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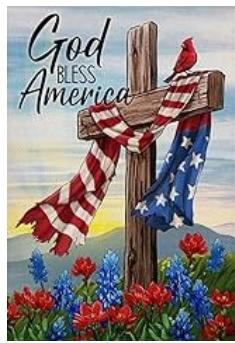
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From the Pastor's Pen

My friends,

Vacation Bible School 2025 will take us to Egypt with Joseph, the son of Jacob and Rachel, the older brother of Benjamin and younger brother of ten other children of Jacob. “Egypt: Joseph’s Journey from Prison to Palace” is the theme for this summer’s VBS. Over and over again the Bible reveals the story of God’s love for the people of God through God’s providing for them, not unlike God provides for us today.

You probably heard this story, if you grew up in the church, and remember that the providence of God was working in the story of Joseph to save the descendants of Abraham and Isaac as the people of God, our very ancestors in our faith story. From the first day to the fourth day of VBS, the children and teachers will learn that God gives hope, gifts, forgiveness, wisdom, and family to Joseph and us. It all begins with Joseph interpreting dreams that causes jealousy with his brothers but will also save his family from death during the coming famine. (Genesis 40-48) Come and share in our four days (July 13-16) in Egypt with Joseph, the Egyptians, and our children as we learn that God provides for the people of God. Thank you to all the teachers, helpers, cooks, servants, and children who will take us on this journey of faith into Egypt with Joseph and his family.

In July during worship, the focus of the scripture readings will be Luke 10. First Sunday communion will take us to the table of our Lord with Luke 10:1-20 and send us out “as lambs into the midst of wolves” along with the seventy with a few instructions and very little but our faith to tell the (mostly) good news “that the kingdom of God has come near to you.” Then, some lawyer tested Jesus about inheritance laws in Luke 10:25-37. Jesus said something like, “You’re a lawyer. What do you think?” The lawyer answered correctly and then foolishly asked, “Who is my neighbor?” To answer, Jesus told one of the most famous of the parables of our faith, the parable of the Good Samaritan. Chapter 10:38-42 ends with Jesus visiting the sisters Martha and Mary. In July, take some time to read and study Luke 10.

May the peace and providence of our God sustain you,

Jim





HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

July 3	Jim Ikard
July 5	Jackie Bane
July 7	Charles Stimpson
July 8	Timothy Bane
July 13	David Kee
July 16	Brian Knott
July 21	Fayne Parsons, III
July 21	Gage Smith
July 24	Helen Garner
July 26	Melanie Hamilton
July 27	Isabella Craig
July 27	MacKenzie Craig
July 27	Willa Kate Shofner
July 29	Morgan Ridner
July 30	Naomi Luna



**Bring your
Good Samaritan
Donations on
Sunday,
July 13th.**

**Blessing
of the Backpacks**



**Blessing of the Backpacks
Sunday, July 27th.**
All students
(PreK thru college)
and teachers are invited to
bring their backpacks
(satchels, totes, etc)
to worship on that Sunday
to receive a blessing
before school starts.



- July 2nd **Terry & Ginny Saylor**
- July 10th **Jeff & Elizabeth Anderson**
- July 12th **Richard & Kristin Wilhelm**
- July 20th **Brent & Kate Canady**
- July 24th **Tommy & Linda Anderton**
- July 26th **Aaron & Connie Crafton**
- July 28th **Ben & Lana Craig**



Committee Meetings

Faith Development Meeting

Monday, July 7th @ 7:00pm

Gift Fund Committee

Wednesday, July 9th @ 5:30pm

Session Meeting

Monday, July 21st @ 5:30pm

Worship & Music Committee

Thursday, August 7th @ 5:00pm

Mission Committee

Monday, August 11th @ 5:30pm

Pastoral Care Committee

Tuesday, August 19th @ 10:00am

Circle

Tuesday, September 9th @ 10:00am





PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWS

It's time for the **PW Summer Social!** All Presbyterian Women are invited to come to Emmy's Restaurant on Thursday July 24 at 11:30 for lunch. This is a self pay, order from the menu gathering but in order to keep from overwhelming the staff there, we would like to know an approximate number who will be attending.

Please RSVP to the church office, 931-684-6547 on or before July 20.



**American
Red Cross**

FPC Shelbyville Blood Drive

It's not too early

to go online and register.

Please join us in giving a pint.

The quarterly Red Cross blood drive will be held at FPC in the fellowship hall on Wednesday July 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Due to blood supply shortage, a special appeal has been issued for **Type O blood**. If you have that type or know folks who do, please consider donating yourself and pass the word to others. And always, your prayers for those in need of blood, those who donate and those who work for Red Cross are coveted and appreciated.

**For an appointment, please visit
redcrossblood.org
or call 1-800-733-2767
or the church office.**



July 1	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 2	Chancel Choir 6:00pm	
July 3	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 4	Office Closed	
July 6	Worship 10:00am	
July 7	Sermon Roundtable 10:00am	
	Faith Development Meeting 6:00pm	
July 8	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 9	Gift Fund Committee Meeting 5:30pm	
	Chancel Choir 6:00pm	
July 10	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 11	VBS Decorating from 10:00am ----	
July 12	VBS Decorating from 8:30am-noon	
July 13	Worship Service 10:00am	
	Bring your Good Samaritan Donations	
	VBS Starts at 5:00pm w/Dinner	
July 14	Sermon Roundtable 10:00am	
	VBS 5:00pm w/Dinner	
July 15	VBS 5:00pm w/Dinner	
July 16	VBS 5:00pm w/Dinner	
July 17	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 18	AA Meeting 1:00pm	
July 20	Worship Service 10:00am	
July 21	Sermon Roundtable 10:00am	
	Session Meeting 5:30pm	
July 22	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 23	Blood Drive 10:00am-2:00pm	
	Chancel Choir 6:00pm	
July 24	PW Summer Social 11:30am	
	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 25	Book Club at Never Rest Park 9:30am	
	AA Meeting 1:00pm	
July 27	Worship Service 10:00am	
	“Blessing of the Backpacks”	
July 29	AA Meeting 7:00pm	
July 30	Chancel Choir 6:00pm	
July 31	AA Meeting 7:00pm	





Servers for July



Sunday, July 6, 2025

Ushers/Greeters

Pat Marsh

Charlotte Williams

James & Lori Smith

Lay Liturgist:

Grace Wilhelm

Communion Prep: **Christy, AG, and Aksel Jensen**

Communion Servers: **Mary Brown, Aaron Crafton, Belinda Craig, Sarah Natale, James Smith**

A Time for Young Christians

Pastor Jim

Hall Monitor

Lisa Turner

Acolyte

Children's Church

Christy Jensen

Nursery

Katherine Marsh

Flowers

Sunday, July 13, 2025

Ushers/Greeters

Jim & Cathy Ikard

Pat Thomas

Grace Wilhelm

Lay Liturgist

Charlotte Williams

A Time for Young Christians

Connie Crafton

Hall Monitor

Raychelle Flannagan

Acolyte

Children's Church

Christy Jensen

Nursery

Lisa Turner

Flowers

The Chancel Choir

Sunday, July 20, 2025

Ushers/Greeters

Brent Canady

Helen Garner

Bailey & Trena Little

Lay Liturgist

Pat Marsh

A Time for Young Christians

Connie Crafton

Hall Monitor

Cathy Ikard

Acolyte

Children's Church

Grace Wilhelm

Nursery

Mary Marsh

Flowers

Sunday, July 27, 2025

Ushers/Greeters

Nancy June Brandon

Rob Marsh

Terry & Ginny Saylor

Lay Liturgist

Kate Canady

A Time for Young Christians

Kate Canady

Hall Monitor

John Marsh

Acolyte

Children's Church

Katherine Marsh

Nursery

Christy Jensen

Flowers



VBS!

Sunday, July 13th thru Wednesday, July 16

5:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.

(Dinner served at 5:00 p.m.)

PreK thru rising 5th graders



Mark your calendars! **VBS Decorating** begins on

Friday, July 11th at 10:00am until ??? (read that as late)
and on Saturday, July 12th from 8:30am until noon.

Please come and help if you are able!



Items Needed:

- bottled water (small size)
- Blankets and/or rugs (for sitting on)
- pillows (decorative and sit-on size)
- greenery/artificial plants, ivy & trees
- monetary donations are always welcome and appreciated
- Stuffed Sheep
- fabric/scarves(for decorating tents)
- Canopy Style Tents
- urns/pottery



Anyone have a gold lame fabric/blanket for the palace?



Anyone have a stuffed camel???

Please drop off any donations in the front of Chapel.

Deadline for donations is Wednesday, July 9th.



PRAY

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.



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)

Kay Dennis (Friend of the Jim & Cathy Ikard)

Catherine Daugherty (Former Member)

Kay Earhart (Friend of the Canady's)

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

Cliff Garrard (Member)

Edwin Holcombe (Member)

Fred Hunt (Member)

Anna Kaiser (Friend of Wayne & Charlotte Williams)

David Kee (Member)

Naomi Luna (Member)

Carol Magnuson (Member)

Carolyn & 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)

Margaret Smith (Member)

Barbara Steinke (Member)

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

Jeremiah Thomas (Pat Thomas' Grandson)

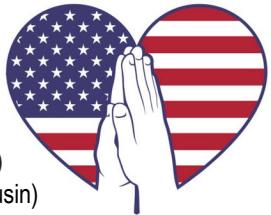
Doug Treadway (Member)

Weaver Family (Friends of the Pendergrass')

Kristin Wilhelm (Member)

Bob Wilson (Friend of Susan Spears)

Kaemey Young (Daughter of Turner Family Friend)





"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord" Psalm 100:1

Hymn Sing Sunday

&

Potluck Lunch



Following a Worship Service where we praised God by singing, we broke bread and barbecue and chicken and dumplings and grape salad and cake and pie and cobbler together!!!



The next Book Club is meeting on Friday, July 25th 9:30am at Never Rest Park. They will be discussing "The Warmth of Other Suns" by Isabel Wilkerson.

Up and coming...

August "The Rent Collector" by Camron Wright

September "Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt





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Special thanks to Melanie Hamilton and our Mission Committee for their commitment to showing our children how to have loving and giving hearts.



WORSHIP
EVERY SUNDAY @ 10:00 AM



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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