



MEMORIAL MESSENGER

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Latest News

The Urban Mission item of the month for November is Toilet Paper. Please place your donation in the box by the church information

November 9th 5:00-6:30, the Kids Club and Youth Group will be painting Christmas ornaments

Nov 6, 2016 - Daylight Saving Time Ends

A baby shower will be held for Wade and Amanda Forthman in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 5, from 2 to 4

Memorial Presbyterian Church volunteers will once again be ringing the Salvation Army Red Bucket campaign bell. See article on pg. 6 for more details.

Community News

The Norman Chapter of Parents Helping Parents will meet on Thursday, November 10 at 7:00 PM at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, located at 901 North Porter in Norman

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

Many of us are anxious as we enter the final days of this political season. Many of us have our own personal or family anxieties, facing illness, joblessness, separations or other stressors. Every one of us faces some sort of battle, a reality we need to remember as we encounter each other in these days. A colleague and good friend posted the following prayer recently which spoke to me. I hope you appreciate it as much as I do.

"Dear God -- We are your complex, passionate, fatigued, and beloved children. All of us are sisters and brothers in humanity, help us to remember. Soften hard hearts. Heal the wounds so deep that we feel utterly broken and hopeless. Shine light into the darkest realities of our lives, and do so not in some cosmic, mystical way (thought that's okay, too), but send a friend, a casserole or tacos, someone to do the laundry or walk the dog. Help us all to look at each other and say, "I'm sorry I've been such an unmitigated jerk. Please forgive me. I forgive you, too. We can find common ground and move forward instead of sinking further into the hells all of us seem to endure with weary resignation." Because, Lord, we can. We can, with your help, remember that we are but dust, we are in this together, and hell on earth is not the goal. Justice, mercy, kindness, and peace are the goal -- are your goals. Nothing in life is simple, and yet you guide us through the gray areas and bring us out -- if we are willing -- to a bright new day. So, rejoice with those who rejoice. Weep with those who weep. Remind us who and whose we are in you. Amen."

Be kind to one another.

Peace,
Tracy

A GIANT thank you to all you who helped in hosting the Presbytery of Indian Nations meeting October 7. It was by all measures a great success.

To our greeters who faithfully welcomed and directed, to our worship assistants who helped the gathering praise God joyfully, to our food providers and servers who gave nourishment during a long day, and to those who stayed to help clean-up, please know that you are truly appreciated. It takes many dedicated people to make such a day go so well.

Please know that I am grateful for your assistance and your encouragement!
Tracy

Clerk's Corner

CLERK'S CORNER

Session met on Tuesday, October 18 at 7PM. The following actions were taken:

1. Session approved a voucher system for those turning in receipts for reimbursement. In order to for committee chairs to have total visibility of expenditures under their leadership, approval must be obtained from the appropriate committee chair prior to making a purchase.
2. The stewardship drive begins Sunday, November 6
3. Session approved two requests to use our facility. One from the Boy Scouts to use the library on Friday Oct 21 from 7-9PM and the other was from the Norman League of Women Voters to use our fellowship hall on Saturday, November 19 from 10AM-3PM

The next meeting of session will be Tuesday, November 15 at 7PM

Joan Cole

Clerk of Session

Stewardship Update			
September 1 to October 31, 2016			
	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	2016 Budget
Pledges	\$133,008.60	\$126,610.00	\$151,932.00
Other Income	\$8,347.56	\$21,666.60	\$26,000.00
Total Income	\$141,356.15	\$148,276.60	\$177,932.00
Total Expenses	\$154,269.80	\$157,766.10	\$189,321.00



November Worship Duty Schedule

Head Usher: Mike Cole

November 6

Ushers: Linda Eckel and Ann Fayles

Communion Servers: Melissa Gill, Donna Vint Wright , Holly Van Auken

Coffee: Trudy Beard & Ann Forsyth

Sound Booth:

Acolyte Assistant: Lisa Upton

Nursery Assistant: Susan Beck

Lock-up: Doug Forsyth

November 13

Ushers: Carolyn Montgomery and Harold Conner

Coffee: Jim Rodriguez & Lisa Upton

Sound Booth: Will Farris

Acolyte Assistant: Joan Cole

Nursery Assistant: Trudy Beard/Karen Girdner

Lock-up: Mike Girdner

November 20

Ushers: Paul and Erica Phelps

Coffee: Linda Eckel & Donna Vint Wright

Sound Booth: Larry Upton

Acolyte Assistant: Trudy Beard

Nursery Assistant: Donna Vint

Lock-up: John Beck

November 27

Ushers: Larry and Lisa Upton

Coffee: Loreen Upton & Doris Hinson

Sound Booth: Mike Girdner

Acolyte Assistant: Karen Girdner

Nursery Assistant: Linda Eckel

Lock-up: Harry Wright

M.Y GROUP NEWS
NOVEMBER 2016



ATTENTION ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12, here is our meeting schedule for November and December. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. You are always welcome to bring a friend (or two). All meeting times are 5-6:30PM unless otherwise stated.

NOVEMBER 13 - Games that will make you thankful you attended

DECEMBER 18 - Come join in the reindeer games and more

If you have any questions call or text me: (405) 830-8389).

Joan Cole



Memorial Presbyterian Church volunteers will once again be ringing the **Salvation Army Red Bucket** campaign bell. Memorial volunteers are scheduled to ring the bell on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016, at the Dillard's (Sooner Mall) east entrance location. There are various one-hour volunteer ringer slots from 10 a.m. through 8 p.m., on that Tuesday. There will be a sign-up sheet being circulated on Sundays.

Volunteer to ring a bell with a friend (*so you can have someone to talk to between the ringing*).

If you can't find the Bell Ringers' sign-up sheet, please call Paul Phelps at 405-310-3198 to get signed up. Thanks!

A baby shower will be held for Wade and Amanda Forthman in the fellowship hall on Saturday, November 5, from 2 to 4. The shower is hosted by their friends Bonny Jean Biswell and Leslie Stover Linn. Everyone is invited to attend. Their baby boy is expected to arrive in January.



Come Join us on November 9th 5:00-6:30, the Kids Club and Youth Group will be painting Christmas ornaments and eating pizza!



Jesus and the Sadducees

And they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God's children, since they are children of the resurrection. Luke 20:36 (NIV)

Based on Luke 20:27-38



M	V	E	C	K	M	P	I	W	W	A	W	V	E	J
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E	Y	W	I	F	N	R	I	S	E	A	H	A	K	Q
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J	N	W	Z	X	O	S	J	A	C	O	B	D	I	F
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A	I	X	W	H	M	Y	S	C	H	E	E	R	J	X
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MOSES
ISAAC
WIFE

ABRAHAM
JACOB
WOMAN

MARRY
RISE
DEAD

ALIVE
SEVEN
CHILDREN

BROTHER
ANGELS
WIDOW

Known Joys and Concerns

Those who seek healing

Gene Bergstresser
 Lola Carroll
 Sandy Clarke
 Janice Crump
 Dave Iske
 Vince Leseney
 Jayelle Martin
 Jeff Roesel
 Devyn Upton
 Jim & Linda Eckel
 Jan Ferguson
 (friend of Georjana Mauldin)

Those who Experienced Recent Loss

Family of Paula Coffman
 Family of Ruby Marsh

Joys

Liam Timothy Farris born September 9,
 2016
 Esau and Nicholine Jangha who are new
 U.S. citizens
 Jetson Lee Martin July 31 to Kenny Martin
 and Isabella Alexander

Seminary Student

Samuel McCann

In an effort to stay apprised of our on-
 going 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.

To receive prayer requests by email,
 please contact Jona Thiessen at:
jthiessen2@att.net

November Birthdays

4	Justus Rambur
5	Patsy Jones
7	Vince Leseney Jerel Williams
8	Charles Baker
9	Abigail Jangha
10	Jennifer Eckel
13	Lorraine Annoh
15	David Wilson
16	Sandy Clarke
17	Gladys Jangha
18	Lola Carroll Jan Cunningham Garlett Leann Williams
23	Alice Lanning Ben Jangha
25	Josh Hudson

November Anniversaries

3	Tim & Georjana Mauldin
27	Jim & Linda Rodriguez

November 2016

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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7:00 P.M. Boy
Scouts

8



6:00 pm Mission
& Evangelism
Committee
7:00 pm
Christian Ed
Meeting

9

3:00 P.M. Kids'
Club
4:00 P.M.
Children's Choir
6:30 P.M. Chancel
Choir

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7:00 P.M. Boy
Scouts

15

7:00 pm Session
Meeting

16

3:00 P.M. Kids'
Club
4:00 P.M.
Children's Choir
6:30 P.M. Chancel
Choir

17

7:00 pm Building
& Grounds
Meeting

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12:00 P.M.
Deacon Meeting
5:30 P.M.
Stewardship
Meeting

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7:00 P.M. Boy
Scouts

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Office
Closed

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7:00 P.M. Boy
Scouts

29

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3:00 P.M. Kids'
Club
4:00 P.M.
Children's Choir
6:30 P.M. Chancel
Choir