



FPC News

First Presbyterian
Church

December 15, 2006



The Christmas Eve service will be held at 5:30pm in the Sanctuary.

There will be one service at 11am that morning.

On December 31st there will be one worship service at 11am.

Christmas Open House

Caman and I would like to invite everyone to the Manse for a Christmas Open House. We appreciate the opportunity to be a part of such a wonderful congregation! Please join us on Sunday, December 17th for refreshments between 2pm & 4pm.

Susan Patterson



Special Music for Sunday, December 17th at 11am

On Sunday, December 17th, the Chancel Choir will perform the *Gloria* by

Antonio Vivaldi. This is a setting of the Gloria from the Ordinary of the Mass. The choir will be joined by soloist who sang in the performance of *Messiah* last November along with other guest choristers from the Masterworks Chorale in Raleigh. Antonio Vivaldi was one of the most prolific composers of Baroque Church music. As Director of a School of orphan girls, he composed hundreds of student compositions that are still challenging to adult musicians. The *Gloria* is a setting that is performed by many church choirs, community and college choruses and often times programmed with other major works from this period.

We hope you will plan on attending the service on Sunday at 11am. Invite your friends as this will be a special musical worship experience.

Treasurer's Report January - November 2006

	<u>Jan.-Nov. 06</u>	<u>Jan.-Nov. 05</u>
Income		
Operating Income	503,559	433,310
Total Income	503,559	433,310
Expense		
Witness	27,107	35,253
Administration	242,435	324,068
Property	134,815	133,838
Worship	2,486	7,585
Christian Education	19,064	26,740
Congregational Care	32	3,349
Stewardship	143	(588)
Building Loan Payment	89,631	0
Total Expenses	515,713	530,245
Net Income	(12,154)	(96,935)

A couple of non-budgeted items to which we contribute have received the following amounts this year:

Pennies for Hunger (Bangladesh)	2,117
Memorials	8,870

The Worship Committee wishes to extend a special 'thank you' to the following Sunday School Classes/people who helped decorate our church for this special season:

- **Sanctuary - Flower Committee and Inquirers Class**
- **Colonnade & Gathering Area - Hobson Class**
- **Harper Center - Dietrick Class and Carson Class**
- **Mclver Hall - Charles Johnson**

Do you feel called to serve as a Stephen Minister? A Stephen Minister is the following: Believes in God, be able to share Spiritual gifts with others, confidential sharing, praying for and with others, being a trusted friend in illness, grief, separation, adjustments in life, or just being there with those alone, with Spiritual care.

The Stephen Minister training will begin in January with 50 hours of class time. If you are interested, please contact Lucille Cameron or Betty Womble.

What's Happening in December???

Thurs., Dec. 14 - 7pm CDC Christmas Program

Sun., Dec. 17 - 8am MOC Breakfast; 9am Contemporary Service; 9:45am Sunday School; 10:30am Officers' Examination - Chapel; 11am Worship; 2pm Christmas Open House at Manse; 4pm Cong. Care Committee; 5pm Stephen Ministers/Leaders; 6pm Middle School Youth at the Woodell's home; Sr. High Youth at the Quick's home; 7pm New Member Committee; Witness Committee, Stewardship & Budget Committee; 7:30pm Committees Meet

Tues., Dec. 19 - 9am Staff Meeting; 10am CDC Chapel

Fri., Dec. 22 - 12pm Church Offices closes

Sun., Dec. 24 - 9:45am Sunday School; 11am Worship; 5:30pm Christmas Eve Service/Communion

Mon, Dec. 25 - Christmas; Church Office and CDC Closed

Tues., Dec. 26 - Church Office and CDC Closed

Sun., Dec. 31 - 9:45am Sunday School; 11am Worship/Children's Church

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