



October is coming. The First Sunday is World Communion Sunday and we will receive the Peacemaking offering that Sunday. We will also consider Christians around the world receiving bread and drinking from the cup, a cup common to our faith as we

Do This, Remembering

our Savior Jesus Christ.

MAY ALL YOU DO, in the church or outside it, reflect the faith you have in Christ Jesus.

MAY YOU BE an instrument of peace and forgiveness for the world, as he was, knowing that it is his peace we offer to the world, not our own.

PERHAPS there are things that make you uncomfortable, in the church or elsewhere in your life.

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HOPE PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY NEWS

September 23, 2018



CHURCH NEWS

THE SERMON SERIES – This month Pastor Ginny is preaching from the book of Exodus, looking at Moses, the Ten Commandments and the people of Israel journeying through the wilderness. At home you can be reading Exodus. How was God preparing and leading the people? How does God prepare and lead us?

Alternative Adult Class -- In keeping with the many goals laid out by session the CE Committee has decided to offer a second (alternative) Adult Sunday morning class. blending the previous Sunshine Class with other adults, with any who would like to learn about the Bible in creative ways. The contents will be presented in 4 to 6-week segments. It may start out meeting in Room 7 and the class will begin sometime in October.

Please pray for us about this class and its opportunities for study and fellowship, and about how YOU might like to teach or participate in this series. What will God do with Hope in this wonderful way?

THANKS -- to the Deacons and all others who helped with the Guthrie Memorial Service and reception. You are amazing!

"If you believe in a God who controls the big things, you have to believe in a God who controls the little things. It is we, of course, to whom things look 'little' or 'big'.

Elisabeth Elliot

If so, bring that with you to worship and lay it at the feet of the Lord, who can redeem all things, changing our hearts and changing the world.

God blesses us in ways we do not yet understand and works grace through us even in the midst of change that makes us uncomfortable.

Our Twelve Step brothers and sisters claim this in the Serenity Prayer:

*GOD, grant me the
SERENITY
to accept the things
I cannot change,
COURAGE to change the
things I can,
and WISDOM to know the
difference*

ROOFING - The work continues. Hambley Hall's roof is done, the north classrooms and Music room were underway last week, with south classrooms and office to be done this week. We are praying for all to go well.

CHRISTMAS PLAY – Rehearsals for “**Starry Night**” will take place on Monday 24th and Thursday 27th September at 7 p.m. Production dates: December 13th - 15th, 2018. There are still parts for someone just like YOU. Come be a part of one of our new ministries as we worship together and reach out to the community.

MISSION SUPPORT – The following gifts have recently been authorized for worthy Missions outside our church. These gifts come from the Highland Mission Fund, coming out of our tithe of the sale of the Highland property, and some from our current budget.

New Beth-El Dental Center-\$2,500 Thornwell-\$1,000
Habitat for Humanities \$1,000
Belcher Elementary-\$1,000 Clothes for Kids-\$1,000
Kairos \$500

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Please keep our PNC in your daily prayers as they prepare for and soon begin the work of searching for a full-time pastor. Pray for them by name: Bob Reed, PNC chair, Gay Gentry, Lee Holmes, Chris Howard, Barbara Johnson, Jennifer Reed, Wayne Wyatt and alternates: Judy Olson and Dee Dee Street. Their training will be conducted by Presbytery on October 15.

CHURCH MEETINGS COMING UP

Sunday 23rd Deacons meeting and Session meeting after the Service
Monday 24th “Starry Night” play rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday 26th WNA 5:45 p.m. pot luck
Bells 7:00 p.m. and Choir 7:30 p.m.
Thursday 27th Young at Heart. 12 noon, potluck and bingo here at church
“Starry Night” play rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

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