

November 2016  
Monthly Newsletter of  
Franklin Presbyterian Church

# The Lamplighter

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## Bean Soup

This year's Annual Bean Soup Lunch Fundraiser is on Tuesday, November 8th. There will also be booths for TARP & God's Talents If you'd like to help, consider joining us for the chopping party on Monday, November 7th.

We are also in need of corn muffins, homemade pies, and 12-packs (or more) of canned soda (Coke, Diet Coke, & Sprite). Please see the sign up sheet on the education wing bulletin board.

## NOVEMBER

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Bobby Page

ELDER HELPER: Barry Hain

FRIEND OF THE MONTH: Pat Chai



# News You Need to Know...

## Please Pray for Our Living Waters Team

FPC's Living Waters for the World team will be traveling this November to install the water purification system (on display in the Cornerstone building for a year, now) in Chiac Guatemala.

Larry and Caren Gibson, Prentice Knight, Deb Thompson, and Donna Houston will be leaving in the wee hours of November 12<sup>th</sup> for the system installation and health education for the Chiac Community. Joining them on the installation will be Pablo Siliezar, in-country coordinator, and Jhonny Hernandez, Living Waters for the World technician for Guatemala. Pablo will serve as translators and technical support.

Please continue to pray for our project, our team members, and for our partners in Guatemala.

## All Saints Day Remembrance

We will celebrate All Saints Day in worship on Sunday, November 6th. This is a day set apart for us to thank God together for those saints who have helped form us and instruct us in the faith

If you would like to honor a saint in your life who has gone home to God in recent years, you are invited to send their name(s) into the church office **by Wednesday, November 2nd**. Their name(s) will be included in a liturgy of remembrance during worship; when your loved one's name is called, you are invited to come forward to light a candle as a way of honoring the saints in our lives through giving thanks to God.

## Choir Retreat

The FPC choir is getting ready for fun, fellowship, and lots of singing on Sunday, November 6th. After worship, we'll have lunch and then work on our Christmas repertoire. If you've been thinking about joining us, this would be a great time to give it a try. See Carolle or one of the choir members for details.

## White Christmas

Don't forget to purchase items for the White Christmas boxes. Shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, body wash, deodorant, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dish soap, and aluminum foil are all needed.

These boxes help families in our community have a merrier Christmas season.

The collection dates are: Dec 4, 11

## Operation Christmas Child

Don't forget to bring in your "Operation Christmas Child" shoebox this month. If you haven't picked up a box yet, we have boxes and instructions in the church office. Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week is November 14th-21st but you can bring your full box (and \$7 for shipping) to church anytime before then.

Please bring full boxes to the mail room at FPC and place in the designated location. FPC will take care of getting your filled box to the collection location.



# Advent/Christmas Activity Schedule



## Advent begins Sunday, November 27th

How will you prepare this Advent season to welcome the Holy, to celebrate God breaking forth into history in the person of Jesus?

Just after Thanksgiving, the season of Advent will find its home in our worship services, our liturgies, and, hopefully, in our hearts. Advent means “coming.” Advent is the season of preparing our hearts to welcome the coming of the Lord!

## Sunday, November 20th

1st White Christmas Offering

## Sunday, November 27th—Advent Begins!

- Breakfast in the Cornerstone from 8:00-9:30 a.m., cooked by the men of the church. All are welcome—breakfast is delicious and FREE!
- Hanging of the Greens to follow breakfast—come over to the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. and join in the fun as we “green” and decorate the sanctuary for the season!
- 2nd White Christmas Offering
- Deadline to sign up for Celebration

## Saturday, December 3rd

Youth & Young Disciples Hot Chocolate Stand during the Franklin Christmas Parade & Small Town Christmas on the Square (\$ raised in donations for hot chocolate goes toward the Youth Camp fund!)

## Sunday, December 4th

Advent Conspiracy begins.

White Christmas Box Collection #1

## Sunday, December 11th

Advent Conspiracy continues.

White Christmas Box Collection #2

## Sunday, December 18th

Advent Conspiracy concludes

Christmas Celebration; Soup/Sandwich Potluck; Christmas Caroling

## Saturday, December 24th

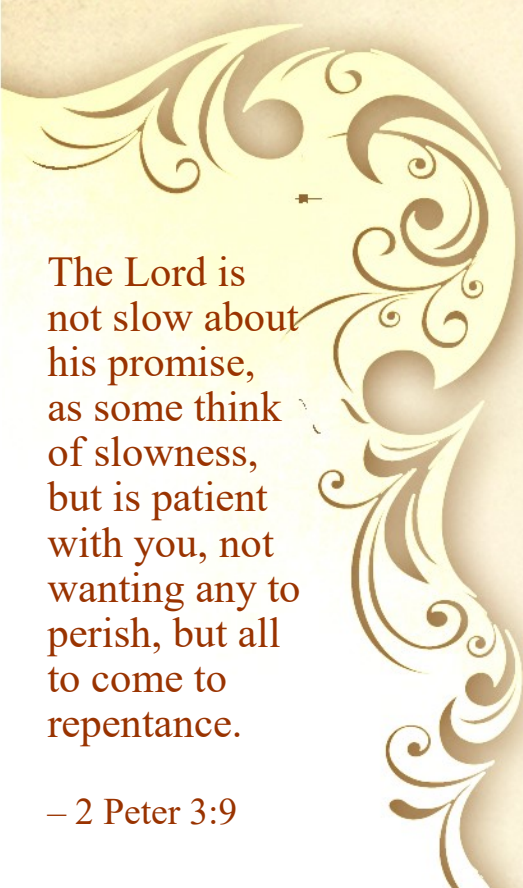
Lessons & Carols at 10:00 p.m. Special Music will begin @ 9:30 p.m. Come and worship God on Christmas Eve! This service will include special music along with musical meditations from the FPC choir, congregational Christmas hymns, including Silent Night sung by candlelight. Come one, come all, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus the Christ!

## Sunday, December 25th

The time and type of the Christmas Day Service is still TBD







The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance.

– 2 Peter 3:9

## Advent Lectionary

Think about how your family will spend Advent together...

Will you commit for Advent, along with your family, to spend a few minutes each day reading the day's lectionary passage together? Maybe this is the year for you and your family to try reading the daily passage together and reflect aloud.

You can start each reflection with these simple questions:

- What word or phrase stands out to you?
- How does this scripture apply to your life this week?
- How does this word from God shape the week ahead of you?

You can check out the Daily Lectionary readings for Advent at the Presbyterian Mission website: <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/2016-daily-lectionary-advent/>

*Advent is almost upon us!*

## Advent Books & Devotionals

The Advent books and Devotionals have been ordered and will be here soon. These books and booklets are written by a variety of religious authors and will help frame your week as you approach Christmas Day. Don't let the hustle and bustle of the holidays take over these holy days.



 ADVENT  
CONSPIRACY

Worship fully. Spend less.  
Give more. Love all.



# Stewardship Corner

October Average Attendance: 57

Oct. 2	51
Oct. 9	58
Oct. 16	54
Oct. 23	53
Oct. 30	69

October Weekly Offering Average: \$3,358.73

Oct. 2	\$2,762
Oct. 9	\$2,524
Oct. 16	\$2,006
Oct. 23	\$6,816.65
Oct. 30	\$2,685

Average Weekly Income Needed for Budget: \$2,356

The Youth Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 6-7 p.m. at the Cornerstone. Supper is provided and the meeting opens and closes with prayer. After a spiritual practice or scripture study, we will discuss upcoming mission projects/activities and play some games. Andrew Garret is the Youth Group leader.

“Jesus and Me” J.A.M. (elementary students) is being held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Dinner with youth.



# Session Highlights from October 16 Meeting

## From Christian Service Committee:

- Donation of \$500 to the local Backpack program which enables some children in need to take home a backpack of food on Fridays for the weekend.
- Donation of \$500 to the FPC Living Waters Team
- Donation of \$500 to the Franklin-Simpson High School West Campus Fund

## From Music and Worship:

- Christmas celebration and soup and sandwich potluck following Worship on Sunday, December 18
- Christmas Caroling following the Christmas Celebration

- Purchased a new computer and monitor for the church administrative assistant office

## From Building and Maintenance:

- Purchased a new floor scrubber for maintenance and preservation of the Cornerstone flooring.

There will be a special called Session meeting on Sunday, November 6, following worship services for the purpose of voting on the interim pastor.

## Ruling Elders Serving on Session

Andrew Garrett  
Caren Gibson  
Barry Hain  
CJ Hall  
Donna Houston

Emma Jean Kirby  
Prentice Knight  
Bobby Page  
Becky Stubbs

**DEACONS:**  
Pat Chai  
Marcella Davis  
Linda Knight

### Next Regularly Stated Session Meeting: December 4th

Clerks of All Committees: Please submit any minutes from to the church office by Tuesday, November 29th, for inclusion in the Session packet. THANK YOU!

## November 2016 Daily Lectionary

*These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press, 1993). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.*

### November

Tuesday, November 1

All Saints' Day

Morning: Pss. 63; 149

Evening: Pss. 125; 90

Isa. 26:1-4, 8-9, 12-13,  
19-21

Rev. 21:9-11, 22-27

(22:1-5) or Heb.

11:32-12:2

Matt. 5:1-12

Wednesday, November 2

Morning: Pss. 89:1-18;

147:1-11

Evening: Pss. 1; 33

Zeph. 2:1-15

Rev. 16:1-11

Luke 13:10-17

Thursday, November 3

Morning: Pss. 97;

147:12-20

Evening: Pss. 16; 62

Zeph. 3:1-7

Rev. 16:12-21

Luke 13:18-30

Friday, November 4

Morning: Pss. 51; 148

Evening: Pss. 142; 65

Zeph. 3:8-13

Rev. 17:1-18

Luke 13:31-35

Saturday, November 5

Morning: Pss. 104; 149

Evening: Pss. 138; 98

Zeph. 3:14-20

Rev. 18:1-14

Luke 14:1-11

Sunday, November 6

25th Sunday after

Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 19; 150

Evening: Pss. 81; 113

Joel 1:1-13

1 Cor. 14:1-12

Matt. 20:1-16

Monday, November 7

Morning: Pss. 135; 145

Evening: Pss. 97; 112

Joel 1:15-2:2

Rev. 18:15-24

Luke 14:12-24

Tuesday, November 8

Morning: Pss. 123; 146

Evening: Pss. 30; 86

Joel 2:3-11

Rev. 19:1-10

Luke 14:25-35

Wednesday, November 9

Morning: Pss. 15;

147:1-11

Evening: Pss. 48; 4

Joel 2:12-19

Rev. 19:11-21

Luke 15:1-10

Thursday, November 10

Morning: Pss. 36;

147:12-20

Evening: Pss. 80; 27

Joel 2:21-27

James 1:1-15

Luke 15:1-2, 11-32

Friday, November 11

Morning: Pss. 130; 148

Evening: Pss. 32; 139

Joel 2:28-3:8

James 1:16-27

Luke 16:1-9

Saturday, November 12

Morning: Pss. 56; 149

Evening: Pss. 118; 111

Joel 3:9-17

James 2:1-13

Luke 16:10-17 (18)

Sunday, November 13

26th Sunday after

Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 67; 150

Evening: Pss. 46; 93

Hab. 1:1-4 (5-11) 12-2:1

Phil. 3:13-4:1

Matt. 23:13-24

Monday, November 14

Morning: Pss. 57; 145

Evening: Pss. 85; 47

Hab. 2:1-4, 9-20

James 2:14-26

Luke 16:19-31

Tuesday, November 15

Morning: Pss. 54; 146

Evening: Pss. 28; 99

Hab. 3:1-10 (11-15)

16-18

James 3:1-12

Luke 17:1-10



**Wednesday, November 16**

Morning: Pss. 65;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 125; 91  
Mal. 1:1, 6–14  
James 3:13–4:12  
Luke 17:11–19

**Thursday, November 17**

Morning: Pss. 143;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 81; 116  
Mal. 2:1–16  
James 4:13–5:6  
Luke 17:20–37

**Friday, November 18**

Morning: Pss. 88; 148  
Evening: Pss. 6; 20  
Mal. 3:1–12  
James 5:7–12  
Luke 18:1–8

**Saturday, November 19**

Morning: Pss. 122; 149  
Evening: Pss. 100; 63  
Mal. 3:13–4:6  
James 5:13–20  
Luke 18:9–14

**Sunday, November 20**

Christ the King/Reign of  
Christ Sunday  
Morning: Pss. 108; 150  
Evening: Pss. 66; 23  
Zech. 9:9–16  
1 Peter 3:13–22  
Matt. 21:1–13

**Monday, November 21**

Morning: Pss. 62; 145  
Evening: Pss. 73; 9  
Zech. 10:1–12  
Gal. 6:1–10  
Luke 18:15–30

**Tuesday, November 22**

Morning: Pss. 12; 146  
Evening: Pss. 36; 7  
Zech. 11:4–17  
1 Cor. 3:10–23  
Luke 18:31–43

**Wednesday, November 23**

Morning: Pss. 96;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 132; 134  
Zech. 12:1–10  
Eph. 1:3–14  
Luke 19:1–10

**Thursday, November 24**

Morning: Pss. 116;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 26; 130  
Zech. 13:1–9  
Eph. 1:15–23  
Luke 19:11–27

**Friday, November 25**

Morning: Pss. 84; 148  
Evening: Pss. 25; 40  
Zech. 14:1–11  
Rom. 15:7–13  
Luke 19:28–40

**Saturday, November 26**

Morning: Pss. 63; 149  
Evening: Pss. 125; 90  
Zech. 14:12–21  
Phil. 2:1–11  
Luke 19:41–48

**BEGIN YEAR 1**

**Sunday, November 27**

1st Sunday of Advent  
Morning: Pss. 24; 150  
Evening: Pss. 25; 110  
Isa. 1:1–9  
2 Peter 3:1–10  
Matt. 25:1–13

**Monday, November 28**

Morning: Pss. 122; 145  
Evening: Pss. 40; 67  
Isa. 1:10–20  
1 Thess. 1:1–10  
Luke 20:1–8

**Tuesday, November 29**

Morning: Pss. 33; 146  
Evening: Pss. 85; 94  
Isa. 1:21–31  
1 Thess. 2:1–12  
Luke 20:9–18

**Wednesday, November 30**

Morning: Pss. 50;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 53; 17  
Isa. 2:1–4  
1 Thess. 2:13–20  
Luke 20:19–26

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LECTOR/USHER  
SCHEDULE


- **Sunday, November 6**  
GUEST PREACHER-Rev. Curry Davis  
LECTOR: DEBBIE WYATT  
USHERS: BOBBY PAGE
- **Sunday, November 13**  
GUEST PREACHER-Beth Smith McCaw  
LECTOR: DEBBIE WYATT  
USHERS: BOBBY PAGE
- **Sunday, November 20**  
GUEST PREACHER Rev. Jeff Otto  
LECTOR: DEBBIE WYATT  
USHERS: BOBBY PAGE
- **Sunday, November 27**  
GUEST PREACHER Ashley McFaul  
LECTOR: DEBBIE WYATT  
USHERS: BOBBY PAGE

WEEKLY EVENTS &  
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Handbells:** Wednesdays, 5-6:00 pm
- **Choir:** Wednesdays, 6-7:30 pm
- **AA Meetings:** M, T, R, & F @ 7:30pm; W @ 6pm; M. & Sat. 8am
- Nov. 6 **Special Called Session Meeting (after worship)**
- Nov. 7 **Fellowship 2 p.m.**
- Nov. 30 **Young Disciples 6 pm**

# NOVEMBER 2016

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 <i>Larry Adamson</i>	4	5 <i>Celia Smith</i>
6 <b>Communion All Saints Sunday</b>	7 Bean Soup Chopping Party	8 Bean Soup Luncheon	9	10	11	12 <i>Tania Shumaker</i>
13 <i>Prentice Knight</i>	14 <i>Vicki Sharer</i>	15	16	17	18	19 <i>Anna Smith</i>
20 Community Thanksgiving 6 pm @ Elevated Baptist	21 <i>Eli Rahm Larry Smith</i>	22	23	24 Office Closed 	25	26
27 Advent Breakfast Hanging of the Greens	28	29	30			

\*Birthdays in italics



## LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE

### •• Sunday, December 4

LECTOR: TBD  
USHERS: TBD

### •• Sunday, December 11

LECTOR: TBD  
USHERS: TBD

### •• Sunday, December 18

LECTOR: TBD  
USHERS: TBD

### •• Sunday, December 25

LECTOR: TBD  
USHERS: TBD

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- **Choir:** Wednesdays, 6-7:30 pm
- **AA Meetings:** M, T, R, & F @ 7:30pm; W @ 6pm; M. & Sat. 8am
- Dec. 4** Session Meeting after worship
- Dec. 8:** Worship Committee, 6 p.m.
- Dec. 11** Congregational Meeting after worship
- Dec. 13** Red Cross Blood Drive @ Cornerstone 12-4

# DECEMBER 2016

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Communion Advent Conspiracy White Christmas Box #1	5	6	7	8 Steve Thomas	9	10
11 Advent Conspiracy White Christmas Box #2	12	13 Red Cross Blood Drive	14 Haley Williams Tomas Williams, Jr	15	16 Nancy Thomas	17
18 Advent Consp Christmas Celebration; Soup/ Sandwich Potluck Caroling; Joy Offering	19 Eleanor Caudill	20	21	22	23	24 Lessons and Carols 10 p.m. 
25 Christmas Day Service (TBD) 	26 Frank Wahgfield	27	28	29	30	31 Blake Sutton New Year's Eve

\* Birthdays in italics



# Looking Ahead...

## DECEMBER

Elder of the Month: Donna Houston  
Elder Helper of the Month: Andrew Garrett

**Dec. 4** Advent Conspiracy  
White Christmas Box  
(collection #1)  
Session Meeting  
(after Worship)

**Dec. 11** Advent Conspiracy  
Congregational Meeting  
(after Worship)  
White Christmas Box  
(collection #2)

**Dec. 13** Red Cross Blood Drive  
12-4 @ Cornerstone

**Dec. 18** Christmas Celebration  
Advent Conspiracy  
Soup/Sandwich Potluch  
Christmas Caroling  
Christmas Joy Offering

**Dec. 24** Lessons & Carols 10 pm  
Special Music Begins at 9:30

**Dec. 25** Christmas Day Service  
Time/Type  
TBD



It's never too early to be thinking about ordering your Christmas 2016 poinsettias. Please be thinking about who you want to order a poinsettia in honor, or memory of, and let us know. The cost will be \$8.00.



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### CONTACT US

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday  
9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

LUNCH: A half hour between  
11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

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### CHURCH STAFF

Curry Davis,  
Church Administrator

Candice Mendoza,

**Pastoral Administrative Assistant**

Carolle Tracy, **Music Director**

Donna Houston, **Organist**

Shirley Crutcher, **Nursery**



# WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Teacher: Prentice Knight

Time: Sunday, 9:30am-10:30am

9:30-9:45 – Coffee & Fellowship

9:45-10:30 – Class Time

Location: The Cornerstone (new building near the gazebo)  
Bible study & thoughtful discussion of the Scripture with the purpose of fostering spiritual growth & developing a better understanding of how a follower of Christ should live in the modern world.

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth Sunday School

Time: 9:45am

Location: Elementary age meets in purple room upstairs Jr. & Sr.

High Youth meets in the black & green room upstairs

## TODDLERS

(ages 5 and under) are welcome in the nursery (ground floor of education wing) from 9:30am until worship finishes.

## ADULT CHOIR

Wednesday, 6:00pm-7:30pm

Upstairs, education wing

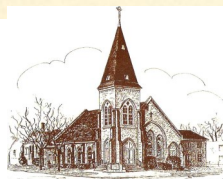
*"Serve The Lord With Gladness; Come Before His Presence With Singing!" Psalm 100*  
(It's Biblical!!!)

## HANDBELL CHOIR

Wednesday, 5:00pm-6:00pm

Downstairs, education wing

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