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ANNUAL CHURCH YARD SALE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

7:30 am—1 pm

If you would like to help set up, please be at the Cornerstone on Friday August 4 at 1 pm. If you have last minute donations, please contact Curry. All proceeds benefit our Non-Local Christian Missions.



Pastor's Pen

Here We Go Again!

August around here is a month of comings and goings. We say goodbye to summer a few weeks after the students and teachers go back to school. We say hello to football season before the weather turns colder.

We find ourselves in new routines, or familiar old routines, during these times.

Recently, we have been discussing not only the call of God on our lives as disciples of Jesus Christ, but what that might look like in our community. We at FPC have been doing so many great things for the people of Franklin and Simpson County, from supporting food ministries, to building and maintaining an incredible Clothes Closet, to joining other organizations and programs that help us love our neighbors boldly.

Perhaps as we enter into this end of summer, it is time to focus on our relationship with God a little more. And not just our dedication to loving God boldly, but also to the responsibilities of discipleship.

One of the key tenets of the Reformed tradition of Christianity is education in the Bible. Many of our other sister denominations and Christian traditions also believe this to be important. Here at FPC, we continue the Adult Sunday School that has been a staple of this congregation for many years. The past couple of years have also seen an Adult Bible Study during the week that offers more opportunity to learn and share God's Word with one another.

Our young adults have been in Bible Study with Pastor Bailey as well and are thinking of ways to expand that ministry to our upper high school and college and working young adults. Miss Shirley continues to be a wonderful younger kids Sunday School teacher and nursery leader.

As we have increased the number of children and young people attending FPC recently, we are excited about the new programs coming for them. Now we also have a new Kids Sunday School that will be starting up for children in grades 4-6 and a new Youth Program for grades 4-6 is going to kick off too! We are so grateful that Chris Kessler will be leading the Sunday School class and Bailey will be heading up the youth group.

FPC has also been spending more time with families in the community with Art in the Park. How can we offer even more connection in the future?

What a time to be following Jesus in this community and in this congregation. Spend some time in prayer for the new kids programs starting up and the ways in which we can all dive deeper into God's Word as we contemplate being Christ's hands and feet in this world!

May the grace and peace of God be yours in abundance through the Holy Spirit's work!

Pastor Daniel



News & Events

**YOUTH
POOL PARTY**

FRIDAY AUGUST 11 | 1-4 PM
AT THE HOME OF CHRIS & CRAIG KESSLER



KICK OFF PARTY FOR THE NEW YOUTH
SUNDAY SCHOOL WHICH BEGINS AUGUST
20 FOR THOSE IN GRADES 4-6.



*THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED
TO OUR 'UNDIE SUNDAY' AND
MADE IT A SUCCESS!*



Pastor Daniel and Rev. Curry Davis presided over the outdoor baptism of Charlie Shumaker on Sunday, July 23.



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**AUGUST ELDER/ELDER
HELPER OF THE MONTH**

Bob Heidbrink/Bob Thompson

AUGUST

FRIEND OF THE MONTH

Debbie Sowney



Stewardship Corner

July Average Attendance: 53

July 2	48
July 9	46
July 16	52
July 23	58
July 30	62

July Weekly Offering Average: \$1,296.20

July 2	\$2,321.00
July 9	\$660.00
July 16	\$1,485.00
July 23	\$1,210.00
July 30	\$805.00

**Average Weekly Income Needed for Budget:
\$2,692.31**

Ruling Elders Serving on Session

Barry Hain
 John Halcomb
 Bob Thompson
 Bob Heidbrink
 Jane Rahm
 Nancy Thomas
 Chris Kessler
 Martha Hodge
 Justin Henninger

DEACONS:
 Linda Knight
 Marcella Davis
 Meredith Halcomb

*Next Regularly Stated
 Session Meeting:
 Monday, August 21
 at 5 pm*



**Remember
 Your Pledge
 This Summer**

August 2023 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.

Year One

Tuesday, August 1

Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
2 Sam. 3:6–21
Acts 16:6–15
Mark 6:30–46

Wednesday, August 2

Morning: Pss. 65;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
2 Sam. 3:22–39
Acts 16:16–24
Mark 6:47–56

Thursday, August 3

Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
2 Sam. 4:1–12
Acts 16:25–40
Mark 7:1–23

Friday, August 4

Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
2 Sam. 5:1–12
Acts 17:1–15
Mark 7:24–37

Saturday, August 5

Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
2 Sam. 5:22–6:11
Acts 17:16–34
Mark 8:1–10

Sunday, August 6

Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
2 Sam. 6:12–23
Rom. 14:7–12
John 1:43–51

Monday, August 7

Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
2 Sam. 7:1–17
Acts 18:1–11
Mark 8:11–21

Tuesday, August 8

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
2 Sam. 7:18–29
Acts 18:12–28
Mark 8:22–33

Wednesday, August 9

Morning: Pss. 96;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
2 Sam. 9:1–13
Acts 19:1–10
Mark 8:34–9:1

Thursday, August 10

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
2 Sam. 11:1–27
Acts 19:11–20
Mark 9:2–13

Friday, August 11

Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
2 Sam. 12:1–14
Acts 19:21–41
Mark 9:14–29

Saturday, August 12

Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
2 Sam. 12:15–31
Acts 20:1–16
Mark 9:30–41

Sunday, August 13

Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
2 Sam. 13:1–22
Rom. 15:1–13
John 3:22–36

Monday, August 14

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
2 Sam. 13:23–39
Acts 20:17–38
Mark 9:42–50

Tuesday, August 15

Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
2 Sam. 14:1–20
Acts 21:1–14
Mark 10:1–16

Wednesday, August 16

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
2 Sam. 14:21–33
Acts 21:15–26
Mark 10:17–31

Thursday, August 17

Morning: Pss. 97;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
2 Sam. 15:1–18
Acts 21:27–36
Mark 10:32–45

Friday, August 18

Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
2 Sam. 15:19–37
Acts 21:37–22:16
Mark 10:46–52

Saturday, August 19

Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
2 Sam. 16:1–23
Acts 22:17–29
Mark 11:1–11

Sunday, August 20

Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
2 Sam. 17:1–23
Gal. 3:6–14
John 5:30–47

Monday, August 21

Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
2 Sam. 17:24–18:8
Acts 22:30–23:11
Mark 11:12–26

Tuesday, August 22

Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
2 Sam. 18:9–18
Acts 23:12–24
Mark 11:27–12:12

Wednesday, August 23

Morning: Pss. 15;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
2 Sam. 18:19–33
Acts 23:23–35
Mark 12:13–27

Thursday, August 24

Morning: Pss. 36;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
2 Sam. 19:1–23
Acts 24:1–23
Mark 12:28–34

Friday, August 25

Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
2 Sam. 19:24–43
Acts 24:24–25:12
Mark 12:35–44

Saturday, August 26

Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
2 Sam. 23:1–7, 13–17
Acts 25:13–27
Mark 13:1–13

Sunday, August 27

Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
2 Sam. 24:1–2, 10–25
Gal. 3:23–4:7
John 8:12–20

Monday, August 28

Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
1 Kings 1:(1–4) 5–31
Acts 26:1–23
Mark 13:14–27

Tuesday, August 29

Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
1 Kings 1:32–2:4 (5–46a)
46b
Acts 26:24–27:8
Mark 13:28–37

Wednesday, August 30

Morning: Pss. 65;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
1 Kings 3:1–15
Acts 27:9–26
Mark 14:1–11

Thursday, August 31

Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
1 Kings 3:16–28
Acts 27:27–44
Mark 14:12–26

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LECTOR/USHER
SCHEDULE

Elder of the Month:
Bob Heidbrink

Elder Helper:
Bob Thompson

Ushers:
*Don Chandler
Barry Hain*

Lector
*August 6: Lois Van Beek
August 13, 20, 27:
See Bailey to volunteer!*

WEEKLY EVENTS &
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Choir:** Wed. 6:30 pm
- **Grief Group:** August 10 at 5 pm

MEETINGS

Fellowship: August 1 at 2 pm

Facilities: August 9 at 4 pm

Finance: August 16 at 5 pm

FPC Men: August 19 at 10 am

SESSION: August 21 at 5 pm

AUGUST 2023

FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
		8	9	10	11	12
6	7	8 Red Cross 12-6 <i>Zipporah Bley</i>		10 Caren Gibson <i>Amy Gant</i>		12 Sarah Halcomb
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Gwen Stubbs	Terri Mitchell		Harold Burton		Brandon Stubbs
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Janet Crocker	Lisa Bashant			Pastor Daniel	
27	28	29	30	31		
	Becky Stubbs	Tomas Williams		Linda Knight		

*Birthdays in italics

Session Highlights

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-JULY 17, 2023

- ◆ Approved the baptism and profession of faith for membership of Charlie Shumaker
- ◆ Accepted that Nancy Thomas will serve as Elder Commissioner to the Presbytery meeting in Bowling Green on August 12
- ◆ Discussed and approved the recommendation from Worship & Music Committee to start a scholarship program for college choral students
- ◆ Approved the organization of a Beer & Hymns community event at the Cornerstone in October

September:

ELDER/HELPER OF THE MONTH:

Jane Rahm/Chris Kessler

FRIEND OF THE MONTH:

Nancy Thomas

September:

4th: Labor Day (office closed)

23rd: Family Game Night



Thank you



To all our Summer feeding
volunteers for 2023!

CONNECT TO FPC!

Have you visited our website lately? (www.franklinpresbyterian.org) This is the way to find out the latest news, watch the latest worship services online, get information on upcoming events, and download copies of the monthly Lamplighter newsletter. If your information is not up to date, please contact the office so we have your correct address, phone, email, etc.

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:30 AM

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:30 AM

ADULT BIBLE STUDY
TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM
IN THE CORNERSTONE
& ON ZOOM!



COMING-AUGUST 20TH!
YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:45 AM-10:30 AM
GRADES 4-6 WITH Chris
Kessler in the upstairs
educational wing

*'Journey through the Old Testament
Scriptures to learn about God's faithfulness
& apply those lessons to our lives!'*



*Anything you would like added to the
September Lamplighter, please submit it to
the office on or before Tuesday, August 29.*



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