

# *the* Lamplighter

monthly newsletter of Franklin Presbyterian Church

JANUARY 2019

## ON CALLING A PASTOR

As we begin the journey to find new pastoral leadership, the coming months will be exciting, tedious, joyful, spiritually fulfilling, frustrating, inspiring, lengthy, and purposeful. The process is one of discernment and will challenge the congregation to listen closely for the will of God for its mission and ministry in this new stage of the congregation's life.

This is a new step of faith that hopefully will bring our congregation together around the common goal of identifying who God is calling to serve our congregation.

The process, as defined by the Book of Order and our Western Kentucky Presbytery policies, involves a number of steps.

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- First of all, after the pastor has resigned, *Presbytery is responsible for the education of the Session about the call process.*
- *The Session, usually through an appointed committee, completes an MIF (Ministry Information Form) that is approved by COM (Commission on Ministry) and places online the MIF for interim pastor.* This step has taken place. The Session will appoint the committee at its January meeting.
- *The Session committee reviews PIFs (Pastor Information Form), makes selection, and recommends to the Session which contracts with the interim pastor.*
- *The interim pastor leads the congregation in a mission study.*
- *The congregation approves a Pastor Nominating Committee, (nominated by the nomination committee) for an installed pastor at a congregational meeting.*
- The PNC takes the information from the mission study, completes an MIF that is approved by the Presbytery Committee on Ministry, and begins process of seeking an installed pastor.
- When a good candidate for pastor is found, PNC votes to request the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry to examine the candidate. After the examination, the COM votes on approval.
- The Congregation of Franklin Presbyterian is then ready to vote for an installed pastor.
- After that, the pastor will need to be approved by Presbytery and then the new pastor is installed at our church.

As Presbyterians our polity informs the process by which pastors are called to serve congregations. In our polity we are not congregational. The decision to call a pastor does not belong solely to the congregation. As Presbyterians our congregations are united in relationship of accountability and responsibility with the Presbytery as the expression of that connection.

As Presbyterians we seek to find and represent the will of Christ together. The call of a pastor is evidenced by the movement of the Holy Spirit, in the individual conscience of the Pastor or candidate in the approval of the congregation, and in the concurring judgement of the Presbytery. Together we will discern whom God is calling to serve as the pastor of FPC.

## Ruling Elders Serving on Session

Larry Smith  
Becky Stubbs  
John Halcomb  
Jim Sowney  
Caren Gibson  
Mary Jo Dreher  
Debbie Wyatt  
Bobby Page  
Bob Thompson

Deacons:  
Woon Yen Prall  
Pat Markell  
Diane Shutt

*Clerk of Session: Donna Houston*



# Get Involved at FPC!

## Opportunities to serve Locally

These are areas where you can serve and who to contact or how to enroll:

- Franklin-Simpson Boys and Girls Club Meals**      Marcella Davis
- People Serving People** (serve Wednesday meal, Thanksgiving, Christmas)      Caren Gibson
- Franklin-Simpson Good Samaritan** – pantry items, funds for rent, shelter, electricity, water, and food      Curry Davis
- Habitat for Humanity** – host Spring pancake fundraising meal      Caren Gibson
- Room in the Inn (RITI)** - Cold Weather Homeless Shelter housing in The Cornerstone one night monthly in winter      Jane Rahm, Guy Prall
- Feeding America Program** – collect produce from groceries and distribute to agencies like Good Samaritan      Dick Timmerman
- Summer Feeding Program** – help deliver lunches to children during the summer months      Linda Knight
- Annual Bean Soup Event in Nov.** – for Mission Projects      Donna Houston
- White Christmas Offering** – deliver food baskets to area residents      Caren Gibson
- TARP (Try Anything Rhino Project)** – raising funds to protect endangered rhinos in Africa.      Marla Knight-Dutille
- Summer Church Yard Sale** – mission outreach      Marcella Davis

## Opportunities to serve Globally

- Operation Christmas Child** – gather toys and other items to send to children overseas      Sandy Sparley
- Living Waters For the World Ministry** - trains and supports teams to provide access to clean water by installing water systems      Donna Houston

## Opportunities to serve In the Church

- |   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| <b>Provide dinner for Sunday Youth Fellowship</b> | Sign Up Sheet on Bulletin Board |
| <b>Greeter for Worship Services</b>               | Sign Up Sheet on Bulletin Board |
| <b>Usher for Worship Services</b>                 | Sharon Smith                    |
| <b>Assist in Nursery</b>                          | Contact a Deacon                |
| <b>Video Team Recording Services</b>              | Guy Prall                       |
| <b>Liturgist for Worship Services</b>             | Donna Houston                   |



# Habitat for Humanity®



## *Moonlight Masquerade*

**Saturday, February 16, 2019**

**Doors Open at 6 p.m.**

**Dinner Served at 6:30 p.m.**

The Cornerstone  
Franklin Presbyterian Church  
201 North College Street

Tickets are available by calling 270-586-6515  
Single \$50, Couple \$90, Table of Six \$250  
Music provided by the Ernie Small Blues Band

*Cocktail attire, festive masks, and theatrical make-up are strongly encouraged!*

*Proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity of Simpson County*



# News & Announcements

## CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING TOTAL: \$286.00

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothes, I was in prison and you came to me." ~

*Matthew 25:35-36*

The White Christmas Offering total for 2018 was \$1,375. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to brighten the holidays for almost 40 families in our community.

Also, thanks to everyone who helped pack and deliver the boxes. Your help and continued support is greatly appreciated!



### TACO DOMINGO!

Please plan to join us after church on Sunday, January 20th for a delicious taco lunch including: shrimp pico, pulled pork, rice, beans and all the fixin's! Please join us and learn about our new Living Waters partners at Paz y Bien in Chiquimulla, Guatemala!

***Donations only!***



## Pulpit Supply Schedule

January 6	Curry Davis
January 13	Brittany Hesson
January 20	Steve Thurmond
January 27	Curry Davis
February 3	Ashley McFaul

## benevolence Update

Thanks to the interest income from FPC's investments and generous donations from the congregation, the Pastor's Benevolence fund paid out \$1,966.65 in 2018 to help people with rent, utilities, food, etc.

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.

***Reminder:***

**Good  
Samaritan  
Food Pantry**



## January 2019 Daily Lectionary

*These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press 2018). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.*

### Year 1

#### JANUARY

##### **Tuesday, January 1**

Morning: Pss. 98; 146  
Evening: Pss. 99; 8  
Gen. 17:1–12a, 15–16  
Col. 2:6–12  
John 16:23b–30

##### **Wednesday, January 2**

Morning: Pss. 48; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 9; 29  
Gen. 12:1–7  
Heb. 11:1–12  
John 6:35–42, 48–51

##### **Thursday, January 3**

Morning: Pss. 111;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 107; 15  
Gen. 28:10–22  
Heb. 11:13–22  
John 10:7–17

##### **Friday, January 4**

Morning: Pss. 20; 148  
Evening: Pss. 93; 97  
Exod. 3:1–5  
Heb. 11:23–31  
John 14:6–14

##### **Saturday, January 5**

Morning: Pss. 99; 149  
Evening: Pss. 96; 110  
Josh. 1:1–9  
Heb. 11:32–12:2  
John 15:1–16

##### **Sunday, January 6**

##### **Epiphany of the Lord**

Morning: Pss. 72; 150  
Evening: Pss. 100; 67  
Isa. 52:7–10  
Rev. 21:22–27  
Matt. 12:14–21

##### **Monday, January 7**

Morning: Pss. 46 or 97; 145  
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114  
Isa. 52:3–6  
Rev. 2:1–7  
John 2:1–11

##### **Tuesday, January 8**

Morning: Pss. 46 or 47; 146  
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114  
Isa. 59:15b–21  
Rev. 2:8–17  
John 4:46–54

##### **Wednesday, January 9**

Morning: Pss. 46 or 47;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114  
Isa. 63:1–5  
Rev. 2:18–29  
John 5:1–15

##### **Thursday, January 10**

Morning: Pss. 46 or 47;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114  
Isa. 65:1–9  
Rev. 3:1–6  
John 6:1–14

##### **Friday, January 11**

Morning: Pss. 46 or 47;  
148  
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114  
Isa. 65:13–16  
Rev. 3:7–13  
John 6:15–27

##### **Saturday, January 12**

Morning: Pss. 46 or 97; 149  
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114  
Isa. 66:1–2, 22–23  
Rev. 3:14–22  
John 9:1–12, 35–38

##### **Sunday, January 13**

##### **Baptism of the Lord**

Morning: Pss. 104; 150  
Evening: Pss. 29  
Isa. 40:1–11  
Heb. 1:1–12  
John 1:1–7, 19–20, 29–34

##### **Monday, January 14**

Morning: Pss. 5; 145  
Evening: Pss. 82; 29  
Isa. 40:12–24  
Eph. 1:1–14  
Mark 1:1–13

##### **Tuesday, January 15**

Morning: Pss. 42; 146  
Evening: Pss. 102; 133  
Isa. 40:25–31  
Eph. 1:15–23  
Mark 1:14–28

**Wednesday, January 16**

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 1; 33  
Isa. 41:1–16  
Eph. 2:1–10  
Mark 1:29–45

**Thursday, January 17**

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 16; 62  
Isa. 41:17–29  
Eph. 2:11–22  
Mark 2:1–12

**Friday, January 18**

Morning: Pss. 51; 148  
Evening: Pss. 142; 65  
Isa. 42:(1–9) 10–17  
Eph. 3:1–13  
Mark 2:13–22

**Saturday, January 19**

Morning: Pss. 104; 149  
Evening: Pss. 138; 98  
Isa. (42:18–25) 43:1–13  
Eph. 3:14–21  
Mark 2:23–3:6

**Sunday, January 20**

Morning: Pss. 19; 150  
Evening: Pss. 81; 113  
Isa. 43:14–44:5  
Heb. 6:17–7:10  
John 4:27–42

**Monday, January 21**

Morning: Pss. 135; 145  
Evening: Pss. 97; 112  
Isa. 44:6–8, 21–23  
Eph. 4:1–16  
Mark 3:7–19a

**Tuesday, January 22**

Morning: Pss. 123; 146  
Evening: Pss. 30; 86  
Isa. 44:9–20  
Eph. 4:17–32  
Mark 3:19b–35

**Wednesday, January 23**

Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 48; 4  
Isa. 44:24–45:7  
Eph. 5:1–14  
Mark 4:1–20

**Thursday, January 24**

Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 80; 27  
Isa. 45:5–17  
Eph. 5:15–33  
Mark 4:21–34

**Friday, January 25**

Morning: Pss. 130; 148  
Evening: Pss. 32; 139  
Isa. 45:18–25  
Eph. 6:1–9  
Mark 4:35–41

**Saturday, January 26**

Morning: Pss. 56; 149  
Evening: Pss. 118; 111  
Isa. 46:1–13  
Eph. 6:10–24  
Mark 5:1–20

**Sunday, January 27**

Morning: Pss. 67; 150  
Evening: Pss. 46; 93  
Isa. 47:1–15  
Heb. 10:19–31  
John 5:2–18

**Monday, January 28**

Morning: Pss. 57; 145  
Evening: Pss. 85; 47  
Isa. 48:1–11  
Gal. 1:1–17  
Mark 5:21–43

**Tuesday, January 29**

Morning: Pss. 54; 146  
Evening: Pss. 28; 99  
Isa. 48:12–21 (22)  
Gal. 1:18–2:10  
Mark 6:1–13

**Wednesday, January 30**

Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 125; 91  
Isa. 49:1–12  
Gal. 2:11–21  
Mark 6:13–29

**Thursday, January 31**

Morning: Pss. 143;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 81; 116  
Isa. 49:13–23 (24–26)  
Gal. 3:1–14  
Mark 6:30–46



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## LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE

- **Sunday, January 6**  
LECTOR: DICK TIMMERMAN  
USHERS: JIM SOWNEY
- **Sunday, January 13**  
LECTOR: DEBBIE WYATT  
USHERS: JIM SOWNEY
- **Sunday, January 20**  
LECTOR: DEBBIE WYATT  
USHERS: JIM SOWNEY
- **Sunday, January 27**  
LECTOR: DEBBIE WYATT  
USHERS: JIM SOWNEY

## WEEKLY EVENTS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Handbells:** Wed. 4:45-5:45 pm
- **Choir:** Wednesdays, 6-7:30 pm
- **AA Meetings:** M, T, R, & F @ 7:30 pm; W @ 6:00pm; M, Sat. @ 8:00 a.m.

**Jan. 7** Fellowship Meets at 12:30

# JANUARY 2019

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Happy New Year!!! <i>Andrew Garrett</i>	2	3	4	5
6 Soup/Sandwich Potluck <i>Joe Shumaker</i>	7	8	9 <i>Donna Houston</i>	10 <i>Will Rahm</i>	11	12 <i>Wilson Webb</i>
13 <i>Nicola Prall</i>	14	15	16 <i>Beth Gibson-Lagani</i>	17 <i>Pat Chai</i>	18	19 <i>Ada Stubbs</i>
20 <i>Terry Joiner</i> <i>Alec Sutton-Gibson</i>	21	22	23	24 <i>Danny Joiner</i>	25	26 <i>Barbara Keith</i>
27 <i>Dan Ware</i>	28	29	30	31		

\*Birthdays in italics



# JANUARY

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Becky Stubbs

ELDER HELPER: Donna Houston

FRIEND OF THE MONTH: Debbie Wyatt

## Looking Ahead

### FEBRUARY

Feb. 11 Red Cross Blood Drive 12-6

### MARCH

Mar. 6 Ash Wednesday

#### CHURCH STAFF

CANDICE  
MENDOZA,  
OFFICE MANAGER

CAROLLE TRACY,  
MUSIC DIRECTOR

DONNA HOUSTON,  
ORGANIST

SHIRLEY  
CRUTCHER,  
NURSERY

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday thru Thursday

9:00am-2:30pm

LUNCH: 12:30-1:00



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## Stewardship Corner

#### **DECEMBER AVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 48**

DEC. 2 38  
DEC 9 38  
DEC. 16 54  
DEC. 23 51  
DEC. 30 57

#### **DECEMBER AVERAGE OFFERING: \$2,106.70**

DEC. 2 \$1,587.25  
DEC 9 \$2,344.00  
DEC. 16 \$3,015.00  
DEC. 23 \$1,500.00  
DEC. 30 \$2,087.25

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Teacher: Prentice Knight

Time: Sunday, 9:45 a.m.

9:30-9:45 — Coffee & Fellowship

9:45-10:30 — Class Time

## 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, 4:45-5:45

*(In the Cornerstone during Renovation)*

Have an item you would like to  
add to the Lamplighter?  
Please submit it to the office  
no later than the last Thursday  
of each month!



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