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From the Pastor's Pen

Sisters and Brothers in Jesus Christ,

The month of August marks a new cycle – a new beginning – for many. Some students and teachers/staff return to school to begin a new grade or transition into college. The *Celebration* returns with its pageantry and beauty. And, coming in September, First Presbyterian will recognize our new year with Rally Day, which marks a recommitment of ourselves to ministry through study, worship, and outreach.

As we journey together, our Worship services will take us deeper into the Gospel of Luke, the physician. We will explore Biblical stories to learn anew:

the importance of how Jesus will return “like a thief in the night;”
how faith in Jesus ultimately has a critical impact on the divisions in our earthly family relationships –
Jesus came to bring fire;
witness anew the healing of the crippled woman on the Sabbath – how Jesus put those in need over ritual laws of the Sabbath; and
discern why Jesus told not one, but two parables focused on rules of etiquette at a banquet hosted at the house of a leader of the Pharisees – to emphasize the need for the attributes of humility and compassion as marks of a true disciple of Jesus.

One of our members kindly reminded all of us that we are a family, the family of God, because in the name of Jesus, we support and love one another. In the last few weeks, we have shared the great loss of long-time, faithful members of our Church, and our Church family has gathered to walk with their families in their grief. Our congregation must now pick up the mantle of leadership and bear the blessed burden of building on their faith legacy by leading our Church into the future God has planned for us. Guided by the wind of the Holy Spirit filling our sails, First Presbyterian Church is called to continue to build up this “holy temple” to the glory of God, walking in the footsteps of those faithful members.

In the busyness of life, come to Worship so that we, as a Church family, may increase in the wisdom and stature of our Lord Jesus Christ.

May the peace and hope we know in Jesus Christ be our strength,

Jim

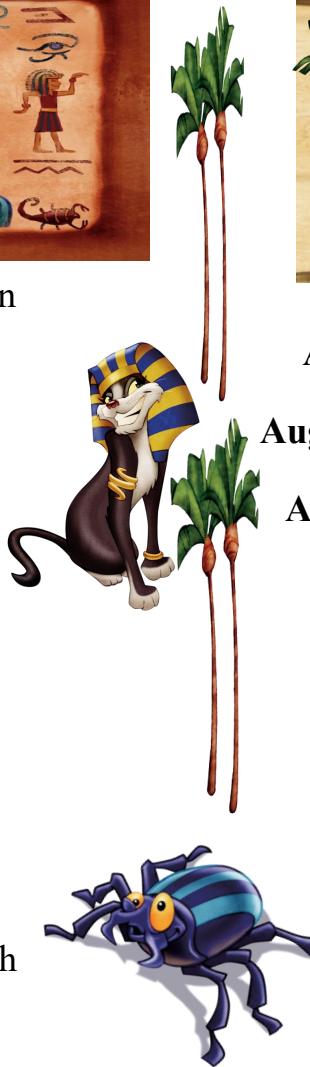




August 1	Marylyn Caperton
August 5	Sheri Emerson
August 6	Randy Reed
August 7	Bailey Little
August 7	Mike Matusek
August 7	Molly Jensen
August 8	Pearlee Mays
August 9	Lynne Sain
August 10	Willie Snell
August 12	Cathy Ikard
August 13	Ginny Saylor
August 14	Jim Caperton, Nikki Turner
August 15	Reed Emerson
August 17	Lowry Ann Marsh
August 18	Bea Marsh
August 20	Ashley Segroves
August 22	Walker Craig
August 27	Taylor Smith
August 30	Frieda Bone
August 31	David Segroves
August 31	Jed Stimpson



**Bring your
Good Samaritan
Donations on
Sunday,
August 10th.**



August 1st Steve & Kristin Conley



August 6th James & Marylyn Caperton

August 9th Ross & Jenniver Beavers



Committee Meetings

Worship & Music Committee
Thursday, August 7th @ 5:00pm

Mission Committee

Monday, August 11th @ 5:30pm

Session Meeting

Monday, August 18th @ 5:30pm

Pastoral Care Committee

No Pastoral Care Meeting until September. If anyone needs assistance please call the church office, Attn: Marylyn Caperton



**ICE CREAM SOCIAL
IS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 17th
Fellowship Hall at 4:00 p.m.**



The Book Club is meeting on Friday, August 29th, 9:30am at Never Rest Park.

**They will be discussing
“The Rent Collector”
By Camron Wright.**



**Chancel Choir will not be meeting on the Month Of August.
They will resume on September 3rd.**



AUGUST

- August 1** AA Meeting 1:00pm
- August 3** Worship Service 10:00am
- August 4** Sermon Roundtable 10:00am
- August 5** AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 7** Worship & Music Meeting 5:00pm
AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 8** AA Meeting 1:00pm
- August 10** Worship Service 10:00am
Bring your Good Samaritan Donations
- August 11** Sermon Roundtable 10:00am
Mission Meeting 5:30pm
- August 12** AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 14** AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 15** AA Meeting 1:00pm
- August 17** Worship Service 10:00am
Ice Cream Social 4:00pm
- August 18** Sermon Roundtable 10:00am
Session Meeting 5:30pm
- August 19** AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 21** AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 22** AA Meeting 1:00pm
- August 24** Worship Service 10:00am
- August 25** Sermon Roundtable 10:00am
- August 26** AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 28** AA Meeting 7:00pm
- August 29** Book Club at Never Rest Park 9:30am
AA Meeting 1:00pm
- August 31** Worship Service 10:00am
No Potluck

Red Cross Blood Donor Day



American
Red Cross



Red Cross Blood Mobile was here at FPC July 23 for their regular quarterly visit.

We had 19 donors, that netted 18 units of blood.

That number of units will serve at least 45 individuals.

Thanks to the donors from our church and the volunteers who helped with room preparation, registration and refreshments. We saw familiar faces come through.



Presbyterian Women **Fall Potluck** News

Presbyterian Women will hold their
annual Fall Potluck Supper

Tuesday September 9, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

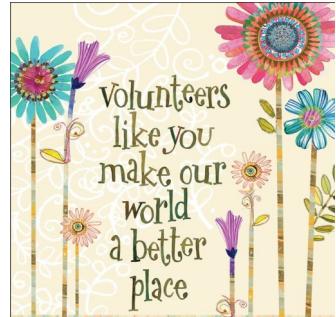


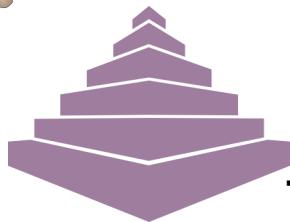
Our guest speaker that night will be Carlene Smith who will share valuable information about scams and frauds, something we are being subjected to with increasing frequency. Come, bring a friend and bring a dish of food to share with all.

Our PW co-moderators Melanie Hamilton and Adrian Segroves are ending their three year tenure so PW's are seeking a moderator. If you are interested in that position or know of someone to recommend, please contact the church office at 931-684-6541 as soon as you feel moved to do so. If you would like more information, talk with Melanie or Adrian.

PW Circle will begin again on October 14, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Young Adult classroom. All are welcome on the second Tuesday of each month through May, 2026 for Bible study and fellowship. The resource selected for this year is the 2025-26 PW Horizon Bible Study titled, "Finding Resilience, Joy and Our Identity in Jesus Christ. The study will follow Mary Magdalene, Mary of the Mary and Martha duo, the woman who was poor, the woman who was bent over, the prodigal son, travelers on the road to Emmaus and Jesus himself as they model joy, resilience and finding our friends identity in Christ. Please join us as we make our way through this study.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES





memphis

VBS

Truly...the Holy Spirit was in this place.

Until next year....



Our Vacation Bible School for 2025 ended with the reminder that
God gives us family...and it's the **BEST FAMILY EVER....**

Galatians 3:26 tells us "For you are all children of God."



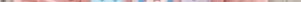
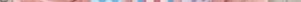
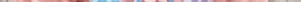
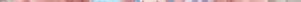
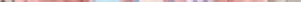
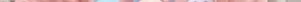
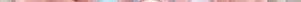
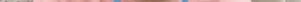
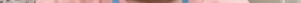
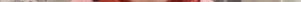
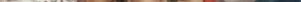
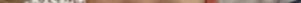
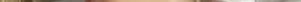
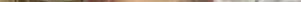
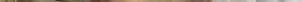
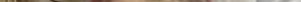
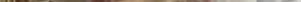
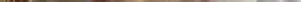
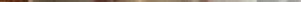
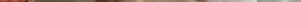
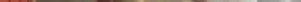
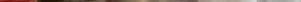
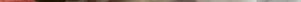
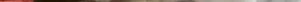
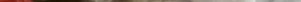
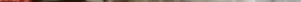
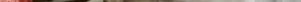
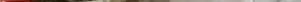
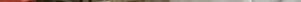
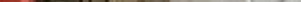
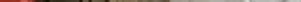
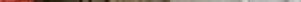
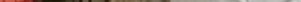
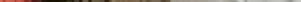
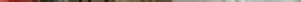
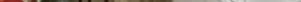
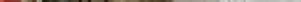
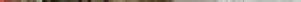
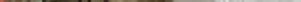
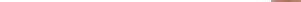
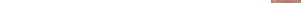
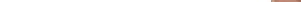
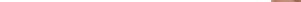
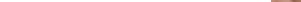
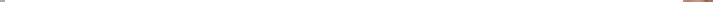
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The journey begins!



FUN ACTIVITIES





AWA-CAPERA TEACHERS

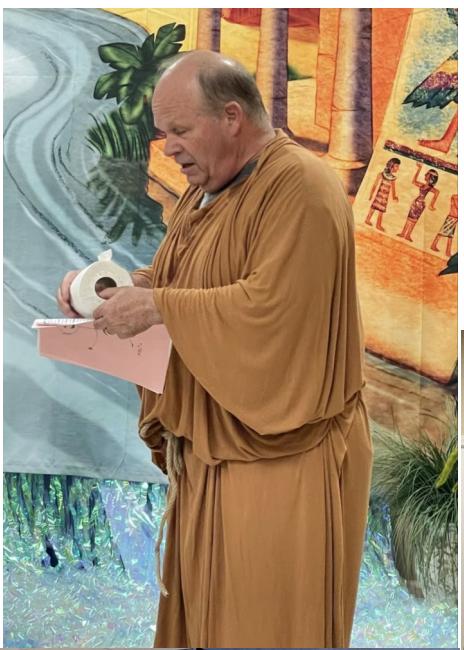


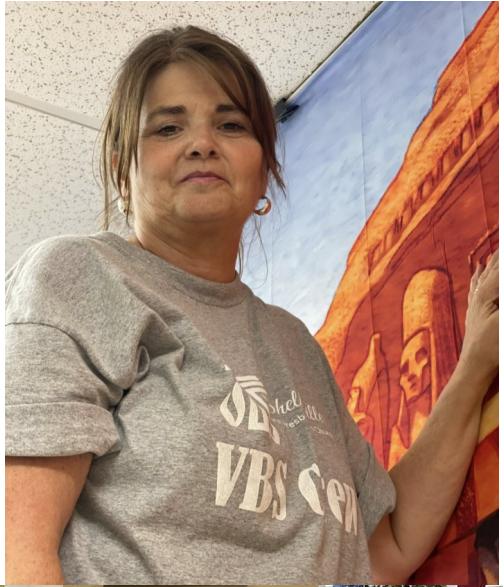
GROUP FUN





**God gives us special abilities.
Some of us are stepping out of
comfort zones into areas where
we are not sure-footed but we
are willing to try in order to
share our love of the one true
God with these children.**







BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS



We held our Blessing of the Backpacks.

What a blessing all of these smiling faces were to all of us.
A special thank you to our friend, Reverend Dr. Gary Kelly,
for standing in for Pastor Jim to bless these
students and teachersand their backpacks.

“May these tags remind you that God is always with you”
....and your church family is too!!!



♥ SERVERS FOR AUGUST ♥

Ushers/Greeters

Frieda Bone

Charlotte Williams

James & Lori Smith

Lay Liturgist:

Pat Marsh

Communion Prep:

Communion Servers:

Ushers/Greeters

Sarah Natale

Christy Jensen

Richard & Kristen Wilhelm

Lay Liturgist

Charlotte Williams

Ushers/Greeters

Pat Marsh

Willie & Debbie Snell

Pat Thomas

Lay Liturgist

Rob Marsh

Ushers/Greeters

James & Lori Smith

Grace Wilhelm

Charlotte Williams

Lay Liturgist

Brent Canady

Ushers/Greeters

Brent Canady

Jim & Kathy Ikard

Kristin Wilhelm

Lay Liturgist

Charlotte Williams

Sunday, August 3, 2025

A Time for Young Christians

Pastor Jim

Hall Monitor

Lisa Turner

Children's Church

Christy Jensen

Nursery

Katherine Marsh

Flowers

Helen Garner & Trena Little

Linda Anderton, Belinda Craig, Sarah Natale

Sunday, August 10, 2025

A Time for Young Christians

Connie Crafton

Hall Monitor

Belinda Craig

Acolyte

Children's Church

Grace Wilhelm

Nursery

Raychelle Flannagan

Flowers

Lana Beavers

Sunday, August 17, 2025

A Time for Young Christians

Kate Canady

Hall Monitor

Mary Marsh

Acolyte

Children's Church

Christy Jensen

Nursery

Bea Marsh

Flowers

Sunday, August 24, 2025

A Time for Young Christians

Kate Canady

Hall Monitor

Terry Saylor

Acolyte

Children's Church

Belinda Craig

Nursery

Debbie Snell

Flowers

Sunday, August 31, 2025

A Time for Young Christians

Kate Canady

Hall Monitor

James Smith

Acolyte

Children's Church

Sandy Yount

Nursery

Katherine Marsh

Flowers



If you know of someone that is homebound and they would like to receive communion. Please contact the church office.



LCDR Andy Canady (Member)

Airman Chase Blanton (Member)

Airman Caleb Fletcher
(Grandson of Susan Spears)

Pvt. Oscar Taylor
(Helen Garner's Great-Great Nephew)

Airman Anna Powell
(Melanie Hamilton's Great Niece)

WO1 John & WO1Carlee Moran
(Nephew & Niece of Jim & Denise Moran)

Those who are serving abroad and at home.
Those in Military Service and their families.



*In
Loving
Memory
of*

In Memory of June Taylor Locke
a donation to the **Greg Garner Fund** was made by:

Ginger Bobo Shofner



Melanie Abraham (Brent Canady's Cousin)

Jenny Baker Barber (Ginger Shofner's cousin)

Frieda Bone (Member)

Mary Brown (Member)

Family & Friends of Jackie Christie (Friend of Christy Jensen)

Donna Cox (Tommy Anderton's Sister)

Family & Friends of Catherine Daugherty (Former Member)

Kay Dennis (Friend of the Jim & Cathy Ikard)

Kay Earhart (Friend of the Canady's)

Bill Garner (Helen Garner's Brother-in-law)

Cliff Garrard (Member)

Barbara Heuer (Raychelle Flannagan's Aunt)

Edwin Holcombe (Member)

Fred Hunt (Member)

Mike Jenne (Raychelle Flannagan's Brother In-Law)

Anna Kaiser (Friend of Wayne & Charlotte Williams)

David Kee (Member)

Naomi Luna (Member)

Carol Magnuson (Member)

Evie Marsh (Church Family)

Family & Friends of Carolyn Matusek (Member)

Tony Matusek (Member)

Mary Helen Maupin (Former Member)

Chris & Savanna Morton (Family & Friends of Debby & Willie Snell)

Ruth Parsons (Blair Turner's Grandmother)

Joe Powell (Relative of Melanie Hamilton)

Barbara Singleton (Member)

Family & Friends of Margaret Smith (Member)

Barbara Steinke (Member)

Chris Stephens (Son in Law of Wayne & Charlotte Williams)

Jeremiah Thomas (Pat Thomas' Grandson)

Doug Treadway (Member)

Megan Wallace (Jim Flannagan's Sister)

Weaver Family (Friends of the Pendergrass')

Bob Wilson (Friend of Susan Spears)

Kaemey Young (Daughter of Turner Family/Friend)



**In Memory of Carolyn Simmons Matusek
a donation to the Greg Garner Fund was made by:**

Tommy & Linda, Anderton
Louise Armstrong
Mike & Frieda Bone
Nancy June Brandon
Samuel Brown, & Hunter McCreary
Brent & Kate Canady
Brennis Craddock
Aaron & Connie Crafton
Belinda Craig
Ed or Joan Gray
Dick & Norma Zae Grissom
Melanie Hamilton
Judy Hornaday
Jeffrey, Mindy, Jax & Blake Howard
Fred Hunt
Jim & Kathy Ikard
Megan Insell
Rick & Deb Insell
Patricia Johnson
William III & Kelly Kingree
Heather Knott
Marshall & Jane Lile
Bailey & Trena Little
John & Elizabeth Marsh
Owen & Mary Marsh
Robert & Katherine Marsh
Joe McCurry
Larry & Nancye McElroy
Charlene & Buddy Nelson
Evelyn Robinson
Terry & Ginny Saylor
Ginger Bobo Shofner
Richard Simmons
Willie & Debbie Snell
Dr. Charles Stimpson & Dr. Carol Magnuson
David Scott & Connie Thomas
Debbie Wray Thomas & Doris Wray Waldron

In Loving Memory of



**In Memory of Carolyn Simmons Matusek
a donation to the Greg Garner Fund was made by:**

Pat Thomas
Dan Townes
Roy & Lisa Turner
Charlotte Williams

**In Memory of Carolyn Simmons Matusek
a donation to the BackPack Fund was made by:**

Richard & Kristin Wilhelm

**In Memory of Margaret Taylor Smith
a donation to the BackPack Fund was made by:**

Tommy & Linda Anderton

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Melanie Hamilton
Jim & Kathy Ikard
Kappa Delta Sisters
Candyce Magee
John & Elizabeth Marsh
Karisa & Mike Matusek
James Milliken Sr.
Terry & Ginny Saylor
Lauren Smith, Karen Williams, & Sharon Frost
Willie & Debbie Snell
Pat Thomas
Roy & Lisa Turner
Richard & Kristin Willhelm
Charlotte Williams
Robert Wright

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Ice Cream Social

Please bring your friends and family for an afternoon of delicious ice cream from Nash Family Creamery and fellowship with your church family.

Sunday
August 17th The fun begins At 4:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church
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SESSION

Class of 2025

Mary Brown, Jim Ikard
John Marsh, LeaAnne Windham

Class of 2026

Linda Anderton, Belinda Craig,
Mike Matusek, Richard Smith

Class of 2027

Kate Canady, Aaron Crafton,
Sarah Natale, James Smith

TRUSTEES

Class of 2025

Lisa Turner

Class of 2026

Kathy Smith

Class of 2027

Pat Thomas

Session minutes are available in the church office for any member of the congregation to review.

We have a variety of options for tithing and offerings. They can be made by Vanco, Check, Cash, or Venmo @FirstPresbyterianChurch.



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