



TO PRAISE GOD, WELCOME ALL, SERVE OTHERS,
GROW IN FAITH, BE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST
AND SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

Good News Banner

October 2024

Farragut Presbyterian Church

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9-3

Friday 9-1

Worship

9:00 am

Casual Service

Parking Lot

11:00 am

Traditional Service

Sanctuary

<https://tinyurl.com/fpclivestream>

We are a diverse and welcoming community of believers, called by God to be disciples of Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to acknowledge God's gracious presence in the world. Our faithful response in praising God encompasses compassionate service to all, nurturing one another to grow in faith together and sending out disciples to share the Good News.

Reverend Matt Nieman

A Message from our Pastor



Being Celebrated

I was humbled and honored by your celebration of me on the occasion of my 10th anniversary as your pastor and 25th anniversary of my ordination. Your cards, gifts, and well-wishes were overwhelming. I felt valued and appreciated. Thank you so much!

Each of us appreciates being celebrated. Whether we admit it or not, it makes us feel good when somebody singles us out for positive attention. Whether it's a birthday, anniversary, or a simple attaboy, to be positively recognized for who we are or what we have done makes our day brighter.

And when we do not ever get celebrated, it can leave us with insecurity, doubt, or sadness.

The parable of the prodigal son is a story that strikes a chord with us when it comes to being or not being celebrated. The younger son of a wealthy landowner pleads for his share of his inheritance. And he promptly goes off and wastes it on wild living. With his tail between his legs, he wanders home to his father who promptly throws a party for him. His son had come home!

The father's older son, however, was not pleased. He had never been celebrated despite being responsible and remaining next to his father his whole life. Or, at least that's what he thought. His father explained to him, "My son, you are always with me." In other words, he didn't sense the great love his dad had for him. He wasn't attentive to it.

Jesus Christ celebrates us every day. The grace he offers through his death and resurrection is a reminder to us that we are his children always. We are of infinite worth to him and should never forget that.

In your tough days, in addition to your good ones, Jesus would have us know how much he loves us and values us—in this life and in the next.

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

Hello Friends! Farragut Presbyterian Church is looking for volunteers to assist in our worship services. If you can help in any of the submitted categories (usher, scripture reader, or communion server), please go to: <http://tinyurl.com/FPCvolunteerSignUp> and sign up in the appropriate available time slot. If you have any questions, please contact Mikie Lancaster, Ken Ladrach, or the church office (865/966-9547). Thank you for your help!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 - "Sowing the Seeds of Peace"



Join us as we celebrate
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6
ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10am

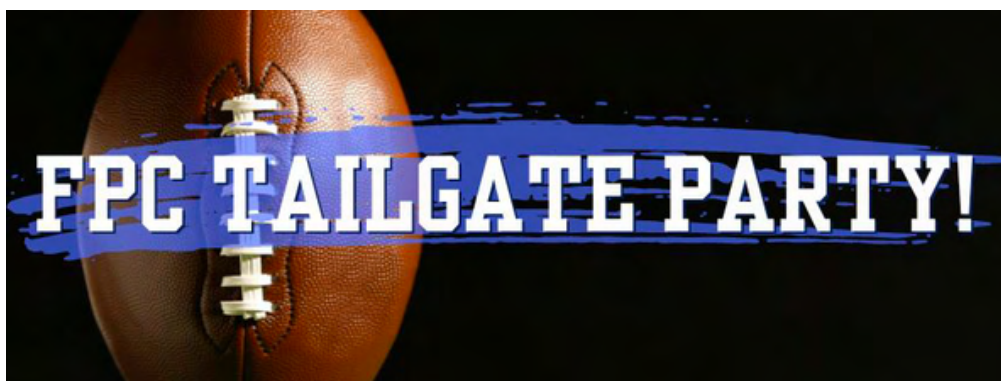
Casual service in the parking lot
Bring a chair and join us outside, weather permitting
We will also collect
THE PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING.

Our Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world. It is one of four annual special offerings, bringing together the diversity of the PC (USA) to focus and take faith-based action on shared concerns. Our gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering are helping our neighbors in need — those who live next door, down the street, and across the globe. 25% of this Offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community. 25% of this Offering goes to our mid-council to join with other congregations to support peacemaking work in our region. 50% of this Offering supports the work being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

Our neighbors need us. Please give what you can to the Peace & Global Witness Offering. There is a pew envelope specially designated for this offering, or you can just write in the memo line of your check, or give online at: <http://tinyurl.com/FPCCe-giving>.

WHEN WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

Worship will be followed by:



Wear your team colors and bring your favorite tailgate food!
(finger foods, appetizers, etc.)

Our wonderful Church Life Committee will provide
Fried Chicken, Drinks and Serveware.

Feel free to build your own team-themed centerpiece to decorate your table!
To make sure we have enough food and chairs,

RSVP online at: <https://tinyurl.com/FPCTailgateParty>, register in the church narthex,
or contact the church office. Please RSVP by October 2nd!

Welcome New Members



BREE, LAURA, and LILY HASH

We welcome new members the Hash “girls”, mom Laura and twin daughters Bree and Lily. Maybe there should be a “Twins Club” at FPC, as they join Graham & Parker Morrell, Abby and Jack Plumlee, and Madison and Brooklyn Eiffert. Actually, there is a “Twin Overflow” in Laura’s family, as both her parents are twins, and her girls make the 8th set in their family. Interestingly, Bree and Lily were adopted out of foster care when they were three weeks old, but they certainly fit the family tradition.

Laura is a family law attorney working for a law firm both out of the Farragut office as well as the downtown office. Her specialty is adoption, but she also does custody and divorce related work. She is a local, being born in Oliver Springs and lived in Clinton since 2006. Laura recently relocated to Hardin Valley and just got engaged....to our own Pastor Matt! Congratulations!

Lily and Bree are very sports-oriented, having recently earned their black belts in taekwondo, and are hoping to join the middle school volleyball team in the spring. They love swimming, movies, singing, slime, stuffed animals, soft blankets, listening to music, and their pets: Zoey a Great Dane, and Asher a Savannah cat.



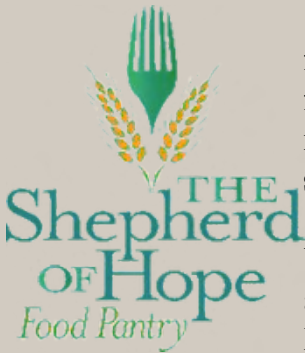
JOHN & WHITNEY SHARP

New members John and Whitney Sharp are Farragut natives, graduates of Farragut High School, and are glad to still be in the area, although they recently moved to Avalon. Through their 38 years of marriage, they have called South FL, Louisville, KY, South Carolina, and the Tidewater area of VA home. They have three sons: Zach lives in Destin, FL, Eli is a student at LMU Medical School, and Simeon is a junior at UT.

Whitney is a physical therapist, specializing in balance therapy and movement disorders. John has been a senior pastor and has led nonprofit organizations. They both enjoy hiking, biking, travel, reading and movies. They are looking forward to meeting FPC folks and enjoying great conversations.

Outreach

BUILDING COMMUNITY THROUGH GIVING



The SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY is getting ready for the holidays! Holiday food baskets will be distributed to pantry guests in November and December. Last year over 630 families received holiday baskets, including many families from local schools that were especially invited to receive the baskets. The baskets typically include a ham or turkey, canned vegetables, stuffing mix, cooking oil, eggs, coffee or tea, and dessert mix.

Farragut Presbyterian will again collect cake mixes and canned frosting (any flavors) and/or brownie mixes for these gift baskets. As you shop in the next couple of months, please consider adding these dessert items to your list and drop them off in the cart in the narthex. Contact Becky Thomason with any questions.

Please join Presbyterian Women to help stock SUNSET GAP FOOD PANTRY. Items most needed include: flour, sugar, cornmeal mix, cooking oil, peanut butter, pasta & canned pasta sauce, canned meat, rice, mac & cheese, breakfast items, Ramen noodles and crackers. We will be collecting through October 13. Contact Debbie Long for info.

Special thanks to our amazing volunteers: Janet Tinder, Heather Robinson and September coordinators Karen Brown Gonzalez and Chuck Gonzalez for purchasing, preparing, and serving a meal to the homeless at VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER. If you would like to volunteer for this rewarding ministry, please sign up in the narthex, or contact October 15 coordinator, Jean Peretz.



Attention: All Crafters!

The Fall trip to CAM (Coalition of Appalachian Ministries) located in Townsend is scheduled for Tuesday, October 29,

Items needed include: All sewing supplies, fabric, yarn (especially peach and cream colors), zippers, buttons, costume jewelry, cotton for quilting, all batting, especially Insul-Bright for potholders, denim jeans, old and worn tablecloths, all trims like rick rack, thread, old white lace, doilies, even used light bulbs.

Donated items can be brought to the church, . Ride along with us as we stop at Elvira's for lunch before heading to CAM!.

For questions or donated item pickup, contact Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster. For more information about CAM follow this link:

<https://www.appalachianministry.org/craft-cabin>



URGENT

Friends, I am so glad that we are safe and dry. I know you have joined your prayers with mine for the communities in farther East Tennessee and Western North Carolina who are struggling in the aftermath of a natural disaster. As we shared by email and social media yesterday, we are collecting water at the request of our sister churches in Holston who are without potable water right now.

You may drop off your donations of bottled water at any one of the following churches:

- Fountain City Presbyterian (Monday through Friday 8am -3pm)
- New Providence Presbyterian (water can be dropped off at the pavilion anytime)
- Farragut Presbyterian (Monday through Thursday between 9am - 3pm or Fridays 9am - 1pm)
- First Presbyterian Sweetwater (Call the church office to arrange drop off: 423-337-7284)
- Rivermont Presbyterian (water can be dropped off under the covered driveway anytime)

The PET disaster response team will be coordinating delivery of collected water to First Presbyterian Church in Greenville, TN. If you are able to be a driver, please let the presbytery office know and we will give your name to the response team.

I know that Western North Carolina has requested for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to come and help them evaluate. PDA should be there this week, and we will know more how we may help our sister churches there after that assessment.

If you would like to donate money, you may do so at <https://www.presbyteryeasttn.org/donate/>

Please choose the PET Disaster Response Fund option when making your donation. Please continue to pray for all these communities as they begin to clean up and plan recovery steps. Montreat roads have been damaged if not destroyed in some places, so recovery there will take some time.

Grace and peace to you all,

Wendy Neff

General Presbyter



OCTOBER FOODIES SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

The menu is:

Appetizer - Stuffed Mushrooms

**Entree - Mediterranean Stuffed Pork Tenderloin
with Cheese Grits**

Caprese Roasted Asparagus

Dessert - Apple Cobbler with Ice Cream

Please join us for a wonderful evening of food and fellowship. It is a great way to meet new people. A sign up sheet is on the narthex table.

Greetings FPC Family,

As the Fall season officially begins, the Family Ministries at Farragut Presbyterian Church continues to be in full force! While Summer is typically considered a time of rest, for Family Ministries across the nation, it is a season of activity and busyness

like no other. With that being said, even as our kids and youth return back to school, we continue to offer a variety of different activities and opportunities for children and youth here at FPC!

Having wrapped up our Summer program, Kidz In Space, we have started back with our school year KidZone program for ages 3 through 11 during the 9 am service on Sundays. For those unfamiliar with the program, kids spend time during the service learning and singing songs of worship and praise, learning important biblical lessons in exciting and engaging ways and having tons of fun playing games and doing crafts! In doing so, we are able to help foster a safe and loving environment where kids can feel safe and comfortable exploring their faith in fun and exciting ways. With KidZone having just passed its fourth anniversary of existence in its current form, I have had the unique opportunity to witness the amazing growth of these children as well as how knowledgeable they are when it comes to questions of faith and love. I highly encourage anyone who feels even the slightest bit intrigued by what's going on in our children's program to reach out and see how you can be apart of such a rewarding ministry!

While our children's ministry continues to grow in unique and exciting ways, our youth program is seeing new innovation as well! Starting this past August, we teamed up with First Presbyterian Church, Lenoir City, where I serve as their youth director, to hold youth group together! This decision was made as a result of the recognition that the church is stronger when work collaboratively and what better way to collaborate than by doing all kinds of fun activities together! While Youth Ministry as a whole is often full of surprises in one way or another, we try our best to follow a model for youth group that encourages four key ideals: Faith, Fellowship, Service, and Community. We seek to achieve this by incorporating at least one of these four aspects into everything we do! As with our Children's Ministry, if you have even the slightest bit of interest in all that's happening in our youth program, please reach out to see how you can be an active participant and support this wonderful ministry!

As you can see, the Family Ministries at FPC continues to grow in exciting new ways. With this growth comes the opportunity for the Church to fulfill its call of radical hospitality and embrace these young families. By loving, supporting, and nourishing those involved in the family ministries here at FPC, we can continue to work to build a "family of families" in all that we do, ensuring that we are living into what it means to be the church!

Peace & Blessings,
Mason Warren
Director of Family Ministries
Farragut Presbyterian Church



CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Join us for fall fun at the Deep Well Farm Pumpkin Patch on Sunday, October 13 from 3-5pm. (Rain date is Sunday, October 20) This event is open to all, so bring friends and family!

Deep Well Farm is located at 9567 US 11 E, Lenoir City, TN, 37772. The price is \$15 and includes a wagon ride and a small pumpkin – ONLY CASH is accepted. No debit/credit cards. Meet at the ticket booth at 3pm to go in as a group.

RSVP to Mason Warren or Jenny Trussell. Hope to see you there!



Join us for our TRUNK OR TREAT event at Farragut Presbyterian Church on October 27 from 4-6pm! Bring the whole family for an evening of spooky fun and sweet treats. Everyone is welcome!

If you'd like to set up a trunk or lend a hand with games inside, please contact Amy Eiffert at amyegnot@hotmail.com, or Cheyanne Feldhausen at feldhausentc@gmail.com.





Music at FPC

Dr. Angela Batey, Director

Our church offers many opportunities to raise your voice in thanks and praise to God. There is a place for you, no matter what your age or ability. We are proud of our Music Ministry, and we are eager for you to become a part of our leading of worship.

We begin our new season with rehearsal beginning Wednesday, September 04 at 7:30 p.m. I hope you will prayerfully consider joining our Music Ministry. Our ministry is for those who want to give of their gifts. It is NOT for the "most talented" or "most experienced". Try us! You will be welcomed into a warm and loving fellowship.

Why you should join the Chancel Choir:

Why would God want us to sing, especially in church? Singing in church is a special way of praising God and this very special kind of music delights the ears of God. All through scripture, God calls on the people to sing. Psalm 96:1 - "Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord, all the earth." Psalm 100: "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord...come into his presence with singing." The emphasis in the church is on the participation of the whole congregation in singing. Sacred music is a means for the true religious and spiritual expression of the whole congregation.

Music, then, is an integral part of the liturgical worship and a prayerful response to the worship experience and certainly not entertainment. The primary role of the choir is to lead the congregation in song. In preparation for every worship service, many resources are consulted and all music is very carefully chosen to reflect the word of God as found in the scripture readings of the day. Many of you have commented on how the music in worship and spoken word seem to 'go together so well!'" Thank you for noticing!

The goal, of course, is to musically lead the whole congregation to a deeper spirituality and relationship with God through the music selected for worship. What a privilege to lend your voice to be used by God for worship - praising God through song! Serving the Lord and considering all God does for us, our voices raised in song is just a little giving back to God!

Among the reasons people sometimes give for not wanting to join the church choir is they have no musical background or they are shy and can't stand people watching them sing. Music in our lives from the moment we are born. Since the time of Plato, artists and scientists alike have been intrigued by the power of music to elicit strong emotional responses in humans. Research shows babies in the womb hear and respond to the sound of music; mothers sing lullabies to their babies; music is a part of community youth and adult social groups; and music has always been a part of religious services and activities.

Research also shows that singing is at the top of the chart on how best to express deep emotions and it can also intensify joy and ease sorrow. Through singing we also experience intellectual stimulation - when you make music, you are using both sides of your brain simultaneously.

Also, people who sing regularly tend to breathe well, have good posture and resonant speaking voices with expanded lungs for free intake of oxygen and thus stay youthful longer than the average non-singer. (Who knew the Fountain of Youth was in front of you every Sunday?!)

Singing greatly reduces stress, improves mood and the best benefit of all - it doesn't cost a thing to experience this joy and fellowship with other congregants!

The Chancel Choir of Farragut Presbyterian Church stands ready to introduce you to all the benefits enumerated above, but one warning: your sides will hurt from laughing so much during our rehearsals!

Join us, one and all!

Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!

Our celebration is just a few weeks away! We invite you, our friends, to participate in our annual "Invite a Friend to Choir" Day. As we have in the past, we would like to fill the choir loft with the people of God who are bonded together through music. This event is NOT just for people who know how to read music, or who have sung in a choir before.

No previous experience is required! The music ministry of Farragut Presbyterian IS for ALL the people of God! Please join us for rehearsal and fellowship on Wednesday night, October 09, and Sunday, October 13 as we MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!



MINISTRIES



Prayer Shawl Ministry

October 22

11:00 am

Room D

Join this wonderful group of knitters and crocheters to make shawls for FPC members who need extra comfort during a difficult time. Patterns and yarn are provided.

WHEN YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO



Call someone who cares

FPC STEPHEN MINISTER LEADERS

BETH MARTIN | MATT NIEMAN
JEANIE OAKLEY | ELIZABETH WILSON

865/966-9547

Our Stephen Ministry Leaders can help:

Beth Martin
(865) 776-3132

Matt Nieman
(865) 966-9547

Jeanie Oakley
(256) 468-4501

Elizabeth Wilson
(865) 382-6786

Presbyterian Women

All circle meetings are held at the church

Circle #1

2nd Tuesday, 10 am
Leaders: Megan Fidel
240-319-6768
Kathy Emmerson
312-286-1676

Circle #2

2nd Tuesday, 10 am
Leaders: Becky Thomason
865-607-0727
Linda Nunley

Circle #3

2nd Wednesday, 10 am
Leaders: Mikie Lancaster
865-675-0360
Jo McElhaney
865-705-6518

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation (PWC) groups build community, affirm women's calls to leadership and spiritual growth, raise concerns and channel information to and from Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery. Presbyterian Women is a loving community that can challenge and nurture you, and be a vehicle for making the world a better place for all of God's children. Consider joining an FPC Circle.

Check us out on Facebook: Presbyterian Women in the PC(USA) or on Instagram: PWPCUSA, Inc.
www.presbyterianwomen.org

Men's Bible Study

October 10 and 24
8 a.m. / Narthex

The men of FPC gather twice a month for fellowship and a time of bible study. The group meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month in the narthex at 8am. If you would like to join us, please contact John Neighbors or the church office to get on the contact list. Breakfast, coffee, and great fellowship provided!

Chair Yoga

MONDAY AND FRIDAY
10:00 - 10:30 AM
NARTHEX

Class designed for those with limited mobility or balance concerns.

TGIF Gentle Yoga

FRIDAY 7:00 - 8:00 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Gentle, slow flow class. Bring a mat and comfortable clothing. For beginner and experienced yogis.

Contact Jenny Trussell at CEDARSTUDIOS4@GMAIL.COM for additional information or a private introductory session!

No childcare available, but both Yoga classes are free and open to the public.

Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of East Tennessee

There are so many things happening and ways for each of us to find support. One of the best things we can do for ourselves is to join the community of Presbyterian Women.

Registration for the Fall Spiritual Retreat is Now Open!

Register today for the Fall Spiritual Retreat for the Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of East Tennessee! It will be Saturday, October 26, at John Knox Center, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A delicious lunch will be provided. Cost is only \$12. Deadline to register is October 15.

(<https://www.presbyteryeasttn.org/presbyterian-women-in-the-presbytery/pwretreat/>)

“Do Everything in Love” (I Corinthians 16:14) will be the theme of the retreat. The Reverend Lyn Oakley, pastor of Washington Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, will be keynote speaker. She will lead us in worship and share her experience at the recent United Nations Commission on the Status of Women. Ms. Brenda Black, our voting delegate at the Churchwide Presbyterian Women’s Triennial Gathering, will report on her experiences at that event. Ms. Crystal Tompkins, director of the Morgan Scott Project, will bring an update on this vital mission within our Presbytery. Join us for fellowship in a lovely setting!

Please note that you do not have to be in a church circle to come. Child Care is available if requested by October 15. If needed, Contact Ann Myers at annbmyers7115@gmail.com, or call 865-591-9038 .

Presbyterian Women in the
Presbytery of East Tennessee
Fall Spiritual Retreat
John Knox Center
Saturday, October 26, 2024
9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Lunch, \$12



Theme: “Do Everything in Love” - I Corinthians 16:14

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Bring an offering for the Morgan-Scott Project, our featured Mission:

- canned meats
- dry goods: beans, rice, oatmeal.
- shampoo and conditioner
- deodorant
- soap/shower gel
- dish soap and laundry detergent
- toilet paper
- Monetary donations can be made with Paypal on the website: www.morganscottproject.org Use the “donate” button and note “PW fall retreat”; or bring cash/ checks to the retreat.

Registrations are due by October 15, 2024. Register online at www.presbyteryeasttn.org or submit your name and check for lunch to your church contact:

Child Care is available if requested by October 15. If needed, contact Ann Myers 865-591-9038, annbmyers7115@gmail.com .

Morgan Scott Project in Deer Lodge will be the mission focus of the gathering.

Please bring an offering for the Morgan-Scott Project to the Spiritual Gathering. Our gifts will go directly to people in need.

Requested items include:

- canned meats
- dry goods: beans, rice, oatmeal.
- shampoo and conditioner
- deodorant for men and women
- soap/shower gel
- dish soap and laundry detergent
- toilet paper
- Monetary donations can be made with Paypal on the website: www.morganscottproject.org Use the “donate” button and note “PW Fall Retreat”; or bring cash/ checks to the retreat.



PASTOR MATT'S CLASS

L I B R A R Y

“The After Party.” It’s an examination of a growing movement that believes how we engage in politics — how we show up for the conversation, if you will — should be anchored in the clear teaching of Jesus. It’s more about “the how” than “the what” – how we interact with each other more than what the “what” is. Join us in the library at 10:00.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

O U T D O O R S / R O O M D

L E D B Y E L I Z A B E T H W I L S O N

This class will discuss the weekly Lectionary text. There’s an optional lesson handout, but you can also join us for the conversation.

YOUTH CLASS

C A F E / P A R L O R

L E D B Y M A S O N W A R R E N

The Youth Sunday School Class meets to DIVE IN to the Old Testament! Each week throughout the school year, youth explore a specific book of the Old Testament utilizing videos and discussion.

KIDS ZONE!

We invite any little adventurers aged 3-9 to come aboard for a Sunday morning full of fun at 9:00am in our Fellowship Hall!

Kids will dive into the magical world of God's love with Bible tales, catchy tunes, cool videos, and loads of giggles, while grown-up helpers guide them through arts, science, food and jam sessions.

Let's make Sundays a fun day!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the many cards during John’s hospitalization, and for the great show of love and support after his passing. I am so blessed to be a part of such great, loving, caring church family,

Gail Montgomery

Dear FPC,

Thank you so much for all the dinners, rides to therapy, mcards, and calls during and after our surgeries. It was so thoughtful of the church family to be so helpful. We really appreciate all you did!

Thank you,

Buddy and Linda Wert

October Anniversaries

10/03 Louise Stevenson and Paul Matson
10/07 Dave and Megan Figel
10/14 Tom and Cheyanne Feldhausen
10/17 Joe and Lynn Kszos
10/23 Tucker and Merideth Fritz
10/24 Jeff and Kelly Thode
10/30 Tim and Madelyn Schult

**Remember in
your prayers...**



Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, John Huntley, Paul Johnson, Beth Loyless, Nathan Mathis, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Kimberly Platt, Linda Stutzenberger, Gail Wallace

Bereaved

The family of Paul Hanson

FPC SHEPHERD MINISTRY



We are pleased to announce that our FPC Shepherd Ministry is returning in January 2025 to provide care to our church family. We are having our Shepherd Training on Sunday, November 10 from 1:00-3:00 in Room A, following our Church Wide Consecration Lunch. If you have a desire to be a Shepherd for a small group of church members or have any questions please get in touch with us. Thank you to all those Shepherds who have already committed to serve and care for our church family!

In Christ's Love and Care,
Beth Martin, Jeanie Oakley & Joanie Scheurer
Your Shepherd and Stephen Ministry Leaders
Contact: Jeanie Oakley at 256-468-4501

October Birthdays

10/02 Pam Heidinger
10/02 Jeff Thode
10/02 Brooklyn Eiffert
10/02 Madison Eiffert
10/02 Peyton Houlihan
10/06 Jenny Bent
10/09 Betsy Hopson
10/09 Lewis Ransdell
10/09 John Begovich
10/10 Gwen Mitchell
10/12 Mark Allen
10/13 Bert Robinson
10/14 Sharon Koch
10/14 Ruth Jacobs
10/14 Jeannie Tabor
10/18 John Thomason
10/18 Jack Watson
10/19 Lori Corbett
10/20 Cully Gargan
10/20 Donny Matchen
10/22 Libby Matlock
10/23 Liz Gargan
10/24 Scott Henderson
10/24 Ronny Lomax
10/26 Judy Alexander
10/26 Kelly Thode
10/26 Eleanor Cipriano
10/28 Stuart Phillips
10/28 Marie Shear
10/30 Howard Hickman
10/30 Linda Scothorn
10/30 Allen Lutz
10/31 Chuck Foriska

At its meeting on September 23, the Session:

- Heard from the Administration Committee that total income through August was \$527,233, which is \$91,000 above total expenses. Giving for the year is \$45,000 above budget.
- Heard that plans for the fall stewardship campaign are being made. Stewardship Sunday will be November 10.
- Fielded a request from the Christian Education Committee for more volunteers to staff their fall events, including Trunk or Treat on October 27. Pastor Matt will make a direct plea to congregation.
- Heard news from the Outreach Committee that our two sets of missionaries that we support (in Costa Rica and the Philippines) will be the recipients of the local portion of the Peace and Global Witness offering received on World Communion Sunday, October 6.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

Financial Report as of August 2024			
	Actual for August	YTD August	YTD August Budget
Operating Income	\$80,598	\$511,234	\$458,252
Big Fish Academy Income	\$2,000	\$16,000	\$16,000
Total Income	\$82,598	\$527,234	\$474,252
Operating Expenses	\$50,842	\$436,135	\$465,240
Total Expenses	\$50,842	\$436,135	\$465,240
Total Income less Expenses	\$31,756	\$91,099	\$9,012

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