

Let Your LIGHT SHINE

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF OWASSO
OCTOBER 2020

Fall Mission Focus - FPCO Blessing Box!

Join us in stocking our new Blessing Box in the parking lot! The Box has nonperishable foods and household items like small packs of toilet paper and diapers. Our most needed items are peanut butter and jelly, diapers, tuna, canned chicken, canned ravioli, mac-n-cheese, spaghetti, pasta, & rice.



Blessing Box Testimonial

This morning I was refilling the Blessing Box as it was very empty and I saw a car drive up. The lady took a few things and told me she comes every morning after dropping her kids off at school. She said, "I come for my family and my sister. I'm so grateful for the food as we have so little money right now. I also come every year for your toy sale. It's such a wonderful thing your church is doing." I told her that she was certainly welcome to take anything she needed from the box. She took toilet paper, macaroni and cheese and a couple of cans of Spaghetti O's. - Mark H.

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 10:30am In Person Worship,
& YouTube worship
- 11:30am Sunday School

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

- 4:00pm Zoom Prayer
- 6:00pm Kids & Youth on
the Lawn

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HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- DONATE FOOD!
DONATE TIME!
DONATE MONEY!



October Birthdays

- 1 Bill Herleth
- 1 Kat Hale
- 7 Lue Buster
- 8 Emsley Bratcher
- 9 Theresa Jankosky
- 12 Cierra Brooks
- 17 Gretchen Hrachovec
- 19 Sheri Burnes
- 20 Teresa Herleth
- 30 Brian Thomason
- 30 Paul Warne

Congratulations!

Join us for Worship!

Available every Sunday morning at 10:30am on our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChc7GC6lg2oxCi1qrjM8fZQ> This worship is shorter, and more casual. We celebrate ‘virtual communion’ online on the first Sunday of the month, with whatever you have at home for the bread and cup. We hope you’ll use your Home Worship basket, with the Christ candle, cross, and home communion set. Our worship service is available to view online any time day or night!



WELCOME BACK!

We are now having in person worship at our usual 10:30am time, with all of the precautions listed below. *And online worship is streaming for all who wish to be at home*, worship is ‘streaming’ at the same time on YouTube and available afterwards. We have had some technical difficulties, but we are working to perfect it!

We also want to keep everyone safe, so we are asking that people *stay home* if they are experiencing any respiratory symptoms, fever, or have been exposed to COVID. If anyone who attends church tests positive, we will shut the church for cleaning for 14 days, and ask people to self-isolate.

Sunday school is a 30 minute time after worship, in the sanctuary, for those who wish to stay. We are studying *Acts: Catching Up With the Spirit*, by Matthew Skinner, which can be purchased on Amazon!

Check us out online!

Listen to the sermons, check out our current events, or read the newsletter online at www.fpcowasso.org or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FirstPresOwasso, for video devotionals from Rev. Natalie, and other events.

2020 GIVING

Please remember the church in your giving! You can mail a check, or go to our website to give online! Our giving has been pretty steady during the pandemic, and we were blessed with an SBA loan! Thank you for your generosity - it changes lives inside and outside the church! Giving statements were mailed, let us know if any corrections!

PRAYER GROUP

Wednesdays 4:00pm

Join Pastor Natalie for online prayer and support! Email her for the Zoom link and password!



CLEANING CLOSETS

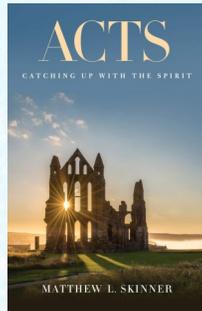
Save your stuff!

We hope to have a combined Toy/Garage sale for missions Friday & Saturday (Oct 23-24th)! Jenny Wood is organizing and will need donations and volunteers! Contact Jenny to volunteer!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join Pastor Natalie for *Acts Bible Study* on Sundays after worship for Bible study and discussion!

Get your book on Amazon today! *Acts: Catching Up With the Spirit* by Matthew Skinner. We'll discuss a new chapter each week.



KIDS & YOUTH ON THE LAWN

Wednesday nights!

6:00-7:30pm - weather permitting

Join Ms. Susan and Ms. Jenny for fun! Bring a brown bag supper, and a 'welcome mat' or blanket to sit on! Bring your scooter, skateboard, or hoverboard for fun in the parking lot! We'll be socially distanced, and masks are required. We'll enjoy our meal, prayer, 'camp songs' and energizers, and a Bible lesson. Join us! Our theme: "Welcome: God's Hospitality!"



OCTOBER WORSHIP

- 4th **Opposition**
Acts 5:17-42
World Communion Sunday
- 11th **Saints Around the Edges**
Acts 9:36-42
- 18th **This Changes Everything**
Acts 16: 16-39
- 25th **A Life of Generosity**

Good News!



We have hired a new Music Director, who will begin on Sunday, October 25th. Alan Parker is a lifelong music minister and a Special Ed teacher at Tulsa Memorial High School! Praise God!

THANK YOU!

We raised almost \$800 for Malawi for Bibles, and COVID relief! Thank you so much!



SESSION MEETING

- October 20th- 6:30pm on Zoom
(Presbytery visit)
- October 27th - 6:30pm on Zoom
(monthly meeting)

WE ARE STILL THE CHURCH!

COVID-19 has definitely changed church! We have moved worship and activities online, to YouTube, Facebook, and Zoom! We have in person worship with precautions.

Things are different, but we are still the hands and feet of Christ, reaching out to one another and to our community! We are supporting our church members, filling our NEW Blessing Box, and learning new ways to serve and pray, grow and worship! It's a challenging time, but also a time of great opportunity! We hope you'll join us for the journey!

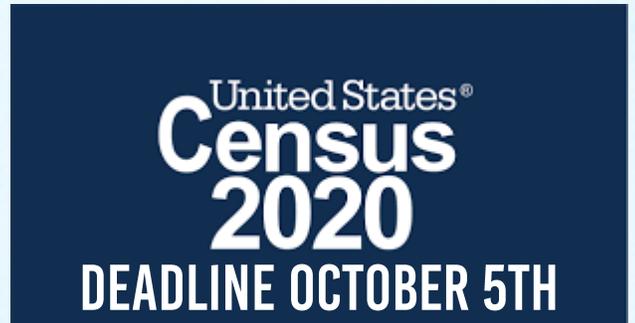
CONTACTING THE STAFF

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The office is open Tues -Thursday, 9:00am-12:00pm,

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lillie and Dwight Brooks (Laura's parents, both had surgery) Rob Duchan (successful heart surgery), Dorothy and Floyd Stevens, family of Florence Rambo (Danny's relative), Michael Hammond, Anne Klein, Claudette Howe, Rev. Natalie's Uncle John-cancer, Sheader's friends-- Frank Flanagan (COVID) and Sandy Marsh (cancer), Sandy Freeland, Mary Ellen Johnston – for improved eyesight, Sue Thornton (friend of the Brewers), Patti Perkins, Burnes Family, Eileen Croslin, Fornwald Family (Patti's sister), Judy Jones, Amy Lachney, Barry Lutz, Barbara Lytle, Paul Warne, Cathy Streight (Susan Hammond's sister), Judy Owens, Nikki Lalonde, Nora Sheader and her sister, Jerry Pinkerton, Margie Hawkins, Anna Strom, Cheryl Brooks, Barry & Mary Beth Ward, victims of COVID-19, victims of storms, victims of violence, prejudice, and persecution, our country, our leaders, first responders, our military men and women, our veterans, our sister church in Malawi, and our church staff.

Please email the church or Pastor Natalie to update prayer list! Let us know of any changes!