# This week @ FPCA

Sunday 1/1

11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 1/2

Preschool Begins Church Office Closed Monday

Tuesday 1/3

6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 1/4

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group
6:15 p.m. Ring of Praise Handbells
7:00 p.m. Library Group
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 1/5

6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Information for the January 15th bulletin should be turned in to the church office today, or emailed to kim@firstprestexas.org by this Monday.

## **Prayer Ministry**

Prayers for those with health and other concerns: The family of Nadine Freeman

Esther Albright, Chona Pacot Anwar, David Boice, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Crystal Castaneda, Kevin Chin, Jerry Colleps, Lee Carol Copeland, Dorothy Curtis, Ted Dysart, Ken Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, Lila Glenn, David Goff, Susan Graham, Dick Haney, Margery Harrand, Edna and Ken Harris, Brandon Hay, Bill Hayden, Doyle Malone, Allen Miller, Mary Ellen Miller, Pat Mingle, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Moulton, Bill Olsen, Jim L. Quick, Albert Ross, Eulabel Sheldon, Linda Smith, Al Smithson, Bob Spriggs, Brooks and Connie Taylor, BJ Thomas, Jerry Thomas, Allen Underwood, Donna Vickers, Jessica Villarreal, Mary Jane Wright

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Aaron Alonso, Sean Ansley, Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Eric Dill, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Mike Manci, Jack Murtha, Colin Peden, Jason Polk, Ryan Powell, Ryan Regalado, Christopher Young, Robbie Wallace

Prayers for our home-bound members
Prayers for those who do not know Christ

If you have any congregational care needs, please contact Pastor Rich McDermott at the church office 817-274-8286 or his cell phone: 970-218-3689.

For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Juanice Young at juanicey@gmail.com or 817-794-5626.



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### The Six Great Ends of the Church

Beginning January 8, 2017, Pastor Rich will be both preaching and teaching a new series on "The Six Great Ends [or Purposes] of the Church." The Class will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 AM for six weeks, and includes a DVD video with a variety of Presbyterian leaders from around the country. The sermons will follow the same topics. The Six Great Ends have guided American Presbyterians for over 100 years.

The preaching and teaching topics are:

Jan. 8: Proclamation of the Gospel for the Salvation of Humankind;

Jan. 15: Shelter, Nurture and Spiritual Fellowship of the Children of God;

Jan. 22: Maintenance of Divine Worship;

Jan. 29: Preservation of the Truth;

Feb. 5: Promotion of Social Righteousness;

Feb. 12: Exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the World.

Mark your calendars and join us for this important series of classes and sermons that will challenge us to a broader view of our mission as Jesus' followers.

#### **Annual Congregational Meeting**

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, January 29th after the 11:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary.

Please plan to attend.

# 66th Annual Men's Conference at Mo Ranch, May 5-7, 2017

For the last several years, a group of men from FPCA have attended the Mo Ranch Men's Conference for a Godfilled weekend in the wide-open spaces of the Texas Hill Country, along the banks of the Guadalupe River. This is the PC(USA)'s single largest and longest running conference, where hundreds of men from all ages gather worship together in Word, song and Sacrament. United in their bond with the Lord and moved by His Spirit, they engage in fellowship, study, recreation and ministry to each other. Through the gifts of God and the power of the Holy Spirit, they receive renewed strength to go forth and live daily, sharing the love of God, revealed in Jesus Christ, through words, deeds and activities. All generations, men from 13 years and up. Ages 13-17 require an accompanying adult registration.

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Blair R. Monie, Austin Seminary and retired Senior Pastor of Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church, Dallas

Bible Study Leader: Dr. Robert S. (Bob) Crilley, First Presbyterian Church Grapevine Worship Leader: Rev. Matthew Ruffner, Pastor, Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church Dallas Please make your reservations now.

#### Women's Bible Study

We will meet on Monday, January 16th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

Rev. Betsy Pense will facilitate Chapter 4

Reminder: In case of inclement weather, such as ice, we will cancel.

### **Annual Leaf Raking Party**

The All-Church Work Day - Annual Leaf Raking Party (weather permitting) will be on Saturday, January 21st at 8:30 a.m.

Refreshments will be served.

Bags will be provided. Please bring your own rake!

Come join us in this fun time.