

## First Presbyterian Church of Valparaiso

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Engaged locally and globally for Christ!



### SESSION SYNOPSIS OF OCTOBER 19, 2022

Two special meetings were held in early October. The first was for the purpose of welcoming two additional new members, Michael and Suk McKee, who formally joined our church family with Michael and Denise Walker on October 2, 2022. Also on that day, we gathered after worship for the Fall Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing new officers. We were pleased to unanimously elect Jeanne Turner as elder joining the Class of 2024; and we were also pleased to unanimously elect Sheya Bennett, Gina and Jim Peyton, and Bonnie Swarner as Deacons in the Class of 2024. Emily Golding was elected as a youth deacon to the class of 2023.

A great deal of business was conducted at the regular October Session meeting. New officers-elect attended this meeting for official “examination,” but first was a review of the expectations of Elders and Deacons. This included praying for each other and the wider community, respecting confidentiality, listening to understand, being open to change, and overall serving as role models for what we want our church community to be. This also included the responsibility of *all* to exhibit good stewardship, which was perfect timing as the Stewardship campaign is currently taking place! Officers-elect were then asked to share what brought them to FPCV and what they hoped to learn during their term in office. Interestingly, half of the new officers grew up in the church while half were fairly new members. Following discussion, the “examination” was arrested, newly elected officers were welcomed, and ordination/installation has been scheduled for January 8, 2023. Please welcome these new officers!

Unfortunately, the scheduled retreat at Geneva Center the weekend of October 15-16 did not happen. Nevertheless, Dr. Drew Benson from LeaderWise, who was part of the planning team for the retreat, joined the Session meeting with some observations as well as some activities. Several questions had been asked of Elders in preparation for the retreat which are questions that all members could ask themselves as well:

1. What is the church doing well?
2. Does the congregation have a strong sense of its vision/mission?
3. What is happening at church that gets in the way?

Elders then formed small groups and were asked to summarize the Gospel in six (6) words! There were some interesting answers:

1. Challenging, Comforting, Inspiring, Life-changing, Educational, Revealing!
2. God’s history works in many ways!
3. God’s sacrifice, God’s relationship, compelled to action!
4. Love God, Love others, no exceptions!
5. Without sharing the Word, it stops!
6. Love, service, grace, wisdom, openness, action!

After sharing these responses, it was observed that many of the words chosen were ACTION words, verbs, indicating an energy that exists and can be focused into actions and that leans into personal relationships.

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## SESSION SYNOPSIS OF OCTOBER 19, 2022, CONTINUED

A few other highlights of the meeting included the following:

1. High School seniors Leah and Luke Ribordy have asked Session to allow a fundraising effort as part of the VHS National Honor Society to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Session unanimously and enthusiastically approved!
2. Membership Clerk Elizabeth Monroe and Clerk Judy Hollar attended the Annual Presbytery Review of Records in early October and their books and records were approved without exception!
3. Elders are beginning to work on Annual Reports and Events Calendars, both of which will be due December 9.
4. All are encouraged to attend and support the Faith Formation Trunk or Treat event on October 21 as it is one of the biggest outreach activities of the year.
5. A first draft of the 2023 budget was presented with a time for questions and discussion. Hopefully, a final budget will be constructed following Celebration Sunday when pledges are to be turned in (which will determine how active our ministry can be). As has been noted, the Spiritual Health of a community can be seen by its giving!
6. Our own Elder Ron Phillips has been commissioned to serve Communion in churches in the absence of a pastor!

Only three other **MOTIONS** were approved:

1. From Finance: To transfer the remaining Herron Funds (approximately \$9,446) to the capital fund, reserved for consulting fees for the capital campaign in 2023.
2. Also from Finance: To transfer \$30,000 from Account 8237 Welter Fund to capital fund as match for \$25,000 Smock grant restricted to ADA compliant improvements and as foundational support for the 2023 capital campaign.
3. From Deacons: To allow Home Communion for the Deacon Friends either November 6, 2022, or November 20, 2022, depending upon when Advent Bags are delivered.

### Joys & Concerns

- Pastor Kim offered thanks for prayers offered during her recent illness with Covid, and she also requested that everyone *please* be up to date on all vaccinations and boosters!
- Pastor Kim also offered thanks for the love she received and truly felt when presented with the surprise cards on Pastor Appreciation Sunday; they were a huge help during her illness.
- Continued prayers for a child struggling with separation anxiety
- Concern that there was a considerable budget deficit at the end of September

If you would like more information, please read the detailed minutes which will be *posted in the glass-enclosed announcement board* in the Hospitality Center once they are approved. **In the meantime**, please contact any of the Elders and/or the Clerk if you have questions or are interested in further details.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hollar, Clerk of Session

Dear Church Family,

Mary Stoner's family would like to thank Pastor Kim, Betty Richardson and her kitchen team members who made the brunch so great, Brad and Joy Dirks for beautiful music, and Dawn for her office expertise, for their wonderful contributions to my Mom's Celebration of Life service in October. Thank you to the church members who paid their respects and sent cards. This church was so important in and to Mom's life, we know she would have appreciated it also.

Thank you again,

Bob Stoner and family  
Julie Stoner Pollaro and family

Dear Congregation,

First Presbyterian Church Valparaiso will not be hosting a Flu Shot Clinic this year.

Please contact your Physician or your Pharmacy for information regarding the Flu vaccine for the 2022-2023 Flu season.

Blessings,

Rose Ross, RN



**Saving lives  
is as easy as pie!**

Make it a tradition. Help save lives.  
Donate blood.

**American Red Cross**

**Blood Drive**  
**First Presbyterian Church**

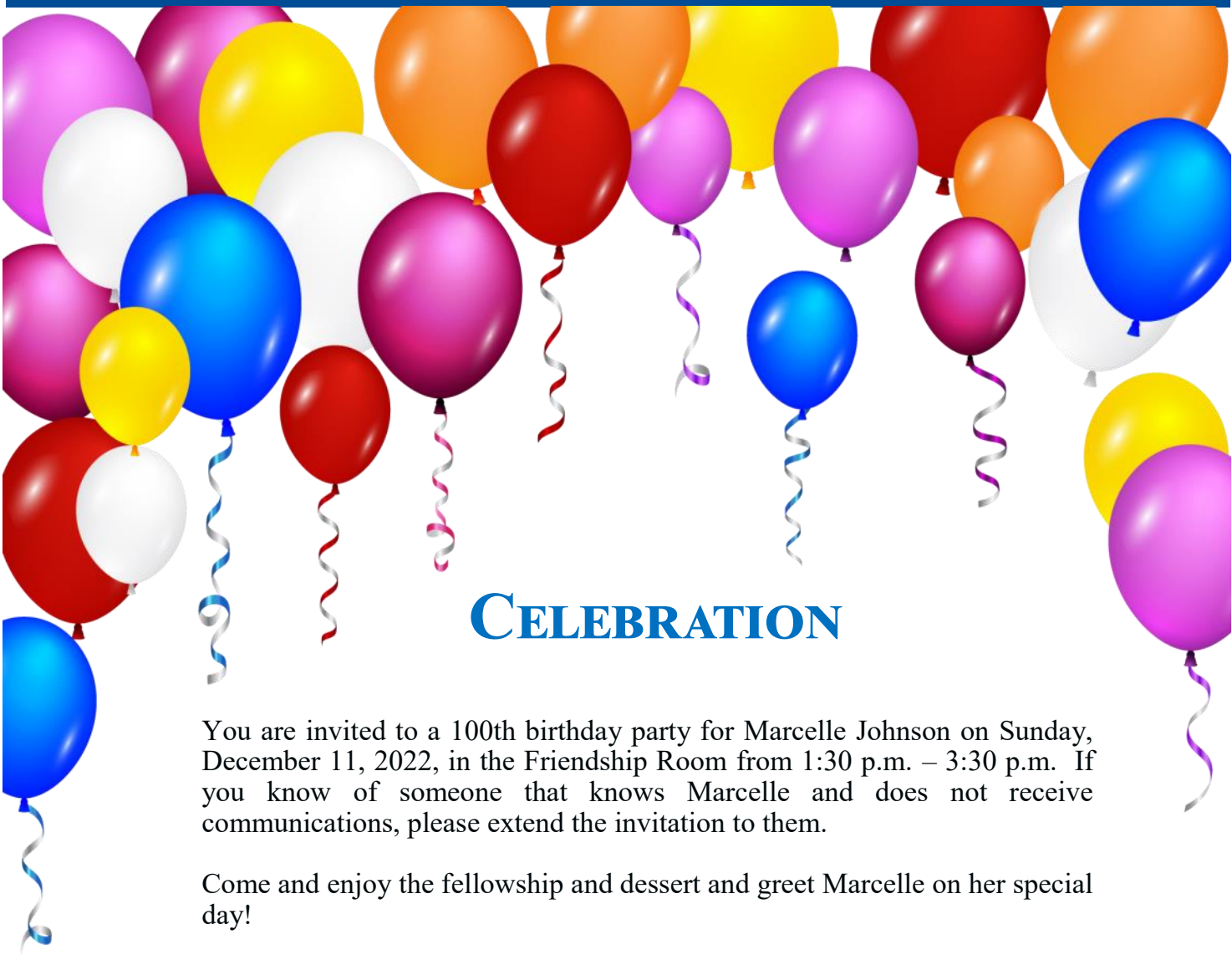
Gym  
3401 N. Valparaiso Street  
Valparaiso

**Sunday, November 20**  
**8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit  
RedCrossBlood.org and enter: FPCValpo to schedule an appointment.

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## CELEBRATION

You are invited to a 100th birthday party for Marcelle Johnson on Sunday, December 11, 2022, in the Friendship Room from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. If you know of someone that knows Marcelle and does not receive communications, please extend the invitation to them.

Come and enjoy the fellowship and dessert and greet Marcelle on her special day!

No gifts, please. Cards are welcome.

Given by:

Beverlee Frazee  
LaDonna Trapp  
Tammie Trapp Johnson

Jessa Trap Tilford  
Dolly Trapp



## PRESBYTERIAN WEEKDAY NURSERY SCHOOL (“PWNS”)

October was a fun month!!! We welcomed a new student to our Early Learner Class and we are happy to have another boy added to our class of mostly girls!!! We have a few openings in that class if you know someone who would like to check us out!!!

We had fun going on nature walks and spending time on our playground on beautiful fall days!! We love watching the leaves turn beautiful fall colors on the trees outside our windows. Both classes had a fun trip to Colter’s Pumpkin patch! The Pre K class had to dodge a few raindrops but they still had fun picking out pumpkins and playing on all the fun things they have there at the farm. The Early Learner class loved the hayride into the patch to find their pumpkins!! We have learned some new songs and finger plays about apples and Halloween. The children did crafts with apples and tasted them. We ended the month with wearing our costumes and Trick or Treating with some of the members of the Church in the Fellowship Hall and playing games and having a spooky great party!! The PreK class can now read the word “BOO”! We love our time with Mr. Ken who shares stories about God and Jesus with us!

In November, we will be collecting food, laundry soap, paper towels and toilet paper items for the Hilltop Pantry through our Old Mother Hubbard Cupboard.. You may help us by dropping off your items outside the preschool doors in the front hallway. Also on November 7th in the preschool rooms from 5-7 pm we will be hosting an Usborn Book Fair. You are all welcome to shop with us at that time. These are beautiful books and make great gifts so come and get started on your Christmas shopping! Happy Thanksgiving everyone!!!!

## DEACONS DOINGS

(submitted by Sharon Harris)

Deacons continue to make home and care facilities visits along with sending monthly cards and some phone calls.

During the last few months, our church family has lost several of its long time members. Some of us have been so blessed to have been able to visit with these friends and some of their families. I hope their families know how thankful the Deacons have been to have had these people in our lives. We continue to pray for the families and for comfort in their loss.

If you have a family member that would like to be a part of the Deacon Friends ministry, please contact any of the Deacons.

Thank you for the help in collecting various items for our Advent bags this year. The last day to contribute to this project is Sunday, November 6, 2022. Please contact Linda Marrs if you have any questions.

Since the first Sunday of Advent is Nov. 27, 2022, we will be delivering these bags to our Friends on or before this date.

**As a part of the Craft Fair held at our church on Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., the Deacons will be having their very special yearly Bake Sale. There will be many kinds of baked goods, so please stock your freezer for your Holiday needs. We will be located in the Friendship Room. This is our only fundraiser so please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.**



Kid-friendly dinner, games,  
stories, and more!  
All children  
grades 1st-5th



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**SIGN UP TO HELP WITH A FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS DINNER**

Visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d49afa82ba5fbc34-first> to sign up to help with a First Friday Friends dinner.

**PRESBYTERIAN WEEKDAY NURSERY SCHOOL TRICK OR TREAT WITH  
OUR CHURCH FRIENDS**

On Monday, October 31st and Tuesday, November 1st, please join the students and teachers in the Fellowship Hall for Trick or Treating at 9:30 am. There are 18 students in the Monday group and 10 in the Tuesday group. You may come in costume and pass out your treats to the children. They would love to see you and meet you!! We have fantastic kids and they want to share their costumes with you!!!

Hope to see you there!!!



**Shop Local at**  
*First Presbyterian Church of Valparaiso's*  
*2nd Annual*  
*Holiday Craft Fair*  
**Craft & Local Vendor Fair**  
**Saturday November 12, 2022**  
**9am-3pm**  
**3401 N. Valparaiso St.**  
**Valparaiso, In 46383**

WORSHIP NEWS

**OPPORTUNITY – LITURGIST MINISTRY**

Serving as the liturgist during worship is a ministry. We invite you to approach it prayerfully. This ministry is open to as many people as possible giving the opportunity to support our liturgists in this “work of the people” (the root of liturgy from Greek). Liturgists may read the Call to Confession and Confession of Sin, while the minister preaches the sermon, offers prayers, and blesses sacraments. Our liturgists are an important part of our worship, and demonstrate how we all minister to the community.

To sign up to serve as liturgist, please visit:

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/994107930073/false#/invitation>

**ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE**

**COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED DURING WORSHIP  
ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022  
AND  
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY, NOV. 20  
AT 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP**

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the above-captioned dates during the in-person at FPC Valpo and online worship services (via Facebook Live/FPC website/FPC YouTube channel).

All are invited to the communion table in your home by bringing a piece of bread/cracker and a cup of juice/wine or whatever common elements you have to celebrate communion. This way, our faith community can be joined together for the sacrament even though we are physically apart.



CONGREGATIONAL LIFE'S  
FALL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

 **Holiday Craft**  
**and Vendor Fair**

**CRAFT FAIR**  
Nov. 12th 9am-3pm  
Fellowship Hall

Details found below, in "First Notes" or contact  
Trish Lawson (219) 671-1205 or  
[tmlawson77@yahoo.com](mailto:tmlawson77@yahoo.com)



**PJ'S & POPCORN MOVIE  
NIGHT**  
Dec. 16th 6pm  
Fellowship Hall

**HOLIDAY CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR:** Come out and get some early holiday shopping done with local crafters and vendors. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. at Door C. The Presbys Youth Group will have a breakfast & lunch Café and the Deacons' famous cookie/baked goods walk is back!

**PJ'S & POPCORN MOVIE NIGHT:** Bring your pillow, blanket and favorite stuffed friend for a night of fun! We will be featuring the movie, *The Star*, in Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome!

OPPORTUNITY

**ADVENT BAGS**

*Would you or your small group like to be a part of a worthy Advent project?*

The Advent gift bag project for our Deacon Friends is underway. The Deacons deliver a Christmas gift bag to those in our church family that find it more difficult to get out and about. It's a way to brighten the Advent Season and to send our love to church family. This year we will be preparing 25 bags, each bag to contain no less than 25 gifts.

We are in need of 14 Angel volunteers to provide 25 identical gifts, wrapped. If assistance is needed with wrapping, I do have angel volunteers available.

Some suggested gift ideas - shampoo, conditioner, nail care products, chap stick, pens, note pads, puzzles, puzzle books, candy, gum, night lights, hot chocolate packets, microwave popcorn, novelty candies or cookies. We ask that all food products be commercially bought and individually wrapped.

We will begin our collection Sunday, October 2 and end Sunday, November 6, 2022. A collection box will be in the Hospitality Center for your convenience. Please make note what your gift is along with your gifts.

Please contact Linda Marrs ([lmarrs@comcast.net](mailto:lmarrs@comcast.net)) if you would like to participate.





## *Hanging of the Greens*

**Sunday, November 27, 2022 during 10:00 a.m. Worship  
Soup and Salad Lunch following Worship  
provided by  
Congregational Life & Faith Formation Teams**

A graphic featuring a pair of red theater curtains with a scalloped top edge, framing the central text and movie poster.

**FPCV presents:  
PJ'S & POPCORN MOVIE NIGHT!!  
Fri., Dec. 16, 2022 at 6pm in Fellowship Hall**

**Pizza, Popcorn,  
& Drinks  
Provided!**

A movie poster for 'The Star: The Story of the First Christmas'. The poster features several anthropomorphic farm animals, including a brown horse, a white goat, a brown cow, and a white sheep, gathered around a glowing manger. The title 'THE STAR' is prominently displayed at the top in a stylized font, with the subtitle 'THE STORY OF THE FIRST CHRISTMAS' below it. The background is a dark, starry night sky.

**CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY**

In September, the pantry served one hundred sixty-two families which provided food for four hundred twenty-one people. Macaroni salad kits and tomato tortellini soup kits were prepared and offered during the month. Both kits were well received.

Traditional Thanksgiving dinner items are being requested along with:

- Canned Fruit
- Jell-O®
- Stuffing
- Gravy
- Green Beans (canned)
- Mushroom Soup
- French Fried Onions

There is always a continuing need for the basic foods that are offered to families at each visit:

- Spaghetti Sauce (canned for safety)
- Tuna in Water
- Canned Pastas
- Cereal
- Tissue Paper

Extras like laundry detergent, dish detergent, paper towels, juices, jelly, cooking oil, coffee, teas, and facial tissue are also needed. In other words – *any* donations are of great help.

Thank you to all who contribute in any way to the pantry project of serving those in our ‘neighborhood’ in need of pantry assistance.

Nan (founder) and Sharon

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**PADS MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP**

PADS’s winter men’s homeless church shelter will began at our church on October 19. Our church will host the men every Wednesday through April 2023. The men arrive at 7:00, are served a homemade dinner, have a social time, spend the night and then are served a hot breakfast before leaving by 7:00 AM on Thursday mornings.

**THERE ARE SEVERAL VOLUNTEER NEEDS:**

- Intake from 6:30 - 8 p.m.
- Hosting from 6:30-10 p.m.
- Provide and serve dinner for up to 25 men 6:30- 8:00 p.m.
- Serving breakfast 5:30-6:30 a.m.
- Laundry - washing bedding once a month

There are two sign ups in the Hospitality Center. One for Meals and one for volunteers for intake, hosting and laundry.

If you have any questions, please call or email Beth Germann at 219-477-9964 or [bcgermann@gmail.com](mailto:bcgermann@gmail.com).

**“TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK!”**

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE PRESENTS:



**FPCV Monthly Meal Out (“MMO”)**

**All Are Welcome!**

**Wednesday, November 16, 2022**

10:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

300 Porters Vale Blvd  
Valparaiso, IN

**Donating back 20%**

*20% of the pre-tax total will go back to FPCV when you place your receipt in the clear Plexiglass box at the registers after ordering.*

**\*\*In order for the above fundraiser to officially happen,  
we need a minimum of 20 RSVPs by November 13, 2022.  
Visit <https://www.groupraise.com/events/219712> to RSVP.\*\***

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*Catch up over coffee on  
Sunday mornings!*

### **COFFEE HOUR FELLOWSHIP**

Consider hosting a Sunday by signing up in the Hospitality Center or at the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084DA8A92DA2FC1-fpcv>



“MATTHEW 25 REFLECTION” presents information chosen by our Matthew 25 Team to inform and inspire our church family to actively engage in activities and with initiatives that reduce poverty and racism in our local communities and beyond.

### *Minor Feelings* Book Review

Matthew 25 Team recently hosted a book discussion on racism from an Asian American perspective. We discussed a book of essays by Cathy Park Hong, who is Korean, called *Minor Feelings*. We learned that dialogue with and listening to minority peoples’ own experiences with an open heart can teach us a great deal. For instance....

Our own feelings and stereotypes often get in the way of true understanding.

- There is not just ONE minority experience: individuals have many different experiences, often based on their family structure, their education, where they live, their economic status, etc.
- Discounting the feelings of *any* minority group divides them and benefits the majority.
- Raised where whiteness and assimilation are venerated and often taught that their own cultural heritage is inferior, many Asian Americans are unable to defend their personal characteristics and are thus devoid of a true identity.
- Asian Americans have been stereotyped as the “quintessential model for minorities: well behaved, compliant, hardworking, quiet, unthreatening and discreet.” This creates conflicting feelings for them as they struggle to keep up this façade.
- The myth of a model minority ultimately undermines other minorities, such as the African American, Native American or Latinx who are deemed to be more unruly, dangerous, unmanageable, and thus more undeserving.
- Being “model” minority members often comes by sacrificing or suppressing their own cultural identity and heritage (whether Asian, Indigenous, Latinx, or even Polish, Irish, or Italian!) which they are taught is considered to be inferior.
- Asian Americans have often been told: “You are the next in line to be white” which causes conflict for them: should they act white or act like a minority?
- Should assimilation into white society be the goal or should minorities maintain their heritage?
- The title of the book, *Minor Feelings*, can mean many things: being in a *minority*; being made to feel *less than*; being made to feel *unimportant*; minor feelings arise from repeatedly having perceptions of racism in your own life dismissed. The everyday experiencing of slights, knowing they are racial, and being told, “Oh that’s all in your head” produces feelings of bitterness, shame, melancholy, and paranoia.

You can find a copy of the book (along with a print out of some information from Beth Germann’s participation in the Sacred Ground study by the Episcopal Church) can be found in the library. You could read the first two essays and the last to encounter the major concepts of the book. Please come join our future book discussions as we learn from one another, as well as from the book at hand.



## OUR MISSION:

The Presbyterian Resale Shop sells high quality, gently used items at a fair price to customers in northwest Indiana. We strive to help those in need, to create a welcoming environment for our customers and to promote teamwork among our volunteers. Our goal is to provide funding to worthy service agencies and charities, locally and globally.

The Presbyterian Resale Shop is on target for another great year! September was our highest sales month in our 80-year history.

And speaking of 80 years, we celebrated in true Presbyterian fashion with lots of fellowship and food!

The generosity of our donors and the faithfulness of our customers allows us to help our community in a wide variety of ways. We appreciate the support of FPC. Whether you are a volunteer or a generous donor of goods, we thank you!

We would love to welcome new volunteers to join us as we begin our next 80 years. Please contact me if you would like more information about our mission.

## YOUR HELP HELPS US HELP OTHERS!

Mary Linda Scott  
[nana6987@hotmail.com](mailto:nana6987@hotmail.com)  
231-590-5799



## CALENDAR

Tuesday, November 01, 2022		
9:30 AM	PWNS Trick or Treat	Hospitality Center
10:30 AM	Membership Team	154, 155
12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
5:00 PM	Congregational Life Team	Hospitality Center
6:00 PM	Building and Grounds	FPC
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	FPC
Wednesday, November 02, 2022		
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	Friendship Room
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
5:30 PM	Faith Formation Team	Online, 144, 145
6:30 PM	Worship Team	Online
7:00 PM	PADS	Fellowship Hall
Thursday, November 03, 2022		
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
5:00 PM	Bell Choir	Sanctuary, Chapel
5:30 PM	Worship Art Workshop	Performing Arts Studio / 148, 149
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, November 04, 2022		
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines (GLS)	Fellowship Hall
Saturday, November 05, 2022		
9:00 AM	Sweet Adelines (GLS)	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, November 06, 2022 - Daylight Saving Time Ends - Clocks Fall Back		
9:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes	FPC
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
2:00 PM	Cub Scouts	FPC
6:00 PM	Presbys	Fellowship Hall
Monday, November 07, 2022		
Tuesday, November 08, 2022		
12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	FPC
6:30 PM	Mission Team	Online
7:15 PM	Matthew 25 Team	Online
Wednesday, November 09, 2022		
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	Friendship Room
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
6:00 PM	iEngage Team Meeting	Online
7:00 PM	Finance Team	154, 155
7:00 PM	PADS	Fellowship Hall
Thursday, November 10, 2022		
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
10:30 AM	Stephen Ministry Team	101
5:00 PM	Bell Choir	Sanctuary, Chapel
5:30 PM	Worship Art Workshop	Performing Arts Studio / 148, 149
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, November 11, 2022		
10:00 AM	Fellowship Hall Set Up	Fellowship Hall
Saturday, November 12, 2022		
9:00 AM	FPC Craft Fair & Deacon Cookie Walk (until 3 p.m.)	Fellowship Hall

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## CALENDAR

Sunday, November 13, 2022

9:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes	FPC
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
2:00 PM	Cub Scouts	FPC
6:00 PM	Presbys	Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 14, 2022

11:00 AM	Resale Shop Ministry	Off-site
11:00 AM	Pre-agenda Meeting	Sanctuary

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
12:00 PM	DAR Group	Friendship Room
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
5:30 PM	New Officer Training/Dinner	Friendship Room, 154, 155
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	FPC

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	Friendship Room
11:00 AM	Agenda Meeting	FPC
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
7:00 PM	PADS	Fellowship Hall

Thursday, November 17, 2022

10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
3:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
5:00 PM	Bell Choir	Sanctuary, Chapel
5:30 PM	Worship Art Workshop	Performing Arts Studio / 148, 149
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, November 18, 2022

Saturday, November 19, 2022

Sunday, November 20, 2022

8:00 AM	Red Cross Blood Drive	Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes	FPC
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
2:00 PM	Cub Scouts	FPC
6:00 PM	Presbys	Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 21, 2022

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	FPC

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	Friendship Room
12:30 PM	Parkinson's Support Group	Friendship Room
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
7:00 PM	PADS	Fellowship Hall

Thursday, November 24, 2022 - Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 25, 2022 - Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 26, 2022

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## CALENDAR

Sunday, November 27, 2022 - Hanging of the Greens

9:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes	FPC
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
11:00 AM	Soup & Sandwich Lunch	Fellowship Hall
2:00 PM	Cub Scouts	FPC
6:00 PM	Presbys	Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 28, 2022

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	FPC

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	Friendship Room
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
7:00 PM	PADS	Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	Session	154, 155

*\*denotes in-person and streamed online: Facebook, fpcvalpo.org, FPC YouTube Channel:*


[www.fpcvalpo.org/worship-livestream](http://www.fpcvalpo.org/worship-livestream),

[www.youtube.com/channel/UC8Za9RpS1LFHAMVd6XW\\_pTQ](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8Za9RpS1LFHAMVd6XW_pTQ), or

[www.facebook.com/1stPresChurchValpo](http://www.facebook.com/1stPresChurchValpo).

**MISSION STATEMENT:**  
Building Disciples; Growing in Faith; Serving in Christ's Name

**FPC VALPARAISO IS A MATTHEW 25 CONGREGATION:**



- **Building congregational vitality**
- **Dismantling structural racism**
- **Eradicating systemic poverty**

**MATTHEW 25**

[www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/)

To give the staff a break during the Christmas and New Year's holiday season, the church office will be closed from Monday, December 26, 2022, through Friday, December 30, 2022. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please call 219-464-4985.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 1  
Dawn Heckard

November 15  
Mark Robison

November 2  
David Rice

November 16  
Lauren Phillips

November 3  
Carolyn Lelek

November 19  
Tom Edwards, Jr.

November 6  
Jack Kinsey

November 20  
Debbie Kelley  
Gena Banta-Long

November 7  
Doug Hollar  
William Stanko

November 26  
Sally Long

November 8  
Walker Powell

November 29  
Kevin Nuppau

November 10  
Emily Golding  
Nancy Pedersen

November 30  
Kinsley Spicer

November 11  
Rodger Jones  
Kameron Stanko  
Gail Wilkes

November 12  
Melissa Reyna

*If we inadvertently missed your birthday,  
please contact the church office.  
Thank you.*

### **DUE DATES – TIDINGS ARTICLES, BULLETIN ARTICLES AND SCREENS**

#### **Due Date for Tidings Articles:**

The due date for Tidings articles is the 15th of the month prior to the publication. (i.e. June articles are due by May 15.) Please email articles to Dawn Scarborough in the church office at [dscarborough@fpcvalpo.org](mailto:dscarborough@fpcvalpo.org)

#### **Due Date for Bulletin Articles, First Notes and/or Advertisements:**

The due date for bulletin articles, First Notes, and announcements is noon the Monday prior to the publication.

Please email bulletin announcements and First Notes articles to Dawn Scarborough in the church office at: [dscarborough@fpcvalpo.org](mailto:dscarborough@fpcvalpo.org).

**ROSTER**

**SEXTON**

Open: Jim Hubbard  
Close: Zane Cole

**COMMUNION SET UP AND CLEAN UP**

Nov. 6 June Olling  
Nov. 20 June Olling

**COMMUNION SERVERS**

Nov. 6 Jason Adams  
Cathy Greenawald  
Linda Long  
Nov. 20 Matthew Byerly  
Phebe Klapp  
David Goodwin

**ELDER ON CALL SCHEDULE**

Nov. 6 Linda Long  
Nov. 20 Matthew Byerly

**DEACON(S) ON CALL SCHEDULE**

Nov. 13 Lisa Vukin  
Nov. 27 Bella Wunderlin  
Maddie Wunderlin

**LITURGIST/LECTORS SCHEDULE**

Nov. 6 Lou Ann Karabel  
Nov. 13 Leila Buford  
Nov. 20 Ron Scott  
Nov. 27 Presbys

**USHERS SCHEDULE**

Nov. 6 Elizabeth Monroe  
Rose Ross  
Nov. 13 Kathy Joseph  
Jerry Kahrs  
Nov. 20 Jason Adams  
Andrew Adams  
Nov. 27 David Goodwin  
Phebe Klapp

**COMMUNION SET UP / CLEAN UP**  
Revised: September 8, 2022

NOVEMBER

**Sunday, November 6, 2022** June Olling

**Sunday, November 20, 2022** June Olling

DECEMBER

**Sunday, December 4, 2022** Lisa Vukin

**Christmas Eve (4:00 p.m.)**  
**Saturday, December 24, 2022** Nancy Porter

**Christmas Eve (7:00 p.m.)**  
**Saturday, December 24, 2022** Nancy Porter

**Christmas Day**  
**Sunday, December 25, 2022** Lisa Vukin



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<u>Elders of Session</u>	<u>Ministry Team</u>
Marc Buehler.....	Building and Grounds*
Matthew Byerly.....	Worship Team   iEngage**
Kim Croarkin.....	Matthew 25 Team   Mission Team**
Sharon Kinsey .....	Faith Formation Team   Adult Faith Formation**
Harry Karabel.....	iEngage   Worship Team**
Vic Klancer .....	Building and Grounds Team*
Linda Long .....	Finance/Stewardship Team*
Elizabeth Monroe .....	Membership Team
Ron Phillips.....	Adult Spiritual Formation Team   Faith Formation Team**
Ryne Press.....	Mission Team   Matthew 25 Team**
Trish Lawson.....	Congregational Life Team   Nominating Team
Ron Scott.....	Personnel Team   Nominating Team**

\* denotes Co-moderator  
 \*\* denotes Elder Rep.

Moderator of Session

Pastor Kim Adams

Clerk of Session

Judy Hollar

Membership Clerk

Elizabeth Monroe

Board of Deacons

Nancy Porter, Moderator

Endowment Committee

Kathy Joseph, Moderator

**MISSION STATEMENT: BUILDING DISCIPLES; GROWING IN FAITH; SERVING IN CHRIST'S**



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