



## First Presbyterian Church Newsletter

Church School: 9:15 a.m.  
Worship 10:45 a.m.  
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October 13, 2009

### Friday Night Frolic "Chiller Theater"

October 16, 2009

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

\$5.00 per child

This is an evening of dinner, fun, stories, activities and crafts for children in elementary school. Bring a friend and join us for some freaky-fall-fun!

Register your child(ren) by October 13 by calling the church office or e-mailing [Christy@oldfirstchurch.org](mailto:Christy@oldfirstchurch.org).

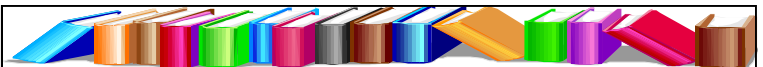
**Ramp Building Blitz**  
**High School Youth Group and Church Friends**  
**Saturday, October 17, 2009**  
**9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

**Meet in the back parking lot of Faith Presbyterian Church at 9:00 a.m.**  
**wearing a FPC t-shirt.**

**Bring a bag lunch. Drinks and snacks provided.**

### ECHO Meal

Are you looking for a way to volunteer? The next ECHO meal that FPC members will serve will be on Sunday, October 25. Please stop by the bulletin board outside the church office to sign up. Your help will be appreciated by those you help serve.



### Pastor's Book Club

*The Faith of Barak Obama*

by Stephen Mansfield

Oct. 18, 2009

@ 6:00 p.m. at the Westminster Oaks Pool House



**Pastor's Column**  
Brant S. Copeland

Perhaps, like me, you were moved by Todd Hinkle's eloquent comments about worship last Sunday. I appreciated the careful thought (and research into the *Book of Order*) that Todd put into his presentation. If you missed his talk, you can read and/or hear it by going on our webpage ([www.olderfirstchurch.org](http://www.olderfirstchurch.org)) and clicking on the "Together With All the Saints" link.

While you're at it, you can read the many comments contributed by others. Some came from the bulletin inserts in last Sunday's bulletin and others came via e-mail. If you'd like to comment on "Why I value worship at First Church," send an e-mail to [brant@olderfirstchurch.org](mailto:brant@olderfirstchurch.org).

Next Sunday Meredith Walker and Matt Grundon will address two more elements of our Mission Statement: **"We make disciples"** and **"We nurture faith."** If for some (valid) reason you won't be in worship this Sunday, go to the website. By 1:00 p.m. you should be able to read and/or hear their talks.

When you come to church school and worship this Sunday you can also pick up a packet that contains materials regarding stewardship – not just financial stewardship, but also the stewardship of time, talent, and service. In keeping with the theme of good stewardship, we're trying to save as much postage as we can by handing out these packets person-to-person. A packet has been prepared for every household. Some packets are fatter than others because some households have more people in them than others. Don't be offended if you get a skinny packet!

Packets will be in the Education Building during church school and on the porch of the sanctuary following worship. Taking yours home will be like giving the church an extra 47 cents or more.

One of the goals of TEAM is to increase every congregation's participation in Change for Change, the City's program for preventing homelessness. When you open your church stewardship packet you will see that taking part in Change for Change is one of many ways you can be a good financial steward. You can take part in Change for Change by [filling out this online form](#) or calling Your Own Utilities at 850-891-4YOU (4968).

Reading the newsletter of First Presbyterian Church of Hallock, Minnesota, really took me back. In it the new pastor, Adam Copeland, admitted that making pastoral calls in a rural setting poses certain challenges. I remember trying to find folks in my first congregation with directions like this: "You go up Bedford Avenue and then turn at the Tucker place. Well, we call it the Tucker place, but they don't live there anymore. Then you go about a mile and turn east at the field where the Smith's barn used to be. Go another mile and turn right just before you see the railroad tracks. It's easy. You can't miss it."

It seems Adam is getting the same directions.

**LECTIONARY READINGS**

**October 18, 2009**

*(29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Ps. 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Heb. 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

**Elders serving communion** will be Debbie Gibson, Jean Lee, Karen Bickley, Rich Peyton, Mary Kutter and Judy Greaves.

## TEAM

(Tallahassee Equality Action Ministry)

Each year TEAM begins its work by identifying community problems to be addressed in the coming year. The process begins with "house meetings" in the member congregations. Our congregation's house meeting will take place at 9:15 a.m. this Sunday morning in the Westminster Room, hosted by the Inquirers Class. Come, bring a friend, and help TEAM decide on the problems of social justice in the community that we should address this year.



### Canopy Connection Dinner

Have you contacted Ann Westall at 562-2468 or e mail at [ann-dals2@yahoo.com](mailto:ann-dals2@yahoo.com) about contributions to the Canopy Connection Dinner. For many of those that attend, it is the only Thanksgiving Dinner they will have. Your dessert, money for food or time to act as a server will help make this a wonderful evening for the 150 to 200 people that attend this event.

### Middle School Youth Group High School Youth Group

6:00 -7:30 p.m.

Both Youth Groups will meet at Fellowship Presbyterian Church in Killlearn this Sunday night for a worship experience and pizza dinner. We will be seeing photos of the ramps built on Saturday both in progress and then completed.



### Holiday Shopping? Think Fair Trade! Think Ten Thousand Villages

**November 5:** ECHO receives 20% of all sales, 5-8 p.m.

**November 7:** Bag Day is our biggest sale of the year. All items you can fit into our shopping bag are 20% off!

**November 19:** Children's Home Society receives 20% of all sales, 5-8 p.m.

**Holiday Hours:** Beginning on November 14, additional holiday hours are 10-7 Friday and Saturday, 1-5 p.m. on Sunday.

Call 906-9010 for further information.

### The Florida State University College of Music and Society for Musicology are proud to present Fall 2009 Guest Lecturer



### François Dupuigrenet Desroussilles

a bible historian and scholar of the medieval and early modern period of Christianity. Currently, he is Professor of Religion at The Florida State University.

**October 26, 2009  
Longmire Building  
Room 201  
8PM**

Lecture Title:

### David and Orpheus: French Psalters in the XVIth and XVIIth c. between Poetics, Religion, and Politics

Which will include an overview of the role of the Psalter in sixteenth and seventeenth century France, and discuss issues of material culture, such as the printing of psalms and their distribution, the political and religious context of these publications, as well as aspects of literary and musical life of the Baroque era.

For more information please contact Katelyn Wood at [kew08c@fsu.edu](mailto:kew08c@fsu.edu)



## Church School

Church School for all ages begins at 9:15 a.m. and ends at 10:15 a.m. There is childcare for infants through preschoolers in the main floor nursery. Elementary School aged children should come up to room 305 for community time. They will be dismissed by 9:30 a.m. to their classrooms.

### ABC (Adult Bible Class)

Calvin Room

Jim Sayes will lead us in the study of Hosea 9:15-14:9.

### Faith and Families Class

Library

We will join the Inquirers Class this week to hear about the new TEAM initiatives. The class will resume its study of *Servant or Saint* on Oct 25.

### Hearing and Sharing the Word Class

Conference Room

Join us as we begin our study of the Bible and our faith.

### Inquirers' Class

Westminster Room

This week we will host the congregation's "house meeting" for TEAM, the Tallahassee Equality Action Ministry. After a quick update on TEAM, we will discuss and identify community problems that we think TEAM should address this year. We invite everyone interested in TEAM and its ministry on behalf of social justice.

