# 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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This Week at a Glance...

◆Choir Rehearsal: Sunday 9:00 am

◆Worship Service and Fellowship time: Sunday 10:30 am

◆Living the Questions: Monday 6:30 pm





# SONG OF THE PINES FUND RAISER CONCERT

These pictures are from the first official event in the newly painted Perkins Hall last Saturday. Song of the Pines filled the hall with guests and music with a great time had by all. The group previewed their song set they will be using in Las Vegas this next week at the MGM Grand Hotel for the 2016 International Sweet Adelines Competition and Convention. Song of the Pines has been chosen as an opening group for the convention – quite an honor. Our congregation began hosting the group last year for practice and rehearsal. It has been a wonderful partnership for both of us. Members of the musical group regularly volunteer for special events the church conducts, including the annual pancake breakfast. As for the picture of me with a red face as the quartet sings a song directed at me, church members who witnessed it have been forbidden to share the details!



#### **From Pastor Jay**

#### **PASSING OF IRENE WARREN**

We received word that Irene Warren passed away on October 7. She graduated from Prescott High School in 1945. She was a member of The Smoki People, Sister of Chapter O PEO, volunteered at the Guidance Clinic Thrift Shop, and attended our church. Graveside service will be held Saturday, October 15, at 10:00 a.m. at Resthaven Park Cemetery in Glendale, Arizona. A picnic will follow in her honor. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of the Valley: 9435 W. Peoria Avenue, Peoria, AZ 85345.

#### **PASS MEAL**

The PASS meal is Wednesday, October 19 at 5:00 pm. Our church provides a monthly meal for Prescott Area Shelter Services, a home for women in transition. We need several items of food for that Wednesday. The meal items are brought to our parking lot at 5:00 pm and Andrea Worthington takes them to the shelter - our thanks to her for this ministry (Gavin and Landon too). A sign-up sheet is on the table in Perkins Hall.

#### **JAZZ VESPERS OCTOBER 26 AT 6:30 PM**

Road 1 South will be our musical guests. Jazz will give way to the blues on this night. And Jazz Vespers will give way to Christmas music on Wednesday, November 30 as we welcome Song of the Pines as our musical guest. Remember them in your prayers this next week as they compete in Las Vegas — and open the event as the selected group for this honor!



#### **Announcements**

#### 2ND ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

Dig out that favorite chili recipe for our second annual chili cook-off to be held Wednesday, November 9th. We will have a sign up sheet in Perkins Hall for those who want to bring chili, or any other side dishes. More information to follow.

#### **HEALING SERVICE** — Communion

Wednesday, November 16th - Led by Called to Care Team. More information to follow.

#### **BELL CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES**

Carol Sue Linson is sufficiently recovered from her recent shoulder surgery! Our Bell Choir will resume practice on Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 11:00 am.

#### Restoration Project Update

#### **RESTORATION PROJECT UPDATE**

The sanctuary is getting a new coat of paint. Work is progressing in a downstairs room with the new flooring. The Parsonage is undergoing massive renovations with the old carpet being removed, the wood floors underneath being sanded, refinished and polished. Since this required the moving out of furniture, files and equipment and the office reverberates with much noise, new smells and dust, it is very difficult to work in these conditions. Therefore, office hours will be sporadic until the work is completed. You will be able to leave a message, or an email if need be, however, to immediately address your concerns, please contact Pastor Jay on his cell phone:

928-899-9066.

In addition, Marilyn Skovgard, Angela Imbierowicz, or Tom Macy can answer questions for you. Living the Questions



The Living The Questions discussion group is a beautifully produced DVD series that promotes group discussions in a relaxed intimate setting. It is held in the Library on Monday nights at 6:30.

Many of you have expressed a desire to attend "Living the Questions" however can't make it on Monday night. If you are interested in attending a Sunday Morning discussion group for Living the Questions, Let Julie in the office know at 445-4555.

Join us and journey into a way of life that contradicts the way of the world.

### Advent Devotional

### **OUR 2016 UCC ADVENT DEVOTIONAL**

This year once again, our church is putting together an Advent Devotional: a work of love *by* our members *for* our members and friends, a booklet with favorite stories, personal memories of a Christmas past, poems, favorite recipes, all relating to Christmas while we wait for the coming of our Lord Jesus.

Also, we will need a title for this booklet. Please submit your entry to the people below.

Handwritten, typed or emailed entries may be handed or sent to:

Angela Imbierowicz: 708-712-1448 angelaprescottaz@gmail.com

Ronny de Jong: 928-541-7743 ronnyhermandejong@gmail.com

Absolute deadline: Sunday October 30, 2016

Interested in volunteering to put this together? Let us know!



## Warm For Winter



At Prescott United Methodist Church
Winter Wear for Low-income Families and Individuals

October 29, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
505 West Gurley Street, Prescott, AZ 86301
Information:Diane.Iverson@YavapaiCCJ.org or 928-445-8382
A Project of Coalition for Compassion and Justice

#### D onation sites:



Open Door, Prescott United Methodist Church, CCJ Thrift Store, Windermere Real Estate Prescott and PV, Xhale Convenience and Smoke, Bloomtree Realty, Republican Women of Prescott, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints



You may also donate any warm wraps for this project through our church. There is a box in the front of the sanctuary for this purpose.

### WHATS HAPPENING AT FCC

Try our SignUpGenius on our website: www.fccprescott.org

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