FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

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June 5, 2024

10:00 am
Sunday Worship
Firstprescf.org

FACES OF OUR FAITH
SHIPHRAH & PUAH

Worship – June 9, 2024

Summer Worship Series: Faces of Our Faith – Bold and Untold Stories
Scripture: Exodus 1:8-21
Sermon: "The Power of No"

[17]The midwives were God-fearing women, and they ignored the Pharaoh's instructions, and let the male babies live." Exodus 1:17



From the Artist: Lisle Gwynn Garrity
Pharaoh's plan is a clever one. In an attempt to obliterate the Hebrews, he enlists midwives to pull a quick-handed maneuver by smothering any Hebrew baby boys seconds after birth so that their mothers will believe they are still-born.

But, instead, two gutsy women throw a wrench in his plans. Shiphrah and Puah are the only women in this story to be named, which we know is a rarity in scripture, so when it happens, it's as if the author is flashing blinking lights on the page that say, "Pay attention to them!" What we see is the first known instance of civil disobedience in recorded history. They say no.

In this painting, these hands represent the women's resistance. They are the hands that said no to a power- hungry ruler but yes to a God of justice—to a God who transforms a story of massacre into one of liberation. The impact of their actions, like the waters of the Nile, ripples out far beyond them.

Art: 1 They Said No by Lisle Gwynn Garrity
A Sanctified Art

Church Birthdays

June 5-Reese Stolte, 6-Tanner Barber, 7-Bennett Connolly, 8-Jackson Humpal, 12-Molly Wells, 13-Debbie Smith, 16-Michael Hagee

For Your Prayers…

- **Nancy Hoppe**
- Amber Grell, 19 yr old niece of Chris Mulligan & Mandy Grell

Notice…

Thursday, June 13
9:00 am kitchen cleaning

Camps are Starting!
Go to Lakeshore Center's website to sign up: Camp Sign Up. Contact Patti Humpal with questions.

Gray Jacket Found…
A gray fleece jacket-XL. If unclaimed by June 16 it will be donated.

Sign up anytime online:

Worship Leader Sign Up:
Sign Up: Worship Leaders
Or sign up in the narthex!

Thanks for serving last week:

Computer Operator: Brock Swarbrick

Videographer: Neal Leeper

Communion Preparer: Lynette Cline

Confirmation Stoles: Sue Luck

Fellowship: Jean Boller, Justice Humpal, Patti Humpal, Sue Luck

Lawn Mowing: Steve Moon

Lawn Mowing 6/9: Brad Braley

Parking Lot Striping, Window Washing: Jim Seeley

Stove, Kitchen Floor, Pantry Cleaning: Margaret Clark, Jeverna Mulligan, Jane Seeley

Frig & Freezer Cleaning: Patti Humpal, Sue Luck

Upcoming schedule

Wednesday, June 5
1:30 pm Personnel, classroom

Sunday, June 9
10:00 am Worship sanctuary

Monday, June 10
11:00 am PEO, dining room

Wednesday, June 12
4:00 pm Community Ministries, library

Thursday, June 13
9:00 am Kitchen cleaning

Community Ministries Updates

We are conducting a food drive beginning now through early June for the Sunday Suppers held at First Presbyterian, Waterloo. **There are labeled tubs in the entryway for donations.** Products needed include:

- Canned fruit
- Chicken broth
- Mayo
- Ketchup & Mustard
- Kool-aid or lemonade (powder)
- Coffee (ground)
- Napkins



Kitchen Cleaning



All women of the church are invited to help on **Thursday, June 13, 9:00 a.m**. for kitchen cleaning. If desired, we will go to lunch somewhere afterwards. No sign up is needed. Please bring kitchen cleaning supplies.

These Days Devotionals

The third quarter of *These Days* devotionals are in the narthex. Due to declining interest, the church will be sharply reducing the number of devotionals we order.

An online edition is available for anyone to purchase. Information is at: [These Days, Daily Devotions for Living by Faith | PC USA Store]



Pastor Julie with our Confirmands



The Laying on of Hands



Noah Connolly, Ryder Connolly, Noah Tollefson

Congratulations to our 2024 Confirmands!