

PRESBYTERIAN CHIMES

United Presbyterian Church of Randolph

JANUARY 2019

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Dear Church Family and Friends,

Here we are ending another year. What an eventful year it has been for me! It was before Christmas 2017 that I first walked into the doors of RUPC as a pastoral candidate. During the first six months of 2018 there were interviews, negotiations with the United Methodists, paper work, more conversations and finally, I began as your permanent pulpit supply pastor in July. How wonderful it has been to get to know you and become part of you!

When my sister Ruth first told me of the need for a pastor several years ago, I never even considered the possibility. However God, had a different plan in mind. Through several years of struggles, challenges and rejections, I decided to give this congregation a try. I am so glad I did!

I am reminded of a passage in Jeremiah 29:11-13, "'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.'"

Sometimes we struggle so hard to be in charge of our own destiny that we forget that our God who loves us has great plans for our future. When we are in the midst of trials we often shake our fist at God instead of trusting God to bring us through into a place we could never have imagined for ourselves.

As we enter 2019, I challenge each of you to move out of the driver's seat and let God take charge of your life and future.

With peace and hope,

Pastor Molly



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

UPC is growing. We have more children attending each week. We need help in the nursery. You took the "I don't need the training" class, now we need you to use what you learned by entertaining the youngest during part of worship.

Election of Officers for 2019

Elders Class of 2021 3 year term

Tom Wade & Mary Myers

Deacons Class of 2021 3 year term

Donna Chubon, Ruth Wahl
Kay Wade

Corporation Officers - for 2019

Reg Boutwell, President
Kay Wade, Vice President
Rosie Swan, Treasurer
Clerk of Session, Secretary

Financial Co-Secretaries for 2019

Linda & Clair Inkley
Dan Pihlblad

General Fund Treasurer for 2019

Reg Boutwell Assistant, Ruth Wahl

Memorial Fund Treasurers for 2019

Kay Wade & Mary Myers

TO ALL COMMITTEES:

YEAR END REPORTS ARE DUE BY JANUARY 10 SO THAT THE ANNUAL REPORT BOOK CAN BE PREPARED AND OUT BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING ON THE 27.

FINANCIAL BOOKS NEED TO BE IN THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE BY JANUARY 18. THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETS ON JANUARY 19.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THESE. IF EVERYONE DOES THEIR PART THEN OUR MEETING ON THE 27 WILL GO LIKE CLOCK WORK.

Greeters/Ushers

This year we are going to have a standing team of ushers/greeters each Sunday. They will serve every week much like our choir.

Dan Pihlblad

Bob Whitney

Reg Boutwell

Bethany VanRensselaer

Howard VanRensselaer

Rosie Swan

If you would like to be on this team please let Dan Pihlblad know. He will be heading them up.

WORSHIP TEAMS FOR JANUARY

January 6-

Liturgist—Nancy Pihlblad

Sound— Mike Frame

Nursery -

Communion— Nancy Pihlblad, Ruth Wahl

Elders—Jim Roberts, Tom Wade,

Mary Myers, Andrew Pihlblad

January 13

Liturgist—Donna Chubon

Sound—Mary Myers

Nursery -

January 20-

Liturgist—Barry Shields

Sound—Mary Myers

Nursery -

January 27 Installation and Annual Meeting

Liturgist—Dan Pihlblad

Sound— Mike Frame

Nursery -

LOOKING AHEAD TO FEBRUARY

February 3

Liturgist—Ruth Wahl

Sound— Mary Myers

Nursery -

Communion— Ruth Wahl, Connie Lockwood

Dan Pihlblad, Mike Frame,

Rosie Swan, Jim Roberts



KING OF THE HILL

Driving up the hill,
Turning the corner,
I nearly wreck the car:
By VanRensselaer's drive,
I see a bear!

Majestically standing
On his hind legs~
A magnificent specimen
Perfect in every detail
A life-size~ WOODCARVING!

Ever since, he's been my buddy
Confiding in me
His innermost thoughts:
He loves to pose for photos
And basking in the sun.

As Christmas approached, however,
The proud "King of the Hill"
Tried to hang his head in shame,
For a wreath with a big red bow
Hung around his neck for all to see.

At the first snow,
A flat circle of little white fluffies
Formed a dainty doily on his head;
Later, heavy snow covered his eyes.
Humiliation!

Cheer up, my friend!
Soon you'll return to your former glory
And once again be "King of the Hill".

Ann Dahl Luce 2017

PS: He likes 2018's gold bow!

CAPITAL FUND SUNDAYS

To continue taking care of our Church building Session has decided to set up a Capital Fund to prepare for building needs in the future. The FIFTH SUNDAY each month that have five Sundays will be a chance for you to donate to this fund.

For 2019 they are: March 31, June 30,
September 29 and December 29.

On these Sundays the committee will give updates and an offering will be taken to help grow this fund.

Church Membership Classes for Adults and Youth

During the coming months, Pastor Molly would like to offer a new membership class. This class is for any adult or youth grade 7 and up. Maybe you have been attending for some time and would like to become an official member of the church, or maybe you would just like to find out what membership is all about. There will be no obligation, just come and learn about your faith.

Mentors who have been long time member will also be needed.

Time and dates will be arranged according to the schedule of interested persons. Contact the church office of Pastor Molly if you are interested.

Mission Trip Dates Announced

Are you ready to go on a mission trip? This vital ministry will take place during the week of February 17-23. This will be a 2-3 day trip to a destination that will be within a ½ day drive. Pastor Molly is working on finding a place where our help can be most beneficial. Youth grades 7 and up and adults are encouraged to become a part of being the hands and feet of Jesus to those in need. Contact the church office or Pastor Molly if you are interested.

Some of our activities

COMMUNION AND ALL SAINTS



PREPARING FOR ADVENT

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE



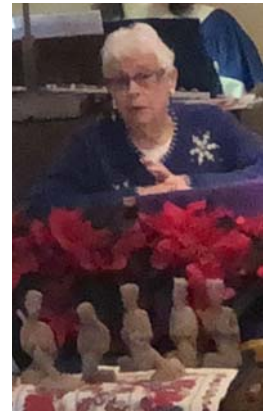
LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS



Some of our activities



MUSIC AND MORE





GOALS FOR 2019

January 2019 Lectionary for Sundays

Epiphany of the Lord—January 6

Isaiah 60:1–6

Psalms 72:1–7, 10–14

Ephesians 3:1–12

Matthew 2:1–12

Baptism of the Lord—January 13

Isaiah 43:1–7

Psalms 29

Acts 8:14–17

Luke 3:15–17, 21–22

Second Sunday after Epiphany—January 20

Isaiah 62:1–5

Psalms 36:5–10

1 Corinthians 12:1–11

John 2:1–11

Third Sunday after Epiphany—January 27

Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10

Psalms 19

1 Corinthians 12:12–31a

Luke 4:14–21

**News for the February newsletter
Deadline is January 19.**

Communication –

By March 1, 2019 100% of all committees/groups will appoint a recorder to relay the information from their meetings to the office within 3 working days highlighting items for sharing with the church family. (using our newsletter, bulletin, email etc.).

De Clutter –

We will de-clutter 12 areas of the church, one each month during 2019.

We will make a group to work on each area based on peoples use of the area and willingness to help.

We will start with the balcony, then boiler & custodian rooms, then the nursery. The other areas will be added in the following months.

Capital Fund -

Establish a Capital Fund to be used to cover the costs of current and future RUPC building projects and major maintenance/repairs.

A formal Capital Fund drive will be conducted during the 2019 year with a goal of raising a minimum of \$50,000.

In addition to the fund drive, a special offering will be collected each 5th Sunday to raise money for the Capital Fund along with various fundraisers throughout the year.

Projects to be completed will be prioritized based on consideration of health and safety, protection of property, project costs/availability of funds, emergency needs and other factors related to specific projects.

Projects currently being considered for funding by the Capital fund include:

- Replace/repair entrance doors

- Repair/resurface parking lot and driveways

- Repair/replace carpeting in Sanctuary

- Installation of air conditioning in Sanctuary

- Installation of an emergency generator

Additional projects can be added for consideration as needs arise. The Session will review and pick order to which these projects will be addressed in 2019 at their January meeting.

The existing balance of funds from the Building Fund as of December 31, 2018 will be transferred into the newly established Capital Fund.

**MILITARY
PERSONNEL
MEN AND WOMEN**



Remember them with a card or note though-out the year.

- Mike Fleischmann: Michael C. & Candy Fleischmann
3801 Barbed Wire Drive
Killeen, TX 76549-3955
- Aaron Wellman Major Aaron & Jacki Wellman
350 Princeton Circle
Belle Chasse, LA 70037
- Nate Booker
- Jeffrey Clauson
- Erin Connor Erin Connor/Matt Kinahan
PSC 3 Box 7036
APO AP 96266
- Matt Kinahan
- Erik Connor Erik & Maggie Connor
6443 Lionheart Park
San Antonio, TX

TO OUR JANUARY CELEBRANTS

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|------------|-----------------------|
| January 2 | Tammy Johnson |
| January 3 | Ruth McLaughlin |
| January 4 | Howard VanRensselaer |
| January 7 | Jordon Braymiller |
| January 8 | Shauna Zollinger |
| January 19 | Brianna Ashdown |
| January 22 | Austin Myers |
| January 27 | Dottie Bridenbaker |
| January 29 | Alexandria Braymiller |
| January 30 | Bob Whitney |

**Who are we missing from the list?
We need to keep updating addresses for our
service personnel. Please call Mary at the office
358-4255 or her home 358-9405 with the
information. Thanks**



Congratulations

Erik and Maggie Connor
New parents of
Sullivan Gregg
Born December 11, 2018
and
Grandparents Michael & Erika Connor

General Fund Treasurer's Notes

YTD November 2018 November 2017

Total Expenses	\$59,080.07	\$54,387.11
Total Receipts	\$61,144.64	\$76,623.65
Gain or (Loss)	2,064.57	22,239.54

For further information ask a member of session or the treasurer, Reg Boutwell.

WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12 9 a.m.

The ladies of East Randolph United Methodist Church will be the hostesses for the Women's breakfast this month. It will be on Saturday, January 12, from 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. Hope you can attend and share the fellowship.



**The Poinsettias for Christmas
were given by the following:**

- Bettie Alexander in memory of her husband John, Delano & Shirley Alexander and E. A. & Catherine Keith; and in honor of her family
- Reg & Louise Boutwell in honor of all the people who roasted turkeys, made stuffing or potatoes, served & cleaned-up at the 26th Thanksgiving Day dinner for community members
- Darrin, Tracie, Garrett & Anna Carlson in memory of Karen Anderson and Linnea Carlson
- Dick & Donna Chubon in honor of Carol Brown and Erika Connor
- Erika Connor in memory of Roger & Anna Belle Swanson, Grandma Davidson, Gramps & Granny Connor and June Connor; and in honor of Eric & Maggie's baby, Erin & Matt's baby and Sean & Hannah's baby
- Clair & Linda Inkley in memory of their parents; and in honor of their children and grandchildren
- Marta Johnson in memory of Marian Berg and Mike Johnson; and in honor of Charles Berg
- Connie Lockwood in memory of Gary Lockwood and William & Helen Minnick
- Ann Luce in memory of Dick Luce and Dan Luce
- Mary Myers in memory Ron; and in honor of her great-grandchildren Brea, Avery, Cora and Jackson
- Pat Staerr in memory of her husband Al and her parents Willard & Rhea Palmer
- Alice Stoddard in memory of Bert Stoddard
- Howard & Bethany Van Rensselaer in memory of Norman & Bessie Kinney and Howard Gage & Lucile Van Rensselaer
- Tom & Kay Wade in memory of their parents; and in honor of their children and grandchildren

PRAYER CONCERNS



Health

- Alan J
Alice F
Anita C
Aurora B
Betty B
Bob S
Bob & Sandy C
Carl B
Carrie C
Carol S
Catherine S
Cindy H cancer
Chloe C
Cody H
Dan B
Dan E heart attack
David R. M
David S cancer
Debbie M
Debbie (Jim's Mom)
Derek M leukemia
Dick A
Donna C
Eileen N
Gabriel
Gene J
Howard V
Howard (Buzz) M
James B cancer
Jamie C
Jan C
Jason
Jay A
Judy S heart
Justin

- June B
Kay A
Katherine (Michelle's mom)
Keith G. cancer
Keith A
Laurel P cancer
Linda I
Logan
Madison
Mel L
Nick K
Pat K
Pat (Jill's step Mom)
Richard J
Robert R
Ron B lung cancer
Rosamond F
Scott J
Sharon
Sue L. kidney
Sullivan C
Syd E
Tim A
Tracy H cancer
Verna M new born

Encouragement:

- Haitian Sewing Women
Those rebuilding from disasters
Tammy & Moses M
Teri N
Ruth & Dan M
Care Givers
EMT's
Families dealing with addictions
Prison Ministry (CCM)
Foster Care Parents/children

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 27
Installation of 2019 Officers
and
ANNUAL MEETING FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held following the morning worship service.

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JANUARY 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>Happy New Year</i>	2	3	4	5
6 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Prayer Time	7 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	8 PASTOR 9—NOON Comm Pas- tor Meeting 1 pm Bible	9	10	11	12 9:00 am Women's Comm Prayer Breakfast ERUMC
13 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Prayer Time	14 PASTOR 9—NOON 1 pm Bible Study 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	15 NO Bible Study ←—————Pastor Away—————→	16	17	18	19
20 <i>Mission Sunday</i> 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	21 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	22 PASTOR 9—NOON 1 pm Bible Study	23	24	25	26
27 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:30 Prayer Time <i>Annual Meeting</i>	28 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	29 PASTOR 9—NOON 1 pm Bible Study	30	31		



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January 2019

Happy New Year

CHURCH LEADERS

PASTOR

Rev. Molly T. Golando

CORPORATION OFFICERS

President—Reg Boutwell **V. President**— Kay Wade
Treasurer-Rosie Swan

CLERK OF SESSION

Mary Myers

ELDERS

CLASS OF 2019
Jim Roberts
Andrew Pihlblad
Rosie Swan

CLASS OF 2020
Dan Pihlblad
Mike Frame

CLASS OF 2021
Tom Wade
Mary Myers

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2019
Connie Lockwood
Bettie Alexander

CLASS OF 2020
James Ashdown
Louise Boutwell

CLASS OF 2021
Donna Chubon
Kay Wade
Ruth Wahl

STAFF

MUSIC MINISTRY—Carol Brown, choir director/organist
CHURCH SECRETARY—Mary Myers
CUSTODIANS—Susan Ashdown & Jim Ashdown
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To celebrate and continue the work of Christ by ministering to all people, supporting each other as a loving family, and working together in Christian service.