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Presbyterian Facts

- 1. Governing Body:** The Presbyterian Church governing body is based on a system of elders. Teaching and ruling elders, or ministers, are ordained and responsible for the discipline, nurture and mission of the local congregation.
- 2. Doctrine:** Presbyterianism is historically a "confessional" type tradition. Confessional churches express their faith in the form of "confessions of faith." In confessional churches, theology is not solely an individual matter. While individuals are encouraged to understand scripture, and may challenge the current institutional understanding, theology is carried out by the community as a whole. It is this community understanding of theology that is expressed in confessions.
- 3. Education:** Presbyterians put an emphasis on equal education for all people. Because of this they "planted" and encouraged schools across the U.S. as the country grew and the missionaries were sent out to the people. In times past when Presbyterians arrived in a new place, they would usually build a church, a school, and a hospital, in that order. Presbyterians see the right to worship of God as paramount, and education as necessary, so that they can serve the world in God's name.
- 4. Majority Rule:** When Presbyterians have a policy or an action to consider, they pray, they talk, and then they vote. In fact, Presbyterians probably take more votes than any other religious group. They believe that the Holy Spirit lives in individuals but works through the community. Because of this lay and clergy votes count the same.
- 5. Sacraments:** Presbyterians traditionally have held the worship position that there are only two sacraments: Baptism and Communion. Presbyterians baptize infants as well as unbaptized adults by sprinkling or pouring water, rather than immersion. Infants are baptized on the biblical belief that because Hebrew infants were circumcised in order to show that they were part of the covenant community, infants of believing parents should likewise be baptized. The ritual of communion, also known as partaking of the Lord's Supper, is based on the belief that Christ is present in the bread and wine through the Holy Spirit.



Doorstep

We would like to thank everyone who donated items for Christmas in July! As kids are getting ready to go back to school, now is the perfect time to stock up on **school supplies**. Doorstep provides new school supplies to the children we adopt at Christmas to replenish them for the second half of the year. If you can help with these items while supplies are plentiful, and on sale, we would greatly appreciate your donations!

In the heat of summer we are seeing more requests for **hygiene kits**. In 2017, we gave out 852 hygiene kits! We are in need of deodorant, bar soap or body wash, shampoo/conditioner in one, razors and shaving cream, sunscreen and chapstick. Thank you in advance if you can help!

Doorstep is open Monday – Friday from 8am – 3pm for donations. We are located at 1119 SW 10th Avenue (10th & Buchanan).

Sign Up for Doorstep’s Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Run!

Saturday, October 6th is the date for our inaugural event! We are planning on this becoming our second annual fundraiser each year!

You can sign up to participate yourself for \$30 including a t-shirt (deadline September 10th to order a shirt) or sponsor a walker/runner! Those getting sponsors will get a free t-shirt with pledges of \$100 or more. All proceeds will benefit Doorstep, Inc.

Get your family, friends, youth, community groups together and join us this October!

We are excited about this event! It will start/end from shelter houses 1 & 2 at Lake Shawnee. The Walk/Run will start at 9:30am with celebrity starter, Chris Fisher from WIBW-TV 13, after the Topeka High School Drum Line gets everyone pumped up and ready to go! After the walk/run return to the shelter houses for a continental breakfast of fruit, granola bars, bagels, juice and water.

Watch for a sign up table and more information in August, and plan to join us for our first Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Run on October 6th!

Happy Birthday to Jo Ann Miller

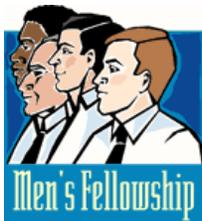


Jo Ann Miller hit the big 6-5 on July 1st. Her church family and friends helped her celebrate with a cake and treats following worship. Her mother, Mary Ottiwell, had fun with the occasion providing black accessories - napkins, plates, silverware and the cake trimmed in black. We wish Jo Ann many more Happy Birthdays!

Choir rehearsal will begin on August 30th at 7:00 p.m. We could sure use a few more members! No special requirements-just joy in singing. Join us for fun in song as we worship God through music.



Men's and Ladies' Lunch Bunch



The Men's and Ladies' Groups met at Banjos on Friday, July 20th, at 11:30 a.m. Because of the damage done to their building, Banjos may not be available for the August get together. We'll send out an email as to the location,



but plan on food and fellowship with your church family and friends on August 17th.



Tuesday, August 7th, is primary election day. St. Andrews is a voting place, so the Fellowship Hall will be in use from 6:00 am until 8:00 p.m. Don't forget to vote.

Soda Sunday



Plan to stay after worship on Sunday, August 5th, for treats. The fellowship committee will be serving ice cream and ice cream sodas and floats. Cold ice cream - warm friendship. A perfect combination!

August 2018 LECTIONARY READINGS

August 5 (11th Sunday after Pentecost) - 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

August 12 (12th Sunday after Pentecost) - 2 Samuel 18:5-9; 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51

August 19 (13th Sunday after Pentecost) - 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14; Psalm 111; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

August 26 (14th Sunday after Pentecost) - 1 Kings 8: (1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69



Communion will be celebrated on August 5th.



August Birthdays



Zackary Brown, August 1st

Wanda Wilson, August 5th

Don Fluke, August 6th

Dianne Deuser, August 13th

Tyler Peach, August 14th

John Lucero, August 20th

Jan Rice, August 30th

Kara Duer, August 31st

Wayne French, August 31st



Tom and Jeannette Luedke

August 4, 1984

Caring for our Members and Friends



Don and Olga Fluke, Mike Kelly, Rita Kelly, Jerry Barton, Sally Shaffer, Kelly Lindenmeyer , Mary Hoy.

Please remember the following in your prayers:
Dick O'Neill, Donna Robben, Betty DeShazer,
Charles Franks, Virginia Bohn, Marvin Parks,
Karl Wilmers, Dolores Wilmers, John Lucero,

Continue to pray for Marine 2nd Lt. Randy Luedke and the other active duty and veteran personnel, firefighters, EMTs, and police officers, the victims of violence in our country and the fires and floods . Pray for peace for those countries suffering from war and conflict; those affected by the fires and floods, the ongoing conflicts and violence in our own community, all our government officials, the hungry and the homeless.



Session Meeting

Session did not meet in July.

◀ Jul 2018		August 2018					Sep 2018 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1 Zackary Brown B'day	2	3	4 Tom and Jeannett Luedke - Anniv.	
5 Communion Soday Sunday Wanda Wilson B'day	6 Don Fluke B'day	7 ELECTION DAY	8	9	10	11	
12	13 6:30 - Session Dianne Deuser B'day	14 Tyler Peach B'day	15	16	17 11:30 - Men's/Ladies Groups lunch	18	
19	20 John Lucero B'day	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28	29	30 7:00 Choir Rehearsal Resumes Jan Rice B'day	31 Wayne French B'day Kara Duer B'day		

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Worship 11:00 AM

