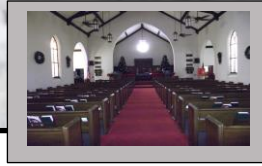


FIRST FRUITS

WE GIVE OUR FIRST FRUITS

BECAUSE HE GAVE US HIS ONLY SON

February 2023



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First Things First

Psalm 150

¹Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!

² Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

³ Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

⁴ Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

⁵ Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD!

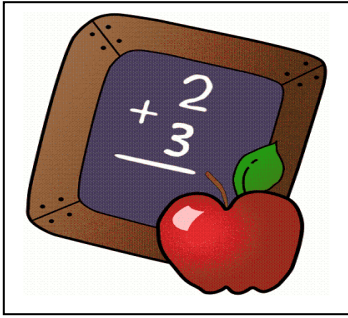
The Psalms begin with the description detailing the benefits of God's Word. The book concludes 150 chapters later with the resounding joy of praise to God. These bookends envelope the poetry and songbook of Israel, covering the realm of events that people encounter throughout their lifetimes. Worship is an integral part of our relationship with the Lord. This month we are afforded an opportunity to experience the worship outlined in Psalm 150:3-5.

On Sunday, February 12th we will again be led in worship by Stones Cry. Stones Cry is a family worship team consisting of Joel, June, Joy and Josiah. They travel across the nation sharing inspirational and contemporary Christian music in a wide variety of venues and settings including churches, schools and RV parks. The ministry started as Sound Of The Trumpet in 1999 when Joel, a farm boy from North Dakota, felt the call to leave his Southern California job in construction for fulltime ministry. His wife June joined him fulltime two years later. Ever since Joy (2006) and Josiah (2008) were born they gradually took part in the music side of things until 2017 when they truly became a full band and they changed the name to Stones Cry taken from Luke 19:40.

I encourage you to make an earnest effort to rejoice before the Lord every Sunday, giving thanks for his salvation offered us in Christ Jesus.

Remember this: Jesus loves you and so do I.

Pastor Grier



First School And Day Care

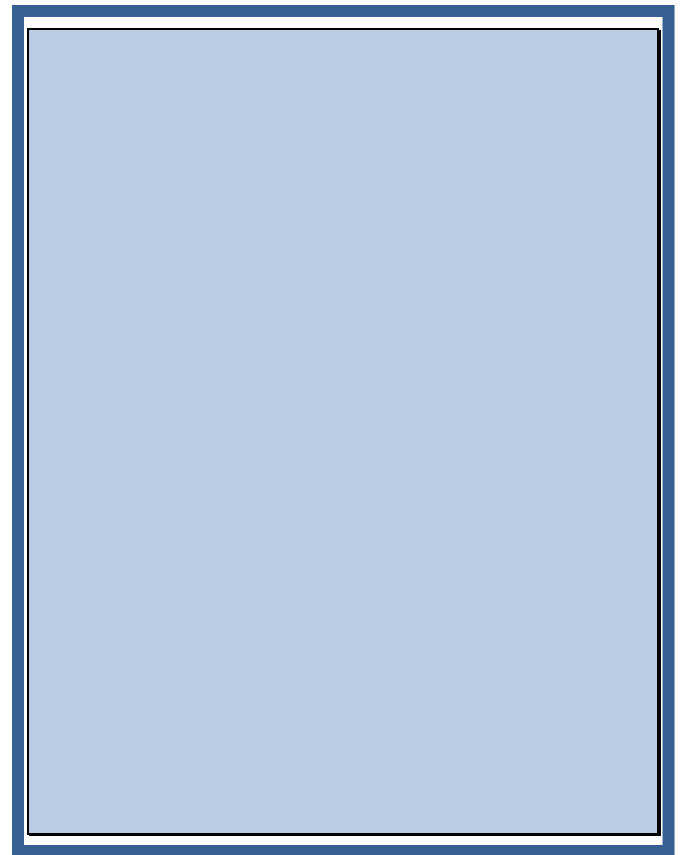
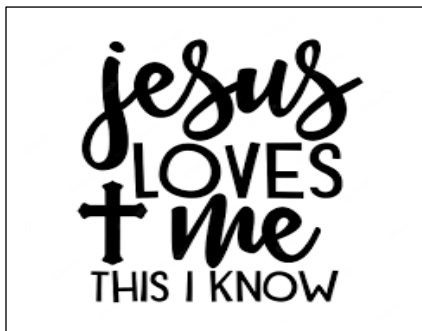


There are 125 children enrolled in the daycare and we still have quite a wait list. We are expecting to have our area in the new house to be approved soon by the state for daycare business. We are eagerly awaiting them any day now! We have such an exciting year ahead of us and ask that you keep us in prayer.

Many Blessings,
Bree Joines
First School Director

First School Board Meeting -

Tuesday, February 14th, at 5:00 p.m.



FEBRUARY READINGS

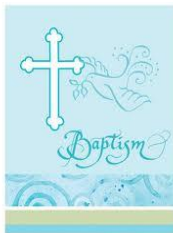
- 02/05 Exodus 14:1-9, Psalm 6:1-4, 1 Corinthians 7:32-40, Mark 15:33-41
- 02/12 Exodus 14:10-20, Psalm 65:5-8, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Mark 15:42-47
- 02/19 Exodus 14:21-31, Psalm 65:9-13, 1 Corinthians 9:1-12, Mark 16:1-8
- 02/26 Exodus 15:1-18, Psalm 66:1-4, 1 Corinthians 9:13-23, Mark 16:9-20



- 02/18 Kyle House
- 02/20 Ellis Lundy
- 02/21 Ty Schoenfield
- 02/23 Tammy Campbell
- 02/27 Nora Borak

- Our FLC Family**
- Dorothy Atchetee
 - Harlo & Rhonda Atchetee
 - Charles Bard
 - Ron Chambles
 - Shirley Chatel
 - Bonnie Jones
 - Marilyn Kight
 - Kim & Larry Ledwig
 - Lloyd Nelson
 - Odis Newton
 - Jimmy Nielsen
 - Ashley Schoeneberg
 - Bentley

Friends of FLC



List will be cleared on the 1st in January, April, July and October. Please help us stay current; call the office with changes or additions.

- 02/02 Kirk Marek
- 02/03 Bram Koudela
- 02/15 Cori Koudela
- 02/22 Daniela Rodriguez
- 02/22 Ivan Rodriguez
- 02/23 Ty Schoenfield
- 02/24 Cash Dujka
- 02/24 Callie Dujka
- 02/25 Tammy Campbell
- 02/29 Pat Marek



**PRAY FOR
ALL WHO
SERVE IN
THE US MILITARY**

WE'RE HERE WHEN YOU NEED US



OR



- 02/02 James & Sheila Herrington
- 02/14 Lionel & Shirley Chatel
- 02/18 Warren & Helen Johnson

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COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, February 16th
6:00 p.m.

Pastor Clyde Grier:
Phone: 979-541-6173

Flower Chart

The Flower Chart for 2023 is available for you to choose your special dates. All Sundays for the month of February are open. Please sign up for the dates when you would like to provide flowers for our service!

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FLCEC Manna Meals Team

Our next date to serve will be announced.

Stones Cry Sunday, February 12th

Invite your friends to join us for this special service!

First School Board

Tuesday, February 14th
5:00 p.m.

Church Council

Thursday, February 16th
6:00 p.m.

A = Always

S = Say

A = A

P = Prayer



Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who agreed to serve by filling in our monthly assignments positions for 2023 (Assisting Minister, Sexton, Ushers, Altar Guild)!

Let us know if there is an area in which you would like to serve!

Keeping in touch with our Church Family

While "snail mail" has lost popularity, we are still using it to contact our members with birthday wishes and condolences when we are aware of these occasions.

If you have special occasion cards you would like to contribute to this effort you may leave them on the desk in the church office.

Also, if you know someone who would appreciate receiving a card you can call or leave a note in the office. Thank you!



February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 <i>Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:45 AM w/Communion</i>	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 <i>Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:45 AM Installation</i>	13	14 <i>First School Board Meeting 5PM Newsletter Items Due</i>	15	16 <i>Church Council Meeting 6PM</i>	17	18
19 <i>Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:45 AM w/Communion</i>	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 <i>Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:45 AM</i>	27	28				

February Responsibilities

ASSISTING MINISTER: Ted Schoenfield

SEXTON: Gaynard Wigginton

USHERS: Ed Campbell, Kirk Marek

ALTAR GUILD: Gloria & Ed Campbell

READER

- 5th Diane Stewart
- 12th Helen Johnson
- 19th Ty Schoenfield
- 26th Kirk Marek

If you are unable to serve on your date,
 please find someone to take your place.



FEBRUARY FLOWER CALENDAR

- 5th Open
- 12th Open
- 19th Open
- 26th Open

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Bree Joines, Director of First School*

February

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*CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS: Calvin Borak, Sheila Herrington, Milton Johnson, Will Joines, Kirk Marek,
Cindy Mathews & Jimmy Nielsen*



Join us on Sunday mornings!

Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.

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