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| |  | | --- | | **The First Word                            February 11, 2019** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://mlsvc01-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/217c9019201/f8122a57-7711-4524-aa13-330574555e59.jpg | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Upcoming Events**  **First Presbyterian Church, Carlsbad, New Mexico**  **February 11-17, 2019**  **Tuesday**  **6:30 p.m.    Session (Conference Room)**  **Wednesday**  **7:00 p.m.     Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)**  **Thursday**  **10:00 a.m.   Presbyterian Women (Parlor)**  **Saturday**  **7:30 a.m.     Men's Breakfast (Fiesta Hall)**  **Sunday**  **8:45  a.m.    Adult Sunday School (Parlor)**  **10:00 a.m.   Worship (Sanctuary)**  **11:00 a.m.   Potluck (Fiesta Hall)**  **4:00 p.m.    Bell Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)**  **Birthdays**  **12th Ann Langlinais**  **16th Kim Rogers**  **Anniversaries This Week**  **14th Bob & Sherry Kearns**  **PLEASE NOTE: The church office will be closed Monday, February 18, 2019 for President's Day.  The First Word will NOT be published next week.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Pastor Arrival**  **Rev. Janice Desterhaft is scheduled to arrive in Carlsbad on Thursday, February 14th.  Her first Sunday in the pulpit will be THIS Sunday, February 17th.  Her first official day in the office will be Tuesday, February 19th. (Monday is a holiday and the office will be closed).**  **Pray for Jan as she makes the transition to our community!** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Adult Sunday School**  **The Adult Sunday School/Bible Study will meet in the Parlor each week at 8:45 a.m.  Everyone will take turns leading.**  **Come and enjoy the fellowship, Bible study, and a cup of coffee.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Scripture Comparisons**  **Let's compare the scriptures through a couple of translations.**  **2 Chronicles 30:9**  **NRSV: For as you return to the Lord, your kindred and your children will find compassion with their captors, and return to this land. For the Lordyour God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him.'**  **KJV: For if ye turn again unto the Lord, your brethren and your children shall find compassion before them that lead them captive, so that they shall come again into this land: for the Lord your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if ye return unto him.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Men's Breakfast**  **Join us for the Men's Breakfast on  Saturday, February 16, at 7:30am.**  **We will have a light breakfast provided by Frank, hot coffee, and a short devotional by Bruce.  Then work a number of Frank's outdoor cleanup items.**  **Prune some shrubs and trees.    Hope to see you Saturday morning!** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | https://mlsvc01-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/217c9019201/c7d1a8b7-90f5-4975-b340-937701e94133.jpg | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif |   **Sunday Potluck - February 17**  **Laissez les bon temps rouler!**  **Let the good times roll!**  **Come one, come all, for a little Mardi Gras joie de vivre (joy of life) in Fiesta Hall following worship.**  **Bring your favorite good times potluck food, if you are able, but there is always plenty for all.**  **FYI - Since I am no longer on session, I am no longer chair of the Fellowship Committee.  No one else has yet taken that position, so I am pushing on until...   Thanks for all your help these past two years..  Linda** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Do You Need a Ride to Church?**  **Did you know that the Deacons offer rides to church? If you need a ride,  please contact, Marcia Westfall 887-1522, Lisa Capell 706-2249, Becky Raines 236-6072 or Tiger Lily 571-5275 to make arrangements.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Intentional Communal Prayer**  **The Session is asking everyone in our Church Family to join in an Intentional Communal Prayer every day. Join us by saying the following prayer - or a prayer of your choosing - at the start or the close of each day.**  ***Dear God, help us. Help us to be the light of Christ to the people of our community. Help us to be guided by the Holy Spirit to minister to those who need Your healing touch. Help us to grow in wisdom and faith; help us to grow in numbers. We praise and thank You for the strength to follow You on the path You lay before us. May our church be renewed and revived to do Your will. Amen.*** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Chancel Choir**  **Choir meets at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the choir room, and 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings.  Consider joining the choir and adding your voice to the heavenly chorus.  The Bell Choir rehearses at 3:30 p.m. each Sunday.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Per Capita Assesment**  **The Per Capita assessment for 2019 is $30.08.  This is calculated by adding up the administrative costs of running General Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery and dividing by the number of Presbyterian members.  When compared to the administrative costs of other non-profits, this is actually quite low.   Consider voluntarily contributing to cover the cost of your fair share of the administrative costs of an entire denomination! Please put per capita assessment in the memo line.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Financial Report**  **Budgeted Receipts   $16,720.97**  **Budgeted Expenses $11,231.32**  **Difference                   $ 5,489.65** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  | | --- | | **Prayer Concerns**  Rich Adamson, Muriel Gossage, Bob Kearns,  Hillary Langlinais, Tiger Lily, Shirley Maxwell, Jack Melvin, Margie Harbaugh Rasmussen, Harlan Smith and our new Pastor, Rev. Janice Desterhaft  **Homebound and Care facilities:**Rich Adamson, Dodie Hendley, Dick Mansfield, Janie Patrick, Marianne Patrick, Elizabeth Zink  **Military:**Mollie Navarrette Acuna, Rey Acuna, Cody Ogden-Stell, Will Bennett  **Members/Friends Serving Overseas:**  Carol & Leith Fujii (Thailand)  The Prayer Chain Coordinator is Phyllis Readel.  If you have a prayer request, you may call either Phyllis at (441-6036) or the church office (885-2715). |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://static.ctctcdn.com/letters/images/sys/S.gif | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://mlsvc01-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/217c9019201/c3265eb4-8606-4e6c-a27c-b92e9ba2b2a0.jpg | | |

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