

happenings

@ FIRST PRES

April 27 - May 3, 2008

A Service for Christ's Healing and Wholeness

Monday, April 28, 7:00 p.m. - Sanctuary
Clarence Shuler, Speaking

All of us are touched by difficult circumstances during the course of our lives. Christ enters into the entirety of our life experience. Come to pray and be prayed for, as we seek God's healing touch individually and as a community.

Today is Compassion Sunday!

Visit the sponsorship tables in the Narthex or Plaza to sponsor a child in need.

National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 1

In honor of this day, our Sanctuary will be open and available 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. for a time of prayer alone or with a prayer partner. Please join us as we seek God's will in our lives and in the world. Everyone is also invited to a special National Day of Prayer observance on the City Hall steps from noon to 1:00 p.m. Along with patriotic music, the NDP proclamation will be presented. Free handicap parking is available on all meters in front of City Hall.

Get-Set Sunday - May 4

Please help us stock the Get-Set Pantry for the 2008-09 school year. Bring non-perishable food items listed in the upcoming "Church News" to the collection stations in the Plaza and Narthex. Sign up to help in this missional preschool...there are volunteer openings!

ESM Food Collection Next Sunday

Our ESM Food Collection last month was one of the largest ever — THANK YOU SO MUCH! Next Sunday is another opportunity to help stock the **ESM food pantry**. Bring your food on Sunday, May 4, to the collection carts at the Weber Street Center parking lot, or at the Fellowship Hall or Bijou entrance. Pick up a magnet at the reception desk for their "most wanted" items.

Vacation Bible School 2008 — June 23-27

We are excited to invite your partnership in a new missional vision for Vacation Bible School in Summer 2008! "God's Big Backyard" gives us an opportunity to truly serve our neighbors as we open our backyards to the children! There are many ways that you can share your passions and gifts as we extend the reach of First Pres to every corner of the city! Contact Kathy Dobyns at 884-6127 for more details.

Men on Target Bible Study

Would you like to connect with other men through a weekly Bible Study? During **Men on Target**, we'll study the Bible as well as build relationships by focusing on creating a community of men walking through life's journey together. If interested in this year-round Bible study on Tuesdays, 6:15 a.m.-7:30 a.m., please call Men's Ministries at 884-6119.

TODAY

ESM

CLOTHING DRIVE

7:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

EVENING WORSHIP

5:00 p.m.

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MONDAY, APR 28

GRIEF WORKSHOP

6:30 p.m.

HEALING SERVICE

7:00 p.m.

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TUESDAY, APR 29

MEN ON TARGET

6:15 a.m.

BRANCHES - 6:30 & 9:00 a.m.

AL-ANON SUPPORT - Noon

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WEDNESDAY, APR 30

GTW

Dinner - 4:45 - 6:30 p.m.

Buffet

Salad bar

Marinated pork chops

Pasta primavera

Soups

Tomato with herbs

Chicken consommé

Dessert

Cheese cake with

fruit toppings

Children's menu

Fish sticks and french fries

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THURSDAY, MAY 1

NATIONAL DAY

OF PRAYER, SANCTUARY

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

CURSILLO WEEKEND

5:00 p.m.

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FRIDAY, MAY 2

MARRIAGE COURSE

6:00 p.m.

USHERS BANQUET

6:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY, MAY 4

Jim Singleton, Preaching

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Worship Services 8:30, 9:50, 10:00, 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

MISSION EMPHASIS
CAIRO EVANGELICAL THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY OF EGYPT

YOUTH MUSIC

Call 884-6169.

The Theatre! The Theatre! The musical production of "Godspell Jr." will be presented by the Forte Choir as a dessert theatre this spring. Performances are Friday, May 9, at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 10, at 1:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$10 and on sale now at the 1st floor reception desk or in the Narthex on Sundays.

MISSIONS

Call 884-6108.

Fire victims in Ordway are in need of many household items and goods. Bring items next Sunday, May 4, and **Stuff the Bus** parked in the parking lot south of the Plaza. For a complete list of items as well as volunteer needs, call the Missions Office.

Habitat for Humanity will begin in early June. Be a part of the team! Experienced builders, prayer warriors, site hosts, publicity assistants and more are needed. Leadership applications are available in the Missions Office or online at www.first-pres.org/habitat. Applications due by May 7.

There is STILL much work to be done on the Gulf Coast as a result of **Hurricane Katrina**. Join the team that partners with Canal Street Presbyterian Church to rebuild homes of congregants and neighbors, July 18-27. Applications in the Missions Office.

MUSIC

Call 884-6172.

"Bells of Joy," an afternoon with the Handbell Choirs of First Presbyterian Church, will be happening on Sunday, May 4, at 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Admission is free....please join us!

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Call 884-6233.

SPRING SOUL CARE DAY Saturday, May 17, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., at the Penrose House. Carolyn Cresswell and Barbara Ingersoll will be facilitating a day of contemplation. Come away for a day — slow down and have a chance to bask in God's goodness! Cost: \$20 (includes lunch).

CONGREGATIONAL SUPPORT

Call 884-6144.

New Congregational Interface Department Open for Business As part of Congregational Interface's effort to streamline the registration and ticket purchase process, a new reception desk has opened on the first floor of Hansen Hall at the top of the stairs close to the Plaza reception desk. You are now able to drop off registrations for camps and event sign-ups, purchase tickets for a concert, or RSVP for a lunch meeting in one central location. Hours are from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on weekdays, with hours extending until 9:00 p.m. on GTW evenings. The Congregational Interface desk will not be staffed on Sundays, except prior to large events for ticket sales. On any other Sunday morning, our Plaza and Narthex receptionists will be happy to assist you.

PARENTING MINISTRIES

Call 884-6140.

SummerMOPS Are you wondering what you will do in the summer without MOPS? Join us once a month for a time that includes a delicious served breakfast, refreshing speakers, child care (infant through kindergarten), and time to visit with other moms. Thursdays, June 5, July 10, and August 7, 9:00-11:15 a.m.

THE LINK

Call 884-6206.

The Link: Building Bridges, Connecting People, Impacting Lives for Christ — *Don't come alone, invite a friend!*

FLOWERS, FLOWERS AND MORE FLOWERS You will be making four cards that feature flowers stamped and made from all kinds of materials. Friday, May 2, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Cost: \$15. Register by April 28.

OLD NORTH END TOUR Tour three landmarks of early Colorado Springs, plus more. Join this fun-filled day! Invite a friend. Thursday, May 1. Cost: \$10 + lunch. Register by April 28.

Calling All Artists!!

Dr. Colin Harbinson, Internationally sought-after speaker will teach a seminar on: "The Arts, the Church & Cultural Transformation" at the Weber Center on May 3 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Lunch included in \$30 admission. Call Donna at 432-6208 for registration and more information!

Congregational Concerns

As of Thursday, the following members were listed as patients in local hospitals:

Penrose Hospital Mr. Jim Kenney Ms. Lorna Vance	Memorial Central Baby Aiden McKechnie
Center at Centennial Mrs. Jean Collins	Sky Ridge Medical Col. Billy Meazell
Rose Medical Center Mr. Cy Dingwell	Printers Parkway Mr. Aaron Hayward

Gifts to the Sanctuary Flower Fund

In loving memory of
My husband, **Ardsley Congdon**, by his wife, Pamela
Norma, you joined the Lord two years ago April 30 — We miss you by Jack Miller and family
Lt. Chip Roy by his mother Jan McMillan, grandmother Frances Turner, and his sister Kim Eyre

In Memoriam

Mr. Tom Johnston — April 21, 2008