

# A Voice in the Pines



Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines newsletter

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## Serious money message delivered with humor

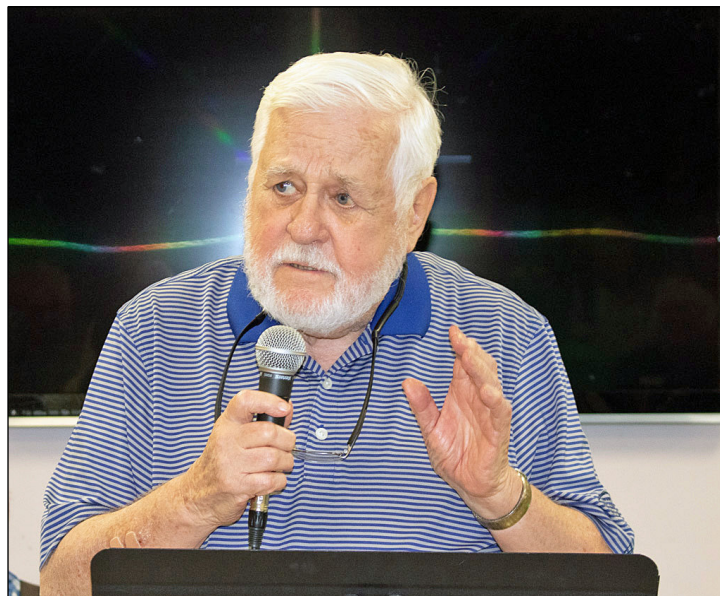
By Jamie Federick

“Who’s on First” was the theme of the Kirk Potluck dinner on Oct. 9. The Finance Committee oversaw the event and provided members with an enjoyable evening.

The Sweet Adeline’s ladies quartet Treble in the Village entertained with several beautiful song selections.

Judy Corwin and Bev Bullard presented a delightful skit with a baseball theme. They shared a video of the famous “Who’s on First” original presentation by Bud Abbott and Lou Costello.

Session held court to educate the crowd in an entertaining way about Kirk finances. The panelists were given interesting names to depict their personalities. It was all in fun but conveyed the



Stewardship Moderator Dennis Zymboly

challenges facing all large committees in any organization.

Denny Zymboly added sanity to the evening with his presentation on stewardship.

“Over the last 10 years, 2009 through 2018,” he explained, “our commitment per family unit grew by 46 percent. We have maintained a relatively flat level of total giving through pledge, non-pledge and loose plate giving in the face of decline in membership.

“Is it a Commitment to Mission or a Mission of Commitment?”

“Either way, the following is clear: We each need to

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On  
Sunday,  
Nov. 3



## When we meet

**Sunday worship service**  
begins at 10 a.m.



**Saturday informal service**  
Begins at 5 p.m. in Hoffius Hall

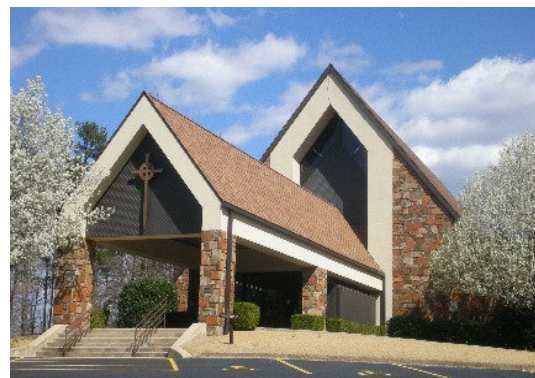


**Sunday children’s class**  
10 a.m. In the Journey Room

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
9 a.m. in Hoffius Hall  
(class only on Nov. 20)



**Thursday Discussion Group**  
9 a.m. in Conference Room  
(meeting only on Nov. 21)



## Give thanks for the many many ways we can give

I have told and retold this story many times. It is a favorite. I first read it in The New York Times years ago (Nov 24, 1984). It concerned a man named Michael Greenberg who gave away gloves to those in need in New York City for 30 years. Michael Greenberg died in 1995 but his story still inspires me.

Every Thanksgiving and Christmas, Mr. Greenberg walked through the Bowery giving gloves to anyone who did not have them.

When people asked him, "What's the catch?" he would respond, "No catch."

If they asked, "How much do they cost?" Mr. Greenberg replied, "Just a handshake!"

Every payday throughout the year, Mr. Greenberg would buy three pairs of gloves and save them in order to eventually give them away during the holiday season. In a typical year, by the end of October, he would accumulate 1,500 or more gloves in his small apartment – ski gloves, work gloves, gardening gloves, and even mittens.

"When people are cold, any glove will help," Mr. Greenberg would say.

Over the years he resisted publicity. People would send him both money and advice all the time. He always thanked them, but returned the money.

One company was so enthusiastic about his project they offered to open up a warehouse to allow him extra room to store the gloves. They suggested he could even publicize the address and let people come by and pick them up.

Some suggested he just leave them at different shelters, saying, "It would be more efficient."

### The Pastor's Corner Bill Bailey



Michael Greenberg preferred to pass them out personally, one pair at a time.

He was once asked, "Why did he do this? Had he been homeless? Had he grown up poor and cold?"

Mr. Greenberg replied "he had grown up in New York City but he had not ever been without a home.

"I do this to honor my father. My father always told me, 'Never deprive yourself of the joy of giving!'"

I think this is good advice for us all. Never deprive ourselves of the joy of giving. Never let an opportunity pass by when we might give of our time, our talent and our treasure. Always be on the look-out for the chance to give of ourselves to others without expecting a return.

The Presbyterian pastor and author, Eugene Peterson once wrote:

"Life is not defined by what you have, even when you have a lot. It is defined by how we use what we have for the sake of others, even when we have no guarantee of a return."

May the Lord fill you with the joy of giving this Thanksgiving season.

## Do you know what day it is? Think again

Did you know that we are in the midst of Ordinary Time? In the church lectionary calendar Ordinary Time occurs between Pentecost – this year on June 9 – and Advent, which will begin on Dec. 1.

Ordinary means standard, normative, usual. It culminates in Christ the King Sunday – the last Sunday in November – and is followed by the Extra-ordinary time of Advent/Christmas. The other Ordinary Time in the church calendar occurs between Epiphany and Lent.

The content of worship services during Ordinary Time has some flexibility in witnessing to our Lord. Therefore, Pastor Bailey and Randy and Donna Toney meet frequently to coordinate the themes for each Sunday. The music is selected to complement the sermons.

During the Ordinary Time in November, the choir will be singing some beautiful pieces: *Let There Be*



### Choir Notes Dotty Rector

*Peace on Earth, For the Beauty of the Earth, Be My Church, and As the Deer.*

For the Advent season, in addition to the Sunday music offerings, the choir will present a special Christmas Music program. The program will feature the Kirk Choir and selected ensembles and solos.

Invite your friends and neighbors to attend the concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8.



## Congregation approves new Session members

It is with a profound sense of loss I report the death of the following Kirk members:

- Tom Fink passed away on Sept. 28, 2019. A memorial service was Oct. 5 at the Kirk. Interment will be at a later date.

- Bruce Hill passed away on Oct. 1, 2019. A memorial service was Oct. 26 at the Kirk. Interment will follow in the Kirk Memorial Garden Columbarium.

- Ann Walters passed away on Oct. 11, 2019. A memorial service will be in the Chapel at Good Samaritan in Hot Springs Village. Interment will be at a later date.

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Church Statistics as of Oct. 14:  
Members – 303; family units – 207.

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A Called Congregation Meeting on Oct. 13 following morning worship presented the following candidates for the Session Class 2022:

- Tony Booth – Administration Moderator.
- Ruth Richards – Fellowship Moderator.
- Arnold Holtberg – Finance Moderator.



- Harry Wakefield – Mission Moderator.

The 2020 Nominating Committee members were also presented. They are Bill Reynolds, Vicki Rosenquist, Gail Salmen, Carol Clark and Jerral Johnson.

All candidates were elected without dissent by the Congregation.

The new Session members will be looking for committee members after Jan. 1. If asked, I hope you agree to serve. Committees play a major role in the functions of the Kirk and it is important we have enthusiastic Kirk members on those committees.

## While the boss is gone, Hoffius Hall will be buffed

By Lowell Gardner

The packing is nearing completion and passport is in hand for Kirk members and friends who will depart Dallas International Airport on Nov. 4 for an 11-day trip from Lisbon, Portugal, to Barcelona, Spain.

While traveling the southwest corner of Europe, the group will experience the history, beauty and pageantry of Lisbon and Seville, Cordoba, Granada, Toledo, Madrid, Zaragoza and Barcelona, Spain. God grant them a safe and rewarding journey.

While Pastor Bill Bailey is leading the tour (and his Wednesday and Thursday classes are on hold), Hoffius Hall will be undergoing a transformation.

Sexton “Chip” Johnson said his “equipment and chemicals are ordered and on site,” which means Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, November 13-15, Hoffius Hall will be off limits to traffic and programming.

The floor, from the east end to the hall and bathrooms outside Chip’s office, will be stripped of all old wax. The surface will be cleaned and a new coat of wax will be carefully applied. Items normally kept in Hoffius Hall will be placed in the kitchen. That floor will be done at another time.

“The total shutdown of Hoffius Hall will allow for an effective and efficient job, especially while Bill is



Sexton “Chip” Johnson with wax and stripper for use in Hoffius Hall. (Lowell Gardner photo)

away,” Chip said. “The goal is to have everything in great shape for the Thanksgiving/Christmas festivities.”

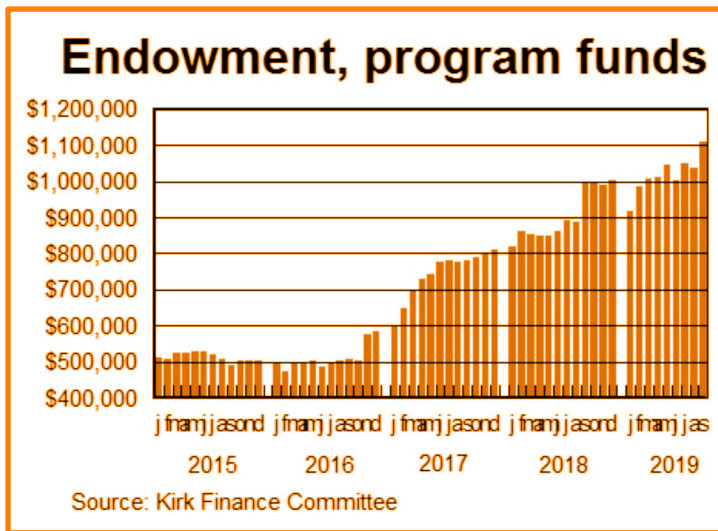
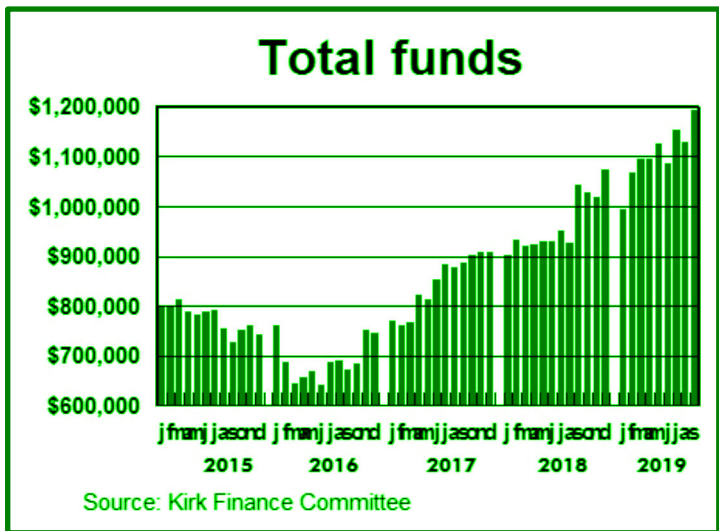
May God grant our fine sexton a clear mind and strong back (and lots of liniment).

*Lowell Gardner is Moderator of the Communication Committee.*

# Kirk in the Pines Financial Report

**Year to date as of September 30, 2019**

	Month		Year to date	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
<b>General Fund:</b>				
Receipts	\$ 35,495	\$ 26,811	\$ 319,460	\$ 321,763
Disbursements	\$ 36,529	\$ 41,363	\$ 328,763	\$ 283,012
<b>Building Fund:</b>				
Receipts	\$ 4,246	\$ 3,182	\$ 38,215	\$ 36,103
Disbursements	\$ 4,246	\$ 3,194	\$ 38,215	\$ 34,793
<b>Total all funds:</b>				
Receipts	\$ 39,741	\$ 29,993	\$ 357,675	\$ 357,866
Disbursements	\$ 40,775	\$ 44,557	\$ 366,978	\$ 317,805
Checking and Money Market Funds Balance				\$ 84,184
<b>Special funds:</b>				
Memorial fund				\$ 57,767
Luke 12:48 fund				\$ 239,709
Programs fund				\$ 50,837
Endowment fund				\$ 617,880
Maack-Ormsbee Fund				<u>\$ 57,609</u>
<b>Total special funds</b>				<b>\$ 1,107,786</b>



## \$819 for Mission

Thank you for generously supporting our Mission Dollar campaign by placing your single dollar bills in the offering plate.

A total of \$819 was collected in September.

If you wish to give more than a dollar, please use the envelopes in the pew racks.

We are always grateful for your generous gifts and prayers.

## Thinking of you ...

Each Saturday and Sunday the Congregational Care Committee asks Kirk members to sign a beautiful card to be mailed to a church member who has not been able to attend services due to illness or disability.

Please add your signature to these cards and join the congregation in wishing others well.

Thank you.





A faux “Session” meeting featured Lowell Gardner, Vicki Rosenquist, Carol Clark, Jim Erickson, Bill Bailey, Jerral Johnson and Sharon Gardner. (Photos by Jamie Federick)



Judy Corwin and Bev Bullard.



Treble in the Village entertained the guests.

## **Song and humor underscore financial message**

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be committed and we must each acknowledge we have a mission.

“What is that Mission and our Commitment to it? Our Mission is to assure all thoughtful, needed and effective Kirk programs continue. That continuation and growth occurs through our participation in and with the various committees of the Kirk.

“It is to be assured as we continue to undergird the

charities we now support while remaining open to others seeking our help.”

The food and fellowship added to a most informative, entertaining evening at the Kirk. “Thank you” goes to the Finance Committee for a job well done.

***Jamie Federick is a member of the Communication Committee.***



# ComCom works hard to get the word out

By Susan and Bob Morrow

Do you use Twitter? We don't, and neither does the Kirk. In fact, the Kirk in the Pines solved the problem of staying in touch with our community long ago and in true Presbyterian fashion. The Kirk formed a committee!

The Communication Committee (ComCom) is an arm of the Session charged with keeping Kirk members in touch with what's going on.

Lowell Gardner is Moderator of the committee which includes 19 Kirk members: Jamie and Rick Federick, Jan and Arnie Holtberg, JoAnne Rich, Patty Van Cleave, Susan and Bob Morrow, Barbara Worthley, Dotty Rector, Ralph Greene, Linda Hommema, Frank Leeming, Barbara and Tony Booth, Mildred Croson, Bev Carpenter, Lorna Kerr and Robert Sonnen.

The primary tool for communications is A Voice in the Pines, our monthly newsletter written by committee members (and others) and published by Frank Leeming.

Numerous "auxiliary" members participate in many ways, including newsletter printing and distribution.

The newsletter is your connection to the Kirk community and urges us to recall the true mission of the Kirk locally and in the broader world.

For Arnie and Jan Holtberg, "the Voice is an avenue for all of us to be introduced to new members, learn more about how our long-serving members are involved in the Kirk and the community and beyond. Moreover, this important publication provides us with a better understanding of how the Kirk functions in service and ministry."

"Our newsletter is among the best, if not the best in the presbytery" says Dotty Rector, a committee member and former moderator. This has been echoed many times by Pastor Bill Bailey.

The newsletter is not the committee's only job.

ComCom coordinates "all things" communication including material for the Chamber of Commerce email blasts, the POA event calendar, stories and photos for the *Village Voice* and other media outlets, and postings on the Kirk website.

You might find a ComCom member behind the lens of a camera, sitting at a computer typing, going to lunch with a new member, designing and updating the Kirk website, on the phone interviewing the subject of an article, or even busy with newsletter distribution and mailing.

Members bring their unique talents as writers, photographers, computer/internet experts, and publishers to produce and distribute content that both keeps the larger village community informed about Kirk activities and helps sustain the life and growth of our congregation.



Communication Committee members include (from left, front row) Jamie Federick, Jan Holtberg, JoAnne Rich, Patty Van Cleave, (back row) Susan Morrow, Bob Morrow, Barbara Worthley, Arnie Holtberg, Dotty Rector and Moderator Lowell Gardner. (Mike Carpenter photo)



You may have noticed the excellent photographs in our newsletter and other publications, many by Jamie Federick and Robert Sonnen. Jamie loves being on ComCom as she feels she can share her talents in photography to "bring stories of our congregation to life and make communication more personal."

Among the most personal stories are the articles on new members. Barbara Worthley feels these articles "delve more deeply into the people and activities," giving readers "a behind-the-scenes look" at our Kirk community.

ComCom has monthly planning meetings but the work is ongoing. Moderator Gardner and the members keep their "ear to the ground" to learn of upcoming Kirk activities and special events.

The time may come when the Kirk tweets, but for now ComCom has communication covered. You can reach out to us at [kirknewsletter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kirknewsletter@sbcglobal.net).

*Susan and Bob Morrow are members of the Communication Committee.*





Treble in the Village and the Village Big Band wowed a benefit concert audience at the Kirk. (Becky Harvey photo)

## **Village Big Band had the Kirk sanctuary jumping**

**By Lowell Gardner**

More than 130 music lovers who gathered in the Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines sanctuary on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 29, were moved by a definite upbeat spirit.

The 16-member Village Big Band under the leadership of Bill Morgan led them toe-tapping and shoulders swaying through a one-hour program of buoyant religious and patriotic selections.

Regular vocalist Maureen Morgan and Ken Bridges, along with guest artists Kirk Music Director Randy Toney and popular Sweet Adeline quartet Treble in the Village, enhanced the well-tuned instrumentalists in their varying arrangements of both well-known and less familiar renditions.

Classical jazz rings a dual connotation when Bach and Beethoven tunes opened the concert. Jim Kelly on trumpet paired first with Bill Morgan on sax and then Lee Beach on drums to feature *Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring* and *Ode to Joy* with a renewed message of jubilation.

Book of Genesis reveals *Color in the Wind* with the lovely pipes of Maureen Morgan adding marvelous

hues. Randy Toney's extraordinary vocal range is exploited with Psalm 23 refigured as *You'll Never Walk Alone*.

Tradition with a beat was demonstrated on the saxophone when Will Anderson links *I'd Rather Have Jesus* and *He's My Everything*. Bill Morgan does the same by pairing *Jesus Is All the World to Me* with *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*.

National conflict rounded out the concert with *Battle Hymn of the Republic* and the trombone section featuring *My Buddy*. Treble in the Village sang *This Is My Country* in a capella with band back-up on *Chattanooga Choo Choo*. Ken Bridge vocalized *Unforgettable* in rich bass.

The band played *Bridge Over Troubled Waters* and *God Bless the USA* before closing with *When the Saints Go Marching In*.

The concert was a benefit with a free-will offering to lend support to hurricane survivors in The Bahamas. An offering of \$1,557 (and a lottery ticket) went to that cause.

**Lowell Gardner is Moderator of the Communication Committee.**



# Kathy Martin

***She loves the scenery and the sermons***

**By Barbara Worthley**

Kathy Martin, one of the Kirk's newest members, recently returned from an "Ancestry Tour" of Europe. She and her husband, Joe, toured England, Wales and Scotland. Being of Scottish descent, Kathy was very excited to attend the "Highland Games," held in Scotland each year since the 14th century.

Kathy was raised in Lubbock, Texas, and attended Texas Tech University, studying accounting. She finished her degree at Texas A&M at Commerce.

After many years as a stay-at-home mom, she entered the business world as an accountant with a public accounting firm in Dallas. After six years, she went to work for one of her clients, a cardiology medical practice, which she totally enjoyed until retirement in 2011.

Having visited Hot Springs Village, decided to move here on retiring. She had moved frequently, residing in 13

different cities. She was attracted to the beauty of this part of Arkansas – especially the trees and mountains. In fact, she never even considered any other location!

Kathy's four grandchildren are scattered and either working, traveling or still in college. Joshua works at Central Market in Austin; Molly is a teacher in Denver; Audrey is studying at Chicago Institute of Art, and Coleman is taking a gap year for travel both home and abroad, pursuing his interest in fashion marketing and design.

During her years as a stay-at-home mom, Kathy raised three sons, one of whom is deceased. David is a software production project manager and Peter is an architect. They live in Dallas.

"I'm here for a reason," Kathy said.

Having experienced a lot of tragedy in her life, she said her faith in God makes her strong. Having belonged to Methodist churches most of her life, she was attracted to the Kirk for a number of reasons. On her first visit, she felt the warmth and friendliness of the people and wanted to be a part of it.

She wanted a place where she can be of service. Bill Bailey's sermons and the Wednesday Bible Study are a source of inspiration and enjoyment for her. She lives

**New  
member**



**Kathy Martin (Robert Sonnen photo)**

close to the Kirk and when considering a visit, she looked at the Kirk's website and liked what she learned.

I thoroughly enjoyed visiting with Kathy and getting to know her for the purpose of writing this article. I know you will welcome her and you will enjoy getting to know her also.

***Barbara Worthley is a member of the Communication Committee.***



## DNA tests bring brothers together after 58 years

By Judy Corwin

Little did we know when we adopted our infant son back in 1961 that his life would know profound change 58 years later.

The last few years have been difficult for Greg. First diagnosed with a serious heart problem, this was to be overshadowed by a diagnosis of prostate cancer. He has gotten through this with treatment and dietary changes.

His wife had since been encouraging him to have the DNA test to see if any other problems might be around the corner. He never wanted to search for his biological parents and he sure didn't want to send his spit off to be tested! But he gave in and did the test.

About the same time (in another state), a wife was urging her husband David to do DNA testing since they now had two children, ages 23 and 21, their maternal grandmother was adopted and so was he.

The story there was very similar – no curiosity about his biological

past – and, even though he had suffered through back surgery for severe curvature of the spine 5 years ago, he wasn't interested in what health issues might arise in the future.

But he, just as Greg, eventually did the test.

Fast forward to a week before our son, Greg, turned 58. Results came back. He had a 55.7-percent probability of having a full biological brother!

Amazed, confused, and very reluctant, Greg asked for contact with that “brother.” Texting took place immediately after receiving information from 23&Me, the company that analyzes your DNA.

“I think you may be my brother,” Greg wrote.

No answer at first. “This could be a Russian spy, for all I know,” David told his wife.

Well, the Russian spy (Greg studied Russian in college) and David Ferguson found out quickly both of their adoptions referenced Baby Boy Emerick.

We thought it was a name given to Greg by the adoption agency.

That pretty well sealed the deal. Their mother (long deceased) had used her maiden name on both birth certificates. She had been an RN and had David first. Greg arrived just 15 months later in a city which was a four-hour drive from her home. Their salesman father was married.

On Sept. 19, David and his wife Lynda flew from Boston to Kansas City to meet his brother. A week before they were to meet, David leaned over to pick up something and heard a loud “pop” followed by a lot of pain. He'd fractured a vertebrae in his lower spine. Surgery was scheduled for Oct. 1.

David had told Greg in a call prior to their meeting he “will have severe pain whether I am in a plane or in a recliner – we are not postponing this!”

Bob and I were privileged to see these two grown men embrace. Later, David would give a “toast” that brought tears to their eyes.

The two men are very much alike physically, in manner, and style of humor to the point where they were exercising their new sibling rivalry about who got their father's good looks – a newly discovered Brotherly Love.

What a story these two adopted sons are experiencing. Bill Bailey encouraged the sharing of it.

Note: David's adoptive parents are deceased so we are unofficially adopting David and proud to now have two brothers for sons.



Bob and Judy Corwin with adopted sons David and Greg.

## You can be a pacifist and still yell at your husband

What connection is there between making your bed and liturgy, losing your keys and confession, or conflicts with friends and family and passing the peace?

Those are just three of the chapters in *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life* by Tish Harrison Warren.

Each chapter in this award-winning book ties together the ordinary and the spiritual, connecting the ordinary daily events we all experience and reminders to “take notice of Christ right where we are.”

Here are some snippets from *Liturgy of the Ordinary*:

“Making the Bed: Liturgy, Ritual and What Forms a Life.” Warren writes “the thing that most annoyed me about bed making – the fact that it must be done over and over again – reflects the very rhythm of faith. Our

### Thanksgiving dinner sign up is Nov. 2-3

Sign-up for this year’s Thanksgiving Dinner at the Kirk begins Saturday, Nov. 2, and Sunday, Nov. 3, before and after worship service.

Catering will be by Daily Dish, our caterer in 2016. We will serve traditional Thanksgiving dinners of turkey, dressing, and gravy with all the trimmings. Cost of this grand feast will be announced. Watch Sunday bulletins or emails.

Would you prefer someone else do all the shopping, cooking and preparing for this year’s celebration? The Kirk is the place to be! Bring your family, friends, or just yourself. Enjoy an afternoon filled with wonderful meal and the accompanying fellowship.

If you have a questions, call Vicki Rosenquist at 1 706 371-2877 or speak to any member of the Fellowship Committee.

### Mark your calendar for annual Christmas fest

It’s not too early to mark your calendars for our Annual Kirk Christmas Program. This year it will be at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, in Hoffius Hall.

Treble in the Village will get us in the holiday spirit with a special presentation. They will also lead us in some traditional carols.

Everyone is encouraged to come and bring an appetizer to share. Warm beverages and punch will be provided.

Let this event be one of the first dates you put on your December calendar. If you have any questions, see a member of the Fellowship Committee or call Vicki Rosenquist 706 371-2877.



### Carnegie Corner

By Susan Morrow

hearts and our loves are shaped by what we do again and again and again. On Sunday in gathered worship, we learn together to sit in repetition and in predictability. We learn the repetitive, slow rhythms of a life of faith.”

“Losing Keys: Confession and the Truth About Ourselves.” In this chapter, she writes: “In these moments of my day – losing keys, losing patience, snapping at those I love, slamming the dishwasher door – I can respond with self-condemnation, self-justification or repentance.

“When we confess and receive absolution together, we are like a football team practicing its plays, or a theater company rehearsing its lines. Together as a church we are practicing, learning the strokes that teach us to live our lives.”

“Fighting with My Husband: Passing the Peace and the Everyday Work of Shalom.” Here Warren writes: “I’m a pacifist who yells at her husband.”

If you are looking for a new perspective for finding the sacred amid the daily rituals of life, give Tish Warren Harrison’s *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life* a read.

### Potter’s Clay getting help from Food Basket

The Kirk is collecting non-perishable food for Potter’s Clay in November

They need canned meat, fish, vegetables, soups, stew, Spam, chili, pasta and pasta sauces, dry boxed dinner helpers for hamburger, chicken and tuna, macaroni and cheese, dry rice, beans, dry hot and cold cereals and canned milk and juices.

We thank Potter’s Clay for the work they do, and we thank you for helping them. The generosity of the Kirk congregation never ceases to amaze.

The Mission Committee appreciates your help with this worthwhile ministry.







# Happy dates



## Birthdays

Nov. 1	Rick Federick	Nov. 16	Lucy Allen	Nov. 27	Linda Bates
Nov. 4	Yvonne Jones	Nov. 19	Bob Corwin		Helen Fisher
Nov. 5	Walter Fuquay		Pat Franklin	Nov. 28	Jim Koller
	Tom Hayek		Gloria Klomsten	Nov. 29	Dennis Faulk
Nov. 7	Lon Hardin	Nov. 20	Ken Wolf	Nov. 30	Katy Hill
	Steve Stevens		Bob Huff		Mark Smith
Nov. 9	June Moore		Janie Smith		
Nov. 11	Beverly Ethelee	Nov. 22	E.J. Pangle		
Nov. 13	Judith Rosenthal	Nov. 23	Mary Ann Krieger		

## Anniversaries

Nov. 9	Judy and Jerry Carroll	51 years	Nov. 17	Sharon and Lowell Gardner	29 years
Nov. 14	Sue and Chuck New	55 years	Nov. 18	Priscilla and Tom Hayek	42 years
Nov. 16	Gloria and Steven Klomsten	38 years	Nov. 25	Ruth and Burle Mattingly	55 years
	Ellen and Jay Wilborn	41 years			

## Assignments up for PW members

By Carol Sue Williams

As we gather for our November Circle meetings, be mindful that a Christmas Family will be assigned to you.

Each Circle is responsible for receiving donations from their members.

Some members may volunteer to do the shopping while others might volunteer to wrap each gift and deliver gifts to a family.

Please be generous and willing to do your part.

We will have our annual Christmas Gathering on Dec. 9. The Greenhorns will prepare our lunch. Reservations need to be made with your caller by Dec. 1 so they can be turned in at the Dec. 2 CT meeting. Remember: A reservation made is a reservation paid!

We will be entertained by Sweet Adeline Ladies Quartet, Treble in the Village.

This is always a happy and joyous time. We will gather at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary to share beloved Christmas hymns before Pastor Bill Bailey gives us his uplifting message.

*Carol Sue Williams is Moderator of PW.*



Participants in the annual Village Cancer Research Walk included (from left) Jamie Federick, Judy Corwin, Mary Ann Reynolds, and Vicki Rosenquist. Together with Canine Bentley, they met at 7:30 a.m. at the Balboa Pavilion. Other Kirk members who were not able or chose not to walk made monetary contributions to the goal.

## Kirk golfers wrap up season with fun and pizza

By Jim Hess

The Oct. 13 Sunday of perfect fall golfing ended our 2019 season. The Ponce de Leon course provided its usual challenge for Kirk golfers.

“Bragging Rights for the Day” were awarded at a Molly O’Brien Pizza Restaurant dinner attended by 19 golfers, spouses and friends.

Winners among the ladies were Eve Webb, Closest to

the Pin on #4, and Priscilla Hayek with Longest Putt on #8.

The gentlemen’s Closest to Pin went to Tom Hayek on #7. Ron Lovett achieved Longest Putt. Winners were reminded to tape the winning Award to their refrigerator door as is the custom.

As we close our 2019 golf events, thanks to everyone who played. We lost several golf Sundays due to rain or heat. Our dining fellowship was great, even though we did not always get to play.

We can all now look forward to our 2020 season.

If you are new to our Kirk or just looking for a friendly golf game, we welcome you to join our Kirk Sunday Golf Group. We are single and couples’ golfers of all skill levels playing either 9 or 18 holes. It is always your choice.

We play our Village courses the second Sunday of each month. Dinner follows golf at various Village restaurants. Our season extends April through October. If you would like additional information, please call me at 922-2326, or email [jimobhess@suddenlink.net](mailto:jimobhess@suddenlink.net)

*Jim Hess is the Kirk’s coordinator of golf.*



## Kirk staff

**William B. Bailey** – Senior Pastor

**Randy Toney** – Director of Music

**Donna Toney** – Organist/Pianist

**Janie Smith** – Visitation Coordinator

**Chris Taylor-Wilmoth** – Secretary

**Beverly Schaumburg** – Business Administrator

**Arthur “Chip” Johnson** – Sexton

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