# November 2021

Monthly Newsletter of Franklin Presbyterian Church

# The Lamplighter

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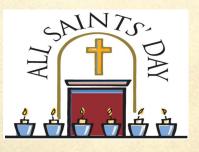
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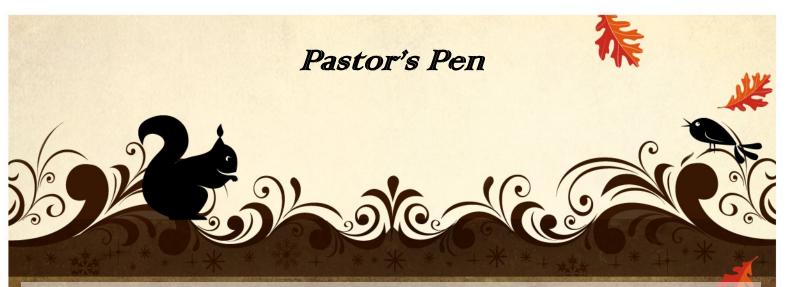
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# All Saints Sunday

November 7, 2021

They left their mark on the earth for you, for us, for our children to come. Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. Bless the memories of your saints, God. May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love





# WE ARE CALLED

Beloved, when we look at what God has created us to be, when we consider the immense and incredible love of Jesus Christ to redeem us, and when we feel the deep and abiding guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are filled with awe and inspiration and the need to worship.

As Presbyterians, we claim to be created to do all things for the glory of our God. And that includes our service to the church and to the community. This past year, we've talked a lot about loving our neighbor and some too about loving God. We've committed to doing both of these things boldly.

When we follow Jesus, we are called to do uncomfortable things. We are called to get out of our comfort zone, to sacrifice and commit ourselves to serving others as a way to live out our gratitude for the God who saves us. How can we live out that calling this month? How can we express our Thanksgiving to God in how we serve the church?

Perhaps the Holy Spirit is stirring up in you a restlessness that needs an outlet. Perhaps you are thinking about new ways to worship, or new ways to serve, or new ways to share your gifts with the congregation or the community. We are all created to be something special to God. Sometimes it takes a while to figure out what and how we are to live. To find out where we are called to be, how God is calling us to serve Jesus Christ. May the Holy Spirit guide you to see how you are called. Thanks be to God!

**Pastor Daniel** 

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS DIRECTOR CORNER

#### Call for help for refugees moving to Bowling Green!

The International Center of Kentucky needs us! There are lots of ways to help out. Of course you can always <u>donate financially</u> and the money will be put to excellent use. But if you have time, talent, and passion to offer, take a look at the many <u>different volunteer</u>, <u>teacher</u>, <u>assistant</u>, <u>and</u> <u>mentoring roles</u> they are seeking to fill: Childcare, organization, public transportation instruction, ESL teaching, sewing, gardening, and more! Please spend some time with your calendar and in prayer to see where God might be calling you to aid our newest neighbors.

#### Join the Tech Team!

Every week we record and stream the service so our friends, family, and neighbors who are housebound, traveling, sick, or just curious about us can worship with us or "check us out" online. This work is done by a very, very small team. Can you help this team grow?? Anyone can learn to run the camera or the live stream program. If you can offer just a couple of Sundays a year to be a "tech hero," please email Bailey (bailey@franklinpresbyterian.org)!



## LOCAL CHRISTIAN SERVICE UPDATE

From previous Bean Soup profits (and with the offerings of money and work from many) we were able to support and send proceeds to the following:

- Organize and oversee the Summer Feeding Program
- Sponsor Good Samaritan, Habitat for Humanity and the Back Pack Program
- Provide lunch twice for Feed the Need and People Serving People and Supported Room In the Inn with meals
- Distribute White Christmas food to needy families
- Will cooperate with Worship Committee during Advent Conspiracy

Stay tuned next month for an update on Non-Local Christian Service!

# NEWS & EVENTS

## **SESSION HIGHLIGHTS**

- Agreed to the Recommendation from the Nominating Committee that FPC be served by a Session of 7 Ruling Elders for 2022 pending approval at the Congregational meeting set for October 31, 2021
- Received notice of Pastor Daniel's bereavement leave October 10-17, 2021
- Received the email approvals of Rev. Curry Davis for pulpit supply on Sunday October 10 and Rev. Bailey Pickens for pulpit supply on Sunday October 17
- Elected Cathy Stratton to serve as Elder Commissioner to the November 9 Presbytery of Western Kentucky meeting in Madisonville
- Approved that Building & Maintenance Committee use up to \$3,000 from the Memorial Funds to replace the Cornerstone sound equipment
- Discussed Pastoral Terms of Call for 2022 to be presented and approved at the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 5, 2021
- Approved Personnel Committee's recommendations for staff compensation for 2022 and bonuses for 2021
- Approved that Building & Maintenance Committee be authorized to spend up to \$4,000 to replace the church office air conditioning unit
- Approved Christmas Potluck after worship on December 12, 2021, and "Taking Down the Greens" soup lunch after worship on January 9, 2022
- Authorized a Cornerstone Rental Guidelines Task Force of Debbie Wyatt, Bailey Pickens, and Woon Yen Prall
- Approved the use of the Cornerstone as a Room in the Inn host site on Wednesday nights for the 2022 season, as well as use of the church van (only by authorized FPC drivers) and the gazebo to help support RITI as needed



DON'T FORGET TACO DOMINGO SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 ALL THE FIXINS PLUS A LIVING WATERS PRESENTATION! DONATIONS ACCEPTED!

The Matthew 25 Clothes Closet served 55 individuals during the month of October2021. We also donated over 40 new T-shirts. Sweatshirts & Hoodies to Feed the Need participants. In total, we distributed more than 422 items to families and individuals during the month of October. Our clothesline mission continues to be a huge success. We are now hanging socks, winter hats, gloves and scarves on the clothesline. So, if you run across any gently used (or new) socks, hats, gloves or scarves please keep us in mind. Both adult and children sizes are needed for the clothesline. We would like to thank Christian Service for their generous donation of \$200 to purchase ieans and clothes for the closet.

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

- Adult sweatpants (sizes L & XL)
- Socks
- Winter Coats & Hats
- Snow Gloves (all sizes)

#### WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER!

We are in need of processing volunteers for Mondays and/or Wednesdays. So if you would like to help with processing donations and adding them to inventory, please contact Cathy at (270) 223-6548.

Even one day a month is helpful!

Stewardship Corner

October Average Attendance: 47

- Oct. 3 42 Oct. 10 42
- Oct. 10 42 Oct. 17 48
- Oct. 24 48
- Oct. 31 57

October Weekly Offering Average: \$1,780.40

Oct. 3 \$2,010.00 Oct. 10 \$1.992.00 Oct. 17 \$454.00 Oct. 24 \$1,302.00 Oct. 31 \$3,144.00 Average Weekly Income Needed for Budget:

\$2,096.15

Advent Sundays

#### First Sunday of Advent, November 28

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

#### Second Sunday of Advent, **December 5**

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



#### Third Sunday of Advent, December 12

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

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent. **December 19**

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.

There will be a Minute for Mission in each of the Worship Services on the Sundays preceding Advent!

Hanging of the Green will be Sunday, November 21 after Worship Services. A soup lunch will also be served.



**PROVIDED BY** THE MEN OF FPC.

"The earth is full of His unfailing love.

Psalm 33:15

#### November 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.

#### Monday, November 1

All Saints' Day Morning: Pss. 5; 145 Evening: Pss. 82; 29 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

#### Tuesday, November 2

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 3

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 4

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 5

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 6

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 7

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 8

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 9

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 10

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 11

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

#### Friday, November 12

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

#### Saturday, November 13

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

#### Sunday, November 14

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

#### Monday, November 15

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 16

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

#### Wednesday, November 17

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

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#### Thursday, November 18

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 19

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

#### Saturday, November 20

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 21

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 22

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 23

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

#### Wednesday, November 24

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

#### Thursday, November 25

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

#### Friday, November 26

Morning: Pss. 84; 148 Evening: Pss. 25; 40 Isa. 24:14–23 1 Peter 3:13–4:6 Matt. 20:17–28

#### Saturday, November 27

Morning: Pss. 63; 149 Evening: Pss. 125; 90 Micah 7:11–20 1 Peter 4:7–19 Matt. 20:29–34

#### [Begin Year 2]

#### Sunday, November 28

First Sunday of Advent Morning: Pss. 24; 150 Evening: Pss. 25; 110 Amos 1:1–5, 13–2:8 1 Thess. 5:1–11 Luke 21:5–19

#### Monday, November 29

Morning: Pss. 122; 145 Evening: Pss. 40; 67 Amos 2:6–16 2 Peter 1:1–11 Matt. 21:1–11

#### Tuesday, November 30

Morning: Pss. 33; 146 Evening: Pss. 85; 94 Amos 3:1–11 2 Peter 1:12–21 Matt. 21:12–22



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	Sun		7 Comm/All Saints/Dedic. Loyd Gant	14	21 HOTG Eli Rahm Susan Hoffman Larry Smith	28 Advent Breakfast	*Birthdays in italics
<u>Elder of the Month:</u>	Jane Rahm F <b>ldor Helnor</b> .	Bob Thompson Ushers: Craia & Chris Kessler	<u>Lector</u> Larry Gibson		WEEKLY EVENTS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS MEETINGS Fellowship-Tues. Nov 2-2 pm	Matthew 25-Tues. Nov. 9-4pm Personnel-Sun. Nov. 14 after Worship Finance-Wed. Nov. 17-3pm Bldg. & Maint. Wed. Nov. 17.4 pm Vound Disciples-Thurs. Nov. 18-4:15	SESSION-Tues. Nov. 30 6 pm Pastor Daniel will be out Nov. 15-21 Guest Preacher Nov. 21-Bailey Pickens

# Looking Ahead...

# CHRISTMAS POTLUCK SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12



We will soon be 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 will be announced soon.





It's never too early to be thinking about ordering your Christmas 2021 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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#### CONTACT US

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

**TELEPHONE** (270) 586-4535

#### CHURCH STAFF

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

# WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAYS AT 9:45 AM IN THE CORNERSTONE

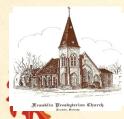
**YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL** 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month 9:45 am

**YOUTH GROUP GOOGLE MEET** 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month 7 pm

KIDS CLUB' Meets each Sunday after Worship

ADULT BIBLE STUDY THURSDAYS AT 6:30 PM IN THE CORNERSTONE

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



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