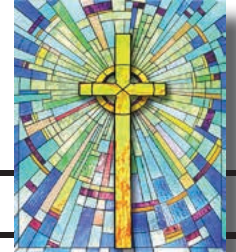




# The Heartline

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*"Where Hearts are Warmed"*

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## Nominations

*from Elder Susan Nimmo*

What is your excuse?

I don't have time.

I am not a leader.

I'm too old.

I'm too young.

Whatever you claim, we can accommodate. There is no finer group at Covenant than Session, because we are you. We start with prayer and we end with prayer. In between, we do our individual best, celebrate our achievements, and laugh about our mistakes. Some of us have reached our "term limits" and must rotate off, but that doesn't mean we will disappear and stop doing what we do. "The Show Must Go On," as they say, and we could really use some fresh ideas. If anyone from the Nominating Committee contacts you, please give prayerful consideration about serving. Thanks.



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# PASTOR'S CORNER

With great joy, I'd like to introduce you to Kat, who will be our new Music Director through at least the end of the year. You may have seen and worshiped with Kat the past several Sundays as she shared her talents with us with voice and guitar as we've worshipped our Creator together.

Kathy (Kat) Broyard has a passion for music and service and has been involved in music most of her life. A self-taught guitarist, she began playing in church music groups while in middle school. She went on to study music in college and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Music from the University of Central Florida and a Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Miami. She served churches as Music Director and Worship Leader for many years, while simultaneously pursuing a career in audio recording and broadcast engineering. Her experiences in that field ranged from building radio stations and recording studios to engineering album projects.

In 1992, Hurricane Andrew hit her Homestead neighborhood and subsequently changed her career path. Staying involved in music, she began working for the Presbytery's hurricane recovery program, coordinating volunteers to help rebuild the homes of low-income survivors. Kat now works full time as the Emergency Management Specialist and Executive Director for the Florida Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Network (FLAPDAN), coordinating disaster

preparedness, response and recovery for the six Florida Presbyteries and their churches in partnership with other faith-based, community, and governmental organizations. She is also a member of the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance National Response Team and is sometimes deployed to disasters outside of Florida.

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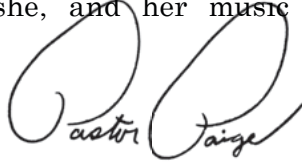
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Kat currently serves as bassist and sound engineer for the Living Praise Worship Team, an Ohio-based, traveling all-women band that leads worship for women's conferences and retreats. Her passions also include the environment, biking, and scuba diving - and hiking and kayaking with her Labrador, Dexter.

Over the next couple of weeks, please take a moment to introduce yourself to her and let her know how welcome she, and her music leadership, is at Covenant.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor Paige". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with large loops.

## **The Apostles' Creed**

The statement of faith that we have traditionally used will still be with us. We will be exploring some less-familiar statements of faith at times, each for a couple of successive Sundays, so that they can become more familiar. These opportunities will alternate with a two-Sunday return to the Apostles' Creed.

## **Worship Committee Grows**

Pastor Paige and our worship director Kathy Broyard will have the main responsibility for designing our worship services, which means there will be some evolutions. At the request of the Session Moderator, Elder Janis Bomar has augmented the membership of the Worship and Music Committee to provide a forum for your comments and suggestions. The forum met on July 24th to organize and to pass on some initial thoughts. In addition to Pastor Paige and Kathy, the forum will include Janis and Elders Kay Waid-Ebbs, Larry Herrington, and John Tucker. Please let these folks know of your reactions as you notice things that are developing.

## Meditation Trail - Hot and Muggy!

from Mike Hein, ASLC

This month, try to think positively - cooler days are coming (hopefully)! Should you brave the trail, note the peacock ginger plants (*Kaempferia pulchra* var. *masonii*), with pinkish-lavender flowers, and the orchid pansy plants (*Achimenes grandiflora*) at several places along the trail. The latter have soft hairy leaves that are dark green on top, but reddish below, with reddish-purple flowers almost two inches in diameter. Note that *Achimenes* is derived from a Greek word meaning to suffer from cold. Thus their prevalence at this time of year - definitely not cold! The pine cone lilies (*Zingiber zerumbet*) will be blooming on the south side of the trail just past Sign Post 3. Some of the gingers will be blooming, and you may also see the purple flowered composite (*Vernonia gigantea* or ironweed) plants blooming across from the sinkhole or near the CPC end of the trail.



Peacock Ginger



Orchid Pansy



Pine Cone Ginger



Ironweed



## August 2016 Calendar

Su, 7 - Worship at 10  
- Fellowship at 11

Th, 11 - Koinonia Small Group at 7:30

Su, 14 - Worship at 10  
- Fellowship at 11  
- Family Promise start  
- Session meeting at 7

We, 17 - Heartline deadline

Su, 21 - Worship at 10  
- Fellowship at 11  
- Harbor Chase Devotions at 2:30

Tu, 23 - Flute Ensemble reh at 7

Th, 25 - Koinonia Small Group at 7:30

Su, 28 - Worship at 10  
- Fellowship at 11

## August Birthdays

3 - Janis Bomar  
6 - Wendy Firman

27 - Kathy Fishel

28 - Fred Fishel  
31 - Susan Nimmo

## August Anniversaries

3 - Debbi & Danny Alessi

8 - Paige Porter-Buhl & Fred Buhl

14 - Prue & John Tucker

2016 Session

Moderator Rev. Paige Porter-Buhl

Debbi Alessi

Janis Bomar

John Ebbs

Larry Herrington

Susan Nimmo

Dorothy Spangler

John Tucker

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If you have a question about submitting an article for *The Heartline*, please call John Tucker.