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Dear Church Family and Friends,

Another year has come and gone. This past year has been an eventful year for me. We have completed our first year together as a congregation. You have come to know me as I have come to know you and love you all. I believe this year we will move forward in ministry with energy and excitement. We have a new set of goals which will take some energy, and in return give energy to use in ministry. Keep in your mind the energizer bunny. Of course, it is an advertisement for energizer batteries. They are supposed to last longer than any other battery, but when the battery dies, that is it! No more marching around with the little drum! Do you ever feel like that? I sure do! Sometimes my battery dies, and I fall onto my couch for a long nap (usually Sunday afternoons!) To work on our goals for the coming year, we will need much energy and we can't go to the local store and buy more batteries when we become exhausted. However, unlike the Energizer Bunny, God allows our batteries to recharge. And we do not have to rely on our own strength alone. Although we do have to be aware of our physical limitations and get rest when we need it, we can depend on our strength coming from the Holy Spirit. This strength comes in many different forms. It may come to our own bodies and it may come in unexpected ways, such as children looking for things to do with their seemingly endless energy. As we move forward on our goals and other opportunities God puts in our way, we need to keep our eyes and hearts open to the ways that God will work in the coming year.

Always at this time of year, I think of the verse 2 Corinthians 5:17 (MSG)

"Now we look inside, and what we see is that anyone united with the Messiah gets a fresh start, is created new. The old life is gone; a new life burgeons!"

We always think about a new start on January 1st, but in actuality, every time we confess our sins and repent of our sinful ways, we get a new start. Our goals are new for our church and there may be other ways that you may want to get a fresh start in your own personal life.

I have had such a great opportunity to watch my granddaughter during her first year. I have been amazed at how much she learns. I forgot how little a newborn baby can do, but now at six months old, she has learned so much! But, it has been hard work. Learning to rollover was an effort. Her first bite of food was confusing at best, and perhaps a bit frightening for her. (Hilarious for those of us watching!) Each new step forward has been difficult, but with great rewards.

As we move forward with our new goals and as you enter a new year, have patience and perseverance. We will accomplish great things through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

May God bring you many blessings in the coming year. Happy New Year!

With peace and hope,

Pastor Molly



Election of Officers for 2020

Elders Class of 2022 3 year term

Jim Roberts, Reg Boutwell, Connie Lockwood

Deacons Class of 2022 3 year term

Barry Shields, Carrie Congdon

Corporation Officers - for 2020

Reg Boutwell, President

Kay Wade, Vice President

Rosie Swan, Treasurer

Mary Myers, Clerk of Session, Secretary

Financial Co-Secretaries for 2020

Linda & Clair Inkley

General Fund Treasurer for 2020

Reg Boutwell

Building Fund Financial Secretary/Treasurer for 2020

Mary Myers

Memorial Fund Treasurers for 2020

Kay Wade & Mary Myers

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

Reg Boutwell

Moses Miller

Connie Dalbo

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 5

Liturgist—Ruth Wahl

Sound— Mike Frame

Communion— Connie Lockwood, Ruth Wahl

January 12

Liturgist—Barry Shields

Sound—Mary Myers

January 19-

Liturgist—Connie Dalbo

Sound—Mike Frame



January 26 Installation and Annual Meeting

Liturgist—Tom Wade

Sound— Mary Myers

LOOKING AHEAD TO FEBRUARY

February 2

Liturgist— Ruth Wahl

Sound— Mary Myers

Communion— Ruth Wahl, Nancy Pihlblad



TO ALL COMMITTEES:

YEAR END REPORTS ARE DUE BY JANUARY 9th SO THAT THE ANNUAL REPORT BOOK CAN BE PREPARED AND OUT BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING ON THE 26th.

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 26th WILL GO LIKE CLOCK WORK.



A NEW YEAR REMINDER

Bring with you
From last year:
That loving holiday feeling,
Hope for better tomorrows,
Faith to insure joy,
And peace through patience.

Bring kindness
Without judgment
Goodness and gentleness,
Also self-control.
For, all of these are yours
Because of your relationship

With Christ.

Ann Dahl Luce 2020



SUNDAY MORNING FLOWERS

If you or your family would like to remember someone with flowers and share them with the church call Jan Eccles (358-6086) or the church office (358-4255) to set up a date. What a wonderful way to wish someone a happy birthday, anniversary or just to say you are thinking of them.

BUILDING FUND SUNDAYS

To continue taking care of our Church building Session has decided to set up a Building 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 2020 they are: March 29, May 31,
August 30, and November 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 or Pastor Molly if you are interested.

some of our activities

COMMUNION AND ALL SAINTS



COMMUNITY CUPBOARD CHRISTMAS BASKETS



LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

5 NEW MEMBERS



CHRISTMAS CANTATA



some of our activities

PREPARING FOR ADVENT



MUSIC AND MORE



BAPTISM





January 2020 Lectionary for Sundays

Year A

Second Sunday of Christmas—January 5

Jeremiah 31:7–14
Psalm 147:12–20
Ephesians 1:3–14
John 1:(1–9) 10–18

Epiphany of the Lord—January 6

Isaiah 60:1–6
Psalm 72:1–7, 10–14
Ephesians 3:1–12
Matthew 2:1–12

Baptism of the Lord—January 12

Isaiah 42:1–9
Psalm 29
Acts 10:34–43
Matthew 3:13–17

Sunday, January 19

Isaiah 49:1–7
Psalm 40:1–11
1 Corinthians 1:1–9
John 1:29–42

Sunday, January 26

Isaiah 9:1–4
Psalm 27:1, 4–9
1 Corinthians 1:10–18
Matthew 4:12–23

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



Special Music

How about setting a New Year's resolution to use your gifts by being part of special music. Contact Carol Brown at 358-5663 or by email at carolbrown554@yahoo.com to schedule a Sunday that works for you. We are so lucky to have so many talented musicians in our church!



A note from the Halla's

Thank you everyone for all the prayers lifted for Rhys, Bre and James. Rhys is doing much better and hopes to see everyone in church.

Lord, look down from Heaven above
and touch this special Child with your Love...
Protect and guide this Little One
'til each and Every Day is done.
Remind us often that it's true...
this little life is a Gift from you.
A Miracle you've sent along our way.
Lord, bless this little Child.

MILITARY PERSONNEL MEN AND WOMEN



Remember them with a card or note throughout 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
Matt Kinahan PSC 3 Box 7036
APO AP 96266

Erik Connor Erik & Maggie Connor
6448 Lionheart Park
San Antonio, TX 78240

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



General Fund Treasurer's Notes

Treasurer's Report – November

YTD	November 2019	November 2018
Total Expenses	\$72,999.76	\$59,080.07
Total Receipts	\$63,189.39	\$61,144.64
Gain or (Loss)	\$9,810.37	\$2,064.57

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



TO OUR JANUARY CELEBRANTS

January 2	Tammy Johnson
January 3	Ruth McLaughlin
January 4	Howard VanRensselaer
January 7	Jordon Braymiller
January 8	Shauna Zollinger
January 15	Ryen Conklin
January 16	Tim McLaughlin
January 19	Brianna Ashdown
January 22	Austin Myers
January 29	Alexandria Braymiller
January 30	Bob Whitney
January 31	Simon Pihlblad

WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 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 11, from 9:00 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. Hope you can attend and share the fellowship.

NOTES FROM SESSION

December 2020

- * New Member class introduced to Session: Moses Miller, Carrie Congdon, Carol Brown, Connie Dalbo. Transferring back to UPC is Cathy Sutherland. Present to Congregation on December 15.
- * 2020 budget approved at \$87,980.
- * New thermostat and lock box approved for Fellowship Hall.
- * Deacon's report they are working with Community Cupboard for Christmas gifts.
- * 2019 Goals found to be completed.
- * Goals set for 2020. Continue De-Clutter, new: Stewardship, and Energize the Church family.
- * Fellowship coffee maker being replaced.
- * Ordination and Installation of 2020 officers, elders and deacons will be on January 26.
- * January session meeting moved to 2nd Thursday, January 9.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26
Installation of 2020 Officers
and
ANNUAL MEETING FOLLOWING WORSHIP

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



SWISS STEAK DINNER

ADULTS: \$10.00

CHILDREN (10 & YOUNGER) \$7.00

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

NOON TO 2 P.M.

GOALS FOR 2020

DE-CLUTTER CONTINUED

Continue the work that was started in 2019 to de-clutter the church building. Significant progress was made in de-cluttering, sorting and reorganizing many area of the church during the past year.

This process will continue during the 2020 year with a primary focus being on the three kitchen areas. The "old" and "new" kitchens in the basement and the upstairs hospitality room kitchen will be sorted to get rid of items that are not needed or are unusable. Cabinets, drawers, counters and shelves will be reorganized and labeled to make all three kitchen areas more efficient. This task will be completed by April 2020.

In addition, de-cluttering will continue throughout the church to clear areas and surfaces of unwanted items, including furniture, and develop a system for storing items and maintaining clear spaces. Additional shelving may be necessary for storing items such as mission donations and church supplies. This task will be completed by October 2020.

TO ENERGIZE THE CHURCH FAMILY

The congregation will take the following steps during 2020 to energize church family:

- Establish an open atmosphere where all community members feel welcome. Focus on new families with activity that includes young families already established with our church family.
- Establish Family times on Sunday afternoon/Saturday evening:
 - January 26 – Team game time
 - July 26 - Church picnic with church Olympics
 - October 24 – Costume Halloween Party (dress as a Bible character)
- Plan ways to talk about baptism, church school, membership at UPC.
 - Monthly Newsletter articles
 - Education Moment during Sunday Worship on 2nd Sunday.
- Outreach activities for children/youth
 - Deacons have three activities for children:
 - 1 in spring, 1 in summer, 1 in fall
- Education department plan three activities for youth (5th grade and up):
 - 1 spring event – miniature golf
 - 1 in summer - Darin Lake Kingdom Bound 1 in fall – Lakewood Pumpkin Patch.
- Adult activities
 - Make available for all adults a time quarterly for an Adult dinner out:
 - Have a host or hostess for each event. They set up restaurant and take reservations.
 - March, June, September, December
- Offer short time Bible Study's (4-6 weeks) at least twice during the year.
 - Lenten Soup/Bible Study Thursday evenings 5:30 p.m. led by pastor (February 27- April 9)
 - Advent Bible Study Thursday mornings 10:30 a.m. led by pastor (December 3, 10, 17)
 - Women's Association sponsor fall Bible Study (6 weeks – Tuesday a.m.)
- Offer membership classes quarterly.
 - Set up plan to offer these classes though newsletter, web page, bulletin giving information on who to contact if interested in the class.
 - February, May, August, November
- Offer class for anyone if even only one (1) person shows interest.

STEWARDSHIP GOAL

To give people opportunity, guidance and encouragement to use their time, talents, and treasure in a Godly way.

- Opportunity – Mary/Louise
 - Two fundraiser dinners – January/February & September - Swiss Steak meal
 - Ask people who expressed interest to help with these meals
- Guidance - Tom
 - Community Financial Planning Class "Better than a lottery ticket"
 - Do this the end of April with kick-off "Fun" event
- Five Sessions covering
 - Managing Debt
 - Saving
 - Emergency Funds
 - Investing
 - Budget
- Encourage – Pastor Molly
 - Do a quarterly reminder in church about individual's stewardship commitment.
 - March, June, September, November (just before Thanksgiving)



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.

Catherine Alexander in memory of my parents,
Catherine S & David E Warner V; and in honor of United
Presbyterian Children, youth, our Christian Future.

Karen Howell in memory of my mom, Josephine Bartz.

Erika Connor in memory of Roger & Anna Belle Swanson,
Grandma Davidson, Gramps & Granny Connor and June
Connor; And in honor of kids and grandkids.

Clair & Linda Inkley in memory of our parents and Debbie
M; and in honor of their children and grandchildren

Marta Johnson in memory of Marian Berg and Mike John-
son; and in honor of Charles Berg.

Ann Luce in memory of Dick Luce and Dan Luce.

Mary Myers in memory of Ron.

Lisa Underwood in memory of Dona Rettberg.

Carrie Congdon in memory of grandfather, Glenn Brown.

Alice Stoddard in memory of Bert Stoddard.

Pat Staerr in memory of her husband Al and her parents
Willard & Rhea Palmer.

Reg & Louise Boutwell in honor of all the people who
roasted turkeys, made stuffing or potatoes, served, made
deliveries & cleaned-up at the 27th Thanksgiving Day dinner
for community members.

Tom & Kay Wade in memory of their parents;
and in honor of their children and grandchildren.

PRAYER CONCERNS



Health:

Bethany VR –fell

Bob S

Bob & Sandy C

Brad Y

Carl B

Carol P

Catherine S

Cheryl F

Cindy H cancer

Chloe C

Dan B

Dan E heart attack

David R. M

David J. M

David S cancer

Debbie O'Carroll

Debbie (Jim's Mom)

Derek M leukemia

Dick A

Donna C

Eli—(recovery)

Eileen N

Fletcher

Gabriel

Gene J

Howard VR

James B ^{cancer}

Jamie C

Jason

Jeff

Jenelle H

Judy S (heart)

June B

Justin

Katherine (Michelle's mom)

Keith G. cancer

Keith A

Laurel P cancer

Linda W

Logan

Madison

Mauren K

Merle F

Milt M

Natalie W

Nick K

Pat K

Pat (Jill's step Mom)

Rhys Halla—(recovery)

Richard J

Robert R

Ron B lung cancer

Rosamond F

Scott J

Sharon

Sharon H

Sue L. kidney

Syd E

Tim A

Tracy H cancer

Verna M

Vicki F

Homebound:

Alice S

Bob and Evelyn W

Encouragement:

The Country of Hati

Haitian Sewing Women

Those rebuilding from disasters

Teri N

Ruth & Dan M

Care Givers

EMT's

Families dealing with addictions

Prison Ministry (CCM)

Foster Care Parents/children

Our Church:

Pastor

Deacons & Elders

General Committees

United Presbyterian Church of Randolph



JANUARY 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 PASTOR 9—NOON	3	4
5 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:30 Sunday School 9:40 Prayer Time (choir room) 10:00 Worship	6 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	7	8	9 PASTOR 9—NOON Worship & Music 4-6 p.m. Session 7 p.m.	10	11 9:00 am Women's Comm. Prayer Breakfast E.R. Methodist Church
12 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:30 Sunday School 9:40 Prayer Time (choir room) 10:00 Worship 1:00 to 4:00 Knit	13 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	14	15	16 PASTOR 9—NOON Mission Meeting 10:30 a.m.	17 Deacon's Meeting 9:00 a.m.	18
19 Mission Sunday 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:30 Sunday School 9:40 Prayer Time (choir room) 10:00 Worship - 12:00 to 2:00 Swiss Steak Dinner	20 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	21	22	23 PASTOR 9—NOON	24	25
26 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:30 Sunday School 9:40 Prayer Time (choir room) 10:00 Worship Annual Meeting after Service 1:00 to 4:00 Knit	27 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	28	29	30 PASTOR 9—NOON	31	



NEWSLETTER

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January 2020

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 2020

Dan Pihlblad
 Mike Frame

CLASS OF 2021

Tom Wade
 Mary Myers

CLASS OF 2022

Jim Roberts
 Reg Boutwell
 Connie Lockwood

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2020

James Ashdown
 Louise Boutwell

CLASS OF 2021

Stacey Halla
 Kay Wade

CLASS OF 2022

Barry Shields
 Carrie Congdon

Church Staff

Carol Brown

Carrie Congdon

Susan Ashdown & Jim Ashdown

Organist and Music Director

Secretary

Custodians

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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.