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November 13 – 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

*Birthday Celebration during Coffee Hour for
Marilyn Loudon and Ruth Varkonda; Soup to Go*

Scriptures: Deuteronomy 24:19-22
2 Corinthians 8:8-9; 9:7-8

Sermon: "The Mission of Money"

Liturgist: Pat Garick

Music: Haviland Choir, Carillon Ringers

November 20 – Christ the King/Reign of Christ

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Scriptures: Leviticus 19:9
2 Corinthians 9:9-15



Sermon: "Torah, Todah and Eucharist"

Liturgist: Sue Skiba

Music: Haviland Choir

We missed it! Café Justo's 20th Anniversary Celebration was this past weekend! Café Justo -You know, the great Organic coffee we serve every Sunday during Coffee Hour and at all our special gatherings. Our Youth group and lucky adult chaperones traveled to Agua Prieta in 2003 and were there at the very beginning stages of the co-op. I wrote about our experience a few months back. I want to share some more information about the coop and introduce you to a very exciting new opportunity for our church members.

The initial idea behind Café Justo was to enable the Mexican coffee growers to stay on their land and to receive a fair and living wage for their work. It was felt that when this was possible, they would be more likely to stay put and enjoy being with their family and other relatives.

So, what is special about Café Justo? First and most importantly, it is Grower owned. The cooperative members own the entire business from the growing through the roasting. The coffee that they grow, because of where it is grown, is famous for its smooth taste and low acidity. The entire purchase price of the coffee goes directly to the cooperative and the growers. And finally, it is Organic certified and has a Fair Trade Plus certification. The coffee is grown by the local growers, roasted, and shipped without middlemen which always pushes up the price of coffee.

Here is the exciting news! I have been informed that the Mission I&S Committee have decided to support Café Justo by making available order forms so that our church members can easily order this delicious coffee (with free shipping) and enjoy it at home. Watch for the order forms at all the church entrances, or you can order online at fronteradecristo.org.

Just in case you need a little encouragement to buy the coffee, here are some reasons you should buy it rather than the store brands.

- You get a full pound (16 ounces) of coffee.
- The coffee is shade grown, handpicked, carried down the mountains by foot or pack animal, and it is Organic.
- The coffee is always the most current crop and is sundried slowly on patios.
- The roasting date is marked on the package, which is always just a few days before shipping and the name of the Grower.
- The Growers receive more than twice the pay for their coffee than that of store brand corporate owned companies plus they get family health care and retirement benefits.

Please support these hardworking Coffee Growers. By retaining more money to the farmers, Café Justo changes the lives of Mexican families. ~ Carol Ricciardi, Moderator of Congregational Care Committee

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Pastoral Care, Hospital and Nursing Home Visits:

Rev. Trina Lewis is delighted to call on shut-ins of First Presbyterian Church. Also, she will provide communion to those who desire it. If you or a loved one would like a visit, please let Trina know or call Phyllis at the Church Office.

Thank You Notes:

Thank you for the beautiful flowers delivered by Gloria Shafer and for the continued prayers. We are truly blessed to be a part of such a loving church family. ~ Rob and Lu Ann Cole

The Presbyterian Women's Association would like to thank Erma Eaton for making the beautiful 90th birthday cards for Marilyn Loudon and Ruth Varkonda.

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I wanted to offer my sincere thank you to members of our congregation for all the best wishes, encouragement, flowers, and gifts during my knee surgery and recovery. The knee is coming along nicely, and I am about 80% with strength and flexibility issues being worked on. What a marvelous congregation we have at First Presbyterian Salem, praise be to the Lord. ~ Paul Fennema

Dear Mark and Friends at First Presbyterian Church:

Greetings to you from Guatemala. We just celebrated our 36th anniversary in September and feel great gratitude for your support of CEDEPCA. Thank you for your recent gift of \$500. You are making a difference in the lives of many! You have made it possible – for young men like Carlos to challenge patriarchal patterns, for women like Noemi to feed their families, for church leaders like pastor Cal to receive to be able to teach the Good News of the Bible, for young women like Marta to learn to resist violence and claim dignity, for communities like Cahabón to build resilience against disaster. You have made it possible for every individual to find hope and new possibility. We cannot do this work without your prayers and partnership. Thank you for your generosity and for understanding the needs of the people of Guatemala. Together we can change lives and show the love of Christ. With gratitude, faith, and hope, *Judith Castañeda, General Coordinator, CEDEPCA*

Pastor Nominating Committee Update:

Your PNC has sifted through well over 200 prospective ministers that fit the parameters of our Mission Study and held Zoom interviews with many. We have felt that several would serve our church well and had extended interviews with them, but all have accepted calls from other churches. We continue to review candidates weekly and interview those that fit. With God's help we will find our new minister. ~ FPC Salem PNC

Soup to Go – This Sunday, November 13

Chicken Noodle Soup will be available for \$5.00 a jar. Please return jars and lids. If you have a great soup recipe and are interested in heading up a soup team, please call the Church Office and get on the soup calendar!

When "Soup to Go" was first begun, it was agreed that the price of the soup would be \$5.00 and that the proceeds of the sales would go to local missions. Our committee has chosen to keep the price of the soup at \$5.00 but with

the rise in cost of the ingredients, we will not have as much money to donate to the local missions. If at all possible, please consider adding a small donation when you purchase your soup today. Please return jars and lids.

Advent Sunday School

Can you believe it! Advent almost here. We are doing something special this year to get ready for Christmas. Sunday School will combine the youth and adult classes to share "Advent in *Narnia*." It's based on C. S. Lewis' novel, The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. To kick it off, **we will meet Sunday afternoon on November 13 and 20 from 3:30-5:00** to watch the movie version of the book and to share refreshments. Sunday School will be at the usual time (9:15-10:00 a.m. Sunday morning). All ages are invited to this adventure.

Soup and Dessert Lunch – Sunday, November 20

Fellowship Hall following Worship – Anyone wishing to bring soup to share would be appreciated. Sponsored by the Congregational Care Committee.

Preschool Fundraisers:

Fall Flower Bulb Sale - We are selling Yellow Daffodils, Mt. Hood White Daffodils, Red Devon (yellow with red center) narcissus, Red Tulips, and bags of surprise mixed bulbs for \$5.00 a bag which goes directly to the Preschool. Bags of bulbs are on the stage in Fellowship Hall.

Salem Community Pantry – Mondays, 9-11 a.m.; Thursdays, 3-6 p.m.

People in 44460 zip code only. Volunteers Needed.

November

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| 9 / Weds | 10:30 Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)
6:15 Carillon Ringers
7:00 Haviland Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 Finance and Administration via Zoom |
| 10 / Thurs | 5:30 Preschool Board of Trustees (Library) |
| 12 / Sat | Making Soup to Go (Kitchen) |
| 13 / Sun | 9:15 Sunday School for Youth / Adult Sunday School (Library)
10:00 Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall) – <i>Birthday Celebration for Marilyn Loudon and Ruth Varkonda</i>
10:30 Lord's Day Worship – <i>Carillon Ringers</i>
11:30 Soup to Go – <i>Chicken Noodle (see article on page 3)</i>
2:00-6:00 Troop 3 Game Night (Fellowship Hall)
3:30-5:00 Advent Sunday School Kickoff (Library) All Ages are Invited (see article on page 3)
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (Basement/Fellowship Hall) |
| 14 / Mon | 10:30 Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 Troop 3 Scouts (Basement) / Troop 2003 G Scouts (209)
6:30 Congregational Care Committee (Library) |
| 16 / Weds | 10:30 Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)
6:15 Carillon Ringers (200) |
| 17 / Thurs | 7:00 Regular Session Meeting via Zoom |

- 20 / Sun 9:15 Sunday School for Youth / Adult Sunday School (Library)
10:00 Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall; by Congregational Care Committee)
10:30 Lord's Day Worship – *Consecration Sunday; The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*
11:30 Soup and Dessert Lunch (Fellowship Hall); *(see article on page 3)*
3:30-5:00 Advent Sunday School Kickoff (Library) **All Ages are Invited** *(see article on page 3)*
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (Basement/Fellowship Hall)
- 21 / Mon 10:30 Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 Troop 3 Scouts Court of Honor (Fellowship Hall)
6:45 Violin Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 23 / Weds 10:30 Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)
- 24 / Thurs *Happy Thanksgiving! / Church Office Closed*
- 25 / Fri Church Office Closed
- 27 / Sun 9:15-10:00 Advent Sunday School for Youth and Adults
10:00 Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall; by Congregational Care Committee)
10:30 Lord's Day Worship – *Brass*
6:00 Troop 3 Planning Meeting
- 28 / Mon 10:30 Tai Chi Class (Fellowship Hall)