

MESSENGER

First Methodist Church of Pleasanton

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We are again in transition.

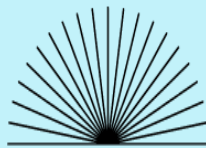
I look back at the past few years and I am in awe of the challenges and changes that have taken place. I can say these changes have not always been easy, but the path forward for our church has been well lit and God's gracious hand has been on this church through these challenging times.

I have confidence in His providence, and I want to continue to encourage us to remain in prayerful petition for His blessing on this church.

We do not want our church family to be without during this time of transition, so if anyone has any needs or questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us and we will do our best to answer any questions and provide for your needs.

I look forward to seeing everyone Sunday morning for our guest preacher, Dr. Scott Camp.

Jeff Petter, Lay Director



Come Pray & Play With Us!
Vacation Bible School

June 24 - 27
8am - 12pm

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Psalm 127:3

"Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him."



First Methodist Church of Pleasanton Council Meeting (Overview)

First Methodist Church of Pleasanton Council Meeting Minutes (Overview), May 7, 2024

Attendees: Dan Barrow (Board Chair), Walt Franklin (Finance Chair), Joett Morrison (SPR Chair), Jeff Petter (Lay Leader), Jeff Barta (Trustees Chair), Phillip Tom (Member at Large), Pastor Janet Tracy, Deborah Barrow

The meeting was called to order by Dan Barrow at 6:04 pm.

Jeff Petter opened us in prayer, and Dan Barrow gave us a devotional.

The minutes from the last church council meeting held on April 2, 2024, were reviewed. Walt Franklin motioned to accept the minutes as written; Jeff Petter seconded; the motion passed. The April 2, 2024, church council minutes were also printed in the May 2024 newsletter.

New Business:

The new logo sign created by Next Level Signs for our new church will be installed over the existing sign in front of the church. Jeff Barta said he would take the church van to his shop and replace the signage on the van's sides.

Jeff Petter provided an update on the search for our new pastor. The committee held a Zoom Bible study with one of the candidates and will conduct an in-person interview at the church on Thursday, May 9th.

The church council agreed to host an Appreciation Dinner for Janet and Lance Tracy to thank them for all they have done for our church during their tenure over the past two years. The dinner will be held on May 15th at 6:00 p.m. The church will provide pork chops and ask the congregation to bring sides and desserts.

Walt Franklin presented the Finance report. Leslie Ricks has started a Faith in Finance column in our monthly newsletter. She will provide a snapshot of the Deposits and Expenses received each month. Walt Franklin has received our new Church Insurance quote, which he will finalize in June.

Jeff Barta presented the Trustee's report. On April 21st, Jeff and Staci Barta walked through the Parsonage and made a list of 19 items that need to be addressed. The highest priorities are a bee nest in the large oak tree and a limb on the roof.

Joett Morrison presented the SPRC report. SPRC canceled the April 30th meeting pending the hiring of our new pastor.

Jeff Petter presented the Laity report. Hank Read is now driving the church van and will also drive the van for VBS to be held on June 24-27, 2024.

Pastor Tracy gave a report stating that the last Sunshine kids will be on May 8th. We have 11 confirmands in her class; their confirmation will be on May 19th, Pentecost Sunday. She thanked the members of the church who served as mentors to our confirmands.

Walt Franklin moved that our next church council meeting be held on June 4, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Phillip Tom seconded, and the motion passed. All church members are invited to attend the monthly council meetings.

Walt Franklin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Joett Morrison seconded, motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Pastor Tracy closed us in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Joett Morrison



Celebrations!



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

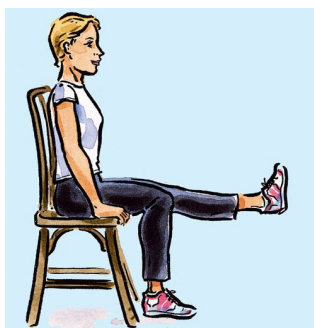
- 06/01 Chance Hehman
- 06/04 June Thompson
- 06/09 Lilley Conroy
Whitney Martin
- 06/14 Tannah Tolbirt
- 06/15 Dora Rutherford
- 06/17 Brian Butschek
- 06/18 Norma Aldrich
Kassidy Vickers
- 06/19 Gary Shannon
- 06/22 Deanna Popham
- 06/23 Aydan Smith
- 06/28 Troy Dusek
- 06/30 Jessi Brymer

06/07 Danny & Joett Morrison

06/14 Phillip & Amy Read

Are we **missing your** name on the birthday/anniversary list? Please notify the Church Office at 830-569-2083 so we can update your records. We don't want to miss anyone!

Need a prayer? We have a prayer team for that. Staci, Leigh Ann and Leigh Ann Shearrer are happy to pray for you or your loved one. We believe in the power of prayer so leave a message at the church office, or fill out a prayer request card at church. They are at the entrance to the sanctuary.



Chair- Meet & Move Exercise

This is an hour of prayer, stretching, fellowship, strengthening and keeping our old bones moving in a positive direction.

Come join us! \$5 each and bring a towel.

Wednesday 10-11 am in the Fellowship

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Jeremiah 29:11

June Calendar of Events!

06/02	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Saints & Sinners Sunday School Class Disciples of Christ Sunday School Class Worship Service*-Holy Communion
06/03	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry Ladies Bible Study
06/04	6:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
06/05	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry
06/07	7:00 a.m.	Prickly Pear Reunion Group
06/09	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Saints & Sinners Sunday School Class Disciples of Christ Sunday School Class Worship Service*
06/10	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry Ladies Bible Study
06/12	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry Senior Box Pickup-FMC
06/13	2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Super Seniors-Fellowship Hall Floral Arrangements
06/14	7:00 a.m.	Prickly Pear Reunion Group
Happy Father's Day!		
06/16	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Saints & Sinners Sunday School Class Disciples of Christ Sunday School Class Worship Service*
06/17	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry Ladies Bible Study
06/19	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry Ladies Bible Study
06/21	7:00 a.m.	Prickly Pear Reunion Group
06/23	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Saints & Sinners Sunday School Class Disciples of Christ Sunday School Class Worship Service*
 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 06/24-06/27 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.		
06/24	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry Ladies Bible Study
06/26	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Bountiful Blessings Pantry
06/28	7:00 a.m.	Prickly Pear Reunion Group
06/30	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Saints & Sinners Sunday School Class Disciples of Christ Sunday School Class Worship Service*

Disciples of Christ Sunday School Class

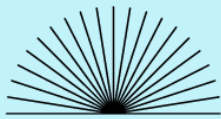
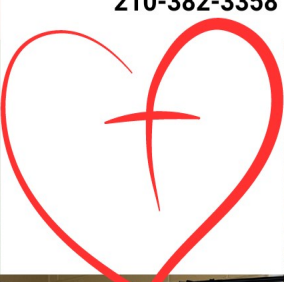
This is an adult class for the young, mature, and old. We enjoy discussions about Bible passages and are eager to learn more about our Savior. We rely on the Holy Spirit for guidance. **WHAT COULD BE MORE IMPORTANT?** We will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the classroom next to the Fellowship Hall. Facilitator, Peggy McCampbell.

Saints and Sinners Sunday School Class

"Saints and Sinners" is an adult class that meets at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the classroom next to the church parlor. We use the Cokesbury Adult Bible Study series and always have a lively conversation and good fellowship. Fresh Coffee available. We meet year round, and any and all are welcome to join us. Facilitator, Dan Barrow.



This spring was certainly a lot of fun for our youth! We celebrated seven graduates, ended a successful year of Sunshine Kids, and watched 11 kids commit themselves to Christ! We are so blessed! Summer brings Vacation Bible School June 24 - 27. Please be sure to register your kids or encourage them to volunteer! Also, invite your friends! If you have any questions, feel free to call or text Jessica at 210-382-3358



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Church News!

Faith in Finance

Here is a snapshot of the Deposits and Expenses received in April 2024.

Deposits-\$28,348.43

Expenses-\$16,782.46

Please note that deposits for the Easter Service, Senior Recognition Sunday and the special giving to Disaster Response were all in April. Those will help get us through the summer months.

Note: The insurance for church will increase by \$3,675.00/yr. effective June 2024.

If you have any questions, please let us know!

Congregational Care Team

The Congregational Care Team strives to provide support to our church family. Please notify any team with any need we can assist with. Team members: Mary Carolyn Chambers, Joan Shearrer, Jolene Disbro, Roxanne Wilson and Leigh Ann Ware-Shearrer.

Super Senior News

Super Seniors will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 13th in the Fellowship Hall. Leslie from Leslie's Flowers Shop will be here with bunches of fresh flowers and vases and guide us through the process of making a fresh flower arrangement.

Each participant will go home with the arrangement they have created! The details for the cost of the arrangement will follow.

Please call or text Ruth Marsh no later than June 10th at (830)570-7509. This will be a great time for fun and fellowship!



June 24 - 27 : Vacation Bible School (open to Pre-K through 5th grade (2024-2025 school year), older youth are encouraged to participate as volunteers.)

Bountiful Blessings Food Pantry needs



Canned Meat * Canned Fruit * Cereal

Bring to church and leave in the boxes in the Narthex.



Thank You!