

# The Parish Caller July 16, 2021

## A Message from Pastor Jay

The "Watch Worship Services Here" tab on the front page of our website includes worship services that go back to January of 2020. During our year of shutdown, we enjoyed recorded music each week. Starting in September, we often had singers from around the world join Deana on her Smule program that allowed for that. We even had a Roman Catholic priest in Spain join her a time or two. You could use these recorded services as daily devotionals! Check them out.

This Sunday, July 18, we welcome Carole Sue on piano and organ, and Brenda on Cello. The text is Ephesians 2:11-22. We will have some summer fun as we divide into Jews and Greeks in the Ephesus church. Upon hearing the text, each side will react to what they hear with arrogance and sneers. Hopefully, Jesus will remove the wall of hostility by the end of the sermon! JJ has a wall between us and shows how Jesus tears it down.

### **WELCOMING EVERYONE BACK TO WORSHIP AT 10:30 AM!**

**Per CDC Guidelines, Masks are Optional, Social Distancing Measures Have Been Lifted, But Individuals May Still Choose To Distance As Desired.**

**Nursery and Sunday school at the 10:30am service**

**ZOOM BIBLE STUDY SATURDAY 10AM**

**ZOOM SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP 2:00 PM**

**Let us know if you want to be added to these Zoom invitations**

### **GREETERS.....USHERS.....**

Now that FCC is 'open' in a more formal or informal way, we need to get back to volunteering to greet, arriving at 10 A.M. Ushers aren't needed in the same tradition as before since the 'donation' table with our offering plate is in the center aisle when you enter the front door. Also, communion is 'self serve' now. Tom, Melissa, Jay Eby and others have been there every week. PLEASE let's get a NEW list starting with smiling, eager welcomers at the front door. We are seeing many new faces that need YOUR SMILING FACE!!

DOES **FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE** sound familiar? Well, we had one that went out in March of 2020. I don't know about you, but I think we'll scale down the extravagant spread some! Here are a few suggestions:

Store bought cookies etc for easy self serve

Smaller coffee pot, easy clean up

Continue drinks of your choice

Easier 'set up and clean up' for volunteers

(OTHER SUGGESTIONS?)

LET'S ENJOY OUR ROUND TABLE CONVERSATIONS AND RETURN TO GETTING TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER AND WELCOME NEWCOMERS!!

I'll be sending out the previous list I had for volunteers shortly. So MANY changes. If you want to remain on the list, let me know. If you WANT TO BE ADDED TO OUR LIST, you will be most welcome. Once again, if we have enough to join our list, you will only be 'hosting' every 7 or 8 weeks or so!!

Contact me--

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## BULLETIN

### EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 18, 2021

10:30 a.m.

*\*Those who are able may stand\**

### GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude: "Quiet Roses" by James Michael Stevens

Brenda Olsen cello and Carole Sue Linson piano

A Time for Children of All Ages - JJ

Words of Welcome – Announcements - Passing of the Peace

\*Hymn: "There is a Name I Love to Hear"

New Century Hymnal #52

Call to Worship

Linda Foote

L: God has called us to this place. What do you see?

**P: We see people who model for us - God's joyous embrace of all people.**

L: God has brought us to this place. What do you hear?

**P: We hear God's hope that we are able to see each person as our sister or brother.**

L: God has challenged us to open our lives and hearts to others. What will you do?

**P: We will do only one thing: welcome everyone in God's name!**

God of all Seasons, as things wax and wane, ebb and flow, call us to be present in the rhythm of life, to be mindful of our own seasons. We struggle as a people with anxiety, despair, and restlessness. Help us to find the rhythm that beats in our hearts, to rest and sleep, to rise and work, to contemplate your presence among us, and to seek your way in this world. Help us to find the right rhythm to practice justice and mercy while caring for our whole being. Help us to become in tune with you, and to know our own seasons of overwork and tiredness, so that we might be gentle with ourselves, and allow your love and assurance to envelope us in those trying times. In all seasons, may we know your presence. Amen.

### **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22

Linda Foote

Sermon: "A Dwelling in Which God Lives"

Pastor Jay

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE**

Special Music: "I Will Pray" by James Michael Stevens  
Brenda Olsen cello and Carole Sue Linson piano

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer (use trespasses)

Offering of Ourselves and our Gifts

Prayer of Dedication

Linda Foote

**O God, we offer these gifts, tithes, and offerings for the building of your kingdom on earth. Bless the gift and the givers. Bless all who offer time, talent and treasure in your service. We offer this prayer in your holy name. Amen.**

\*Closing Song: "Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing"      New Century Hymnal #303

\*Benediction

Pastor Jay

\*Postlude: "Along King's Highway" by Stan Pethel

Carole Sue Linson piano

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# JULY MISSION NEWS

## Mission Outreach Update for July:

Mission Outreach Update: The Discovery Gardens Preschool (DGP) is our mission project for the month of July. DGP offers children, regardless of their life's challenges, a loving environment wherein they can prosper both academically and socially. DGP is a licensed tuition based preschool provided through the Prescott Unified School District. Your donation will help provide a scholarship to a needy three year old's family. Make your check payable to the church, with the memo, DGP. A memo of simply, "Mission" will be disbursed at the discretion of the Mission Outreach Team. From June's mission emphasis programs/projects, checks have been sent to: [1] Strengthen the Church \$355 and [2] Yavapai Food Bank, \$425 -for school supplies, K-12.

Our PASS Team needs volunteers to help provide a dinner dish on Wednesday, July 21 st , for women and children staying at the PASS shelter. If you can help, please contact our PASS team captain, Patty Gard at 928-460-3042 or at [gpgard7963@gmail.com](mailto:gpgard7963@gmail.com).

Prescott Community Cupboard (PCC): Our team of volunteers continues to pack food bags for families living in the Prescott area. We do this on scheduled days throughout the year. With our new facility, we have much more space within which to do our work. If you would like to help, please contact our PCC team captain, Angela Imbierowicz at 708-712-1448 or at [angelaprescottaz@gmail.com](mailto:angelaprescottaz@gmail.com).

As always, thanks for remembering that we have been blessed to be a blessing. (Genesis 12:20) Your mission team: Becky and Bill Bryant, Helaine Berman, Patty Gard, and Gary Gard, Chairperson.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WE ARE REOPENING!

**Most of us have been vaccinated at this point, so we will follow the science and celebrate our safety. Masks are still available for those who are not quite ready, those not yet vaccinated, and those with other health issues. The sanctuary is a "no judgment zone." Mask or no mask - All are welcome!**

**We will also return to wearing our name tags. Lots of new people to get to know! Please get yours in Perkins Hall. If you need a new one, you can create your own on the table by the name tag board in Perkins**

Hall.

**Video Tech Needed  
\$50.00 per Sunday  
Let Pastor Jay know if you are interested**

**New members will be received in coming weeks. If you would like to  
join the church, please speak with Pastor Jay**

**Office Open by Appointment - Call Pastor Jay 928-899-9066**

## **JUNE WORSHIP**

**July 4  
"How Do We Live in Christian Freedom?"  
Galatians 5:1, 13-26**

**July 11  
"The Power in Us"  
Ephesians 1:3-14**

**July 18  
"A Dwelling in Which God Lives"  
Ephesians 2:11-22**

**July 25  
Guest Preacher: Rev. Bill Linson**

## **TREASURER REPORT**

**Income as of June 30 is \$79,570.  
Total expenses are \$70,512.  
Net income is \$9,058.**

**Year-to-date income is at 65% of the income budget of \$122,450.  
Year-to-date expenses are at 48% of the expense budget of \$146,905.**

**In addition to the regular financial support from our congregational members  
and friends, we have received \$5,000 from the Southwest Conference UCC**

in grant funding for videography and other expenses for providing “hybrid worship services,” both online and in person.

## **AUGUST SERMON SERIES PSALMS OF ASCENT**

August 1 - Psalm 120

August 8 - Psalm 121

August 15 - Psalm 122

August 22 - Psalm 123

August 29 - Psalm 126

## **A History of First Congregational Church Prescott, Arizona, By Jay Eby - Part 2**

**Let us then look at some of these remarkable persons. At the top of every list of members is one Woman. She always signed in as Maggie B. She was Margaret Forman Bashford Burmister. The daughter of Coles Bashford, former Governor of the state of Wisconsin, a member of the Governor’s party, secretary to the first Territorial Governor, and Arizona’s first Representative to the U.S. Congress. She was wife to Robert H. Burmister who, with her brother Levi Bashford, ran the B&B Mercantile. She taught music and was the organist for the Church.**

**There is no doubt in my mind that she was the driving force in this effort. Besides organizing our Women’s Fellowship she was active in the History and Poetry Club and the Monday Club and also active in the Arizona’s Federated Women’s Clubs. Maggie B. was not able to attend the organizational meeting held at the Otis’ home. She was confined at home awaiting the birth of her third child. Immediately at the close of the meeting a message was sent to her that the Congregational Society of Prescott, AZ had been formed. Robert Henry Burmister was a merchant, a principal in the Prescott and Arizona Central Railroad, and a member of the first Board of Trustees for our Church; also in 1901 Mayor of Prescott. The Burmister’s had**

three children and their home was, and still is, at the corner of South Mount Vernon and Gurley Streets.

## SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH!

- Online – go to our website: [www.fccprescott.org](http://www.fccprescott.org) and look for the tab on the front page
- You can set up regular, ongoing giving or one-time giving.
- Use your credit card and get some points!
- Your bank may have free online bill pay. You find the tab on your online account, fill in the details of the check as you would a regular check, and the bank mail will mail it for you! You can set up a one-time check or recurring scheduled check amount.
- Make a check out to the church and mail it to: 216 East Gurley Street, Prescott, AZ 86301

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