

the Lamplighter

October 2022

Monthly newsletter of Franklin Presbyterian Church

“Seeking God, Serving People”

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

Please stay after Worship and join us! We will celebrate the day and the Peace and Global Witness Offering with a “donation only” lunch which will include international soups, breads, spreads and dessert.

The meal is sponsored by a collaboration between the Worship Committee and the Fellowship Committee. It will be a time to share a wonderful meal and fellowship.



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Pastor's Pen

Christ's Hands and Feet at Harvestime

As the weather cools off, and our nights get colder, we remember the people in our community experiencing homelessness. We think of the challenges they have providing themselves and their families with shelter, food, and resources. We wonder at the system that makes these things unattainable for some and easy to access for others.

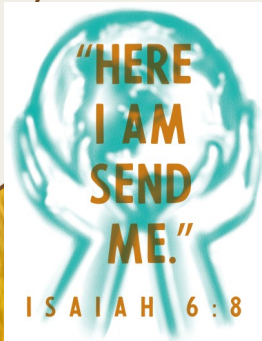
We reflect on how we have what we have and attribute our blessings to our own choices and we make value judgments of our choices and their choices and the differences between them. It is an easy foible to fall for, and it affects us all. We see more of our own hands at work than the work of the Spirit, or we give God the credit for our position and thank God that we are not in a more precarious one.

We pray for others that they may have what they need and yet sometimes we aren't sure how to help. We hope that whatever it is Jesus is calling us to do for even the least of his children, we are doing it out of gratitude to God for what we have been given.

Grace is free. God is calling. The harvest is plentiful and the workers are few.

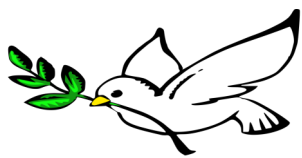
How is Christ drawing you into the ministry and mission of Franklin Presbyterian Church, as we as a congregation begin to reflect upon this year and plan for next year? It is in prayer that we see God's plan for us, it is in prayer that we feel Christ's love for us, it is in prayer that we know the guiding ways of the Spirit. May we not only harvest God's fields, let us also continually plant the seeds of God's grace, water the plants with God's love, and see the fruits of the Spirit as we live our lives for our Creator and Redeemer. Amen.

Pastor Daniel



We continue to serve many members of our community through our Pastor's Benevolence fund. This account helps fund grocery vouchers for Piggly Wiggly as well as gas vouchers to BP, and help for utilities, etc. In September, we gave out vouchers to 14 different members of our community, and helped 9 community members with utilities. If you wish to make a donation to the Pastor's Benevolence fund, just place it in the offering plate or drop by during church office hours!

News & Notes



Peace and Global Witness Offering

Sunday, October 2nd

For more information visit pcusa.org/peace-global.



We are heading into a busy time here at FPC with lots of fun events, extra services and more! We want to make sure you get all the necessary information. If you have made any changes to your address, email, or phone number, please let the church office know.



YOUNG DISCIPLES GATHERING ALL INVITED!

Saturday, October 15

At the home of Justin & Tori Henninger. The outdoor movie will be 'Hocus Pocus'. Crock Pot Potions-Potluck dinner to share! Dinner at 5:30 pm and the movie will begin at 6:15 pm. Spooky desserts. Costumes encouraged. Bring your own chair. Drinks and table service

{ *Pastor Daniel & Pastor Bailey will be out of the office at Montreat Monday, October 3-Wednesday, October 5. Candice is out of the office the afternoon of the 5th and all day the 6th.* }

Halloween Party—Saturday, October 29
More info to come!

Many Hands Make Light Work

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. To sign up, please go to

<https://crossroads.servicereef.com/events/crossroads-missions-2/team-leader-sign-up-western-kentucky-response-366960672>

For more information you can also talk to Pastor Bailey!





If you have a chance to visit the Clothes Closet, you will notice some big changes!

- All the Children's clothes have been moved so that all items are together creating a "Kid's Department". That left more space for a dedicated adult section. Several shelving units were moved, more purchased, and lots of reorganization has taken place.
- We have a dedicated rack for fall clothing that includes Halloween costumes.
- Summer clothes are being packed up to make room for warmer fall and winter clothes.
- Thanks to Craig Kessler and Mike Wyatt, racks were moved, floors mopped, and tubs hauled up and down steps.

Donations:

- We continue to get donations of children's clothes from **Annabelle and Ashe**.
- **Willow Hill** has given us many donations of adult clothing.
- A new partner this month is **Simply Sweet Boutique**. We received adult clothes, some children's clothing, and a lot of women's belts.

WE also have gotten many used clothing donations from community members. One family even donated 17 tubs – all sorted by size! Thanks, Caren Gibson for delivering for a friend!

We never seem to have enough size 30-34 men's jeans, men's shoes, or underwear for children and adults. Check your closets, and perhaps pick up a package of underwear on your next shopping trip.

You may be surprised at how much we give away every week. Since January, we have served 746 clients (an 87% increase over previous year) and given away 6168 items of clothing (a 58% increase). We get a mixture of new and repeat clients. We are giving away more children's clothes than we did before and this was definitely true near the beginning of school.

Our committee puts in MANY hours every week and are always looking for new volunteers, even a day a month would be helpful.

Stewardship Corner

September Avg. Weekly Offering:

\$1,784.25
Sept. 4 \$1,450.00
Sept. 11 \$2,020.00
Sept. 18 \$1,342.00
Sept. 25 \$2,325.00

September Avg. Attendance: 53

Sept. 4 50
Sept. 11 53
Sept. 18 60
Sept. 25 49

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

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CHURCH OFFICE

HOURS

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

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CHURCH STAFF

Daniel Van Beek

Pastor

Bailey Pickens

Community

Connections Director

Candice Mendoza,

Office Manager

Jason Matteson,


Music Director

Donna Houston,

Organist

Shirley Crutcher,

Nursery



*I will say of the LORD,
He is my refuge and my fortress.
In Him I will trust...*

-Psalm 91:2

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-SEPTEMBER

- ♦ Planning for a December 18 Celebration Sunday of food and talent after worship
- ♦ Approved the Bean Soup fundraiser from Christian Service for November 8, 2022
- ♦ Provided for FSHS sponsorships from FPC at football stadium and gymnasium
- ♦ Approved Pastor Daniel's remaining study leave and vacation days for 2022
- ♦ Allowed Matthew 25 Committee to begin exploring possible partnerships with the City of Franklin, Live the Proof, Room in the Inn, and developing a Housing Coalition
- ♦ Approved the Finance Committee recommendation to move FPC investments to Thrivent
- ♦ Rejoiced in the acceptance of new members Dot Weber, Mae Williams, Sylvia Pulliam, and Mike Pulliam this month, as well as Jan Albert (August) and Leslee & Glen Kirkconnell (July)
- all these (and maybe more) will be welcomed in Worship on Sunday, December 18

Ruling Elders Serving on Session

Nancy Thomas
Bob Heidbrink
John Halcomb
Becky Stubbs

Bob Thompson
Barry Hain
Jane Rahm

DEACONS:
Meredith Halcomb
Marcella Davis
Donna Houston

CLERK OF SESSION: Donna Houston

**Next Regularly Stated Session Meeting:
Monday, October 17 at 6 pm.**

Clerks of All Committees: Please continue to timely submit any minutes to
the church office for inclusion in the Session packet.

THANKYOU!

October 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.

Saturday, October 1

Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
Hos. 5:1–7
Acts 22:17–29
Luke 6:27–38

Thursday, October 6

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
Hos. 9:1–9
Acts 24:1–23
Luke 7:36–50

Tuesday, October 11

Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Hos. 12:2–14
Acts 26:24–27:8
Luke 8:40–56

Sunday, October 2

Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Hos. 5:8–6:6
1 Cor. 2:6–16
Matt. 14:1–12

Friday, October 7

Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
Hos. 9:10–17
Acts 24:24–25:12
Luke 8:1–15

Wednesday, October 12

Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Hos. 13:1–3
Acts 27:9–26
Luke 9:1–17

Monday, October 3

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Hos. 6:7–7:7
Acts 22:30–23:11
Luke 6:39–49

Saturday, October 8

Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Hos. 10:1–15
Acts 25:13–27
Luke 8:16–25

Thursday, October 13

Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Hos. 13:4–8
Acts 27:27–44
Luke 9:18–27

Tuesday, October 4

Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
Hos. 7:8–16
Acts 23:12–24
Luke 7:1–17

Sunday, October 9

Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Hos. 11:1–11
1 Cor. 4:9–16
Matt. 15:21–28

Friday, October 14

Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Hos. 13:9–16
Acts 28:1–16
Luke 9:28–36

Wednesday, October 5

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
Hos. 8:1–14
Acts 23:23–35
Luke 7:18–35

Monday, October 10

Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Hos. 11:12–12:1
Acts 26:1–23
Luke 8:26–39

Saturday, October 15

Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Hos. 14:1–9
Acts 28:17–31
Luke 9:37–50

Sunday, October 16

Morning: Pss. 67; 150
 Evening: Pss. 46; 93
 Micah 1:1–9
 1 Cor. 10:1–13
 Matt. 16:13–20

Monday, October 17

Morning: Pss. 57; 145
 Evening: Pss. 85; 47
 Micah 2:1–13
 Rev. 7:1–8
 Luke 9:51–62

Tuesday, October 18

Morning: Pss. 54; 146
 Evening: Pss. 28; 99
 Micah 3:1–8
 Rev. 7:9–17
 Luke 10:1–16

Wednesday, October 19

Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11
 Evening: Pss. 125; 91
 Micah 3:9–4:5
 Rev. 8:1–13
 Luke 10:17–24

Thursday, October 20

Morning: Pss. 143;
 147:12–20
 Evening: Pss. 81; 116
 Micah 5:1–4, 10–15
 Rev. 9:1–12
 Luke 10:25–37

Friday, October 21

Morning: Pss. 88; 148
 Evening: Pss. 6; 20
 Micah 6:1–8
 Rev. 9:13–21
 Luke 10:38–42

Saturday, October 22

Morning: Pss. 122; 149
 Evening: Pss. 100; 63
 Micah 7:1–7
 Rev. 10:1–11
 Luke 11:1–13

Sunday, October 23

Morning: Pss. 108; 150
 Evening: Pss. 66; 23
 Jonah 1:1–17a
 1 Cor. 10:15–24
 Matt. 18:15–20

Monday, October 24

Morning: Pss. 62; 145
 Evening: Pss. 73; 9
 Jonah 1:17–2:10
 Rev. 11:1–14
 Luke 11:14–26

Tuesday, October 25

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
 Evening: Pss. 36; 7
 Jonah 3:1–4:11
 Rev. 11:14–19
 Luke 11:27–36

Wednesday, October 26

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
 Evening: Pss. 132; 134
 Nahum 1:1–14
 Rev. 12:1–6
 Luke 11:37–52

Thursday, October 27

Morning: Pss. 116;
 147:12–20
 Evening: Pss. 26; 130
 Nahum 1:15–2:12
 Rev. 12:7–17
 Luke 11:53–12:12

Friday, October 28

Morning: Pss. 84; 148
 Evening: Pss. 25; 40
 Nahum 2:13–3:7
 Rev. 13:1–10
 Luke 12:13–31

Saturday, October 29

Morning: Pss. 63; 149
 Evening: Pss. 117; 139
 Nah. 3:8–19
 Rev. 13:11–18
 Luke 12:32–48

Sunday, October 30

Morning: Pss. 103; 150
 Evening: Pss. 117; 139
 Zeph. 1:1–6
 1 Cor. 12:27–13:13
 Matt. 18:21–35

Monday, October 31

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
 Evening: Pss. 82; 29
 Zeph. 1:7–13
 Rev. 14:1–13
 Luke 12:49–59

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Elder Helper:

Barry Hain

Ushers:

*Don Chandler
Bob Heidbrink*

Lector

Joey Hodge

WEEKLY EVENTS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MEETINGS

Fellowship: 10/04/22 at 2 pm

Matthew 25: 10/11/22 at 4 pm

Worship: 10/12/22 at 5 pm

SESSION: 10/17/22 at 6 pm

Bldg. & Maint. 10/19/22 at 4 pm

Grief Group-10/13 and 10/27 at 6pm

CHOIR: Wednesdays at 7 pm

OCTOBER 2022

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Communion Peace Offering	3	4	5	6	7	8 <i>John Halcomb</i>
9	10 <i>Mike Wyatt</i>	11 <i>Tori Brown</i>	12 <i>Carolle Tracy</i>	13 <i>Debbie Wyatt</i>	14	15 Youth Movie Night
16	17	18	19	20	21 <i>Guy Prall</i>	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 WKY work trip thru Sunday	29 Halloween Party

*Birthdays in italics 10/30 Reformation Sunday

Looking Ahead.....

NOVEMBER

ELDER/ELDER HELPER

Jane Rahm
John Halcomb

FRIEND OF THE MONTH:

Sharon Smith

November 6

Communion Sunday

All Saints Sunday

November 23-24

Office Closed for Thanksgiving



ANNUAL BEAN SOUP LUNCH IS BACK!

Tuesday, November 8

11:00 am—1:30 pm

**Chopping Party—Monday, November 7
1 pm**

\$10.00 suggested donation.

**All proceeds benefit
our Local Christian Service Missions.**



**Sunday, November 6—Daylight Savings
Ends—All Saints Sunday**

**Sunday, November 20—Hanging of the
Green (a light lunch will also be served)**

November 23 & 24—Office Closed

Sunday, November 27—Advent Breakfast



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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45 a.m. in the Cornerstone

YOUTH & ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday School:

9:45 am in Nursery

Kids' Club':

meets after Worship

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays at 5:45 pm

In the Cornerstone & ZOOM

'The Study of Romans'

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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