

# The Parish Caller

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

March 11, 2016

First Congregational  
Church, United  
Church of Christ,  
Prescott



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## March Spring Schedule

- **Fifth Sunday in Lent:** March 13, Pastor Jay will be completing his sermon series on the 7 deadly sins, ending with Greed. Join us as we explore greed verses thrift. 10:30 am
- **P.I.E. (Play, Inspire, Eat):** Wednesday at 5:30 pm we will be having a pre-St. Patrick's meal.
- **PASS meal, March 16:** If you signed up to share meal items for this months PASS meal, please deliver them to the church parking lot at 5:00 pm Wednesday evening.
- **The Music Man:** Linda Foote will be performing at Yavapai College's production of "The Music Man". March 18, 19 at 7:00 pm and March 20 at 3:00 pm. See Linda Foote for more details.
- **Palm Sunday Worship Service:** March 20: at 10:30 am.
- **Cabinet Meeting:** Moved to Wednesday night March 23rd at 6:30 pm.
- **Maunday Thursday, Passover Seder Meal:** March 24: 6:00 pm at the Dewey UCC. Car pooling will be available for those that would like a ride. Sign-up sheet is in Perkin's Hall.
- **Good Friday:** March 25 we are invited to attend the Dewey Church's communion service at 5:30 pm.
- **Easter Sunday Worship Service:** March 27th: at 10:30 am.
- **Jazz Vespers:** March 30th at 6:30 pm. Alber Sarko Jazz Quartet will be playing.

**Check out our churches website:**  
**[www.fccprescott.org](http://www.fccprescott.org)**

**Upcoming Events, Members Directory, Parish Caller, "Sign-Up Genius", Weekly Calendar, Donate online and much more!**

**Church Members Directory Now On-Line!**  
**[www.fccprescott.org/directory/](http://www.fccprescott.org/directory/)**

You will need a password, call the church office at 928-445-4555. For the safety and privacy of our members and friends, the password will be given out to members and friends.

**"Sign-Up Genius"**

Sign-up for the various volunteer opportunities of the church.

## From the Pastor

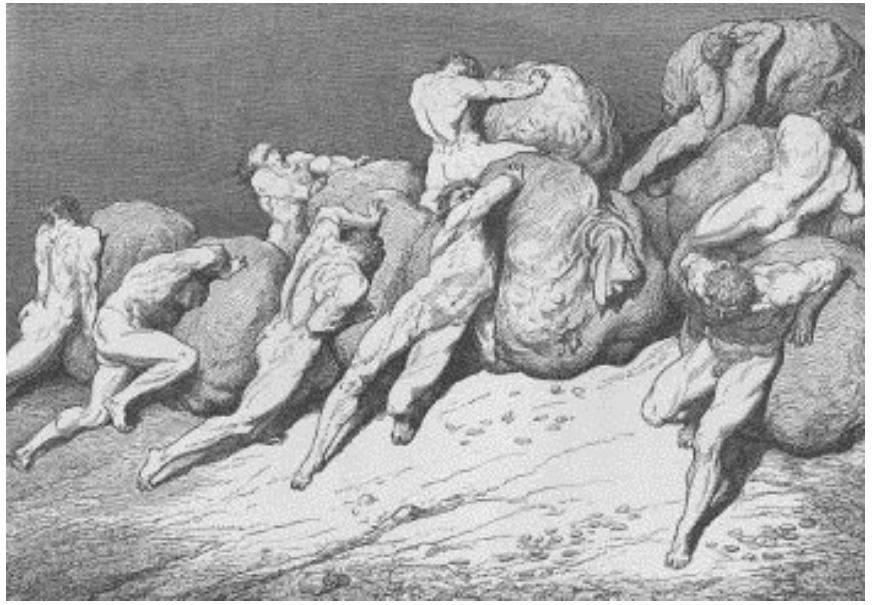
Dante envisions the greedy forever pushing large bags of money.

This Sunday we come to the end of the seven deadly sins (thank God Easter is coming and all this talk of sin gives way to new life!).

Sunday we look at the deadly sin of greed. We certainly have known and experienced the deadly nature of greed in the financial collapse of 2008. The movie "The Big Short" does a good job of recounting the greed in the mortgage industry. Examples of greed abound in our culture. A recent book entitled "Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City" by Matthew Desmond reveals how greedy people even try to make money off the poor – pay day loans, for-profit colleges, credit card companies, loan sharks, landlords, etc. Poverty in American has become a lucrative business thanks to the deadly nature of greed.

It is sometimes hard to differentiate greed from responsible saving; doing one's best in the marketplace; providing for family; being goal-oriented, etc.

We will explore when greed crosses the line and becomes deadly. Greed in N.T. – Luke 12:13-21 / 1 Timothy 6:6-12, 17-19



## Ongoing & Weekly Events

**CHOIR PRACTICE** meets  
Sundays at 9 am in the  
Sanctuary. See Jane Osborn if  
you would like to join the choir!  
**BELL CHOIR PRACTICE** at 11 am  
on Thursdays

**KNIT WITS** meets  
the 1st & 3rd  
Tuesdays of every  
month from 1-3  
pm in the Office  
Conference Room.

**LAS FUENTES**  
1035 Scott Dr., Prescott  
**SPIRITUAL LIVING Class** is  
held the 3rd Thursday of  
every month at 10 am, led  
by Called to Care Ministry.  
~And~  
Worship Service is also held  
the 2nd Sunday of every  
month at 3 pm, led by  
Pastor Jay.

**EXPLORING FAITH**  
Living the Questions  
Study Group  
Sunday Mornings at 9  
am in the Church  
Library  
~And~  
Monday Evening  
Discussion Group 6  
pm in the Church  
Library

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**Administration Office Hours**  
Mondays: 9:00 - 4:00  
Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 - 1:00  
**Pastor Jay**  
Monday - Thursday  
9:00 - 1:00  
Other times by appointment  
Cell: 928-899-9066  
jayfccprescott@gmail.com

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

**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.

**Funky Friday  
Game Night**  
Hosted by PFLAG  
Everyone  
Welcome! 7-9 pm  
1st Friday of  
every Month  
starting in  
November

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

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