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**FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE**  
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**PASTOR'S PEN**  
**May 2011**

No Pastor's Pen due to Georgia's illness.  
Georgia is in BSA Hospital please continue to pray for her and her family.



## Session Actions

**Borger, Texas  
Stated Session Meeting  
March 20, 2011**

**First Presbyterian Church stated session meeting was held in the conference room on March 20, 2011. Persons attending were: Elders Harmony, Howard, Kasch, and Petty. Also attending and presiding was Rev. Georgia King. Treasurer Pam Nicholas was also present. Absent were elders Hebermehl and Pool.**

### **CLERK:**

- 1. Correction to last minutes was to add the name of Pat Petty as the acting clerk. These minutes were for 2-20-11.**
- 2. Elders approved the continuation of church advertising in the yellow pages of the Borger telephone book. Cost is \$11.00 per month. (motion Kasch, second Petty).**
- 3. On the motion by Petty and second by Harmony the elders voted to continue the contract with High Plains Hosting for the church web page.**
- 4. The group discussed suggestions for furnishings at the new hospital. No action was taken as this was informational only.**

### **TREASURER:**

- 1. All monthly financial reports were approved as presented.**
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### **WORSHIP:**

- 1. Communion will be on Palm Sunday.**
- 2. A decision on Maundy Thursday service is pending.**

**Submitted: Julia Ann Kasch, Acting Clerk of Session.**

The Treasurer reported the following figures for March:

Total Income	\$8,155.75
Total Expenses	<u>\$9,143.32</u>
Total	\$ (987.57)
Year to Date	
Total Income	\$38,403.34
Total Expenses	<u>\$35,853.84</u>
Total	\$ 2,549.50



**Care of Member and Friends**

Scott Glenn  
James Farrell  
Malnor Arthur  
Pat and Alice Harvey  
Georgia King  
Hal Hebermehl

**DUTY ELDER FOR MAY**

**HAZEL HOWARD**

**SESSION MEETING**

**SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2011**



## ***P.W. NEWS***



*May 5th will be our meeting date at 10:00 a.m. in the Coffee Room. Our study starts on page 63 entitled, "The Empire has Fallen! Evacuate Now!"*

*The main idea is that "The Empires of those who oppress the world will come to an end -in Jesus, the New Reign of God has already begun." It should be an interesting study. Come join us as we puzzle once again about this study on Revelation.*

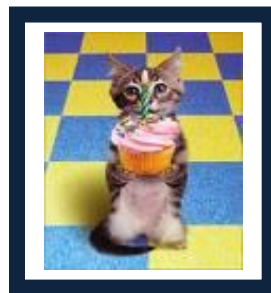
See ya,  
Lee Buckland

*"If you have a mom, there is nowhere you are likely to go where a prayer has not already been."*

*—Robert Brault*

### **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

**1st : Hannah Chambers**  
**10th: Tom Edmonds**  
**14th: Al Stegleman**  
**17th: Chelsea Mills**  
**29th: June Voigt**



### **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

**1st: Jerry & Toni Pool**

Late For Class

A little girl, dressed in her "Sunday best" was late and running to her Sunday school class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear God, please don't let me be late. Dear God, please don't let me be late." Then she fell.

She got up, dusted herself off and saw that her dress was now dirty and had a little tear. She started running again, still praying, "Dear God, please don't let me be late." But this time she added, "But please don't push me, either!"

## Special dates

**Christian Family Week, May 2-8, 2011**

**National Day of Prayer, May 5, 2011**

**Mother's Day, May 8, 2011**

**Armed Forces Day, May 21, 2011**

**Victoria Day (Canada), May 23, 2011**

**Memorial Day, May 30, 2011**



### CHURCH NEWS:



Former Church Secretary Barbara Karins came by to visit, she is now in Spearman, TX.



Congregational meeting May 1st, following worship.



The Gideon's will be here on May 29th and will have a short presentation before worship.



## **A PRAYER FOR PATIENCE**

Dear Heavenly Father,

Praise be given to Your Holy name for Your forbearance and mercy. You have dealt gently with your children in love. You have been patient with me in my humanness and stubbornness.

Lord, through the work of Your Spirit, prompt me to be more jubilant in hope, more patient in times of trouble, and more consistent in my prayer life. Teach me, Lord, to wait with faith and expectancy, and may my trials be seen as times for growth in grace. Through Christ our Lord, I pray.

Amen.

Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Romans 12:12 (RSV)

Charles Covington  
Chaplain

### **Preparation for worship:**

**Risen Lord Jesus, though we haven't seen you face to face or touched your wounds as Thomas did, help us trust in you. Even amid our doubts, help us relax in your peace.**

**Restore our souls, Good Shepherd, and surround us with your goodness and mercy. May our worship be a glimpse of how it will be when we "dwell in the house of the Lord forever" (Psalm 23:6, NIV).**

**Jesus, you are the Way, the Truth and the Life. Quiet our hearts as we worship you and listen for your guidance.**

**Thank you, Jesus, for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, who abides in us always.**



## Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals Scripture Reference May 2011

### **May 1 (2nd Sunday of Easter)**

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16:1-11

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

### **May 8 (3rd Sunday of Easter)**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

### **May 15 (4th Sunday of Easter)**

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23:1-6

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

### **May 22 (5th Sunday of Easter)**

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

### **May 29 (6th Sunday of Easter)**

Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:8-20

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

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## Notes from the Music



### Department

May is here along with some rain and changing weather. Flowers have been blooming for a while. Grass is greener and the mesquite trees have bloomed. Everything is green and beautiful. You can hardly tell that March produced terrible grass fires.

Choir practice for May will be May 4, 11, 18, and 25. May 25 will be our last practice until September. We will not have any choir practice for the summer. We are learning one more new anthem to perform in May. If you liked the anthem "Shall We Gather at the River", then you will like this new anthem!

The Opening Response for May will be "Through It All". The Closing Response will be "Lift High the Cross", page 371 in our hymnal. The Opening Response will be an insert in the bulletin.

We keep Jim Farrell, Scott Glenn, Alice Harvey, Hal Hebermehl, and Georgia King in our prayers as they continue to deal with health issues. We pray for continued strength and healing for all those mentioned and for all our church family. We always hold all our members, past and present, in our thoughts and prayers.

May the road rise up to meet you until we meet again.

Pat Petty and Choir

### Men in Heaven - Who is the Head of the Household?

At the end of the age when all the believers were standing in line waiting to get into heaven, God appeared and said, "I want all the men to form two lines. One line will be for the men who were the true heads of their households. The other will be for the men who were dominated by their wives."

God continued, "I want all the women to report to St. Peter."

The women left and the men formed two lines. The line of men who were dominated by their wives was seemingly unending. The line of men who were the true head of their household had one man in it.

God said to the first line, "You men ought to be ashamed of yourselves. I appointed you to be the heads of your households and you were disobedient and have not fulfilled your purpose. Of all of you, there is only one man who obeyed me. Learn from him."

Then God turned to the lone man and asked, "How did you come to be in this line?"

The man replied, "My wife told me to stand here."