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WORSHIP OVERVIEW
~ September ~

September 2
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Chrissy Westbury
James 5:13-20; Mark 7:1-23

September 9
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Communion served
The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
Psalm 8; Romans 12:3-21

September 16
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13;
Luke 10:25-37

September 23
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
Deuteronomy 30:1-18;
Luke 18:1-8

September 30
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
John 20:19-23, 21:15-19;
2 Corinthians 5:11-20

MINUTE IN MINISTRY

“God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient church’s story; bring its bud to glorious flower, Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour ... for the living of these days.” (From “God of Grace and God of Glory”) It’s one of my favorite hymns. The organ, filling our sanctuary with the majestic tune—reverberating, at best, deep inside those who raise their voices to sing along. And what the words inspire: the grace of holy love moving through us to bring glory in the church, in our world, in the way we live each day. I say: “Amen!”

Another favorite is a quote from Irenaeus (2nd century): “The glory of God is a human being fully alive.” This connects with one of my favorite times of year, when autumn arrives, weather cools, leaves turn, and it’s as if the Holy Spigot (Holy Spirit ... get it?!) opens a little further to pour out God’s grace among us. Sunday school. Youth group. Choirs. Adult classes and Bible studies. Fellowship and service activities. We join the church’s eternal story: loving God and neighbor. We grow evermore fully alive as a new program year buds into glorious flower.

Pat, Chrissy, Cindy, teachers, and many committee members have been planning. Minds are full of possibilities. Arms full of resources. Hearts are full of joy and hope and love to share. I hope you’ll join your kin in Christ on Sunday mornings and many other times throughout the week. I encourage you to contact Pat or Chrissy to get your child / youth connected. I urge us all to find a way to reconnect with groups we’ve been part of in the past, or something new—a meal among friends, conversation among spiritual companions, helping to construct a new home, or cutting communion bread.

The simple fact is that as we get more active and connected, we’ll be more inspired, filled with gratitude and joy ... fully alive! We arrive. We give. We receive. It’s a symbiotic cycle of grace. It’s an infectious sharing in divine glory. We need that kind of nourishment. And others need our contribution to be fed in their own way.

As you read articles and announcements in this *Presbyter*, I hope something catches your attention, captures your interest, takes hold in your heart. So may God grant us all wisdom and courage and inspiration and peace, whatever we face in this hour, and for the living of our days.

Grace and peace,

Flourishing in Worship

Seth Weeldreyer will begin the church year with a sermon series for the first five weeks. His time at the Chautauqua Institution this summer inspired consideration of Christian identity in our contemporary society. “The glory of God is a human being, fully alive.” Living Faith. Flourishing in grace. Eternal life, as Jesus called it. What defines who we are and how we flourish together in faith? Along with communion, baptism, and other notes about worship, here’s an overview each week’s theme:

- September 9 – Flourishing with dignity in community
- September 16 – Flourishing with love to motivate all living
- September 23 – Flourishing in the order of goodness / fairness God intends
- September 30 – Flourishing through redemption / reconciliation / resurrection
- October 7 – World Communion and Peacemaking as the fulfillment of flourishing

*Grounded in living faith,
receiving diversity as a gift,
we seek to reflect Christ’s light
in God’s world.*

*Continually discerning God’s
vision of grace and peace,
we share inspirational worship,
spiritual nurture, compassionate
service to others, and the pursuit of
justice—all to the glory of God.*

Church Activities

WORSHIP OVERVIEW

~ October ~

October 7

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Communion served

The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
Philippians 3:10-16, 4:4-9;
Revelation 21:22-22:5

October 14

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Chrissy Westbury
Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalms 22:1-15;
Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

October 21

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
Job 38:1-7, 42:1-6; Mark 10:35-45

October 28

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
Psalm 42 and 43; Mark 12:28-34

(The Scripture passages listed above
are from the *Book of Common
Worship* and may change.)

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

First and Third Sundays of every month

7:00 P.M. — Gathering Place

Are you looking for different opportunities to worship — perhaps something more intimate or contemplative or creative? Come check out Sunday evening worship! The first Sunday of every month will be creative worship, incorporating the arts in some way. The third Sunday of every month will be a contemplative service in the style of Taize. Come experience some new and ancient ways to worship God and live out our faith together!

NEW MEMBER CONNECTIONS

September 16, 11:15 a.m., in the Church Library

Welcome! If you are new to our community, or if you have worshiped here for a while, welcome! Do you have questions about this church? Are you interested in learning more about membership or how to become more connected to the life of the congregation? Join Pastor Chrissy and members of the Congregational Life Committee for an informal time of coffee and conversation after Worship.

Parish Associates

The Reverend Dr. Liz Candido
ecandido@kzoo.edu

The Reverend Larry Farris
farrislw@gmail.com

United Campus Ministry Pastor and FPC Parish Associate

The Reverend Kathleen Robertson King
ucmkrking@yahoo.com

Pastor Emeritus

The Reverend Dr. David W. McShane

FALL STEWARDSHIP PITCH-IN!

The Stewardship Committee invites you to pitch-in a dish to share and join us for some food and fellowship on Sunday, September 23, immediately after Worship. This will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the new pledge card, and maybe even to get those pledge cards filled out and turned in! Remember, *you* have a place at the table!

Come, serve and be served!



Church Activities



JOIN US FOR THE FPC HAYRIDE!

It's hard to believe, but autumn will soon arrive. What better way to celebrate the season than with your First Presbyterian Church friends and family at a fall hayride? This year, we will meet at Harvest Moon Acres in Gobles to take advantage of all the fun activities they have to offer. Questions? Call Brian Nederveld (269-823-8260) or Harvest Moon Acres directly (269-628-5401)

Where: Harvest Moon Acres
18725 M-40 Highway
Gobles, MI 49055
<http://www.harvestmoonfun.com/>

When: Sunday, October 14, 2018
We will meet at **2:00** by the red barn concession building at the main entrance.

Cost: \$5.00 per person admits you to all the attractions.
(Children under 2 are free)

What's there:

- Hayrides
- 5-acre corn maze
- Pumpkin slingshot
- Kids zipline
- Interaction with farm animal
- Food and beverage concessions (for an additional charge)

CONGREGATIONAL DEACONS

Class of 2018

Mike Boersma
Dorothy Castor
Kathy Cooney
Dan Dowswell
Aedin Clements
Nancy and Keith Johnson
Karen Nellums
Donna Schonveld

Class of 2019

Tim Aldrich
Cynthia Feucht
Karen Hassler
Judy Johnson
Wendy King
Louise McCallum
Jackie Stults

Class of 2020

Donita and Gary DeBruin
Susan DeJong
John and Lisa Diamond
Miranda Howard
Bruce and Ruth Lubbers
Kenneth Sparks
Jim Stephenson

Please note:

If any of your contact information has changed, please inform Ann Johnson in the church office, at ann.johnson@kalamazooofirstpres.org or call 344-0119, so she can keep your contact information up to date.

THANK YOU!

The Deacons appreciate the response to their "noisy coins" request. As you know, your change, dropped in the offering plate each Sunday, helps to assist and care for those in need. As the weeks go by, please continue your generosity.

Church Activities

SESSION

Clerk of Session:
Allison Hammond

CLASS OF 2018

Sam Beals
Stuart Deming
Elaine Johns
Sue Johnson
Brian Nederveld
Jonathan Willoughby
Pamela Zandt

CLASS OF 2019

Richard Coryell
Diane Durian
Don Meldrum
Heather Misner
Kelsey Oliver
Laurie Tupper
Jim Van Buren

CLASS OF 2020

Mary Lou Boughton
Laura Ford
Craig Kortlandt
David Rozelle
Janet Todd
Pamela Tritsch
Philip Ward

COFFEE AND DONUT HOLES

Thank you all for your immediate and generous response to the Barista fund crisis! The donations jar was full last Sunday, and the Deacons are very grateful. They love to serve coffee and donut holes on Sunday mornings, but your generous donations are their only source of funding, and supply costs continue to rise. We have therefore decided to serve donut holes only after the church service, but we will continue to explore ways to keep them available.

Please consider supporting this ministry with your loose change at the Barista table. Thank you!

BUTTER BRAIDS ARE BACK!

We will be selling Butter Braids again on October 7 and 14 in the Gathering Place before and after church.

The choices are Caramel Roll w/Caramel Glaze, Blueberry & Cream Cheese, Cinnamon, Raspberry, Strawberry & Cream Cheese and *new* this year is a Four Cheese & Herb w/Marinara Sauce. Butter Braids are \$14 each (cash or checks only) and will be delivered on November 11 and 18. All proceeds will go to the Edison School Project.

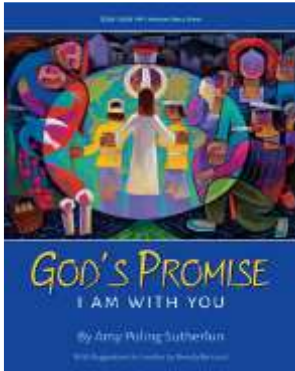
BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT GUIDELINES

As we approach the busy autumn season, please keep in mind that there are *many* worthy causes and events sharing a page! To make sure everyone has a space “at the table” please keep this in mind for announcements and events.

The deadline for bulletin submission is Tuesday at 11:30 a.m., unless otherwise noted. Announcements will be printed for two Sundays, including the Sunday the event occurs, when applicable.

The limit for announcements is 125 words; submissions may be edited, especially if the limit is exceeded. These will also be included in the weekly email announcements. Printed inserts are for *church events only* and are included for *one* Sunday.

Christian Education



THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:

Fall Study begins September 13.

Our new study for the fall season will be based on the Horizons Bible Study, *God's Promise: I Am with You*. John Ortberg writes "The central promise in the Bible is not 'I will forgive you.' The most frequent promise is 'I will be with you.'"

This Bible study will be a journey through scripture from Genesis to the end of the Gospels. The focus of the study will be on the promise itself and how God's promise to be with us speaks to our circumstance.

We would love to have you to join us! We meet in Room 301 at 9:30 for coffee, and our study begins at 9:45. Childcare is provided in Room 305 by Jamie Tuin.

FAITHFUL DISCOURSE IN A FRACTURED WORLD

In the letter to the Philippians, Paul urges their leaders and their community to be of one mind in the Lord. What does it mean to be of one mind in a church, in a nation, in a world that is increasingly divided along partisan lines? Can we be a unified faith community when we disagree?

Faithful discourse is important as we seek to understand our increasingly complicated and broken world. How do we engage in conversation and remain in relationship with people with whom we vehemently disagree? How do we address the issues that divide us without allowing them to fracture the body of Christ? How do we speak the truth in love and seek the love in truth that is spoken? Join Seth and Chrissy for a four-week class designed to develop tools for faithful discourse. This class will meet after Worship on September 16, 23, and 30, and October 7.

PRESBY 101 - WHAT DO PRESBYTERIANS BELIEVE?

October 14 at 11:15 a.m., in Room 301

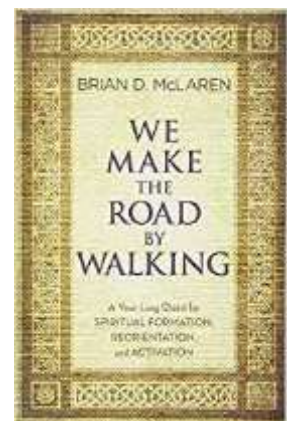
When Presbyterians are ordained as deacons or as ruling or teaching elders, they promise to be guided by the Confessions, but how many of us actually know what they say? Come and learn with Pastor Chrissy...the good, the bad, and the *beautiful* of our confessional documents!

GROWING WITH SMALL GROUPS

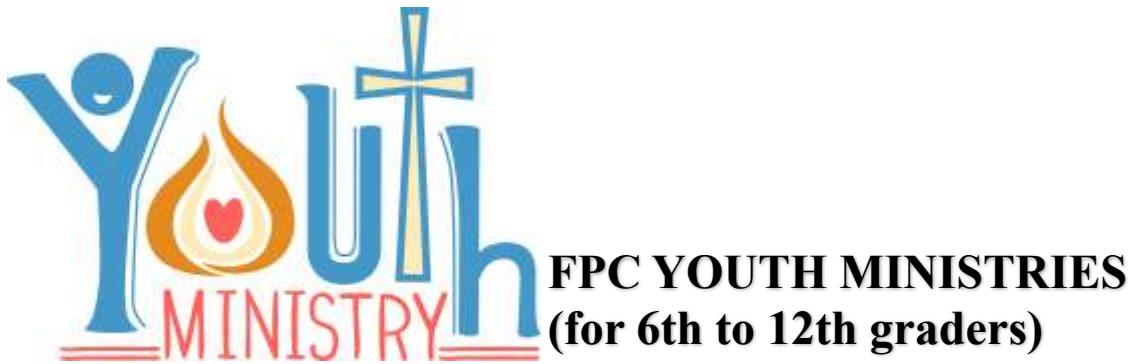
Often, we grow closer in relationship with God through deeper relationships with others. Small groups can be a rich, challenging, inspiring journey for those willing and able to make the commitment. Chrissy, Pat, and Seth are working together to encourage such an opportunity for people in our congregation. Details of time and place will be finalized with the input of those interested. We want to offer occasions that will accommodate people in all experiences of life.

Small groups work best with about a dozen participants (give or take a few). The basic format would center around short weekly readings from Brian McLaren's book *We Make the Road by Walking*. (Pat used some excerpts with CtV in recent years.) Readings are short. Discussion questions are included. Accompanying scripture texts are suggested. Weekly meetings will begin during the first week of October and are expected to continue through mid-December.

If you are interested in sharing such an experience, please contact Chrissy, Pat, or Seth. We hope to get it all coordinated soon!



Christian Education



After worship on September 9, there will be a time for parents and youth to get to know one another and to talk about what this year will look like. Join us in the Youth Room at 11:15.

All 6th - 12th graders, come join us on Sundays, beginning on September 16!

11:15-12:15 —Faith Formation

Pastor Chrissy and others will lead this time to explore the Bible, faith formation, and ways we, as Christians, can respond to the world around us.

12:15-1:00 —Youth Music Programs with Cindy Hunter

5:00-7:00 Community-Wide Youth Fellowship (see Youth Group calendar for weekly locations)

FPC is fortunate to share youth fellowship with four other area Presbyterian Churches:

First Presbyterian of Richland, Westminster, Pine Island, and North Presbyterian Churches.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

WHEN	WHERE	WHAT
Sept 16 (5-7)	Westminster	Kick-Off Games and BBQ
Sept 23 (5-7)	Pine Island	Garden Service Project and S'mores
Sept 29-30	FPC	LOCK-IN!!!
Oct 7 (5-7)	Richland	TBD
Oct 14 (5-7)	FPC	TBD
Oct 21 (5-7)	Westminster/Airway Fun Center	Bowling
Oct 28 (5-7)	FPC	Hallowe'en Party

Christian Education

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS (2018)

Christian Education Committee

Session: Sue Johnson (Chairperson),
Kelsey Oliver, Janet Todd
Staff: Pat Stromsta (Director of Christian
Education) and Chrissy Westbury
(Associate Pastor/Youth Pastor)
Children: Lisa Diamond, Chris Palmer
Youth: Cynthia Feucht, (one additional person
needed)
Adult: Sally Pitt-Van Buren, Ray Wicks
Library: Kathy Campbell
Green Ps':
Nursery: Pat Stromsta (Staff), Jamie Tuin
Bulletin Boards/Artistic Director: Jane Hamilton

Church School Teachers (and Shepherds)

Preschool (306):

Wendy King
Amy Miedema (Wendy Miedema)
Deb Taylor (Colleen Sherrill)

Kindergarten/1st Grade (308)

Heather Cloetingh (Hilary Cloetingh and
Grace Cook)
Karen Hassler
Angela Van Heest

2nd and 3rd Grade (305)

Lisa Diamond (John Diamond)
Cynthia Feucht (Laurie Tupper)
Allison Myers

4th and 5th Grade (303/304)

Cindy Gleaton (Sherry Sorensen)
Helena Lombardi
Rick Taylor (Patrick Gleaton)

Hall Monitors

Mike Hammond (Lead), Sam Beals,
Chris Gleaton, Craig Kortlandt,
Neil Miedema, Chris Palmer

THOUGHTFUL READERS BOOK GROUP

September 24 (Monday), 7:00 p.m.

October 22 (Monday), 7:00 p.m.

Thoughtful Readers Book Group will meet on Monday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 300. Our discussion of *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea* by Barbara Demick, will be facilitated by Margot Kinnear. Award-winning journalist Demick follows the lives of six North Korean citizens over fifteen years, bringing to life what it means to be living under a repressive totalitarian regime.

"As Demick weaves the defectors' stories together with the hidden history of the country's descent into chaos, she skillfully re-creates these captivating and moving personal journeys." [*Publishers Weekly*]

On Monday, October 22, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 300, Donna Schonveld will facilitate our discussion of *The Far Away Brothers: Two Young Migrants and the Makings of an American Life* by Lauren Markham.

"The deeply reported story of identical twin brothers who escape El Salvador's violence to build new lives in California—fighting to survive, to stay, and to belong Markham offers a coming of age tale that is ... an unforgettable testament to the migrant experience." [*Goodreads*]

New members are always welcome. For more information, please contact Kathy Campbell at (517) 803-0481.

WRITING AS GRIEF WORK

Sponsored by the Health Committee

We gather around poetry in our living faith sanctuary—the ancient scriptural kind and the “Weeldreyeresque” sermon kind. We are renewed and encouraged in our walks through life’s grieving—the loss of vital health, paying jobs, treasured loved ones and relationships, fragile faith, defining roles. We pray, we worship, we potluck, we sojourn; now let’s write together. Inspired by poetry, participants will write and share their own pieces on October Tuesdays at 11:00 am, starting October 2.

Our group size is limited. Please contact Jill Barnum at jmbarnum68@gmail.com to save your seat.

Worship and Music

BIG BAND JAZZ AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

featuring the Otsego Jazz Ensemble

On Friday, October 5, 2018 from 6:30—8:00 p.m. in the Church Sanctuary

Sponsored by the Worship and Music Committee

Free and Open to the Public

Donations will benefit the First Presbyterian Church Performing Arts Fund

The Otsego Jazz Ensemble is a 17-piece jazz band based in Otsego. That has been playing big band jazz for over 30 years in Southwest Michigan. The OJE, as it's affectionately known by fans, plays music from the big band era of the 1930's and 40's, including Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, and Count Basie, as well as more modern big band jazz arrangements that cover many styles of music, such as rock, pop, and, of course, jazz. Being a traditional big band of 5 saxes, 4 trombones, 4 trumpets and a rhythm section, the band also has 2 vocalists who perform the music of Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Diane Schurr, and Michael Bublé.

This concert will be on the same date, October 5, as the October Kalamazoo Art Hop. Come after Art Hop and enjoy an evening of big band music with the Otsego Jazz Ensemble!

KSO at First Presbyterian Church

We are once again joining with the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra to present free classical concerts. The first concert this season will feature the KSO Woodwind Quartet on Tuesday, October 30, at 7:00 p.m. Watch for further program information, but plan now to invite friends to spend an evening in our beautiful sanctuary, enjoying wonderful music, followed by a reception where you are encouraged to meet and talk with the musicians. Concerts are a great way to invite "unchurched" friends and neighbors into our space and to share hospitality with all who enter.

SAVE THE DATES!

There will be three Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra Chamber Music recitals in coming months at FPC. These recitals will be at 7:00 pm on the following dates:

- Tuesday, October 30, 2018
- Tuesday, January 8, 2019
- Tuesday, March 19, 2019

MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:

Do you enjoy singing? Then you should join the choir! Open to adults and high-school age students, the choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7-9:00 pm and sings at the 10 o'clock worship service on Sunday mornings. Weekly rehearsals begin September 6.

Did you know that First Presbyterian Church has a Handbell Choir? Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 5:00-6:30 pm beginning September 6.

Youth Music is open to all youth in middle school and high-school, and meets after Youth Sunday School from 12:15-1:00 pm on Sundays. Come and be part of the fun as we continue to expand this program.

Do you play an instrument? Would you like to occasionally play it in Worship on Sunday morning or evening?

If you are interested in learning about any of these opportunities, please contact Cindy Hunter at 269-377-2478 or cindy.hunter@kalamazoofirstpres.org

Church Activities

COMMUNITY GROUPS THAT MEET AT FPC

AA

Mondays and Thursdays at noon.
Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

Boy Scouts

Mondays at 6:00 p.m.

Coalition for Common Ground

Fourth Monday of each month
at 5:30 p.m.

Crescendo Academy of Music

Occasional Sunday afternoons

Downtown Community Literacy Center (DCLC)

Wednesdays, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Food Addicts

Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m.

Kalamazoo Pipe Band

Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Kalamazoo Singers

Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

KNOW

First Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

OUT-TO-LUNCH BUNCH

First Friday of the month at 1:00 p.m.

September: Our final summer gathering will be on September 7 as we return to Theo & Stacey's. This fine restaurant is located at 5225 Portage Road (near the airport). We will meet at 1 p.m. Please make your reservations at the church receptionist's desk by noon on Thursday, September 6, or call the church at 344-0119.

If you have questions or need transportation call Tom & Sue at 353-3903.

October: Fall kicks off with a visit on October 5 to the Baker's Room at the Grand Traverse Pie Company. The bakery is located at 5303 S. Westnedge Avenue (near Meijer). We will meet at 1 p.m. Please make your reservations with the church secretary by noon on Thursday, October 4.

PRAYER PARTNERS

First Sundays, 9:00 a.m.

If you would like to be a part of a small group of brothers and sisters who are committed to praying for the Church, our particular church, the world, our community, and ourselves, please join us for our monthly time of prayer in Room 301.

WOMEN'S 50'S/60'S ACTIVITY GROUP

Would you be interested in being part of a Activity Group for Women's in their 50s and 60s? The purpose of the group would be to get to know one another while sharing our talents and interests in an active setting.

Please contact Lois at loisheuchert@live.com

FPC LADIES' 30'S/40'S GROUP

The FPC Ladies 30's/40's group meets monthly for social activities. If you would like to connect with other women in this age group, please email amberbeals@gmail.com for more information.

Martha Circle is a group of women who meet once a month to support one another in our Christian faith. We share concerns and joys, study together, and explore what it means to be a Christian woman in today's world. We bring cookies for Celebrate the Vision on our meeting day and occasionally participate in other projects.

For this year's study we have chosen the Presbyterian Women's Bible Study, "God's Promise: I am with You". This study focuses on those places in scripture where the words "I am (or will be) with you" are found, from Genesis through the Gospels, and how it speaks to particular circumstances – including our own.

Our regular meeting time is the second Wednesday of each month at 3:00 p.m. in the church lounge, downstairs next to the Choir Room. Fall meeting dates are September 12 and October 10. All women are invited and will be warmly welcomed!

Outreach and Community Service

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

The Peace & Global Witness Offering encourages the church of our time to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and division, and embrace our God's reconciling mission to those around the corner and those around the world, as active peacemakers, at all times and in all ways. Gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enable the entire church to collaborate in our proclamation of Christ's peace. 25% is kept by our Congregation to support local peacemaking efforts. Recently we have donated our portion to the local Anti-human Trafficking Coalition to support their mission to eliminate this terrible injustice. 25% is retained by the Lake Michigan Presbytery, which they dedicate to our partnerships in Ghana and Nicaragua, enabling our partners there to improve their way of life. 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to support the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians around the globe.

This offering will be collected on World Communion Sunday, October 7, 2018. Please include this very important offering in your giving plan!

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

Matthew 5:9

VINE NEIGHBORHOOD HABITAT PROJECT

Help is needed! Mark your calendars for the tentative (and weather-permitting) dates of Saturday, September 22, and Saturday, October 13. Additional details will be coming soon. Questions? Please contact Dave Johnson at 276-9216.



and
REPURPOSE



Jack Jezreel, founder of JustFaith Ministries, will be back in Kalamazoo in September. He will be speaking at Allen Chapel AME (804 North St.) at 6:30 on September 11, and at St. Catherine's Catholic Church (1150 W. Centre Ave. Portage) at 6:30 on September 12. JustFaith is an intensive, small-group process for faithful Christians who wish to deepen their commitment to care for vulnerable people and our planet. Through prayer, study, dialogue, and immersions, participants form community as they explore critical realities and the implications to their lives and their faith. JustFaith is designed for diverse Christian communities. Register online at Jezreel.zipto.info or pick up a form at the church entrances on South and Lovell Streets.

ISAAC

Please plan on joining members of our congregation and members of the 28+ churches and organizations who are affiliated with ISAAC for the bi-annual ISAAC Public Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on October 25 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church.



ISAAC is an interfaith organization with the goal of helping the Kalamazoo area attack social and economic issues troubling the community. A task force was created for each issue, whose members will reach out to community leaders and residents to suggest ways to help better the community. The Task forces will present their ideas for policy changes to elected officials at this Public Meeting. Since many public officials will be present, attendance is valued. Come and learn about these important issues that are impacting our beloved community.

REFUSE, REDUCE, RECYCLE!

After Worship on October 7, in Room 314-315, Cindy Foster from the Kalamazoo County Household Hazardous Waste Center will offer a program on recycling, electronic waste, and proper ways of disposing of hazardous materials.

Come learn about how to protect the earth and prevent further contamination of our land and water. Contact Pastor Chrissy with any questions.

A NOTE FROM GREEN PETE :
"BE MINDFUL"

With the mid-term elections right around the corner, the Green P's are asking church members and friends to be mindful of more than party affiliation and politics – all that that divides us – and vote with a concern for what unites us: our common home.

As children of God and as one part of God's creation, we have a moral and sacred duty—what two-time Pulitzer Prize author and biologist Edward O. Wilson calls “our transcendent responsibility.”

The Green P's can give you an unending list of environmental issues that are important to consider – the Flint Water Crisis and the PFAS here at home, plastics choking marine life, alarming extinction rates of animals on our planet, the hazards of industrial farming, chemical contamination from industry, red algae blooms on Lake Erie...the list goes on and on. It is easy to point fingers at companies who cheat the system and skirt regulations designed to protect people or at corruption within the government agencies entrusted with public health, but we must focus instead on what **we** can do to change these realities.

What matters is *your* vote, and *your* vote counts! So check out the candidates you are considering supporting. Read up on the ballot proposals. Understand how we can fight the systemic roots of global climate change. Help prevent the dawn of the “Silent Spring” predicted by Rachel Carson—a fable in 1962 that is growing far too close to reality today.

As children of God, consider voting for the benefit of those who cannot – your children and grandchildren who will have to live on this hot-house of a planet long after we are gone. Consider the good of unique places like the National Parks that should be preserved without exploitation, the good of the plants and animals with whom we share the earth, the good of the oceans and the creatures that live there, the good of our lakes and our wetlands, our air and our trees. Consider God's handiwork and the responsibility with which we are entrusted as its stewards.

GREEN P'S FALL PLANT EXCHANGE

Do you have plants that need new homes?
An overabundance of tomatoes or zucchini? Hostas the size of wagon wheels? Dig them up, divide them, and bring them to church!
Need a plant, take a plant; have a plant, leave a plant.
September 23 and 30, and October 7
(outside the Lovell Street entrance).

Outreach and Community Service

CELEBRATE THE VISION IS 10 YEARS OLD

**Join us for our birthday celebration
on September 19 at 5:30 p.m.**

Celebrate the Vision is an outreach ministry of food, fellowship and faith at First Presbyterian Church of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

One out of six people in Kalamazoo struggles with hunger each day. We refuse to be overwhelmed by the urgent need of hunger in our community! Instead, we are taking one step at a time against hunger – hunger for food and hunger for God's Word. We gather in our Dining Room at 5:30 every Wednesday for a home-cooked meal, and currently serve about 80 meals every week. Dinner is prepared and served by members and friends of First Presbyterian Church.

As a result of this program, men and women from the community and congregation have a safe space to form relationships with those who may appear different from them. Each person who comes into our dining room is treated with dignity and respect and accepted as a person who bears the image of God within them.

We are grateful for our guests, our many faithful and dedicated volunteers, our dessert makers, the staff, the congregation, and the Men's Fellowship Group (monthly Sunday morning breakfasts) for their support over the past 10 years.

Our worship services are scheduled on the first and the third Wednesday of each month. Each service includes singing (accompanied by our Celebrate the Vision Band), reading and discussing the Bible, and community prayer.

You are always welcome to join us when you can!



FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

July 18, 2018

Friends in Christ:

We write jointly on behalf of the Stewardship and Finance Committees, and the approval of Session. Our committees work hand in hand to ensure the financial health of our church to the best of our abilities.

It is therefore with a special sense of gratitude that we wish to thank the generosity of our members, regular visitors, and others who share in the life of our church. We deeply appreciate all that you do. Each of you plays a vital role. That is precisely the basis for the title to this year's stewardship campaign: "You Have a Place at the Table." One of our great strengths is our welcome to everyone to partake in the sacrament of communion. It is who we are, and who we wish to be.

Due to an unexpected shortfall in giving this past year, a significant deficit is currently anticipated. Fortunately, efforts have been underway to control expenditures. Indeed, expenses are considerably less than what were budgeted. Nonetheless, the savings are not expected to offset the shortfall in giving. Further cuts may be necessary that may impact, among others, outreach, personnel, and the use of our facilities.

We hope that further cutbacks will not be necessary. Yet we must be forthright in making everyone aware of the realities. We recognize that giving is a sensitive issue. What individuals give is kept strictly confidential by Louise Taylor, a valued member of the staff. No one else, including clergy, are privy to such information.

We respectfully ask everyone to reconsider what you might be able to give. For those who have not given, we hope that you might reconsider what you might be able to give. For those who have given, we ask that you give further thought as to what you might be able to give. Every little bit helps. If we all work together, much can be accomplished in ensuring that the ministries of our church remain vibrant.

With gratitude,

Donald S. Meldrum, Moderator
Finance Committee

Stuart H. Deming, Moderator
Stewardship Committee



THE NEW PLEDGE CARD

In keeping with our “You Have a Place at the Table” campaign, the Stewardship Committee will be introducing a new pledge card this fall. It is specifically designed to allow everyone to make a meaningful pledge, whether it be in the form of time, treasure, or talent.

A sample of the new pledge card accompanies this article. Of note are two sections. One section provides for *financial* pledges. This information will be separated by Louise Taylor from the *time* and *talent* pledge card and kept strictly confidential. Absolutely no one other than Louise has access to what is pledged by any family or individual.

No one is required to complete both sections. However, we hope that every member will be able to pay their annual *per capita* of \$30. This is the amount that FPC is required to pay each year to the Lake Michigan Presbytery for each of our members.

The other section relates to other ways in which one can meaningfully contribute. That information will be made known to the relevant committees, staff, and others with similar interests. Everyone has a place at the table, and everyone has gifts to bring. Your efforts in terms of your time and talent are of immeasurable value in making possible the ministries of FPC. In every respect, pledges of time and talent are as vital to the life of the church as financial pledges.

Our goal this year is to get 100 percent participation in the Stewardship Campaign. We believe that the new pledge card allows everyone to have a meaningful “place at the table.” As stated in Romans 12: 6-8: “We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.”

—Stuart H. Deming, for the Finance Committee

Name(s) <u>John and Jane Doe</u> Address <u>123 Street Ave</u> Email Address: <u>jjd@gmail.net</u> City <u>Kalamazoo</u> State <u>MI</u> Zip <u>49006</u>	2019 Estimate of Joyful Giving <i>This commitment is confidential and may be increased or decreased at any time due to changing circumstances.</i> Name(s) <u>John and Jane Doe</u> Address <u>123 Street Ave</u> City <u>Kalamazoo</u> State <u>MI</u> Zip <u>49006</u> I (we) make the following commitment in 2019 to support the ministry and mission of First Presbyterian Church, Kalamazoo. General Operating Budget: <u>\$ 1200</u> (Annual pledge) In addition, we support the work of the PC(USA) through a required per capita contribution. FPC pays approximately \$30 per member in per capita, which enables us to work with other Presbyterian churches to further the mission of Jesus Christ in our presbytery, across the country, and around the world. Per Capita Pledge: <u>\$30</u> x <u>3</u> (church members in household) = <u>\$90</u> Signature: <u>Jane L. Doe</u> Would you like weekly offering envelopes? <u>Y/N</u> Would you like to use electronic giving? Contact the church finance office for electronic giving options. Louise.taylor@kalamazoofirstpres.org	Commitment of Time and Talents <i>Check all that apply</i> <i>Please be sure to fill out your contact information on the back of this section.</i> In 2019, I will: <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>Pray for the people and ministries of FPC Kalamazoo.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Prayerfully consider a nomination to serve on Session.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Prayerfully consider a nomination to serve as a Deacon.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Help with our hunger ministries (Celebrate the Vision, Leaves and Fishes, Ministry with Community)</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Volunteer with Edison School or provide occasional treats for the kids at Edison.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Participate in the music ministry.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Teach or assist with children's church school.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Teach or assist with youth programs.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Serve on a committee.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Participate in welcoming visitors and potential new members to FPC.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Serve on an usher team or as a greeter/ Usher or greet for funerals/events.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Volunteer in the church office (reception desk, special mailings, projects).</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Participate in the work of the chancel guild (decorating the sanctuary for liturgical seasons and special days).</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Provide desserts/help serve for funerals and other special events.</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Serve on the Sound Team (training provided).</td><td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> </table>	Pray for the people and ministries of FPC Kalamazoo.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Prayerfully consider a nomination to serve on Session.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prayerfully consider a nomination to serve as a Deacon.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Help with our hunger ministries (Celebrate the Vision, Leaves and Fishes, Ministry with Community)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer with Edison School or provide occasional treats for the kids at Edison.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Participate in the music ministry.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Teach or assist with children's church school.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Teach or assist with youth programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Serve on a committee.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Participate in welcoming visitors and potential new members to FPC.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Serve on an usher team or as a greeter/ Usher or greet for funerals/events.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer in the church office (reception desk, special mailings, projects).	<input type="checkbox"/>	Participate in the work of the chancel guild (decorating the sanctuary for liturgical seasons and special days).	<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide desserts/help serve for funerals and other special events.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Serve on the Sound Team (training provided).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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September - October Birthdays

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Paul Minert
Jackson Matthews
Todd Smith
Scott Van Ness
- 2 (none)
- 3 Laura Boersma
Ella Brown
Stan Clouse
Max Hubbard
Barb Kafil
Bob Kraska
Kristen Malek
- 4 Marianne Crawford
Louise McCallum
Kenneth Potsic
Sandra Western
- 5 Caroline Breisach
Charles Green
Diane Hunt
- 6 Carolyn Bristol
James Keckler
Brian Schultz
Timothy Tyler
Maya Van Heest
Deborah Wiebeck
- 7 Christina McKee
James McNabb
Joseph Nickell
Lillian Sun Ok Park
- 8 Jan Bedrosian
Deborah Gauntlett
Craig Oliver
Allison Myers
Annabelle Rigg
Kenny Sparks
- 9 Ginny Dell
Sue Forsch
Sue Potts
Garrett Wenger
- 10 Sam Clark
Mary Kittredge
Greg Lozeau
Ansley Peterik
Jim VanBuren
Andrea Walker
- 11 Carol Parfitt
Sandy Rozelle
Lindsey Walters
- 12 Arthur Dodd
Mardy Grant
Dawn Marciniak
Laurie Tupper
- 13 Brenda Noel
Katie Pavek
Paul Schonveld
Faith Simpson
- 14 Andrew Johns
Gar Sarosik
- 15 Beth McShane
Jim Mitchell
Mary Smyser
- 16 Cameron Lozeau
- 17 Cole Lewis
Ashley Schmiege
- 18 Lee Mizeur
Kay Vermeulen
Alex Wall Emerson
- 19 Anne Gladstone
Kevin Plemmons
Deborah Taylor
- 20 Caroline Elliott
Vincent Iannelli
Kaylin Taylor
William Willoughby
- 21 Matt Bates
Helen Brady
Robert Brush
Cathy Cook
Linda Parks
John Todd
- 22 Susan Anthony
Derick Elliott
- 23 Laura Schreiner
- 24 Wilson Cheney
Char Hansen
Margaret Manning
- 25 Aiden Brown
Jean Chope
Laura Goethe
- 26 Jane Hamilton
- 27 Kevin Hollenbeck
Matthew Loughrin
Julia Migliaccio
Morgan Schut
Rick Taylor
- 28 Robert Britigan III

- 29 Marilyn Boal
Aedín Clements
Helen Ferrando
Cameron Malek
Jessie Stewart

- 30 Elizabeth Dell
Gary Elfring
Rosalyn Hogan

OCTOBER

- 1 Karen Cooper
Helen Creager
Dawn Mahoney
Laura Staake
- 2 Ryan Fouty
Ron Van Der Slik
- 3 George Brooks
Ann Fergemann
John Thomas
- 4 Hilary Cloetingh
Jennalie Shepherd
William Smyser
Dave Todd
- 5 Heather Heckler
Rebecca Johns
Nevaeh Rogers
Mary Tyler
Nancy Wood
- 6 Gary Fergemann
Tom Fowle
Robert Tyler
- 7 Kay Burtis
Will Carrel
Jordan Diamond
Isabelle Fisk
Elsie Johnson
Nancy Klesert
Nate Snyder
- 8 Richard Hakken
- 9 Marcia Cook
- 10 Steve Breisach
Martha Ford
Sylvie Graziano
Brenda McGruder
Neal Miedema
David Rozelle
Richard Steele
- 11 Heidi Egloff
Elizabeth Honeysett
Ruth Moser

- 12 Evelyn Dalm
Izaak Marciniak
- 13 Elaine Johns
Danielle Labian
Paisley Wall Emerson
- 14 Jennifer Highhouse
- 15 Ione Ambrose
Jamie Schnur
- 16 Katrina Kore
Drew Miller
- 17 Joseph Ryan Angell
Rob Case
- 18 Lauryn Kindle
Judy Swisher
- 19 Priscilla Blair
Nikos Diamond
Bruce Johnson
José Santamaría
- 20 (none)
- 21 Kelsey Fox
Bill Kelser
Sue Johnson
- 22 Kathryn Novak
Sue Swartz
- 23 Ralph Jarl
Audrey Anna Manning
- 24 Jan Boutelle
Candice Parmley
Brian Hirt
Dave Hutton
Alexandra Plemmons
- 25 Mary Fischer
Margo Light
- 26 Ron Marvin
Eliza Mellis
Dave Novak
- 27 William Leasure
- 28 (none)
- 29 Susan Young
- 30 Sarah Cavanagh
Katelyn Forsch
Norm Goodling
Susanne Rose
- 31 Barbara Camisa

PASTORAL CARE AND HOSPITAL VISITATION

An important part of our ministry at First Presbyterian Church is to provide pastoral care, including hospital visits. When a church member is admitted, hospitals are no longer permitted to notify the home church. We depend on members to call the church when a family member is hospitalized or needs a pastoral call.

Pastoral care is provided by the pastors, retired ministers from the congregation, and also by the Health Ministry Coordinator. Every attempt is made to visit hospital patients on a regular basis, including weekends.

Those doing hospital calling would appreciate knowing when any member needs a visit or special attention. Please call the church office, 344-0119.

If your call is an emergency and you are unable to reach a person at this number, please call one of these staff members:

Seth Weeldreyer - (269) 425-5725
 Kathleen Robertson King - (269) 808-3998
 Chrissy Westbury - (989) 854-1124
 Ann Ross - (269) 217-6193



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Nik DeHaan
Nate Owens
Bruce Birkel

In Memoriam

William Appel was born on March 30, 1933 and joined FPC on May 26, 1996. William died on July 7, 2018

Roberta Warnock was born on July 26, 1932 and joined FPC on March 15, 1989. Roberta died on July 12, 2018

Garrett Boersma was born on June 18, 1943 and joined FPC on October 23, 1991. Garrett died on August 2, 2018.

Assistance for Worshippers

Hearing Assistance Devices for worship services can be requested from any usher, or you may call the church office in advance.

Copies of **Large-Print Bulletins and Announcements** are available every Sunday morning. Ask one of the ushers for a copy.

If you would like to receive **weekly e-mail updates** about events in the life of FPC, please contact Ann Johnson at 344-0119 and ask that your e-mail address be added to the list.

CD Ministry provides recordings of the Sunday morning services. Please stop in the office or call 344-0119 to place an order.

Gluten-free bread is served at all communion services.

PRESBYTER PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

The deadline for content for the November-December issue of the *Presbyter* is **October 15**. It will be mailed on October 24.

The *Presbyter* is also available for viewing on the FPC website: sanctuaryinthecity.org. Many of our members receive the *Presbyter* via e-mail only, in order to help the church conserve paper and postage. To remove your name from the "paper-mail" list, contact Ann Johnson at 344-0119 or ann.johnson@kalamazoofirstpres.org.



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PRESBYTER HIGHLIGHTS—

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- ◇ Hayride—page 3



FPC Presbyter / Calendar - September, 2018

Saturday/1

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/2

- 9:00a Prayer Partners
- 9:00a Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 12:45p Ministry with Community
(FPC serves the meal today)
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Worship

Monday/3 LABOR DAY

The church is closed in observance of the national holiday.

Tuesday/4

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 6:00p Stewardship Committee

Wednesday/5

- 9:00a Hearts-to-Hands Card Ministry
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 6:15p Celebrate the Vision: worship

Thursday/6

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 5:00p Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00p FPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday/7

- 1:00p Out-to-Lunch Bunch

Saturday/8

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/9

- 9:00a C.E. Committee
- 9:00a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Adult Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
Communion served today
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Youth/parents' planning meeting
- 11:15a Session Listening Post
- 5:00p Revolution Youth Group

Monday/10

- 1:00p Hearts-to-Hands Stitches
- 6:30p Deacons' meeting

Tuesday/11

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 6:00p Stewardship Committee
- 7:00p Worship and Music Committee

Wednesday/12

- 3:00p Martha Circle
- 5:30p Men's Monthly Wednesday Evening Group (*off site*)
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 7:00p Outreach Committee

Thursday/13

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 12:30p Finance Committee
- 1:00p Yoga
- 6:00p Property Maintenance Committee
- 7:00p FPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday/14

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/15

- 6:00p BINGO for Rickman House residents (*off site*)

Sunday/16

- 9:00a All-Church breakfast
- 9:00a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Adult Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Church School Teachers' meeting
- 9:00a Congregational Life Committee
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a New Member Connection
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 12:15a Youth Music
- 5:00p Revolution Youth Group
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Worship

Monday/17

- 6:00p Personnel Committee
- 6:00p Health Ministry Committee

Tuesday/18

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 6:00p Stewardship Committee

Wednesday/19

- 12:00p Communications Committee
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 6:15p Celebrate the Vision: worship

Thursday/20

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 7:00p FPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday/21

(Presbytery Meeting at Camp Geneva)

Saturday/22

(Presbytery Meeting at Camp Geneva)

- 10:00a Ladies' 30's/40's Yoga

Sunday/23

- 9:00a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Adult Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Plant exchange
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:45a Church School
- 11:15a Ladies' 30's/40's Group
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 11:30a Stewardship Event
- 12:15a Youth Music
- 5:00p Revolution Youth Group

Monday/24

- 7:00p Thoughtful Readers

Tuesday/25

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga

Wednesday/26

- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 6:30p Session meets

Thursday/27

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 7:00p FPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday/28

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/29

(Youth Lock-in)

Sunday/30

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- 9:00a Lectionary Study
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PLEASE NOTE:

Community group meetings at FPC are not listed in the Presbyters because of space restrictions. Please see the weekly Announcements for these meetings.

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- 6:30p Deacons' meeting

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- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 11:00a Class: Writing as Grief Work
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 6:00p Stewardship Committee
- 7:00p Green P's

Wednesday/3

- 9:00a Class: Boundary Training
- 9:00a Hearts-to-Hands Card Ministry
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 6:30p Celebrate the Vision: worship

Thursday/4

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 7:00p FPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday/5

- 1:00p Out-to-Lunch Bunch
- 6:30p Jazz Band Concert

Saturday/6

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/7

- 9:00a Plant exchange
- 9:00a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Prayer Partners
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
Communion served
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 11:15a Green P's Hazardous Waste
Disposal education
- 12:15a Youth Music
- 12:45p Ministry with Community
(FPC serves the meal today)
- 5:00p Revolution Youth Group
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Worship

Monday/8

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Tuesday/9

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 11:00a Class: Writing as Grief Work
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 7:00p Worship and Music Committee

Wednesday/10

- 4:00p Martha Circle
- 5:30p Men's Monthly Wednesday
Evening Group (off site)
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 7:00p Outreach Committee

Thursday/11

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 12:30p Finance Committee
- 1:00p Yoga
- 6:00p Property Maintenance meeting
- 7:00p FPC Choir rehearsal

Friday/12

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/13

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/14

- 9:00a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Christian Education meeting
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:30a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Session Listening Post
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 11:15a Class: Presby 101
- 12:15a Youth Music
- 3:00p Hayride
- 5:00p Revolution Youth Group

Monday/15

Presbyter—deadline for articles

- 6:00p Personnel Committee
- 6:00p Health Ministry Committee

Tuesday/16

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 11:00a Class: Writing as Grief Work
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 5:30p Stewardship

Wednesday/17

- 12:00p Communications Committee
- 4:00p Endowment Committee
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 6:15p Celebrate the Vision: worship

Thursday/18

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 7:00p FPC Choir rehearsal

Friday/19

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/20

- 6:00p BINGO for Rickman House
residents (off site)

LOOKING AHEAD:

November 22 and 23
THANKSGIVING
(Church building closed)

Presbyter, September - October

Sunday/21

- 9:00a All-Church breakfast
- 9:00a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Adult Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Church School Teachers' Meeting
- 9:00a Congregational Life Committee
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 12:15a Youth Music
- 5:00p Revolution Youth Group
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Worship

Monday/22

- 7:00p Thoughtful Readers

Tuesday/23

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 11:00a Class: Writing as Grief Work
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga

Wednesday/24

- Presbyter* folding/labeling/mailing
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner

Thursday/25

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 7:00p FPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday/26

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/27

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/28

- 9:00a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:30a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 11:15a Ladies' 30's/40's group
- 12:15a Youth Music
- 5:00p Revolution Youth Group

Monday/29

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Tuesday/30

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 11:00a Class: Writing as Grief Work
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 7:00p KSO Concert

Wednesday/31

- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner