



NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 25, 2024

PARTNERS IN GRACE

**CANCER SUPPORT GROUP
FOR PATIENTS AND CAREGIVERS**

**OCTOBER 26, 2024
10:00 A.M.
309 E. 21ST AVE.
GULF SHORES**

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST PROVIDED

A MINISTRY OF

First Presbyterian Church of Gulf Shores
Small Church. Big Heart.

Magnolia United Methodist Church
est. 2023

Church family,

On Saturday morning, we will partner with First Presbyterian Church to sponsor a support group for those in our congregations and the community facing the challenges of cancer. It is open to those with a current cancer diagnosis and those who have successfully battled through the disease but continue to live with the stress of what the future may hold. The purpose of the group is to allow those participating to establish a community that will support and pray for each other as they journey together through a difficult time.

If you know someone who would benefit from Partners in Grace, please let them know they are “welcome here...a place to find hope and love and peace.”

See you Sunday!

Pastor Todd

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

- We look forward to seeing everyone at First Presbyterian Church of Gulf Shores (FPC) at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary for worship. The scripture readings for the morning are Psalm 126, Hebrews 7:23-28, and Mark 10:46-52. The title of the sermon is “A Masterpiece of a Life.”
- Reverend David McLean and Pastor Todd will facilitate a study of *The Will of God* by Leslie D. Weatherhead each Wednesday in October from 10:00-11:30 a.m. The class will conclude on October 30th.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

For our November communion offering, we’ll partner with First Presbyterian Church to collect personal hygiene items for the William F. Green Veteran’s Home in Bay Minette. The following items are needed: body wash, shaving cream, after shave, men’s deodorant, toothpaste, and shampoo. A collection basket will be available in the Narthex beginning this Sunday and continuing through November 3rd. Thanks in advance as we honor and celebrate the service of our local veterans.

Each week, we collect food and take it to the *Blessing Boxes*. Please be in prayer about how you want to support this ministry. You can bring food, help distribute food, give funds so food can be bought, and everyone can pray for those receiving support through the *Blessing Boxes*. We will have a container to collect canned goods and dry goods in the Narthex every week.

Bright Bridge Ministries serves the most vulnerable and under-resourced residents in Escambia County, Florida. Each day, they serve a meal to the residents of the shelter, as well as those in the community, who are struggling with food insecurity. We have partnered with them to help prepare and serve their midday meal several times throughout the year. If you’re interested in helping, we’ll leave the church parking lot at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 29th. It will be the highlight of your week as we share the love and grace of Christ through serving at Bright Bridge.

**TUESDAY OCT 29
MEET AT CHURCH 7:30 AM**



We will be going to help serve food to our neighbors in Pensacola.

THE SCHEDULE – PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, October 26

10:00 a.m. – Partners in Grace (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, October 27

9:30 a.m. – Worship

10:30 a.m. – Coffee and Snacks

11:00 a.m. – Sunday School

Tuesday, October 29

7:30 a.m. – Bright Bridge Ministries (Meet in the church parking lot)

Wednesday, October 30

10:00 a.m. – *The Will of God* (Classroom off Fellowship Hall)

6:00 p.m. – Magnolia Singers Rehearsal



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If there is something you need or if you have a question or comment, please reach out to Pastor Todd Dowdy at pastor@magnolia-umc.org or call the church office at 251-522-3936.

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*You are welcome here. No matter where you have been.
No matter what you have done or left undone.
You are welcome in love and grace.
May you find rest and renewal.
May you find hope and love and peace.
This is what God offers to us all.*