



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN Church

Valdosta, GA



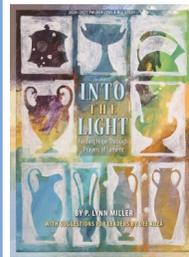
First Family News



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Oh, how I look forward to the day when we can worship together in our beautiful sanctuary. I yearn to hear the ringing of the bell, chiming us in at the 11 o'clock hour. I want to hear Donna Gosnell on the keys of the organ or piano, while the choir sings to the heavens. I look forward to gathering for Generations of Faith, Friends out Front, and Potluck Lunches. Yes, I look forward to all these things and more. I imagine you feel the same. Even though we are unable to gather in person at this time, we are certainly able to gather virtually in numerous ways. So, to stay connected during this "in between time" in which we are now living, please consider the many online/virtual options available to you through the leadership of FPC. And until we meet again, may God bless you and those you love.

Grace & Peace,
Dr. Glenda Hollingshead



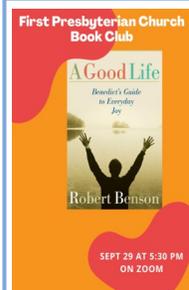
ZOOM INTO THE LIGHT

You are invited to accompany Sherrida Crawford on a journey "Into the Light" starting September 20th at 11:45 a.m. The 10-week study, occurring in 30-minute lessons each Sunday, is based on the Horizon's Bible study, "Into the Light: Finding Hope through Prayers of Lament." Together, we will take a broad look at Scripture as well as zoom in on poetry, songs, and prayers of lament. Perhaps you are asking, "Why focus on lament?" Surely, now is a good time to do so since we are in the midst of a global pandemic—something that has given us much to lament. Moreover, through the lens of Scripture, it is evident that lament leads to hope, and hope is something we all need a little more of these days. So, make plans to join us. Lesson books may be purchased at www.presbyterianwomen.org/shop. To receive your "Zoom" invitation, please touch base with Katie Altman prior to September 18th.



JOURNEY WITH JANE

Join Jane Shelton for a journey through the Bible on Facebook Live at 7:30 a.m. each Friday. Learn about destinations and places in the Bible and their significance. See if you can guess the answer to weekly trivia! Tune in each week to learn the previous week's trivia answer, and to discover a new location and a new adventure! Come along! Let's have some fun!



VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

If you often feel pulled in too many directions and long to live a balanced life, this month's book choice, *A Good Life: Benedict's Guide to Everyday Joy*, may provide wisdom you need. Join our virtual book discussion on September 29th at 5:30 pm. Please request a Zoom invitation beforehand from Katie.

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September birthdays

4	Denise Munro	18	Laura Elliott
10	Grayson Powell	21	Joe Cordova
13	Alan Stout	29	Bart Greer

September anniversaries

2	Michael & Deborah Taylor
8	Frank & Elsie Crane
11	Royce & Melissa Coleman
11	Marcus & Diane Lewis
29	Eric & Libby Clanton

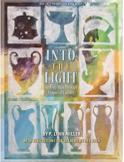
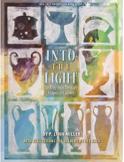
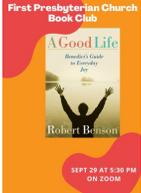


PASTOR APPRECIATION

While we are grateful to our clergy all year long, October is celebrated as Clergy Appreciation month. As a result, Session has authorized a Love Offering to be collected throughout the month of September. If you wish to contribute, you may do so by writing a check to First Presbyterian Church and designating on the memo line "Pastor Appreciation Love Offering". The deadline for making a donation is Sunday, September 27th. (Please note that since this is a Love Offering, your gift will not appear on your giving statement.) The Faith and Nurture Committee thanks you in advance for making a Pastor Appreciation gift possible.

The Mission of First Presbyterian Church is to celebrate God's grace and to share Christ's love through worship, study, and service.

September 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Each Sunday on Facebook Live Special Music 10:45 am Worship 11:00 am</p>		1	 <p>5:30 pm</p>	3	 <p>7:30 am</p>	5
 <p>At Home Communion & Blessing of the Hands</p>	7	8	 <p>5:30 pm</p>	10	 <p>7:30 am</p>	 <p>Zoom Pub Theology 2:00 pm</p>
 <p>Zoom Friends out Front 11:45 am</p>	14	15	 <p>5:30 pm</p>	17	 <p>7:30 am</p>	19
 <p>Zoom into the Light 11:45 am</p>	21	22	 <p>5:30 pm</p>	24	 <p>7:30 am</p>	26
 <p>Zoom into the Light 11:45 am</p>	28	 <p>Zoom Book Club 5:30 pm</p>	 <p>5:30 pm</p>	 <p>Virtual Coffee Hour has changed days! Join Dr Glenda on Wednesdays at 10:00 am for Virtual Coffee Hour! (RSVP Katie each week for a Zoom invitation.)</p>		