



The Lamplighter

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MAY 2022

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WE LOVE YOU,
MOMS!

Bright Things Ahead

In the early light of dawn on Easter morning, we witness the radiant light of the angels, the messengers sent by God to tell the women that Christ has risen. I sometimes think about the way in which God's glory is made known to us in bright things. Throughout the Hebrew Scriptures and the Christian Scriptures we see evidences of that, from the face of Moses to the way in which Jesus was transformed before his death and resurrection, from the prophetic witness of Ezekiel seeing the appearance of the glory of God to the way in which a Resurrected Christ and an Ascending Christ emanated a light that defied description.

The revelation of God in Jesus Christ is made known to us in the Bible. Yet it doesn't stop there. We experience God's love and mercy when we strive to live as disciples of Jesus, when we commit to loving one another as Christ loved us, when we work toward a peaceful and just world that reflects Jesus's words in Matthew 25 about not just loving but doing for those who are the least of our human family.

This month, as we journey through the Easter season, may we see and witness the Resurrected Christ as we walk along the road together, as we break bread together, as we work side by side, as we seek God together. May we know the radiance of God's glory in our lives, may we feel the confidence and comfort of being God's people, and may we seek to shine that light among all who we meet.

Times are tough. May we be a light to others, may others be a light to us. In all things, the Holy Spirit is working in our hearts, in our whole beings, to transform us into the hands and feet of our Creator God, our Redeemer Christ, and our Sustainer the Holy Spirit. Bright things are ahead for us, as we follow our Lord and Savior, making known the Good News in word and in deed. Amen!

-Pastor Daniel

***“Whatever
you did for
one of the
least of these
brothers of mine,
you did
for me.”***

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SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- ♦ - Approved FPC hosting the August 13, 2022, meeting of Western Kentucky Presbytery and partnering with Live the Proof, who will provide lunch for that event
- ♦ - Approved the sponsoring of an FPC tent at the 2nd Annual Franklin-Simpson Pride Festival on June 4, 2022, at Jim Roberts Community Park
- ♦ - Approved the recommendation from Christian Service to send an additional \$1,000 donation to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for the purpose of resettling Ukrainian refugee families
- ♦ - Committed to partnering with Melita Joiner to help support SCS families in need
- ♦ - Discussed the ongoing use of shower and laundry facilities to assist those experiencing homelessness
- ♦ - Provided updates on new and ongoing ministry programs and partnerships in the community



**Simpson County Imagination Library
Family Event
May 7
9am-12pm
Franklin Square**

Free activities include:

- Karate/self-defense demonstrations
- 9:30 & 10:30 Kids on the Block puppet show
- Hands-on Activities for ages 0-5
 - Inflatables
- Dunk Tank featuring Tim Schlosser and FES staff
- Much more!

Come enjoy a day out with the kids!
Free sack lunch provided and a chance to win Hot Rods tickets and Franklin Tumblers gift card and MORE

Big thanks to our GOLD sponsors:



Celebrating
100 Years
1922-2022

And our SILVER sponsors:



FRITZ WINTER

Free community event to raise money for Simpson County's Dolly Parton Imagination Library. Donations accepted!

News & Events

REMINDER: YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY!

Meet at the Brickyard, Tuesdays at 5:30pm, for food, fellowship, Bible study, and discussion. We'll take a break on the last Tuesday of each month, when Session meets. High school and college-aged young adults enthusiastically invited: No experience or Biblical knowledge necessary; skepticism and questions welcome!

YOUNG ADULT
MINISTRY

SAVE THE DATE!!!

BG HOT RODS OUTING

FRIDAY, JUNE 3



The Streaming Team is looking for new members! If you're willing to help with operating the camera or computer during worship to keep our livestreams running, please let Bailey know!



SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM- COMING UP SOON!

More details to come very soon! Be thinking about if you would like to help out this summer!

A note from Helen Stengel (sister of Frances Hain) to "all of you at Franklin Presbyterian Church". Hello and a heartfelt thanks to all of you for your kindness, good wishes and welcome during our stay, but most of all thank you for being 'family' to Frances, Barry and the family. I feel that Frances really did find a home with you all, where she could use and express her many talents and find real friendship. I know that many of you have also indicated that you are up for supporting Barry, as you are able, in his ongoing journey, that is only just beginning.



May 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.

Sunday, May 1

Third Sunday of Easter

Morning: Pss. 93; 150
Evening: Pss. 136; 117
Exod. 18:1–12
1 John 2:7–17
Mark 16:9–20

Monday, May 2

Morning: Pss. 97; 145
Evening: Pss. 124; 115
Exod. 18:13–27
1 Pet. 5:1–14
Matt. (1:1–17) 3:1–6

Tuesday, May 3

Morning: Pss. 98; 146
Evening: Pss. 66; 116
Exod. 19:1–16
Col. 1:1–14
Matt. 3:7–12

Wednesday, May 4

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 9; 118
Exod. 19:16–25
Col. 1:15–23
Matt. 3:13–17

Thursday, May 5

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 68; 113
Exod. 20:1–21
Col. 1:24–2:7
Matt. 4:1–11

Friday, May 6

Morning: Pss. 96; 148
Evening: Pss. 49; 138
Exod. 24:1–18
Col. 2:8–23
Matt. 4:12–17

Saturday, May 7

Morning: Pss. 92; 149
Evening: Pss. 23; 114
Exod. 25:1–22
Col. 3:1–17
Matt. 4:18–25

Sunday, May 8

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Morning: Pss. 93; 150
Evening: Pss. 136; 117
Exod. 28:1–4, 30–38
1 John 2:18–29
Mark 6:30–44

Monday, May 9

Morning: Pss. 97; 145
Evening: Pss. 124; 115
Exod. 32:1–20
Col. 3:18–4:6 (7–18)
Matt. 5:1–10

Tuesday, May 10

Morning: Pss. 98; 146
Evening: Pss. 66; 116
Exod. 32:21–34
1 Thess. 1:1–10
Matt. 5:11–16

Wednesday, May 11

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 9; 118
Exod. 33:1–23
1 Thess. 2:1–12
Matt. 5:17–20

Thursday, May 12

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 68; 113
Exod. 34:1–17
1 Thess. 2:13–20
Matt. 5:21–26

Friday, May 13

Morning: Pss. 96; 148
Evening: Pss. 49; 138
Exod. 34:18–35
1 Thess. 3:1–13
Matt. 5:27–37

Saturday, May 14

Morning: Pss. 92; 149
Evening: Pss. 23; 114
Exod. 40:18–38
1 Thess. 4:1–12
Matt. 5:38–48

Sunday, May 15

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Morning: Pss. 93; 150
Evening: Pss. 136; 117
Lev. 8:1–13, 30–36
Heb. 12:1–14
Luke 4:16–30

Monday, May 16

Morning: Pss. 97; 145
 Evening: Pss. 124; 115
 Lev. 16:1–19
 1 Thess. 4:13–18
 Matt. 6:1–6, 16–18

Tuesday, May 17

Morning: Pss. 98; 146
 Evening: Pss. 66; 116
 Lev. 16:20–34
 1 Thess. 5:1–11
 Matt. 6:7–15

Wednesday, May 18

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11
 Evening: Pss. 9; 118
 Lev. 19:1–18
 1 Thess. 5:12–28
 Matt. 6:19–24

Thursday, May 19

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20
 Evening: Pss. 68; 113
 Lev. 19:26–37
 2 Thess. 1:1–12
 Matt. 6:25–34

Friday, May 20

Morning: Pss. 96; 148
 Evening: Pss. 49; 138
 Lev. 23:1–22
 2 Thess. 2:1–17
 Matt. 7:1–12

Saturday, May 21

Morning: Pss. 92; 149
 Evening: Pss. 23; 114
 Lev. 23:23–44
 2 Thess. 3:1–18
 Matt. 7:13–21

Sunday, May 22

Sixth Sunday of Easter
 Morning: Pss. 93; 150
 Evening: Pss. 136; 117
 Lev. 25:1–17
 Jas. 1:2–8, 16–18
 Luke 12:13–21

Monday, May 23

Morning: Pss. 97; 145
 Evening: Pss. 124; 115
 Lev. 25:35–55
 Col. 1:9–14
 Matt. 13:1–16

Tuesday, May 24

Morning: Pss. 98; 146
 Evening: Pss. 66; 116
 Lev. 26:1–20
 1 Tim. 2:1–6
 Matt. 13:18–23

Wednesday, May 25

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11
 Evening: Pss. 9; 118
 Lev. 26:27–42
 Eph. 1:1–10
 Matt. 22:41–46

Thursday, May 26

Ascension of the Lord
 Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20
 Evening: Pss. 68; 113
 Dan. 7:9–14
 Heb. 2:5–18
 Matt. 28:16–20

Friday, May 27

Morning: Pss. 96; 148
 Evening: Pss. 49; 138
 1 Sam. 2:1–10
 Eph. 2:1–10
 Matt. 7:22–27

Saturday, May 28

Morning: Pss. 92; 149
 Evening: Pss. 23; 114
 Num. 11:16–17, 24–29
 Eph. 2:11–22
 Matt. 7:28–8:4

Sunday, May 29

Seventh Sunday of Easter
 Morning: Pss. 93; 150
 Evening: Pss. 136; 117
 Exod. 3:1–12
 Heb. 12:18–29
 Luke 10:17–24

Monday, May 30

Morning: Pss. 97; 145
 Evening: Pss. 124; 115
 Josh. 1:1–9
 Eph. 3:1–13
 Matt. 8:5–17

Tuesday, May 31

Morning: Pss. 98; 146
 Evening: Pss. 66; 116
 1 Sam. 16:1–13a
 Eph. 3:14–21
 Matt. 8:18–27

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LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE

Elder of the Month:

John Halcomb

Elder Helper:

Jane Rahm

Ushers:

*Terry Joiner
Vic Portmann*

Lector

Prentice Knight

*Pastor Daniel will be
on Study Leave May 16-19*

WEEKLY EVENTS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Handbells:** Wed. 5:15 pm
- **Grief Support:** 05 / 12 & 05 / 26
at 6 pm in the Cornerstone

MEETINGS

Fellowship: May 3 at 2 pm
Matthew 25: May 10 at 4 pm
Bldg. & Maint. May 18 at 4 pm
Young Disc. May 18 at 4:30 pm
SESSION: May 24 at 6 pm

MAY 2022

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Woman of the Year <i>Leroy Brown</i>	9 <i>Sam Halcomb</i>	10	11 <i>Carol Switzer</i>	12 <i>Malita Joiner</i>	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 <i>Mary Jo Dreher</i>	20 <i>Loretta Eve Bob Thompson</i>	21
22 <i>Maxie Key</i>	23 <i>Sylvia Van Beek Margaret Crowder</i>	24	25	26	27 <i>Sally Brown</i>	28
29 5th Sunday Potluck	30 Memorial Day-	31				

* Birthdays in italics

Living Waters Update

NEW PROJECT, AT LAST ¡Aleluya!

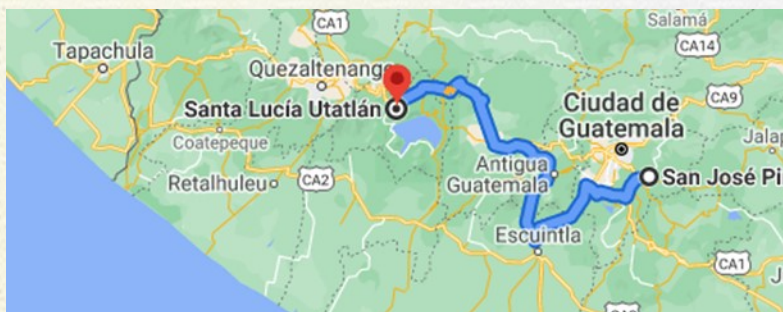
Iglesia Evangélica Centroamericana Nueva Jerúsalem

Santa Lucía Utatlán, Sololá, Guatemala

On May 12 and 13, Guatemala Network staff Pablo, Luis, and Rubenia will meet in person with Pastor Armando Hernández and the elders, who will form the Water Committee, of a church in Guatemala to begin development of a partnership plan between that church and ours. For all our other projects, we have done this work ourselves, traveling as a team to meet with potential partners, to help them understand their role and ours in the planning, installation, and sustaining of a Living Waters for the World water purification system, and when there is agreement on both sides, to sign a Covenant promising that each of us will hold up our side of the project for at least three years. We had done all that work in person with a school in January of 2020. Then, as you know, Covid shut down the world. The children of that school are still not back on campus. During the time of Covid, LWW has continued to support the Guatemala staff. Our church, in fact, contributed \$1000 to that effort, very much aware that we could not do the work without the support of in-country staff. In the meantime, the network has been working to find new ways to do the three initial phases of projects: Development (leading to the signing of a Covenant), Installation of the System, and Sustainability Visit to go back to see how things are going. Again, in the past our FPC LWW team has made all those trips and done all that work in person. At our request, Pablo sought out a potential new partner. He assessed the site last September and determined that there was need, and that it would be a good project to undertake while we wait for the school to be ready for us. This time, we're going to try the "New Way," for at least the Development component. Guatemala staff will be there in person, and we'll be there virtually!

Stay tuned! More news to come! You can be a part of it!

For questions about costs, please contact Deb at debrakaythompson@gmail.com



Route to Santa Lucía Utatlán from Guatemala City. Nothing's Easy!

Left: The Church

Right: Donna, Deb,
Paz y Bien Staff,
Larry, Pablo, Luis



Stewardship Corner

Avg Attendance:		Avg. Offering \$.,
Apr. 3	48	Apr. 3 \$2,605.00
Apr. 10	56	Apr. 10 \$803.00
Apr. 17	77	Apr. 17 \$1,842.00
Apr. 24	37	Apr. 24 \$6,165.00

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


Looking Ahead..

JUNE:

ELDER OF THE MONTH:
Nancy Thomas

ELDER HELPER OF THE MONTH:
Barry Hain

FRIEND OF THE MONTH:
Donna Houston



FPC Woman of the Year
Sunday, May 8

FPC Man of the Year
Sunday, June 19

Ruling Elders Serving on Session:

Bob Heidbrink
Nancy Thomas
Becky Stubbs
John Halcomb
Bob Thompson
Barry Hain
Jane Rahm

DEACONS:
Meredith Halcomb
Marcella Davis
Linda Knight

Clerk of Session: Donna Houston

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45-In the Cornerstone

KIDS' CLUB

Each Sunday in May after Worship
Saturday, May 28-Butterfly Hatch Experience
at Lost River Cave (BG)

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL/YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, May 1-Google Meet 7 pm
Sunday, May 8-No Google Meet
Sunday, May 15-Google Meet 7 pm
(last meeting before summer break)

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Each Tuesday* of the month-5:30 pm
at the Brickyard

**does not meet same Tuesday as Session*

HAND BELLS

Wednesdays at 5:15 pm



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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