



The Trumpet

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

2022 is upon us. It is kind of jolting. COVID time has both been eternal and instant. It is like being in a parallel universe sometimes. On the one hand, we are seeing the joy and fruit of living into the vision of "opening the gospel to Carson City and beyond." We try to be intentional about discerning God's leading: living into our call to bless this community in word, deed, presence and witness.

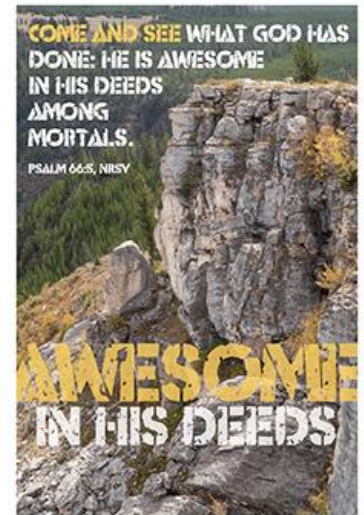
On the other hand, we are still wrestling with the limitations of living through a pandemic. As of this writing, the "Omicron" variant is dominating the news and it has the feel of March 2020 all over again. Uncertainty is a real complication as we figure out what we can and cannot do. Trying to get from Point A to Point B often is not a linear exercise; we are still adapting and re-adapting as circumstances around us change from week to week (if not day by day).

So, with that in mind, let me suggest that we are living like the Israelites in desert-like circumstances. Specifically, what I mean by that is this: we are abundantly aware of our need to depend solely upon God for our day-to-day walk. We hear anew God's words to Moses, "Now you shall see what I shall do." (Exodus 6) There, God was telling Moses that He was going to demonstrate his power such that Pharaoh would – not only *let* the people go – Pharaoh would *drive* the people out of his land.

"Seeing what God will do" is such a great summary for the task assigned to us. It is the task assigned to believers. Yes, there are times we are called to action. Yes, there are times we are called to step out in faith. But even in the busy-ness of life and the challenges of the times, we are called to "see what God will do." There are several aspects of "see" that we can take on as resolutions in 2022.

First, "to see" means we need to look. I often need the reminder; if I do not look, I certainly will not see. If I am not reminded, I can get distracted and go for long stretches down rabbit holes. I do not think I am alone in that. When the internet was first introduced, we saw and heard of many people losing hours surfing – completely unaware of how much time they were spending on nothing. Now, it is Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or Tik-Tok. That's just one illustration of the kind of distraction that can captivate our attention while distracting us away from looking to see what God is doing. The news, sports, gossip – these are all distractions from looking. We need to look with eyes to see what God is doing.

Second, "to see" means to understand. Comprehending what God is doing requires us to have an appreciation for the character and purpose of God – which is what God reveals in and through Scripture. In Isaiah 42, the LORD says, "I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other,



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nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise from the end of the earth!" We understand that God has promised us eternal life in Jesus Christ; that those in Christ are new creations. We understand that eternity includes now, and that we are living into the Kingdom of God that Jesus proclaimed. We understand these things in the context of a broken world in which circumstances can often look very different than the glorious hope we have in Jesus. Yet, we know that God is with us because He has so promised, "even unto the end of the age." We study, we worship, we gather together in fellowship to strengthen one another in our understanding of what God is doing and what God will do.

Third, we "see" in order to proclaim. "You will be my witnesses," the risen Jesus told the disciples as He was about to ascend. We are to tell what we have seen. In 1 John 1, the Apostle wrote, "We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – " meaning Jesus "...so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ." When we talk about "opening the gospel to Carson City and beyond," we are following the example described and set forth by the Apostle John.

What will we see when we look, understand, and proclaim? Well, if God does what God has been doing, we will see the fruit of that faithfulness in lives transformed by grace, in opportunities opening to go forth and producing a great harvest, in fellowship strengthened on the foundation of love, and in ways we cannot yet imagine. But because God is faithful to His promises, we can trust that we *will* "now see what I shall do."

I pray 2022 is a year in which we are all newly amazed by the mighty acts of God.

Your brother in Christ,

Bob Davis



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MARCH
 Is February 11
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<i>Congregational Giving—General Budget</i>			
2021 Projected			
	Budget Need	Given	Difference
<i>December 21, 2021</i>			
Yr. to Date	\$512,515	\$375,214	- \$137,301
<u>Current</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Difference</u>
	\$375,214	\$393,085	- \$17,336
<u>ECO Dues</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
	\$ 3,015	\$ 5,200	
THANK YOU, ALL!!			

Family Ministries



On Saturday, November 27 we gathered in the Family Life Center for an Advent Workshop. We made "stained glass" star ornaments, Nativity scenes, Advent wreaths, and decorated cookies. Everyone had a great time crafting and eating Candi's yummy cookies. Thank you to all who came, and those who volunteered. - Sherri Gurney
Family Ministry Coordinator



This past year we have celebrated the life of the church through many different activities: bicycle poker run, movie nights, (smoky) baseball game, trip to Lattin Farms, craft events, and caroling, to name a few.

Many of these ideas came from you! If there is an event you'd like to bring to the church, see me, and let's get it on the calendar.

Aunt Betty's Studio

The same holds true for Aunt Betty's Studio. Do you have an idea for video production? Are you interested in hosting a podcast? Would you just like to learn more about ABS? See Pastor Bob or Sherri. We are more than happy to answer your questions, and provide you with opportunities to grow in this ministry.

The Great Cloud of Witnesses Project has become a regular YouTube feature, every Monday morning at 9. To keep it going, we need you and your stories. If you are unsure of sharing your Bible verse and how it has touched you, talk to someone who has already done it to learn about the process. We strive to make it easy and comfortable for you. Sandy Hatchell is our scheduler. Please see her to get on the calendar. We film on Sundays right after service. But if another time fits better into your schedule, please let us know and we will get you into the studio at your convenience.



Mark your calendars for the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, **February 13**. Details coming soon.

OLD SANCTUARY UPDATE

Thanks to several generous *Old Sanctuary Preservation Fund* donations, the east and north sides of the Old Sanctuary roof have been replaced. If you were not past the church during the month of November, you missed the removal of the old roof (several layers of singles), the addition of roof decking, and new shingles. Stop by and look at the great job that Clay Davis Roofing did!

Plans are in the making for the next phase work to be accomplished. Various fund raising events are planned. Volunteers are needed to make these activities successful. Contact Grace Speicher 406-431-9073.



LOTTIE SCOTT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Since it has been several years since anything has appeared in The Trumpet about this fund, I thought it was time to familiarize all of you with who Lottie Scott was, how the fund was set up, and its purpose.



Biography: Lottie was an active member of the Carson City community. After being widowed in her fifties, she became very involved in this church. She gave many hours and gifts of service. She chaired the Christian Education Committee, was the Sunday School Superintendent and held the office of Treasurer for Presbyterian Women. Lottie also was the first female Elder at this church. When Lottie died in 1970, session set up this fund in her memory and to honor her many accomplishments. It was funded by donations from people in the congregation. Over the years, many young people have benefited from this fund.

Who qualifies to apply: This fund is available to individuals who were involved in our church while growing up or whose parents and/or grandparents have been active members. Priority is to be given to those who would like to go into Christian Education. The fund is also available to anyone from our church who wishes to further their education through college or a trade school.

Scholarship Amount: The amount of each scholarship is not to exceed \$1,000. Scholarships are subject to approval of the Finance Committee.

Application Period: Prior to the beginning of any college semester or quarter.

Applications are available by contacting Cecelia Stansbury at cecstansbury@yahoo.com or her cell phone at 925-200-4360. She is available to help any applicant needing assistance with completing the application or their personal statement of faith.

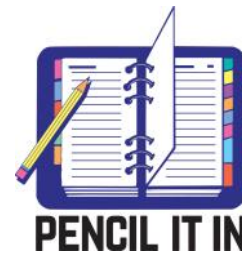
ECO 2022 DUES

First Presbyterian Church's dues for our denomination, ECO (A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians), will again be \$20.00 per member for 2022. Our dues go to help with the Administration of our denomination; to help churches with health, pension, and retirement benefits; they also provide training sessions and our Annual Convention in February. Our mission committee can access information from ECO in times of disaster regarding how we can help and partner with churches in need.

We pay these dues on a monthly basis. Envelopes will be made available in the pews and in the Narthex, or you can just drop your check in the offering plate with a memo saying ECO Dues.

Thank you for planning to help with this special offering and all FPC's mission in 2022.

Have a healthy, blessed New Year!



Adult Sunday School starts again on **January 9 at 8:30 am**
 Bill Rose will continue the "Believe" video presentation with part 2 of the series. The remaining presentations will be completed in June, but don't think that you have to wait until then to participate!

Start off the New Year making New Presbyterian friends by attending a Friendship Supper!

Are you interested in getting to know others in our church family? Then we hope you will attend a Friendship Dinner—small social gatherings in individual homes to share fellowship, food, and fun. These dinners usually consist of a group of 6 or 8 with the host furnishing the main dish and guests bringing a dish to share. The first one is January 21 (and possibly the 22nd, depending on response.). Sign ups will be during Coffee Hour each Sunday starting on January 2. You can sign up with Sandy Ehresman or Susan Rose to either be a host or be a guest. In the past we have had 7 or 8 homes with 64 TOTAL attending!! For information or concerns call Sandy Ehresman 775-225-0635 or Diane Young 775-882-4659



Another new opportunity for fellowship is **The Lunch Bunch!**
 Come join in on the fourth Tuesday of each month in Fellowship Hall at 11:30. January's meeting is on the 25th. Everyone is welcome—bring your own lunch and your great ideas of interesting topics to discuss, things to do, etc.



The Wednesday morning and evening Pastor's Study will begin again on February 9. The morning session is in Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am and the evening class is at 6:30 in the PresbyPod Studio (upstairs) and on a Zoom call. (Let Pastor Bob know if you want to attend via Zoom.)

THE RETURN OF THE CHILI COOK-OFF AND SILENT AUCTION!



Saturday, February 5: entries by 4:45pm; judging at 5:00pm; dinner near 6:00pm

Calling All cooks!

Dust off your best chili recipe and sign up to enter the Chili Cook-Off challenge. **SIGN UPS will begin January 2.**

Volunteers are needed to support this fun event. Help is needed in all areas from set-up to clean-up. *Many hands make light work!!* Contact Grace Speicher for more information and to volunteer to help at 406-431-9073 or spikr54@hotmail.com

Donate Items for the Auction

We are also gathering good-quality items for the cook-off silent auction, to be bid on during the event. The deadline to provide items is Thursday, February 3rd (items received after the deadline will be returned to the donor or discarded). If you have treasures that are appropriate for this purpose, please contact Jenny Scanland (775-297-2061) for how to donate the item and where to leave it. *(Please do not just leave them at the office or in the old sanctuary.)*

Large baskets are also needed to make groupings of items to sell as a package. If you have baskets to donate, please contact Jenny.



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ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Requested as of 12-22-2021

Erin Dyer (Family-Buzz & Jacque Dyer) ♦ Caitlyn Roun (Friend-Kyle Hamilton) ♦ Doug Ohlson (Family-Marge Broyles) ♦ Kieran Creek ♦ Mark Euler & family (Family-Wil & Candi Euler) ♦ Phillip (Family-Susan Rose) ♦ David (Friend Allison Bassett) ♦ Family of Scott Bergstrom (Friends-Joel & Hallie Kirk) ♦ Rita Maddock; Peter Lucey (Friends-Bob & Cecelia Stansbury) ♦ Joe Hawley ♦ Mary Lou Pawley ♦ Laraine Walsh (Friend-Carol Wilson) ♦ Jan & Craig Clark ♦ Kristine Heisinger (Family-Jenny Scanland) ♦ Curt Spradley ♦ Chris Hataway ♦ Thomas 'Skipper' Wall ♦ Pete Klug & family (Family-Mike & Karen Klug) ♦ Family of Tina Leahy (Friend-Donna Hataway) ♦ Truly Harte (Family-Janice Stites) ♦ Bill Baltz ♦ Alyssa Miller ♦ Dewey Irvin, Kathy & Verlene (Family & Friends-Doris Wheeler) ♦ Dan Loeffler (Family-Mary Burgoon) ♦ Marilyn Conrad, Rachel Conrad ♦ Norris & Kathy Schultz ♦ David Vill ♦ The Creek Family ♦ Johannes Vanderwal ♦ Rom & Nancy Story ♦ Rex & Karen Baggett ♦ Duane Glanzmann ♦ Thelma Roberts; Ron Roberts ♦ Omega Collins ♦ Bryan Collins ♦ Karolyn Belcher ♦ Carolyn Merz ♦ David & Charlotte Fenlon ♦ Doris Wheeler ♦ Gary Kanarian ♦ Gene & Lorene Wilkinson ♦ Todd Wheeler (Family-Jamie & Faye Wheeler) ♦ Shirley Parks ♦ Todd & Kelli Butterworth ♦ Donald Scherer ♦ Relinda & Evangelina, Bob (Family-Johannes & Lori Vanderwal) ♦



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The Sanctuary and Narthex were beautiful for Christmas. Thank you to all who helped decorate!



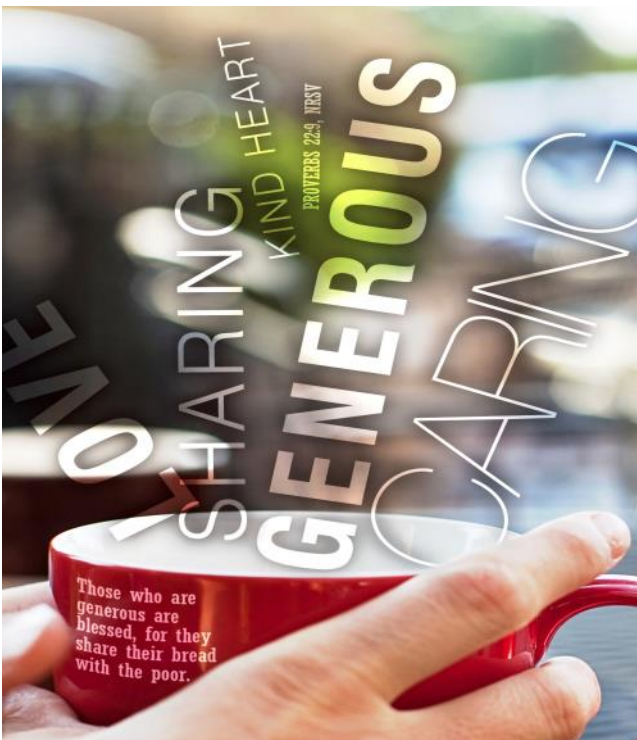
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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thank you to all who participated in Operation Christmas Child. We collected 80 boxes that were sent to the distribution center and from there will go around the world. In addition to providing a gift for a child who may never have received one, it is estimated that 10 other people around that child will hear the gospel. As a result of this ministry new churches have been established where there had never been one. You have helped spread the gospel around the world.

Thank you for the privilege of heading up this ministry.

Lynne Weaver



ANGEL TREE



Thank you to all of you who made Angel Tree a success. Gifts were delivered to the caretakers, some were picked up by the families, others were delivered to Fernley (while avoiding the storms!)

We provided gifts for 12 families that had 26 children. Eleven children lived in Fernley and 15 in Carson City. Thanks to everyone for returning the gifts promptly - I didn't have to call anyone.

This year Angel Tree sent enough Bibles that we could give one to each child from ages 6 to 18. Raley's donated 25 bags in which to put both the Bibles and Royal Dansk cookies we gave them. I included cute refrigerator magnets to remind them of Angel Tree Camping which is available to them.

I had some very good help: Sue Rose, Chris Love, and I did calling to find out what the children wanted and let them know to come pick up their gifts. Mary Spradley, Carol Allen, and Pat Green helped our congregation pick out their Angel on two Sundays. Sue Rose helped me check in gifts and make sure all were there. Chris Love helped me give out gifts on December 13th. I can't thank them enough.

Sharon Hughes, Angel Tree Chairman

CHRISTMAS BAG COLLECTION/DELIVERY

It was another year of fun Christmas meal grocery shopping. Thank you to all who picked up a red or green, and sometimes both, Christmas Dream Center bags. All of you did a marvelous service by filling your bags with items from the shopping list and then extra Christmas goodies and knit blankets. What a wonderful congregation we have who want to share in this season of giving to help families have a blessed Christmas meal. Thank you too for the money donations for the purchase of a Turkey or ham to complete their meals.

The 58 bags that you filled made their way to homes in and around our Carson Valley.

Thank you all for once again sharing the Christmas Spirit with those in need.

These food needs are ongoing into the new year, so thank you in advance for your continued support by putting food, paper bags, toiletries, paper goods and clothing into the Blue Barrel in the Narthex each week.

Thank you from your Mission Committee



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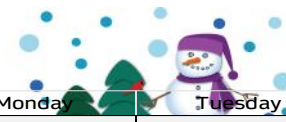
Trumpet & Sunday bulletin articles can be sent to margo@fpccarsoncity.org and may be edited for space. See calendar for due dates. Trumpet mailing prepared by a team led by George & Connie Stanton.










Upcoming Sermons

January 2		John 1:1-18
	"In the Beginning"	
January 9		John 1:19-42
	"The Lamb of God"	
January 16		John 1:43-51
	"Come and See"	
January 23		John 2:1-11
	"The First of His Signs"	
January 30		John 2:13-22
	"Zeal for Your House"	
February 6		John 2:23-25
	"He Himself Knew"	
February 13		John 3:1-21
	"Born From Above"	
February 20		John 3:22-36
	"Increase and Decrease"	
February 27		John 4:1-41
	"Living Water"	

See us and
"Like" us on












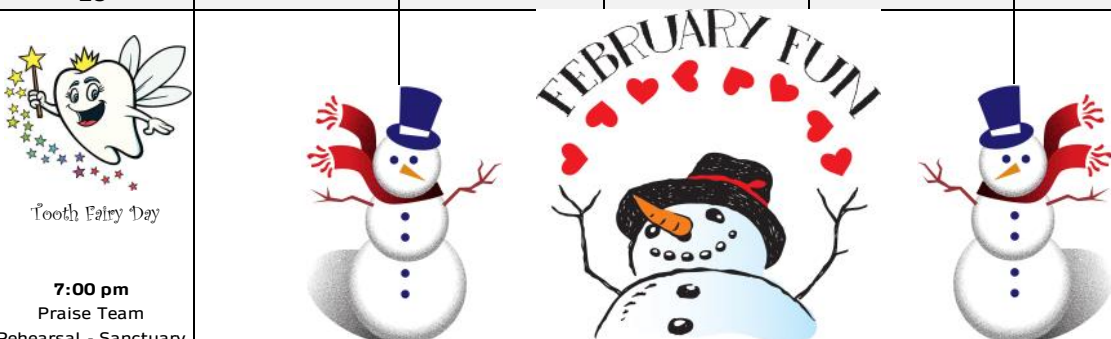

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>10:00 am COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE</p> <p>11:30 am Coffee Fellowship - FLC</p>	<p>7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary</p>	<p>8:30 am SON Rise Women's Bible Study - location varies</p>	<p>8:00 am Men's Bible Study - Mallard's</p> <p>9:00 am Grace Notes</p>	<p>8:00 am Wilson Men's Fellowship - Mallard's</p> <p>7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary</p>	<p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>6:30 am Men's Berean Bible Study - FPC Library</p>	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<p>8:30 am Sunday School - Adult</p> <p>10:00 am WORSHIP SERVICE</p> <p>11:30 am Coffee Fellowship - FLC</p> <p>11:30 am Deacons Meeting - Library</p>	 <p>HOUSEPLANT APPRECIATION DAY</p> <p>7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary</p>	<p>8:30 am SON Rise Women's Bible Study - location varies</p> <p>5:30 & 7:00 pm Committee Meetings</p>	<p>8:00 am Men's Bible Study - Mallard's</p> <p>9:00 am Grace Notes</p>	<p>8:00 am Wilson Men's Fellowship - Mallard's</p> <p>1:30 pm Women's Bible Study - Library</p> <p>7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary</p>	<p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>6:30 am Men's Berean Bible Study - FPC Library</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Hat</p>
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
<p>8:30 am Sunday School - Adult</p> <p>10:00 am WORSHIP SERVICE</p> <p>11:30 am Coffee Fellowship - FLC</p>	 <p>Peanut Butter Day</p> <p>7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary</p>	<p>8:30 am SON Rise Women's Bible Study - location</p> <p>1:30 pm Lunch Bunch- FH</p>	<p>8:00 am Men's Bible Study - Mallard's</p> <p>9:00 am Grace Notes</p>	<p>8:00 am Wilson Men's Fellowship - Mallard's</p> <p>7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary</p>	<p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>6:30 am Men's Berean Bible Study - FPC Library</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Puzzle</p>
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FH=Fellowship Hall

FLC = Family Life Center

PBP=Presbypod Room, upstairs

To confirm availability and reserve use of a room, contact Margo in the church office - 882-1032

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