

the Lamplighter

October 2019

Monthly newsletter of Franklin Presbyterian Church

“Seeking God, Serving People”



Our Vacation Bible School will be taking place October 7th, 8th and 9th from 9 a.m. until 12 Noon. If you would like to help or bring snacks, please see Caren Gibson!

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

-Psalm 105:4

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Pastor's Portion

Romans 8 speaks of "the whole creation groaning in labor pains". We ourselves, who live through this time between installed pastors "groan inwardly while we wait" for the calling of a newly installed pastor when we can feel like we are whole again. While we first think that calling a new pastor is similar to that of hiring a new school principal or a new plant manager in a manufacturing business, it really is a time of discernment of who we are together and what our vision for future ministry is for us that includes our discovering a new pastor, who brings ministry skills and interests to match the faith journey upon which we travel.

We have just completed the five week ministry study where the whole congregation has gathered to learn from each other and to offer our thoughts on what that vision looks like. Now, during the near future, the Session takes the next step of further fashioning our ministry vision. At this same time the Session is moving to offer three names from our membership to be elected to become our Officer Nominating Committee (ONC) at a meeting of the congregation in the near future. Once the congregation elects its three people to the ONC, they will join two Session members, who then become the actual ONC.

The Officer ONC nominates and presents to the congregation one person to serve as deacon and three persons to serve as elders to serve on the Session. At the same time they will nominate for the congregation's consideration, seven persons for the (PNC). With appropriate notice to all members, the congregation will meet to receive the report from the ONC and proceed to the election of deacons, elders and the PNC.

Once the PNC is elected, they will proceed to organize their leadership and then complete the Ministry Information Form (MIF) that goes to pastors and the computerized bank that contains all of the other church vacancies. The PNC will develop from the body of information that our congregational studies and other resources into the MIF.

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Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light for my path.

-Psalm 119:105

Pastor's Portion...continued

They have questions related to our studies and our vision of ministry to answer and place within the MIF that all together comes to about a dozen pages. It is then submitted to the Presbytery Commission on Ministry through the Session for their approval that shows our readiness to receive candidates for ministry in our church.

Once the PNC is duly constituted and at their tasks, our tasks involve our prayers for their best understanding of God's will for their spiritual discernments while we go about getting "our house in order to receive guest pastors and prepare our spiritual lives to deserve a pastor that deserves us. Believe me. This is a huge task, but it can be done and all that each of us do in the process is worth it once the whole journey to a pastor is complete.

May God bless us!

Pastor Mike

Stewardship Corner

September Weekly Offering

Average: \$1,659.80

Sept. 1 \$1,812.00

Sept. 8 \$482.00

Sept. 15 \$2,982.00

Sept. 22 \$1,838.00

Sept. 29 \$1,185.00

September Avg. Attendance: 54

Sept. 1 68

Sept. 8 52

Sept. 15 50

Sept. 22 60

Sept. 29 42

**Average Weekly Income Needed
for Budget: \$2,282.69**

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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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Rev. Mike Chamberlain,

Interim Pastor

Candice Mendoza,

Office Manager

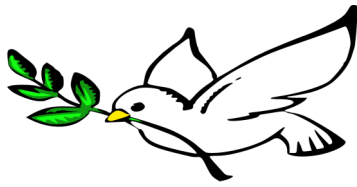
Carolle Tracy,

Music Director

Donna Houston, Organist

Shirley Crutcher, Nursery

News & Notes



*Peace and Global Witness Offering
Sunday, October 6th*

For more information visit pcusa.org/peace-global.

SAVE THE DATE

Annual Bean Soup Luncheon-November 5th

(All proceeds benefit local Christian Service missions)

Bean Soup, World Famous Coleslaw, Cornbread, Homemade Pie

We need volunteers to make cornbread, pies, to work at the lunch or on the delivery team. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the educational wing.

(Bean Soup Chopping Party will be November 4th at Noon)

Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, October 8th

12-6 p.m.

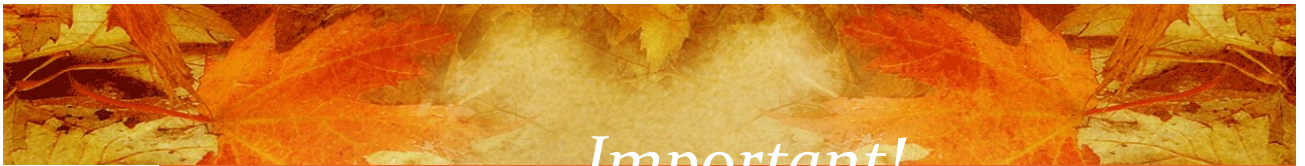
In the Cornerstone



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Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 26th! Fellowship is sponsoring a Halloween Party for all ages. Games, food, and fellowship from 5-7 p.m. Costumes are encouraged but not required. Each FPC committee will be in charge of one activity. So far we have bobbing for apples, corn hole, gumdrop construction, with many more in the planning stages.

Please sign up on the poster in the Educational Wing so we can prepare enough food and prizes. Hot dogs, s'mores will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Invite your friends to join you for this "howling good time"!



Important!

"The Session is calling a special meeting of the congregation for October 13th immediately after worship for the purpose of the members hearing a report from the Session that includes their presentation of three members of the congregation to serve on the Officer Nominating Committee if elected. As always, there will also be a time for any nominations from the floor after the report from the Session. If there were to be any nominations from the floor, the person nominated from the floor would have to previously agreed to serve if elected."



*I will say of the LORD,
He is my refuge and my fortress.
In Him I will trust...*

-Psalm 91:2

SUMMER SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Approved the schedule for the fall stewardship/budgeting process. Be on the lookout for a time and talents survey.
- Approved procedure for the protection of non-public personal information stored in the church office.
- Linda Felts and Debbie Wyatt to serve on the Nominating Committee.
- Approved that Franklin Presbyterian Church will become a Matthew 25 church. Western Kentucky Presbytery is a Matthew 25 Presbytery.
- Approved a Halloween Party at the Cornerstone on Saturday, October 26, 5-7 pm.
- Approved annual Bean Soup Lunch Fundraiser for November 5.
- Approved Hanging of the Green on Saturday, November 30 at 9 am.
- Approved Christmas Celebration to be held in the Cornerstone after church on Sunday, December 15 with a soup, sandwich, dessert lunch.
- Approved "taking down the green" on Sunday, January 5 after church with a soup, sandwich, dessert lunch.

Ruling Elders Serving on Session

Debbie Wyatt
Larry Smith
John Halcomb
Mary Jo Dreher
Jim Sowney

Caren Gibson
Bob Thompson
Becky Stubbs
Linda Felts

DEACONS:
Diane Shutt
Pat Markell
Woon Yen Prall

CLERK OF SESSION: Donna Houston

Next Regularly Stated Session Meeting: October 22nd at 5 p.m.

Clerks of All Committees: Please submit any minutes to the church office by October 17th for inclusion in the Session packet.

THANKYOU!

October 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

OCTOBER

Tuesday, October 1

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 2

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 3

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 4

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

Saturday, October 5

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

Sunday, October 6

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

Monday, October 7

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 8

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 9

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 10

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 11

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 12

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 13

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

Monday, October 14

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 15

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

Wednesday, October 16

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 17

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 18

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

Saturday, October 19

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

Sunday, October 20

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 21

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 22

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 23

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 24

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 25

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 26

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 27

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 28

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 29

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

Wednesday, October 30

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
 Evening: Pss. 132; 134
 Ezra 6:1–22
 or Lam. 2:8–15
 Rev. 5:1–10
 Matt. 13:10–17

Thursday, October 31

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

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LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE

- **Sunday, October 6th**
LECTOR: FRANCES HAIN
USHERS: MELISSA CROPPER
DIANE SHUTT
- **Sunday, October 13th**
LECTOR: AMY GANT
USHERS: MELISSA CROPPER
DIANE SHUTT
- **Sunday, October 20th**
LECTOR: FRANCES HAIN
USHERS: MELISSA CROPPER
DIANE SHUTT
- **Sunday, October 27th**
LECTOR: FRANCES HAIN
USHERS: MELISSA CROPPER
DIANE SHUTT

WEEKLY EVENTS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Handbells:** Wednesdays, 5-6:00 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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

OCTOBER 7th-9th
9 A.M.-12 NOON

OCTOBER 2019

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>Don Hall</i>	3	4	5
6	7	8 RED CROSS 12-6 <i>John Halcomb</i>	9	10 <i>Barbara Shriver</i> <i>Mike Wyatt</i>	11 <i>Tori Brown</i>	12 <i>Carolle Tracy</i>
13 Cong. Meeting <i>Debbie Wyatt</i>	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 <i>Guy Prall</i>	22 SESSION	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

* Birthdays in italics

Looking Ahead.....

NOVEMBER

ELDER/ELDER HELPER

Becky Stubbs

Debbie Wyatt

FRIEND OF THE MONTH:

Mary Jo Dreher

- Nov. 3 *Daylight Savings Ends
All Saints Sunday*
- Nov. 4 *Bean Soup Chopping party*
- Nov. 5 *Bean Soup Luncheon*
- Nov. 24 *Community Thanksgiving*
- Nov. 28 *Thanksgiving (office closed)*



Can you believe it? It's already fall, which means the time to fill our white Christmas boxes is quickly approaching.

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

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
Lamplighter? Submit it to the office by
the last Wednesday 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

Choir/Hand Bell Room

"Serve The Lord With Gladness; Come Before His Presence With Singing!"

Psalm 100 (It's Biblical!!)

HANDBELL CHOIR

Wednesday, 4:45-5:45

Choir/Hand Bell room



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