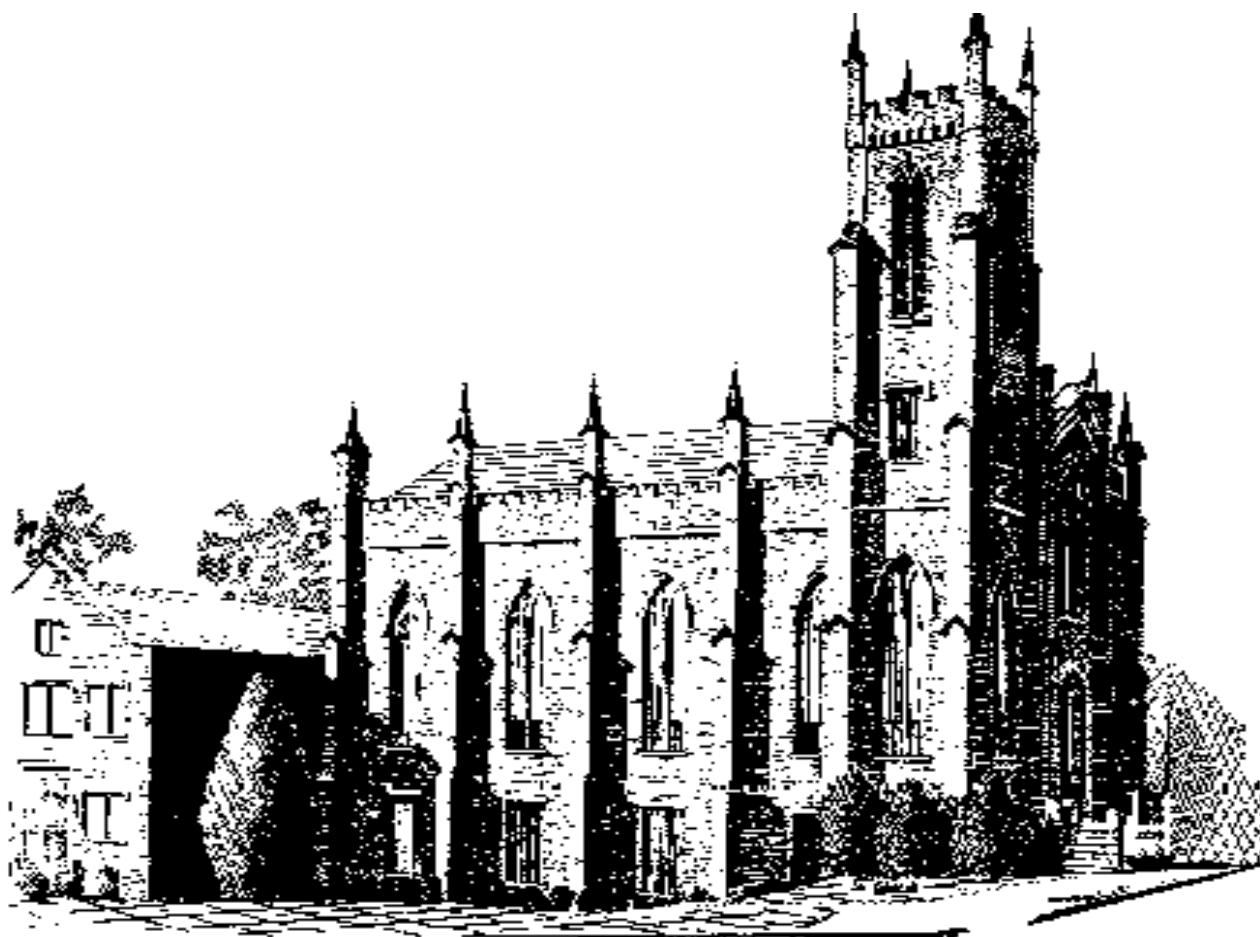


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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*ROOTED IN SCRIPTURE, UNITED IN CHRIST, REACHING OUT IN FAITH*

307 Gates Ave SE, Huntsville Alabama

# First Presbyterian Church

August 5, 2018

## WELCOME

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us! Children are always welcome in the sanctuary, but if you prefer, child care is available for children, birth through pre-K, in the education building. Please, as you enter this holy space and time, silence your cell phones.

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

### CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE *Be Though My Vision* Traditional Irish Melody, arr. Bock

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT *Great is Thy Faithfulness* arr. William Runyan

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!

**Many: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.**

One: What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?

**Many: We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

One: We worship the God who inhabits our world and who indwells our lives.

**Many: Come! Let us worship God!**

### \*OPENING PRAYER

\*OPENING HYMN 267 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* MADRID

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Loving God, we confess that we are an anxious people who deny your blessings and fail to keep your word. Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins, that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

KYRIE *Lord, Have Mercy* Hal H. Hopson  
*FPC Bicentennial Commissioned Service Music*  
(printed inside the back cover of your hymnal)

**Congregation: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

**Cantor/Choir: Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

**Congregation: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Many: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*HYMN 581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

The Spirit gathers us to worship God and builds us up in faith, hope, and love, so that we may go into the world to proclaim the gospel and work for justice and peace.

As Christians we acknowledge that we are both forgiven and forgiving. When we repent and turn our sins over to God we are strengthened to go from this service and forgive those who sin against us. After the pardon when we sing God is praised in song, for the gift of God's grace brings joy. The response may be an appropriate psalm, hymn, canticle (i.e., a biblical song other than a psalm), spiritual, or the "Glory to God" or "Glory to the Father."

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST LESSON

1 John 4:13-16

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

#### ANTHEM

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

arr. Arle Clarke

#### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Marshall Schreeder

#### SECOND LESSON

Acts 16:11-15

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON

"The Conversion of Lydia"  
The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

\*Hymn 450

*Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*A Declaration of Faith*

**To the world, in its rebellion and alienation, God promised blessing and restoration. The Lord chose Abraham and his descendants as bearers of that promise for all peoples. They had done nothing more than others to deserve the Lord's favor, but God loved them and made them his own. We acknowledge God's freedom and grace. Though we are unworthy, the Lord has made us his own in Christ. God has chosen us as his servants for the sake of the world and destined us to be his daughters and sons, giving us love and life, calling us to worship and honor him. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

#### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### OFFERTORY

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

Carol Tornquist

We offer a prayer for illumination to open ourselves to God's word and to ask for the Holy Spirit's guidance in receiving the Word of God.

\*DOXOLOGY

OLD ONE HUNDRETH

***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.***

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you!**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: We praise you, Lord God, for your history of salvation . . . we, too, glorify your name and lift our voices in joyful praise:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: We praise you for Jesus Christ, born of Mary . . .

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Leader: As we remember Christ's baptism . . . we proclaim that mystery called faith:

**People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Leader: We praise you for your Spirit who guides us . . . And now, with the confidence of his children, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Receive and eat the bread. Hold the cup and drink when all have been served.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All: We thank you, Lord God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son who is the true food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The familiar words of our Communion Liturgy remind us of the steadfastness and faithfulness of God's love and forgiveness. In communion we partake in both symbol and mystery, convicted of the very presence of our risen Savior in the bread and cup.

Our prayer after communion reminds us that we who have had the living bread and cup of salvation are bound in a common mission and purpose with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

## **SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD**

\*HYMN 498      *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken*      BEACH SPRING  
(verses 1 & 4)

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE      *Now Thank We All Our God*      Rinkart and Kruger

***As our time of worship comes to an end, our time of service begins.***

## **NOTES**

# LEADERSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## **Pastors**

The Reverend Dr. Tara W. Bulger  
The Reverend Dr. James W. Roberts

## **Music**

Sherry Smith, Worship Leader  
David Jones, organ  
Rebecca Ferguson, piano

## **Ushers**

Karen Clayton  
Mary Margaret Cofield  
Patty Conley  
Bruce Williams

## **Communion Servers**

Mary Adams  
Leigh Brown  
Brian Clayton  
Leslie Ecklund  
Dave Galloway  
Woodward Howard  
Karen Madison  
Bob McKemie  
Bert Moore  
Marshall Schreeder

## **RULING ELDERS**

*CLASS OF 2018*  
Daniel Richerson Bryant  
Doyle David Galloway  
Victoria Fuller Goodwin  
Louis Giles Horn, III  
Horace Woodward Howard III  
Karen Kolyer Madison  
Robert Lull McKemie  
Marshall Tufts Schreeder, Jr.

### *CLASS OF 2019*

Mary Gamble Adams  
Charles Howard Bozeman  
Leigh Morrow Brown (Clerk of Session)  
Brian Clayton  
Charles Stephen Cornelius  
Leslie Tanner Ecklund  
Sheila Haynes Fogle  
Amy Titus Stucky

## **DIACONATE**

*CLASS OF 2018*  
James Andrew Bevel  
Annewhite Fuller  
Sue Harper Garrison  
Jesse Manuel Guthrie  
Joseph Thomas Lundy, III  
Benjamin Rudolph Peters  
James Ryan Parker

### *CLASS OF 2019*

Anne Baker Brigance  
Bryce Gerald Connor  
Stephanie Ferree Hyatt  
Nancy Bass Lundy  
Jane Alford McBride  
Richard Worth Rawls, Jr.  
Joe Edward Sparks

## **TRUSTEES**

*CLASS OF 2018*  
William Reeves Johnson

### *CLASS OF 2019*

James Harry Daughtry  
William Schley Lummus

### *CLASS OF 2020*

Sara James Graves  
John Andrew Watson, III

## **Presbyterian Women**

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**We welcome you as a participant in worship today.** We pray that you will find this service meaningful. Worship is but one of the many ministries of First Presbyterian Church.

**Looking for a Church home?** Please speak with the “Ask Me” person standing at the rear of the church after the 10:30 service, who this week is Harriet Bibb. Ms. Bibb is available to answer questions about First Presbyterian Church, our programs, or finding locations within our building.

**If you would like to receive our Weekly E-News,** please call the church office at 256-536-3354, or send your name and email address to *secretary@fpchsv.org*.

**The flowers this morning** are given to the Glory of God.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **In Memoriam**

Edward John "Jack" Connor  
June 28, 1931 - July 28, 2018

A memorial service will be held on  
August 25, 2018

Visitation - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Memorial Service - 12:00 p.m.

Berryhill Funeral Home

2305 N Memorial Parkway, Huntsville

## THIS WEEK AT FPC

### **Sunday, August 5, 2018**

Holy Communion

No Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Seminar Class/Classroom C

10:30 a.m. One Worship Service/SAN

11:30 a.m. Nominating Committee/LIB

### **Tuesday, August 7, 2018**

12:00 p.m. Personnel Meeting/LIB

5:30 p.m. Worship Meeting/LIB

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 633

### **Wednesday, August 8, 2018**

7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice/CR

### **Thursday, August 9, 2018**

11:15 a.m. FPC Prayer Group/LIB

12:15 p.m. Al-Anon/GBH

### **Friday, August 10, 2018**

9:00 a.m. FF Preschool Open House

5:30 p.m. McCormick-Johnston Wedding Rehearsal/GBH

5:00 p.m. PYC Art Walk

### **Saturday, August 11, 2018**

6:00 p.m. McCormick-Johnston Wedding/GBH

### **Sunday, August 12, 2018**

RALLY DAY

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/JAH

9:30 a.m. Adult SS w/Pastor Tara/JAH

9:30 a.m. Sunday School - Meet in SAN

10:30 a.m. Worship Service/SAN

5:00 p.m. PYC Fiesta/FH

Visit our website to view the calendar:  
[fpchsv.org](http://fpchsv.org)



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**Many thanks** to Sherry Smith and David Jones for leading in worship today and to Rebecca Ferguson for sharing her music.

**The Chancel Choir has resumed practice** Wednesdays, at 7:15 p.m., in the choir room. We would love to have you join us!



Join us next Sunday  
as we begin a new sermon series:

**CHILDREN'S BOOKS  
ARE NEVER  
JUST FOR CHILDREN**

*A Look at the Promises of the Gospel  
through the lens of children's books*

August 12: Guess How Much I Love You

August 19: Don't Let the Pigeon Drive  
the Bus

August 26: Alexander and the Terrible,  
Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day

September 5: The Very Hungry  
Caterpillar





**A Back to School message from Kathy Gillmore, Director of Christian Education**

It's an exciting time of year as our children head back to school and all of our educational opportunities here at church as well! I am seeking information so that I can get to know the children of our members and visitors. If you have children and youth would you please follow this link to a short information gathering form on-line?

<https://goo.gl/forms/Ip1qcQzJfG67wRYY2>

May God bless our teaching and learning!

Kathy

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**Mark Your Calendars:**

**Rally Day is Sunday, August 12!** We will meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. and then dismiss to Sunday school classes.

**One Adult Sunday School Class**

Join Pastor Tara for an adult Sunday school class on August 12, 19 and 26! The topic will be *"How to Craft A Sermon And How You Can Help!"* We will meet in John Allan Hall. Regular adult Sunday school will begin September 9th.



**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP!  
FPCHSV Family Fellowship Camp  
at Camp Maranatha  
August 17-19, 2018**

Family Camp is a time for fun and fellowship together! We will meet at Camp Maranatha and have time for boating, canoeing, swimming, climbing on the rock wall, zip-lining, and more! We will have meals together, Smores on Saturday night, and worship on Sunday morning.

The cost is \$125 per family (room) in hotel style accommodations; \$10 per family, per day, if you want to just come for the day.

The fun begins Friday night at 6 p.m.  
**Sign up at the bulletin board.**



**August:**

**5th:** No Sunday School, No PYC

**10th:** Art Walk 5-7 pm

**12th:** Rally Day and Fall Kick-off, PYC begins.

Sixth-grade PYC 5 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

7th—12th grade PYC 6 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

**17th-19th:** Fellowship Camp at Camp Maranatha

**19th:** No PYC

**26th:** PYC @ 5-7 pm



**June Mission of the Month was a Great Success!**

*Thank you for your participation with our mission of the month of June – Good Samaritans.*

*Because of your dedication to our mission causes we were able to collect comfort items that our homeless friends need for summer – bug spray, sunscreen, chapstick, toothbrushes, foot fungus cream, etc.*

*Thanks to generous monetary donations we were able to sponsor a laundry day for 23 homeless folks. This included not only a rare opportunity to launder their clothes but also time to enjoy a hot breakfast, fellowship, a round or two of corn hole, and a hearty sack lunch to go.*

*Funds not spent on the laundry day will aid in the acquisition of government-issued IDs and birth certificates, mental health evaluations, more laundry assistance, and a host of other needs.*

*Thank you again helping Good Samaritans.*

*Sincerely,  
Anne Hester Peters and the Share Cluster*

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**Mission of the Month – August 2018  
Second Mile Preschool**

Second Mile Preschool is a mission of Second Mile Development, Inc. which serves the Terry Heights/Hillendale community and beyond. The preschool was started in 1989 as a joint mission of First Presbyterian Church, Covenant Presbyterian Church and Central Presbyterian Church. Over the years it has served over 750 children.

Under the current direction of FPC member, Karen Lastovic, the preschool provides for 3, 4, and 5-year old children to learn in a Christian environment where they are safe and loved. It is the mission of Second Mile Preschool to give young children successful experiences and to help them develop listening skills, verbal expression, respect for authority, sensitivity to the feelings of others, ap-

preciation of individuality, and pride in their work.

Second Mile Preschool provides a quality education for families in need. The tuition is reduced for these families through donations from churches, businesses and the community. Parents can also volunteer at the Second Mile Neighborhood Thrift Store if they are unable to afford the weekly tuition. Additionally, parents are supported by two other Second Mile programs: Pride for Parents and Parent Initiative. All three of these ministries encourage and support the parents to be an important influence in their child's life by being their child's most important teacher.

In the month of August, our congregation has TWO opportunities to support this important and long-standing mission of our church:

**Second Mile Preschool Supply Drive:**

Please bring donations of the following items to the church. The drop off area is in the alcove across from the Historic Room:

- Playdough, Dot Paint, Paper Towels, Copy Paper, Lysol Spray,
- Refill size GermX Liquid Soap, Gift Cards to Walmart or Schoolcraft

**Second Mile Development Capital Campaign for the purchase of property to build a new Second Mile Preschool Facility:**

Second Mile has the opportunity to buy the property on Holmes Avenue next to the present Second Mile Development Headquarters. The cost is \$70,000. There is a deadline of September 30, 2018 to raise as much money as possible before funds must be borrowed.

**If you feel called to donate, please make your checks to First Presbyterian Church with Second Mile Building Fund in the memo line.**



### **Church Members:**

- Anne Boles
- Emily Butler
- Marlyn Harris
- David Hatch
- J. R. Howard
- Kara Howard
- **Sharon Hudson**
- Billie Jones
- Cay Lambert
- Sage Lyons III
- Jan McKemie
- Harper Grace Niedermeyer
- Sanders Pair
- Dolly Shuey
- Alsie Waller

### **Friends and Family:**

- Merle Bass - Mother of Nancy Lundy
- **Barry Blackwell - Nephew of Betty Dunaway**
- Danny Blain - Nephew of Morris Hammer
- Colleen Bolton - Daughter-in-law of Bill and Miriam Bolton
- Athlea Burnham - Mother of Diane Roberts
- Cindy Coulter - Friend of Sheila, Katie, and Natalie Fogle
- Becky DeWees - Sister of Tish Hammer
- Dunar Family - Friends of FPC Choir Member
- Patricia Dunkin - Friend of Beverly Wills
- Stella Fair - Sister of David Galloway
- Susan Gillespie - Friend of FPC
- Richard Hartley - Friend of Tam Bevel
- Donna Hester - Sister-in-law of Anne Peters
- Tina and James Hester - Parents of Anne Peters
- Houston Hodges - Friend of FPC
- Lydia Kimbrel, daughter of Craig and Ashley Kimbrel - Friends of Nan McBride
- Mary Harmon Lankford - Great Granddaughter of Mary Edith Thompson
- The John Leisenring Family - Bill and Miriam Bolton's daughter-in-law's family.
- Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith
- Kevin McCarley - Brother of Roy McCorkle
- Beth McCormick - Daughter-in-law of Susie McCormick.

- Jeff Minatra - Friend of Houston Matthews
- Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely
- Scott Sedlitz - Stepson of Annwhite Fuller
- **Patricia Smith - Mother of David Smith**
- Fred Stucky, Jr. - Father of Fred Stucky
- Linda Tsuhlares - Family Member of Causeys

### **Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:**

- Reese Butler (Redstone Village)
- Elissa Green (Brookdale Hampton Cove)
- Jeanette Hollis (Harbor Chase)
- Theresa Miller - this is her new address:  
Sunrise at Huntcliffe Summit  
8480 Roswell Road  
Sandy Springs, GA 30350  
678-461-1138
- Darwin Perkins (Redstone Village)
- Ray Rose (Diversicare of Big Springs)
- Marge Sharp (Birmingham).

### **The Church:**

- The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger, and her family
- First Presbyterian Church, the Session, the Board of Deacons, the North Alabama Presbytery, and for all the church staff
- NAP seminary students Devon Reynolds (New Market) and Sara Jane Bush Nixon (First, Athens).

**Military & International:** All those serving in the armed forces.

**Our Nation:** President Trump and our representatives.

### **First Presbyterian Missions & Ministries:**

- Appalachia Service Project (ASP)
- Good Samaritans
- International Missionary Fellowship (HaitiHospital.org)
- The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center
- The Presbyterian Home for Children
- Second Mile Preschool
- Kids to Love
- The CUP program

### **Other Prayers:**

Let us remember all those who have suffered and continue to suffer from natural disasters, our Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program, and other benevolent agencies.

- ***Newest prayer requests are in bold print.***
- ***To add or remove a prayer request, please contact the Receptionist***



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