



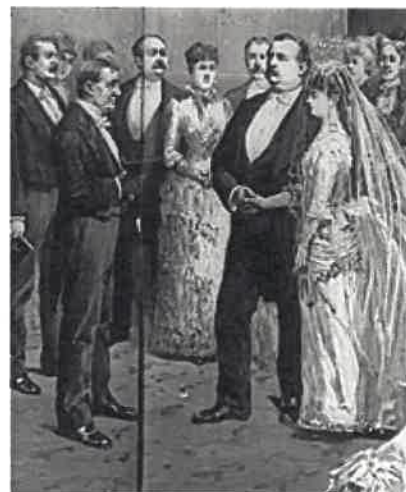
Celebrate the Gifts of Women *June 3rd, 2018*

On Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday we will lift up women who have answered God's call to leadership, service, mission, and justice. The Presbyterian Women of Lafayette will lead the service and offer symbols and stories to inspire and nurture us.

A Moment in Presbyterian History

On June 2, 1886, Presbyterian minister Byron Sunderland married President Grover Cleveland and Frances Folsom in the White House. It was the only marriage of a President in the mansion.

Rev. Sunderland was pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC, and had also served as Chaplain to the U.S. Senate. President Cleveland was the son of a Presbyterian minister.



Summer Giving!

As we approach the summer months, please remember our church in your tithing and giving! Keeping your pledge current really helps us survive the summer months, and special gifts toward the Mercy Fund, the Building Fund, or the General Fund are always appreciated!



From the Pastor's Desk...

"Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble." ~ 1 Peter 3:8

Dear Lafayette members and friends,

The 223rd General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) will convene June 16th in St. Louis, Missouri.

Our denomination has been battered and tossed by conflict, questions, and challenges over the past thirty years. During these decades, the debates over serious social and theological issues have led to membership declines and to many churches leaving our fellowship.

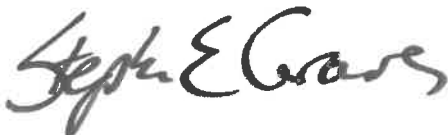
I believe that our differences and our disagreements bless us and challenge us to pray, to consider, to grow, and to think! I truly believe that I am a better pastor and Christian because the Presbyterian Church (USA) has never been a society open only to the "lock-step like-minded." My prayer is that the churches and members which remain will pull together and cherish our connections, our history, and our faith.

Pray for our General Assembly. Read and offer the prayer below, or, simply, open your heart to God and share your dreams and yearnings for our larger church:

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you called disciples, and, by the Holy Spirit, made them one church to serve you. Be with members of our General Assembly. Help them to welcome new things you are doing in the world, and to respect old things you keep and use. Save them from empty slogans or senseless controversy. In their deciding, determine what is good for us and for all people. As this General Assembly meets, let your Spirit rule, so that our church may be joined in love and service to Jesus Christ, who, having gone before us, is coming to meet us in the promise of your kingdom. Amen.

~ PCUSA, Book of Common Worship

In the Spirit of Peace and Unity!



Pastor Steve





Everyone who worships with us is part of our family in Jesus Christ—but it is a special joy to receive new members!

Our Session is hosting a New Member Orientation in the Christian Education building on Sunday, June 3rd, 9:45 am.

The orientation will be lively and informative, and is a marvelous opportunity for fellowship. It will last approximately 40 minutes.

All are invited—even those who haven't yet made a decision.

For further information, see Pastor Steve, Randy Burns or Bob Henning.

“Laugh, Learn, and Lunch”

will meet **Wednesday, June 20th**,
12:00 Noon at the Westminster Oaks
Parry Center, in the Floridian Dining Hall
(left side.) Lunch for non-residents is \$10
(credit or debit only.)

Pastor Steve invites all members, friends,
and guests to join him the third Wednesday of each
month at **Westminster Oaks** for lunch, news,
prayer, inspiration, and laughter.



All members and friends are invited to join us for Committee Night, Tuesday, June 12th, at 6:30 PM! Come share ideas, offer input, or just observe the “Presbyterian Process” at work!

Meet and Eat Groups

Are you new to Lafayette Church? Or, do you share a pew during worship with a new member? Meet and Eat groups are the perfect opportunity to become familiar with your worship family.

Round 24 is about to begin! Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy fellowship in a small group atmosphere.

Here is how it works: Groups of 7 or 8 (we keep it small to facilitate conversation) meet once a month for dinner or lunch.

We try to select a different restaurant each month and to choose ones that are not too noisy. Groups stay together for 4 months so each member/couple has a chance to select the restaurant. Then, the group

members are "shuffled" for the next round so you have the chance to talk with a new group of folks.



There is one group named "the Lunch Bunch" that only meets at lunchtime for those who don't drive at night. This group is mostly static in membership except for the new members that keep joining!

We may start a new group that wishes to dine in each others' homes in the evening. If you are interested, please indicate on the sign-up sheet.

If you would like to participate, please fill out the sheet in the Narthex and place it in the offering plate before June 18th. If you are riding with a current member and wish to continue with that member, please note on the sign-up form. Current participants will automatically be re-enrolled unless Sandi Herrington is notified by calling 904-910-1308.



A Brief Summary of the May 15th Stated Session Meeting

- ✦ The Property Committee is looking to make new arrangements with the Gideons for the storage of Bibles, as the green shed they've been using is needed for equipment storage.
- ✦ Pastor Steve gave an update on the status of the sale of our church property. (See related article below.)
- ✦ The Evangelism Committee was authorized to exceed its 2018 budget so that the website might be simplified and improved.
- ✦ John Kinneer will serve as commissioner to the May 19th Presbytery meeting in Marianna.

Sale of our Church Property: *The "Home Stretch?"*

From all indications, the church should be closing soon on the sale of church property to the north of "The Rock." The only issue that remains between the developer and the county is to determine the exact boundaries of the two sub-lots to be established after the sale.

Several elders asked about the temporary easement granting the developer access to our property. This was the permission we granted the developer at a congregational meeting to build the berm at our west boundary. It also allows the developer to examine the lots they intend to purchase without "trespassing." The developer does not have any plans to access our primary church property, and this easement will "sunset" soon.



Session Committees, Chairs, Session Class

Administration & Finance

Tom Peele * (2018)
Denise Vandiver (2020)

Christian Education (vacant)

Evangelism
Randy Burns * (2018)
Bob Henning (2018)

Membership

Martha Ann McCaskill *(2019)

Mission

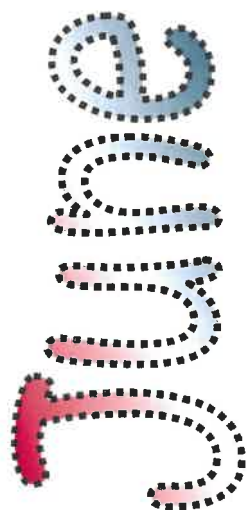
Matt Weinell * (2018)
Margaret Warren (2019)

Property

Ken Johnson * (2020)
John Kinneer (2020)

Worship

Sandi Herrington * (2019)



People Serving Our Church This Month

Ushers

Karen Gunter
Diana Swegman
Nancy Telander, Captain
Tyler Telander, Captain

Liturgist

Margaret Warren



"Coffee and a Cookie" Contemporary Book Club 3rd Monday of the Month – 7:00 P.M.

Read a Diverse Range of Fascinating Books... Enjoy Delightful Fellowship... & Treats!

- Monday, June 18 ~ ***America's First Daughter*** by Stephanie Dray at the home of Denise Vandiver
- Monday, July 16 ~ ***Louisiana Longshot*** by Jana DeLeon at the home of Mary Keyt

Please contact Mary Keyt 545-0142 or Martha McElveen 942-4379 for more details or if you would like a ride to a meeting.

Are you interested in a complete list of the books we have read since we began this group in January of 2016? Email: toyao@earthlink.net to receive a copy.

REMINDER

Operation Christmas Child items/money can be donated all year round. Donated items can be placed in the basket in the narthex. Please make checks payable to the Circle of Friends.





June Dates and Special Days

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday School	Sundays	9:45	AM
Sunday Worship	Sundays	11:00	AM
Pastor's Bible Study	Mondays	11:00	AM
Bible Study & Prayer	Mondays	6:00	PM
Chancel Choir	Wednesdays	7:00	PM
Kingdom Ringers	As announced		

MONTHLY EVENTS

Circle of Friends	2 nd Monday	6:30	PM
Contemporary Book	3 rd Monday	7:00	PM
Morning Circle	2 nd Tuesday	10:30	AM
Committee Night	2 nd Tuesday	6:30	PM
Session Meetings	3 rd Tuesday	6:30	PM
Evening Circle	Last Tuesday	6:00	PM
Laugh, Learn, Lunch	3 rd Wednesday	12:00	N
WOW Circle	2 nd Thursday	11:00	AM
Crafts for Missions	4 th Thursday	6:30	PM
Men's Prayer Breakfast	2 nd Saturday	9:00	AM

SCOUTS

Pack 10 Meetings	Mondays	7:00	PM
Troop 10 Meetings	1 st , 3 rd Tuesdays	7:00	PM
Patrol Leaders Council	2 nd Tuesday	7:00	PM

JUNE (Lafayette Church Events in Bold)

SUN	3	11:00 AM	Celebrate the Gifts of Women
SUN	10	12:10 PM	June Luncheon, Mission and Evangelism Committees
THU	14		Birthday of the Army
			Flag Day
FRI	15		Magna Carta Day
SAT	16		General Assembly, PCUSA begins
SUN	17		Father's Day
			World Day To Stop Desertification
TUE	19		Juneteenth
WED	20		World Refugee Day
THU	21		Summer Solstice
MON	25		International Beatles Day

JULY

WED	4		Independence Day
SUN	8	12:10 PM	July Luncheon, Finance Comm.



Nazareth Village



***We need the following donations for
Vacation Bible School! Can you help? Thanks!***

- Plain, clean, large bed sheets
(you get them back unharmed!)
- Material suitable for "Bible-era" head coverings
- Cotton balls, large and small
- Craft sticks
- Hand sanitizer
- Glue guns and inserts
- Quart & snack zip-bags
- All sizes paper plates
- Napkins
- Very small bags of dry mustard, cumin, dill, coriander, mint, hyssop
- Olives
- Grapes
- Dates
- Fig Newtons
- Pita Bread, flat breads
- Olive Oil
- Honey, Hummus
- Yogurt (fruit cups AND large plain)
- Pistachios, almonds
- Bugles (chocolate and regular)
- Chocolate chips
- M&Ms, Reese's pieces
- Sprinkles
- Jelly beans
- Fruit snacks
- Large and small marshmallows
(many of the mini)
- Gummy bugs and worms
- Chocolate syrup
- Cocoa Krispies
- Ice cream, toppings
- Spray whipped cream
- Goldfish
- Bottled water (small)
- You may also donate toward costs



SUPPORT UKIRK DURING THE SUMMER!

Donate baked goods to Calvin's Coffee House!

We are looking for bakers to donate homemade pastries/muffins/breads to UKirk's Coffee House, Calvin's, on Mondays and Wednesdays. These baked goods would need to be dropped off to Calvin's by 8:30 a.m. on the designated date, so they can be sold throughout the week.



Amazon Smile

Support UKirk by making your purchases online through our Amazon Smile site! The UKirk name on Amazon Smile is Presbyterian Univ Center. You can search for it on Amazon Smile's list of charities, or Pastor Steve can email you a link! (The link name is too long to print!)

CRAFTS FOR MISSIONS

The Craft group will have our evening workshop meeting on **Thursday, June 28th**. We meet in our **Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.**



Our group is working on items for various missions. Some are working on the loom knitted hats, the fleece baby blankets, the Little Dresses for Africa, items for the Operation Christmas Child boxes, Chrismons, and other items.



The missions that we focus on include, but are not limited to, Courage Through Cancer Ministries (Hats!), PCUSA Disaster Assistance, Thornwell Children's Home, Operation Christmas Child boxes, Westminster Oaks, and Little Dresses for Africa.

What is your favorite mission?

We hope you will **join us in June.**



PW News

Circle Meetings

Circle of Friends meets the second Monday of the month at 6:30pm and are studying "The Story" by Max Lucado and Randy Frazee

Morning Circle meets the second Tuesday of the month, (Sept-June), at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. We use Horizons Bible Study, and we have a Bring-a-Salad Lunch.

WOW Circle meets the second Thursday of each month at 11:00am in the home of Jackie Montgomery. After the study we go to lunch at a restaurant of our choice.

Evening Circle meets the last Tuesday of the month at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We have dinner. We use Horizons Bible Study.



The Morning Circle's mission project is to collect gently used adult and children's clothing, household items, books, and toys for the Refuge Thrift Shop for abused women and children. Items may be dropped off at church the second week of each month.

For information

call Charlane Casey (850-656-1957) or May Tudor (850-339-0154)

Nazareth Village

Vacation Bible School, July 12th AND July 15th



Vacation Bible School is coming!
A VBS filled with excitement, energy, and the word!

We will travel to Nazareth, the home town of our Lord!

“Gaspar Goat” will be our guide as we explore the hills of Nazareth Village!

VBS will begin with a Thursday night dinner on July 12th. The theme and the leaders will be introduced, and we'll have our

first look at the exciting “Nazareth Village.” We'll also enjoy “Goat Throat” make-your-own sundaes and “Nazareth” ice cream!

“Nazareth Village” will continue on Sunday afternoon, July 15th, beginning at 3:00 PM, and will include an informal Sunday meal.

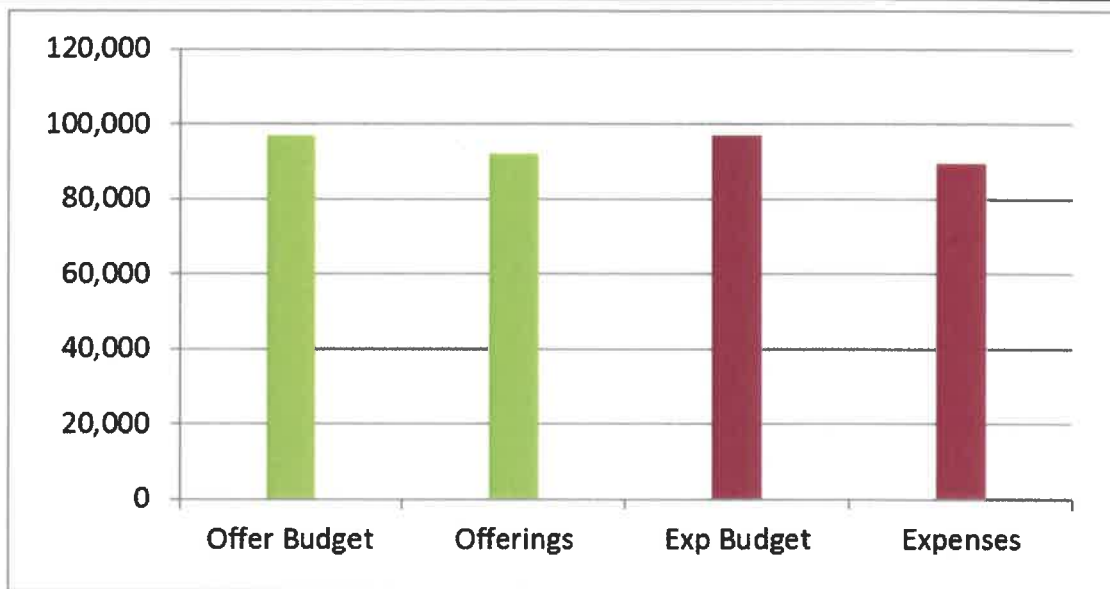
How can you help? We need leaders for the various classes and stations. Each leader has only limited responsibilities and there are breaks. It's easy but rewarding.

Perhaps YOU will be our story-teller! ...or you might take one of the stations in downtown “Nazareth Village” ...or you could be a snack person, or a nifty crafty helper!

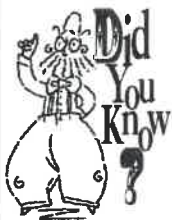


Please see Pastor Steve or Susie Graves if you have questions or input!
Watch for opportunities to sign up or to donate supplies!

APRIL 2018 FINANCIAL UPDATE			
Offering Budget January - April	Actual Offerings January - April	Expense Budget January - April	Actual Expenses January - April
\$96,983.36	\$92,335.91	\$96,892.16	\$89,379.19



Your offerings are important to help us meet our budget goals!



DID YOU KNOW?

BY PHIL FERGUSON

The word "Satan" means adversary, or depending on which dictionary you read, Satan is defined as the chief evil spirit, the great adversary of humanity, the great adversary of God, the tempter of mankind, the accuser, the Devil, Beelzebub, or Lucifer.

Whether it is the Hebrew word Satan or the Greek word Devil, it is the name that personifies all evil and all that is opposed to God and Jesus Christ. His name is seen only a few times in the Old Testament, but more than 30 times in the New Testament.

At one time, Satan was the highest of all angels and desired to rule the universe and be God instead of serving God. Because of this, God cast Satan out of heaven as a fallen angel. In the book of Matthew, Satan is described as ruler of demons or evil spirits and as having angels which are subject to him.

Often portrayed as trying to get humans to do wrong, or to sin, he has also been described as "The Angel of Darkness".

We Lift Up In Prayer . . .

Prayer Concerns as of May 30, 2018

Prayers from 5/27/2018

- The Douglas family, friends of Lynda Blount
- Joe Faragasso
- Jackie Frakes, sister of Pat Hunt
- Rhonda Siplin
- John Smith, friend of Ken Norman
- Russell Stovall
- Carol Wade

Prayers from 5/20/2018

- William Vice, Jr., friend of Marena Blount
- Jaya Herman, granddaughter of Randy & Bonnie Burns
- Anne Logue
- Rev. James Peacock

Prayers from 5/13/2018

- Family of *Earl Dennard*, Frank's Uncle
- Family of *Paul Babbas*, friend of Richard & Martha McElveen
- Ken Norman
- Heather Smith, daughter-in-law of Jim & Carolyn Smith

Prayers from 5/6/2018

- Andre Libert, friend of Sherwood DeForest
- Sandy Chamberlin, friend of Steve & Susie Graves
- Beckett Burge, friend of Sandi Herrington
- Fran Levy, friend Sandi Herrington
- Norene Gilbert, sister of Ellen Jacobs
- Ken Norman
- Gail Brown, co-worker of Denise Pentecost

Homebound/Assisted Living

- Perry & Ruth Dawson, Westminster Oaks
- Laverne Fletcher
- Vicky Grafe, daughter-in-law of *Mary Lee Grafe*
- Pat Ingham
- Jean Johnson
- Ralf Miller, St. Augustine Plantation
- Victor Stimpson
- Beverly Thayer
- Jack Trobaugh, Consulate
- Jim & Margaret Urquhart

Continuing Prayers

- Our Armed Forces around the world
- Jordan Askew, grandson of *Reubin & Donna Lou Askew*
- Kevin Askew, son of *Reubin & Donna Lou Askew*
- Angela White, daughter of *Reubin & Donna Lou Askew*
- Annie Scratchley, sister of Jean Brinson
- Darrell Burns, brother of Randy Burns
- LaVerne Gibson
- Anne Hebrock
- Jennifer Jackson, daughter of Billie Jackson
- Ellen Jacobs
- Ronnie & June Gainous friends of Ken & Lois Johnson
- Ron Koldenhoven, brother of Lois Johnson
- Jeff Mills, friend of Faith Kinneer
- Anita Moreno
- Carol Peele
- Leonard & Twila Phillips
- Libby Smith, daughter-in-law of Ellis & Sara Lou Smith
- Denny Chevillot, friend of Tyler & Nancy Telander
- Mark, friend of Tyler Telander
- Carolyn Wallace
- Gail Yates
- Those who have no one to pray for them

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Lafayette Presbyterian Church</i></p> <p>June 2018</p>					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 12:15 PM Kingdom Ringers Rehearsal	11:00 AM Bible Study		7:00 PM Chancel Choir			9:00 AM Men's Breakfast
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9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 12:05 PM Fellowship Luncheon	11:00 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Circle of Friends	11:00 AM Morning Circle 6:30 PM Committee Meetings 7:00 PM Patrol Leaders Council	7:00 PM Chancel Choir	11:00 AM WOW Circle @ the home of Jackie Montgomery Flag Day		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Lynda Blount
Secretary

Jeremy K. Wiggins
Music Director



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June Birthdays

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|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Susie Graves | 22 John Kinneer |
| 3 Jaclyn Weinell | 23 Lisa Stacey |
| 11 Andrew Tucker | 25 Ken Johnson |
| 14 Morris Miller | 25 Travis Winfree |
| 15 Lois Johnson | 26 Twila Phillips |
| 19 Louise Sadler | 27 Carole Ferguson |
| 20 Bonnie Burns | 27 Chris Poppenga |
| 22 Craig Isom | 29 Anita Miller |

