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First Presbyterian Church  
of Fort Myers

We're LIVE Online  
Sunday @ 11:00 AM  
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#### STAFF

Dr. Paul de Jong  
Senior Pastor

Rev. Roger Peterson  
Minister of Music

Barbara Peterson  
Church Accompanist

Frank Meyer  
Church Organist

Sheryl de Jong  
Director of Christian Education

Bonnie Lee DiGrazia  
Administrative Assistant

Jean Ann Gogerty  
Financial Secretary

Rebecca Hayes  
Connor Pcolar

Mike Pcolar  
Sound & Projection

Sheryl de Jong  
Briana Molnar  
Nursery

#### We Thank God For . . . .

**Percussion**.....Mike Pcolar  
**Ushers** .....Captain, Steve Culbertson  
Jan Culbertson, Don Musa, Kathy Musa, Nancy Whitman  
**MINISTERS** .....Members of First Presbyterian Church

**ELDERS:** Keith Olson, Clerk of Session  
JoAnn Beaumont, Larry Burbidge, Richard Chappelle,  
Steve Culbertson, Max Furbringer, Pat Furbringer,  
Jimmy Johnston, Linda Kuieck, Joe Spielman

**DEACONS:** Sheryl de Jong, Moderator  
Donna Billins, Georgia Burbidge, Bonnie Chappelle,  
Christopher Doyle, Josh Henry, Denise Johnston,  
Sharon Meola, Lisett Melchor, Kathy Musa,  
Pati Sempstrott

**TRUSTEES:** Joe Spielman, President  
Forrest Banks, Robert Halgrim, Leigh Hayes,  
Pete Kouwenhoven, Pat Mann, Larry Nixon,  
Betty Olson, Mike Pcolar, Betty Ann Prevatt  
**Nominating Committee 2023:** Steve Culbertson, Chair  
Sheryl de Jong, Pat Furbringer, Leigh Hayes, Kay Henry,  
Linda Kuieck, Cathy Pcolar, Pati Sempstrott

#### Coed Adult Class 9:30 AM

**Straight Talk** with Pastor Paul de Jong

#### Thursday, July 20th

Southern Comforters Quilting Group  
11:00 - 4:00 in Room E101

#### SUMMER HOURS

The Church Office will be closed on  
Friday during June, July & August.



July 16, 2023

Adult Sunday School 9:30 -Worship 11:00

## First Presbyterian Church In the Heart of Fort Myers

*Living, sharing, teaching the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Welcome! We're Glad You Are Here



## PRAISE

† Our many blessings

## PRAYERS

Patti Bell  
Penny Bodeck  
Richard Chappelle  
Maria de Jong  
Max Furbringer  
Pat Furbringer  
Sue Grimes  
Devin Grossman  
Harriet Hart  
Mary Ann Hughey  
Tim Hughey  
Edgar Ittner Jr.  
Tom Jeremiah  
Paul Kennedy  
Cal Knapp  
Joanna Kortik  
Ralf & Misa Kortik  
Dick Kuieck  
Niki Lachia  
Anne Lincoln  
Dick Little  
Walter Maginness  
Julia McKinnon  
Pat Mesker  
Ruth Moon  
Don & Kathy Musa  
Ron Nicholson  
Betty Olson  
Camilo Parro  
Lois Saylor  
Pati Sempstrott  
David Tashchyan  
Mary Thurman  
Mary Alice Waldron  
Brandon Webb  
Fred & Michelle Wiggins

## THANK YOU

Thank you to members of the Grounds Committee who came out on Saturday, July 8th, from 7:00 - 10:00 AM to maintain the church grounds.  
Thank you Donna Billins, Sheryl de Jong, and Mike & Cathy Pcolar for your time and efforts. Great job!

## SOUTHERN COMFORTERS

The *Southern Comforters Quilting Group* will meet on Thursday, July 20th from 11:00 - 4:00 in Room E 101.

## NEXT WEEK ...

Mark your calendars for the *Great Banquet Gathering* on Sunday, July 23rd. Join us for special music and worship at 5:00 PM followed by a potluck dinner at 6:00 PM.  
***Everyone is welcome!***

## CONTINUED PRAYERS

John & Vicki  
Bill & Karen  
Jerry & Sharon,  
Lemuel & Pam,  
Jessie, Joe, Wilson  
Gary, Sarah, Abigail  
Becky & Peter  
Bill & Pat  
Sean, Stephanie, and baby Reed  
Chris, Diane, Rachel, Julie, Catherine, Rose, Cliff,  
Trinity, Maria, Earl, Claudia, Steve, Ron, Fred, Eli,  
Jesse, Linda, Jordan, Ian, Eli, Libby, Ella, Beverly,  
Sonya, Bonnie, Jon, Alicia, Rosemary, Josephine,  
Carolyn, Mickey, Terry, Johnnie, Jean

## WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY ~ July 16, 2023

**Prelude** ..... *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
Frank Meyer, Organ  
Barbara Peterson, Piano

**Welcome and Invocation**.....Dr. Paul de Jong  
*Prayer Requests can be TEXTED to Pastor Paul at 239-314-8132*

**Minute for Missions** .....Keith Olson

\* **Hymn of Praise** .....#8 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Greeting One Another**

\* **Greeting Song**.....*Surely the Presence*

**Special Music** .....*It Took a Miracle*  
Dick Kuieck and Roger Peterson, Duet

**Scripture Reading: 2 Peter 2:12-22** .....Gerry Tussey

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Receiving Our Offerings**

**Instrumental Offertory** .....*It Is Well with My Soul*

\* **Doxology & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

\* **Song of Preparation** .....#493 *It Is Well with My Soul*

**Scripture: Numbers 22:1-23:26**  
**Piano Meditation:** Barbara Peterson  
**Sermon: *The World's Foolishness***  
**Dr. Paul de Jong**

\* **Hymn**.....#116 *Take the Name of Jesus with You*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

\* Please stand if you are able

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** The Chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God by **Frank & Carole Meyer** in honor of *Bonnie Lee DiGrazia*.