



November 2020

Monthly Newsletter of
Franklin Presbyterian Church

The Lamplighter

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BEAN SOUP LUNCHEON UPDATE

We are sorry to announce that our Bean Soup Fundraiser Lunch is cancelled this year. As a church, we will miss all the work and fellowship that we enjoy in connection with the lunch. And we'll miss the time that the community enjoys when people gather to eat and then stay to talk and enjoy time together.

The funds that we usually receive from Bean Soup go to support organizations in our town like Boys and Girls Club, Habitat for Humanity, Good Samaritan, the Simpson County Backpack program. *These organizations need our continued support.* Please consider a donation. For example, if you usually contribute beans, cornbread, or pies you might give what you would usually spend on those items. Just write "Bean Soup" on the description line on your check.

*We hope that 2021 will bring us back together again
for this wonderful tradition at FPC.*



From the Pastor's Desk

BEING GRATEFUL

When we look at what God has done in our lives these past few months, it would be understood if we quizzically ponder what we might be thankful for. A global pandemic, continued division, and unrest over injustice have given 2020 a completely different feeling than what we may have expected.

Yet this is the year in which we were united as a congregation and a pastor, journeying together to where our love of Jesus Christ takes us as we boldly love our God and boldly love our neighbors.

We embark on a season of planning for what comes next. Committees and Session work on our budgets for 2021, contemplating how we will live into our Vision. This season of quarantine and great care for one another also offers us an opportunity we can be grateful for. A chance to prayerfully consider what bold opportunities we have for moving forward as God's people.

Even with the coronavirus remaining out of our control, we can look ahead, remembering God's promises to us as we seek to more deeply engage our community as we follow Jesus. We can think boldly and act quickly, we can invest boldly and steward our resources wisely, as we envision a congregation partnering with new people and growing our family.

New things are already happening, new partnerships with Live the Proof and continuing ones with Room in the Inn and many others. As a people of God, as Franklin Presbyterian Church, let us ALL think about how we can Boldly Love God and Boldly Love Neighbor. In what ways can we act that follow what we have said or believed?

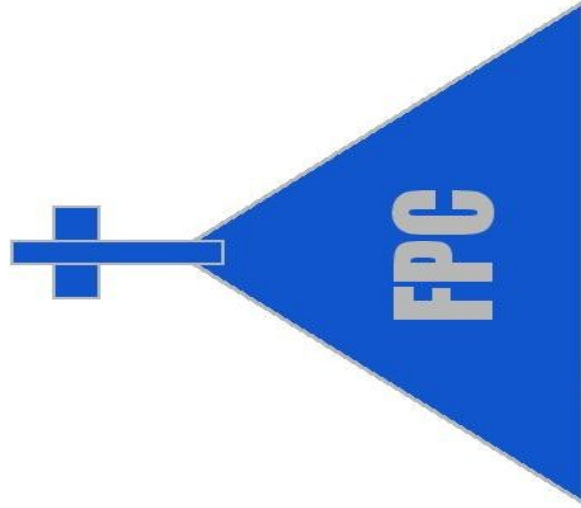
Session's earlier draft of the 2021 Vision identified that we are committed to the Wholeness of People: Mind, Body, & Soul. That is most certainly still the case, those the updated Vision you see here more accurately described HOW we can live into this with Action.

Take a moment to be grateful to God for what we have been given. Then pray over this Vision for FPC this November and into Advent, asking where the Holy Spirit is leading you and us!

Pastor Daniel



Pastor Daniel will be out of the office from Monday, November 23 thru Sunday, November 29. The Church office will be closed on Wednesday, November 25th and Thursday, November 26th.



Who are WE as FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

What is GOD calling US to BE & to DO?

Deuteronomy 6:4-9
Matthew 22:36-40

Leviticus 19:17-18
Hebrews 10:23-25

Biblical
Inspiration

2021 VISION

BOLDLY LOVING GOD, BOLDLY LOVING NEIGHBOR

PILLARS
of ACTION

ACCEPTING

Everyone is Welcome
Open to All Perspectives
Inclusive & Loving

SHARING

New Ideas
Listening Closely
Community Strengths

PROVIDING

Spirit & Truth
Genuine Discipleship
Authentic Empathy

Church MOTTO

SEEKING GOD, SERVING ALL PEOPLE

NEWS & EVENTS

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- ♦ Called a Congregational Meeting for December 6 in which to elect the Elders and Deacons for the Class of 2023 and where the 2021 Budget will be presented to the Congregation.
- ♦ Set December 20 as the Installation date for new officers.
- ♦ Regretfully and yet with immense gratitude accepted the resignation of Carolle Tracy as Music Director.
- ♦ Finance Committee presented a draft 2021 Budget. Committees will make revisions for Session approval at the next meeting.
- ♦ Discussed additional ideas for 2021 Vision of Boldly Loving God, Boldly Loving Neighbor and authorized that it be shared with the entire congregation.
- ♦ Approved the Cornerstone as a host for Room in the Inn Franklin for this winter.
- ♦ Discussed current COVID-19 protocols and the prospect of virtual worship returning due to recent case increases.
- ♦ Excitedly approved a partnership with Live the Proof (represented by Tammie McCory), which will provide free “to go” community lunches on Tuesdays and Thursdays, using the Cornerstone kitchen to prepare meals.



First Baptist Church at 303 E. Cedar St., is partnering with ‘Feeding America, Kentucky’s Heartland’ to offer a drive through weekly family food bag distribution on Mondays from 2-4 pm, or as supplies last. Recipients need only have proof of Simpson Co. residency. We offer canned meats and vegetables along with other packaged food as available.

No appointment is necessary!



The Matthew 25 Clothes Closet is now opened. To date we have served 13 adults and children in our community. Each month our Clothes Closet will be requesting needed donations. During November, our critical need is new underwear - especially for women and men. All sizes and types (boxers, briefs, bikini) would be much appreciated. There will be a donation box as you enter church for you to drop off any donations.

Thank you so much for your support.

Stewardship Corner

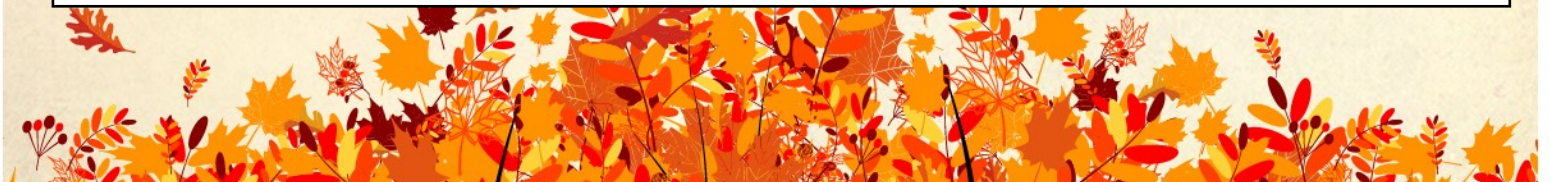
October Average Attendance: 42

Oct. 4 51
Oct. 11 29
Oct. 18 45
Oct. 25 43

October Weekly Offering Average: \$989.00

Oct. 4 \$2,241.00
Oct. 11 \$240.00
Oct. 18 \$990.00
Oct. 25 \$485.00

Average Weekly Income Needed for Budget:
\$2,057.69



Advent Sundays

First Sunday of Advent, November 29

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

Second Sunday of Advent, December 6

We will light the Candle of Peace as we recall the prophecy told to Isaiah.

Third Sunday of Advent, December 13

The Candle of Joy will be lit as we celebrate the promise of Good News of great joy. We will hear from Mary as she ponders the joyous news.

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 20

We will light the Candle of Love. Christmas is a time of worship. Christmas happens when God comes to us in love through Jesus Christ and fills us with love for all humankind.



If you would like to be a candle lighter for Advent or Christmas Eve service, if necessary, please let us know if you would like to sign up!

⇒ *Please see the "Looking Ahead" section in this newsletter for more information on news & events in December!*

*Hanging of the Green
will be Saturday, November 28
at 9 am.*

Volunteers are welcome!



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

Psalms 33:15



November 2020 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.

November

Sunday, November 1
Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Zeph. 1:1–6
1 Cor. 12:27–13:13
Matt. 18:21–35

Monday, November 2
Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Zeph. 1:7–13
Rev. 14:1–13
Luke 12:49–59

Tuesday, November 3
Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
Zeph. 1:14–18
Rev. 14:14–15:8
Luke 13:1–9

Wednesday, November 4
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 5
Morning: Pss. 97;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
Zeph. 3:1–7
Rev. 16:12–21
Luke 13:18–30

Friday, November 6
Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
Zeph. 3:8–13
Rev. 17:1–18
Luke 13:31–35

Saturday, November 7
Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Zeph. 3:14–20
Rev. 18:1–14
Luke 14:1–11

Sunday, November 8
Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Joel 1:1–13
1 Cor. 14:1–12
Matt. 20:1–16

Monday, November 9
Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Joel 1:15–2:2
Rev. 18:15–24
Luke 14:12–24

Tuesday, November 10
Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Joel 2:3–11
Rev. 19:1–10
Luke 14:25–35

Wednesday, November 11
Morning: Pss. 15;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Joel 2:12–19
Rev. 19:11–21
Luke 15:1–10

Thursday, November 12
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 13
Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Joel 2:28–3:8
James 1:16–27
Luke 16:1–9

Saturday, November 14
Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Joel 3:9–17
James 2:1–13
Luke 16:10–17 (18)

Sunday, November 15
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 16
Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Hab. 2:1–4, 9–20
James 2:14–26
Luke 16:19–31

Tuesday, November 17
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 18
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 19
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 20
Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Mal. 3:1–12
James 5:7–12
Luke 18:1–8

Saturday, November 21
Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Mal. 3:13–4:6
James 5:13–20
Luke 18:9–14

Sunday, November 22
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 23
Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Zech. 10:1–12
Gal. 6:1–10
Luke 18:15–30

Tuesday, November 24
Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Zech. 11:4–17
1 Cor. 3:10–23
Luke 18:31–43

Wednesday, November 25
Morning: Pss. 96;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Zech. 12:1–10
Eph. 1:3–14
Luke 19:1–10

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

Friday, November 27
Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
Zech. 14:1–11
Rom. 15:7–13
Luke 19:28–40

Saturday, November 28
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 29
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 30
Morning: Pss. 122; 145
Evening: Pss. 40; 67
Isa. 1:10–20
1 Thess. 1:1–10
Luke 20:1–8

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LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE

- **Sunday, November 1**
LECTOR: LARRY GIBSON
USHERS: DIANE SHUTT
MELISSA CROPPER
- **Sunday, November 8**
LECTOR: LARRY GIBSON
USHERS: DIANE SHUTT
MELISSA CROPPER
- **Sunday, November 15**
LECTOR: LARRY GIBSON
USHERS: DIANE SHUTT
MELISSA CROPPER
- **Sunday, November 22**
LECTOR: LARRY GIBSON
USHERS: DIANE SHUTT
MELISSA CROPPER
- **Sunday, November 29**
LECTOR: LARRY GIBSON
USHERS: DIANE SHUTT
MELISSA CROPPER

EVENTS/NEWS

Youth Group 1st/3rd Sunday
After Worship
Youth Sunday School 2nd/4th
Sunday of the month at 9:30 am
Elementary 'Kids Club' each
Wednesday at 5 pm

Pastor Daniel-Out 11/23-11/29

NOVEMBER 2020

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion Installation 4pm	2	3 <i>Larry Adamson</i>	4	5	6	7 <i>Loyd Gant</i>
8	9 Fellowship 1 pm	10	11	12	13 <i>Prentice Knight</i>	14
15 <i>Candice Mendoza</i>	16	17 Matthew 25 6:30 pm	18 Young Disciples 5:30 pm	19 Deacons 10 am Finance 3 pm <i>Anna Smith</i>	20	21 <i>Eli Rahm</i> <i>Susan Hoffman</i>
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
22 <i>Sarah Wakefield</i>	23	24 <i>Dick Timmerman</i>	25 OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving!	27	28 Hanging of the Green 9 am
29 <i>Roy McCoin</i>	30					

* Birthdays in italics

Looking Ahead...

We will be sending out more information regarding the Christmas Eve services as it becomes available.



We are now accepting donations of items to be placed in this year's White Christmas boxes. You may bring: shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc. Place them in the box in the middle office. Monetary donation dates, TBA. The packing and delivery date is Friday, December 18th in the Cornerstone.



It's never too early to be thinking about ordering your Christmas 2020 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 announced at a later date.



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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

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CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Daniel Van Beek

Pastor

Candice Mendoza,

Office Manager

Carolle Tracy, *Music Director*

Donna Houston, *Organist*

Shirley Crutcher, *Nursery*

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays at 9:30 am in the Cornerstone 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 GROUP

Meets the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month after worship. (lunch is provided)

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 am

ELEMENTARY 'KIDS CLUB'

Meets each Wednesday at 5 pm

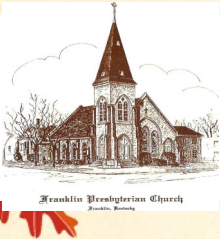
TODDLERS

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

ADULT CHOIR TBA

HANDBELL CHOIR TBA

Do you have something to go in the December Lamplighter? *Submit it to the office no later than November 25th.*



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