



THE BEACON

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

FEBRUARY 2025



In Our Prayers

Zayne Carrington
(Laughlin)
Kelli Roberts
(Richardson)
Mary Kay Foster
(Parker)
Ginny Neff (Bennett)
Lonnie Bobo
Bob Beck
The Coffin family and
Grace (Lucas)
Caitlyn Merino
(Nancy Gaylor)
Joe Huffman (Gaylor)
Ed Bugby
Dax, Tina (Charli)
Lindy Peterman
(Hoel)
Nico (Harris)
Angela Hatcher
(Bird/Walkingstick)
Patty Cornforth
(Gaylor)
Zelma (Key)
Michael Bennett
Pat and Frank Flaga
Amy Ethridge
Peggy (Kennemer)
Mary Grace
Westbrook
Chris and Kim Bird
Tami Ross
(Bennetts)
Mary Reagan (Gaylor)
Tim Taylor (Gaylor)
Jane Mitchell
Ken Jones (Houser)
Bill Lockman (Beck)
Marie and Dennis
Lynch (Ross)
Julie Crafton (Bobo)
The Ricci Family
(Flaga)
Alex Sosa
Lynette Hayes
(Bugby)

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Armed Services
Deployed & Stateside

DEAR FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

February is Packed Full of God's Goodness!

As we step into February, our church is overflowing with blessings, celebrations, and opportunities to serve!

This Sunday will be a truly special and holy time of worship. We will rejoice in the Baptism of Jesse Lightfoot, as well as the Ordination and Installation of Ruling Elders: Nicole Anderson and Stephanie Brown. In addition, we will gather at the Lord's Table for Communion. Come with open hearts and be ready to experience God's presence in this special way!

Next Sunday, February 9, we invite you to take part in our "Soup-er" Bowl Sunday festivities—whether you love football or not, it's a great way to make a difference! Please bring cans of soup, and if you'd like, you can decorate them with dollar bills using the provided rubber bands. All soup and monetary donations will go to God's Food Bank in Guthrie to help those in need. Let's make this a winning effort for our community! Following worship, we will hold our Annual Congregational Meeting, which will feature an engaging slideshow presentation of the past year's ministries and moments. You won't want to miss this chance to celebrate all that God has done in and through our church!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 26, when we will gather for our Annual Chili Cookoff Fellowship Event! Get your best chili recipes ready and come hungry for a time of great food and even greater fellowship. More details to come, but you won't want to miss this delicious and fun-filled tradition!

Join us for a month filled with worship, service, and fellowship. Please see the rest of the Beacon for more. See you in church!

Grace and peace,
Rev. Katrina Richardson

WORSHIP LEADERS

Elder of the Month: Jan Bugby

Communion Leader: Jan Harris

Sunday, February 9

Liturgist	Dennis Laughlin
Ushers	Billy Richardson Jan Harris
Sound/Video	Ed Bugby Mike Morris

Sunday, February 16

Liturgist	Jan Bugby Liberty Brown
Ushers	Dennis Laughlin Robin Ross
Sound/Video	Chris Bird Mike Morris

Sunday, February 23

Liturgist	Bette Berline
Ushers	Billy Richardson Amy Ethridge
Sound/Video	Mike Morris Ed Bugby

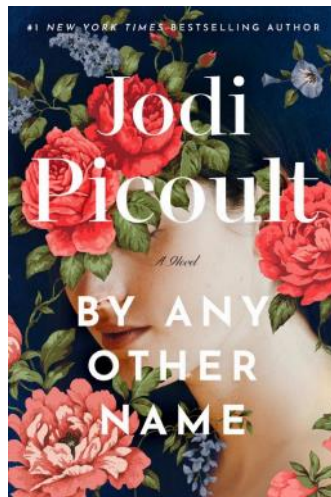


OCTOBER MISSION: GOD'S FOOD BANK

Bring Cans of Soup for
'Soup-er' Bowl Sunday
on February 9th!

You can also "decorate" them with
donations as seen above! Rubber
bands provided.

FEBRUARY BOOK TALK!



Discussing:

"By Any Other Name"

By: Jodi Picoult

Meeting:

11:30 a.m. Wednesday,
February 26
In the Parlor

PRESBYTERIAN WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS WINTER SCHEDULE SPONSORED BY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

We meet every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and fellowship. If you haven't experienced PWW in the past, please drop in and check it out!!

Pray N Play- Meets the 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesday from 11:30 am-3:00ish. Bring your own lunch (BYOL) and enjoy fellowship, sharing in each other's lives and then begin a fun round of Hand Knee Foot card game beginning at noon. Come when you can! We meet in the church basement.

Esther Circle Bible Luncheon and Bible Study meets the 2nd Wednesday from 11:30 am -1:30ish. A hostess prepares a light lunch for the group and we delve into God's Word with a Bible study by Rachel Risner-Significant-Six Ordinary Women, One Extraordinary God. This is a study of women in Jesus' Genealogy -Sarah, Tamar, Leah, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba. It includes personal devotions and a group video lesson The hostess decides whether to meet in Fellowship Hall or her home.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



Feb 7 Esther Houser
Feb 11 Lisa Hoel
Feb 13 Jim Ethridge
Feb 15 Ginger Roberts
Feb 20 Ginger O'Conner
Feb 21 Kandace Hoel
Feb 29 Frank Flaga

*Your kind and thoughtful
expression of sympathy
is deeply appreciated and
gratefully acknowledged*

*Dear Church family,
Your prayers, cards, visits & kind
words during my mom's last few months
were so meaningful to our family.
Thank all you - she loved each and
everyone of you. Her faith and church
were a very important part of her life.
We miss her presence but rejoice in her
new glorious life.
Janibance
& Maryanne's family*

PRESBYTERIAN WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS WINTER SCHEDULE CONTINUED...

Circle of Friends Planning Committee follows Esther Bible Study for an hour. Join us in dreaming and planning the 22nd Benefit brunch set for the 4th Saturday in September. Or, simply come learn what it's all about!

Book Talk gathers the 4th Wednesday in the church parlor with BYOL and a lively discussion of the book of the month from 11:30 am-1:00ish. Prior reading of the book is not required.

BE MINE, VALENTINE!

A plethora of valentine cards have been added to the PW Greeting Card Project. Whether you are looking for a tender or humorous card for your sweetie, children, grandkids or friends, we have them for only 50 cents each. The cards are on display and available in the basement classroom at the end of the hall.

This is a win-win project – encouraging others with cards while supporting the missions of our Presbyterian Women. Happy card shopping!

ROSES ARE RED

VIOLETS ARE BLUE

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

APPRECIATE YOU!



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SETTING A WELCOME TABLE SINCE 1889.

MISSION STATEMENT

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GUTHRIE
IS A CARING FAMILY OF CHRISTIANS STRIVING TO
BRING INDIVIDUALS CLOSER TO GOD THROUGH
WORSHIP, EDUCATION, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP, SERVICE, PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP

RECURRING EVENTS

Mondays

1:00-4:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)

Tuesdays

1:00-6:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)
Strings of Distinction (SR)

Wednesdays

10:15 a.m. Holy Grounds (P)
11:30 a.m. PW Wednesdays (D/FH/P)
1:00-5:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)
5:32 p.m. 'Changed' Youth Group (FH)

Thursdays

11:00-5:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)
1:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)
4:30 P.M. Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Fridays

Lisa's Music Studio (S)

Saturdays

10:00 a.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)
Brunch on Noble (FH)

Sundays

9:30 a.m. Handbells (D)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School (D)
10:45 a.m. Worship Service &
Communion on 1st Sunday

D = DOWNSTAIRS

L = LIBRARY

P = PARLOR

SR = SUNSHINE ROOM

FH = FELLOWSHIP HALL

MR= MUSIC ROOM

S = SANCTUARY

U = UPSTAIRS

SPECIAL EVENTS /CHANGES

Sunday, February 2, Groundhog's Day

10:45 a.m. Installation of Ruling Elders (S)

Monday, February 3-Monday-February 10

Shu out of office (Vacation)

Tuesday, February 4

PEO Meeting (FH)

Thursday, February 6– Saturday, February 8

Friends of the Library Book Sale (FH)

Sunday, February 9

"Soup-er" bowl Sunday
Congregational Meeting (S)

Tuesday, February 11

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (D)

Monday, February 17, President's Day

OK Presbytery Task Force Meeting (Katrina in Tulsa)

Saturday, February 22

9:00-4:00 p.m. Non-profit Fair/ BON Fundraiser (FH)

Sunday, February 23

Following Worship, Chili Cook-off (FH)

Wednesday, February 26

11: 30 a.m. Book Talk (P)

Church Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday –Thursday