



November 2022

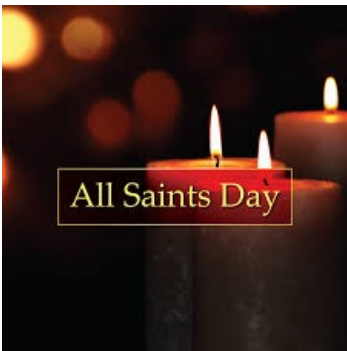
*<sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21*

This past weekend, we welcomed Rev. Joan Gray, former moderator of the PCUSA, pastor, and author to help us draw our Session retreat to a conclusion. She spoke about one of her books, *Sailboat Church*, which the Session has been studying this year. I think that I can speak for everyone who was there when I say the time was holy and life-giving and inspiring.

The book reminds us that the church is meant to be a sailboat, with our sails open to the power of the Holy Spirit. We are not a rowboat, where it is all up to us to row in order to get us where we are going. Where we are going is wherever God is leading us and to follow that path, we must open our hearts and our sails so that the Spirit can guide, direct, and power us.

Rev. Gray shared some characteristics of God-powered churches. God-powered churches experience church as a divine-human partnership and make nurturing a relationship with God a top priority. God-powered churches are Spirit-powered and live by prayer. God-powered churches take spiritual realities and resources seriously. God-powered churches live to sail, to do God's will by the power of the Spirit out in the world as well as inside the church. God-powered churches teach and practice discernment which shapes our common life. God-powered congregations discover that coming at decisions through seeking God's will shapes them into being more Godly in their life and mission. (Joan S. Gray, *God-powered Church*, WJKP).

Her words are both encouraging and challenging! Our confidence is in God and we should live that way! Many times we drag down our sails and pull out our oars thinking we can row our way through the tasks of our lives and even the work of the church. But, we must recognize that it is God's power at work within us that is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine. As we welcome new officers this month and look toward all that God is calling us to do for the coming year, let us commit to opening our sails and sailing.



### November 6– Ordination/Installation and All Saint’s Day

Join us as we give thanks for the Saints who have gone before us and celebrate God’s call upon our lives today and for the future. **Sunday, November 6**, we will honor church members who have died in the past year. We will also celebrate the ordination and installation of our new officers. You are invited to wear red as we pray for the Spirit’s blessing upon our leaders and our church.

### Advent Worship

#### November 20th - January 1st, One Service at 11:00 AM



November 20th is Christ the King Sunday!

Join us for a special worship service as we sing through the church year and begin to look toward the holy season of Advent. Advent begins November 27th and we will be preparing our hearts for the coming of our Savior using Sanctified Arts’ series, From Generation to Generation. A daily devotional booklet as well as intergenerational activities and opportunities are all a part of how we will celebrate Advent. Beginning on Sunday, November 20th, we will celebrate Christ the King and the season of Advent as the one body of Christ in one worship service at 11:00 AM.



### Ukraine Update

Join us during worship at either 9:00 AM or 11:00 AM on November 13th to hear news about our ministry in Ukraine and Welcome Rev. Dr. Robert Gamble of This Child Here to share about how the funds we helped to raise have made a difference in the lives of the people of Ukraine.

**The apostle Paul says: “I always thank my God for you and for the gracious gifts he has given you.”**

(1 Corinthians 1:4, NLT)

With hearts overflowing with gratitude for their service, we celebrate and give thanks for those who have served Christ and this congregation as Elders, Deacons, and leaders. Elders: Mason Cline, Dennis Collier, David Dundee, Nannette Enloe, Katie Godfrey, and Beth Weathersby. Deacons: Sean Ireland, Kathe Keck, Brac Panter, Sheilah Simons, Diane Wrinkle. Inactive Elders who have served as committee chairs: Mark Bridges, Nan Collier, Rhonda Gaffoglio, Kyle Russell. We also give thanks to God for those who are using the gifts God has given them to lead and serve for the future: Elders: Mark Bridges, Betty Dundee, Rich Gaffoglio, Meredith Gaines, Paul Green. Deacons: Brian Purtymun, Jennifer Nebergall, Sheilah Simons, Keith Williamson.

### *Blessing of the Animals*



*From the Session:*

The following are Session activity since the last meeting:

1. The October Session Meeting was moved from 10/18/2022 to 10/30/2022 (Sunday) at 12:00 Noon to accommodate the schedule of Joan Gray.
2. Jean Gilliland and Suzanne Collins were appointed by acclamation to attend the 10/22/2022 Cherokee Presbytery Meeting in Blue Ridge, GA.

***From the Stewardship & Finance Committee:***

Through September (3/4 yr) Pledges are running about 2% ahead of budget but Total Income is about 15% below budget. Spending is 4% above budget due primarily to some extraordinary general repair expenses so we're almost 20% behind on a total net basis. November and December are typically big giving months so let's pray that trend holds again this year.



**Yard Work Day  
November 13th**

The leaves have fallen and many hands are needed to make light work of caring for our neighbors who need a helping hand with yard work and/or other Fall maintenance tasks. **Sign up to help using [this link](#) or call the church office.** If you know someone who could use some help with Fall tasks, contact the church office. All ages are welcomed to be a part of this service day. We will gather immediately after the 11:00 AM service for a brief lunch (Publix subs) and head out to our various tasks.



**This Advent season**, help us to beautify our historic sanctuary by placing a poinsettia in memory or honor of someone you love. Drop boxes and envelopes for orders are located at the entrances to the sanctuary and church office. The cost is \$15 per poinsettia. Please make checks payable to: First Presbyterian Church. Payment must be made at the time of ordering. A list of memorials and honorariums will be included in the Christmas Eve Bulletin. Sunday, November 20 is the deadline for placing orders.



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF CARTERSVILLE  
BLOOD DRIVE**

**Wednesday, November 9, 2022  
2:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Gathering Space**

**For more information, to schedule an appointment, & to do RAPIDPASS, go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: firstprescartersville**



**Ladies Night Out**

November 17th,  
6:30-8:00 pm at  
Okinawa  
1010 N. Tennessee Street



**Help those in need stay warm this winter!**

Donate a gently used coat (adult size) for our Friendship Table guests. Please drop-off donations in the Cornerstone Room.

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Thank you

FOR A WONDERFUL FALL FESTIVAL !

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Fall Festival a huge success! The families that came enjoyed Trunk-or-Treating, crafts, face painting, the Cake Walk, and so many more fun activities. Thank you for inviting your family, friends, and neighbors.

Thank you to all who decorated a car and handed out candy, those who volunteered their time to help out during the festival, and to all who donated baked goods for our Cake Walk!

The whole community had a wonderful time in fun and fellowship!



**College/Young Adult Care Package**

If you have a college student, young adult, or a child in the military please send their address to

[andrea@cartersvillepres.org](mailto:andrea@cartersvillepres.org).

If an address has changed since last spring, please send Andrea an updated one. The youth are going to put together Care Packages in November.

If you would like to donate to the packages, please check out our [Amazon Wish List](#) or drop items/gift cards off in Andrea's office by Nov. 6.

**Youth Group**

**November Calendar**

**Nov. 1** – (Tues) Serve at Friendship Table (4:30-7:15 p.m.)

**Nov. 6** – Youth Group + Dinner – 4 - 6:30 – College Care Package Packing

**Nov. 13** – FPC Yard Day

**Nov. 30** – Hanging of the Green Worship Service





# First Presbyterian Pre-School

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November Bible Verse:  
*Rejoice always, pray continually,  
 give thanks in all circumstances.*  
 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

The preschool had a wonderful time in October! We spent a beautiful day playing at Creekside Farms on our school wide field trip; 3s, 4s, and K went to see The Wizard of Oz at the Grand Theatre; and we finished the month with our costume parade and parties! We have another exciting month ahead!  
 (See Events)

## Events for November

- ♥ Fall Pictures November 1 and November 2
- ♥ PreK and Kindergarten Field Trip to Pettit Preserve November 11
- ♥ Thanksgiving Celebrations will take place Tuesday, November 15 and Friday, November 18
- ♥ Thanksgiving Break ~ November 21-25



Above: Nora Menerey having a blast at our field trip to Creekside Farms

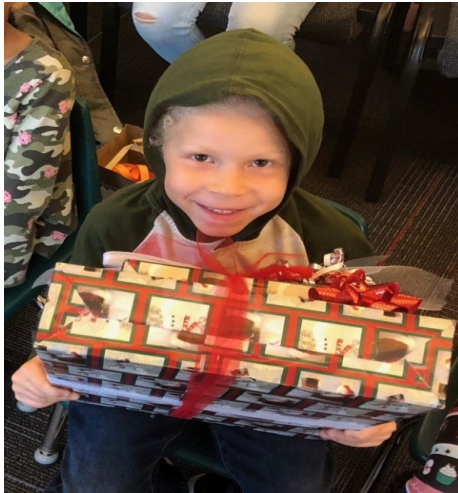
Below: Delanie Conley and Riya Harkhani ready for Pajama Day





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# Hands of Christ After School Program



*Make a child's  
Christmas wish  
come true!*

Please remember the children of the Afterschool Program this Christmas. **Angel Trees will be displayed beginning Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Pick an angel from the tree and make a child's Christmas wish come true. We have 180 children looking forward to this special tradition this year! You will find the angel trees in the children's education area, in the Fellowship Hall, and in the front vestibule Sunday morning. Please remove an angel from the tree, sign the gift list, and return one wrapped gift of around \$35.00-\$45.00 to the ASP office. Please attach the angel tag to the gift. **All gifts need to be turned in to the office by Monday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>.**



## Let us do the shopping for you!

Support the Angel Tree mission by making out your check

to Hands of Christ, dropping it in the offering plate at church and we will purchase and wrap the gift. You can also use online giving through the church website, just designate your gift "HOC angel tree".

## Upcoming Holidays:

**Nov. 21-25 Thanksgiving Break**



**Dec. 1 Christmas Parade**

## 2022 Hot Toy List

\*some items may retail for more than \$35 but can be purchased with a coupon or on sale at Thanksgiving

### Ages 5-7

- Hatchimals Pixie Flyers
- Slime Making Kit
- Foam Alive
- Little Live Pets
- L.O.L Surprise! OMG!
- Hoodies
- Barbie Dreamtopia Unicorn
- Coding Critters
- Rad Robots
- Pomsies
- Movin + Chat Max
- Crayola Light Board
- Blume Dolls
- Spiderman Super Web Slinger
- Monster Trucks

### Ages 8-11

- Nerf Blasters
- Slime Making Kit
- Air Hogs o-gravity Laser Car
- Nerf Nitro Rapid Rally
- Art sets, gel pens
- Magnatiles
- Drones
- Go Glam Nail Stamper
- Scooter
- Hoodies
- Circuit maze
- Air Hogs Supernova
- Lego Gear bots
- Hot Wheels
- Flipside

## *November Birthdays*

1	Debbie King	29	Charlotte Whatley
3	Jackson Cline	29	Brooke Bowen
3	Walker Clark	30	Mina Harper
4	Jim Ireland		
4	Megan Gregory		
5	Emmanuel Mukete		
5	Scarlett Warlick		
7	Eliza Johnson		
8	Ross Whatley		
9	Alice Baker		
10	Cailyn Campbell		
12	Ann Cummings		
14	Lane Baker		
19	Harris Pressley		
23	John Zierer		
25	Tina Clark		
25	Cindy Tobin		
27	Jackie Thompson		
28	Donna Bridges		



## *In November We Pray for Our Church:*

**Staff:** Pam Radford, Laurie Adams (ASP), Gina Brown (ASP), Angela Warlick (Preschool), Ariel Belcher (Preschool)

**Officers:** Jimmy Cline (Session), Anne Marie Benton (Diaconate)

**Ministries:** Faith Development Ministry

**Families: November 1-7:** Autumn Bruno, Adam and Jamie Brush (Drake, Jacob), Wilma Cameron, George and Martha Campbell (Bailey, Cailyn), Rebecca Carr

**November 8-14:** Brian and Heather Choate, Zim and Martha Choate, Scott and Tina Clark (Kellie), Jason Clark (Walker, Lilla), Joseph Clark

**November 15-21:** Thomas Clark, Jimmy and Tinsley Cline (Jackson, Mason, Julian), Jerry and Sue Coalson, Dennis and Nan Collier, Emily Collier

**November 22-30:** Molly Collins, Suzanne Collins, Ariel and Sally Conlin, George and Debby Crim, Ann Cummings

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## ***November Calendar***

### **November 1**

6:30pm - Properties Committee Meeting

### **November 2**

7:00pm - "The Grace of Les Miserables" Zoom Study

### **November 3**

10:30am - Ladies Bible Study/Celebrating Sabbath

### **November 6 - Daylight Saving Time Ends**

11:00am - Ordination & Installation of Church Officers

### **November 7**

6:00pm - Mission Committee Meeting

### **November 8**

7:00pm - Faith Development Meeting

### **November 9**

2:00pm - Red Cross Blood Drive till 7:00pm

7:00pm - "The Grace of Les Miserables" Zoom Study

### **November 10**

7:00pm - 12 Women of the Bible Study

### **November 13**

12:00pm - Yard Work Day

### **November 14**

6:00pm - Worship Committee Meeting

### **November 15**

7:00pm - Session Meeting

### **November 17**

6:30pm - Ladies Night Out @ Okinawa

### **November 21 - 25**

FP Preschool & Hands of Christ ASP Thanksgiving Holidays

### **November 21**

5:30pm - Stewardship & Finance Meeting

### **November 23 - 25**

Church Office Closed Thanksgiving Holidays

### **November 28**

7:00pm - Diaconate Meeting

## **Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule**

- The Preschool and Hands of Christ ASP Thanksgiving Break November 21 – 25.
- The church office will be closed November 23, 24, and 25.

