



*Birthday Celebrations*

- 2 Linda Dobarganes
- 5 Janet Croll  
Bonnie Sylvester
- 8 Ruby Young

*Prayer Requests\**

- Betty Harkins
- Elma Westney
- John Weichel
- Nell Barner
- Roger Lane

**PLEASE NOTE**

*\*Names are rotated weekly. The complete list of prayer requests may be found on the Prayer & Shut-in list that is emailed out with updates.*

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*A Word from Pastor Dino*

Hello Church,

So a new month is upon us...and although it's been a strange couple of weeks around these parts we are moving forward by the grace of God.

I want to highlight to all of you that we are in the midst of Stewardship season at First Pres. While it's been a strange year/month/week/what-have-you, we still have some amazing plans for next year. In order to get there, it will require everyone to get on board!

One of the amazing things about our church is that we have a very faithful giving base! Between our in-person offerings, online giving, pledges (and a generous government PPP loan) we have been able to continue funding our missions and ministries in the best way we could have envisioned.

With that said, after such an unpredictable year in 2020...our Stewardship team is hoping the congregation can provide us with a bit more...predictability in 2021. What does this look like? A pledge! We're not dictating the amount of your pledge because EVERY pledge counts! But we do need everyone to step up and make a pledge.

Your pledge allows us to do a little bit better job of "predicting" our income next year, which allows us to plan ministries and missions accordingly. You'll be hearing a lot more about this in the upcoming weeks, so please pray about what it means for you!

Thank you for being an amazing church!

in Christ

*Dino*



**Flowers in the Sanctuary**

Would you like to help beautify our Sunday services with flowers? We have many dates available in the new year. If you are interested in providing flowers for 2021, specifically January—April, please contact Nancy Varner, Flower Coordinator, at either nancyv30@fverizon.net OR 941-704-2053, to sign up!

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