



We are glad to have you worship with us this morning! We at First Presbyterian Church celebrate our heritage on Amelia Island fully accept our ministry as a caring congregation nurturing spiritual growth and demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ.

If you are visiting our area for a brief time, we are glad you are with us today. If you are new to our area and looking for a church home we hope you will consider becoming a part of our Church Family. We pray that you feel God's presence and that the grace of God would go with you and strengthen you for the week ahead.

A
Stephen Ministry
Congregation



Opportunities this week December 4-10, 2011

Today	8:15 a.m. 12:15 p.m. - Nursery in <i>Noah's Place</i> 9:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship(Jim Thomas Hall) 9:50 a.m. Sunday School for Adults and Children 6:30 p.m. SNL
Monday	9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawls 5:30 p.m. Teen CBS
Tuesday	9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry III 7:00 p.m. Youth Com. Mtg.
Wednesday	9:30 a.m. MOM,ME Playgroup 12:00 p.m. Advent Service 3:00 p.m. Piano Lessons 6:00 p.m. Choir 6:15 p.m. PNC
Thursday	6:30 p.m. Hannah Circle (Jade's Bistro) 9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle (Amelia South) 11:30 a.m. Elizabeth Circle (Bonito's) 12:30 p.m. Esther Circle (Jane Philips home) 5:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry
Saturday	9:00 a.m. Camp Joy 8:30 a.m. MACs Savannah trip 6:00 p.m. Christmas parade

Coffee Hosts:	Today	Ruth Circle
	December 11	Worship
	December 18	Youth
	December 25	No coffee hour

SPECIAL PARKING: A "Reserved Sign" has been placed at the entrance to our small parking accessible from 5th Street. Members who have difficulty getting to church can park here and are encouraged to use the rear entrance into Jim Thomas Hall. Please be sure that the ramps on 6th St. remain accessible on Sundays.

First Presbyterian Church
9 North 6th Street
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
Phone 904.261.3837
www.1stpres-fb.com

Ministers
Interim Pastor
Associate Pastor
Director of Christian Education & Community Life
Director of Youth & Their Families
Pastor's Secretary
Bookkeeper/Secretary
Sexton
Choir Director
Organist
Bell Choir Director
Children's Choir Director
Nursery Director
Nursery Staff
Nursery Staff
Nursery Staff
Clerk of Session
Moderator Board of Deacons
Treasurer

All Members of the Congregation
Dr. Bruce Lancaster
Dr. Doug Ganyo
Doris Davis
Forrest Foxworth
Gayle Wood
Rose Anderson
Tony Brewer
Gabriella Stegmann
Carol Whitman
Louanne Lind
Lili Lauer
Sarah Jane Cripe
Carlene Barrows
Sarah Hawley
Sadie Brownell
Doc Burgess
Mack Sisson
Ted Selby

Elders

Class of 2011
Trish Booton
Todd Davis
Dean Dobbins
Carolyn Guerrin
Jack Meeks
Nelson Showalter

Class of 2012
Doc Burgess
John Enlow
Marilyn Flynn
Wilson Pickren
Darren Smith

Class of 2013
Ed Constant
Doris Holloway
Lou Johnson
Dan Marley
Yvonne Treska

Deacons

Class of 2011
Charlotte Bowling
Charlotte Collins
Linda Johns
Ann Mayne
Mack Sisson
David Sturges

Class of 2012
Courtney Fassbender
Jan Gundersen
James Johnson
Trish Kramer
Jana Rainey

Class of 2013
Helmut Albrecht
Katie Burgess
Tom McGee
Amy Saegert
Lynne Stafford
Gretchen Williams

First Presbyterian Church

Fernandina Beach, Florida



***A Witness for Jesus Christ
On Amelia Island since 1858***

*Peace be to this house, and to all who worship herein.
Peace be to those who enter, and to all who in prayer depart.
Peace be to those who love it, and who love the name of the Lord. Amen*

MORNING WORSHIP

December 4, 2011

8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Welcome & Opportunities for Discipleship

Introit: "Away In a Manger"

PresbyBells

Afton/Mueller-Arr. by Callahan

(Singing bells, played with a dowel, are used for prayer and meditation.)

Call to Worship Peter Williams (8:30 a.m.)

Mindy Williams (11:00 a.m.)

Leader: All the paths of the Lord are filled with steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

People: *For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great.*

Leader: Who are they that fear the Lord? He will teach them the way that they should choose.

People: *They will abide in prosperity, and their children shall possess the land.*

Lighting the Advent Candle

Young Disciples

†Hymn: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

#41

†Prayer of Confession

God of hope, once again we approach the season of Advent unprepared. We are not alert to your coming; we are too busy with preparations of our own design. We are exhausted by trying to do everything ourselves and cannot keep awake to watch for you. Like your people of old, we do not call upon your name, except to blame you. Yet, you are our maker, and we are all the work of your hand. Forgive us and restore us. Illumine our lives that we may be witnesses to your faithfulness. We lift up this prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Moment of Silence (For Individual Confession and Repentance)

†Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ;

People: *And Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us.*

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

People: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

†Congregational Response

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen, Amen.

Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Reading: Psalm 146:1-10

Page 581

†Hymn: "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

#44

Scripture Lesson: Luke 2:1-7

Page 58

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem

"Shepherd's Echo Carol"

Trad. German Carol / arr. J. Leavitt

Sermon

Bruce Lancaster

Christmas Carols Tell the Story: O Little Town of Bethlehem

Responding to the Word

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus!

PresbyBells

Hyfrydol /Arr. Larson

†Congregational Response

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

†Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Bearing the Word Into the World

†Hymn: "Go Tell It On the Mountain"

#29

†Charge & Benediction

†Pealing of the Bell

†Benediction Response: Go Tell It On the Mountain

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hill and everywhere

Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

Postlude

†Please stand as you are able.

Children's worship bags, filled with children's bulletins and activities, are available in the narthex. Devices for the hearing, large print bulletins, bibles available upon request.

The flowers on the communion table today are given to the Glory of God.

Cards of the Congregation

Create your Christmas Memories Christmas Card with your family and turn it in as soon as possible to hang in the windows of the ANCHOR. These good wishes of Christmas memories will greet Fernandina and all its visitors as they pass by. Tell the world that it is CHRISTMAS!

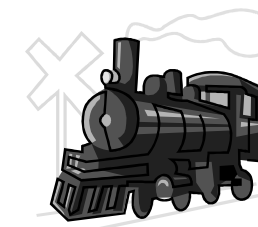
God's Gift Shop

GOD'S GIFT SHOP—Open Today! Please stop by the gift shop table in Jim Thomas Hall this morning—and next Sunday—between services. Visit with our mission representatives and learn more about our featured missions. Locally, you may honor family and friends with donations to ***Soup Train, Habitat for Humanity, and Shop With Cops.*** This year's international missions are the ***La Gonâve Goat Project in Haiti*** and the DeLilles' ***South American Mission.*** *Christmas Blessings to each of you from the Mission Committee!*

Fernandina Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 10th at 6p.m. If you would like to ride on the 1st Pres Trolley this year and share some real Christmas spirit with our friends in Fernandina, contact Doris with names and T shirt sizes

Christmas Cantata

The Chancel Choir Presents *The Promise of a King, A Christmas Proclamation of Hope*, Sunday December 11 in worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.



Choo! Choo! Can you hear that train a'coming? It's rolling down the tracks at Peter and Debby Williams house and they want you to enjoy it too! Peter is a retired doctor, second generation train enthusiast with a Lionel running train set he has been collecting and working on for 18 years. Children of all ages are invited to the Williams home on Sunday, December 11 between 1 & 3 p.m. Come and play!

Their address is 1782 Jackson Court. Directions are available in the office. Contact Peter at ptrdoc@aol.com

Camp Joy for 1st-5th graders will be held on Saturday December 10th, from 10:00a-

2:00p. Students involved in Camp Joy this year will be making gifts and visiting

Nursing Facilities via the trolley. Lunch is included and camp is free, but you must

call to register your child at 261-3837.



Holy Whitewater

When Rev Scott Burton came to be with us as part of an international pulpit exchange, he showed a video of his church and parish in Perth, Scotland. Part of that video displayed Scott's passion for kayaking on the largest river in Scotland, the Tay, which flows right past the church where he ministers. Well, since that wonderful exchange experience, 2.5 years ago, Scott has been busy working on a book called, *Holy Whitewater!* It is based upon his spiritual reflections on his hobby of whitewater kayaking. Copies of Scott's book are going to be sent over

to First Presbyterian for anyone who would like to purchase one at the cost of \$15 each, which will also cover postage. Further information can be found at www.holywhitewater.com. Don't order from this page, though. Send your checks to First Presbyterian c/o Rose Anderson. We will place one order to reduce postage costs.

Prayer Ministry



In Worship: You may fill out a Joy and Concern prayer card located in the pew rack. The ushers will collect them during the Opening Hymn and they will be included in our morning prayers. Before Worship: The Deacon's Prayer Table is located inside Jim Thomas Hall. Please stop by with your prayer requests before either worship service. If you have the name and address, a card of concern, sympathy or celebration can be sent from the congregation.

Please pray for members of our church family:

Mim Walker	Judy Lewis	Janet Anderson
Norm Alday	Sewell Harlin	Tommie Sue Rabby
Sheila Fountain	Louanne and Skip Lind	Matt Showalter
Ron Shroder	Joyce Smith	Roland Knight
Barb Kent Holland	Mary Hunt	Joe Drew
Connor Holland	Jennifer Tinsley	Pat & Len Ermold
Beverly & Don	John Winn	Barbara Noden
Monahan	Lynne Stafford	Bill Braucht Family
Augusta Sommers	Pat Knerr	George Gieger
Carolyn Guerrin		

Friends of the church in need of prayer:

Earl Colborn Family	Brian Spell	Lee Bowen
Bill Doyle	Jennifer Turney	Lou Hewer
Mary Catherine Buyck	Sara Chappell	Tommy Oliver
Hal & Marcia Robinson	Art Sussman	John & Kristen Tenley
Alan Boyer	Cynthia Shepard	Eileen McKin

If you know of any members or friends of the church who are in the hospital or in need of pastoral care, please contact the church office.

Our Church Family serving in the Armed Forces

Sgt. Bryan Blackburn, Army, Iraq, (Grandson of Judy Lewis)
Jimmy Edwards, USMC (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Trey Hansford, Army, Kuwait (Nephew of Rose Anderson)
John T. Hultberg, Army Nat. Guard, Afgh. (Grandson of Ellen & Dick Hultberg)
David Inboden, Ranger, (Grandson of Nancy & Scott Inboden)
Capt. Laura Laskowski, AirForce, (Granddaughter of Gretchen & Ken Williams)
Greg LeClair, Navy, (Son-in-Law of Mary Lou and Bob Tompkins)
Bryant McNeill, Ranger (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Andrew Roche, Army, Afgh. (Grandson of Mary & Carl Hunt)
Ben Schimek, Navy (Son-in-law of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Maj. Neil Taylor, AirForce, El Salvador (Nephew of Jan & Ted Gundersen)
Sgt. William Wolgamott, Iraq (Nephew of Jayne & Merle Conkin)
Andrew Woods, USMC (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Cprl. Zachary Beamer, USMC (Grandson of Linda and Ralph Palumbo)
Christopher Alley, Army Reserves (Son of Susan and Gene Alley)
W. Tyler Townsend, Army, Afgh. (Nephew of Jana and Bob Rainey)

Please take this Prayer List with you: Post it where you can refer to it during the week - on your refrigerator, in your devotional or Bible at home or work. Through prayer we serve one another by talking directly to God about the concerns of His people. Let us pray! If you would like to be connected with a prayer partner to share your joys and concerns, contact Pastor Doug in the church office.

Prayer Ministry



In Worship: You may fill out a Joy and Concern prayer card located in the pew rack. The ushers will collect them during the Opening Hymn and they will be included in our morning prayers. Before Worship: The Deacon's Prayer Table is located inside Jim Thomas Hall. Please stop by with your prayer requests before either worship service. If you have the name and address, a card of concern, sympathy or celebration can be sent from the congregation.

Please pray for members of our church family:

Mim Walker	Judy Lewis	Janet Anderson
Norm Alday	Sewell Harlin	Tommie Sue Rabby
Sheila Fountain	Louanne and Skip Lind	Matt Showalter
Ron Shroder	Joyce Smith	Roland Knight
Barb Kent Holland	Mary Hunt	Joe Drew
Connor Holland	Jennifer Tinsley	Pat & Len Ermold
Beverly & Don	John Winn	Barbara Noden
Monahan	Lynne Stafford	Bill Braucht Family
Augusta Sommers	Pat Knerr	George Gieger
Carolyn Guerrin		

Friends of the church in need of prayer:

Earl Colborn Family	Brian Spell	Lee Bowen
Bill Doyle	Jennifer Turney	Lou Hewer
Mary Catherine Buyck	Sara Chappell	Tommy Oliver
Hal & Marcia Robinson	Art Sussman	John & Kristen Tenley
Alan Boyer	Cynthia Shepard	Eileen McKin

If you know of any members or friends of the church who are in the hospital or in need of pastoral care, please contact the church office.

Our Church Family serving in the Armed Forces

Sgt. Bryan Blackburn, Army, Iraq, (Grandson of Judy Lewis)
Jimmy Edwards, USMC (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Trey Hansford, Army, Kuwait (Nephew of Rose Anderson)
John T. Hultberg, Army Nat. Guard, Afgh. (Grandson of Ellen & Dick Hultberg)
David Inboden, Ranger, (Grandson of Nancy & Scott Inboden)
Capt. Laura Laskowski, AirForce, (Granddaughter of Gretchen & Ken Williams)
Greg LeClair, Navy, (Son-in-Law of Mary Lou and Bob Tompkins)
Bryant McNeill, Ranger (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Andrew Roche, Army, Afgh. (Grandson of Mary & Carl Hunt)
Ben Schimek, Navy (Son-in-law of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Maj. Neil Taylor, AirForce, El Salvador (Nephew of Jan & Ted Gundersen)
Sgt. William Wolgamott, Iraq (Nephew of Jayne & Merle Conkin)
Andrew Woods, USMC (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Cprl. Zachary Beamer, USMC (Grandson of Linda and Ralph Palumbo)
Christopher Alley, Army Reserves (Son of Susan and Gene Alley)
W. Tyler Townsend, Army, Afgh. (Nephew of Jana and Bob Rainey)

Please take this Prayer List with you: Post it where you can refer to it during the week - on your refrigerator, in your devotional or Bible at home or work. Through prayer we serve one another by talking directly to God about the concerns of His people. Let us pray! If you would like to be connected with a prayer partner to share your joys and concerns, contact Pastor Doug in the church office.

Prayer Ministry



In Worship: You may fill out a Joy and Concern prayer card located in the pew rack. The ushers will collect them during the Opening Hymn and they will be included in our morning prayers. Before Worship: The Deacon's Prayer Table is located inside Jim Thomas Hall. Please stop by with your prayer requests before either worship service. If you have the name and address, a card of concern, sympathy or celebration can be sent from the congregation.

Please pray for members of our church family:

Mim Walker	Judy Lewis	Janet Anderson
Norm Alday	Sewell Harlin	Tommie Sue Rabby
Sheila Fountain	Louanne and Skip Lind	Matt Showalter
Ron Shroder	Joyce Smith	Roland Knight
Barb Kent Holland	Mary Hunt	Joe Drew
Connor Holland	Jennifer Tinsley	Pat & Len Ermold
Beverly & Don	John Winn	Barbara Noden
Monahan	Lynne Stafford	Bill Braucht Family
Augusta Sommers	Pat Knerr	George Gieger
Carolyn Guerrin		

Friends of the church in need of prayer:

Earl Colborn Family	Brian Spell	Lee Bowen
Bill Doyle	Jennifer Turney	Lou Hewer
Mary Catherine Buyck	Sara Chappell	Tommy Oliver
Hal & Marcia Robinson	Art Sussman	John & Kristen Tenley
Alan Boyer	Cynthia Shepard	Eileen McKin

If you know of any members or friends of the church who are in the hospital or in need of pastoral care, please contact the church office.

Our Church Family serving in the Armed Forces

Sgt. Bryan Blackburn, Army, Iraq, (Grandson of Judy Lewis)
Jimmy Edwards, USMC (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Trey Hansford, Army, Kuwait (Nephew of Rose Anderson)
John T. Hultberg, Army Nat. Guard, Afgh. (Grandson of Ellen & Dick Hultberg)
David Inboden, Ranger, (Grandson of Nancy & Scott Inboden)
Capt. Laura Laskowski, AirForce, (Granddaughter of Gretchen & Ken Williams)
Greg LeClair, Navy, (Son-in-Law of Mary Lou and Bob Tompkins)
Bryant McNeill, Ranger (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Andrew Roche, Army, Afgh. (Grandson of Mary & Carl Hunt)
Ben Schimek, Navy (Son-in-law of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Maj. Neil Taylor, AirForce, El Salvador (Nephew of Jan & Ted Gundersen)
Sgt. William Wolgamott, Iraq (Nephew of Jayne & Merle Conkin)
Andrew Woods, USMC (Nephew of Mary and Scott Tinman)
Cprl. Zachary Beamer, USMC (Grandson of Linda and Ralph Palumbo)
Christopher Alley, Army Reserves (Son of Susan and Gene Alley)
W. Tyler Townsend, Army, Afgh. (Nephew of Jana and Bob Rainey)

Please take this Prayer List with you: Post it where you can refer to it during the week - on your refrigerator, in your devotional or Bible at home or work. Through prayer we serve one another by talking directly to God about the concerns of His people. Let us pray! If you would like to be connected with a prayer partner to share your joys and concerns, contact Pastor Doug in the church office.