

"The Grapevine"

November 2018

Flower Calendar

November 4
Gladys Smith

November 11
John & Sunday Borges

November 18
Joel Pena

November 25
Terry Donaldson

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Deacons Barrel Stew:

"Soups & Crackers"

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Daylight Saving Time Ends

Sunday, November 4!

**Don't forget to set your
clocks back 1 hour!**

Events

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Saturday, November 3 @ 10am

Pledge Sunday/ Congregational Meeting
Sunday, November 4

Kirkin' of the Tartans
Sunday, November 11

Newsletter Deadline
November 15

Men's Breakfast
Saturday, November 17 @ 8am

Deacons Preparing Thanksgiving Baskets
Saturday, November 17 @ 1030am

Deacons Delivering Thanksgiving Baskets
Sunday, November 18 after worship

Office Closed – Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 22 & Friday, November 23

T.I.M Workday
Saturday, November 24 @ 10am

Newsletter Folding Crew
Wednesday, November 28 @ 845am

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 7pm Choir & Quilters	2	3 10am Prayer Shawl Ministry
4 10am Worship/ Sunday School 1115am Congregational Meeting 5pm IC	5	6 7pm Deacons	7 10am Bible Study 630pm Worship	8 545pm Mission 7pm Choir & Quilters	9	10
11 10am Worship/ Sunday School Kirkn' of the Tartans 5pm IC	12 7pm Finance	13	14 10am Bible Study	15 Newsletter Deadline 7pm Choir & Quilters	16	17 8am Men's Breakfast 1030am Deacons Preparing Thanksgiving Baskets
18 10am Worship/ Sunday School Delivery of Thanksgiving Baskets 5pm IC	19	20 7pm Session	21	22 Office Closed	23 Office Closed	24 10am T.I.M Workday
25 10am Worship/ Sunday School Fellowship Cake 5pm IC	26	27	28 845am Newsletter Folding Crew	29 7pm Choir & Quilters	30	

Introducing. . . “The McLellan’s”

Marietta McLellan (nee Williams) was born in Hollywood Hospital in Los Angeles. Her father was stationed in the South Pacific war zone at that time. She spent her childhood in Los Angeles, then moved to a small town, Shasta, outside Redding. She graduated from Shasta High and Shasta College. She transferred to Sacramento State University where she met Mike.

Mike was born in Kansas City, Kansas and raised in Rock Island, Illinois before moving to Sacramento where he graduated from McClatchy High, Sacramento City College, and Sacramento State.

They were married 52 years ago during their college days. Their first move was to San Anselmo California where Mike attended seminary and Marietta commuted to Sonora State University. After they both graduated, they and their first daughter, Katherine, moved to Long Beach where he served a large congregation and she was a stay at home mother. In Long Beach their second daughter, Tracy, was born. Following Mike earning his doctor’s degree, they moved to Bakersfield to serve a church near the university for a decade and then to Redmond, Oregon. In both of these communities Mike served growing congregations and Marietta taught elementary school.

In Tracy, Marietta taught and retired from the Tracy Unified School District having taught First and Second Graders at three schools. After retirement she continued teaching in various capacities at Gladys Poet Christian School. She currently is active in volunteering for Tracy Interfaith Ministry, Brighter Christmas, and the Grand Theatre among others. Having recovered from brain surgery, she is dedicated to gardening, and exercising several days a week.

Mike is honorably retired from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) having completed 17 years as pastor of Tracy First Presbyterian Church. During this time, he was active in the community and named Professional of the Year for the City of Tracy in 2003. After a lengthy illness he returned to volunteering, wrote a weekly column for the Tracy Press for ten years, began work as a glass artist and, at the age of 72, returned to employed ministry as a staff member of Sutter Tracy Community Hospital in spiritual and palliative care.

The McLellans have four grandchildren who they visit on regular trips to Portland, Oregon. There they attend St. Luke Lutheran Church. Both, now in better health, have traveled yearly to Europe or Africa taking each grandchild, in turn, on a trip of their choice when they turn 12. They also travel as a couple when a grandchild is not old enough.

They celebrate every day by keeping on the go. They are sponsors and/or volunteers for Expression Art Show, The Tracy Art League, the annual ALS Walk, Art Walks, and events at the Grand Theatre. Marietta is a member of Inner Wheel and Mike is a Rotarian.

Deacons

Thanksgiving baskets are the largest project of the Deacons. This year we are going back up to 72 baskets. Our church receives the names of people who need to have their food baskets delivered. Tracy Interfaith Ministry supplies the names of families from their list. This is an entire church event. We need help packing boxes on November 17th at 10:30. But the biggest need is for people to help deliver the baskets after church on November 18. There will be sign-up sheets in the Fellowship hall. Please consider what you are able to do to help. We thank everyone for both donations and their time.

The deacons help in ways you can see and in quiet ways. One project coming at the end of the month is to decorate for Christmas. We enjoy doing this as a service to the church, and we hope you enjoy the finished product.

Let us know of other ways you can use the support of the Deacons.



Craft Sale and Bountiful Bargain Boutique

Saturday, December 1, 2018

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church

101 Berverdor Ave., Tracy, CA

Handcrafted items from 18 Vendors!

Also, 100's of items under \$5 with 100% of the
money raised supporting our Youth Group!

Enchilada Lunches for sale!

Raffle Prizes!

Have FUN and complete your Christmas Shopping here!

Happy Birthday To:

- 2- Adam Reich Jr.
- 4- Don Bisbee
- 5- Ellen Opie
- 9- Everett Bosch
Barbara McGeorge
- 11- Ellen Difilippo
Jacob Gahm
- 12- Ann Swenson
- 13- Cindy Sasser
- 19- Jessie Riddle
- 26- Ralph Palmer
- 28- Hannah Clarke
Jack Bloss
- 30- Terry Donaldson

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*Thanks to all of your donations,
the church raised:*

\$1354.00

*for Peace & Global Witness
Offering!!!*

BUDGET REPORT

GENERAL FUND:

Balance forward: \$ 29,118.06

Income: Month Year to Date

AUGUST: \$

Expenses:

SEPTEMBER : \$

Balance: \$

NEW SITE MORTGAGE FUND:

Balance Forward: \$ 5,721.26

2018 Income to date: \$ 14,010.00

Total Income: \$ 20,381.26

Expenses – 2018:

Synod Loan \$ 6,785.28

Synod Principal \$

Presbytery Loan \$ 2,248.00

S.J. County Taxes \$ 4,870.19

Total Expenses: \$ < 11,655.47 >

Total on Hand: \$ 8,725.79

SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC LOAN:

Principal Bal. Owed Synod: \$46,966.33

Principal paid 2018: \$ 5,347.96

Interest paid 2018: \$ 1,437.32

Current balance owed Synod: \$41,618.37

PRESBYTERY OF STOCKTON LOAN:

Balance owed 1/1/18: \$ 25,920.00

Principal paid 2018: 3,240.00

Balance owed 9/30/2018: \$ 22,680.00

