

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

Joanne Groves

Children's Ministries

Kelly Abbott

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Music 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 “And Can It Be” arr. Wyrzten

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 Light of the world is Jesus”

*Call To Worship

Leader: We gather here today, O Lord, in hope of the promise of life.

People: You have defeated sin and death, and made eternal life available to all,

Leader: and not just eternal life in the future.

People: You make eternal life available to us in this life now,

Leader: that our lives may take on an eternal quality even as we live day to day.

People: Call out life in us, O Lord, and let us live fully every day.

***Hymn 260** “And Can It Be That I Should Gain?”

Prayer of Confession

Loving and Merciful Father, We confess that our flesh gets us into difficulty. We see

things we shouldn't see and don't turn away. We think thoughts that don't honor Christ and linger there. The flesh is a struggle for us. The desire to rise above our weaknesses is often overcome by the enjoyment we find in sin. Forgive our daily struggles and remind us that life in Christ is ultimately more satisfying than the short-term pleasure of sin. Thank you for becoming flesh in Jesus so that we can be inspired by his example. In Christ's name we pray, amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Praising God with Our Gifts

Offertory "Prayer" by Handel

*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 421 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

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 "Grace"

Scripture Romans 7:7-25

Pew Bible Blue-page 799; Red-page 1754

Sermon "Deadly Serious"

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

***Hymn 299** "He Lives"

***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** "Prelude in Classic Style" by
Young

*Please stand if able

Guest Organist: Lanelle McCarty

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—Fulfilling the mission to “reach out to all nations and bless them with the life and message of the gospel” presents many mission fields in which to plant the seeds of God’s blessings! This is certainly so in the northwest corner of Georgia. With groups from Brazil, Ghana, Latin America, Kenya and Korea living in its communities, the Cherokee Presbytery has many reasons to celebrate new ministries. The approach of running towards immigrants to greet them and welcome them through educational events like the annual Immigrant Leaders Retreat, business, church and political leaders come together to discuss community issues. The Kenyan Fellowship is deeply grateful to its host church for opening the doors of its building and for fellowship, has vowed to pass on it the same spirit a welcome to groups that follow them. *For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him” Romans 10:12*

First Presbyterian Churches of Fresno, Visalia and Hanford are sponsoring a **MEN’S CONFERENCE, May 2-4** at Calvin Crest. For more information, see Pastor Tony or at the information wagon in the Fellowship Hall.

To say we are busy is to say that Greenland has ice. We are running as fast as we can- to work, school, church, sports, music lessons, the mall- but the faster we run and the more places we run to, the more some of us feel we are really running nowhere. With a few girlfriends who are just as wiped out but want to get somewhere too, you can link arms and begin to figure out how to get off the treadmill. Discover what God has to say about the stress in your life- your schedule, expectations, limits, happiness, and much more. With literary and cultural insights, conversation starters, and key passages from The Message quoted in the text, you will find encouragement and insight to stop **RUNNING NOWHERE IN EVERY DIRECTION**. This group meets every other Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Childcare is provided. If you are interested in joining this study please contact Kim Lehner 585-8761 as soon as possible to reserve a book. This study will begin **April 26th**.

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.

AGAPE CIRCLE will meet Thursday, **April 10** at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Wayne Kuhn will present a program on his recent missionary trip to Guatemala. Co-hostesses are Beverly Brautigam, Jane Hammer and Jeanne Boles. *All women are welcome*. Call Maxine Wade, 584-3975, for a ride or questions.

Join the **MARINERS** at the **FRESNO GRIZZLIES BASEBALL GAME, April 12**. For details, contact Janet Harader, 583-8817.

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 \$2501.95 has been received. **\$7854.00 is due by March 31**.

There will be **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** to elect a Deacon for the Class of 2009 and an Elder for the Class of 2008 **TODAY** after the second service.

Today, 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.

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:

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

*Those needing continued support:

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| 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:

Michael & Linda Seaton
Jim & Bonnie Shaver
Dorothy Shaw
Lenora Sheppa
Burton Shofner

Bereavement:

Mary Stryd in the loss of her mother, Abbie Thyarks

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK: Mar 30 –Apr 6

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| S U N 30 | ☀Ps. 150 ☾Ps. 136; Exod. 14:5-22; 1 John 1:1-7; John 14:1-7 9:00 Traditional Service, Sunday School for all ages 10:00 Fellowship Time 10:30 Contemporary Service, Adult Sunday School, Powerhouse for children | 2:00 DivorceCare (Junior High Room); Single Friends to Temple Theater "Arsenic & Old Lace" 3:00 GriefShare Support Group (Office) Small Groups 6:00 Prayer & Share @ 1998 Roland Dr.; McCarty @ 332 W. Windsor Dr. |
| M O N 31 | ☀Ps. 145 ☾Ps. 124; Exod. 14:21-31; 1 Peter 1:1-12; John 14:1-17 10:30 Staff Meeting | |
| T U E 1 | ☀Ps. 98 ☾Ps. 66; Exod. 15:1-21; 1 Peter 1:13-25; John 14:18-31 6:30 Men's Bible Study (Office) 12 Noon Women's Bible Study (Office) | Committee Meetings 6:30 Buildings & Grounds, Fellowship 7:00 Worship, Mission @ 710 Laura Lane 7:00 Deacons Meeting |
| W E D 2 | ☀Ps. 99 ☾Ps. 9; Exod. 15:22-16:10; 1 Peter 2:1-10; John 15:1-11 9:15 Community Bible Study for Women | 6:00 Dinner 6:30 Music Madness 6:45 Classes & Programs for all ages, Choir Practice 8:00 Praise Team Practice |
| T H U 3 | ☀Ps. 47 ☾Ps. 68; Exod. 16:10-22; 1 Peter 2:11-3:12; John 15:12-27 10:30 Little Beginnings Playgroup | 6:30 Hand Bell Practice |
| F R I 4 | ☀Ps. 148 ☾Ps. 138; Exod. 16:23-36; 1 Peter 3:13-4:6; John 16:1-15 | |
| S A T 5 | ☀Ps. 92 ☾Ps. 114; Exod. 17:1-16; 1 Peter 4:7-19; John 16:16-33 | |
| S U N 6 | ☀Ps. 93 ☾Ps. 117; Exod. 18:1-12; 1 John 2:7-17; Mark 16:9-20 COMMUNION SUNDAY 9:00 Traditional Service, Sunday School for all ages 10:00 Fellowship Time 10:30 Contemporary Service, Adult Sunday School, Powerhouse for children | 2:00 DivorceCare (Junior High Room) 3:00 GriefShare Support Group (Office) Small Group 6:00 Bakers @ 3036 N. Yale Way |

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 30

Elder: Greg Connelly
Ushers: 9:00 Art Ramm, Maxine Wade, Marjorie Willson, Lorraine Knutson
10:30 Tim & Debra Revious, Charlene Forsythe, Louise Collins
Back Door Greeters: 9:00 Jack & Elaine Boyd 10:30 Lois Zercher, Bill Wynne
Coffee Hour Hosts: Louise Wade, Louise LauLetta
Nursery: Kali Cauthen, Danielle VanBaren
Toddler: Leah Null, Kelly Abbott, Bronte Hernandez
Powerhouse: Joanne Groves
Van Driver: Gail Backman
Flowers: Spring Silk Arrangement

April 6

Elder: Larry Fritz
Ushers: 9:00 Wayne & Judith Kuhn, L. W. & Carolyn Hartley 10:30 Dean & JoAnna Crechriou, Jane Hammer, Louise Collins
Back Door Greeters: 9:00 10:30
Coffee Hour Hosts: Norm & Kathy Ferreira
Nursery: Kali Cauthen, Emily Groves
Toddler: Leah Null, Kelly Abbott, Matthew Baker
Powerhouse: Kathy Prewitt
Van Driver: Martin Keast
Flowers: Spring Silk Arrangement