

The Lamplighter

The monthly newsletter of Franklin Presbyterian Church
September 2022

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ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join in our new Adult Bible Study on the book of Romans that starts Wednesday, September 7 at 5:45 pm. Romans is perhaps one of the most important pieces of scripture in terms of defining our Christian faith!

Books are available. Please see Pastor Daniel with any questions!



Pastor's Pen

Kicking Off the Next Challenge

There's not much more predictable than the beginning of fall and me making football puns. I apologize. Yet there's something fresh about a season (football and school and fall) that makes one reflect upon what is already happening and what lies ahead.

This is no time to rest on our laurels. It is a time to see what God is calling us to do next. Is it continuing but expanding something we've already begun? Like the Clothes Closet or our relationship with Live the Proof? Is it starting something new, like the ideas swirling around the Matthew 25 committee or the new ways of giving that have been discussed by Christian Service? Is it the next phase of our Bold Approach commitment to the community?

Perhaps not much is more exciting and new than an old thing finding its new voice. The choir is back, thanks to our new Music Director Jason Matteson. What a time to be reimagining how FPC can give glory to God through song! Maybe your next personal challenge is to try something new?

Yet there have also been new challenges in how we interact with our community. We support many worthy organizations, those listed above, as well as Habitat for Humanity, Good Samaritan, People Serving People, the Literacy Center, etc. We've been expanding the ways we interact with all of them, as well as developing stronger church to church relationships too, due to Pastor Bailey's hard work and Curry organizing community pastors.

We have the opportunity to engage other congregations, our denomination, and the Black Mountain School of Theology & Community in the Thriving Congregations Cohort hosted by Montreat. What might we learn about how to do the Lord's work in Franklin? I'm so excited by the responses we've already received from those considering the Spirit call in their lives. I'm energized by the love of Christ I see in so many of you each and every day.

What is next for you? What is next for us? Only God knows. And Hallelujah for that!

Pastor Daniel

DID YOU KNOW?

Our Pastor's Benevolence fund helps those who need immediate assistance with food, gas, utilities, and more. Curious about how FPC helps those in our community? Talk with Pastor Daniel or include BENEVOLENCE in the info line of your donation to contribute.

News & Events



Back to School time has hit the Clothes Closet! We have helped many families get their little ones ready for school. We continue to draw in many new families.

A big thanks to those who donated ties and belts. We are now well stocked.

September will be our big transition to fall and winter clothing. If you can spare a few hours on Monday, September 19, let Debbie Wyatt know.



WORK TRIP IN WESTERN KENTUCKY!

Christian Service is planning a trip to Western Kentucky to help with rebuilding projects in Mayfield and other affected towns. The date will be October 28th-30th, Friday through Sunday afternoon. Tools are provided and lodging is free. If you would like to go and are not already in touch with Bailey, please email her (bailey@franklinpresbyterian.org) to let her know!



LIVE THE PROOF is in need of new or gently used towels. If you have any you would like to donate, please call Debby Helton at (913) 634-9930.



Session Highlights

AUGUST:

- ◆ Donating \$100 monthly from the Fellowship Committee "Community Meals" line item to Live the Proof for dinners for the residents
- ◆ Approved the reupholstering and repair of the Sanctuary Chancel Chairs
- ◆ Agreed with the Building & Maintenance recommendation to replace the nursery side HVAC unit
- ◆ Facilitated the donation of the Adult Sunday School collection to EPB for use in helping folks in the community with electric bills
- ◆ Approved the purchase of new laptops for the Music Director, Pastor, and for Livestreaming
- ◆ Discussed the success of the Presbytery meeting
- ◆ Talked about the new mission and ministry programs happening

⇒ *Next Session Meeting will be Monday, September 19 at 6 pm*

AUGUST
AVG. ATTENDANCE:
61

Aug. 7	54
Aug. 14	66
Aug. 21	57
Aug. 28	65



AUGUST
WEEKLY OFFERING AVG:
\$1,631.25

Aug. 7	\$2,365.00
Aug. 14	\$1,485.00
Aug. 21	\$1,300.00
Aug. 28	\$1,375.00

Average weekly income
needed for budget:
\$2,472.85



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MEET OUR NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR

Jason Matteson has been an active participant in community music-making for more than two decades and has performed with numerous instrumental and vocal ensembles in central New York, Ontario, Massachusetts, and Tennessee. In 2005, Jason earned an associate's degree in culinary arts, which was quickly followed up with earning a bachelor's degree in music education from the Crane School of Music. After teaching music, ENL and literacy in several school districts for several years in central New York, Jason moved to Tennessee during the Covid-19 pandemic and earned his master's degree in choral conducting from Austin Peay, where he taught some classes and conducted the university choirs.

Personally, Jason enjoys hiking, kayaking, going barefoot, and spending time outside whenever possible. He is also an avid lover of history, geology, and antiques, collecting old music books and hymnals to odd eccentricities. Being a bagpiper and professional Scottish Drum Major, Jason feels a deep connection to the British Isles, including its expansive history, long standing traditions, varied musics, comedies, and food/drink. All which runs into other nationalities and cultures across Europe and the globe. He is also very passionate about supporting the ethical treatment of animals, and if it wasn't for cheese, Jason would be vegan. Musically, Jason is very eclectic and likes a lot of music ranging from medieval music to folk music and world music, classical music to classic rock, old country western to indie folk, and much more including contemporary choir music. For further biographical information, please visit Jason's website at www.jasonmatteson.com.



Ruling Elders Serving on Session

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

DEACONS:
Donna Houston
Marcella Davis
Meredith Halcomb

SEPTEMBER
ELDER/ELDER HELPER
Jane Rahm/Bob Heidbrink

FRIEND OF THE MONTH
Diane Shutt

CHOIR
Schedule

***Each Wednesday at 7 pm
in the Choir Room!***

September 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.

Thursday, September 1

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Job 16:16–22; 17:1, 13–16
Acts 13:1–12
John 9:1–17

Friday, September 2

Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
Job 19:1–7, 14–27
Acts 13:13–25
John 9:18–41

Saturday, September 3

Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
Job 22:1–4, 21–23:7
Acts 13:26–43
John 10:1–18

Sunday, September 4

Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Job 25:1–6; 27:1–6
Rev. 14:1–7, 13
Matt. 5:13–20

Monday, September 5

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Job 32:1–10, 19–33:1,
19–28
Acts 13:44–52
John 10:19–30

Tuesday, September 6

Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
Job 29:1–20
Acts 14:1–18
John 10:31–42

Wednesday, September 7

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
Job 29:1; 30:1–2, 16–31
Acts 14:19–28
John 11:1–16

Thursday, September 8

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
Job 29:1; 31:1–23
Acts 15:1–11
John 11:17–29

Friday, September 9

Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
Job 29:1; 31:24–40
Acts 15:12–21
John 11:30–44

Saturday, September 10

Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Job 38:1–17
Acts 15:22–35
John 11:45–54

Sunday, September 11

Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Job 38:1, 18–41
Rev. 18:1–8
Matt. 5:21–26

Monday, September 12

Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Job 40:1–24
Acts 15:36–16:5
John 11:55–12:8

Tuesday, September 13

Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Job 40:1; 41:1–11
Acts 16:6–15
John 12:9–19

Wednesday, September 14

Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Job 42:1–17
Acts 16:16–24
John 12:20–26

Thursday, September 15

Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Job 28:1–28
Acts 16:25–40
John 12:27–36a

Friday, September 16

Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Esther 1:1–4, 10–19
Acts 17:1–15
John 12:36b–43

Saturday, September 17

Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Esther 2:5–8, 15–23
Acts 17:16–34
John 12:44–50

Sunday, September 18

Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Esther 3:1–4:3
Jas. 1:19–27
Matt. 6:1–6, 16–18

Monday, September 19

Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Esther 4:4–17
Acts 18:1–11
Luke (1:1–4) 3:1–14

Tuesday, September 20

Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Esther 5:1–14
Acts 18:12–28
Luke 3:15–22

Wednesday, September 21

Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Esther 6:1–14
Acts 19:1–10
Luke 4:1–13

Thursday, September 22

Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Esther 7:1–10
Acts 19:11–20
Luke 4:14–30

Friday, September 23

Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Esther 8:1–8, 15–17
Acts 19:21–41
Luke 4:31–37

Saturday, September 24

Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Esther 9:1–32
Acts 20:1–16
Luke 4:38–44

Sunday, September 25

Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Hos. 1:1–2:1
Jas. 3:1–13
Matt. 13:44–52

Monday, September 26

Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Hos. 2:2–15
Acts 20:17–38
Luke 5:1–11

Tuesday, September 27

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Hos. 2:16–23
Acts 21:1–14
Luke 5:12–26

Wednesday, September 28

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Hos. 3:1–5
Acts 21:15–26
Luke 5:27–39

Thursday, September 29

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Hos. 4:1–10
Acts 21:27–36
Luke 6:1–11

Friday, September 30

Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
Hos. 4:11–19
Acts 21:37–22:16
Luke 6:12–26

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SEPTEMBER 2022

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 <i>Communion</i>	5 Office Closed	6 <i>Marcella Davis</i>	7 <i>Julie Cropper</i>	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 HFH Pancake Breakfast
18 <i>Melissa Cropper</i>	19	20	21 <i>Debbie Sowney</i>	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 <i>Stephanie Halcomb</i>	30 <i>Ron Stiles</i>	

Elder of the Month:

Jane Rahm

Elder Helper:

Bob Heidbrink

Ushers:

Vic Portmann

Terry Joiner

Lector

Debbie Wyatt

Debby Helton

WEEKLY EVENTS &
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MEETINGS

Fellowship: 09/06/22 at 2 pm

Finance: 09/06/22 at 6 pm

Worship: 09/07/22 at 5 pm

Matthew 25: 09/13/22 at 4 pm

SESSION: 09/19/22 at 6 pm

Bldg. & Maint. 09/21/22 at 4 pm

Grief Group-09/09 & 09/23 at 6pm

CHOIR: Wednesdays at 7 pm

*Birthdays in italics

Looking Ahead...

October

ELDER/ELDER HELPER :
Bob Heidbrink/Barry Hain

FRIEND OF THE MONTH:
Melissa Cropper

- Oct.2-Peace & Global Witness Offering

Make sure to continue to check your weekly email as news and events are constantly changing!



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PANCAKE
Breakfast

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 17, 2022
8AM-11AM
THE CORNERSTONE
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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Daniel Van Beek,
Pastor

Rev. Bailey Pickens,
Community Connections Director

Candice Mendoza,
Office Manager

Jason Matteson,

Music Director

Donna Houston, *Organist*
Shirley Crutcher, *Nursery*

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:45 am in the Cornerstone

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:45 am with Ms. Shirley in the Nursery

ADULT BIBLE STUDY
Wednesdays at 5:45 pm in the Cornerstone
"The Study of Romans"

"KIDS CLUB"
Sundays after Worship



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



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