

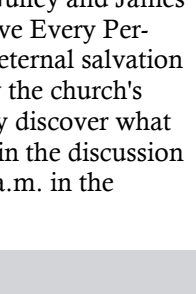
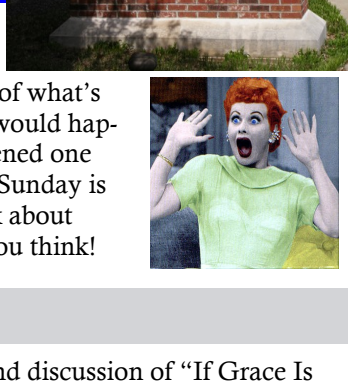


# CONNECT

an e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church, Evansville, IN

January 25, 2012

**Welcome to Connect!** This e-newsletter will come to you every Wednesday from First Presbyterian Church in Evansville, Indiana. Our hope is to keep you well-informed about everything going on in the congregation's life and to share some of the exciting opportunities available to you, your family, and your friends.



## Sunday, January 29, 2012

The thing about worship is that we have a pretty good idea of what's going to happen on any given Sunday morning. But, what would happen if the plan for the day went "out the window?" It happened one day in a synagogue that Jesus was visiting. Our sermon for Sunday is entitled, "One Wild Sunday Morning," and asks us to think about some fairly fundamental ideas. Come along and see what you think!

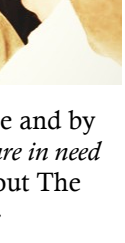
## If Grace Is True



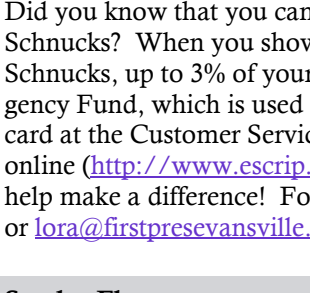
The Pastor's Class continues the study and discussion of "If Grace Is True: Why God Will Save Every Person" by Philip Gulley and James Mulholland. In "If Grace Is True: Why God Will Save Every Person," two pastors present their controversial belief in eternal salvation for all through God's perfect grace. Long disturbed by the church's struggle between offering both love and rejection, they discover what God wants from us and for us: grace for everyone. Join the discussion and the class, which meets Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

## Circle Bible Study

"Greatly Honored Are the Pure in Heart" is the topic for the February 1<sup>st</sup> PW Circle Bible Study of the Beatitudes. The study scriptures are Matthew 5:8; Psalm 24 and Psalm 51:1-12. Circle meets the first Wednesday of each month from 12:30—1:30 p.m. in Kerr Chapel. Everyone is invited.



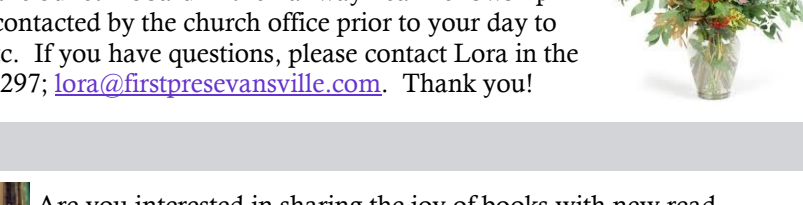
## First Kids Volunteers Needed



The First Kids program is in need of volunteers for their Thursday dinners in the new semester! Volunteers prepare, serve and clean up the dinners. The meals are simple, kid friendly and preferably healthy and can be prepared at home or in the kitchen at church. Your help is greatly appreciated and your expenses can be reimbursed. Please contact the church office (423-6297; [firstpres@firstpresevansville.com](mailto:firstpres@firstpresevansville.com)) if you can help.

## The Diner

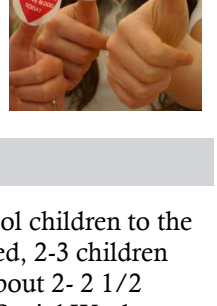
We will be serving at The Diner Saturday morning, January 28<sup>th</sup>, providing breakfast to neighbors in need.



If you can volunteer, please know your help is appreciated by the people we serve and by our Mission Committee. Help serving and cleaning up begins at 8:45 a.m. *We are in need of extra help in the last hour of clean-up (10:00-11:00 a.m.)*. For more information about The Diner or to volunteer this month, please contact Ronda Hurt at 425-5991 or [ron-dah01@wowway.com](mailto:ron-dah01@wowway.com).

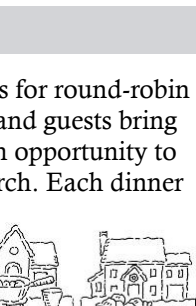
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Did you know that you can help neighbors in need when you shop at Schnucks? When you show your eScrip Customer Care Card at Schnucks, up to 3% of your purchase will benefit the Pastor's Emergency Fund, which is used to help individuals in need. Pick up your card at the Customer Service Counter or in the church office, register it online ([http://www.escrip.com/merchants/identity/schnucks/customer\\_escrip.jsp](http://www.escrip.com/merchants/identity/schnucks/customer_escrip.jsp)), and help make a difference! For more information, please contact the church office at 423-6297 or [lora@firstpresevansville.com](mailto:lora@firstpresevansville.com).



## Sunday Flowers

Would you like to give flowers to enhance our weekly worship services? Sign up on the 2012 Flower Chart for your preferred day. The chart is located on the bulletin board in the hallway near Fellowship Hall. You will be contacted by the church office prior to your day to arrange delivery, etc. If you have questions, please contact Lora in the church office 423-6297; [lora@firstpresevansville.com](mailto:lora@firstpresevansville.com). Thank you!



## Rockin' Readers



Are you interested in sharing the joy of books with new readers? Plans are being finalized this week for Rockin' Readers and additional volunteers are needed. Everyone is welcome, the more the merrier. The more- the more students we touch.

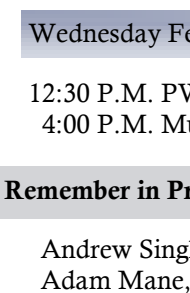
The suggested time for kindergarten is 1:10-2:40, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders 10:55- 12:55. We will meet the students in the Media Center; days are still to be determined. Let Jeanne Nussmeier know if you can help. 479-7629, [nuss2129@wowway.com](mailto:nuss2129@wowway.com).

## Blood Drive

The next Red Cross Blood Drive at First Pres will be March 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions or want to see if you are eligible to donate blood, contact the American Red Cross at [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) or 800-448-3543. For more information specifically about First Pres' blood drive, contact Carol Zapin at 402-0420 or [czap@aol.com](mailto:czap@aol.com).



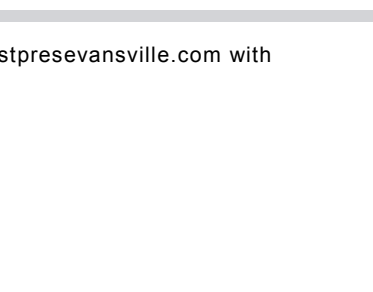
## Washington Middle School Clothing Bank



Drivers are needed to help transport elementary school children to the Washington Middle School Clothing Bank. As needed, 2-3 children are transported, using your own car. The trip takes about 2- 2 1/2 hours of your time. Contacts are Jennifer Coffman, Social Worker at Delaware School (435-8227 Ext. 3) and Mrs. Winters, Social Worker at Glenwood School (435-8242). You will be helping children get much needed clothing, including shoes, coats, and gloves.

## Dinner With Friends—Coming This Spring

The popular fellowship event is back! Join First Pres members and friends for round-robin style dinner groups this spring. The host home provides the main course and guests bring a dish to share. Held one weekend each month, Dinner with Friends is an opportunity to enjoy a meal, meet, and spend time with members and friends of the church. Each dinner will include a different group of people. The spring 2012 dates are a Friday, Saturday, or Sunday evening over the following weekends: April 20-22; May 18-20; June 22-24. The exact date will be up to the host and guests. Watch for a sign-up sheet coming soon! Don't miss this great opportunity to enjoy a wonderful meal and spend time getting to know fellow members and friends of First Pres.



Dinner with Friends

## This Week's Calendar



### Thursday January 26

3:30 P.M. First Kids  
6:15 P.M. Choir School

### Saturday January 28

8:45 A.M. First Pres Serves at the Diner

### Sunday January 29

8:30 A.M. Wide Awake Worship  
9:30 A.M. Adult Sunday School  
9:30 A.M. Choir Rehearsal  
10:30 A.M. Sanctuary Worship  
11:30 A.M. Fellowship Hour  
11:30 A.M. Trustees Meeting

### Monday January 30

1:00 P.M. Staff Meeting

### Tuesday January 31

3:30 P.M. First Friends  
4:00 P.M. Choir School

### Wednesday February 1

12:30 P.M. PW Circle  
4:00 P.M. Music School

## Remember in Prayer...

Andrew Singleton and his family, on the death of his mother, Diane Adam Mane, as he gives thanks for a new job offer  
The Whitlers, as they pray for the continued work of the Reconstruction Team Nancy, suffering from terminal cancer  
Navi, as he prays for well-being  
Bonnie Rinks mother, Kitty McCammon, who underwent eye surgery Monday

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