



RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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www.RIDGLEAPRES.org

October 2021

10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Join Zoom Meeting

Every week on Sun, until Oct. 31, 2021,
5 occurrence(s)

Oct 3, 2021 10:30 AM

Oct 10, 2021 10:30 AM

Oct 17, 2021 10:30 AM

Oct 24, 2021 10:30 AM

Oct 31, 2021 10:30 AM

**Please note we will continue to stream our
service of worship on Facebook and Zoom (see
below for Zoom info)**

Join Zoom Meeting

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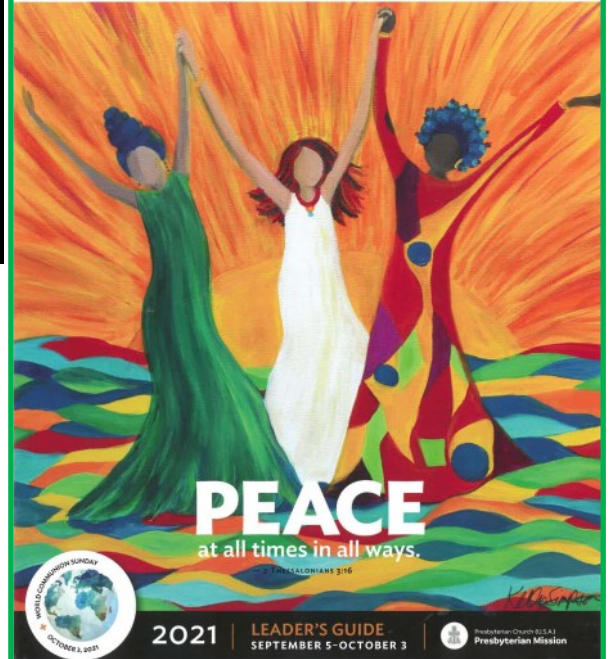


**We will celebrate Communion
on
Sunday, October 3, 2021**



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

MATTHEW 25



PIPE ORGAN UPDATE

The long-planned organ update is proceeding well. Andy Rose has been spending long hours installing the new system which controls the entire instrument. This includes a multi level combination, transposer, MIDI capability, and more.

When completed, the organ will better serve the needs of the music program as we are able to gradually return to our normal schedules.

The organ should be playable again in mid-October.

**SESSION MEETING
WILL BE HELD ON
OCTOBER 21, 2021
At 7:00 P.M.**

OCTOBER NEWSLETTERS ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE



PASTOR'S NOTES

Seasons

A couple of days ago my eyes were drawn to a book down on a low shelf that I hadn't paid attention to since putting it there more than a year ago. More than a coffee-table book, but not quite a manual of operations, this is *The Tool Book* by W. B. Logan (© 1997 by Smith and Hawken). There are sections on all sorts of implements, from the ordinary and familiar to unusual and specialized (such as the Slingo spade, originally from Holland, and the Newcastle draining tool, originally from England).

Skimming through *The Tool Book* reminded me that in the corner of our garage is a wonderful collection of long-handled tools that have accumulated over the decades, some having come from my Grandad's farm in Atwood, Kansas. One of those is a rake whose handle is notched every sixteen inches; Grandad told me he did that so that he could keep his vegetable rows spaced evenly.

Because we moved into our house in mid-April, there wasn't time (or energy) to get a garden started before the Texas heat fell like a blanket. My initial hope was to hold off until the middle of May before turning on our lawn sprinklers, which stretched into a wetter-than-usual June, and the rains tapered off in July, so the sprinklers stayed off, while the yard kept getting mowed. July brought some triple-digit days but there were also a couple of day-and-a-half stretches of rain, so out came the Snapper every week, and I began to think that it might be August before needing to water the yard. August ended the way it began, which was basically a continuation of July: hot and hotter, with a smattering of rain every five to eight days.

Now, here we are in the last week of September, experiencing a classic autumn, with warmish days and coolish nights and this is being written while rain is falling for the first time in about nine or ten days, and more rain forecast for the next forty-eight or more hours. Six months ago who would have imagined mowing without watering all the way into October? It will be next spring, or early summer, before our home sprinkler system is given much more thought.

These months without running the sprinklers could be considered a blessing, yet it is also a blessing to know they were available if needed. The same goes for those garden tools that languish in the garage. (*some of them pictured above*)

It is hoped that this is also true for discipling, for our journeys of being witness to the living word of God. It may have been a while since we thought about those discussions, studies, or sermons that touched on topics like hospitality, sanctification, evil, justice, hope, or evangelism, but isn't it a blessing to know that those tools are at the ready? Such "tools" are there, in the presence of our families, friends, and colleagues. When our lives become brittle, when troubles entangle us, there is almost always someone who can help, whether it is clearing a path, or simply sitting, reflecting, and waiting with us for the next season.

Just as there are a lot of variations and uses for gardening tools (enough for a book!) there are also opportunities and possibilities for the tools of faith-filled living, stretching from the generations upon whose wisdom we trust to the hopes that we look for on tomorrow's horizon.

Peace,



Making contact...

Ridglea Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church (USA). It is governed by the Session, an elected body composed of elders and pastors. Our committees, led by elders, oversee our ministries. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. Email: Clerk@RidgleaPres.org. Our deacons oversee our ministries of care and compassion. Email: Deacons@RidgleaPres.org

RPC SESSION

Class of 2022

Delaine Godwin
Katrina Little
George Tischler
Reeve Van Nostrand

Class of 2023

Miriam Gallagher
Gayle Johnson
Nancy Staples
Nick Thoni

Class of 2024

Susan Everts
Marji Raunikar
Mike Strange
Dale Wagner

Clerk of Session: Karen Landon

RPC TRUSTEES

Class of 2021

Jean Hadley
Ken Kibler

Class of 2022

Chris Henderson

Class of 2023

Jim Godfrey

2021 RPC DEACONS

*Betsy Kibler - Moderator

Michelle Birdwell - Home Member Care Coordinator

Jane Johnson—Home Member Care Coordinator

Kit Van Nostrand—Home Member Care Coordinator

Lynne Payne—Hospital Care Coordinator

Ruth Ann Rinewalt—Hospital Care Coordinator

Dean Phillips – Hospital Care Coordinator

Jean Godfrey – Funeral Reception Coordinator

*Not active Deacon

RPC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Class of 2021

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Class of 2022

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Class of 2023

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Class of 2024

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**You are invited to attend a General Meeting
of the Presbyterian Women of Ridglea
on October 26, at 10:30 a.m.
in the sanctuary.**

Our speaker will be Meghan Forest Farmer,
founder of The Bright Factory in Fort Worth.

**What if a t-shirt could change a life?
What if a t-shirt could disrupt an Industry?
That's right. A t-shirt.**

for more information visit:
The Bright Factory by Meghan Forest Farmer-kickstarter



Emails have been sent out to you from "Sign Up Genius" asking you to register. **PLEASE VOLUNTEER** to help with the Sunday morning worship service.



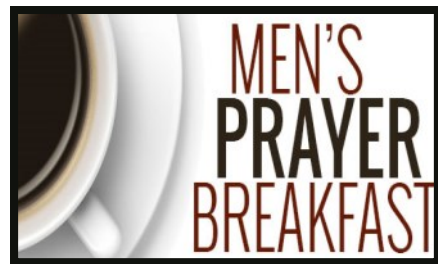


PRESBYTERIAN NIGHT SHELTER
of Tarrant County

Providing safety and hope since 1984

Please help us help others!!

There are sign ups for sandwich makers for the Presbyterian Night Shelter in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Aprilant
nAprilant@charter.net



Wednesday mornings at 8:00 a.m.
Sanctuary



Hi Painters!

We have been given a fine house to paint by Habitat in east Fort Worth. I looked over three sides of the home today and believe that we will enjoy working on this project and should finish around noon.

Let's plan to arrive in time to begin painting by 8:30 a.m. this Saturday.

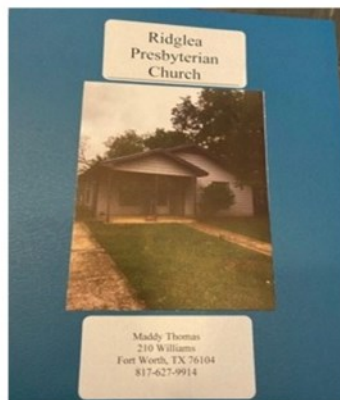
Plan to bring any particular items you wish to have for painting. Gloves, step stools, ladders, hats, sunscreen, bug spray, etc. may improve your experience.

While rain is in the forecast, Habitat is determined for all 50 houses to be painted-unless it pours. Habitat will post a weather cancellation by 6:45 a.m. Saturday morning. I'll check the website and send an email to you all only if we cancel. You may check yourself by going to the website at trinityhabitat.org/weather or [Facebook.com/TrinityHabitat](https://www.facebook.com/TrinityHabitat).

Thank you for agreeing to share some of your weekend with us to make a difference for this homeowner. Please note her name and address below.

Walt

Maddy Thomas
210 Williams
Fort Worth, Texas 76104
817-627-9914



CHILD CARE



**PLEASE NOTE, WE NOW
HAVE CHILDCARE AND
SECURITY FOR CHILDREN
INFANT TO AGE 7 DURING
THE 10:30 A.M. SERVICE.**



The 2022 Flower
Calendar is
now posted
in the Narthex

Sign up to provide the floral arrangement in the worship service. You can honor or remember a loved one, celebrate a special occasion, or just provide some beauty for our new worship space. Arrangements are normally \$50.00. You may take the flowers with you after the worship service.

If you have any questions, contact Patricia at the church office 817-732-3388.



The Jam Sessions for October will be on Monday, October 4th and October 18th in the Sanctuary from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Lots of bluegrass, folk, Americana and country music is shared with acoustic (unamplified) instruments. Musicians of all skills are encouraged!



Presbyterian Women

October 2021

September 12, Pastor Roger installed the officers for the 2021/2022 year. New officers serving their first term are:

Kit Van Nostrand—Circle Two Chair
Nancy Marchant—Mission Project Chair
Ruth Ann Rinewalt—Prayer Chain Chair

After the service, as the men retreated to the Narthex to debate lunch destinations, women pulled out tables, pushed around chairs and decorated the tablecloths with Ruth Ann's beautiful doll collection. About 40 women and a few younger girls (future PWR ladies) enjoyed a delicious salad luncheon. Thank you to the committee headed by Katrina Little for their hard work.

Circle News:

Circle One	October 12	Church (Fish Classroom)	10:30 a.m.
Circle Two	October 12	Church (Conference Room)	10:30 a.m.
Circle Three	October 19	Zoom (Note date change)	7:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE: October 26 at 10:30 a.m. at the church, we will hold our first general meeting since 2019. Meghan Forest Farmer will speak to us about The Bright Factory in Fort Worth. She founded the company to help provide jobs for women who have been incarcerated. Please join us to hear this inspiring woman and find out how a t-shirt can change a life.

Just Bring It—October—Center for Transforming Lives needs baby wipes and disinfectant wipes. It's also a good time to "Clean out, Help out" house and closet and donate "unwanted" items to their Resale Shop on Camp Bowie.

BIBLE STUDY - MISSION - FELLOWSHIP
All Women, Always Welcomed



- ♦ We Welcome
 - ♦ We Witness
 - ♦ We Work (and play!)
- Putting faith in action is what we do!*



Many of us know the blessings of having fellow church members pray for us and others.

Prayer Request items are distributed to a list maintained by PWR. Anyone who would like to be added to this distribution list should call the Church office.

Anyone who has a prayer request can send the information to Ruth Ann Rinewalt at r.rinewalt@att.net.



The Board of Deacons wishes to encourage the congregation to send a note, a card, or make a phone call to a Home Member to brighten their day, since visitors are not allowed at this time. For a Home Member's contact information, please call either Jane Johnson @ 817-307-9776 or Betsy Kibler @ 817-560-3141. Thank you for reaching out to our Home Members!

RPC is Looking for a Few Good Women and Men

It's the time of year when the Nominations Committee asks the congregation to submit ideas of who you would like to see in leadership positions in the following roles:

Elders: A three-year term with the following responsibilities,
Attend Session (minimally once a month, sometimes more)
Read agenda materials
Serve Communion
Attend funerals
Pray for our congregation
Participate in two committees per year
Willing to chair two committees during your three-year term

Trustees: A three-year term, whose sole responsibility is to sign documents at the direction of the Session.

Deacons: A one-year term to help with funerals, keep up with our hospitalized or homebound members, and send cards, coordinate delivery of poinsettias and Easter Lilies.

At-Large RPC bylaws require that a member be selected by the congregation to serve one-year term on the Nomination Committee.

The Nominations Committee will consider the names you submit and arrive with a slate to present to the congregation. We are looking for folks who are active at church, attending Sunday morning service regularly and serving in other ways. Please pray about who to suggest and for the Nominations Committee that we will find folks that God would have us ask.

The Nominations Committee will consider the names you submit to come up with a slate to present to you for election at a Congregational Meeting in January.

Deadline to submit is Sunday, November 7, 2021

Drop your suggestions in the collection plate on Sunday or Email your suggestions to the Nomination Committee Chair: Miriam Gallagher at mpg4235@sbcglobal.net

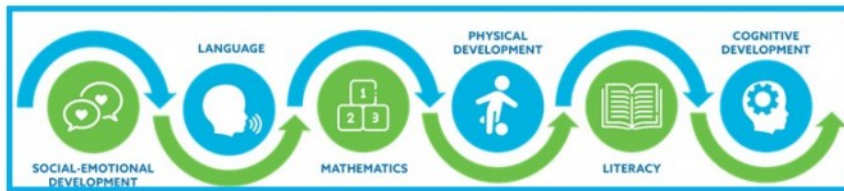
Elder	Trus-	Dea-	Mem-	Your Suggestions

Nominations Committee- Chair: Miriam Gallagher, Vice Chair: Nancy Staples, Jean Hadley, Beth Duncan, Ed Chandler, Betsy Kibler, Marsha West.

OCTOBER JUST BRING IT: Center for Transforming Lives

Baby Wipes, Disinfectant Wipes, Gently Used Items for the Resale Shop

Center for Transforming Lives (CTL) provides literacy-rich, child-centered classrooms with low child-to-teacher ratios, individualized learning plans, healthy daily meals, abundant outdoor time, and social skill strengthening activities at four child development centers and four partner centers in Tarrant County. The most effective way to disrupt poverty is to work with parents and children equally and simultaneously, so that transformation lasts into the next generation.



Homelessness in early childhood is associated with delays in language, literacy, and social-emotional development, and CTL seeks to mitigate these delays. The younger and longer a child experiences homelessness, the greater the cumulative toll of negative health outcomes, which can have lifelong effects on the child, the family, and the community. (Schoolhouse Connection).

Additionally, access to high quality child care lifts up the entire family. When a single mother knows her child is safe with a trusted caregiver, she can pursue an education or seek employment that will contribute to long-term stability.

The Resale Shop is a thrift store operated by CTL that offers quality merchandise at affordable prices while supporting their mission of disrupting the cycle of poverty for women and children in Tarrant County. Whether you're cleaning out your closets or de-cluttering your kitchen or living spaces, collect those usable items and take them to The Resale Shop at 6500 Camp Bowie Boulevard!

Oct 3
YOUTH: HIKE + SUNDAY SCHOOL
9 AM - NOON
Fort Worth Nature Center
No Cost for Youth | Bussing & Pick-up @ RPC

The poster features a silhouette of a person hiking on a trail, with a small logo of a bird in a nest above the text 'Nature Center & Refuge'.

RPC OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT!
DOUBLE FEATURE

Join us for a night of blockbusters under the stars!
Don't forget to bring your blankets and lawn chairs!
Hot Chocolate, Yard Games & Popcorn provided!

OCTOBER 30TH @ 7 PM ON THE RPC GREEN

7 PM - Disney's Coco	Rated PG
9 PM - Ghostbusters	Rated PG

COCO 

The poster has a dark background with colorful stars and a large, stylized 'COCO' logo at the bottom left and the Ghostbusters logo at the bottom right.

RIDGLEA STUDENT MINISTRIES
Local Missions Day!
Benefitting

WestAid
pantry with purpose

Join us for local missions day after the service on
Sunday, October 17th, 2021 | 12 PM-2PM
West Aid, 7940 Camp Bowie West, Fort Worth, Texas 76116
The youth will bus from RPC & back for easy pick up!

The poster features a background image of a grocery store aisle with shelves stocked with various food items.

RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH NEWS

MONTHLY UPDATES ABOUT RPC STUDENT MINISTRIES

October 2021, No. 1

Monthly Issue

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP



Nature Center & Refuge

Sunday, October 3rd we will be combining our Sunday School + Youth Fellowship and taking a hike—literally. We are meeting at the church at 9 AM, busing to the Fort Worth Nature Center, and connecting to God, nature, and each other! Parent pick up at RPC @ 12

LOCAL MISSION DAY



Sunday, October 17th we will be serving at West Aid Fort Worth! Join us after the service in the youth room for a quick bite before we bus over. Also, feel free to meet us there at 12:30 if you'd rather take your own vehicle. Parents are to pick up students from West Aid by 2 PM. We look forward to seeing you there!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RPC Youth have been asked to volunteer for reading the lectionary every third Sunday of the month! If you're interested in being our volunteer for November or December, please email Patricia at: patricia@ridgleapres.org

Third Sunday,
October Lectionary:
Martin Cleworth

COORDINATOR'S NOTE

Hello RPC Families!

It's been an awesome first couple of months getting to know all of you, and I look forward to learning more! I am honored to be here and can't wait to delve more into your traditions and facilitate safe fun! We have some amazing stuff coming up and I don't want anyone to miss out. I think you'd agree that we have to all work together to improve upon our communication. It is the key to any good relationship and I want the best for each of our students and their families! So, we have expanded our efforts to this monthly newsletter, email as always, and events will be posted on Facebook and Instagram! Please text, email, or use smoke signals if you ever have questions, thoughts, or concerns at any point! My love languages are feedback and RSVP's!

kate@ridgleapres.org -Kate Morrell

YOUTH CALENDAR

Sunday October 3-

Youth Sunday School + Fellowship Hike combo! Bus with us to the Fort Worth Nature Center for the Word, the great outdoors, and fellowship.
9-Noon

Sunday, October 10th-

Sunday School @ 9:15
(Youth Room)

Sunday October 17th-

Sunday School @ 9:15
(Youth Room)

Local Missions Day:
West Aid Edition! Noon- 2

Sunday, October 24th-

Sunday School @ 9:15 (Youth Room)

Saturday, October 30th- Outdoor
Family Movie Night @ 7 PM @ RPC Green

Sunday, October 31st-

Sunday School @ 9:15 (Youth Room)

RIDGLEA KIDS OCTOBER NEWS

KIDS CALENDAR

Sunday October 3-
Sunday School @ 9:15

Sunday, October 10-
Sunday School @ 9:15
Kids Who Serve! Art for
the Home-bound!

Sunday, October 17-
Sunday School @ 9:15

Sunday, October 24-
Sunday School @ 9:15

Saturday, October 30th-
Double Feature Family
Movie Night @ 7 PM
@ RPC Green

Sunday, October 31-
Sunday School @ 9:15



DOUBLE FEATURE

OUTDOOR
FAMILY MOVIE
NIGHT

OCTOBER 30TH | 7PM-11PM



GH2STBUSTERS

WANTED: VOLUNTEERS

Ridglea Kids Ministry is seeking additional volunteers to help with our outdoor family movie night! If you want to help with concessions, please let Kate know at your earliest convenience!

KIDS WHO SERVE

Ridglea Kids are kids who care! We will be creating "Busy Bags" for children in attendance of RPC. Its one more way we can put our best foot forward and show guests and members alike how much we care! This is a great opportunity to learn about art and community engagement. What a fun way to brighten someone's day!

Sunday, October 17th

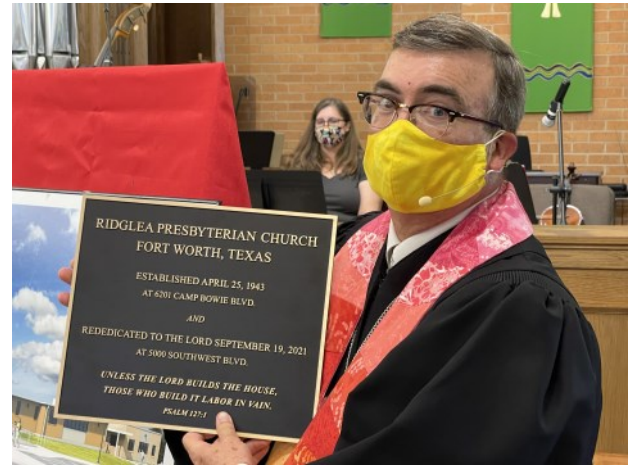
During the Sunday
School Hour!



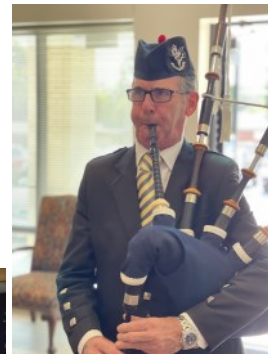
FAMILY FUN!

We are celebrating fall yall! (We are also being super covid-safe). So, please join us for a family fun movie night on the green at RPC. We will be showing a double feature of Coco + Ghostbusters! Don't forget to bring your blankets, lawnchairs, and coolers. RPC will provide yard games, a hot chocolate bar, and popcorn of course! We will encourage distancing and have sanitation stands set up as well. RSVP By October 25th on our Facebook or by emailing Kate at kate@ridgleapres.org

RIDGLEA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATION SEPTEMBER 19, 2021



Rev. Dr. Don Hogg (Westminster Presb Church), Rev. Roger Harwerth (Ridglea Presb), Rev. Dr. Warner Bailey (Honorably Retired), Rev. Dr. Lisa Patterson (St Andrew's Presb, Denton), Rev. Mike Miller (Agape Baptist, Fort Worth) participated in the building dedication service.



Service Session Work Group:

Primary task is to provide for the service of the people of God, focusing on the external life of the church.

1st Monday of the Month (*as needed*)

October 4 , 2021

Ministry Teams meetings

1st Tuesday of the Month

October 5, 2021

- **Outreach Team: Focus on Mission**

Miriam Gallagher, Chair (*6:00 p.m.*)

2nd Wednesday of the Month

October 13, 2021

- **Commitment Focus on Guests**

Katrina Little, Chair (*as needed*)

1st Tuesday of the Month

October 5, 2021

Ministry Team meeting at 10:00 a.m.

- **Board of Deacons Focus on Members**

Betsy Kibler, Chair; Jane Johnson (*as needed*)

1st Wednesday of the month

October 6, 2021

- **Worship Team: Delaine Godwin , Chair**

(*as needed*)

Worship & Nurture Work Group:

Primary task is to provide for the service of the people of God, focusing on the internal life of the church.

3rd Tuesday of the Month

October 19 , 2021

Ministry Teams meeting

- **Christian Education:** *Julie Ritz, Chair*

(*6:15 pm*)

- **Fellowship Team:** *Gayle Johnson, Chair; Butch*

Saxton, Vice Chair (*as needed*)

3rd Tuesday of the week

Session Meeting week

Ministry Team meeting

- **Finance & Budget, Reeve Van Nostrand**
(*5:30 pm*) (*as needed*)

**YOUR SESSION INVITES YOU TO
FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS:**

- 1. FIND YOUR PASSION**
- 2. FIND YOUR MINISTRY TEAM**
- 3. IDENTIFY YOUR MEETING NIGHT**
- 4. GET INVOLVED!**

Government Session Work Group:

Primary task is to provide support & resources for the church.

2nd Wednesday of the Month

October 13, 2021

Ministry Teams meeting

- **Building & Equipment** (*as needed*)
George Tischler & John Godwin,
Co-Chairs
- **Personnel** (*as needed*)
Nick Thoni, Chair and Julie Ritz
- **Clerk of Session**
Karen Landon

October 2021 Birthdays



Jim Godfrey	10	2
Jim Cleworth	10	4
John Little	10	4
Laura Campbell	10	5
Izaiah Rodriguez	10	6
Allison Cleworth	10	7
Thomas Rodriguez	10	7
Marilyn Curtis	10	12
James Dearman	10	12
Lorane Rea	10	12
Cary Dorman	10	13
Helen Luckett	10	14
Jack Wyatt	10	14
Jeanie Birdwell	10	15
Sam Thomas	10	16

Steve Baker	10	18
Jean Comer	10	19
Barrett Birdwell	10	24
Sandra Howeth	10	25
Carolyn Larence	10	25
Claude Wakefield	10	26
Gary Wayne Shank	10	26
Catherine Cleworth	10	27
Guy Groulx	10	28
Gordon Marchant	10	28
Glenda Long	10	28
Paula Sandford	10	28

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

The next newsletter
deadline
will be
October 21, 2021
at noon.