



## October is Stewardship Season

*“But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God. I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.” ~ Psalm 52:8*

As church family together, we find our roots in the word of the Lord! We draw strength from the old rugged cross, the symbol of death and defeat which became the very tree of life. We branch out from that tree to bear fruit together to the glory of God! In the name of the Lord, we share blessings within the church and beyond the church!

Let’s trust in the steadfast love of God and be as green olive trees in the house of the Lord!

We will celebrate World Communion Sunday on Sunday, October 3rd at our 10:30 am worship service. Come join in the *Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper* with Christians around the globe on this glorious Sunday dedicated to peace—through taste, touch, music, and by the Word of the Lord!

Disposable communion cups will be distributed by the Elders—each with a wafer and grape juice sealed safely. Home-baked bread portions will also be available.

The Peace Offering, received on World Communion Sunday, is one of the four annual Presbyterian Church (USA) special offerings.

This offering is divided so that our church keeps 25% to promote peace locally; 25% goes to the Presbytery, and the remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to promote missions of peace internationally.



**Together, We Bear Fruit!**

## From the Pastor's Desk...

*"What does the Lord require of you  
but to seek justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with our God?"*

*~ Micah 6:8*

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Dear Lafayette family,

What a year-and-a-half it has been!

We have prayed, struggled, and suffered in many ways, but during this **October Stewardship Season**, I want to remind us how we have been blessed, and how we have continued to share those blessings!

- Many of our Deacons and Elders have gone the extra mile keeping in touch and building relationships with members and friends of the church!
- Daily messages on our website, on Facebook, and on YouTube continue to bless many on a daily basis!
- Even though we now worship in the sanctuary, virtual worship and drive-up worship continue to fill a need!
- Our Music Department has continued to lift our spirits, and now the Chancel Choir has returned to sing God's praises!



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- There are many other examples of mission, outreach, Bible study, and fellowship that we have shared together creatively and joyously even during a pandemic. Hallelujah!

During this **Stewardship Season**, I wish to focus on the joy of giving, and on the many ways our church supports and encourages missions which serve the homeless, the dispossessed, and the downtrodden here and around the world.

I'm excited to be part of a loving and generous Lafayette community. With our church as a solid trunk, we, the branches, can serve with joy!

*As a green olive tree in the house of God, may we bear fruit together!*

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve E. Coars". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pastor Steve

from your

## Mission Committee

The Mission Committee is excited to announce two upcoming mission projects.

The Thornwell turkeys are coming!! Thornwell Home for Children in South Carolina is supported by the Presbyterian Synod of the South Atlantic. This wonderful place offers a safe, warm, family-style community for families and children in crisis. It is a well-loved tradition that each fall they distribute turkey shaped savings cards as a fundraiser. The cards will be available in October and will be collected on November 21, the Sunday before Thanksgiving. You don't need a card to make a donation – but it does make it more fun!



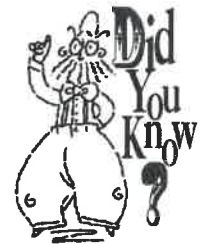
We will also be conducting a “fill the pulpit” food drive for ECHO (Emergency Care Help Organization), a faith based local organization with programs to help individuals and families meet their basic needs in times of crisis. We would like this to be a “holiday food drive” to help provide food for holiday meal baskets. ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE NON-PERISHABLE.

Suggestions include: canned hams, canned fruits and vegetables, potato mixes (mashed, scalloped, au gratin, etc.), stuffing mix, canned cranberry sauce, bread mixes (cornbread, pumpkin, etc.), pumpkin pie filling and evaporated milk, apple pie filling, pie crust mix, holiday napkins and/or paper plates. Collection will be October 15-November 21. Please give items

to an usher for delivery to the pulpit area of the church. There will also be a basket for any cash donations. Let's make this a happier holiday for our less fortunate neighbors.

### DID YOU KNOW?

BY PHIL FERGUSON



Long and coarse or short, soft and silky. Those are the two kinds of hair found on a Bactrian or two-humped camel. The hair can be collected by combing or shearing but is usually collected by gathering hair that is shed naturally during the molting season, which begins in late spring.

The camel's hair protects it in extreme cold or desert heat and camel's hair garments protect desert travelers from heat as well as cold weather. Although it can be dyed, the natural color is tan.

The outer protective fur, called guard hair, can be used to make a coarse fabric that can be used to make warm waterproof coats or even carpet backing. The soft undercoat hair is used to make a soft cloth suitable for making articles of clothing. Modern day garments made with camel's hair or its blends include coats, jackets, sweaters, skirts etc. for men and women.

John the Baptist wore a garment made of camel's hair. (Matthew 3:4 and Mark 1:6.)





## Pastor Appreciation

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, and it is usually observed on the second Sunday in October.

It a time for congregations to honor pastors and their families for devoted service, sacrificial dedication, and faithfulness to the Lord's call.

At Lafayette, it is our custom to also thank our retired pastors and their families for the many blessings they have shared and continue to share with our congregation.

### CHRISTMAS BOXES

Christmas Box Dedication Sunday  
will be November 7<sup>th</sup>.

There is a collection basket in the Narthex. If you wish to donate, checks may be made out to: Lafayette Christmas Box Mission. See Bonnie Burns for details.



## Help Spread the Word about our Church!

How can we witness our faith in a COVID world? How can we share “good news” amidst the trials and conflicts of everyday life?

Here are three ways you can spread the word that a blessed Spirit flows through Lafayette Presbyterian!

- ① Please like and share the Pastor's Daily Messages on Facebook. View them on Facebook, YouTube, or our church website, [fountainchurchtallahassee.org](http://fountainchurchtallahassee.org)!
- ② Participate in the Pastor's Monday Bible Class (zoom!)
- ③ Join the Adult Sunday School class (zoom!)

SPREAD THE WORD

**Call the office** or speak to the Pastor for details! Let's get the Word out!

## BROTHERS WILL BE BOYS

After a hardy spring shower filled all the potholes in the streets and low spots in yards, a young mother watched her two little boys playing in a puddle through her kitchen window.



The older of the two, a five year old, grabbed his three year old sibling by the back of his neck and shoved his face into one of the puddles.

As the boy recovered and stood laughing and dripping, the mother ran into the yard in a panic. "Why on earth did you do that to your little brother?" she asked as she took the older boy by the shoulder.

"We were just playing 'church,' mommy," he said. "I was the preacher baptizing him .....you know, in the name of the Father, the Son and ....in the hole he-goes."

~ submitted by Maree Peacock

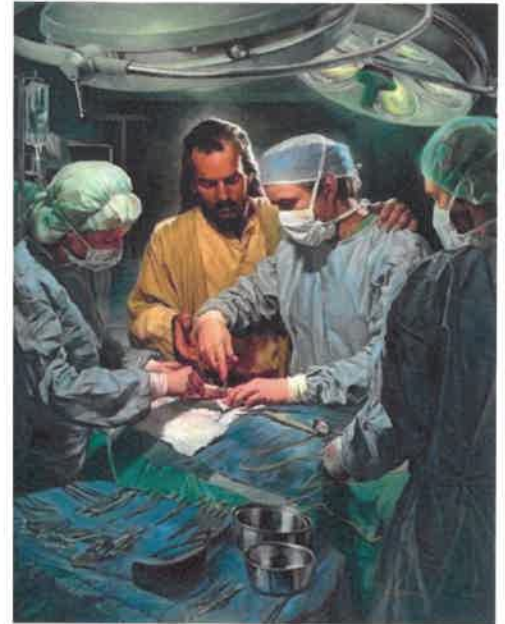


### Help for Hospital Visits!

Our former Interim Pastor Joan Wooten published a video on how to navigate one's

way through a hospital or a nursing center, where to find information about a patient, and what to do to prepare for a successful, meaningful visit. Check it out!

View "*Making a Hospital Visit*" on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/RaqTYzJ-IXI>.



*"Chief of the Medical Staff"*

by Nathan Green

~ submitted by Ken Johnson



Thanks are in order to Marlyn Weinell, Rita Tucker, Doug & Linda Pitts, Denise Vandiver, Denise Pentecost, Susie Graves, Susanne Korta, Maree Peacock, and Christy Stacey for providing a wonderful dinner for our UKirk campus ministry this past month. These versatile volunteers provided meal options to fit every dietary preference and brought much joy to our Presbyterian college students!



### Coffee and a Cookie Book Club

We are now meeting in-person with certain changes for safety precautions. We meet in the Church Fellowship Hall with distancing and we will not be bringing home prepared foods and drinks.

We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month from 1:00 – 2:00 P.M. We are always happy to welcome new members – men and women. If you want to join us please contact Denise Vandiver for more details. These are the next books we will be reading.

- Monday, October 18 ~ Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead (This is from the Travelling Book Club of the Library. We have 10 books to loan out and they must be turned in at Book Club on October 18<sup>th</sup>, or earlier).
- Monday, November 15 ~ The Lions of Fifth Avenue by Fiona Davis
- Monday, December 20 ~ A Christmas resolution by Anne Perry
- Monday, January 17 ~ The Stationary Shop by Marjan Kamali



**GO Pink**

October is Breast Cancer Awareness month and Lafayette Presbyterian Church is going pink. The Session has placed Go Pink signs at the front of the church that we picked up from the Tallahassee Memorial Cancer Center to show our support to the survivors of breast cancer, those still fighting, and the families and friends that support them.

We'd love to share your story or even honor someone (yourself or a person you care about), so please call, send an email, or even a letter and we will share it during the month of October on our Facebook page.

For more information please contact Faith Kinneer at 850-274-3421 or email [ava1995@gmail.com](mailto:ava1995@gmail.com) and don't forget to wear pink in October.



Bob & Ellen Jacob's daughter Lynn Lehn and her husband John are missionaries for the Lord in Croatia since 1992, coming alongside nationals to help them plant churches. Their October Prayer Calendar is on the main page of our website.



**Beth-El**  
Farmworker Ministry, Inc.



Beth-El sponsors a fruit and vegetable market on Saturdays because migrants who pick them often cannot afford them!!



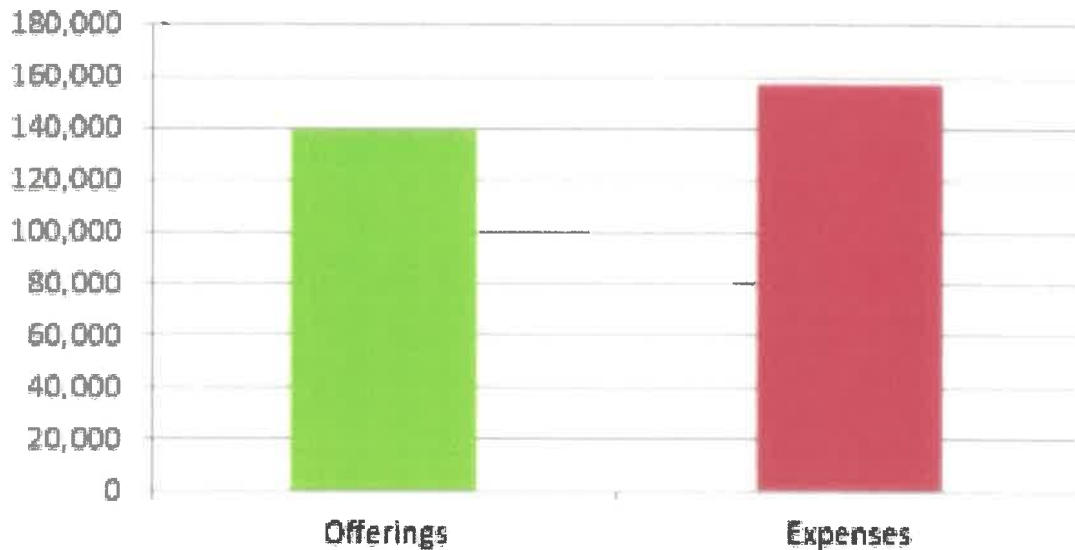
**PRESBYTERIAN  
DISASTER  
ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Church World Service and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance are working together to assist Afghan refugees. They will sponsor a national symposium on immigrants and migrants beginning Sunday, November 7, 2021.

**AUGUST 2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Actual Offerings January - August	Actual Expenses January - August
\$139,007.21	\$157,458.04



Proverbs 22:9: The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.

## Session Meeting Briefs † September 21, 2021



- † A quorum was present.
- † With regrets, the passing of members Carolyn Smith and Matilda Muñoz; and of friend Libby Smith were noted.
- † The minutes of the August Session meeting were approved as were the Treasurer's reports.
- † Budget and the upcoming Stewardship season were discussed.
- † The Worship Committee reported that October 3<sup>rd</sup> is World Communion Sunday, and that our newest Elders will serve the elements.
- † The Mission Committee reported on upcoming efforts, including ECHO (fill the pulpit,) Thornwell (turkeys,) and Christmas Joy offering, Sunday, December 19th.
- † The Property Committee detailed continuing maintenance, repair and upgrades. They also acquired "Go Pink" signs for breast cancer awareness.
- † The Christian Education Committee shared future plans for Children's Church and technology upgrades.
- † COVID protocols were discussed.
- † The October Elder on Call will be Denise Pentecost.



### Your Session Members in 2021 are:

<u>Class of 2021:</u>	Joe Faragasso, Rita Tucker, Marlyn Weinell
<u>Class of 2022:</u>	Sandi Herrington, Richard Loose, Denise Pentecost
<u>Class of 2023:</u>	Ned Stacey, Doug Pitts, Faith Kinneer

### Your Deacons in 2021 are:

<u>Class of 2021:</u>	Janet English, Susie Graves, Phyllis Loose
<u>Class of 2022:</u>	Susanne Korta, Ken Norman
<u>Class of 2023:</u>	Patti Dickman, Diane Dowling, Martha Ann McCaskill, Molly Miller





## CRAFTS FOR MISSIONS



The date for our Crafts for Missions workshop meeting will be **Thursday, October 28th**. We meet in our Fellowship Hall at **1:30 PM**. We will follow our church protocols by **social distancing and wearing masks**.

Our focus for the next few months will be the Operation Christmas Child Boxes. There are numerous items that we contribute to the boxes. We are always looking for new craft ideas too.

The loom knitted hats are always a favorite to work on. The cancer support group that we work with is in need of hats and we can use them for the Christmas boxes as well. The cancer support group is also looking for volunteers to teach groups how to make hats. Check with Rita for information regarding volunteering and the yarn to use for the hats.

***Do you have an idea for Christmas Child boxes or a favorite mission?***

Join us, share your ideas, and especially share the fellowship in **October**.

## New Addresses

**Sandi Herrington**  
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Tallahassee, FL 32312

**Richard McElveen**  
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Huntsville, AL 35811  
[zotrichardm@gmail.com](mailto:zotrichardm@gmail.com)

**Gail Yates**  
2700 Welaunce Blvd., Unit 508  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

## In Memoriam

Matilde Muñoz

March 17, 1927 - September 2, 2021

September 12, 2021

My dear Lafayette family:

On behalf of the Litumbe and Tucker families, I want to thank you all for your thoughts and prayers during this time of our mother and grandma's death. Some of you sent cards and others called. Your words were so kind and much appreciated. Thank you for your continued prayers as we prepare to lay her to rest October 16, 2021. God bless you all.

Sincerely,

Hannah Tucker and The boys.



# Calendar Dates and Special Days

## WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday Worship-----Sundays-----10:30 AM  
 Grace Sunday School----Sun/Zoom-----9:00 AM  
 Pastor's Bible Study-----Mon/Zoom-----11:00 AM

## MONTHLY EVENTS

Circle of Friends-----2nd Monday-----6:30 PM  
 Contemp. Book Zoom---3rd Monday-----1:00 PM  
 Morning Circle-----2nd Tuesday---10:30 AM  
 Session Zoom Meeting - -3rd Tuesday-----6:30 PM  
 Evening Circle-----Last Tuesday---6:00 PM  
 Crafts for Missions-----4th Thursday---1:30 PM

## SCOUTS (actual times and dates may vary)

Pack 10 Meetings-----Mondays-----6:30 PM  
 Troop 10 Meetings -----1st, 3rd Tues---7:00 PM  
 Senior Patrol Leaders----2nd Tuesday-----7:00 PM  
 Crew 10-----3rd Thursday---7:00 PM  
 Girl Scouts 4023-----as scheduled

*PLEASE NOTE THAT CHURCH EVENTS MAY BE POSTPONED OR CANCELED!*

FRI	1	.....	World Vegetarian Day
SUN	3	10:30 AM.....	<b>World Communion Sunday</b>
	3	.....	<b>Peacemaking Offering</b>
MON	4	.....	World Habitat Day
TUE	5	.....	World Teachers Day
SAT	9	.....	Leif Erikson Day
SUN	10	TBA .....	<b>Luncheon, Christian Ed/Worship</b>
	10	.....	<b>Clergy Appreciation Sunday</b>
MON	11	.....	Columbus Day
	11	.....	Sausage Pizza Day
	11	6:30 PM.....	<b>Circle of Friends</b>
WED	13	.....	Breast Cancer Awareness Day
	13	.....	U.S. Navy birthday
FRI	15	.....	Boss's Day
MON	18	1:00 PM.....	<b>Book Club</b>
TUE	19	6:30 PM.....	<b>Session Meeting</b>
WED	20	.....	Sukkot begins
SAT	23	.....	National Mole Day
SUN	24	10:30 AM.....	<b>Stewardship Dedication Sunday</b>
	24	.....	United Nations Day
TUE	26	6:00 PM.....	<b>Evening Circle</b>
THU	28	1:30 PM.....	<b>Crafts for Missions</b>
	28	.....	National Chocolate Day
SUN	31	.....	Reformation Sunday
		.....	All Hallows' Eve
		.....	UNICEF Day



## We Lift Up In Prayer . . .

**9/26/2021**

- ◆ Pray for Janet English's daughter, Cheryl Hickman, who is facing surgery for spinal medical issues.

**9/19/2021**

- ◆ Alice Ann Donaldson celebrates that, after many trials, Ben and Brittany Donaldson gave birth to Leo James Donaldson on September 15th. Praise the Lord!
- ◆ Christy Stacey's co-worker, Catherine, and her 18 month old son, Penn, need prayers as he has serious intestinal issues.
- ◆ Pray for Frank Dennard, hospitalized with double pneumonia.
- ◆ Chrys Graves asks that we pray for Rod Fletcher, who is facing medical issues.
- ◆ Ken Norman's sister, Kay Crockett, needs our prayers as she fights COVID and pneumonia. Pray also for Ken's friend, Ron Yravedra, in serious medical condition.
- ◆ Leonard and Twila Phillips are facing both medical concerns and life decisions.
- ◆ John Kinneer asks that we pray for co-worker Brittany Chandler, who had back surgery.
- ◆ Pray for Ruth Dawson, who was hospitalized with internal infections.
- ◆ Denise Vandiver asks that we pray for her sister, Robin Dubois, who is in rehab addressing several medical issues.

**9/12/2021**

- ◆ Pat Faragasso asks that we pray for the family of Cicero Hartsfield, who passed away this from a heart attack.
- ◆ Please pray for Graham Smith and the Smith family upon the passing of Libby Smith this week. The service will be at Bevis, John Knox Road, Tuesday at 11:00 AM.
- ◆ Kay Lachat asks that we pray for Sandra Jernigan and family upon the passing of her mother, Matilde Muñoz.

**9/05/2021**

- ◆ Leonard and Twila Phillips need our prayers as they are now at CenterPointe on Centerville Road.
- ◆ Margaret Warren's Aunt Grace needs prayer as she was hospitalized for the second time in three weeks.

- ◆ Pray for Serena Jung for traveling mercies as she visits Korea. Her father, Won-Yong Jung, has thyroid cancer and pericardial effusion.
- ◆ Jean Brinson asks that we pray for the family of Edwin and Linda McCullers of Bainbridge. Also, Rachel's friend Blake's mother, Jessica Roberts, Wakulla, passed from COVID.
- ◆ Alice-Ann Donaldson's granddaughter, Delilah, asks that we pray for the Hurst family (teachers coach) whose dad has COVID, and another family who lost a 9 year-old daughter.
- ◆ Steve & Susie ask for prayers for our friend, Scott Lamming.
- ◆ We've been asked to pray for Eric Carter and Beth Holden.
- ◆ A joy! Molly Miller's daughters in Colorado, Joy and Lisi, are doing well.
- ◆ Another joy! Garrett and Heather Brooks celebrated their 66<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 3rd.

### Continued Prayers

- ◆ Our Armed Forces around the world
- ◆ Jordan Askew, grandson of Donna Lou Askew
- ◆ Kevin Askew, son of Donna Lou Askew
- ◆ Angela and Jerry White, daughter and son-in-law of Donna Lou Askew
- ◆ Charla Casey's brother, Howell
- ◆ LaVerne Gibson
- ◆ Anne Hebrock
- ◆ Hal Herman, father-in-law of Rachel Herman
- ◆ Jaya Herman
- ◆ Ellen Jacobs
- ◆ Jeff Mills, friend of Faith Kinneer  
(heart transplant)
- ◆ Chandler (Candy) Touchton, daughter of Martha Ann McCaskill
- ◆ Anita Moreno
- ◆ Carol Peele
- ◆ Leonard & Twila Phillips
- ◆ Christy Stacey's sister-in-law, Charlotte Lehman, who had kidney transplant surgery on July 22. Charlotte's donor is her brother Earl Keister, so keep Earl in your prayers also.
- ◆ Russell Stovall
- ◆ Barry Fake, brother of Diana Swegman
- ◆ Denny Chevillot, friend of the Telander's
- ◆ Carolyn Wallace
- ◆ Gail Yates
- ◆ Those who have no one to pray for them





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**October Ushers**

Christy Stacey  
Ned Stacey, Captain  
Substitutes



**October Birthdays**

2 Kay Lachat	11 Phyllis Loose	19 Sam Frazier	28 Carol Peele
2 Maree Peacock	14 Jean Osborn	22 Jayson Easom	29 Randy Burns
3 Rachel Herman	15 Ken Norman	23 Ellen Jacobs	31 Richard McElveen
8 Rebecca Peele	16 Denise Vandiver	27 Paul Miller	



November articles are due  
**Friday, October 22**



*Remember our church in your will.*