

the Lamplighter

October 2017

Monthly newsletter of Franklin Presbyterian Church

“Seeking God, Serving People”

With a new pastor, a new ministry and mission plan, we also have a new church motto. After three weeks of voting, it has been decided that “Seeking God, Serving People” will be how we identify ourselves.

We will look forward to new shirts bearing our motto-perhaps a banner;

it will be on our stationery and worship bulletins.

Most importantly, these four words will help us focus on who we are and what we are about at Franklin Presbyterian Church.

“Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his presence continually!”

Psalm 105:4

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Pastor's Pen



Where did September go? It has been very busy around our church this past month!

Committees have had their heads together making plans for programming, missions and activities. We have cooked out, watched the movie, “The Shack” in the church yard, sat around and swam at the Wyatt’s pool. Children and Youth Sunday School and Wednesday night J.A.M. are in full swing. The Handbell choir is practicing and some members played for my installation. (Which, if you missed that service, you missed some beautiful choral and instrumental music as well as a very creative sermon, courtesy of Rev. Curry Davis.)

The Dulcimer group is practicing and will play in worship in October. Living Waters for the World team has a yummy Guatemalan fundraiser scheduled this month and the Youth will have a campout. In the midst, our office staff has worked with over a dozen individuals who requested financial assistance; some have helped at the Soup Kitchen; others with Good Samaritan, Boys & Girls Club, Habitat for Humanity and many other mission projects. I am surprised our Building and Maintenance committee hasn’t boycotted entering the church building. This past month, Candice and I switched offices. This meant furniture had to be moved, yes. But then there was all the technology involved with copier, phones, computers, fax, etc. A special blessing goes to Mike Wyatt who nearly lived in the building working out all the glitches and bugs, and especially for painting and installing the beautiful new cabinet doors in Candice’s office!

Now, Finance and Session are turning towards budget setting for 2018. I am preparing to start a Confirmation Class; Ada Stubbs and I have Acolyte training material together to work with children. Jane Rahm is beginning a new Sunday study for women—so the fun, challenges, and teamwork continues into this new month!

Take advantage of the various activities, missions, and educational events. Invite a friend to participate with you!

Youth Corner



October 6 & 7: Youth Campout @ Melanie Brenner's
Youth will meet at Melanie's at 1096 Morgantown Road.
The overnight will be a time of fellowship, meals by the
fire, stories, games...and yes s'mores will be involved!
Please RSVP to the church or Melanie by October 1st!.



October 28th:

*The Youth will meet at the church
to attend the Fall Festival on the Square!*



All elementary -aged students:

Join us for "Jesus and Me" (J.A.M.)
on Wednesdays!

Dinner is provided with the youth group.

The Youth Group
meets each
Wednesday of the
month from
6-7 p.m. at the
Cornerstone. Dinner 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.
Anna Smith is the
Youth Group leader.

Children's Sermon Opportunity

Volunteers are needed to do the Children's Sermon on Sunday mornings. They need to be about 3 minutes in length. The pastor has themes for worship planned weeks in advance. If you sign up and would like that information, please contact the church office!

Thank you!



Becky Stubbs, Curry Davis, Pastor Robyn, Mabeth Cortner, Rich Cooper and Pastor Otto, at the reception following Pastor Robyn's Installation

GOD'S GIFTS OF TIME, TALENT AND RESOURCES

Now that we have installed, officially, our new pastor, we begin our journey into the future in earnest. This past year we developed goals and a direction for our church and now is the time to identify the time, talent and resources needed for this journey.

Shortly, you will receive in the mail a Time and Talent Survey form so that you can identify those gifts you dedicate to the church's ministry and mission. In the same mailing is a pledge card for you to reflect on the portion of financial treasures you will commit to the church.

On November 5, *All Saints Sunday*, these gifts will be dedicated as a part of the worship service. Begin praying about these things now so that you can identify the ways you will be, "Seeking God, Serving People" in 2018 through Franklin Presbyterian Church.

Ruling Elders Serving on Session

Anna Smith
Barry Hain
CJ Hall
Emma Jean Kirby
Meredith Halcomb

Caren Gibson
Prentice Knight
Becky Stubbs
Donna Houston

DEACONS:
Mary Frances Page
Marcella Davis
Woon Yen Prall

CLERK OF SESSION: Donna Houston

Next Regularly Stated Session Meeting: October 29th

Clerks of All Committees: Please submit any minutes **to the church office by October 26th** for inclusion in the Session packet.

THANKYOU!

Stewardship Corner

September Weekly Offering

Average: \$1,623.63.

Sept. 3 \$2,063.00

Sept. 10 \$2,261.50

Sept. 17 \$950.00

Sept. 24 \$1,000.00

September Avg. Attendance: 53

Sept. 3 54

Sept. 10 46

Sept. 17 49

Sept. 24 64

**Average Weekly Income Needed
for Budget: \$2,403.85.**

Reminder: Good Samaritan Food Pantry

On the first Sunday of each month, we partake of the Lord's Supper together in worship. On each first Sunday, we also bring our gifts of canned goods and pantry items for the

Good Samaritan food pantry. These items are placed in the red bin at the back of the sanctuary.

Thank you to all who have given over these past months and years,

and thank you to all who will continue to give in the future! Let us find nourishment at God's table each month, that we may be sent out to nourish God's world.

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

Rev. Dr. Robyn Abel,
Pastor

Candice Mendoza,

Pastoral Admin. Asst.

Carolle Tracy,

Music Director

Donna Houston, Organist

Shirley Crutcher, Nursery



FPC members outside getting ready to enjoy the showing of "The Shack" on Movie Night.



Pastor Robyn helping out at Movie Night.



FPC members ready for the movie!

Sanctuary Flowers....

If you wish to give flowers to the glory of God in honor or in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the flower chart, located on the bulletin board in the education wing. Write your loved one's name(s), and whether your gift is in honor or memory of that special person.

Flowers will be provided by the flower ministry team, and you may keep the flowers on the day that your sponsored arrangement is given to the glory of God in worship. Please note on the flower chart if you wish to keep the flowers, to ensure that a proper vase may be chosen by the floral team.

Your donation of \$15 may be placed in the offering plate with the memo "flowers."

FPC Events...

World Communion Sunday

Please join us this Sunday for World Communion Sunday. We will be covering the communion table with colorful cloths from Guatemala, Kenya and South Africa, plus bread baskets, and Donna will be providing different breads.



New Class!!!

Beginning on Sunday, October 8th, at 9:45 a.m. we will be having a women's study based on the book, "Giddy Up, Eunice". A study that examines what seems to separate women when in reality may not. For more information, please see Jane Rahm.



Please join us for a Guatemalan **fundraiser** meal with traditional Mayan dress and décor on October 22 after worship. Cost of the meal will be donation only. We will have pictures of our partners in Chiac and information about Living Waters for the World.

Because of the generosity of the Franklin Presbyterian congregation and friends of Living Waters for the World team had the privilege of helping install a Living Waters for the World purification system and training volunteers in the community to continue health education. We continue to partner with our wonderful ingenious friends in Chiac, Guatemala. So far the installation has been very successful. They have bought more bottles and dug their well deeper in order to provide more clean water for this mountain Mayan community.

Members of our team are Deb Thompson, Caren Gibson, Larry Gibson, Melanie Dean, Prentice Knight, and Donna Houston. You may ask any of them about being a part of this great mission!

The "No Name Band" Dulcimer group will play for worship on October 22nd. Members of the group include our own Carol Switzer, Pat Markell, and Donna Houston.



October 2017 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.

Sunday, October 1

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
2 Kings 17:1–18
Acts 9:36–43
Luke 5:1–11

Monday, October 2

Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
2 Kings 17:24–41
1 Cor. 7:25–31
Matt. 6:25–34

Tuesday, October 3

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
2 Chron. 29:1–3; 30:1 (2–9)
10–27
1 Cor. 7:32–40
Matt. 7:1–12

Wednesday, October 4

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
2 Kings 18:9–25
1 Cor. 8:1–13
Matt. 7:13–21

Thursday, October 5

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
2 Kings 18:28–37
1 Cor. 9:1–15
Matt. 7:22–29

Friday, October 6

Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
2 Kings 19:1–20
1 Cor. 9:16–27
Matt. 8:1–17

Saturday, October 7

Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
2 Kings 19:21–36
1 Cor. 10:1–13
Matt. 8:18–27

Sunday, October 8

18th Sunday after Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
2 Kings 20:1–21
Acts 12:1–17
Luke 7:11–17

Monday, October 9

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
2 Kings 21:1–18
1 Cor. 10:14–11:1
Matt. 8:28–34

Tuesday, October 10

Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
2 Kings 22:1–13
1 Cor. 11:2 (3–16) 17–22
Matt. 9:1–8

Wednesday, October 11

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
2 Kings 22:14–23:3
1 Cor. 11:23–34
Matt. 9:9–17

Thursday, October 12

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
2 Kings 23:4–25
1 Cor. 12:1–11
Matt. 9:18–26

Friday, October 13

Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
2 Kings 23:36–24:17
1 Cor. 12:12–26
Matt. 9:27–34

Saturday, October 14

Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Jer. 35:1–19
1 Cor. 12:27–13:3
Matt. 9:35–10:4

Sunday, October 15

19th Sunday after Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Jer. 36:1–10
Acts 14:8–18
Luke 7:36–50

Monday, October 16
Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Jer. 36:11–26
1 Cor. 13:(1–3) 4–13
Matt. 10:5–15

Tuesday, October 17
Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Jer. 36:27–37:2
1 Cor. 14:1–12
Matt. 10:16–23

Wednesday, October 18
Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Jer. 37:3–21
1 Cor. 14:13–25
Matt. 10:24–33

Thursday, October 19
Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Jer. 38:1–13
1 Cor. 14:26–33a (33b–36)
37–40
Matt. 10:34–42

Friday, October 20
Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Jer. 38:14–28
1 Cor. 15:1–11
Matt. 11:1–6

Saturday, October 21
Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Jer. 52:1–34
1 Cor. 15:12–29
Matt. 11:7–15

Sunday, October 22
20th Sunday after Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Jer. 29:1, 4–14
or Jer. 39:11–40:6
Acts 16:6–15
Luke 10:1–12, 17–20

Monday, October 23
Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Jer. 44:1–14
or Jer. 29:1, 4–14
1 Cor. 15:30–41
Matt. 11:16–24

Tuesday, October 24
Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Lam. 1:1–5 (6–9) 10–12
or Jer. 40:7–41:3
1 Cor. 15:41–50
Matt. 11:25–30

Wednesday, October 25
Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Lam. 2:8–15 or Jer. 41:4–18
1 Cor. 15:51–58
Matt. 12:1–14

Thursday, October 26
Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Ezra 1:1–11 or Jer. 42:1–22
1 Cor. 16:1–9
Matt. 12:15–21

Friday, October 27
Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Ezra 3:1–13 or Jer. 43:1–13
1 Cor. 16:10–24
Matt. 12:22–32

Saturday, October 28
Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Ezra 4:7, 11–24
or Jer. 44:1–14
Philem. 1–25
Matt. 12:33–42

Sunday, October 29
21st Sunday after Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Hag. 1:1–2:9
or Jer. 44:15–30
Acts 18:24–19:7
Luke 10:25–37

Monday, October 30
Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Zech. 1:7–17 or Jer. 45:1–5
Rev. 1:4–20
Matt. 12:43–50

Tuesday, October 31
Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Ezra 5:1–17 or Lam. 1:1–5
(6–9) 10–12
Rev. 4:1–11
Matt. 13:1–9

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LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE

- **Sunday, October 9**
LECTOR: BECKY STUBBS
USHERS: CURRY DAVIS
LARRY GIBSON
- **Sunday, October 16**
LECTOR: BECKY STUBBS
USHERS: CURRY DAVIS
LARRY GIBSON
- **Sunday, October 23**
LECTOR: BECKY STUBBS
USHERS: CURRY DAVIS
LARRY GIBSON
- **Sunday, October 30**
LECTOR: BECKY STUBBS
USHERS: CURRY DAVIS
LARRY GIBSON

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
- Oct. 3** Worship meets 5:30
- Oct. 8** Bldg. and Maint. meets
- Oct. 18** Young Disciples 5 p.m.

OCTOBER 2017

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Peace Offering World Communion	2 <i>Don Hall</i>	3	4	5	6 Youth Campout	7
8 <i>John Halcomb</i>	9	10 Red Cross 12-6 <i>Barbara Shriver Mike Wyatt</i>	11 <i>Tori Brown</i>	12 <i>Carolle Tracy</i>	13 <i>Debbie Wyatt</i>	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 <i>Emily Mayes Guy Prall</i>
22 LWW Fundraiser Luncheon	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 5th Sunday Potluck Session	30	31				

*Birthdays in italics

Looking Ahead.....

NOVEMBER

ELDER/ELDER HELPER OF THE MONTH:

Barry Hain/Caren Gibson

FRIEND OF THE MONTH:

Margaret Crowder

- Nov. 5 *Daylight Savings Ends*
 All Saints Sunday
- Nov. 6 *Fellowship Comm. Meets*
- *Bean Soup Chopping party*
- Nov. 7 *Bean Soup Luncheon*
- Nov. 23 *Thanksgiving (office closed)*



Can you believe it? In just a few weeks, it will be time again to fill our White Christmas boxes with foods and household items. These boxes help families in our community have a merrier Christmas season. Now is the time to be looking for some of the items that we try to include that are on sale in the fall. Try purchasing a couple each week so we will be ready to pack those boxes! Shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, body wash, deodorant, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dish soap, aluminum foil. The collection date will be announced in November.



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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

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

Do you have something to go in the
Lampighter? Submit it to the office
by the 20th of each month.

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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