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Out of the Woodwork

Dear First Family,

October is a month when our activity level goes up. We have World Communion Sunday, Brevard-Indian River Presbyterian Mission Conference, a Welcome Back Potluck, our congregation's anniversary, and Reformation Sunday. We're going to have fun.



On October 8th missionaries we support in Madagascar will be with us. They do a tremendous work. Dan and Elizabeth Turk work to improve the lives of the Malagasy people. Elizabeth trains village health workers, helps communities develop safe drinking water sources and educates church leaders and youth about AIDS prevention. Dan has helped the FJKM develop an extensive fruit tree program that includes a fruit tree nursery and extension work with farmers. He also does environmental education, helping people live in harmony with God's creation. Dan helps pastoral students grow fruits and vegetables.

The Warlicks served as Presbyterian missionaries for over 27 years in Africa. Nancy Warlick will be with us Oct. 11th at 9 a.m. She is a trained educator and is especially involved with children affected by the AIDS crisis. Prayer has also been an important part of her ministry. At the 1996 General Assembly in Albuquerque, New Mexico, the Warlicks received the Bell-Mackay award, given to our church's most outstanding mission workers. They were awarded honorary doctorates by Montreat College in 1998.

Note that the leader of the "Presbyterian" denomination of Madagascar, which is five times larger than ours, will speak at the BIRP Potluck at Merritt Island Presbyterian on October 14 at 6 p.m. Come hear Pastor Ammi.

No need to pick and choose, just come to them all!

Gratefully,

Member Spotlight: Ken and Margaret Hislop

by Sally Clark

Captain Ken & First-Mate Margaret



Hearty Greetings to Ken and Margaret Hislop, who joined our church last October. You cannot miss this lively couple; get them talking and you'll hear the delightful brogue that reveals their Scottish roots. Both born in Glasgow, Scotland, their eyes dance as they regale us with tales of early years in their homeland. They are indeed honored to share the heritage of the Presbyterian Church, grown out of the work of John Knox as he brought back to Scotland John Calvin's Reformed teachings in the 1500s.

Ken & Margaret's 57 years together have taken them to many venues, especially Ken – called "Captain Ken" because of his days in the Merchant Marines. Introduced to the sea life at age 15, he says he "bleeds salt water" now. Schooling in all-things-Merchant-Marine took him to Wales and England, where he sailed to Scotland, Ireland and other ports. Then he crewed on a cargo ship that traveled the world, docking anywhere from the U.S. Coastline to Africa, the Mediterranean and faraway Australia.

The couple met by chance when Margaret was a secretary in Scotland and Ken was home on leave. Romance blossomed even though his travels kept them apart; their courtship was mainly via frequent letters back and forth. They would in time immigrate to Canada, Margaret living with family while Ken studied Electrical Engineering in Montreal. Returning to Scotland to marry in June 1960, they soon settled in Connecticut where they welcomed their son Ronald and daughter Kim.

The lure of the Florida East Coast beckoned the family to Fort Lauderdale, where they lived for 25 years, then on to Boynton Beach for 20 years. Retired and tired of "too many people," they finally moved to Sebastian – that little getaway town where they'd often vacationed for long Mother's Day weekends.

Their family delights them daily. All accomplished, son Ron is an FIT graduate and is now launch manager for Pratt & Whitney's Delta 5 rocket. Daughter Kim is an interior designer, gaining the top sales slot at her company. Their granddaughter, an aerospace engineer, works on drone engines for Rolls Royce. Pride follows their grandson as he pursues a degree in Electrical/Computer Engineering at FAU.

The Hislop's have been Presbyterians wherever they've lived. Margaret has been a deacon and taught Sunday School; Ken was a deacon and a trustee in past years. They've been active in the Scottish Society of South Florida and other Scottish groups. Ken joined others to begin traditional Scottish games that now occur all over Florida. Ken is proud to play the drums in some bagpipe groups; last Reformation Sunday (10/30/16) he and a bagpiper participated in our church's marking of the event with Pastor Jeff during worship. (continued on next page)

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The couple keep busy. A licensed Captain and in the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Ken taught boat safety over the years and has done rescue piloting. He is part of Sebastian's Power Squadron, still enjoying time on the water. Never far from her needles, Margaret is a dedicated knitter, and also enjoys her volunteer time at our Thrift Shop. She's gone to our fashion show and various PW programs and looks forward to more involvement.

From the beginning the Hislop's have found our church to be "very welcoming, very friendly." We're so blessed to have them with us!

Clerk's Corner

by Jane Capo

It has been a challenging and eventful summer for our community, our church, and your Clerk of Session. I apologize for not preparing a Clerk's Corner for the September Post. Our church has been so faithful to pray for my stepson Michael during his eight years of leukemia treatment, and he joined the Church Triumphant on Sunday, July 30th. My family and I are grateful for your continued prayers.

As I write this, I am grateful for electricity quickly restored in my neighborhood after Hurricane Irma. As you read this, many folks are still recovering from the impact of this storm and will be for many months. Let's keep them in our prayers, even as people prayed for us when we were in the path of a storm.

Our membership has seen some changes since the last Clerk's Corner. We have 162 Active members, reflecting the death of Jim Jennings on 5/26/17, and the reception of Virginia Paddock, Art Paddock, and Linda Weeks as Active members on June 25th. At the August Stated Meeting, we received Susan Mann and Karen Rohls into active membership, by reaffirmation of faith and certificate of transfer, respectively, and on September 3rd, we received into active membership, Jim Kemman by certificate of transfer, and Mike & Karen Jakubowicz by reaffirmation of faith. How exciting to have these folks worshipping with us! Worship attendance during the summer has averaged between 90 and 100 each Sunday morning.

Session did not meet during July. The Nominating Committee reported that they are actively praying and seeking elders for the Class of 2020. BIRP, the Brevard-Indian River Presbyterians mission effort, will be having events in October this year rather than next February, because the Madagascar Mission Network is meeting in Orlando, and many of the organizations and people BIRP works with will be in the area. The Central Florida Presbytery fall meeting was scheduled for September 12th but has been postponed until October 19th due to the hurricane.



Outreach/Evangelism Team

by Joan Giltinan



REMINDER!! DISCOVER 'FIRST' Wednesday, October 18th at 5:30 pm

Our **DISCOVER FIRST** gathering is coming up that evening @ **5:30 p.m.** This is your opportunity to **connect with Pastor Jeff and other folks** ("up close & personal") as we share a light supper and introduce you to life and ministry here at "**FIRST**" in an informal atmosphere.

Of course, if you've been a part of this church for a long time, you, too, are welcome to come and meet those whose faces are still unfamiliar to you. Please call the Church Office (589-5656) or Joan Giltinan (581-0392) to sign up for this event.

Church at Prayer

by Joan Giltinan



"if my people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 Chron. 7:14

With the dawning of October (our church's anniversary month), we celebrate the *Church at Prayer (CAP)* as we begin the 13th year of weekly prayer on behalf of the church. Launched on **October 4, 2005**, with the vision of **"stepping out in faith to claim God's promises in Scripture,"** we have seen God pour out countless blessings upon this church and His people here, not the least of which is transforming the hearts and lives of those who pray.

In the beginning we wrote our own weekly meditations, then for 8 years shared those from the pen of the Rev. Dr. E. Stanley Ott. Following Dr. Ott's retirement from that branch of ministry, God led us to "Our Daily Journey" meditations, published by *Our Daily Bread Ministries*. With their permission, we began to select from this resource this past March. These are accompanied by our own **Prayer Suggestions** which are guidelines, and those praying pray as they feel led by the Holy Spirit. Those currently writing weekly prayer suggestions are: Joyce Anderson, Patci Blackwood, Clark Brillhart, Jane Capo, Pat Carroll, Sally Clark, Joan Giltinan and Juanita Welsh.

If you are new to our church family or have been thinking about becoming part of this vital prayer ministry, this is **your invitation to join your praying heart to ours** by coming to the Sanctuary **each Tuesday morning, 9-10 a.m.** and/or praying at home. Each Sunday morning the weekly Meditation/Prayer Suggestion sheets may be found on the Sign-up Table in the hallway, so feel free to take one home with you. (On the reverse side is our complete list of people – updated weekly – who need our prayers.)

Should you have any questions, please call Joan Giltinan (581-0392) or Pastor Jeff.



'Welcome Back' Supper

WHEN: Saturday, October 28th at 4:00 p.m.

Come and Welcome the Fall Season along with some of our returning 'Snowbirds!'

Meat will be provided. Please sign up to bring a vegetable, salad or dessert. A Sign-Up Sheet will be placed on the hallway table.

Music Department

by Charlene Peacock

Judy Meng drove from Jupiter to Sebastian and graciously provided special bell music for us. Judy is the sister of Doris Brown, our organist and choir alto. To Judy, Doris and Jane Capo, our most sincere thank you!

Being able to read music is like reading a book, it will open a whole new world. For people who sing, the ability to note read makes music much easier and more understandable. Note Reading Class will be offered on Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. You must register by calling the office or call Charlene at 321-480-4714. This is an eight week class beginning October 18, 2017.



October Birthdays And Anniversaries

Happy Anniversary to:

John and Susan Coard (13)	10/6	Alfred Berni	10/20	Judy Nafziger
Dick and Debbie Sladen (20)	10/7	Irene Harpley	10/27	June Taylor
John and Betty Boardman (45)	10/8	Arnold Kimmel	10/27	Polly Viner
Al and Joan Killian (55)	10/12	Rosemary Abma		
Ron and Doris Kelly (49)	10/12	Joyce Anderson		
	10/12	Patci Blackwood		
	10/12	Joan Killian		
	10/16	Mike Jakubowicz		
	10/19	Bebe Rowe		

Happy Birthday to:

10/2 Al Killian
10/3 Clark Brillhart



Is your name missing from our birthday/anniversary list? Please let the church office know so we can update our records and celebrate your special day(s)!

A Call to Prayer

Concerns This Week:

Betty Berry's granddaughter, Emily
 Joyce Anderson's friend, Bill Daly
 Robin (Anderson) Boyd's sister-in-law,
 Lynn
 Betty/Jack Boardman
 Doris Brown's sister, Margaret, friend,
 Joann Langevin
 Bob Brown's cousin, Ann Marie Glenn
 Carole Costello's brother, Eddie Reed
 Dawn Durling's cousin, Carolyn
 Motley, friend, Roxanne Green &
 family
 Pat Dwyer's nephew, Brian Cooper
 Don Helmboldt's son, Bob
 Florence Huber
 Josie (John) Jaynes
 Bob Keith
 Mary Keogh's friend, Nicole
 Tony/JoAnn Leonard's friend, Susan
 Childress
 Dave/Betty Letrick
 Dave/Betty Letrick's son-in-law, Pete
 Sylvia McFadden's son, Timothy
 Ann Mensinger's sister, Brenda
 Johnson
 Mary Jo Morrow
 David (Chris) Pierson's niece, Susan
 Jan Rapacke's sister, Sue, and
 nephew, Jim
 Bess Scholten's sister's son, Tim
 Menzer
 Debbie Sladen's mother, Ann Powers,
 sister & brother in law, & friends;
 Bruce, Tom, and Ruth
 Susan Stingone's sister, Jean
 Sherry Whitcomb's brother, Bob
 English
 Don Wilson
 Pastor Jeff's son, Taylor, & niece,
 Nicole

Current Prayer Requests:

Rosemary Abma and sons, Hank &
 Mark, and friend, Rina
 Gloria Ajose
 Joyce Anderson's friends Arlene &
 Janet
 Thelma Andresen & her sister, Sharon
 June (John) Atta
 Harriet Beatty
 Betty Berry's sister, Marie

John/Pat Blaga
 Doris Brown; Bob Brown's cousins,
 Suzanne & John Schlicter
 Pat Carroll & her sister, Sandy,
 neighbor, Fred Campbell
 Jamie Clark; Sally Clark's friend, Adele
 Elsie Colwell
 Gladys Cormeia
 Carole Costello
 Sandy Doughty's daughter, Melissa
 King
 Gloria Fennell
 Joan Giltinan's niece, Pam
 Dot Goare
 Greggs' daughter, Rachel
 Eleanor Hakes' son-in-law, Bruce
 Barbara/Wayne Harding
 Irene/Sam Harpley
 Joan Helmacy's friend, Chuck Hartlove
 Jerry Jessup
 Arnold (Joan) Kimmel
 Arnold Kimmel's sister, Martha
 Kimmel
 Joan & Bill Kraftchak
 Donna Lemon's brother, Bobby
 Donna Lilga
 Stan Linder
 Lindora Llewellyn & daughter
 Nancy Loichytz's daughter, Suzanne, and
 friend's daughter, Kristin
 Norm (Mona) Lopez
 Nancy Marine
 Sylvia McFadden's son, Daniel
 Myra Mende's grandson, Kyle
 Carol Plummer's son, Flavio
 Pam Richardson's sister-in-law, Robin
 Carol (Dick) Roy
 Bebe Rowe
 Marge Royce
 Bill (Bess) Scholten
 Bess Scholten's friend, Brendan
 Leonard
 Priscilla/Sam Spear
 June Taylor's granddaughter, Mellanie
 Bill & Juanita Welsh's son, David & his
 family
 Juanita Welsh's friend, Ann Sage

Continuing Prayer Requests:

Pat Adkins
 Jack Ayers
 Judy Baysinger's daughter, Melanie

Bells' grandson Taylor, & friend,
 Norman
 Roxie Buhr
 Gertrude Dinnany
 Phil & Ellie Gregory & daughter,
 Andrea
 Bill Kraftchak's brother, James, &
 friends Bernie & Jinja
 Kellys'/Bells' friends, Dave & Donna
 Leioatts' neighbor's son, Tom
 Thompson
 Juanita Leioatt's sister, Sue
 Donna Lilga's daughter, Myra, &
 friend, Carol
 Norm Lopez's daughter, Liz, &
 friend, Norma
 Don MacLean, Jr.
 Dick Nafziger
 Dave Pierson
 Carol Plummer's friends, Fiona
 Atwell, Joe Cruz & Joan Boulay
 Mary Rawn
 Audrey Reed and her sister,
 Maryanne
 Mabel Rohr
 Bob Wannop
 Don Wilson's son, James
 People whose lives and homes
 continue to be impacted by floods
 (Hurricane Harvey), fires,
 tornadoes
 People whose lives & homes were
 impacted and may be impacted by
 Category 5 Hurricane Irma

Grieving:

Family of Doug Boyd
 Dawn Durling's friend, Roxanne
 Green & family upon the death of
 her husband

Missionaries:

Pastor Jeff's friends, Mike and
 Rachel Weller in Ethiopia
 Dan & Elizabeth Turk
 Rodney & Sharyn Babe
 Nate/Elinda Steury





OCTOBER 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 World Communion Sunday 8:45a Café 9a Bible Study/9:15 Choir 10a Worship 11a Coffee Pantry: Mac 'n Cheese	2 1p Bridge 5:30p W.Watchers 7p Bible Study	3 9a CAP 10-2 Thrift Shop 10:30a O/E Team	4 9a Pastor's Bible Study 10a Thrift Shop Team 11a Missions Team 12n Stewardship/Finance 1p Administration Team 4p Choir	5 7a B&G 10-2 Thrift Shop 10a PW Team 12n Worship Team	6 OFFICE CLOSED 9:30a W.Watchers 10-3 Thrift Shop 1p Bridge	7 10-2 Thrift Shop
8 8:45a Café 9a Bible Study/9:15 Choir 10a Worship 11a Coffee Pantry: Cereal	9 1p Bridge 1p Book Club 5:30p W.Watchers 7p Bible Study	10 9a CAP 10-2 Thrift Shop 3p Session	11 9a Pastor's Bible Study 4p Choir	12 7a B&G 10-2 Thrift Shop POST Articles Due	13 OFFICE CLOSED 9:30a W.Watchers 10-3 Thrift Shop 1p Bridge	14 10-2 Thrift Shop 6p BIRP Mission Conference Dinner at Merritt Island Presbyterian
15 8:45a Café 9a Bible Study/9:15 Choir 10a Worship 11a Coffee Pantry: Dry Milk	16 1p Bridge 5:30p W.Watchers 7p Bible Study	17 9a CAP 10-2 Thrift Shop	18 9a Pastor's Bible Study 11:30a Martha Circle 4p Choir 5:30p Discover First 	19 7a B&G 10-2 Thrift Shop	20 OFFICE CLOSED 9:30a W.Watchers 10-2 Thrift Shop 1p Bridge	21 10-2 Thrift Shop
22 8:45a Café 9a Bible Study/9:15 Choir 10a Worship 11a Coffee Pantry: Beans/Rice	23 1p Bridge 5:30p W.Watchers 7p Bible Study	24 9a CAP 10-2 Thrift Shop	25 9a Pastor's Bible Study 4p Choir	26 7a B&G 10-2 Thrift Shop 9:30a POST Mailing	27 OFFICE CLOSED 9:30a W.Watchers 10-3 Thrift Shop 1p Bridge	28 10-2 Thrift Shop 4p Welcome Back Supper 
29 Reformation Sunday 8:45a Café 9a Bible Study/9:15 Choir 10a Worship 11a Coffee Pantry: Spaghetti/Sauce	30 1p Bridge 5:30p W.Watchers 7p Bible Study	31 9a CAP 10-2 Thrift Shop	Elder of the Month: Jean Valentine Church at Prayer: Sally Clark			
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Remember these dates:

10/1 World Communion Sunday

10/18 Discover First

10/28 Welcome Back Supper

10/29 Reformation Sunday

