

We are here to assist you in ministry!

Elders

Ministry Assignments

Class of 2008

Julie Baker*
583-7482

Church Growth

Larry Fritz
582-1515

Buildings & Grounds

Elaine Krieger
582-0872

Finance/Stewardship

Nelson Mankey
582-4055

Worship

Class of 2009

Greg Connelly*
587-1879

Christian Education

Ron Edmonds
584-4292

Christian Education

Martin Keast
582-2082

Nominating

Jared Lehner
585-8761

Finance/Stewardship

Dan Piper
583-8662

Mission

Class of 2010

David Groves*
585-1045

Church Growth

Janice Mills
582-7412

Worship

Teresa Smith
589-0869

Fellowship

Louise Wade
584-0675

Mission

Harry Wibeto
583-1380

Fellowship

*Trustee

Bonnie Shaver—Clerk of Session

Deacons

Class of 2008

Carolyn Billerbeck
924-1884

Clara Eberly
582-2644

Ginnie Herleman*
582-5868

Tom Hewitt
582-5702

Carley Watson
582-3799

*Chairperson

Class of 2009

Bonnie Bruckman
589-9234

Karen Ehlers
582-1633

Jane Hammer
583-1896

Bonnie Hewitt
582-5702

Class of 2010

Sally Gordon
585-1311

Lonn Huntington
584-7089

Judith Kuhn
583-1218

Georgina Snyder
583-6662

Teresa Voyles
584-2053

Staff

Tony Winterowd

Pastor

Martha Bentley

Senior Adult Ministries

Pepper Jay

Youth and Family Ministries

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Children's Ministries

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Traditional Service: 9:00 a.m.

Contemporary Service: 10:30 a.m.

Mission Statement

*“Making disciples of Jesus Christ
who go to make disciples of others.”*

9:00 a.m. TRADITIONAL SERVICE

(Sunday School is available for children of all ages.)

Prelude “Grace Greater Than Our Sin/Amazing Grace” arr. Hammerly

Welcome & Announcements

(A special welcome to newcomers and guests – check the announcements and calendar for upcoming events. Please sign and pass fellowship pads.)

Prayer of Invocation

Introit “The Palms”

*Call To Worship

Leader: God of all mercy and compassion, forgive us for our failures.

People: Meet with us here today and bring mercy and peace into our lives.

Leader: Help us to move forward in the power of your grace.

People: Meet with us here today and bring mercy and peace into our lives.

Leader: Help us to know that there is abundant life waiting for those who are willing to follow you.

People: Meet with us here today, and teach us to follow you.

***Hymn** 249 “All Glory, Laud and Honor”

Prayer of Confession

Loving and Merciful Father, like the crowds who greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem so long ago, we, too, can be guilty of making him into something he was not nor came to do. Forgive us and remind us that Jesus came to defeat sin, conquer death, restore our relationship with you, and offer us new life. Lord, work to bring us around to a correct understanding of your Son and our Savior. Give us your words, your dreams and your purpose for our lives. Empower us to act on what we know is true about you. In Christ's name we pray, amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Praising God with Our Gifts

Offertory "My Savior's Love" arr. Bober

*Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 321 "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

Congregational & Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory, forever. Amen

Anthem "Words of Love"

Scripture Romans 6:1-14

Pew Bible Blue-page 799; Red-page 1754

Sermon "Divided Loyalty"

Series: *Romans: God's Solution for the Human Condition*

***Hymn 266** "Nothing but the Blood"

***Benediction**

***Concluding Chorus** "He Is Lord"

(It is our custom to hold hands in friendship during the closing chorus.)

He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

***Postlude** Trumpet Voluntary on "Llanfair"
arr. Ashdown

*Please stand if able

Adult Sunday School Classes

9:00 a.m. – Illuminating – Challenging – Beautifully Video graphed – Such is the series "That the World May Know." Historian Ray Vander Loan explains the significance of Israel's heritage both to the Old and New Testament eras and to 21st Century Christians as well. Each segment presents a "faith lesson" and allows time for our multi-generational group to discuss what we've seen and to share insights. Not currently in a Sunday School class? Come join us in the Fellowship Hall Overflow.

10:30 a.m. — *The Anchor Class* is now studying religions and cults of the world, using Biblical perspective to compare and contrast beliefs such as Judaism, Catholicism, Islam, Mormonism, Jehovah's Witnesses and others. You are invited to join us in the fascinating study. You need not be a Bible scholar and there is no homework for this class which meets in the church office conference room on Sunday mornings.

10:30 a.m. – *Small Group Study* – Fellowship Hall Overflow. You are invited to join with us as we study Lent, "The Week That Changed Everything". The last week of Jesus' life is pivotal in world history and in the lives of his followers. If there is any week that is worthy of study, it is this one!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME NEWCOMERS AND GUESTS! We are delighted to have you with us today. Please fill out the registration form or the card in the visitor packet with your address and phone number and put it in the offering plate or give it to an usher so we can bring you a loaf of homemade bread. Join us for Fellowship time (in the Fellowship Hall) between services for coffee, snacks and getting acquainted with others. *Please come again; you are always welcome!*

MISSION YEARBOOK OF PRAYER—Can you imagine how difficult it is for Jesus to experience the adulation of the crowd on Palm Sunday when he knows that in a very short while the cheers will turn to jeers, the palms to thorns? Worse, he carries this burden alone because no human being knows his fate. The crowd is excited about welcoming their promised King. Little do they know, his reign will be like nothing they have ever seen before. This reign is nothing like we have ever seen. His is a ministry of mercy, not might; of expectation, not condemnation; of relationships, not pronouncements. Even today the world has the same trouble understanding. Wouldn't it be great if the church could consistently demonstrate the kind of confidence Jesus showed in fulfilling his mission? Wouldn't it be great if the world got to know the real Jesus through the consistent witness of those who know the true Messiah? We in this congregation have reached out, giving of our service, money and hearts, to our community – Gardenside, Hannah's House, and the larger world – Guatemala and Compassion International – but there are still so many stomachs hungering for sustenance and hearts hungering for the mercy, love and forgiveness of God. May this Palm Sunday challenge us to rededicate ourselves to the sacrifice ministry of Jesus Christ.

If you would like to know more about ...

1. *Sara's Law* (parental notification regarding minors having abortions)
2. *ProtectMarriage.com* (Defining marriage as union between one man and one woman)

Please see Sheri Winterowd and Kim Lehner respectively. They will be happy to provide you with information and an opportunity to sign petitions.

If you would be interested in helping out with our **CHURCH VAN MINISTRY** by getting a Class B license, please contact Martin Keast or Kevin McCarty.

Have you paid your **PER CAPITA** for this year? It is \$24.75 per member. To date \$2251.95 has been received. \$7854.00 is due by March 31.

There will be **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** to elect a Deacon for the Class of 2009 on Sunday, **March 30** after the second service.

March 30, at 9 and 10:30 am, the youth will be making an informal report on their mission trip during the **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**. Everyone is invited to attend even if you don't usually attend one of these classes.

Are you **READING YOUR BIBLE DAILY**? To help you get started with this, Bible verses are listed on the calendar portion of the bulletin. Please let us know if this is helpful.

First Presbyterian Church, Hanford is offering ***DIVORCECARE and DIVORCECARE FOR KIDS (DC4K)** support groups on Sundays from 2 to 4 pm. This is a 13 week program. There is a one time cost for workbooks (\$10 for adults and \$15 for kids). Please call the church office to register or for more information. Check out our website www.fpchanford.org for a short video on both groups.

*There aren't many people around who understand the pain divorce or separation has caused. That's the reason for **DIVORCECARE**. DivorceCare is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. These seminars will be taught by Louise Wade and Anne Reinhart, people who understand what you are experiencing. Most importantly, you'll learn how to deal with the pain of the past and look forward to rebuilding your life. DivorceCare is nondenominational and features biblical teaching for recovering from divorce and separation.

The Prayer List

Telephone and e-mail Prayer Chains: *Prayer requests can be e-mailed or phoned to Martha Bentley @ 582-9711 or martha@fpchanford.org

*Those needing urgent prayer support:

Bob Atwood	Steve Robyn
Ernie Takeda	Leslie Tarvin
Suzann Congdon Isenberg	Glenn Clayton
Dorothy Crass	Carole Frazier
Alyson Lehner	

*Those needing continued support:

Ruth Asaki	Rosemary Baker
Bill Bernstein	Zeita Carteeti
Betty Feaver	Dorothy Fullerton
Maki Hase	Jim Hoekstra
Elizabeth Morgan	Laverne Rudholm
Burton Shofner	Dorothy VanDenBerg
Paula Vidaurri	Payson Vucovich
Jan Weisser	Jeff White


Praying through the church roster:

Tim & Debra Revious
Morgan Rhoads
Miranda Rhoads
Beth Richards
Steve & Marsha Robinson

UPCOMING EVENTS

3/16	Rest Home Worship
3/17	Single Friends Monthly Social
3/20	Maundy Thursday Service
3/22	Eggstravaganza
3/23	Sunrise Service Breakfast Sunday School Traditional & Contemporary Services

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK: Mar 16 - 23

	A.M.	P.M.
S U N 16	<p>☀Ps. 150 Ps. 32; Zech. 9:9-12; 1 Tim. 6:12-16; Luke 19:41-48</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HOSANNA! HOSANNA! HOSANNA!</p> <p>9:00 Traditional Service, Sunday School for all ages 10:00 Fellowship Time 10:30 Contemporary Service, Adult Sunday School, Powerhouse for children</p>	<p>12:30 Mariners meet @ Round Table Pizza (820 W. Lacey at 11th Ave.) for Lunch 2:00 DivorceCare (Youth Lounge); DivorceCare for Kids (Power Station); Rest Home Worship – Mariners Leading 3:00 GriefShare Support Group (Office)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Small Groups</p> <p>6:00 Prayer & Share @ 1998 Roland; Bakers @ 3036 N. Yale Way; McCarty/Hartleys @ 332 W. Windsor Dr.</p>
M O N 17	<p>☀Ps. 145 Ps. 6; Lam. 1:1-2,6-12; 2 Cor. 1:1-7; Mark 11:12-25</p> <p>10:30 Staff Meeting</p>	<p>6:00 Single Friends Social (Fellowship Hall)</p>
T U E 18	<p>☀Ps. 34 Ps. 91; Lam. 1:17-22; 2 Cor. 1:8-22; Mark 11:27-33</p> <p>6:30 Men's Bible Study (Office) 12 Noon Women's Bible Study (Office)</p>	<p>7:00 Session Meeting (Office)</p>
W E D 19	<p>☀Ps. 5 Ps. 51; Lam. 2:1-9; 2 Cor. 1:23-2:11; Mark 12:1-11</p>	<p>6:45 Choir Practice 8:00 Praise Team Practice</p>
T H U 20	<p>☀Ps. 27 Ps. 102; Lam. 2:10-18; 1 Cor. 10:14-17, 11:27-32; Mark 14:12-25</p> <p>10:30 Little Beginnings Playgroup</p>	<p>7:00 Maundy Thursday Service</p>
F R I 21	<p>☀Ps. 22 Ps. 105; Lam. 3:1-9, 19-33; 1 Peter 1:10-20; John 13:36-38</p>	<p>Church closes at noon</p>
S A T 22	<p>☀Ps. 43 Ps. 31; Lam. 3:37-58; Heb. 4:1-16; Rom. 8:1-11</p> <p>11:00 Eggstravaganza @ Court House Park by the Carousel</p>	
S U N 23	<p>☀Ps. 93 Ps. 117; Exod. 12:1-14; John 1:1-18; Luke 24:13-35</p> <p>6:30 Sunrise Service 7:30 – 10:30 Breakfast (Fellowship Hall) 9:00 Traditional Service, Sunday School for all ages 10:30 Contemporary Service, Adult Sunday School, Powerhouse for children</p>	 <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; letter-spacing: 0.5em;">E A S T E R</p>

FOR CHILDREN DURING WORSHIP

CHILDCARE available from 8:45 a.m. through 11:30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for Toddlers–5th Grade at 9 a.m.

POWERHOUSE (Children's Church) is for 4-year olds through 5th graders during the 10:30 service. 4th & 5th graders are encouraged to stay with their parents in the

sanctuary, but are always welcome at Powerhouse. Powerhouse meets upstairs in the Power Station, room 302

Ask an usher for **picture books** for your little one to use during worship. Return them to the Narthex before leaving.

A **cry room** is available if your child gets fussy. Feel free to use it at any time during the service. The **small, white notepads** in the pews are for children to use. They may draw on these, and then you may take their artwork home.

A **changing table** is available in the Women's Restroom.

For your **baby's protection**, if you use the childcare facility, please meet our childcare staff. Nursing mothers are welcome, but no other visitors are allowed in the nursery or toddler room during worship. **Please use viewing windows to check on your child.** Only authorized persons should pick up your child.

MEDIA MINISTRY

If you would like to order a video or CD of a worship service, please fill out the order form located in the pew rack and place in the offering plate or contact a technician at the media desk located at the rear of the sanctuary.

PARKING

For those who can walk a little farther than others, please park in the large parking lot. Those who need to park closer can then use the small lot.

HEARING DEVICES, CUSHIONS

Ask an usher for hearing aid devices & seat cushions.



Volunteers who enhance our worship...

March 16

Elder: Martin Keast

Ushers: 9:00 Wayne Kuhn, Maxine Wade, Fred & Janet Stivers 10:30 Tim & Debra Revious, Charlene Forsythe, Louise Collins

Back Door Greeters: 9:00

Bob & Paula Casterson 10:30 Brandon & Leah Null
Coffee Hour Hosts: Maxine Wade, Alyce Chapman
Nursery: Kali Cauthen, Emily Groves
Toddler: Leah Null, Kelly Abbott

Powerhouse: Julie Martella

Van Driver: Georgina Snyder

Flowers: Donna VanBeek in memory of Dan VanBeek

March 23

Elder: Greg Connelly

Ushers: 9:00 Art Ramm, Marjorie Willson, Lorraine Knutson, Dorothy Shaw 10:30 Tim & Debra Revious, Charlene Forsythe, Louise Collins

Back Door Greeters: 9:00

Clara Eberly & Gail Williams 10:30 Al & Jean Knudson
Coffee Hour Hosts: Easter Breakfast Served

Nursery: Kali Cauthen, Emilie Mankey

Toddler: Leah Null, Kelly Abbott, Lexi Charlwood

Powerhouse: Joanne Groves

Van Driver: Sheryl McCarty

Flowers: Easter Lilies