

**August 2024****Third Presbyterian Church****A Note from the Pastor -**

A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away... Actually, it was Winter Park, Florida and I was a junior in high school. A singing group called Up with People! performed at a school assembly. The singers were all high school or college students and they put on a fabulous show. Their message was uplifting and clearly had a positive message. My memory for music is strong and the other day the lyrics of their opening number "Up with People" came back to me. This is the third verse and the chorus:

Inside everybody there's some bad and there's some good.  
But don't let anybody start attacking people-hood.  
Love them as they are, but fight for them to be  
Great men and great women as God meant them to be.

(Chorus)

Up! Up with people!  
You meet 'em wherever you go.  
Up! Up with people!  
They're the best kind of folks we know.  
If more people were for people  
All people ev'rywhere,  
There'd be a lot less people to worry about  
And a lot more people who care.

I believe my memory was jogged by the discord that is rampant in our country. It seems that everyone is expected to pick sides and then we are supposed to judge those on the other side and throw insults at each other. A couple of years ago the Pew Research Center report showed that "over the past two years, Americans have become more likely to say it is 'stressful and frustrating' to have political conversations with those they disagree with."

I completely understand that as Christians we have differing interpretations of what it means to live a Christ-like life. There are good people on each side of every cultural issue that is being debated in our society. But it seems that we can no longer disagree about what we believe without labeling the people who disagree with us as bad, stupid, weird, and the list of derogatory words goes on and on.

As the song "Up with People" urges us to believe, we all are both bad and good. Not one of us is perfect. We are to love people as they are, even those who do not see things as we do. Certainly, we can engage in polite and even at times intense conversation about our beliefs, but we do not have to attack who they are as a person.

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Remember the popularity of WWJD? That's "What would Jesus do?" for those of you who don't remember. Jesus spoke words of caution to his listeners. "Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. 2 For the judgment you give will be the judgment you get, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. 3 Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye but do not notice the log in your own eye?" Matthew 7: 1-3 He speaks those words to us today. We need to listen to him.

I cringe at the thought of what we will experience between now and Election Day, November 5th. I urge you to vote as you see best for our country, but in the meantime, I ask that we all heed the words of the chorus: "If more people were for people, All people ev'rywhere, There'd be a lot less people to worry about And a lot more people who care."

Peace,

*Don't*

### **Join Us For Worship Every Sunday In-Person and Live Stream at 11 AM**

Below is the Zoom link where you will be able to see those leading worship and along with parts of our liturgy. Below is the most updated link, phone number and password.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/605837516?pwd=V0R5VmNCQ2Mraml1TFdOVXpGMEpiQT09>

If you do not have computer access, you can call in with your home or cell phone using Zoom's dial in option.

Meeting ID: 605 837 516

Password: 23518

Phone: 312-626-6799

### **PW Bible Study & Fellowship - Will Resume in September**

Join us for fellowship and Bible Study on the 2nd Tuesday each month at noon.

Lunch at noon and study starts at 12:30. Bring your lunch if you like.

### **"Salad Sunday" - Sunday, August 11th**

Our first "Salad Sunday" was such a success that we are going to do it again! Please join us on Sunday, August 11th for our next "Salad Sunday" immediately following worship. We had such a great variety of delicious salads to choose from and had a wonderful time of fellowshiping together.

Please bring your favorite salad to share - it can be anything you would call a "salad".

Mark this on your calendar now so you don't miss it!

## **Happy Birthday!!!!**

August 11—Matthew Sipe

August 15 —Nancy Barham

August 16—Laura Griffin

August 19—John Suski

August 24—Fred Holtz

August 27—Darlene Pick

August 29—Milinda Derrenbacker

## Most Asked For Addresses

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## Don Martin's Contact Information

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## Prayer List

Please remember the following people and families in your prayers, that they might be lifted up through your conversations with God:

Claudia Cary  
Jessica and Ray Fitzgerald  
Ginny Davis  
Steve & Claudia Glover  
Carol Maxwell's Mom  
Larry McKinney  
Patricia Basnight  
Darlene Pick  
Holly Gaff  
Nancy & Steve Babor  
Gini and Sandy Campbell  
Toy Hefner  
Noah Lucas  
Margaret Chewing  
Heather Sipe  
Jimmy Singer - Cheryl's Cousin's Husband  
Our Pastor - Don  
Our Church  
The Session  
Our Community

## Offerings

July 7 - \$2,155.00

July 14 - \$1,205.00

July 21 - \$836.00

July - \$1,270.00

**Office Hours** - We are currently without a church secretary. We will have volunteers assisting with answering phones a few mornings a week. If you need assistance, please feel free to call 757-587-7576 and leave a message, send an email to ([thirdpc@hrcoxmail.com](mailto:thirdpc@hrcoxmail.com)), or call one of the elders or the pastor. Thank you!

### Shepherd's List 2024



**Amy Griffin**

**757-618-3006**

\*Dee Glover

\*Steven and Claudia Glover

Ginny Davis

Nancy and Vernon Barham

Dorothy Grandstaff

Marguerite Duke

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Teri Howard

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Don Martin and Tony Crudup

Darlene Pick

Debbie and Ray Platte

Amy and Dennis Griffin

Di Ricks

Sybil Crooks

Joseph Bray

**\*Anne Basnight**

**Tom Maxwell**

**757-531-9851**

\*\*Brittany French

Dave and Jenni Joyce

Holly Gaff and CJ Jones

T.J. and Larry McKinney

Lexi White and Marc Cahill

Deb King

The Rapacon Family - Amanda,  
Manny, Christian, Samantha, Rachel,  
and Peter

\*no email-please call

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**Red+Shut-in**

**Stacy Apelt**

**757-583-5872**

Nancy Babor

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Mary Ann Shepard

Kayla and Bryson Shepard

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**Margaret Chewning**

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Jessica Fitzgerald & Family

Cheryl and Fred Holtz

Ginny Keisel

Claudia Cary

Artie and Milinda Derrenbacker

Stacy Apelt and Judy Floyd Apelt

Mike Gallond

**Calvin Presbyterian Church**

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23518

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**• Food Pantry Hours**

Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

• Third Saturdays of the month  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**The food pantry serves Norfolk  
zip codes 23518 and 23503.  
Those in need of assistance  
may obtain a referral from any of  
the participating churches.**

**Pantry Wish List:**

- 25 oz Apple Sauce
- 16 oz Baked Beans
- 24 oz Beef Stew
- 15 oz Peas
- 15 oz Green Beans
- 1 lb 13 oz Canned Fruit
- 32 oz Jelly
- 18 oz Peanut Butter
- 32 oz Pancake Mix
- 24 oz Syrup
- 1 lb Rice
- 8.25 oz Tuna Helper
- 6 oz Tuna
- 15 oz Spaghetti O's
- 15 oz Thick Soup
- 64 oz Juice
- 12 oz Luncheon Meat
- 7.25 oz Macaroni & Cheese
- 13.75 oz Mashed Potatoes
- 13.7 oz Oatmeal Individual Packs
- 16 oz Spaghetti Noodles
- 26.5 oz Spaghetti Sauce
- Dry Milk, Individual Packs

*Please, no baby food, coffee, tea, sugar, pickles, olives, condiments, tomatoes, cranberries, canned milk, crackers or mushrooms.*



# August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 7-9:30pm Square Dancing	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> 11 am Worship and Communion In-person and Virtual	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford-FH	<b>7</b> 7pm AA Meeting	<b>8</b> 6:30 pm Civic League Picnic	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 11 am Worship In-person and Virtual "Salad Sunday"	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford-FH	<b>14</b> 7pm AA Meeting	<b>15</b> 6 pm Session Meet- ing 7-9:30pm Square Dancing	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 11 am Worship In-person and Virtual	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford-FH	<b>21</b> 7pm AA Meeting	<b>22</b> 7-9:30pm Square Dancing	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> 11 am Worship In-person and Virtual	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6:30-10pm Dance Group C. Crofford-FH	<b>28</b> 7pm AA Meeting	<b>29</b> 7-9:30pm Square Dancing	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>



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**CHURCH STAFF**

Don Martin, Covenant Pastor  
\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Lexi White, IT Facilitator  
Joseph C. Bray, III, Organist/ Choir Director  
Clara Barnes, Sexton  
Teri Howard, Clerk of Session  
Holly Gaff, Treasurer  
Amy Griffin and Teri Howard, Financial Secretary

**Presbyterian Women**

**Presbyterian Men**

Tom Maxwell, President  
Fred Holtz, Vice-president

**Memorial Committee**

**SESSION**

**Building & Grounds**

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**Stewardship**

Teri Howard

**Witness & Outreach**

Tom Maxwell

**Worship**

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