



The Lamplighter

FEBRUARY 2022

Monthly Newsletter of
Franklin Presbyterian Church

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True Love

For God so lo**V**ed the world,
That He g**A**ve
his on**L**y
Begott**E**n
So **N**
That whosoever
Believeth **I**n Him
Should **N**ot perish,
But have **E**verlasting life."
John 3:16

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ELDER OF THE MONTH: JOHN HALCOMB

ELDER HELPER: JANE RAHM

FRIEND OF THE MONTH: AMY GANT

Pastor's Pen

Asking the Right Questions

As we enter into the final month of this winter, new questions arise in my understanding of where God is calling us as a church.

What should we be doing more?

What should we be doing less?

What new ministry is awaiting us?

What needs are there in the community that are not addressed?

How can we help more people?

These are all good questions, beloved. Yet I wonder if we are not getting ahead of ourselves. We are looking for solutions sometimes when we do not know the problems. Or we are offering a temporary help when the permanent options are more difficult.

Perhaps, even more telling, is that WE are the ones coming up with the answers. Instead, we should be asking the right questions.

I recently finished a book called *Having Nothing, Possessing Everything* by Mike Mather, a Methodist pastor who reminisces about the lessons he's learned in ministry in Indianapolis and South Bend. One thing that struck was something he said took him 30 years and a lot of criticism to understand, and that was to ask those folks the church is helping about themselves.

What do you like to do?

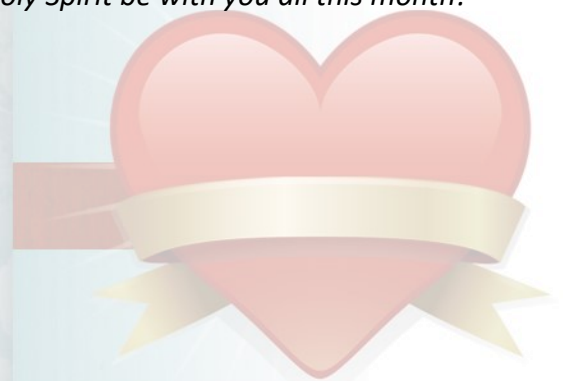
What is something you know so much about you could teach someone else to do?

How would you like to help others yourself?

Yes, sometimes we ask those questions. Sometimes we just think them. I'm challenging myself (and so I'm also challenging you) to ask those kinds of questions. Maybe, just maybe, we'll learn more about our community and the people we are living and serving with and God will give us the answer to those first questions too.

May the grace of God, the love of Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all this month!

—Pastor Daniel



Stewardship Corner

January Weekly Offering Average: \$1,603.80

January Average Attendance: 42

Jan. 2 52
Jan. 9 49
Jan. 16 19
Jan. 23 40
Jan. 30 51

Jan. 2 \$1,857.00
Jan. 9 \$1,755.00
Jan. 16 \$1,120.00
Jan. 23 \$1,171.00
Jan. 30 \$2,116.00

**Average Weekly Income Needed for Budget:
\$2,472.85.**

Ruling Elders Serving on Session

BARRY HAIN
JOHN HALCOMB
BOB HEIDBRINK

NANCY THOMAS
BOB THOMPSON
JANE RAHM

DEACONS:
MARCELLA DAVIS
MEREDITH HALCOMB
LINDA KNIGHT

Next Regularly Stated Session Meeting: Tuesday, March 1 at 6 pm

Clerks of All Committees: Please submit all committee minutes to the church office for inclusion in the Session packet. THANK YOU!

Clerk of Session: Donna Houston

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-SESSION RETREAT 01/22/2022

- ♥ A community grief group, led by Jane Lewis, will meet in the Cornerstone from 6-8 pm on Thursday, February 10 and Thursday, February 24.
- ♥ The Cornerstone will be opened as a warming center from 6 am to 6 pm on Sunday, February 6 and Sunday, February 27. Contact Bailey or Pastor Daniel if you would like to give a couple of hours to help.
- ♥ Session voted to form a task force as the first step to searching for a choir director for FPC. Task force includes: Pastor Daniel, Carol Switzer, Donna Houston, Nancy Thomas and Sarah Halcomb.
- ♥ Approved sending \$1,000 to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for Tornado Relief in Western Kentucky. Funds will come from Christian Service Non-Local Designated Fund.
- ♥ Approved a called Session meeting for after Worship on February 20 for the purpose of receiving new members.
- ♥ Accepted resignations of Cathy Stratton and Commie Jo Hall from Session.
- ♥ Charged 2022 Nominating Committee to search for a new elder.
- ♥ Approved Pastor Daniel Study Leave for March 15-21.
- ♥ Approved Rev. Bailey Pickens for Pulpit Supply on Sunday, March 20.
- ♥ Approved recommendation from the Matthew 25 Committee to form a Clothes Closet sub-committee.

February 2022 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.

Tuesday, February 1

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Gen. 21:1–21
Heb. 11:13–22
John 6:41–51

Wednesday, February 2

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Gen. 22:1–18
Heb. 11:23–31
John 6:52–59

Thursday, February 3

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Gen. 23:1–20
Heb. 11:32–12:2
John 6:60–71

Friday, February 4

Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
Gen. 24:1–27
Heb. 12:3–11
John 7:1–13

Saturday, February 5

Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
Gen. 24:28–38, 49–51
Heb. 12:12–29
John 7:14–36

Sunday, February 6

Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Gen. 24:50–67
2 Tim. 2:14–21
Mark 10:13–22

Monday, February 7

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Gen. 25:19–34
Heb. 13:1–16
John 7:37–52

Tuesday, February 8

Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
Gen. 26:1–6, 12–33
Heb. 13:17–25
John 7:53–8:11

Wednesday, February 9

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
Gen. 27:1–29
Rom. 12:1–8
John 8:12–20

Thursday, February 10

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
Gen. 27:30–45
Rom. 12:9–21
John 8:21–32

Friday, February 11

Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
Gen. 27:46–28:4, 10–22
Rom. 13:1–14
John 8:33–47

Saturday, February 12

Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Gen. 29:1–20
Rom. 14:1–23
John 8:47–59

Sunday, February 13

Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Gen. 29:20–35
1 Tim. 3:14–4:10
Mark 10:23–31

Monday, February 14

Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Gen. 30:1–24
1 John 1:1–10
John 9:1–17

Tuesday, February 15

Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Gen. 31:1–24
1 John 2:1–11
John 9:18–41

Wednesday, February 16
Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Gen. 31:25–50
1 John 2:12–17
John 10:1–18

Thursday, February 17
Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Gen. 32:3–21
1 John 2:18–29
John 10:19–30

Friday, February 18
Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 149
Gen. 32:22–33:17
1 John 3:1–10
John 10:31–42

Saturday, February 19
Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Gen. 35:1–20
1 John 3:11–18
John 11:1–16

Sunday, February 20
Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Prov. 1:20–33
2 Cor. 5:11–21
Mark 10:35–45

Monday, February 21
Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Prov. 3:11–20
1 John 3:18–4:6
John 11:17–29

Tuesday, February 22
Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Prov. 4:1–27
1 John 4:7–21
John 11:30–44

Wednesday, February 23
Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Prov. 6:1–19
1 John 5:1–12
John 11:45–54

Thursday, February 24
Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Prov. 7:1–27
1 John 5:13–21
John 11:55–12:8

Friday, February 25
Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Prov. 8:1–21
Phlm. 1–25
John 12:9–19

Saturday, February 26
Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Prov. 8:22–36
2 Tim. 1:1–14
John 12:20–26

Sunday, February 27
Transfiguration of the Lord
Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Mal. 4:1–6
2 Cor. 3:7–18
Luke 9:18–27

Monday, February 28
Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Prov. 27:1–6, 10–12
Phil. 2:1–13
John 18:15–18, 25–27

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LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE

• Sunday, February 6

LECTOR: LOIS VAN BEEK

USHERS: SHUTT

HALCOMB

• Sunday, February 13

LECTOR: LOIS VAN BEEK

USHERS: SHUTT

HALCOMB

• Sunday, February 20

LECTOR: LOIS VAN BEEK

USHERS: SHUTT

HALCOMB

• Sunday, February 27

LECTOR: LOIS VAN BEEK

USHERS: SHUTT

HALCOMB

MEETINGS

Fellowship: Tues. Feb. 1 at 2 pm
Matthew 25: -Tues. Feb 8 at 4 pm
Bldg/Maint. Wed. Feb. 16 at 4pm
Young Disc. Wed. Feb. 16 at 4pm
SESSION: Tues. Mar. 1 at 6 pm

FEBRUARY 2022

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|
| | | 1 <i>Steven Cropper</i> | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 Communion | 7 RED CROSS 12-6 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 <i>CJ Hall</i> |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 <i>Melanie Dean</i> |
| 20 | 21 <i>Charlie Shumaker</i> | 22 <i>Bill Sparley</i> | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 CHILI COOK-OFF |
| 27 | 28 | | | | | |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |

* Birthdays in italics

News & Events

CLOTHES CLOSET UPDATE

Due to many generous donations over the past two months, the Matthew 25 Clothes Closet will not be accepting any clothes during the month of February. We have a lot to process already and even with giving many clothes away, our racks are still full!

Thank you to all who have donated and/or spread the word about our Clothes Closet!



ROOM IN THE INN "SHOW THE LOVE" FUNDRAISER

The Room in the Inn Franklin chapter is doing a month-long "no show" fundraiser instead of the annual Fundraising dinner. Any time between now and the end of February, please consider a donation to the RITI organization in our community. All proceeds fund the efforts to offer life-saving winter shelter. Even if only every volunteer gave just \$10, we'd be able to fund an entire season! You can send checks to P.O. Box 1202 in Franklin 42135 or check your email for the link to donate!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 26 at 5:30 pm for our Annual Chili Cook-Off. This is one of the few Fellowship sponsored events that are for Adults Only. We encourage you to invite friends. You can enter the competition for Mild, Hot or Vegetarian. Competition is always strong, so get your recipes ready for a friendly battle for the best chili's!

If you do not wish to enter the competition, we will still be needing sides such as Fritos, tortilla chips, sour cream, shredded cheese, salsa & desserts. Mike's Hot Sauce will be on hand to spice up your bowls even more! Or bring your favorite chili topping. See the sign up sheet in the Educational Wing to sign up!



We are still working on a game to play, so stay tuned for more details!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

CLOTHES CLOSET HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday
12:00-2:00 p.m.

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CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Daniel Van Beek,
Pastor

Rev. 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 CORNERSTONE

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



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FPC YOUTH

Youth Sunday School

Google Meet Sundays at 7 pm

Youth Group Google Meet

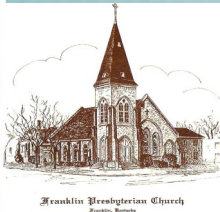
Sundays at 7 pm

(no Google Meet February 13)

Kids' Club-Each Sunday after Worship



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