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The Lamplighter



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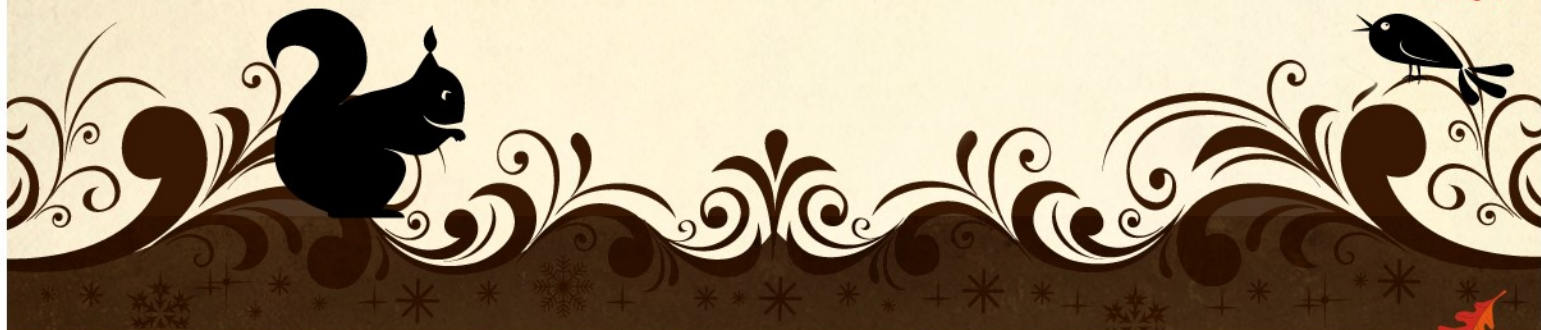
This year's Annual Bean Soup Lunch Fundraiser is on Tuesday, November 7th. We are in need of corn muffins, homemade pies, and 12-packs (or more) of canned soda (Coke, Diet Coke, & Sprite). Please see the sign up sheet on the education wing bulletin board to sign up today. You can join us on Monday, November 6th at 1 p.m. for the Chopping party.

The Luncheon will be from 11:00-1:30, and the cost is \$6.00. (Children 6 and under eat free). Pass the word, and invite a friend or two!

All proceeds benefit Local Christian Service missions!



Pastor's Pen



November is the month in which we pause to give thanks. Around the church, it is a time of mission activity with the Bean Soup Lunch, collecting supplies for the Christmas boxes, sending our LWW team to Guatemala and gathering with others in the community for a Thanksgiving worship service.

As you reflect on this time set aside to “give thanks”, where in your life are you thankful? Where might you share with ones who have less for which to be thankful? One gift we have to share is our love for Christ and his presence in our lives—a presence promised in good times and challenging ones.

Recently, we celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism with Alex and Lauren Hain’s daughter, Josephine (JoJo). In a couple of weeks we will have that joy again with the Baptism of Kate Halcomb, daughter of John and Sarah. These are the times we remember our own baptism and subsequent profession of faith. These are the times when we give thanks for being part of a congregation that cares for one another and cares for our world through its mission outreach.

In an effort to share all we are about and who we are here at Franklin Presbyterian Church, I am making arrangements to begin videotaping in worship and at fellowship events. This will be posted to our website each week. We live in a time when people moving into the community “check-out” churches via the internet FIRST! In order to make this happen, I need volunteers to do the taping.

So many committed and talented people are in the congregation. If you feel the Spirit nudging you to help our church reach out in a new way in a new day, please talk to me. I will add your volunteering to my *thankful* list!

COMMITTEE NOTES

From Christian Service:

One of the ways that this church shares God’s love is through the Christian Service Committee. In 2017, we have sent \$750 to Buckhorn Children’s service, \$400 to the Boys & Girls club, and \$1,000 to Hurricane Harvey relief. Our hope is to support the Backpack program with funds from the Bean Soup Lunch., and with yard sale funds, plan to support Living Waters. The goal is to go on a mission trip to a hurricane ravaged area. Know that your support of our activities touches many people in many parts of the world!

From Fellowship:

We are thrilled that the Cornerstone is used by so many members for events. If your group is using it, please remember:

- Wash and dry all dishes and put them back where you got them.
- If you leave food in the fridge or freezer, mark who it belongs to so it doesn’t get thrown out.
- If you dirty many towels, please take them home to launder.
- Clean the fridge up if needed!

A big thank you to Gary and AA for repainting the basement at their own cost! It looks so bright and cheery!

NEWS & EVENTS

DEDICATION OF OUR TIME, TALENT & RESOURCES-SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

During the worship service, as you come forward to receive Communion, you will bring your Time and Talent survey and financial commitment card and place them in the basket. Forms and cards turned in earlier will also be in the baskets so that we can dedicate what we will be using in our ministry in 2018. As we continue to seek the ways in which God serves people, we will give thanks for God's continued guidance and direction.

FPC LIVING WATERS TEAM UPDATE:

On Saturday, November 18, FPC Living Waters team members, Larry Gibson, Donna Houston and Deb Thompson will return to Guatemala to visit our partners in the village of Chiac to help make sure that the safe water system we installed last November becomes self-sustaining. Certainly, the Chiac system is well on its way to achieving that goal. In addition, our in country coordinator Pablo Perez will have assessed a potential new site development phase. In this development phase, we will meet our prospective new

partners, and worship, eat and talk with them. If we all agree that it is a good match, we will work together to complete plans. Finally, we will sign a three-year covenant, committing ourselves, on both sides, to doing all the things necessary to install and sustain a safe water system. We wish you all could experience first-hand the joy of helping provide safe water to good and faithful people of Guatemala. We promise you that we will do our best to make wise decisions and to serve as good ambassadors for you and for our God. We ask you, "brothers and sisters" to "pray for us", (1 Thessalonians 5:25). In that way you will be with us!



Lauren, Alex, and Josephine Hain, with Pastor Robyn at JoJo's baptism, Sunday, October 22nd.

**"Let us come
before him with
Thanksgiving."**

Psalm 95:2

Community Thanksgiving Worship

Sunday, November 19th at 6 p.m. at the Methodist Church

The Ministerial Fellowship hosts and invites members of all our churches to come and celebrate. This year, Rev. Robbie Kirkham, the new Nazarene pastor will preach. Please join us in the same spirit that allowed pilgrims and Indians to rejoice in blessings received. The evening will also include an offering to support Good Samaritan, and there will be punch and cookies following the service!



Advent Sundays

First Sunday of Advent, December 3

The Advent journey begins with the lighting of the Candle of Hope as we proclaim the coming of the Light of God in to the world.

Second Sunday of Advent, December 10

We will light the Candle of Peace as we recall the prophecy told to Isaiah. A special guest, Isaiah, will share in the worship service as he tells the story of God's message to him.



Third Sunday of Advent, December 17

The Candle of Joy will be lit as we celebrate the promise of Good News of great joy. Mary will make a visit to our time together – accompanied by the angels who conveyed the joyous news.

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 24

On the morning of Christmas Eve, our hearts turn to the Love that came down at Christmas. As we prepare for the evening candlelight Christmas communion service, we will hear the story of Jesus birth. What better way to hear the story than through Mary, Joseph, the Innkeeper, Shepherds and Angel!

**"The earth is
full of His
unfailing love."**

Psalm 33:15

⇒ Please see the "Looking Ahead" section in this newsletter for more information on *Advent Conspiracy 2017!*

Join us for
Hanging of the Greens
on Saturday December
2nd!!!



Stewardship Corner

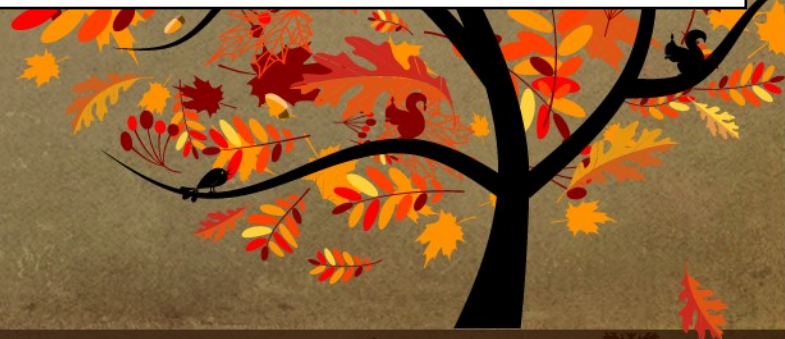
October Average Attendance: 57

Oct. 1	49
Oct. 8	54
Oct. 15	55
Oct. 22	75
Oct. 29	53

October Weekly Offering Average: \$2,481.31

Oct. 1	\$1,791.00
Oct. 8	\$5,048.00
Oct. 15	\$1,091.05
Oct. 22	\$2,740.00
Oct. 29	\$1,736.00

Average Weekly Income Needed for Budget: \$2,403



YOUTH CORNER

The Youth Group and J.A.M. (Jesus & Me) meets on the each 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. Anna Smith is the Youth Group leader.

Elementary Sunday School:

The teacher for November is Caren Gibson. We encourage all students grades K-5 to attend!

Session Highlights

- Thanks be to God for two infant baptisms. JoJo Hain, daughter of Alex and Lauren Hain was baptized on Oct. 22nd. Kate Halcomb, daughter of John and Sarah Halcomb will be baptized on Nov. 12th.
- Holy Communion will be served by intinction on Sunday, Nov. 5th.
- Remember to bring your time and talents survey and pledge card with you if you haven't already to worship on Nov. 5th
- Our Living Waters team will sponsor a Wine to Water Fundraiser on Jan. 18th, 2018
- Rev. Curry Davis will preach on Dec. 31st in Pastor Robyn's absence
- Simpson Co. Literacy Council will hold its Thanksgiving dinner for students and volunteers at the Cornerstone on Nov. 16th.
- Commie Jo Hall will serve as elder commissioner to the Nov. 14th Presbytery meeting at Highland Presbyterian in Hopkinsville.
- Plan to attend the Gospel Fest sponsored by the Simpson County Human Rights Commission on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4, 2018.



November 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.

Wednesday, November 1

All Saints' Day

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11

Evening: Pss. 132; 134

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

Thursday, November 2

Morning: Pss. 116;

147:12–20

Evening: Pss. 26; 130

Neh. 1:1–11 or Lam. 2:16–22

Rev. 5:11–6:11

Matt. 13:18–23

Friday, November 3

Morning: Pss. 84; 148

Evening: Pss. 25; 40

Neh. 2:1–20 or Lam. 4:1–22

Rev. 6:12–7:4

Matt. 13:24–30

Saturday, November 4

Morning: Pss. 63; 149

Evening: Pss. 125; 90

Neh. 4:1–23 or Lam. 5:1–22

Rev. 7:(4–8) 9–17

Matt. 13:31–35

Sunday, November 5

22nd Sunday after

Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 103; 150

Evening: Pss. 117; 139

Neh. 5:1–9 or Ezra 1:1–11

Acts 20:7–12

Luke 12:22–31

Monday, November 6

Morning: Pss. 5; 145

Evening: Pss. 82; 29

Neh. 6:1–19 or Ezra 3:1–13

Rev. 10:1–11

Matt. 13:36–43

Tuesday, November 7

Morning: Pss. 42; 146

Evening: Pss. 102; 133

Neh. 12:27–31a, 42b–47

or Ezra 4:7, 11–24

Rev. 11:1–19

Matt. 13:44–52

Wednesday, November 8

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;

147:1–11

Evening: Pss. 1; 33

Neh. 13:4–22

or Hag. 1:1–2:9

Rev. 12:1–12

Matt. 13:53–58

Thursday, November 9

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20

Evening: Pss. 16; 62

Ezra 7:(1–10) 11–26

or Zech. 1:7–17

Rev. 14:1–13

Matt. 14:1–12

Friday, November 10

Morning: Pss. 51; 148

Evening: Pss. 142; 65

Ezra 7:27–28; 8:21–36

or Ezra 5:1–17

Rev. 15:1–8

Matt. 14:13–21

Saturday, November 11

Morning: Pss. 104; 149

Evening: Pss. 138; 98

Ezra 9:1–15 or Ezra 6:1–22

Rev. 17:1–14

Matt. 14:22–36

Sunday, November 12

23rd Sunday after

Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 19; 150

Evening: Pss. 81; 113

Ezra 10:1–17 or Neh. 1:1–11

Acts 24:10–21

Luke 14:12–24

Monday, November 13

Morning: Pss. 135; 145

Evening: Pss. 97; 112

Neh. 9:1–15 (16–25)

or Neh. 2:1–20

Rev. 18:1–8

Matt. 15:1–20

Tuesday, November 14

Morning: Pss. 123; 146

Evening: Pss. 30; 86

Neh. 9:26–38 or Neh. 4:1–23

Rev. 18:9–20

Matt. 15:21–28

Wednesday, November 15

Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11

Evening: Pss. 48; 4

Neh. 7:73b–8:3, 5–18

or Neh. 5:1–19

Rev. 18:21–24

Matt. 15:29–39

Thursday, November 16

Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Neh. 6:1–19
Rev. 19:1–10
Matt. 16:1–12

Friday, November 17

Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Neh. 12:27–31a, 42b–47
Rev. 19:11–16
Matt. 16:13–20

Saturday, November 18

Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Neh. 13:4–22
Rev. 20:1–6
Matt. 16:21–28

Sunday, November 19

24th Sunday after Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Ezra 7:(1–10) 11–26
Acts 28:14b–23
Luke 16:1–13

Monday, November 20

Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Ezra 7:27–28; 8:21–36
Rev. 20:7–15
Matt. 17:1–13

Tuesday, November 21

Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Ezra 9:1–15
Rev. 21:1–8
Matt. 17:14–21

Wednesday, November 22

Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Ezra 10:1–17
Rev. 21:9–21
Matt. 17:22–27

Thursday, November 23

Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Neh. 9:1–15 (16–25)
Rev. 21:22–22:5
Matt. 18:1–9

Friday, November 24

Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Neh. 9:26–38
Rev. 22:6–13
Matt. 18:10–20

Saturday, November 25

Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Neh. 7:73b–8:3, 5–18
Rev. 22:14–21
Matt. 18:21–35

Sunday, November 26

Christ the King / Reign of Christ
Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Isa. 19:19–25
Rom. 15:5–13
Luke 19:11–27

Monday, November 27

Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Joel 3:1–2, 9–17
1 Peter 1:1–12
Matt. 19:1–12

Tuesday, November 28

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Nahum 1:1–13
1 Peter 1:13–25
Matt. 19:13–22

Wednesday, November 29

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Obad. 15–21
1 Peter 2:1–10
Matt. 19:23–30

Thursday, November 30

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Zeph. 3:1–13
1 Peter 2:11–25
Matt. 20:1–16

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LECTOR/USHER
SCHEDULE


- **Sunday, November 5**
LECTOR: JANE RAHM
USHERS: BOB THOMPSON
MEREDITH HALCOMB
- **Sunday, November 12**
LECTOR: JANE RAHM
USHERS: BOB THOMPSON
MEREDITH HALCOMB
- **Sunday, November 19**
LECTOR: JANE RAHM
USHERS: BOB THOMPSON
MEREDITH HALCOMB
- **Sunday, November 26**
LECTOR: JANE RAHM
USHERS: BOB THOMPSON
MEREDITH HALCOMB

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 Fellowship Meets 12 pm**
- **Nov. 7 Worship Meets 5:30 pm**
- **Nov. 12 Bldg. & Maint. Meets**

NOVEMBER 2017

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 <i>Larry Adamson</i>	4
5 Communion All Saints Sunday <i>Celia Smith</i>	6 Bean Soup Chopping Party	7 Bean Soup Luncheon	8	9	10	11
12 <i>Tania Shumaker</i>	13 <i>Prentice Knight</i>	14	15	16	17	18
19 <i>Anna Smith</i>	20	21 <i>Elit Rahm Larry Smith</i>	22 <i>Sarah Wakefield</i>	23 Office Closed 	24 <i>Don Halcomb Dick Timmerman</i>	25
26	27	28	29 <i>Roy McCoin</i>	30		

*Birthdays in italics

Looking Ahead...

ADVENT CONSPIRACY

Can Christmas still change the world?

Quick question for you: What was the one gift your remember getting for Christmas last year? Next question: What about the fourth gift? Do you remember that one? Truth is many of us don't because it wasn't something we necessarily wanted or needed.

Advent Conspiracy at FPC is a call to stop spending money on gifts we won't remember in less than a year. We can help change the world this Christmas by donating funds in honor of a loved one.

Advent Conspiracy charities this year are: Living Waters

for the World and the Boys & Girls Club. Why only two? We feel that we can make a bigger impact by narrowing our focus in our giving.

Beginning on Dec. 3rd, you will have an opportunity to donate to one or both of the charities. In return, as in previous years, you will receive a card (or cards) to let your gift recipient know what you have done in their honor in a *life-changing, world changing way*.

Please add FPC Advent Conspiracy to your shopping list!

TLC CHRISTMAS TEA
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH
2:30 P.M. IN THE CORNERSTONE

Please bring a \$5 gift for exchange and your favorite cookies or candy to share and swap!!!



It's never too early to be thinking about ordering your Christmas 2017 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 \$6.00.



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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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Pastor

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

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

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

Do you have something to go in the Lamplighter? Submit it to the office by the 26th of each month.



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