

A HUGE THANK YOU to Mike & Nancy Grantham, Scott & Nancy Postlethwaite, Judy Holtmyer, Julie Martin, Lonnie & Linda Helms, Scott & Leah Berning, Peggy Gilchrist, Charlotte Utley, Jim & Sally Barthell, Gladys Taylor, Margo Jones and Jack Munn for a "Job Well Done" and in record time, slicing, dicing and bagging the 29 hams for the "Spud Luncheon" on Sat. March 5th. I heard that they made approximately \$7,000

from this luncheon for the Toy Shop. The information I received was that the crew really "Hamed it Up" and it was a great time of fellowship for all. I consider it a privilege that we were asked to do this project again this year and that our church could contribute to the success of the "Spud Luncheon" and help the kids in our community.



Thanks again for a "Job Well Done" by a great crew.
Lonnie McCain

Hey Lonnie, It's in The Bag!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Don & Beverly Moody

April 11, 1952

Chris & Vicki Zimmerman

April 12, 1974

Bill & Rosella McQuain

April 20, 1957

Happy April Birthday!

Let's Pray Prayers of Joy for These People on Their Special Day!



04/03 Bill Dewey
04/07 Amy Florence
04/08 Abby Green
04/08 Margo Jones
04/09 LaJuan Fleming
04/09 John Hruby
04/13 Charlie Coker
04/16 Larry Harris

04/17 Jeff Postlethwaite
04/20 Julie Postlethwaite
04/20 Rick Trent
04/21 Dan Flanders
04/22 Madison Caldwell
04/22 Cody Presgrove
04/26 Nancy Postlethwaite
04/30 Barbara Smith



If we have missed your birthday, please let us know.

A lunch honoring April Birthdays will be held at **El Palacio** at noon on **Wednesday, April 20th**. *Everyone is welcome.* Please call or email me your plans to attend and I'll contact the restaurant with our reservation each month. Thank you, Sally Telephone (580) 470-9933 or Email salsroom@jimbarthell.com

Okay...Okay... "The Three Amigos" they ain't....



But they are "Señor Citizens"



Jack Munn, Lonnie McCain & Chris Zimmerman all celebrated their birthdays with us at El Palacio in March. Join us in April for good food with great friends and wonderful fellowship.



We are reorganizing The Prayer Chain at First Presbyterian Church. If you are interested in being a part of this chain and praying for those in need – Please call (580) 255-8265. Let us know that you are willing to pray for your fellow church members at First Presbyterian Church. Thank you – Gladys Taylor

Church Service at Winchester Cathedral by George V. Copland



When my wife, Martha, and I were on a tour back in 1970 of England one of our overnight stops was at the town of Winchester. It is located in central England about 60 miles north of the southern coast. It is a most beautiful village. The most dominate building in the whole area is the Winchester Cathedral. The building of this church started in 1079. The dual bell towers contain the only diatonic ring of 14 church bells in the world. The heaviest bell weighs over 4,000 pounds. The nave is the longest of any Gothic cathedral in Europe at 558 feet.

The cathedral was only a couple of blocks from the hotel where we were staying. Since the tour bus was scheduled to leave at 10:30 am my wife and I decided to tour the church. After a quick breakfast we went to the church. There was an early service scheduled at 8:00. We were invited to attend by one of the guides. As it turned out it was a communion service. The service was similar to the Episcopal Church in the states. We were ushered to our seats about half way down on the right side. When I step into a cathedral it always seems to me as being in the presence of God. This morning was no exception. As it turned out there were a few surprises awaiting us. The church members we came into contact with were extremely friendly and helpful. With the background of the beautiful music from the organ, the service began.

There were no church bulletins so we had to observe closely as to what was going on. The first surprise was the hymnal, a small book with only the words of the hymns. As we were trying to figure out which one they were using one of the members handed us a hymnal turned to the proper song. Something else one has to be aware of is at the beginning of each stanza a single chord is played at the beginning. People not aware of this sing out at the wrong time. The communion service was handled in a little different fashion. Groups of eight filed to the front and knelt on a knee bar. A loaf of bread was broken and the priest presented it individually to each person who took a small piece. Next came the wine from a common cup. After taking a small sip the priest wiped the lip of the cup and presented it to the next person. Here was the biggest surprise of all. The wine was the strongest I had ever tasted. It was like someone had stuck the tip of my tongue with a needle. Martha was surprised as well. A communion service never to be forgotten. After the service several church members came over and introduced themselves to us and thanked us for our attendance. A most wonderful experience for Martha and me never to be forgotten.
George Jr.

Thank You

To First Presbyterian Women, Christians Concerned sincerely thanks you for your gift of \$22.85. We help others because we believe God calls us to care. We consider it a privilege to do what we can to meet the needs of others in the name of Jesus Christ. God bless and keep you, Karen Kaley, Secretary

On behalf of Women's Haven Staff, Board of Directors, and Volunteers, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for your donation. It's through such support, that we are able to help victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Again, we say thank you.

Youth Food Harvest

The April "Food or Item of the Month" is **Bars of Soap**. Each month will have a new food or item. Please bring your donation to the church on the third Sunday of each month & the youth will collect it for the Christians Concerned Food Pantry.



LET US

REMEMBER

Marlow Manor

702 S. 9th

Estella Trapp

~

Country Club Care

1904 Hwy 81

Carroll McClellan

Lavina Hofmann

~

Chisholm Trail Assisted

Living Residence

625 Chisholm Trail Pkwy

Audrey Waggoner

MEXICAN STACK DINNER (AND DESSERTS TOO - OLÉ)

Sunday April 10

6:00 pm - Fellowship Hall



Nothing to bring except
yourselves – and be ready for
Good Food and Fellowship



Fellowship & Renewal Committee

FINANCIAL UPDATE

The Session wants to financially update the Congregation on a routine basis. The figures below are as of March 21, 2011 and will be updated monthly.

Yearly Income to date: \$49,141.52

Yearly Expense to date: \$53,927.60

Sincere Thanks

to

Tracy Evans, members of my church family and Hospital Chaplin Tracy Wilson, for their cordial and welcome visits, cards and calls while I was in Duncan Regional Hospital for observation and testing.

I continue to be in the hands of good and caring doctors and I am confident their timely diagnosis and treatment will soon put everything right with me.

God's Grace and Peace ~ Jim Barthell

WHAT'S NEW?

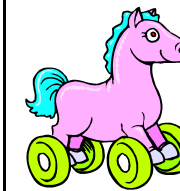
If you have anything that you'd like to share in Faith-At-Work, please email me at

salsroom@jimbarthell.com

or you can place your article/pictures in my church office box or call me at 470-9933.

Thanks, Sally Barthell

TOY SHOP SPRING RUMMAGE SALE



Hello to everyone! I am passing on the following message from Connie. I hope everyone can help! MANY THANKS!!!!!!!!!!

We will meet at Locke at 4:00 pm Sunday, April 3, 2011. We need as many pickups and trailers as possible. There will be ten teens from First Christian Church to help load and unload from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Drop off days at the museum will be Monday and Tuesday, April 4th and 5th, and we will work from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm both days.

Wednesday, April 6th and Thursday, April 7th, we will meet at the museum at Fuqua Park at 9:30 am and work as needed to be ready for the Friday, April 8th opening date.

The rummage sale will be open Friday, April 8th from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm and Saturday, April 9th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

If you have any questions, please call Connie at 656-3783 or 255-8172.

Submitted by Martha Coker

Clerk's Corner

All elders were on hand for the Session meeting March 15, 2011. It was noted that elders Bennie Drake and Jerry Fleming will be attending an evangelical event at First Presbyterian Church in Oklahoma City March 27.

Rev Evans reported that she is leading a Lenten Study Mondays at 6:30pm through Lent. Everyone is invited and it is not too late to join in the study of "Easter from the Backside".

The Appreciative Inquiry Team has begun their interviews to prepare the way for us to begin searching for a new minister.

The roster for the 2011 Nominating Committee has been completed.:

Serving will be:

Jerry Fleming, Elder Moderator

Rosella McQuain, Elder

Mike Grantham, Deacon

At Large: Margo Jones, Janis Hruby, Gordon Demerson and Judy Holtmyer.

The Nuts and Bolts Committee reported that all emergency and exit lights have been checked and are in working order.

Outside Ministry reported that the One Great Hour Of Sharing will be received on Easter Sunday.

Inside Ministry reported on plans for Worship during Lent and Holy Week.

There was a report on the Presbytery meeting Feb 26 & 27.

The average worship attendance in Feb was 46.

Submitted by: Rosella McQuain, Clerk