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#### PCPC Welcomes a New Class of Elders and Deacons; Thanks Those Who Have Served

On Sunday, January 21, PCPC ordained/installed a new class of deacons: Florine Blackshear, Trudy Johnson, Judy McDonald, Richard Porter, Joann Shaw, and Ed Witcher.

Four deacons continue their service for a second term: Renee Gould, Carole Peterson, Janie Shubert, and Phyl Sullivan.

One deacon completed a term(s) of service: Marcia Jakeway.

We ordained/installed a new class of elders: Ron Bartnick, Rob Johnson, Donna Levengood, Brandon Tucker, and Greg Welmaker.

Two elders continue their service for a second term: Bob Shubert and Val Mudge.

Five elders completed a term or two terms of service: Jon Albright, Dr. LaBarbara Chenault, Al Hastings, Sue Henrich, and Robin Henn.

Pastor David Mauldin observed, "We have been blessed with tremendous leadership talent. We had many more qualified candidates for elder than we had openings. I am grateful for those who have stepped up to serve. I especially want to thank those who have completed a term, or in some cases two terms, of service. I look forward to continuing to work with you in ministry. Our elders and deacons do not do ministry for the church. They lead us in ministry and make our ministries possible and effective."

### ANGEL OF THE MONTH by Janet Sallman

Our angel this month is a real "peach" of a gal. She is a faithful student and group leader of our Women's Bible Study. This past year she taught a lesson on Mary, where she gave new insight into a very familiar woman of the Bible.

Another passion that our angel is involved with is The Refuge Ranch, a residential Christian drug regeneration ministry for adult women. At Christmastime, she collects the gift cards given by the congregation and takes them out to the ladies. She also brings food to the Ranch every quarter and has dinner with the whole group.

When you see her on Sunday mornings passing out bulletins and ushering, she gives a beautiful and welcoming smile that cannot help but warm your heart. That gift has earned her the nickname "Smiley." And one more little tidbit about our angel — she loves to read Christian novels and then excitedly share them with you.

If you haven't guessed it already, our angel this month is Jan Coton.



## Florida Presbyterian Pilgrimage

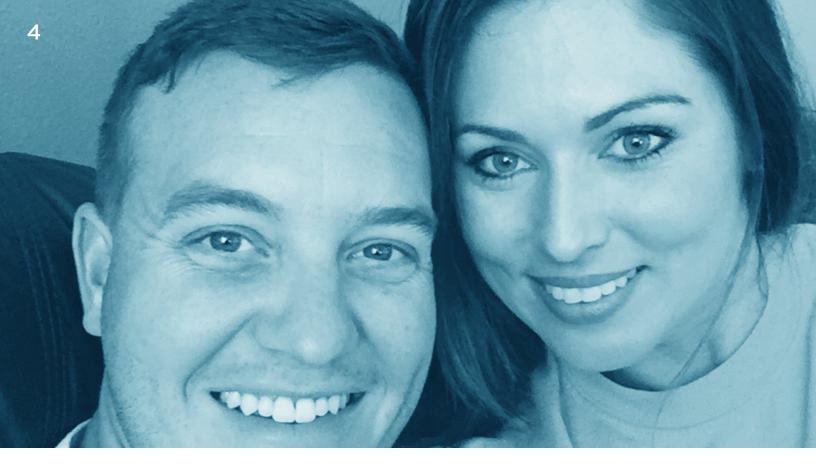
# Renew your faith, discover the Father's love for you and His will for your life

#### The next retreat weekend is on April 19-22, 2018 at The Retreat in Silver Springs, Florida

Presbyterian Pilgrimage is a spiritual renewal weekend full of surprises. Those who have been testify to its lifechanging potential. Pastor David Mauldin says, "I participated in Presbyterian Cursillo, which is very similar to Pilgrimage, both as a pilgrim and later as a spiritual advisor. Both weekends were powerful. I recommend Pilgrimage. In fact, I am going to be on staff as a spiritual advisor at the next Pilgrimage in April. I'd like to see more folks from Palm City there."

For more information: http://floridapresbyterianpilgrimage.org/





# Minute in Ministry-David Mauldin

Sarah Curtis is the newest member of PCPC's ministry team. She is our Director of Children's Ministry. You will want to get to know her personally, but to give you a start, Pastor David interviewed her for this edition of the newsletter.

DM: Tell us something about yourself. What do you want people to know about you?

SC: I have grown up in ministry and absolutely love that God has placed a calling on my life to work with kids and families. It is through this calling that I have created life-long relationships and friendships through our Lord Jesus Christ. I love that I get to do ministry with the support of my husband, Casey, and our five little girls. Growing up in a church with parents in ministry, I understand the positive impact that it has had on me and my family. I am so fortunate to be able to share that same experience with my children. When I am not serving the Lord in children's ministry, I enjoy time boating, fishing, horseback riding, and teaching dance.

DM: Share with us a little about your plan and vision for children's ministry here.

SC: I am looking to develop a team of leaders who are passionate about planting the "seeds of faith" into the

hearts of our children. I want our children's ministry to grow and thrive, both spiritually and numerically. I am looking to create a positive and exciting environment for our children to learn about Christ. Throughout this first year together, I am seeking to grow our Sunday school program, as well as implement our weekday outreach program to bring our community to our church.

DM: Where did you grow up?

SC: I was born in Havana, Illinois, and grew up in Lake Placid, Florida.

#### "I am looking to develop a team of leaders who are passionate about planting the 'seeds of faith' into the hearts of our children."

DM: You grew up in a Presbyterian church. What was it like?

SC: Growing up in the Presbyterian church was a blessing. I began attending the church as a preschooler and still remember the foundational Old Testament lessons I learned during that time of my life. I feel the structure and traditionalism of the church had a huge impact on my spiritual development.

DM: You studied the Westminster Shorter Catechism as a child. What do you remember about that?

SC: I honestly remember how my leaders made it come alive. The study of it as a child also gave me the confidence and a way to articulate what I believe in, and why I believe what I do. It was a great way to gain a deeper understanding of my faith; upon the conclusion of the study, I remember standing before my congregation and professing my faith and belief in Christ to my family and friends. It was a very important spiritual milestone in my life.



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DM: What part of children's ministry do you enjoy most?

SC: I love working with a team and building relationships with families! I enjoy making people feel welcome and being able to share the love of Christ with children and families. Seeing children mature in their faith is som thing that is priceless.

DM: Christian parents are eager to pass their faith on to their children. Do you have a brief word of advice or encouragement?

SC: Children are more greatly impacted by actions than what is said. As parents, we must model a Christ-like lifestyle. One of the greatest impacts my parents made was modeling what it means to be a Christian in our home, as well as taking the time to read the Bible and pray with me. I would encourage Christian parents to do just that: model, read, and pray with your children.

DM: Who is your hero?

SC: Of course Jesus is my hero, but in the flesh, I would say both my mother and father. They have helped shape me into the person I have become and even in times in life that have been a struggle they have reminded me that I am a child of God and always loved. The impact they have made and continue to make through

their faithfulness in their calling over the years is something that would be hard to measure. They are truly faithful servants of our Lord Jesus Christ.

DM: What is your favorite book?

SC: The Word of God will always be my favorite book, but I have also enjoyed many other books over the years. I have enjoyed reading and studying leadership books by John Maxwell. I also have enjoyed books for spiritual development including *The Purpose Driven Life, Emotionally* 



all things through Christ who gives me strength."

DM: You are going to need some help. How can people volunteer and get involved?

SC: The first step in getting involved would be to simply call the church and set up a time to meet with me! I love getting to know others and their heart for ministry. I am looking forward to all the new relationships and friendships that will be made in our

> ministry, and am excited to meet everyone who calls PCPC their home!

*Spiritually Healthy, Identity in Christ*, and *Traveling Light*.

DM: What is your favorite movie?

SC: I actually have very little time to watch movies, but some of my all-time favorites would be *Back to the Future, Grease, Chronicles of Narnia,* and *Footloose*.

DM: What is your favorite Bible story/character/verse?

SC: My all-time favorite is David and Goliath; it reminds me that God does not call the qualified, but he qualifies those he calls. Although David may not have seemed like the best choice to defeat Goliath, God saw something different and gave him the tools he needed to accomplish his work. This Bible story ties into one of my all-time favorite verses, Philippians 4:13—"I can do





PCPC raised \$3,665 for Buckets of Joy—enough for 120 buckets! Our missionaries in Haiti buy food locally (to help the economy in Haiti) and fill buckets with nutritious food for families in need. Here are some photos from Haiti when the buckets were given. Thanks to all who supported this project!



# Youth News

MORE THAN FRIENDS

**"To date or not to date?"** That is one of the questions our youth will be wrestling with at youth group this month. The teen years can be so tricky on their own but throw in relationships (friendly and romantic), and navigating this phase of life becomes altogether confusing for most. What does the Bible say about friends, dating, AND marriage? We will be studying and discussing these subjects and more in our new February series, "More Than Friends."

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Middle School Youth Group meets Tuesdays 4:30-6pm (games, fun, food, and conversation) High School Youth Group meets Sundays 6-8pm (same as Middle School youth with twice the fun)

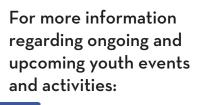


#### The Express Clydesdales are coming to Palm City Presbyterian Church!

The Express Clydesdales will be on our campus for all to enjoy on Friday, February 16th from 2:30 – 6:00 pm. A rare black and white color, the distinctive Express Clydesdales serve as Goodwill Ambassadors for Express Employment Professionals. These gentle giants stand six feet high at the shoulder, weigh over 2000 pounds, and prance with hooves the size of dinner plates. Their unique color and enormous size make these gentle giants popular throughout the United States and Canada.

Come and see these magnificent animals; take a ride on one of their wagons; have your picture taken with them; play some games; bring your friends! Entrance is free! Food will be served as a fundraiser for our youth summer mission trip. It will be fun for the whole family and the entire community! \*To learn more about the Express Clydesdales, visit their website http://www.expressclydesdales.com and their Facebook page. You can help spread the word by sharing the event "Express Clydesdales," which is posted under Events on our church Facebook page.

Confirmation 2018 began January 28th with a class of 14 students. We are very excited about our youth's journey as our ministry staff and adult mentors walk alongside our students, helping them discover or grow in a personal relationship with Jesus. Confirmation of students will be held on Sunday, May 20th. Please keep our students, their families, and our mentors in your prayers. If you have a student or know a student in the 7th grade or higher who would like to pursue or investigate God and a relationship with Him, please contact Jason Pridmore @ 714-809-5065.







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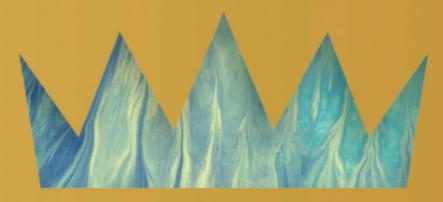


To connect with Jason or to receive parenting resources and youth updates via email, please contact him directly. Email: Jason@palmcitypres.org Call or Text: 714-809-5065









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#### Women's Bible Study Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in Langill Hall

### LEARNING TO LOVE THE PSALMS a video series with Dr. Bob Godfrey

### Adult Sunday School Sundays, 9:45 a.m. in Langill Hall Beginnings: The Drama of

by Rev. Dr. Brad Klostreich

CREAT

### **ECO's Essential Tenets** Words to Live By, **Truths to Die For**

Pastor David is currently teaching a class on the Essential Tenets. What are the Essential Tenets? They are our most cherished beliefs, spelled out in a four-page document our denomination vests with special authority: ECO's polity requires that "Those who are invited to take significant leadership roles in the congregation shall... agree with the Essential Tenets of ECO" (1.0305). The only requirement to be a member of the church is faith in Jesus Christ. Leaders must agree with the Essential Tenets.

So what's in the Essential Tenets? That's what the class is about! It is not too late to participate. Here is the schedule:

February 3

Lesson 4: Incarnation Why do we believe Jesus is fully human and fully God?

February 10 NO CLASS—Celebrating the Life of Bob Armstrong

February 17

Lesson 5: God's Grace in Christ How do we get right with God?

#### February 24

Lesson 6: Election for Salvation and Service What does God want me to do?

March 3 NO CLASS—PASTOR AT FLORIDA PRESBYTERIAN PILGRIMAGE

March 10

Lesson 7: Covenant Life in the Church How do God's children work and play well together?

#### March 17

Lesson 8: Faithful Stewardship in All of Life How do I honor God with my life?

#### March 24

Lesson 9: Living in Obedience to the Word of God How does God's Law help me live into the freedom

Christ gives me?

You can download the Essential Tenets at: http://eco-pres.org/static/media/uploads/resources/Essential%20Tenets/new format - essential.pdf

# Questions for Christians

# An Intermittent Sermon Series

#### <u>9eb 4</u> Psalm 19

How Do I Reconcile Faith and Science?

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Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 45:5; John 10:30; John 14:18; Matthew 18:20; Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14

The Doctrine of the Trinity Made Simple

# Give Yourself to God

#### Sermon series

This series encourages us to give ourselves to God fully and freely in response to his grace given to us in Jesus Christ.

<u> 4eb 18 – 1st Sunday in Lent</u> Colossians 3:17, 22-24 Give to God Your Hands

<u>Geb 25 – 2nd Sunday in Lent</u> Romans 12:1-2 Give to God Your Mind

<u>Mar 4 – 3rd Sunday in Lent</u> 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Give to God Your Body

#### <u> Mar 11 — 4th Sunday in Lent</u>

Lent 2018

Exodus 35:30-36:1 Give to God Your Imagination

<u>Mar 18 – 5th Sunday in Lent</u> Ephesians 4:1-3, 25-32 Give to God Your Relationships

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# FINANCIAL SNAPSH@

2017 Budget 1,148,809 2017 Spending 1,153,751 Received in 2017 1,210,541

Received in 2016 1,089,212

2018 Budget 1,184,297 Needed each month 98,691

# **Birthdays**

- 2/1 John Lillich
- 2/2 Kathleen Flannery, George Rea
- 2/3 Thomas Savarese, Barbara Spicer, Trent Steckler
- 2/5 Marcia Jakeway
- 2/7 Thomas DeLoffi, Victor Simonsen
- 2/8 Marie Acker, Lee England
- 2/10 Bill Nicholson, Edward Sossaman Jr.
- 2/11 Raymond Gamble
- 2/12 Nina Crofts, Nancy McMahon, John Terech,
- LaVaughn Tilton
- 2/13 Tina Boswell, Sarah Livings
- 2/14 Robert Susdorf
- 2/15 Justin Gould
- 2/16 Steve Gable, Bill Gilmour
- 2/17 Rosalie Woodard
- 2/18 Carolyn Socca
- 2/19 Louise Johnson
- 2/20 Mike Cioffi, Lynnell Gandy
- 2/22 Johnny Terech
- 2/23 Caroline Belding
- 2/24 Georgia Fowler
- 2/25 Anna Gandy
- 2/26 Dot Blake
- 2/28 Ben Coraggio, Ann Raab, Natalie Tignor

### Anniversaries

- 2/2 Charles & Susan Rosseau
- 2/8 Shad & Kristie Thomas
- 2/10 Jay & Barbara Spicer
- 2/14 William & Taunya Bryant, John & Sherrie Swygert
- 2/18 George & Barbara Rea
- 2/25 Craig & Linda Harlan
- 2/27 Thomas & Juliann Savarese

#### Worship Times

Traditional 8:30 & 11:00 Sanctuary

> Contemporary 9:30 HFLC

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