



MEMORIAL MESSENGER

Latest News

The Food & Shelter item of the month for June is **peanut butter**. Please place your donation in the box by the church information table.

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Community News

The Norman Chapter of Parents Helping Parents will meet on Thursday, June 13 at 7:00 PM at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, located at 901 North Porter in Norman



Memorial Presbyterian Church accepts **online donations** through a partnership with the Presbyterian Foundation, via the Presbyterian Mission Exchange. Look for the



“Give Now” button on our website, www.memorialpres.org, or scan the QR code here. Recurring or one-time donations may be made by credit/debit card or by direct transfer from your bank account (EFT). We will continue to accept cash and checks as well.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

As I write you today, we are one day from a presbytery meeting. This one is our biennial Tri-Presbytery meeting, when all three Oklahoma presbyteries meet together. It looks to be a good gathering as we meet in Oklahoma City at Westminster Presbyterian Church!

As the new Stated Clerk of our presbytery, I am learning that it takes a great deal of behind the scenes work to make the two days happen. We started discussing this meeting last fall. Meetings, emails, and phone calls all help get the event put together. Coordinating visitors and guests, as well as our own members, meals for those attending, A/V needs, getting directions and hotels to them all make for a great deal of work for all three presbytery offices.

Then we have to put the meeting together. There are agendas and minutes, finding out who needs to speak and make presentations, and putting them all together means trying to make a seamless meeting. It was coming along relatively well.

And then....AND THEN...our computer server at the presbytery office was hacked. Ransomware appeared and it took some 10 days to be fully up and running again. We were completely shut out of documents, programs and email as our tech company worked to get us back up and running. Yesterday was the first day we had access to everything.

It was frustrating, to be sure. But I realized that though we had some roadblocks in our way, it wasn't life and death. This "event" coincided with the storms the state (and country) have been having, and really puts into place what is important.

It is my hope that we all can recognize what is important, and what are the "littler things" that we sometimes fret over. I hope you'll take some time over the summer to evaluate your "important things" verses your "littler things."

May summer bring some time for reflection.

Grace and peace,
Tracy

Clerk's Corner

Session met on Tuesday, May 21 at 7PM at the church. The following actions were take:

- (1) Session approved a request to use our facility by the League of Women Voters and by the Narcotics Anonymous group
- (2) Session approved the membership transfer request by Judy Burns.

There will be no meeting of session in June. The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 16 at 7PM

Respectfully,
Joan Cole
Clerk of Session

Stewardship Update			
May 1 to May 31, 2019			
	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	2019 Budget
Pledges	\$71,935.00	\$62,916.65	\$151,000.00
Other Income	\$7,523.40	\$2,083.35	\$12,000.00
Total Income	\$84,408.40	\$67,916.65	\$163,000.00
Total Expenses	\$75,309.20	\$82,249.90	\$197,400.00

ADIEU, HOLLY VAN AUKEN!

Thank you, Holly, for the many roles you have played at Memorial. You sang in the choir for years and occasionally gifted the congregation with your solo musical talents. You served as a deacon welcoming members old and new to Memorial. You took the reins of Kids' Club, leading activities, cooking the meals, befriending parents as well as kids. We thank you, Holly, and hope you will find what you seek as you leave Memorial.

On behalf of the Mission & Evangelism Committee, we wish to thank you all so much for your generous contribution to this special offering. We collected \$592.46 and have forwarded that money on to the Presbyterian Church USA. We love it that our small congregation is helping to make the world a better place in a big way.



Be sure to join us on Pentecost Sunday, June 9 for a special worship service. You are encouraged to wear red as we celebrate the birth of the church!

Vacation Bible School will be July 15-18 from 6pm-8pm.

I ♥ VBS

MISSION AND EVANGELISM COMMITTEE



HYGIENE KITS FOR REDROCK AND GRIFFIN

The Mission and Evangelism committee will be collecting personal hygiene items for Redrock and Griffin for the summer months (May – August). Travel size items are the perfect size. Our goal is to collect at least 60 of each item listed below, as there are a total of 60 beds between the two facilities.

There will be a box in the hallway that leads to the sanctuary beginning May 5, 2019. Once the items are collected, the Youth Group will create the kits by placing the items in a zip lock bag. There will also be a healthy snack inside each bag (i.e. granola bar or similar). Please do not bring snack items. We'll add those in August.

Here's a list of what is needed:

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Hairbrush
- Comb
- Lotion
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Deodorant



WORSHIP AND MUSIC

First, some thank you's.

Thank you to Ms. Avery Rich for joining the Chancel Choir this spring and blessing us with your time and talent. We hope you will find the Stillwater Public Schools welcoming as you embark on your teaching career.

Thank you to Ms. Solena Rizzato for being our organist and for directing the Children's Choir. Thank you also for bringing Avery, your roommate, to Memorial. You have left the organ better than you found it, and have blessed us all with your spritely personality and your musical talents. We hope you will be greatly enriched by your summer internship in Massachusetts.

Thank you to Ms. Lindsey Bertram for coming from northwest Oklahoma City to be our guest pianist for the month of May. And thank you to Michael Yeager for accompanying the choir during Wednesday rehearsals.

Now for some business

Communion Servers,

Please try to be in the sanctuary by the start of the service. The choir takes turns having anxiety attacks when we are aware that someone is missing. Also, if you are serving the north or south side and reach the back before the middle servers do, please pass the elements to the middle back rows. This keeps our service flowing. The server closest to the sound booth should serve those in the narthex.

Ushers,

Please be in the narthex by 10:40 to pass bulletins to the early arrivals. After we start, feel free to join the congregation, but please remember that you are also passing the offering plates. You will want to move to the narthex to get your offering plate before Tracy announces for you to come forward.

Head Ushers,

When we have communion, you are asked to come to the front with the servers and sit on the end of the north side. Tracy will (hopefully) hand you both bread and juice after they are blessed. These are for you to take to the nursery attendants.

If any ushers or servers know that they will be unable to serve on the assigned dates, please try to trade with another person. There are **new schedules** for ushers on the information table in the hallway. Lisa has been sending reminder cards to the ushers and she will follow the schedule unless you notify her of a change. This also goes for having the correct names in the bulletin.

Thanks to all of the servers and ushers for your part in our worship of God!



After 110 years in ministry to its community,

Southminster Presbyterian Church,

3415 S. Western Avenue

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

will close.

Please join us for a final worship service on

Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 10:45am.

M.Y GROUP NEWS
JUNE 2019



ATTENTION ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12, the last youth group meeting was May 19. We went to an escape room and had soooo much fun! Unfortunately, I didn't remember to take pictures.

There are no planned M.Y Group activities for the summer (June, July, August).

I want to thank all those who provided a meal for our youth group meetings. Your willingness to help out is so appreciated; not only by me but also by our very hungry youth.

Youth group activities will resume again in September. I can't wait to see what this next year brings.

HELP WANTED

PAID PERSON TO WORK IN OUR CHURCH NURSERY

If you are 16 or older (or know someone who is), has reliable transportation to get to church every Sunday and is willing to be here from 10:30AM-12:15PM every Sunday, please have them contact Joan Cole, 405-329-4325 and leave a message for me.

I want to thank Kierstyn Upton for her faithful service to the church – providing reliable and loving care of those children who were in our nursery during worship. As you all know Kierstyn is graduating from high school this year and will be attending OSU in the fall. Her last day as our nursery attendance will be June 16.

NOTE TO ADULT NURSERY VOLUNTEERS: If I am unable to find someone to start on June 23, please be sure and check in with our only paid nursery attendant (Gysheilla) to see if she needs assistance. It will be important that you find a substitute should you not be available on your designated Sunday.

Thank you.

Joan Cole

June Worship Duty Schedule

Head Usher: Larry Upton

June 2

Ushers: Jim Rodriguez & Tim Thiessen
Communion Servers: Doug and Ann Forsyth, Grace Tamukong, Lucy Lanning
Coffee: Gladys Jangha & Linda Eckel
Sound Booth: Karen Upton
Acolyte Assistant: Melissa Gill
Nursery Assistant: Donna Vint
Lock-up: John Beck

June 9

Ushers: Karen & Paul Upton
Coffee: Ann Forsyth & Eileen Burke
Sound Booth: Mike Cole
Acolyte Assistant: Lisa Upton
Nursery Assistant: Linda Eckel
Lock-up: Doug Forsyth

June 16

Ushers: Will & Jessica Farris
Coffee: Grace Tamukong & Donna Vint
Sound Booth: Will Farris
Acolyte Assistant: Joan Cole
Nursery Assistant: Karen Upton
Lock-up: Mike Girdner

June 23

Ushers: Loreen Upton & Breanna Upton
Coffee: Carl Forthman & Breanna Upton
Sound Booth: Mike Girdner
Acolyte Assistant: Trudy Beard
Nursery Assistant: Joan Cole
Lock-up: John Beck

June 30

Ushers: Grace Tamukong & Melissa Gill
Coffee: Mike Cole & Trudy Beard
Sound Booth: Larry Upton
Acolyte Assistant: Karen Girdner
Nursery Assistant: Susan Beck
Lock-up: Larry Upton

July worship duty schedule will be in the June Mid-Moth Messenger and will be available on the information table.

Jesus Prays for All Believers



THAT ALL
MAY BE
ONE

"May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." John 17:23 (NIV)

Unscramble the letters and write the word correctly in the space provided.

1. NYITU _____
2. EON _____
3. PRRYEA _____
4. MLTECEOP _____
5. DVEOL _____
6. VBEILEE _____
7. RWDLO _____
8. LONAE _____
9. YLOGR _____
10. SASEMEG _____

PRAYER	BELIEVE	WORLD	ONE	UNITY
ALONE	MESSAGE	GLORY	COMPLETE	LOVED

Known Joys and Concerns

Those who seek healing

Lola Carroll
 Sandy Clarke
 Jim Eckel
 Laura Eckel
 Doug Forsyth
 Alice Lanning
 Jayelle Martin
 Jona Thiessen
 Devyn Upton
 Karen Upton
 Harry Wright
 Darrell Hinson (Karen Upton's father)
 Paul Gallagher (Karen Upton's biological father)
 Carole Jo Evans (Tracy Evans' mother)

Those who Experienced Recent Loss

Betty Silman whose husband Bill Silman died on March 17.
 Harry Wright whose daughter Tracy Garland died on March 30

Joys

Seminary Student

Samuel McCann, Pittsburgh Theo. Seminary
 We lift up in prayer the country of Cameroon and pray for the unrest our brothers and sisters are experiencing there.

In an effort to stay apprised of our ongoing prayer concerns, prayer requests of those outside the MPC family will stay on the concerns list for one month. Please let the office know if there is a need to be listed longer.

June Birthdays

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| 9 | Briana Bliss
Todd Forsyth |
| 11 | Paul Phelps |
| 12 | Cassandra (Cassie) Upton |
| 14 | Lyne-Maris Sama |
| 16 | Zyan Autry |
| 18 | Paul Upton |
| 22 | Kierstyn Upton
Carolyn Montgomery |
| 25 | Judd Lanning |
| 27 | Rod Pennington |
| 28 | Linda Rodriguez |
| 29 | Corey Fisher
Gary Thrailkill |

June Anniversaries

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| 5 | Larry & Loreen Upton |
| 5 | Rachel & Michael Klenda |
| 15 | Wade & Amanda Forthman |
| 18 | Doug & Ann Forsyth |

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 10:55 a.m. Memorial Worship Service 4:00 p.m. UCC Worship Service	3 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	4	5 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	6	7	8
9 10:55 a.m. Memorial Worship Service 4:00 p.m. UCC Worship Service	10 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	11	12 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	13	14	15
16 10:55 a.m. Memorial Worship Service 12:00 p.m Deacon Meeting 4:00 p.m. UCC Worship Service 5:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeting	17 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	18	19 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	20	21	22
23 10:55 a.m. Memorial Worship Service 4:00 p.m. UCC Worship Service	24 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	25	26 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	27	28	29
30 10:55 a.m. Memorial Worship Service 4:00 p.m. UCC Worship Service						