

# The Parish Caller

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

May 6, 2016

First Congregational  
Church, United  
Church of Christ,  
Prescott



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**This Week at a Glance...**

- ◆ **Woman's Fellowship Coffee** Friday 10 am
- ◆ **Funky Friday Game Night** Friday 7-9 pm
- ◆ **Choir Practice** Sunday 9 am
- ◆ **Exploring Faith** Sunday 9 am
- ◆ **Alarcon Street Improvement Meeting** Wednesday 4:30 pm
- ◆ **Bell Choir Rehearsal** Thursday 11 am
- ◆ **Called to Care Training** Thursday 12:15 pm
- ◆ **Women's Fellowship Coffee/Meeting** Friday 10:00

**From The Pastor**

Cherie and I (and Roscoe) thank you so much for the first anniversary celebration on Sunday! – a special thanks to Marilyn Skovgard and Women's Fellowship for putting the program and event together. And thanks to Song Of The Pines and Albert Sarko for providing special music.

Wow! Here are some pictures of the festivities:

I mentioned Sunday that so much of the story of how I ended up in Prescott and at this church is God's providential activity. I would say more so than the other seven churches I have been called to as pastor. What that means we shall discover on our journey together. I also mentioned that during my first sermon here I set a goal of 20 new members for the first year. And in another strange, providential result, it turned out to be exactly 20!

Jay	Ayla	Marilyn
Cherie	Bill	Tom
Shirley	Sylvia	Patty
Marti	Lee	Erin
Paul	Staci	Jean
Tracy	Jim	Yoichi
Neil	Charles	

Thanks to you all! So, let's say 25 for 2016 and see what happens...





From the Pastor  
continued

**Song of the Pines provided a wonderful vocal performance! Thank You!**



### **Baptism this Sunday for Keilani Cawren Ellis**

We will welcome the family of Keilani Cawren Ellis (2-11-16) to worship on Sunday for her baptism.

Joining us for the baptism are:

Parents Corey and Kahla Ellis

Godparents Michael and Patty Shinault

Great Grandparents John and Sonja Wilson

Great-Great Grandmother Amy Wilson

See you on Mother's Day!

Jay



## May Missions Focus

**School Kits give children in refugee camps and impoverished schools or other difficult settings the tools they need to learn.**

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For the month of May, we are asking for you to join us in supporting the CWS School Kit Mission.

CWS Kits are small packages of school supplies assembled by volunteers and shipped to families and communities in need around the world.



Photo: IOCC/GOPA

You can gather with friends in groups to assemble kits or submit supplies to the cause.

### CWS School Kit

#### Supplies needed:

- One pair of blunt scissors removed from the package (rounded tip, only)
- Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages  
(No loose-leaf or filler paper.)
- One 30-centimeter 12" ruler
- One hand-held pencil sharpener removed from the package
- One large eraser (no pencil cap erasers)
- Six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers removed from the package
- One box of 24 crayons (only 24)
- One 12"x14" to 14"x17" finished size cotton or lightweight, solid colored canvas bag with cloth handles (no logos). No reusable shopping bags or backpacks.
- All items must be packed inside of the cloth bag. To purchase an affordable bag, visit: [www.myshopangel.com](http://www.myshopangel.com).

Value: \$15

Processing fee: \$2 per Kit

\*Do not enclose money inside the kits or in the shipping boxes.

**Copies of this list are in Perkins Hall**

Short on time? — — You can *still* make an impact in people's lives by donating directly towards the CWS Kits program online <http://cwskits.org/> or mark your offering envelope "School Kits".



Photo: Jon Skogen/CWS





**Marilyn Skovgard  
Peace of Mind  
Workshop**

**May 18, 5:30 pm**

**Sign-up Sheet in  
Perkins Hall or Call  
928-458-5750 for  
more information  
and to RSVP**

**LET'S GET IT DONE!**

Have you ever lost or couldn't find an important document? Is all personal, household, financial, benefits, final wishes recorded at your fingertips? Would someone else know where to find this information should you not be able to speak for yourself without sifting through boxes, computers and file cabinets? Author Marilyn Skovgard has a simple and easy solution to document storage information. Attend this class to help you be better organized once and for all. Let's resolve to get this very important project done in 2016! Workbooks will be available for purchase for \$46.95 plus tax and are for two people.

**IMAGINE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION COMPLETELY ORGANIZED**

Technology has changed the way we keep personal, household and financial information. Where to find it? Is it in the computer, the filing cabinet, in boxes, a safe deposit box, the office, a closet, under the bed? Sound familiar? Come and learn why it is necessary to solve the information clutter. You will learn about a simple common sense system to organize this very important information. Your family will love you for it! The class is being offered by Marilyn Skovgard, owner of Peace of Mind Workbooks, and author of Household Matters A-Z. Workbooks will be available for purchase.

**BLESS YOUR FAMILY – HAVE THE CONVERSATION**

Marilyn Skovgard, published author of Household Matters A-Z and member of the National Emergency Coalition will be discussing the importance of planning for emergencies: national, natural or the unexpected.

Marilyn will walk you through a one-step system of how to organize, inventory and record important personal information...where and how to store those important documents.

If you have ever lost, displaced an important paper/document this is the class for you. Also to be discussed the importance of having the "family conversation."

Let's resolve to keep your affairs inventoried, organized and safe. You will learn simple solutions and tips to help you accomplish this task. LET'S GET READY TO BE PREPARED!

# 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.

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

**LAS FUENTES**  
1035 Scott Dr., Prescott  
**SPIRITUAL LIVING** Class is  
held the 3rd Thursday of  
every month at 10 am, led

**EXPLORING  
FAITH**  
Living the Questions  
Study Group

**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.

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

**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.

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