

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SENIORS MINISTRY MESSENGER

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Psalm 145:3-4

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable. One
generation shall commend your works to
another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

From the Heart of Pastor Bryan Bult

The Bible is full of examples of rich, intergenerational relationships. I am touched by the way the seasoned Apostle Paul mentors his younger intern, Timothy. To his fledgling protégé he writes, *Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers, older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.* (1 Tim. 5:1,2) We glean from these instructions that the church is not a civic organization, but a family. Families then, as now, were essential to community stability. Multiple generations often lived in close proximity, if not under the same roof. Families stuck together and committed to caring for each other. Older members were to be treated with respect, honored, and listened to. Younger members were to be valued for their energy and idealism. The obvious application is that older and younger Christians should spend time together. The mix of generations we enjoy within the First Pres. family is a blessing. Meeting together in the Family Life Center for the summer lectures is an opportunity to strengthen family ties. I encourage you to befriend a younger Christian this summer. Not only did Paul and Timothy mutually benefit from their friendship, but the church universal always will as well. I am grateful to be in your "family."

July/Aug 2022

Seniors Ministry Staff

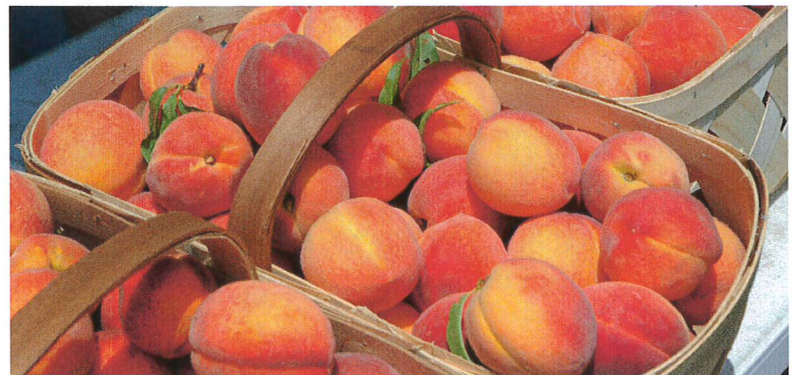
Rev. Bryan F. Bult Assoc. Minister to Seniors
Janet B. Altman Seniors Ministry Coord.

July Gatherings

- 5 1:00 PM Seniors Ministry Session Committee
- 7 2-4:00 PM Chocolate Ice Cream Day
- 9 9:00 AM Encouragers Breakfast
- 13 1:00 PM Encouragers Steering Committee
- 20 1:00 PM Barnabas Min Prayer/Note Writing
- 21 10:30 AM Enc. Tour Greek Orthodox Church
11:30 AM Enc. Lunch in Greek Restaurant
- 25 5:30 PM CIA Steering Committee via Zoom

August Gatherings

- 1 8:00 AM Seniors Ministry Men's Breakfast
- 2 1:00 PM Seniors Ministry Session Committee
- 4 3:30 PM Enc. Movie: The Most Reluctant Convert
5:30 PM Enc. Salad, Pizza, Dessert
- 6 9:00 AM Encouragers Breakfast
- 10 1:00 PM Encouragers Steering Committee
- 17 1:00 PM Barnabas Min Prayer/Note Writing
- 29 5:30 PM CIA Steering Committee via Zoom



ENCOURAGERS

FELLOWSHIP | PRAYER | SERVICE
Singles 50+ Years Old



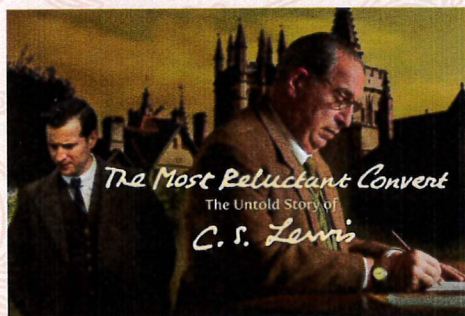
Tour of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral

1931 Sumter Street

Thursday, July 21

10:30 a.m.

Meet at the Cathedral,
Lunch in restaurant to follow.
Restaurant name & address TBA



Movie Followed by Pizza

Thursday, August 4

3:30 p.m.

Wardlaw Auditorium on 3rd
Floor of Education Bldg

If you are 50+ years old and single, but are not receiving email or postcard invitations to Encouragers events, please contact Janet at 803.799.9062, Ext. 550, to join this group.

first presbyterian church couples IN ACTION

FELLOWSHIP • PRAYER • SERVICE

In Spring 2022, 40 couples, in groups of 3-5 couples, began sharing a monthly meal.



In June, these 40 couples received a survey via email. The survey is an opportunity for those who participated in the Spring to provide feedback as we look to the Fall.

Also in June, a Fall Sign-Up invitation went out via email for those who wish to participate in meals beginning in August. The thinking is that summer is so busy and November and December are equally busy, so the optimal 3 months to share meals are between the two.



Please contact Janet at (803) 799-9062, Extension 550, with any questions.

Barnabas Ministry

COMFORT & JOY

A Note About a Note

In May, when I was walking through a season of trial, I received a note from the Barnabas Ministry. The note was written by James Charles and signed by others in the group. It was used by God to bring comfort and joy. Here is an excerpt:

*"Dear Janet,
...May our Lord's healing mercies be upon you. May His love and guidance be realized by you and Steve as you continue on your pilgrim journey..."*

The Barnabas Ministry meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 1:00-2:00 PM in Bridge 201 (WOC Room). If you would like to serve in this way, please contact Pastor Bryan Bult.

Fitness Walking
Family Life Center
Tuesdays & Thursdays
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.



Join the Cool
People in the
Gym!

Participation in Fitness Walking is open to all ages. Please consider "doing your laps" in this cool and safe place with family and friends.

Make a Donation to Local Missions on



**CHOCOLATE
ICE CREAM DAY**



Thursday, July 7

2:00-4:00 PM

In January, Seniors Ministry celebrated Strawberry Ice Cream Day and raised \$500 for Local Missions. Those funds went to Camp Joy. We will celebrate Chocolate Ice Cream Day on July 7 and once again accept donations to Local Missions.

SENIORS MINISTRY Men's Breakfast

**Monday, August 1
Jackson Hall: 8:00 AM**

**Hosted by Pastor
Bryan Bult**

Guests Are Welcome

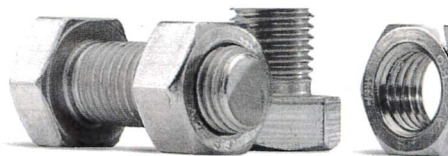
A sign-up sheet will be emailed out. Please include names of guests when you sign up.



In August of 2020, Seniors Ministry began "taking the (birthday) party" to members who have made 95 or more trips around the sun. We have two Brigades "in the works" for August. The number in each Brigade is determined by several factors, which means some Brigades have 3 members and others have 10+ members. Please contact Janet if you would like to be notified when a Birthday Brigade is planned.

Tuesday Morning Book Study for Men

Pastor Bryan Bult is leading a discussion of Sinclair Ferguson's book, "The Christian Life: A Doctrinal Introduction," from 10:30 until 11:30 AM on Tuesdays. If you have interest in joining, please contact Bill James or Pastor Bult. The group meets in the basement of The Bridge.



**The
Christian Life**

Christian Missions

*AN INTRODUCTION TO THE
SCIENCE OF MISSIONS*

J. H. Bavinck (266)

*MISSION AFFIRMED:
Recovering the Missionary
Motivation of Paul
Elliot Clark (266)*

*GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES!
An Introduction to Christian
Missions*

Roger S. Greenway (266)

*MISSION IN THE NEW
TESTAMENT:
An Evangelical Approach
William J. Larkin Jr, editor (266)*

*OVERFLOW: How the Joy of the
Trinity Inspires Our Mission
Michael Reeves (266)*

*LOVING THE CITY: Doing
Balanced, Gospel-Centered
Ministry in Your City
Timothy Keller (266.1)*

*A HOLY AMBITION: To Preach
Where Christ Has Not Been
Named
John Piper (266.3)*

*INTRODUCING WORLD
MISSIONS: A Biblical, Historical,
and Practical Survey
A. Scott Moreau (266.3)*

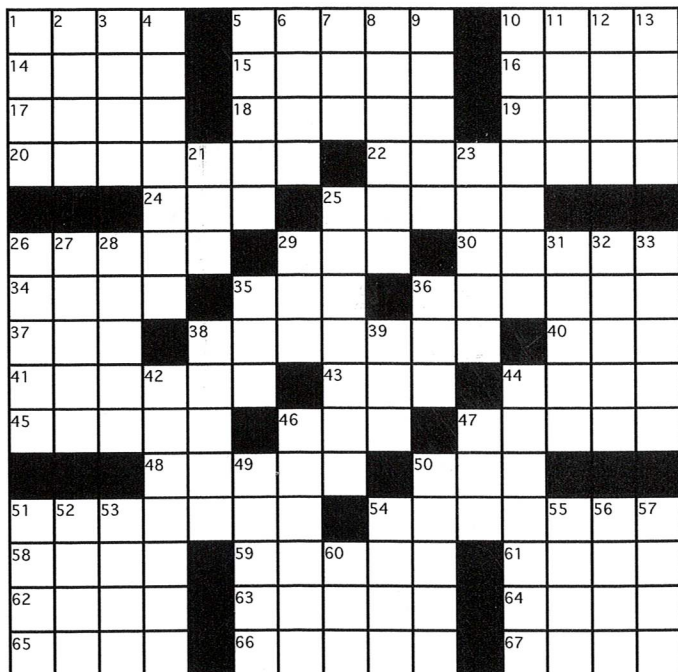
**These Books Are
Available for Check-Out...**

... on the credenza in the Church
Library: The Bridge, Room 200.
Deborah Kirkland,
Church Librarian
803-799-9062, Ext. 603



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Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Of the congregation
5. Edible bird
10. Conceal
14. Square column
15. Right _____
16. Start of Mongolia's capital
17. Pastry decorator
18. Laundress' problem
19. Opposite of bananas
20. Interval of relief
22. Trace
24. Sugar: suf.
25. Seed covering
26. Entice
29. Monogram for Adlai
30. Wall covering
34. Oven
35. One of two body parts
36. Leafy vegetable
37. Lunch order, for short
38. Gave money in advance
40. Word with cent or chance
41. Pore over again
43. Light metal
44. Arctic sight
45. Decorate
46. Directed
47. A la _____
48. Eyed amorously
50. Common verb
51. Collects
54. Chair materials

58. Indira's garb
 59. Went public with
 61. Intestinal parts
 62. Belgrade resident
 63. Blackmore heroine Lorna
 64. Poems addressed to people or things
 65. Comfort
 66. Derisive look
 67. Signals assent
- ### DOWN
1. Hideaway
 2. Ending for allow or annoy
 3. Residents of: suf.
 4. Garage's alternative
 5. Brahman or Sudra
 6. Poker term
 7. Open sponsor's letters
 8. Black or green items
 9. Hawaiian geese
 10. Sandwich spread
 11. Jai _____
 12. Warbled
 13. Calf-thigh connection
 21. Suffix for stoic or critic
 23. Platform
 25. Lured
 26. Longest venomous snake
 27. Forced someone to go, as to court
 28. Lone Star State athlete
 29. "How _____ you?"
 31. More mature, as fruit

32. Turn away
33. Suit material
35. Difficult, to a cockney
36. German article
38. Feelings of hunger
39. First _____
42. Causing deterioration
44. Strong defense
46. Tissue abnormality caused by disease
47. Kitty
49. Pencil parts
50. Heron or flamingo
51. South African fox
52. _____ fide; done in bad faith
53. Parseghian & others
54. M. Descartes
55. _____ Ray
56. Requirement
57. Back talk
60. Fish eggs

