and be part of Pastor Dorhauer’s send-off to our National Headquarters. *Let Julie know in the office if you want to carpool.*

Pastor Installation July 18th at 11:00 am

We are holding a special Installation Service to welcome Reverend Jay Wilcher as our new minister. Please join us as we rejoice and begin a new chapter in our church’s life.

June Missions Focus: Strengthen the Church is the program designed to invest donation money into:

- ♦ New Church Starts
- ♦ Helps existing churches incorporate new ideas
- ♦ Assist with programs to develop spiritual life in youth and young adults
- ♦ Programs to promote Lay and Pastoral leadership

Further information will be found in the handouts enclosed in the Sunday bulletin. You will find offering envelopes in the pews and mark your donation with “Strengthen the Church”.

Called to Care is seeking interested people...

Group needs caring and compassionate individuals to participating in our Ministry. Please see Marilyn Kerstine.

Monday Night Exploring Faith Discussion Group, 6:30 pm...

Our new topic is Genesis. We will be using a Bill Moyers series titled ‘Genesis: A living conversation’.

Annual Calendar is up and active...

In Perkins Hall you will see a large annual calendar on the bulletin board. Pastor Jay is asking the congregation to get involved by placing on the calendar all of the church’s yearly events. This will include Prescott’s events that have an impact on the needs of our congregation. Help us get organized!

Ongoing Weekly and Monthly Events

First Congregational Church of Prescott, UCC
216 E. Gurley Street
Prescott, AZ 86301
928-445-4555
fccprescott@gmail.com

Administration Office Hours
Mondays: 1:00 - 4:00
Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 - 4:00

Pastor Jay
Monday - Thursday
9:00 - Noon
Other times by appointment
Cell: 928-899-9066
jayfccprescott@gmail.com

Ways to Subscribe to the Weekly Parish Caller:

- Send the office an email verifying your email address
- Fill out the Weekly Caller Subscribe Sheet in Perkins Hall
- Tell Julie McCurdy, our church Clerk when she audits your address information

Email Subscription Drive

We want everyone to have access to the Weekly Caller so be sure that we have your email address.

For those who prefer to have a paper copy, there will be printed copies made available in Perkins Hall. See the Caller Subscribe Sheet in Perkins Hall.

EXPLORING FAITH GROUPS

Sunday morning class is **currently on Summer Break and will resume after Labor Day.**

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Monday evening discussion group continues to meet weekly at 6:30 pm in the Church Library. DVD Series on Genesis with Bill Moyers. All are welcome!

CHOIR PRACTICE SUMMER SCHEDULE CHANGE: Sunday 9:30 am in the Sanctuary. See Jane Osborn if you would like to join the choir!

BELL CHOIR PRACTICE is held Thursday mornings at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary but is **currently on Summer Break.** See Carole Sue Linson for details.

OUTREACH MINISTRY meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at 10:30 am in the Office Conference Room.

CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY meets the 4th Tuesday of every month from 2:00 to 4:00 pm in the Office Conference Room. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, see Marilyn Kerstine.

PASS MEAL is a once-a-month ministry where we provide a meal for the Prescott Area Shelter Services the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:30 pm. Sign-up sheet is in Perkins Hall.

KNIT WITS meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of every month at 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Office Conference Room.

LAS FUENTES SPIRITUAL LIVING SERVICE is held the 3rd Thursday of every month at 10:00 am, led by Called to Care Ministry.

~And~

Service is also held the 2nd Sunday of every month at 3:00 pm, led by Pastor Jay. Address: Las Fuentes Resort Village 1035 Scott Dr. Prescott.

AGAPE SOUP SUPPER meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 5:30 pm in Perkins Hall. Sign-up sheet is in Perkins Hall.

CABINET MEETING meets the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Office Conference Room.

PFLAG SUPPORT GROUP meets the 3rd Friday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Church Library. See Julie J. for more details.

LADIES' FRIENDLY goes out to dinner after church the 2nd Sunday of every month. **Currently on Summer Break.**