the Lamplighter

October 2021

Monthly newsletter of Franklin Presbyterian Church

"Seeking God, Serving People"

KIDS' CLUB FIELD TRIP

Saturday, October 16 10 am-Noon at Just Piddlin' Farm. \$6 per person. Children 4 and under FREE! Meet at church at 9:30 am to carpool in the van or meet at the farm at 10 am. All church members are invited & bring a friend. Young Disciples Committee will pay for children and a parent or guardian.



Just Piddlin' Farm is located at 10830 S. Morgantown Rd., Woodburn, KY 42170

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Pastor's Pen

The Many Faces of Discipleship

Beloved, what a fall it has already been! And we are only a few weeks into it! The excitement is in the air, we are fellowshipping with one another, we are learning and sharing our faith with one another, we are wondering and praying about how to minister to our community more and better with one another.

Each one of those aspects of our Christian Life is an act of Discipleship, my friends. Our discipleship in Jesus Christ takes so many forms, has so many faces. We have been called to seek A Bold Approach in how we interact with God's children in our community and around the world. We have been using this year to engage how to Boldly Love God and Boldly Love Neighbor. As we plan this month for what 2022 will bring for FPC, might I suggest that we look for ways in which the Holy Spirit is calling us to Make a Bold Impact.

One way we can all make a Bold Impact is to assess the gifts we have been given by God. How have we been blessed, whether with finances or time or talents? You see where I'm going with this, don't you? Yes, we can ALL contribute something and fully PARTICIPATE in the Ministry of God's people. And all of those ways might differ from one another. Time in prayer may help us all see a new way to form our faith and perform our discipleship and reform our community!

Pastor Daniel



What Bailey's Thinking....

The windows in my new office are large and bright, and I don't have to turn the overhead light on when I'm working. This lets me watch the color of the light from outside: bright and warm on sunny mornings, cooler and bluer on a cloudy afternoon, and strong and direct when the sun is starting to set... which is starting to happen earlier these days. Watching the light helps me listen to what I can hear outside. And watching and listening helps me practice for the first part of my new work here in Franklin: Watching and listening. I'm watching what's happening in this congregation and in the town around us, and I'm listening to those who are already leading and talking and suggesting and wondering, getting my marching orders for the rest of the year. There's so much here, and it's so exciting, because that means there **can** be so much more!

Speaking of listening... I'd love to listen to **you**. Come talk to me! Tell me about why you love Franklin or FPC. Tell me what you're working on, or what you've been thinking might be good to try, or what you wish was happening. Tell me about your hobbies or things you've wondered about but never asked. Tell me your favorite hymn. I'm in the office without fail from 10am to 1pm on Monday and Wednesday if you want to drop by. I have a couch. Or call or email me and let's make a date!



News & Notes



Peace and Global Witness Offering Sunday, October 3rd For more information visit pcusa.org/peace-global.

Fellowship

Our first potluck since Covid-19 was held on Sunday, September 19 to welcome our new Community Connections Director, Bailey Pickens. We had a good turn out, and as usual, great food! People had an unhurried opportunity to visit with new friends and catch up with old friends. Our next fellowship event will be our Halloween Party on Saturday, October 30. Look for a sign up sheet to be posted shortly. Costumes are fun, but optional!

There will be a Pew Baby Shower for Tori Brown Boehman, (Sally & Leroy's granddaughter) on Sunday, October 17! She is expecting a baby boy!

- The new Matthew 25 sign is now up on Kentucky Street. While it says basically the same as our previous one, it is worded more generically. Our Matthew 25 committee thought a change up will keep it fresh and make those passing by notice. We are also working on new signs for the interior of the building, so look for them soon!
- Dr. Curry is not able to reschedule his seminar on the church's role in racial equality for this fall. Hopefully, we will be able to offer an alternative or he will be available in the spring.
- Feed the Need Soup Kitchen continues to thrive. They are now offering fresh produce in addition to the meals. If you want to check it out, visitors are welcome to stop by for a meal and hopefully make a small donation. Be there by 11:00 am for lunch. Our Matthew 25 Committee is sponsoring the October 5 meal.



Can Christmas still change the world?

Quick question for you: What was the one gift you 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 the FPC Living Waters for the World Project, Boys and Girls Club, Habitat for Humanity, and Simpson County Literacy. Why only four? We feel that we can make a bigger impact by narrowing our focus in our giving.

Beginning on November 28, you will have an opportunity to donate to one or all 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!

Our Matthew 25 Committee has welcomed 3 new members: Bailey Pickens, Joey Hodge, and Sylvia Pulliam. They join Meredith Halcomb, Tammie McCory, Jane Rahm, Cathy Stratton, and Debbie Wyatt for a total of 8 members. Let one of us know if you have ideas for our committee.

ATTHEW 25

CLOTHES CLOSET

The Matthew 25 Clothes Closet served 26 individuals during the month of August, 2021. September is proving to be just as busy. We also donated over eighty new articles of clothing to the Bowling Green Refugee Center, in preparation to welcoming Afghanistan Refugees. In total we distributed more than 350 items to families and the refugee center in the past eight weeks.

Our clothesline mission has been a huge success this summer. We are distributing approximately 30 - 40 pairs of socks each month, and will soon be adding winter items to the clothesline. So, if you run across any gently used (or new) socks, hats, gloves, or scarves please keep us in mind. Both adult & children sizes are offered on the clothesline.

We recently received very generous donations from Good Samaritan Inc. and Franklin United Methodist Church. These two Franklin organizations have been very supportive of the Matthew 25 Clothes Closet. If you see any members of either organization in our community, please take the time to thank them for all their support.

Currently The Matthew 25 Clothes Closet is in need of the following new or gently used items:

Adult sweatpants (sizes small, medium, large)

by Boys Jeans & Shirts sizes 10 and up; particularly older boys jeans & shirts.

If you would like to volunteer in the Clothes Closet. Please contact Cathy Stratton at 270-223-6548. We are currently changing to fall and winter clothing, if you have a few hours to help during this process please contact Cathy.

Stewardship Corner

September Avg. Weekly Offering:

\$1,311.25 Sept. 5 \$1,915.00 Sept. 12 \$810.00 Sept. 19 \$1,075.00 Sept. 26 \$1,445.00 September Avg. Attendance: 51 Sept. 5 40 Sept. 12 49 Sept. 19 68 Sept. 26 47

Average Weekly Income Needed for Budget: \$2,096.15

CONTACT US <u>CHURCH OFFICE</u> <u>HOURS</u> Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m. **TELEPHONE** (270) 586-4535 CHURCH STAFF

Daniel Van Beek Pastor Bailey Pickens Community Connections Director Candice Mendoza, Office Manager Donna Houston, Organist Shirley Crutcher, Nursery



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-SEPTEMBER

- ⇒ Called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, October 31, after worship for the purchase of approving a potential recommendation from Session regarding the number of ruling elders for 2022
- \Rightarrow Approved Pastor Daniel's vacation weeks of October 18-24, November 15-21, and December 25-31
- ⇒ Approved Rev. Bailey Pickens for pulpit supply on Sundays October 24, November 21, and December 26
- ⇒ Set the date of the Annual Congregational Meeting for Sunday, December 5, after worship in which to elect the 2022 Nominating Committee, to elect the Deacon and Ruling Elders for the Class of 2024, to present the draft 2022 budget, and to approve Pastor Daniel's 2022 terms of call
- ⇒ Approved Sunday, November 7, as Dedication Sunday, where pledges of time, talent, and gifts will be presented
- ⇒ Also approved a Taco Domingo (Taco Sunday) for November 7 following worship presented by the Living Waters for the World
- ⇒ Passed final approval of the updated FPC Bylaws as shared previously with the congregation; these bylaws are now in effect

Ruling Elders Serving on Session

CJ Hall Larry Smith John Halcomb Woon Yen Prall Caren Gibson Bob Thompson Cathy Stratton Jane Rahm **DEACONS:** Meredith Halcomb Marcella Davis Donna Houston

CLERK OF SESSION: WOON YEN Prall

Next Regularly Stated Session Meeting: October 26 <u>Clerks of All Committees:</u> Please continue to timely submit any minutes to the church office for inclusion in the Session packet. THANKYOU! NEW MEMBERS CLASS STARTS OCTOBER 14 FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE PASTOR DANIEL

October 2021 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.

Friday, October 1

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

Saturday, October 2

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

Sunday, October 3

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

Monday, October 4

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 5

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 6

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 7

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 8

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 9

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 10

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

Monday, October 11

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 12

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

Wednesday, October 13

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 14

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 15

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

Saturday, October 16

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

Sunday, October 17

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 18

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

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Tuesday, October 19

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 20

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 21

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 22

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 23

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 24

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 25

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 26

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 27

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 28

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, October 29

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, October 30

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

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Sunday, October 31

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

SCHEDULE
USHER
Lector/

- Sunday, October 3 LECTOR: BAILEY PICKENS
- USHERS: LARRY GIBSON SANDY SPARLEY
 - Sunday, October 10 Lector: Debbe wyatt Ushers: Larry Gibson Sandy Sparley
- Sunday, October 17 Lector: Debbe Wyatt Ushers: Larry Gibson Sandy Sparley
- Sunday, October 24
 Lector: Debbe WYATT
 Ushers: Larry GBSON
 SANDY SPARLEY
- Sunday, October 31 Lector: Debbe wyatt Ushers: Larry Gibson SANDY SPARLEY

MEETINGS

- Oct. 12 Fellowship 2 pm Matthew 25 4 pm Oct. 20 Bldg.& Maint. 4 pm
 - Oct. 26 Session 6 pm
- Oct. 31 Congregational Meeting
- Pastor Daniel-Out 10/18-10/24

OCTOBER 2021

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Communion Peace Offering	4 VBS	5 VBS	6 VBS	L-	8 John Halcomb	9 Taking it 2 the Streets
10 Mike Wyatt	11 Tori Brown Boehman	12 Carolle Tracy	13 Debbie Wyatt	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Guy Prall	53	23
24 Guest Preacher, Bailey Pickens	25	26	27	28	29	30 Halloween Par- ty
31						

*Birthdays in italics

Looking Ahead.....

NOVEMBER

ELDER/ELDER HELPER Jane Rahm Bob Thompson

FRIEND OF THE MONTH: Sharon Smith

- Nov. 7 Daylight Savings Ends
 Communion Sunday
- Dedication Sunday
- All Saints Sunday
- Nov. 25 Thanksgiving
 (office closed)





SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Almuerzo Taco Domingo (Taco Sunday Lunch)

Learn about the FPC Living Waters for the World Ministry

- Meet In-Country Coordinator Pablo Perez!
- Enjoy a delicious lunch in the Cornerstone after Worship (soft tacos and all the fixins)

Donations only. Consider donating what you can. Consider the amount you might spend for a Sunday lunch in a restaurant.



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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45 a.m. in the Cornerstone

YOUTH & ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth Group: More info to come! Youth Sunday School: 9:45 am in the Educational Wing Elementary Sunday School-'Kids Club': meets after Worship

> Do you have something to go in the Lamplighter? Submit it to the office by the last Thursday of each month.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the Cornerstone. (no class October 7)





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