



We have been absolutely overwhelmed by the response to our streamed services during this time that has thrown us all for a loop. So many messages of support, love, kindness and hope, and those who have chosen to contribute to our organization financially too. Your help is needed and appreciated and we are amazed at how with your assistance and presence we have been able to continue to be 'church'. Message us, call us, email, write - our work continues and we are grateful to be able to serve our community of faith, and our community at large, in whatever ways we can.

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R. Winston Presnall



FOOD PANTRY

First Pres Food Pantry: Part of the Community's Safety-Net during COVID-19

Every Wednesday, about ten to twelve "regulars" come to the church to pick up food bags to help make ends meet on a limited income. Our office volunteers graciously spend time chatting with them as they hand them a bag of staples.

Then, the Coronavirus hit. Amusement parks closed. People weren't traveling or holding conferences, so hotels furloughed staff. Restaurants and other non-essential businesses had to lay off their workers. And in mid-March, the church office phoneline started ringing...callers looking for help. James urged them to come get food. And they did. Every Wednesday, the numbers we served grew.

The Wednesday of Holy Week, 50 households were provided bags of staples for their kitchen. In addition, each family was provided with a bag of eight oranges, which were grown and donated by Scott and Irene Malgram. Dee Friend and her family donated 150 filled plastic eggs which were distributed to families with young children until the supply ran out.

A huge thank you to Ilco and Marci Vandercapellen and Keegan Bell, and his mom, Kimber, who have "staffed" the pantry in place of our regular senior volunteers who we have encouraged to stay home to avoid infection.

While we may be worshipping and attending Word and Wine virtually, First Pres Orange continues to be the church, ministering to those in need. On behalf of the Mission Committee, I want to thank everyone in our church family for the many ways you have always been a light in the midst of darkness; providing a hand up to those in our community struggling to get by.

Pam Presnall, Mission Committee



Clockwise from top: We've moved the pantry supplies to McAulay Hall for the timebeing. Citrus generously provided by local church members. Distribution setup to accommodate necessary social-distancing measures.





BIRTHDAYS

R. Winston Presnall	May 2nd
Carol Tannas	May 3rd
Barbara Calvert	May 4th
Brockton Wagner	May 5th
Marc Kendrick	May 9th
John Lawrence Bouyer	May 11th
Shirley Mahoney	May 13th
DJ Hill	May 14th
Macy Huff	May 15th
Stephanie Lee	May 15th
John Bouyer	May 17th
Lynn Manzano	May 18th
Barbara Ball	May 20th
Russel Backer	May 21st
Travis Karaffa	May 23rd
Bonnie Largent	May 23rd
Ted Browning	May 25th
Clara Harnett	May 31st

ANNIVERSARIES

Dale & Judith Sollee

Ted & Diana Browning

Bill & Gail Telkamp

William J. & Lisa Huff

John & Ruth Fotch

Jim & Shirley Mahoney

David Jr. & Annette White

May 1st, 1976

May 6th, 1972

May 10th, 1957

May 20th, 2017

May 26th, 1950

May 30th, 1952

COMPASSION & PRAYER LIST

Brian Bush & Family, Jim Blume, Esther Berg, Zeteo Missions, Jeff Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, Terry & Jean Ann Duckworth & Family, Betty McAulay, Kate Berg, James Mosley, Steve & Tracy High, Kate Stanley, Tom Khazoyan & Family, Walt Khazoyan, Jim Kroesen, Katherine Wilkes Harville, Tom Godfrey, Marie Haven, Joe Woollett, Judy Smith, John Keniston, Jan Fleming, Ed & Carol Culbert, Jim Smith, Karin Chaney, Pat Gunderman, Jean Paxton, Elisa Guajardo, Fred Baja, Beta, The Sinclair Family, Rick Wilson, The Kroesen Family, The Yusko Family, Ed & Corinne Scheibel, The Huff Family, Jenny Dickens & all Health Care Workers, April Taylor, Gail Telkamp, Paul Geisert, Leanne Strommen & Family, Darlene Johnson, The Birmingham & Chaney Families, Judi McCoy, Aileen Marsile, Judy Li & The Li Family, and all serving military personnel.

*List is current at time of publication.

*Contact the pastoral care team for any pastoral needs at: (657) 333-2341

PASTOR'S LETTER

Dear Church.

Thank you for your gracious acceptance of worshiping at home. You have been most kind with your comments regarding our worship streams and patient with us as we work through our learning curve. Many of us are new to this, which makes us appreciate the collective talents of our Worship/Music Staff and the special talent of Jourdan Dam in this time.

We prove future church worship will likely include media distribution on Facebook or YouTube. Surprisingly, we reached hundreds of people: three and four times our weekly attendance on regular Sundays. We have satisfied the desires of many hearts. Sadly, we know not everyone has access to this technology. I/We miss each other's faces, voices, hugs and smiles.

Many of you continue to support the church with your financial contributions in this time. Thank you very much. We continue to maintain the employment of our core staff. We did suspend the operations of our daycare/preschool, while retaining our director



Photo: R. Winston Presnall

Violet Fenton. She has ongoing responsibilities for our daycare/preschool and remains our Children, Youth and Family Director.

The Food Bag Program continues! Thank you to all volunteers and all who donated food goods.

As of this writing, the church applied for and received a small business loan for the Payroll Protection Program. If the church is able to continue to employ and pay our staff, the loan is forgivable. This will be most helpful.



The Grand Street Center sale has been extended for another 60 days. This would be expected in this climate and owes itself to the COVID-19 restrictions in place. We hope this sale closes immediately postreturn to normal (whatever that looks like).

I am so very proud of our Staff. All adjusted to new ways to work from home, accessing the building/campus responsibly and fulfilling work-related tasks. ZOOM has been extremely beneficial to our Staff Meetings. Calls are being forwarded to James K. Lynn records your contributions and pays the bills. Bruce has had to collect rainwater from Admin/CE rooms, oversee the work at the daycare/preschool building, assist Isidro in scheduling deep cleaning of various

rooms, and police the campus. (You get to see the other staff on TV/PC screens!)

We lost a very dear church member. Shirley Birmingham joined the heavenly faithful. She takes her place among the Saints. We deserve to remember her in a Memorial Service when allowed. I can see her in Sunday finest, smiling and laughing! The hats she wore are now replaced with a crown! She has and will be missed.

We continue to be the church. There is no separation when hearts and minds listen to God and the prayers made for each other bind us together. We long and hope for the day we reunite in our beautiful sanctuary and share fellowship together in renovated McAulay Hall. Until then, please respect social distancing, social isolation and be kind to one another.

Your Pastor,

Wester

FELLOWSHIP & EVENTS



VIRTUAL MESSY SUNDAY

Sunday • May 31st • 11:30 am • Online



We will be offering a Virtual Messy Sunday for your treasured ones. Messy Sunday packages will be available and will be mailed ahead of time to families that wish to participate. Please contact Violet Fenton if you would like to receive a mailer and to receive the signin information:

violet@firstpresorange.org. Our theme will be Rocky Railway.

BE READY FOR VIRTUAL COMMUNION

Sunday • *May 10th* • *10:00 am*



The PCUSA has permitted Teaching Elders to host Virtual Communion Services, so for Worship later this month we ask all those who wish to receive the sacrament to have

juice/wine and bread available at home. Pastor Winston will deliver the sacrament as part of our Sunday service.

PRESCHOOL LIBRARY UPDATE

Our library is closed, but Story Time continues with MS. Violet reading to the kids online from her home. Her love for the children, the library and reading is a blessing for all of us. When we're back together in our library, we will open the box of new books that are waiting.

To my Church and Preschool families, stay well - stay strong, till we can read together again. Love and Prayers - Ms. Dee

WE NEED YOU MORE THAN EVER!

Although we are not physically meeting on the church campus right now, we are dependent on your ongoing support for our Worship, Music and Mission programs, as well as for staff working from their own homes. All our expenses are still ongoing: utilities, insurance, and payments to vendors and accounts. We want to maintain as seamless an operation as we possibly can and your support is vital for that to happen. Your pledges can still be mailed to the church office, or you can switch to giving online through our secure portal with Faithstreet. It's easy to set up an account and manage your tithing right from home. From the main homepage at www.firstpresorange.org click the 'Give' link at the top right to get started. Please contact the church office if you need help or have any questions: 714 538 2341 / lynn@firstpresorange.org.



WHAT IS THE CURRENT SITUATION?

We are monitoring statewide mandates and restrictions carefully and will return to our normal activities as soon as we are able, in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. In the meantime, the church has a conferencing application, so if you would like to arrange a 'virtual meeting' with each other from your home computers we can help with that and help anyone learn the technology that would like to. Contact james@firstpresorange.org to find out more. Also check our Facebook page for updates:

www.facebook.com/firstpresorange/

Church staff are currently working remotely from home and minimizing time spent on the church campus, however, they can still be contacted through the usual channels including our main office phone number: 714 538 2341 during business hours. The Preschool is also closed, however you can still reach the Preschool office by contacting violet@firstpresorange.org.

IN OTHER NEWS...

CONGREGATIONAL CARE UPDATES

Darlene Johnson: Darlene is recovering well from a recent stroke, she has quite a ways to go, but we continue to welcome all prayers.

Paul Kroesen Obit: Some of you may have seen Paul's write-up in the Register, but if not you can contact us at the church office and we will email you a link to view online.

Gail Telkamp: Gail and I thank our church family for the many get well wishes and prayers during her surgery and recovery. With the current pandemic, it was impossible to visit during her time away from home but the warmth, phone calls, and prayers were a constant comfort to me. Continued prayers for the recovery of Gail are needed. Bill Telkamp

Leanne Strommen: We are delighted to report that Leanne is now home in Mission Viejo after spending 4 weeks in the hospital with Covid-19. She continues to make a good recovery.

Information current at time of publication.

2020 CENSUS



Current events may have rather overshadowed this year's Census, but we would like to encourage you to be sure and respond to this

important statistical data acquisition, either through the letter that you have received in the mail or by visiting

https://2020census.gov/ to find alternative ways to respond. The Census Bureau use this data to inform the government on a number of different issues including how public funds are allocated, so it's crucial that this information is submitted. There's still time!

SEWING PROTECTIVE MASKS



Attention all seamstresses, quilters, and tailors! We need your skills! Due to a sharp rise in the need for face masks by the medical community and beyond, the United States is facing a shortage. Several domestic manufacturers and small businesses have pivoted to shift production to help supply the health care industry and the general public with these much needed face coverings. And, in

dwellings across the country, home sewists of all ages have stepped in with their fabric stashes to stitch up their own contributions, including several of our church members. Handmade cotton face masks are still being collected for donation to local hospitals, shelters, and care facilities. Any quantity will be gladly accepted and greatly appreciated. "Sew" far, 60 masks have been delivered to St. Joseph's Hospital in Orange. THANK YOU to all who have contributed!

If you have masks to donate, are interested in sewing and need a pattern, or are in need of masks yourself, please contact Jennifer Keniston at jenniferkeniston@gmail.com.

BOOK REVIEW

In Neil Oliver's book 'A History of Scotland' a vivid and engaging picture is painted of this nation of North Britons through time. From the geological processes and events that brought this land mass to its present location on earth, to the dark struggles to establish Protestantism and break from the confines of total monarchy, this absorbing book combines so many elements. Western Scotland's Viking past and the nobility of the East provide a backdrop against which the cast members of this amazing performance appear. Figures such as the Knight William Wallace –



leader of the Scottish rebellion against English King Edward I in 1297, and King James VI - the first monarch to rule England, Scotland and Ireland together from 1603. For Presbyterians, there are particularly pointed histories, such as that of John Knox - the Calvinist-influenced theologian who founded the Presbyterian Church of Scotland, which traces its roots back to 1560. Beyond these events, the book also covers the period of the Scottish Enlightenment - a time of great intellectual discourse that led to profound societal changes. For those of us in North America, this is a poignant read because displaced Scots played a key role in the founding of the colonies and in laying the foundations for the Declaration of Independence. What seems so unique about Oliver's writing is his ability to temper Scottish pride and patriotism with some of the darker elements of this history - such as Scotland's connection to the slave trade, particularly in the export of Tobacco to Glasgow. A past that he argues Scotland has tried to distance itself from. This is a really great read for any history buffs and those that would like to learn more about their roots, or Scotland in general. *James Keniston*

CHURCH PHONELINE

We have a cellphone that calls to the church office are being diverted to, and that calls are now being made from. You may want to add the number to your list of trusted contacts so you know it is us calling: 657 221 8790. You can still use the main church line for all your church business: 714 538 2341. Note that individual staff extensions are not currently operational but all calls are being answered during business hours (a message can be left after hours) and we will be sure that the appropriate staff member gives you a callback as soon as they are able.

MAY 2020

Sat	2 5:00 pm New Hope	9 5:00 pm New Hope	16 5:00 pm New Hope	23 5:00 pm New Hope	30 5:00 pm New Hope	
Fri	1 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	8 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	15 10:00 am Preschool Gircletime	10:00 am Preschool Gircletime	29 10:00 am Preschool Gircletime	
Thu		7 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	14 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	21 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	28 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	
Wed		6 7:00 pm Session 10:00 am Preschool Circletime 5:30 pm Word & Wine	13 10:00 am Preschool Circletime 5:30 pm Word & Wine 7:00 pm Worship 7:00 pm CSR	20 10:00 am Preschool Circletime 5:30 pm Word & Wine 7:00 pm CMC	27 10:00 am Preschool Circletime 5:30 pm Word & Wine	
Tue		5 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	12 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	19 10:00 am Preschool Circletime 1:00 pm CE	26 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	
Mon		4 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	11 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	18 10:00 am Preschool Circletime	25 - Memorial Day Church Office Closed	
Sun	Please note that we are running on a reduced schedule at this time until it is safe for us to gather again on campus.	3 10:00 am Worship 11:30 am Kid's Cove	10 10:00 am Worship - Communion 11:30 am Kid's Cove	17 10:00 am Worship 11:30 am Kid's Cove	24 10:00 am Worship -11:30 am Kid's Cove	31 10:00 am Worship 11:30 am Kid's Cove - Messy Sunday



May News

Although the preschool is on hold right now due to recent events, we are happy that we have found other ways to stay connected! Everyday at 10:00 am, there is a live Circle Time for the students. We have regularly had 20-30 families sign on and participate in the fun! We are also holding weekly zoom "playdates" so the students can see one another. We are so blessed to have such a great group of families in the Preschool! Be sure to follow us on Instagram to see what we've been

upto: @oppreschool.



















EDUCATION

WORD & WINE

Wednesdays • 5:30 pm • Online



Pastor Winston is also offering his weekly Word & Wine class as a Facebook livestream during this period of isolation. Why not pour yourself a glass and settle in on the sofa?

www.facebook.com/firstpresorange

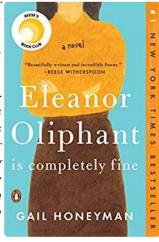
You do not need to be logged into Facebook to watch as we have a public

page - you just need an internet connection! Every week Pastor Winston offers a behind the scenes look at the upcoming lectionary passage that will be used in the sermon. Contact him to join our Word email list: rwinston@firstpresorange.org.

BOOK CLUB

For May, we are reading *Eleanor* Oliphant is Completely Fine, by Gail Honeyman. This is just the book that we need during this trying time:

Meet Eleanor Oliphant: she struggles with appropriate social skills and tends to say exactly what she's thinking. Nothing is missing in her carefully timetabled life of avoiding unnecessary human contact, where weekends are punctuated by frozen pizza, vodka, and phone chats with Mummy.



But everything changes when Eleanor meets Raymond, the bumbling and deeply unhygienic IT guy from her office. When she and Raymond together save Sammy, an elderly gentleman who has fallen, the three rescue one another from the lives of isolation that they had been living. Ultimately, it is Raymond's big heart that will help Eleanor find the way to repair her own profoundly damaged one. If she does, she'll learn that she, too, is capable of finding friendship - and even love - after all.

Smart, warm, uplifting, Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine is the story of an out-of-the-ordinary heroine whose deadpan weirdness and unconscious wit make for an irresistible journey as she realizes. . . the only way to survive is to open your heart.

We may not be meeting in person but at the very least we can enjoy this book at home. Stay tuned for updates. If you have any questions, please call Lynda Stewart at 714-639-5076.

VIRTUAL KID'S COVE

Sundays • 11:30 am • Online



The Kids Cove really misses all of our children! We are offering virtual Sunday School each week right now so you can log your kids on for some fun, games and learning. Contact Violet Fenton to be included on her special email access link to this event: violet@firstpresorange.org.

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

We're hoping that our church operation can act as a hub, especially at this time, if there any needs or errands that our older church members have in light of current guidance for those over the age of 65 (and those with health issues or compromised immunity) to remain at home for a period of time. Pastor Winston, Caitlin Giusta, Ilco Vandercapellen and James Keniston have all offered to make themselves available if anyone needs a prescription collected or an errand run outside the home. Our Deacons may also be able to help. We recommend contacting all four of us by email (see the back page) so that we can be sure and see your message. Alternatively you can contact the main church office at 714 538 2341.

Keep up with the latest official sources for news on the current Coronavirus pandemic:

California Department of Public Health:

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/ Guidance.aspx

Centers for Disease Control:

https://www.cdc.gov/

World Health Organization:

https://www.who.int/

HEALTH MINISTRY



May is National Arthritis Awareness Month. Over 50 million Americans have Foundation arthritis making it the #1 cause of disabil-

ity in the United States. Symptoms include swelling, pain, stiffness and decreased range of motion. Symptoms can come and go and be mild, moderate or severe. There are five lifestyle changes that can help people with arthritis: 1) Lose weight, if needed, and maintain a healthy weight. 2) Eat a healthy diet with antioxidants such as fresh fruits and vegetables and inflammation reducing foods like fish and nuts. 3) Foods to minimize or avoid if you have arthritis include fried foods, processed foods, dairy products, and a high intake of meat. 4) Engage in regular exercise to keep your joints flexible. 5) Reduce stress by taking relaxation breaks by sitting quietly for a few minutes and breathing deeply. An excellent website to find out more information is www.arthritis.org.

FINANCIALS

FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR MARCH 2020

Rick Cota-Robles, Treasurer

CHURCH OPERATIONS	1	Mon	th of Marc	h		Three Months Ending March, 2020							
	Actual		<u>Budget</u>		Variance		Actual		Budget		Variance		
Offerings	\$ 16,521	\$	18,625	\$	(2,104)	\$	57,957	\$	55,875	\$	2,082		
Other Income	\$ 2,499	\$	3,558	\$	(1,059)	\$	9,259	\$	10,675	\$	(1,416)		
Special Envelopes	\$ 126	\$	100	\$	26	\$	1,775	\$	2,600	\$	(825)		
Special Benevolences	\$	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		
Income Sub-Total	\$ 19,146	\$	22,283	\$	(3,137)	\$	68,991	\$	69,150	\$	(159)		
Transfers - GSC	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$			
Transfers - Pre-School	\$ 70,224	\$	58,000	\$	12,224	\$	70,224	\$	58,000	\$	12,224		
Transfers - General Fund Reserves	\$	\$	20	\$	2	\$	-	\$	2	\$	2		
Transfers - Endowmnet Reserves	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		
Transfers Sub-Total	\$ 70,224	\$	58,000	\$	12,224	\$	70,224	\$	58,000	\$	12,224		
Total Income	\$ 89,370	\$	80,283	\$	9,087	\$	139,215	\$	127,150	\$	12,065		
Expenses	\$ 47,672	\$	53,706	\$	(6,034)	\$	139,215	\$	144,733	\$	(5,518)		
Net Operating Results	\$ 41,698	\$	26,577	\$	15,121	\$	-	\$	(17,583)	\$	17,583		

March is a 'true -up' month, meaning transfers from fund balances are used to balance the budget. The Covid-19 environment appears to have had a slightly positive impact on expenses. During this time, Actual compared to Budget is not a valid measure of performance.

GRAND STREET CENTER OPE	Mont	h of	March	- 1	Three Months Ending March, 2020						
	Actual		<u>Budget</u>		<u>Variance</u>		Actual		Budget		Variance
Income (Facilities)	\$ 6,848	\$	8,650	\$	(1,802)	\$	25,064	\$	27,180	\$	(2,116)
Income (Other)	\$ 3	\$	410	\$	(407)	\$	8	\$	1,230	\$	(1,222)
Expense (Facilities)	\$ 3,201	\$	3,340	\$	(139)	\$	9,639	\$	10,960	\$	(1,321)
Expense (Interest)	\$ 2,510	\$	2,500	\$	10	\$	7,409	\$	7,500	\$	(91)
Loan Principal	\$ 3,911	\$	3,911	\$	2	\$	11,853	\$	11,853	\$	-
Net Operating Results	\$ (2,771)	\$	(691)	\$	(2,080)	\$	(3,829)	\$	(1,903)	\$	(1,926)

Grand Street Center sale has been extended by sixty days in light of the business impact the Covid-19 environment has had. Rental income was negatively affected by cancellations.

PRE-SCHOOL/ICC OPERATIONS	N	/lon	th of Marc	h		Three Months Ending March, 2020						
~	Actual		<u>Budget</u>		<u>Variance</u>	Actual			Budget		Variance	
Income	\$ 33,876	\$	58,460	\$	(24,584)	\$	136,523	\$	169,895	\$	(33,372)	
Expense	\$ 48,513	\$	51,275	\$	(2,762)	\$	156,646	\$	153,650	\$	2,996	
Net Operating Results	\$ (14,637)	\$	7,185	\$	(21,822)	\$	(20,123)	\$	16,245	\$	(36,368)	

Operating Results were materially affected by Covid-19. Due to the Covid-19 situation, the Pre-School/ICC was shuttered the last two weeks of the month, putting the preschool employees on a 2 week unpaid furlough. If an employee had PTO available they allowed to take it during this period. Some parents withheld their payments in light of the uncertainty of the short term future.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

10:00 am Kid's Cove 10:00 am Worship Services: Traditional & Contemporary 11:00 am Fellowship 11:20 am Education Class

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