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## MESSENGER

**SUNDAY SERVICE  
NOVEMBER 20, 2016**

**10:30 AM**

Rev. Dr. Sam Rutland

**Old Testament reading:**  
*Psalm 67: 1-7*

**New Testament reading:**  
*Colossians 3: 15-17*

**Sermon:**  
*"And Be Thankful"*

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This week we welcome guest pastor **Rev. Dr. Sam Rutland** to our worship service. Dr. Rutland is Honorably Retired, having served PC(USA) congregations in North Carolina, Georgia, and south Florida. In Florida he was Senior Minister of the Indian River Presbyterian Church, Ft. Pierce, and the Miami Shores Presbyterian Church, Miami Shores. He is a previous Moderator of Tropical Florida Presbytery and is currently active in the work of Habitat for Humanity – serving as current president of the St. Lucie County board. He and his wife, Mimi, reside in Port St. Lucie. They celebrate their 30th anniversary this month and have two daughters, both UF “Gators” with studies/careers in journalism and architecture. Dr. Rutland appreciates a good book, a well-tuned guitar, and loves being a pastor to God’s beloved people.

We also welcome **Marianne Mills** as guest pianist this week while Brandon is briefly out of town. Marianne has provided music for our services previously, and her husband, Brandon Mills, has been a soloist with us as well. We consider them both a special part of our church family.

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**SOUTH FORK HIGH SCHOOL CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2016 AT 4:00 PM**  
**HOBE SOUND COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SANCTUARY**

Mark your calendar and invite all your friends to join us for this special Sunday afternoon concert.

These young people are extremely talented and will entertain us with a variety of musical selections. **Let's welcome them to our church sanctuary filled to capacity with an appreciative audience.**

There is no charge for this concert, but donations will be collected to help support the South Fork High School music department and fund choir trips to New York City and Europe where they have been invited to perform.

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**DO YOU HAVE PLANS FOR THANKSGIVING?**



Thanksgiving is almost here! While it's a wonderful holiday for family gatherings, some of us may find ourselves alone on that special day.

**Carla Tinsley and Gail Shriver** will be preparing Thanksgiving dinner at Church this year, and invite any members and friends who would like to share in dinner and fellowship to join them.

Since they need to know how many hungry souls to plan for, they are asking you to sign up for a place at the table. There will be a sign up sheet on the Church porch this Sunday. So, mark your calendar for **Thursday, November 24**, and start thinking turkey and all the trimmings.

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**DECORATING THE SANCTUARY WITH POINSETTIAS**

This year we will once again be including Poinsettias in our Sanctuary Christmas decorations. These poinsettias are available for purchase by members and friends of the church. The cost of each plant is \$8.00.

The poinsettias are being donated, so when you buy a plant you will be making a donation to the funding of our Memorial Garden.



An insert will be included in the bulletin for use in ordering your poinsettia(s). It will

indicate ways in which you can dedicate your poinsettia if you so choose. You will be able to take your plant home with you after the December 25 worship service.

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## THE NEW YEAR IS APPROACHING QUICKLY. HOW DO WE PREPARE?

As the new year approaches, even before we have eaten our Thanksgiving turkey or put up our Christmas decorations, we need to start planning for the new year in our Church. Stewardship, and new officer elections, are at the top of the planning list.

**Stewardship:** Treasurer and stewardship chairman Milla Fincham has the following message for all HSCPC members and friends.

The Finance Committee is starting to look toward next year and the 2017 budget. In order to plan a realistic budget it is necessary to get a good estimate of how much income there will be to work with. For this purpose church members and friends are asked to make a pledge in support of the financial operation of the Church. This pledge is basically the offering you plan to make each week, times 52 weeks.

In the next few weeks you will be receiving a pledge card for making your pledge for next year. Your pledge is very important as we look toward general expenses, property maintenance and improvements, and special missions of our Church. Please give prayerful thought to how much you can offer financially to your Church. As circumstances change, the amount can be altered at any time during the year, but an initial pledge is really important from all participants in our special little Church.



Election of Elders and Deacons: The nominating committee is now convening to begin the process of selecting nominees for the very important roles of Elders and Deacons.

Elders form the governing body of the Church, called the Session. Their function is to oversee and direct the business and the ministry of the Church.

Deacons form the Deacon Board for oversight of pastoral care. Their duties are very diverse, but all fall into the category of caring for and providing for the welfare of the congregation.

If you know of someone that you believe possesses the gifts of faith and leadership (including yourself) and might be called to be an Elder or Deacon in the coming year, please make it a point to convey this to Jan Norrish, chairman of the Nominating Committee. All input will be more than welcome, and all suggestions will be prayerfully considered.

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## FLORIDIANS FIGHTING FALLS



FFF is a fall prevention, community education and referral resource for older Floridians dedicated to decreasing the loss in human life and reducing the economic impact resulting from falls and fall related injuries.

According to CDC statistics one third of adults age 65 and older falls each year. Of those who fall, 20 to 30% suffer moderate to severe injuries that make it hard for them to get around or live independently, and increase their risk of early death.

*In Florida during 2011, the first ranking cause of non-fatal emergency department visits were due to falls.*

By 2020 the annual direct and indirect cost of fall injuries is expected to reach \$54.9 billion nationally. Local statistics in Martin County show that between October 2009 and September 2010 Fire Rescue responded to 2,500 calls that involved seniors falling.

This fall, FFF is offering **Tai Chi** classes in the Hobe Sound area to provide exercise directed toward fall prevention. Tai Chi is a gentle form of physical activity ideal for elders who have uncertain balance and a fear of falling. Frail persons who participate in Tai Chi activities can become more secure and confident.

Classes are offered at: First United Methodist Church of Hobe Sound  
10100 S.E. Federal Highway, Hobe Sound  
Monday and Wednesday 10:00 – 11:00 AM

Hobe Sound Civic Center  
8965 S.E. Bridge Rd. #9, Hobe Sound  
Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 – 10:00 AM

Tai Chi Under the Trees  
east side of Zeus Park  
Saturday 8:00 – 9:00 AM

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## BIRTHDAYS NEXTWEEK

**November 24** - Diane Atkisson

**November 25** - Everett Rausch

## ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK

**November 21** - Stan and Claire Ball

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ric Nichols and Family
- Brian Tobin
- Jim White
- The Heimann Family
- Terry McCloy
- Barbara Gaus
- Katie Ide and infant son Jacob
- Deborah Hobson and Family
- Doug Bent
- Joyce Spengler
- Jennifer Bellintoni
- Scott Moore
- Earlene Thompson
- Ed Benedict
- John Studwick and the Altman family
- Alex Lopez-Estrada
- Rita Skojec
- Patrick Corr
- Angel Nichols
- Arline Holloway
- Jim and Lori Cox
- Roy Kindberg
- Sandy Delaglio
- Terry Wagner
- Dave Reeves

WHEN YOU WANT TO MAKE A PRAYER REQUEST: To request prayers through the Prayer Circle, for yourself or someone else, contact Jan Norrish, 772-486-5514, [jannorrish@hotmail.com](mailto:jannorrish@hotmail.com). To have a prayer request included in the Church Sunday bulletin, fill out the prayer request card found in the Church pews or contact Karen Metzger, 772 220-4678, or [kmmetz@bellsouth.net](mailto:kmmetz@bellsouth.net).

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless a request is made to keep them on. This request can be made to Karen Metzger, [kmmetz@bellsouth.net](mailto:kmmetz@bellsouth.net), or 772-220-4678.

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