

WEEKLY CALENDAR

September 25—October 1, 2011

Historic First Presbyterian Church

Presbyterian Church (USA)

"Loving and Sharing Christ from the Heart of Phoenix"



September 25, 2011

UPCOMING EVENTS

FAITH EDUCATION CLASSES

- Children's Ministry**
- Spark Bible Study (3rd—6th Grade) - 9:45 AM
- Spark Sunday School (K—2nd Grade) - 9:45 AM
- Kid Praise Sunday School - 11:00 AM

Youth Group
(7-12 Grade) - 11:00 AM

Adult Opportunities
DsTny - 11:00 AM
Traditional Adult Bible Study - 11:00 AM

FOCUS TEAM MEETING
Today - 12:00 PM

[RENEW GROUP]
October 7 - 5:30 PM

HFPC

- OUR PURPOSE -**
Loving and sharing Christ from the heart of Phoenix.
- OUR VISION -**
To be disciples of Christ who are equipped and empowered to passionately live out the gospel.
- OUR VALUES -**
Prayer ● Discipleship ● Spiritual Growth ● Worship
Diversity ● Lay Ministry ● Mission Outreach

- Sunday, September 25**
- 7:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.**
Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary
El Bethel Young Adult Education - Rm. 110
Infants to 4-year-olds - 1st Floor
Nursery & Sunday School Area
- 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**
Our Worship Service - Sanctuary - (Service for the Lord's Day)
- 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**
Spark Bible Study (3rd -6th Grade) - Conference Room
- 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**
Spark Sunday School (K-2nd Grade) - Room 112
- 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
El Bethel Worship - Norton Chapel
Prayer Team Gathering - Narthex
If you would like individual prayers, please join us in the Narthex after the worship service
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Kid Praise Sunday School (K-6 Grade) - Room 112
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
DsTny Discipleship Bible Study - 2nd Floor
An Interactive faith education experience with music, prayer, and discussion.
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Traditional Adult Bible Study - Library
An in depth study on different books of the Bible
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.**
Focus Team Meeting - 2nd Floor
The team will gather to plan the 2011 Fall Festival. Everyone is welcome!

- Monday, September 26**
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
El Bethel Bible Study - Parlor
- Tuesday, September 27**
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
CGSI Meeting - Conference Room
- Wednesday, September 28**
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
El Bethel Choir Meeting - Norton Chapel
- Thursday, September 29**
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
El Bethel/Prayer Time - Norton Chapel
- Friday, September 30**
All Day
8:15 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.
Church Office Closed
"Open" AA Mtg. - Norton Chapel
- Saturday, October 1**
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
El Bethel Choir Practice - Norton Chapel
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
El Bethel Elder's Meeting - Conference Room

THE 3RD ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday
October 22, 2011
4-8 PM

HFPC Courtyard

Tour of Historic Church Live Music
Candy Explosion Free kid's Activities
Vendor Fair Ethiopia Coffee Ceremony Hot Dog or BBQ dinner \$4-\$6

Children's Ministry
9:45 AM
Spark Bible Study (K-2 Grade)
Spark Bible School (3-6 Grade)

Youth Group @ 11:00AM
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Kid Praise Sunday School (K-6 Grade)
Youth Group Bible Study (7-12)

Adult Opportunities @ 11:00 AM
Traditional Adult Bible Study - An in depth study on different books of the Bible.
Sept.—Nov.: Colossians & Philippians; lead by Jim Thurston
Jan.—Feb.: Acts; lead by Mary Long & Kathy Oppenhuizen
April—May: Esther; lead by Kimberly Bravo

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End of Life Class: A look at end of life issues, both practical and spiritual, with guest speakers offering insights on the challenges and blessings that accompany each of us near the end of our lives on earth.

First Sunday Faith Lessons - One day education studies with the focus on better understanding our reformed Christian faith.

Book Group - A faith based and in depth book study.

Fifth Sunday Faith Seekers - An informal gathering of HFPC friends allowing discussion of the day's worship message. May meet in a coffee shop near by.

Advent Study - We gather together as reformed Christians in order to better understand and prepare for the coming of Christ Jesus.

Lent Study - A look at this very important time of preparation for the death and resurrection of our Savior.

Sunday Faith Education Classes @ Historic First Presbyterian Church

REFORMED QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

No doubt all history in the last resort must be held by Christians to be a story with a divine plot. C.S. Lewis

Order of Worship September 25, 2011

Gather Toward The Word

Prelude
Bill Nunes

Call to Worship
Psalm 80.1 and 2
Denise Reed

Songs of Welcome and Praise (3)

A Child of the Covenant
Kimberly Bravo

Greeting
Praise Team

Hear the Word

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer
Denise Reed

Sermon - Mark 12.29-31
Jeff Gokee,
Executive Director of PhoenixONE

Respond to the Word

Apostles' Creed
Denise Reed

Offering

Offertory
"Shelter" - Laura & Matt Cherry, Duet

Offertory Prayer

Closing Song
Praise Team

Benediction
Jeff Gokee

Postlude
Bill Nunes

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Upcoming Sermons

Worship Time
9:30 AM

October Theme: "Ethiopia"

World Communion Sunday/Peacemaking Offering

October 2Philippians 3.4-14
October 9Matthew 22.1-14
October 16.....1 Thessalonians 1.1-10
October 23..... Deuteronomy 34.1-12
October 30.....Joshua 3.7-17

DsTny Discipleship Bible Study

An Interactive Educational Experience
11:00 AM

Today The Perfect Relationship?
October 2 Reformed Tradition Topic
October 9Christian Essentials Topic
October 16A Film Covering Christian Theme
October 23Faith & Society Topic
October 30 Testimony

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We invite you to join us in the parlor for refreshments and to participate in one of our Sunday education programs in our different classrooms.

If you would like individual prayers, please join the Prayer Team in the Narthex after worship time.

HFPC SESSION 2011

Nathan Byrd..... Moderator
Lou Bauman..... Membership/Worship
Lea Benson Membership
Beverly Walter Music Ministry
..... Network of Caring
Dennis Cherry..... Worship/Assistant Clerk
Joe Witte..... Property Management
Barbara Petersen Treasurer/Budget & Financial Planning
..... Presbytery Liaison
Mary Long Christian Education
Joe VazquezClerk of Session
Deana Wingate..... Human Resources/Caring & Healing/Mission

HFPC DEACONS 2011

Enoch Awejok • Lois Brown
Laura Cherry • Blair Coe Schweiger
Pam McCune • Larry Pettyjohn
Mary Lynn Reagan • Denise Reed
Judy Sivert • Brett Wingate



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Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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Time Well Spent

WELCOME TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER

Please welcome this morning a **Jeff Gokee**, Executive Director of PhoenixONE. Thank you Jeff for sharing your gifts with us.

DO NOT FORGET!

Refreshments are available in the parlor after the 9:30 Service. Have a cup of coffee and meet someone new.

TRADITIONAL ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Jim Thurston will lead a study on the books of Colossians and Philippians. This opportunity will continue through November 20, 2011 in the Library after our worship service and class will resume again early next year.

FOCUS TEAM MEETING TODAY

The Focus Team will meet today at 12:00 PM on the 2nd Floor. The Focus group is busy planning for the Fall Festival which will take place on Saturday, October 22 at 4:00 PM. Donations are now being accepted and welcomed. The following items will be needed: hamburger buns, chips, water bottles, and candy for the children! The theme this year is Relive, Revive and Renew.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 2

Though the churches of the world are separated in distance, this is an opportunity to come together at the Lord's Table, for the church is the one body of Christ. World Communion Sunday is a chance to lift up our oneness. The church celebrated this event for the first time in 1936. We also collect the Peacemaking offering on World Communion Sunday. The Peacemaking Offering supports various Peacemaking ministries throughout the church universal. This year one quarter of this money will go to St. Vincent De Paul Charity of Phoenix to help with their mission and ministry. Join us to celebrate this historic and relevant Service for the Lord's Day to the glory of God on **October 2**. Members from El Bethel will join us at the table.

PRAISE TEAM INVITES YOU!

The Praise Team would like to invite anyone in the congregation who enjoys singing praises to God during the Christmas season to join us after church to rehearse the music for this beautiful time in the life of our church. Rehearsals will be approximately one hour from 10:30 to 11:30 AM each Sunday during October and November. Join us to make a joyful noise honoring the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

3RD FALL FESTIVAL—RELIVE, REVIVE AND RENEW FAIR

Do you have a home business? Do you make crafts or goods that you'd like to sell? If so, consider joining the Vendor Fair hosted at the Relive, Revive and Renew Fair on Saturday, October 22. Interested entrepreneurs should contact Wendy Gonzalez for more information.

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October 7

Happy Birthday

Sept. 27 *Adrienne Wohleen*

Sept. 29 *Georgia Romig*

Cynthia Wood

Michelle Dillon

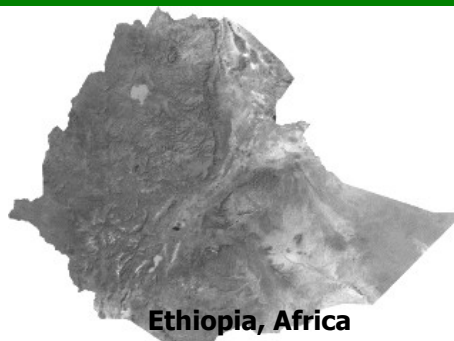
Sept. 30 *Diane Dresback*

Happy Anniversary

Sept. 25 *Alice & Charles Hughes*

Oct. 1 *Donita & Ron Young*

**October
Preaching Series
"Ethiopia"**



Ethiopia, Africa

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S FALL GATHERING

The Women of the Grand Canyon Presbytery are meeting on October 21 and 22 in Winslow and Leupp on the Navajo reservation. A bus will be available at Desert Palms and Valley Presbyterian Churches. For more information please see Judy Sivert.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD/SHOE BOX MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

Cash donations as well as items for the boxes are still needed; especially soap, children's large sicks, toothpaste, small toys and memo pads. Decorated boxes to be filled are still available in the Narthex and by the mailboxes. For boxes or questions see Judy Sivert or Barbara Petersen.

HEART ♥ FOR MISSION– BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

The average student in Ethiopia is given one pencil, one pen & one spiral bound notebook for the entire school year. The HFPC Mission Team is partnering with our sister churches in Ethiopia to provide much needed school supplies to help support their students. During the next two months, the HFPC Mission Team will be collecting these school supplies. Donations may be placed in the large box on the First Floor near the mailboxes. With all the back to school sales, this is a great time to gather these items for this mission. This is the list of the school supplies we are collecting: pencils, pens, spiral bound wide rule notebooks, wide rule notebook paper filler, crayons, color pencils and pencil sharpeners.

PRAYER AT THE WELL

. **Haiti, the Republic of South Sudan** and the **world**.

. **Pat Jones** for health.

. **Sue Grenon** for health.

. **Marvin King** for health.

. **Norma Brown** for health.

. **Shirley Kautz** for health.

. **Mamie Miller** for health.

. **Sue Stevens** for health.

. **Reta Graham** for health.

. **Peggy Parker** for her new ministry in Haiti.

. That the **Prince of Peace** shall continue to reign.

. **The Wohleen Family** for health and other blessings.

. **Military Personnel** and **those displaced by war** throughout the world.

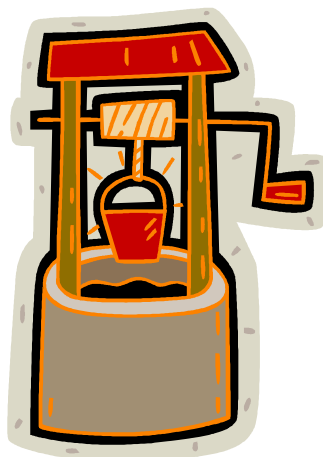
. For justice to be served for **Marie Porter's family**. She and her family were victims of road rage which resulted in the passing of her mom. To this day the case remains unresolved.

. Strengthening of our partnership with **El Bethel** (Ethiopian).

. **John Szabo** for perseverance during his confinement.

. **Alice Hughes** for her health (North Mountain Medical Center and Rehab).

. **Individuals** seeking employment.



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