

WORSHIP OVERVIEW FOR MAY

May 5

Third Sunday of Easter
The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer
Acts 9:1-20; John 21:1-19

May 12

Fourth Sunday of Easter
The Rev. Chrissy Westbury
Psalm 23; John 10:22-30

May 19

Fifth Sunday of Easter
The Rev. Chrissy Westbury
Psalm 148; Luke 3:10-18

May 26

Sixth Sunday of Easter
The Rev. Amber Nettleton
Acts 16:9-5; Psalms 67

Worship plans for June
are on page 2.

*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.*

MINUTE IN MINISTRY

A few thoughts to share as I prepare for sabbatical starting mid-May: Church staff, Personnel Committee, and I have tried to anticipate needs and operational questions that may arise. Chrissy Westbury will lead coordinating pastoral care, planning worship schedules, moderating Session, and tending other administrative details that may arise. Ann Johnson will keep her close eye on office and building management, including coordinating with Shawn Smith our custodial transition. Surely unanticipated situations will come, and I am confident that our whole competent staff will respond collaboratively.

I invite you to share in my sabbatical experience. As you may know, I will walk on pilgrimage in Spain, attend other conferences, share in family vacation, and tend to projects around our home including a garden spot and a labyrinth. Amid it all, I intend to reflect on twenty-two years in ministry, with some writing. As ever, that reflection and writing will be catalyzed by "conversation" with you.

That's the way I experience every sermon. Often stories or thoughts arise directly from shared encounters or discussions by email, phone, or in person. I try to listen for the question or longing being expressed, and how God is with us in that human experience, responding with the grace of love, mercy, healing, hope, new life. I invite you to share questions or reflection on faith as I live into sabbatical. Are there ideas you've been noodling? Are there concerns that grip your heart? Are there expressions of faith you've heard or encountered which you're processing, uncertain, searching for some meaningful sense? Are there realities of our society and world about which you feel anxious?

I'm not sure what form my writing may take. Maybe a bit of memoir? Moments of poetry? I'm intrigued by composing a sort of systematic theology. Great theologians completed huge works over their lifetime. For example, Karl Barth's *Church Dogmatics* contains fourteen volumes! I have no such extensive expectations! Still, in my own heart and mind, and in our culture with such overwhelming information and disparate perspectives, I sense desire for a frame that could inspire and guide living faith. That frame inherently relates with, maybe depends on, human experience in our world.

Again, I invite you to share with me your questions, perspectives, concerns, or searching reflection, to inform my rumination. Typed and printed, hand-written notes, or email messages—whatever may work best for you would be welcome. My last Sunday in worship will be May 5. I will lead a CREDO conference the following week, and stay connected with the church during that period, until May 13. I am grateful for the opportunity to be nourished through this sabbatical period. And I will be grateful for any thoughts you may feel moved to share.

Grace and peace,



WORSHIP OVERVIEW FOR JUNE

June 2

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Marietta Macy

Acts 16:16-34; Psalms 97;
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21;
John 17:20-26

June 9

Pentecost

The Rev. Chrissy Westbury
Psalm 104:24-34; Acts 2:1-21

June 16

Trinity Sunday

The Rev. Alice Ankutse
Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalms 8;
Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

June 23

Second Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Larry Farris
1 Kings 19:1-4; Psalms 42 and 43;
Galatians 3:23-29; Like 8:26-39

June 30

Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Chrissy Westbury
Psalm 16; Galatians 5:1, 13-25



Israel / Palestine Mission Network

*of the Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.)
peacemaking through partnerships, education and advocacy*

GUEST PREACHER JUNE 2

On June 2, we will welcome Marietta Macy, the co-moderator of the Israel/Palestine Mission Network of the PC(USA), to preach in our 10:00 a.m. Worship service, and for a time of conversation after Worship.

Marietta Macy currently resides in Columbus, Indiana, where she serves First Presbyterian Church as the Director of Children's, Youth, and Young Adult Ministries. Before pursuing her call to ministry, she studied theatre at Hanover College with a focus on costume design. Marietta earned her M. Div. from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary in 2014. She has served on the Steering Committee of the Israel/Palestine Mission Network of the Presbyterian Church (USA) for almost six years, including four as Vice Moderator, before becoming Co-Moderator in 2018. She volunteers with other partner organizations as well, including Kairos USA and the Friends of Sabeel North America.



Marietta is quite familiar with the Israel/Palestine region, having first traveled there in 2009, then on six subsequent occasions to lead trips, participate in delegations, and meet with partners. The Israel/Palestine Mission Network of the Presbyterian Church (USA) was established by an action of the 216th General Assembly in 2004. IPMN encourages everyone from individuals to congregations to work toward specific mission goals that will create currents of wider and deeper involvement with Israel/Palestine. As mandated, "In joyful obedience to the call of Christ, and in solidarity with churches and our other partners in the Middle East, this network covenants to engage, consolidate, nourish, and channel the energy in the Presbyterian Church (USA) toward the goal of a just peace in Israel /Palestine by facilitating education, promoting partnerships, and coordinating advocacy."

IPMN works to demonstrate solidarity, educate about the "facts on the ground" in Israel/Palestine, and change the conditions that erode the humanity of both Israelis and Palestinians, especially those who are living under occupation in East Jerusalem, the West Bank, and Gaza. The Israel/Palestine Mission Network is an opportunity for Presbyterians throughout the country and at all levels of the church to coordinate ongoing efforts for just peace and to discover new ones.

For more information you can visit our website at www.theipmn.org, or follow us on Facebook and Twitter @IPMN.





GHANAIAN PASTOR, REV. ALICE ANKUTSE, WILL VISIT US IN JUNE!

The Ghana Partnership Committee of the Presbytery of Lake Michigan is pleased to announce that Rev. Alice Blunya Ankutse, pastor in the Ho-East Presbytery, Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Ghana, (EPCG), will be returning to Michigan for a second visit, on June 9-30, 2019.

Besides spending a week with Kalamazoo First Presbyterian Church and another week with the Benton Harbor First Presbyterian Church, Alice will attend the Presbytery meeting in Hesperia, on Tuesday, June 11, and will travel with a few others from our Presbytery to Erie, Pennsylvania, to attend the 18th Ghana Mission Network meeting.

Alice has a Business Administration degree in Marketing and graduated from the Trinity Theological Seminary in Accra-Legon, Ghana, in 2002. She has served as pastor for several districts in the Ho-East Presbytery. She was serving as pastor of the Sokode District in 2007, when the second Ghana Mission Trip from our Presbytery traveled to Ghana.

In recent years, Alice has taken on various leadership roles in the Ho-East Presbytery and in the EPCG. Currently, Alice provides oversight of the Bee-Keeping Project, a Self-Development Project, in the Ho-East Presbytery that was initiated in fall, 2015, with funding support provided by our Presbytery. This is just one of several projects that our Presbytery has supported with its Ghanaian partner, the Ho-East Presbytery.

We invite others from our congregation and our Presbytery to assist with hosting Alice during her visit with us in June. Prior involvement with our Presbytery's outreach to Ghana is not a prerequisite for doing this. In particular, we need volunteers to serve as homestay hosts for a few nights and to provide transportation at various times. A special meeting will be planned in our church for Alice to meet with interested folks in our congregation. We use this opportunity to announce that our Presbytery's next mission trip to Ghana will be scheduled some time in 2020, in conjunction with the 19th Ghana Mission Network meeting in the Northern Region of Ghana.

— *John Petro, Moderator of the Ghana Partnership Committee*

SESSION

Clerk of Session: Allison Hammond

CLASS OF 2019

Richard Coryell
Diane Durian
Don Meldrum
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

CLASS OF 2021

Heather Cloetingh
Stuart Deming
Liz Hamilton
Elaine Johns
Sue Johnson
Brian Nederveld
Scott Wilson



**THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY,
A GUIDE THROUGH
THE NEW TESTAMENT**

Each class will offer an introduction to a book (or two) of the New Testament including charts, timelines, and short pieces on special topics. We will have an opportunity to engage in the many open-ended questions that the text offers. Our schedule for May/June is as follows:

- May 2 Corinthians**
- May 9 Galatians**
- May 16 Romans**
- May 23 Colossians/Philemon/Philippians**
- May 30 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus**
- June 6 Ephesians/Hebrews**
- June 13 Hebrews**
- June 20 James, 1 and 2 Peter, and Jude**
- June 27 Revelation**

**Thursday Women's Bible Study
will not meet on July 4 or 11.**

We gather at 9:30 for coffee and conversation. Our study begins at 9:45 and we dismiss at 11:00. Childcare is provided by Jamie Tuin in the nursery. Please join the 20+ women who gather for fellowship each week.

**PRESBY 101—
INTRO TO
PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGY**

June 16, 11:15 a.m.
Come and learn a bit more about what Presbyterians believe.

What does it mean to be part of the Reformed tradition? What if I don't believe everything that I hear in the pulpit on Sunday morning?

Pastor Chrissy will lead this time of conversation for those who are new to our community, and for those who have been around, but want to learn more.



CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE – MAY – JUNE

May 5		Forgiveness	Church School
May 12	CE Meeting	Mary and Martha	Communion
May 19	CST Meeting	Children/Youth Sunday	
May 26	Memorial Day	Welcoming Zacchaeus	Church School
June 2		Return with Thanks	Church School
June 9	Pentecost		Communion
June 16	Church School on Recess until July 14th		



FPC YOUTH MINISTRIES
(FOR 6TH-12TH GRADERS!)

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

11:15-12:15 Faith Formation

Pastor Chrissy and others will lead this time to explore the Bible, faith formation, and how 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 location)

FPC is fortunate to share youth fellowship with four other area Presbyterian Churches: First Presbyterian Richland, Westminster, Pine Island and North Presbyterian Churches.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

WHEN	WHERE
May 5	Richland
May 12	No Youth Programs
May 19	Pine Island Garden (weather permitting)
May 26	No Youth Programs
June 1-2	Kids in Boxes, Richland
June 22-29	West Virginia Mission Trip!

FELLOWSHIP 456

**New Youth Fellowship Group for
4th, 5th, and 6th graders!**

For more information,
or to volunteer with this group,
contact Pastor Chrissy Westbury
or Director of Christian Education,
Pat Stromsta.

We have some fun events in
the works for this summer!

Details to come!



CHURCH ACTIVITIES

THE EDISON BOOK FAIR THANKS YOU!

To the Members of First Presbyterian Church,

Thank you so much for the time and support at the Edison Book Fair! without your help our book fair wouldn't have been a success. You helped up reach and pass our sales goal for the first sale in years! Thank you again for all your hard work! You are truly appreciated.

Thanks!
Kristen Miller

VOLUNTEER JOB BOARD

Youth and Adult Christian Education

- Shepherds for classrooms – extra set of hands and eyes to support the teachers.
- Childcare for our nursery
Sign up with Pat to assist our regular adult volunteers.
Contact person: Pat Stromsta.

Celebrate the Vision

- Baking enthusiasts to occasionally donate about 80 desserts.
Contact person: Pat Stromsta.

Special Event Ushers

- Ushers for funerals and other events on an as-needed basis.
Contact person:
David Dell at (269) 217-2357 or
lrgn1955@aol.com.

Rickman House Bingo Night Helpers:

- Friendly people to assist Rickman House residents play Bingo once a month.
Contact Person: Mike Boersma

FAITH FAMILY FUN NIGHTS!

Wednesdays in July and August, from 5:30-8:00 p.m.

This is an intergenerational Faith Family Fun Night that will meet Wednesday evenings in July/August. Parents and Grandparents are invited to bring the children and grandchildren! The evening will begin with a dinner and include a Bible story, games, and a craft.

July 24: First Presbyterian Church
July 31: St. Luke's Episcopal Church

August 7: First Congregational Church
August 14: First United Methodist Church

To volunteer or for more information, please contact Pat Stromsta at pat.stromsta@kalamazoofirstpres.org.



CHURCH ACTIVITIES

ALL-CHURCH PICNIC

Please mark your calendars and plan to join your church family for the annual All-Church Picnic on **June 9** immediately following Worship.

Bring a dish of your choice to share, and head across the street to Bronson Park for food, fellowship, and fun. We'll also have face painting and other entertainment!

Hamburgers and hot dogs (which some of our best church chefs will be grilling to perfection). Beverages and table service will be provided.

Members of the Congregational Life Committee will be downstairs in the church kitchen starting at 9:00 to receive and tend your dishes of food, and transport them across to the park.

In case of rain, we'll have our picnic in the Dining Room.

OUT-TO-LUNCH BUNCH

Please consider this a personal invitation to join the Out-to-Lunch Bunch on the First Friday of every month. Reservations are required at the church by the Thursday morning before the luncheon.

Questions? Call 353-3903 (Sue Forsch).

May 3— Four Roses
663 110th Street (Gunplain Township)
Plainwell

June 7—University Roadhouse
1332 W. Michigan Ave. Kalamazoo

July 5—Comensoli's Italian Bistro
762 W. Main St. Kalamazoo

August 2—The Cove
9110 Portage Rd. Portage

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK!

Friday, June 21

Tailgate opens – 5:30 p.m.

First Pitch- 7:05 p.m.

- All-inclusive, AYCE buffet-style food/soda for 90 minutes before the game!
- Outdoor activities w/corn hole, washer toss, and shaded picnic tables!
- First Presbyterian Church recognition in front of 3,000 Growlers fans!
- Community cheering together for a Growlers victory!

Please sign up on the bulletin board outside Pat Stromsta's office (Room 208). If you have questions, contact Pat at pat.stromsta@kalamazooofirstpres.org.



CHURCH ACTIVITIES

THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

Often we forget about the humble beginnings of many of the gifts in our lives. Since we spend most of our energy living in the present, we may not often focus on the past. In this case, the Endowment Committee would like to present a brief history and overview of the FPC Endowment Fund.

When we hear about endowments of many different sizes, it's common to think, "How did those endowments get to be worth (x dollar amount)?" The information below should help to answer that question for our church.

The Endowment Fund was formed in May, 1984, from the Allen Ransom bequest of \$30K. Through generous gifts of FPC members and guests, plus the investment returns, the fund has grown quite well. As of March 31, 2019, the FPC Endowment Fund was worth \$4,570,175. (It's no small feat to grow an endowment to this size!)

The Fund is made up of two different categories: General Endowment Funds and Designated Funds. The difference between the two is that Designated Funds may be used for only a specific purpose, while General Endowment Funds may be used for a wider range of benefits, as the Committee sees fit. Roughly 80% of the funds are General Endowment Funds. The other 20% was generously donated and intended for specific purposes. For example, funds have been designated for Education, Music, and Children and Youth, to name just a few such purposes.

These gifts to our church are not taken lightly; the funds are professionally managed to match the stated goals of our Endowment Fund. Maintaining a sustainable endowment is essential for the long-term financial success of our church and the impact it has on the community. We thank the members of First Presbyterian Church for the trust placed in the Endowment Committee, and we look forward to its prayerful attention to future needs.

—The Endowment Committee



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 Mondays at 5:00 p.m.

May Birthdays

1
Emily Curtis
Peg Hajek
Edward Ihling
Marilyn Walker

2
Ian Case
Estella Graziano
Peggy Warlick

3
Nicholas Agostinelli
Amber Beals
Anna Clements

4
Carole Birch
David Johnson
Christian Rey

6
Connor Bigelow

7
Margo Clouse
Claire Honeysett
Nicholas King
Eleanor Pinkham

8
Lynn Arwady
Lauren Crabb
Anna Diamond
Roland Prevost

9
Rowan Kortlandt

10
Anne Louise Coryell
Barb DeVries

11
Mary Elliott
Evelyn Schut

12
Evan Breisach

13
Mozelle Padgett
David Standish, Sr.

14
Lauren Meeker
Lila Molitor

15
Caitlin Brooks
Rob Padgett III

16
Brett Birch
Cass Hough
Elizabeth Lewis

17
Veronica Harik

18
Kendall Coon
Randy Eberts
Brett Labian

19
(None)

20
Samuel Beals
Thomas Becker
Eva Hanka
Cecilee Jarrad
Norm McCallum
James McGruder
Sherry Sorensen
Justin Tarr

21
Linda Dalrymple

22
Ethan Feucht
Laura Ford
Nancy Hamilton
Andrew Taylor
Aaron Van Heest

23
Susan Agostinelli
Sue Grossman
Thomas White

24
Jadyn Bradford
Lisa Diamond
Carol Eddy
Ray Wicks

25
Marysol Millar
Chris Palmer

26
Chris Bol
Kathy Campbell
Lois Elferdink
Nancy Harwood

27
Gretchen Coleman
Karin Colvin
Mimi Cummings
Connie Houts

28
Phil Torrence
Julie Tyler

29
Susan DeJong
Ken Freed
Sharon Mattingly
Richard Stewart

30
Jeff Barnum
James Bishop
Conner Diamond
Susan Hanselman
Amy Hirt
Jeffrey King
Gloria Landman
Molly Longman

31
Kurt Droppers
Karen Jarrad
Donna Schonveld



50-Plus Years of Membership: MAY —Congratulations!

As a monthly feature, each *Presbyter* includes an “anniversary-by-month” list of our members who have been a part of the FPC family for 50 years or more. Here you will find the names of these members, listed during the anniversary month of when each one joined the church. The entire 12-month list is printed in the Annual Report.

<u>Name of Member</u>	<u>Date Joined</u>	<u># Years</u>
Kay Vermeulen	5/21/61	58
Janet Gladstone	5/23/63	56
Jo Russell	5/23/63	56
Carol Schreiner	5/24/64	55
Jean Appel	5/26/66	53
Jan Carpenter	5/26/66	53
Constance Houts	5/26/66	53

JUNE Birthdays

1
Bruce Birkel
Bridgette Bol
Shirley Gerpheide
Thomas Owen
Ruthie Tyler
Harrison Willoughby

2
Angie Jonas
Mark Olmsted
Melanie Sherrill

3
Katherine Lozeau
Charri Withrow

4
Becky Chambers
Elizabeth Coryell
Shawn Mattingly

5
Katherine Millar
Maureen Willoughby

6
Amy Coon
Matthew Johnson
Jeanene Lewis

7
Nicholas Gleaton
Sandra Hintz
Pete Jarrad

8
Whitney Hoag
Sally Pitt-VanBuren
Emily Stuit
Jonathan Taylor

9
Becca Coryell
Allison Diamond
Christine Yankovich

10
Diane Johnson
Julia Weaver

11
Erin Arwady
Sherrill Busboom
Richard Coryell
Nancy Raklovits
Mike Ruesink

12
Dennis Engers

13
Carla Kennedy
Bill Sorensen

14
Jacalyn Todd

15
Linda Bower
Craig Misner

16
Brian Crabb
Ken Kirton
Leora Knickerbocker

17
Gail Dukes
Jessegrace Ford

18
Gary Brown
Marten Compton

19
Sarah Lozeau
Joel Shepherd
Nathaniel
Weeldreyer

20
(none)

21
Ava Coon

22
Minnie LaPoint
Roger Jacox
Mark Rey

23
Matthew Schreiner
Dianne Shaffer
Joanne Stewart

24
Barbara Baker
Justin Lombardi
Tyler
Richard Stewart

25
Bill Birch

26
Rand Arwady
Jack Schnur
Colleen Sherrill

27
Jennifer Fiore
Anna Miedema
Carley Tuin
Rosa VanHeest
Aidan Ward
Suzanne
Weeldreyer
Priscilla Willson

28
(None)

29
Amy Harik



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Lois Elferdink	June 16, 1955	64
Mary Lou Boughton	June 3, 1965	54
Bill Kelser	June 3, 1965	54

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:

Ann Ross
(269) 217-6193

Chrissy Westbury
(989) 854-1124



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.

Associates

Parish Associates:

The Reverend 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



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Bruce Birkel
Nik DeHaan
Nate Owens

Presbyter

Here is the schedule for the balance of the 2016-2017 program year:

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline for Content</u>	<u>Mailing Date</u>
July-August	June 17	June 26

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 other resources. To receive digital copies only, please contact Ann Johnson at ann.johnson@kalamazoofirstpres.org, or call 344-0119.

FPC Presbyterian / Calendar - May, 2019

Wednesday/1

- 8:00a *Presbyter* folding
- 9:00a Hearts-to-Hands Card Ministry
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: Dinner

Thursday/2

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 12:00p Adult Ed. Committee
- 1:00p Yoga
- 5:00p Bell Choir rehearsal
- 7:00p FPC Choir rehearsal

Friday/3

- 1:00p Lunch Bunch (*off site*)

Saturday/4

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/5

- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Prayer Partners
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Stewardship Potluck
- 11:15a Blood pressure screenings
- 11:15a "Faithful Discourse in a Fractured World"
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 12:15p Youth Music
- 12:45p Ministry with Community — FPC serves the meal
- 5:00p Revolution youth group
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Worship

Monday/6

- 1:00p Hearts-to-Hands Stitchers
- 5:30p Coalition for Common Ground

Tuesday/7

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists

Wednesday/8

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

Thursday/9

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 5:00p Bell Choir rehearsal
- 6:00p Property Maintenance Committee
- 7:00p FPC Choir rehearsal

Friday/10

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/11

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/12

- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 8:45a Bell Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Christian Education Committee
- 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 Healing Service
- 11:15a Session Listening Post
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 12:15p Youth Music
- 5:00p NO Revolution youth group

Monday/13

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Tuesday/14

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists
- 7:00p Worship and Music Committee

Wednesday/15

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

Thursday/16

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 12:00p Finance Committee
- 1:00p Yoga
- 5:00p Bell Choir rehearsal
- 6:00p Stewardship Committee
- 7:00p FPC Choir rehearsal

Friday/17

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/18

- 6:00p BINGO for Rickman House residents

Sunday/19

- 8:45a All-Church Breakfast
- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a FPC 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 "Living Well Aware" class
- 12:15p Youth Music
- 5:00p Revolution youth group
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Taizé Worship

Monday/20

- 5:30p Personnel Committee
- 6:30p Deacons' meeting

Tuesday/21

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists

Wednesday/22

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

Thursday/23

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

Friday/24

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/25

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/26

- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School

Monday/27—MEMORIAL DAY

The church building is closed.

Tuesday/28

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists

Wednesday/29

- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner

Thursday/30

- 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/31

(no FPC activities scheduled)

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Saturday/1

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/2

- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Prayer Partners
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 11:15a Blood pressure screenings
- 11:15a "Faithful Discourse in a Fractured World"
- 12:45p Ministry with Community
FPC serves the meal
- 5:00p Revolution youth group
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Worship

Monday/3

- 1:00p Hearts-to-Hands Stitchers

Tuesday/4

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists

Wednesday/5

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

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 Lunch Bunch (*off site*)

Saturday/8

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Sunday/9

- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 8:45a Bell Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Session Listening Post
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 11:15a Health Ministry meeting
- 12:00p All-Church Picnic
- 5:00p Revolution youth group

Monday/10

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Tuesday/11

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists
- 7:00p Worship and Music Committee

Wednesday/12

- 3:00p Martha Circle
- 5:30p Men's Group, *Off site*
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 7:00p Outreach Committee Meeting

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

Friday/14

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/15

- 6:00p BINGO for Rickman House residents

Sunday/16

- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Church School Teachers' Meeting
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Congregational Life Committee
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School
- 11:15a Health Ministry Class
- 11:15a Youth Sunday School
- 5:00p Revolution youth group
- 7:00p Sunday Evening Taizé Worship

Monday/17

Presbyter deadline for articles

- 5:30p Personnel Committee
- 6:30p Deacons' meeting

Tuesday/18

- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists

Wednesday/19

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

Thursday/20

- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga
- 6:00p Stewardship meeting

Friday/21

(no FPC activities scheduled)

Saturday/22

- Youth to West Virginia Mission trip

Sunday/23

- Youth on West Virginia Mission Trip
- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15a Church School

Monday/24

- Youth on West Virginia Mission trip

Tuesday/25

- Youth on West Virginia Mission trip
- 7:00a Presbyterian Men's Group
- 10:00a FPC Archivists
- 11:00a Weekly Staff Meeting
- 12:00p Bulletin deadline
- 1:00p Yoga
- 2:00p FPC Archivists
- 7:00p Worship and Music Committee

Wednesday/26

- Youth on West Virginia Mission trip
- Presbyter* folding/labeling/mailing
- 5:30p Celebrate the Vision: dinner
- 6:30p Session Meets

Thursday/27

- Youth on West Virginia Mission trip
- 9:30a Women's Bible Study
- 11:00a FPC Librarian on site
- 1:00p Yoga

Friday/28

- Youth on West Virginia Mission trip

Saturday/29

- Youth on West Virginia Mission trip

Sunday/30

- 8:45a Lectionary Study
- 9:00a Church School Teachers' Meeting
- 9:00a FPC Choir rehearsal
- 9:00a Congregational Life Committee
- 9:15a Reading Aloud
- 9:45a Childcare
- 10:00a Worship in the Sanctuary