

First Presbyterian Church of Valparaiso

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Engaged locally and globally for Christ!



SESSION SYNOPSIS OF MAY 22, 2024

Phew! The May Session meeting was long, but your Elders accomplished a great deal! They approved **11** substantive motions; tabled **3** motions which needed more time for study; approved **12** additional reports; discussed **5** more important topics; and shared at least **18** Joys and Concerns. And they did all of this in service to and love for God and you, the Congregation!

The **discussion items** deserve mentioning first:

- ◆ “*How Safe is your Place of Worship*” is an important workshop being presented by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance in Elkhart on Saturday, June 15. Unfortunately, no one from Building & Grounds Team is able to attend, but they are hopeful that one or two members of the Congregation might be interested. Please check elsewhere in this Tidings as well as in the Sunday bulletins or contact Jerry Kahrs (jerry.kahrs@icloud.com) or Vic Klancer (vic-klancer@comcast.net) for more information. Please pray to discern if God is calling you to help FPC Valpo by attending this workshop.
- ◆ An upcoming expense is resurfacing the parking lots, and part of this conversation includes what to do with the west parking area. Our church is definitely trying to be more environmentally friendly (note the progress on the solar panels being installed on the roof!) so a natural extension of this discussion included possibly turning all or part of that west lot into a natural/green space. Session recommended that B&G investigate parameters for doing just that, so if you have an interest in what Session could/should do along these lines, please contact Jerry or Vic to help explore some possibilities.
- ◆ Also involving the parking lots is the opportunity to use them for a possible 4th of July Fundraiser as has been done several times in the past. If your Bible Study group or Ministry Team is interested in making a few signs and collecting for a cause that is aligned with our mission, Session has already approved the fundraiser. Just contact Clerk Judy Hollar (jbhollar49@gmail.com) to get things scheduled.
- ◆ Elders discussed the possibility of using the church’s Realm software through a hands-on training to facilitate communication between Session members as well as with the congregation. Further exploration and training will be investigated.
- ◆ Elder Harry Karabel welcomed questions regarding the inclusivity workshop led by Rev. Carol McDonald on May 11. He shared that the most important thing he learned was that becoming a more inclusive church is NOT just about LGBTQIA+ but includes *everyone* in *every type of community*. He challenged elders to consider thoughtfully whether our church should join the Covenant Network of Presbyterians which will provide resources and connect us with organizations who are interested in doing what we are doing. Session will be making the decision in June.

The most noteworthy **MOTIONS** included the following::

- ◆ **Finance** ~
 - ⇒ Approved an amount not to exceed \$20,000 of Sharing Table funds for the HVAC Engineering Assessment recommended and approved by B&G
 - ⇒ Approved the contract for a personal loan from a member of the Solar Task force to be paid back when the expected rebate from the US Treasury is received in 2025
 - ⇒ Approved a \$5,000 designated donation to the Scholarship Fund from an anonymous donor
 - ⇒ Approved a fundraising concert featuring Ken Medema on Sunday, June 9, to benefit Project Neighbors

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SESSION SYNOPSIS, CONTINUED

- ◆ **Worship ~**
 - ⇒ Approved a bill for \$2,000 for organ pipe repairs made by the Schantz Organ Company
- ◆ **Faith Formation ~**
 - ⇒ Approved use of Sharing Table Project Funds for the purchase of 3 Vizio TVs at \$129.99 each for a total of \$389.97
- ◆ **Mission ~**
 - ⇒ Approved gifts of emergency assistance for the immigrant Venezuelan family that recently moved to Valparaiso, and for extraordinary healthcare costs for a grandchild of our congregation members
- ◆ **Preschool Planning Team ~**
 - ⇒ Approved the Policies & Procedures for the Presbyterian Preschool
 - ⇒ Approved the Job Description for a Part-time Preschool Director
 - ⇒ Approved the Policy & Procedure for Applying for and Awarding Preschool Scholarships

The **TABLED MOTIONS** to be addressed in June:

- ◆ Review of Membership required by the Book of Order (G3.0201c)
- ◆ Facilities Use Policies & Fees document
- ◆ Smock Fund distribution policy

REPORTS were received from the following Teams:

- ◆ **Congregational Life**
- ◆ **Faith Formation**
- ◆ **Presbyterian Church Resale Shop**
- ◆ **Preschool Planning** (April 24, 2024; April 30, 2024)
- ◆ **Stewardship**
- ◆ Reports were also received from Pastor Kim; Associate Pastor in Residence Julia; Director of Worship Music and Digital Technology; Director of Faith Formation; the Clerk of Session; and the Membership Clerk.

Prayers of joy and concern were offered to God:

- ◆ For the family of a beloved member who has died...
- ◆ For a member who is facing severe health challenges...
- ◆ For a member who has been in the hospital...
- ◆ For a wonderfully successful bike drive for elementary students in Gary...
- ◆ For a joy-filled Presbytery meeting attended by six from FPC Valpo...
- ◆ For the solar panels currently being installed on our roof...
- ◆ For Quinn who is home but who still faces challenges...
- ◆ For a dear friend/member struggling to care for a spouse and a mother...
- ◆ For patience as all enter the “home stretch” of the school year...
- ◆ For Emma and Matthew (and all commissioners) for wisdom and discernment as they prepare to attend General Assembly in Utah next month...
- ◆ For a received VISA...
- ◆ For the opportunity to share similar health experiences...
- ◆ For a church family which has so warmly embraced Johnny...
- ◆ For the marriage of a granddaughter, for this church, and for our Presbytery...
- ◆ For a wonderful 3-day vacation to a favorite city, Detroit...
- ◆ For a niece who is facing possible chemo for a slow-growing cancer while raising two children, one special needs...
- ◆ For a graduation...
- ◆ For the wonder of God’s creation and the glory of God’s world every new day...

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

The Valparaiso Community is invited to join

KEN MEDEMA

singer, songwriter, pianist, synthesist, storyteller
and performer – a true “participation artist”.

Scheduled Events:

Sun, June 9 - Worship Service @ 10am

**Sun, June 9 - Celebration of Community Concert @ 3pm
(to benefit Project Neighbors)**

Tue, June 11 - Caring for the Caregivers Concert @ 7pm

Thu, June 13 - Interlude Retreat on Improvisation @ 7pm

Free Admission
All events held at First Presbyterian Church
3401 Valparaiso St, Valparaiso, IN

Partnered with:



Register for this important workshop!

Saturday, June 15, 2024

9:00 am - 4:00 pm (eastern) 8:00 am - 3:00 pm (central)
at

First Presbyterian Church ~ 200 E Beardsley, Elkhart

HOW SAFE IS YOUR PLACE OF WORSHIP?

Presented by



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE



Training includes

- Emergency Drill & Preparedness
- Policies & Procedures
- Building a Safety Team
- Facility Hardening Techniques
- Grant Applications
- Resources & Networking

Who Should attend?

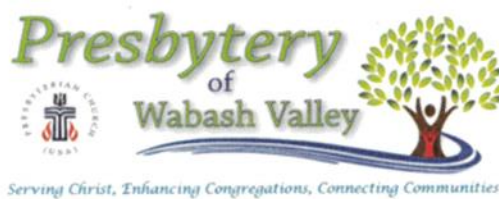
- Religious Leaders
- Security Team Members
- Administrative Staff
- Volunteers involved in safety initiatives

Lunch Available with a \$10.00 donation appreciated.

Register by June 6

At

<https://ourpresbytery.org/events/how-safe-is-your-place-of-worship-workshop/>



OPPORTUNITY

FPCV Mission Team invites you to meet Tom & Dora Becker (son & daughter-in-law of our very own Mike & Pastor Nancy Becker) as they explain their work with the Roma people in Eastern Europe for more than 20 years **on June 2, 2024 9am in the Friendship Room.**

Tom and wife, Dora serve as EFCA ReachGlobal missionaries among the Roma people in Europe. As a US representative for Roma Networks, Tom's priority is to bring people together to support initiatives among the Roma including church plantings, Bible training, youth work, job creation, and community development.

Tom and Dora currently reside in Chesterton after having lived in the Czech Republic nearly 15 years and worked in the regions of Bosnia, Serbia and Herzegovina. Tom has just returned from the 4th Annual Roma Networks Conference in Albania (attended by over 300 church workers from all over Europe, where they network to support education, job creation and the Roma Bible School to create a school tailored for the Balkan context). Tom and Dora also raise Golden Retrievers, have five children (Amy, Matous, Hannah, Axel and Nate) and spend sabbatical time with Tom's parents, Mike and Pastor Nancy Becker.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS



Thank you to all the families that participated in our weekly Family Game Night!

Now that summer break is here, we will be postponing the Game Nights until the fall.

Stay tuned for more updates!

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Join us this summer as we journey to Nazareth and hear all about Jesus as a kid!
June 23-June 26, 2024 5:30pm- Family Dinner
6pm-8pm VBC Fun!

Registration forms are on a table next to the display or register online at:
<https://www.fpcvalpo.org> (found in the Faith Formation tab)
Any questions: Trish Lawson tlawson@fpcvalpo.org

****THIS YEAR'S VBC MISSION COMPONENT** is to furnish boxes of school supplies for all Valparaiso Community Elementary Schools. If you would like to contribute, please see the list below or if making a financial contribution, in the memo please state "VBC 2024 supplies."

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| 24ct boxes Crayola crayons | 12ct boxes of Crayola colored pencils |
| 10ct boxes of washable Crayola markers | Blunt tip scissors |
| 12ct boxes of Ticonderoga #2 pencils (pre-sharpened) | Highlighters |
| Dry Erase Markers (black & multicolored) | Glue sticks |
| Wide width loose leaf paper | Wide width 1 subject notebooks |
| Kleenex | Hand sanitizer |
| Backpacks | |

ALL ITEMS CAN BE PLACED IN THE LABELED BIN IN THE NARTHEX

SYMPATHY

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to:
The Sterling Miller family upon the death of his wife, Barbara.

SUMMER STUDY OPPORTUNITY

SPIRITUAL HEALING IN THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION

Four lectures by Rev. Dr. Douglas E. Busby

In the Friendship Room from 9:00 to 9:45 AM on
June 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th

**Spiritual Healing
in the Christian Tradition
By
Rev. Dr. Douglas E. Busby**



Lecture 1. Introduction to Spiritual Healing: What Does the Bible Say and Do We Believe?

- ◆ Definitions for discussions of spiritual healing.
- ◆ Spiritual healing by Jesus Christ and his followers.
- ◆ Spiritual healing in the Early Church.
- ◆ Mistranslation of “healing” in James 5.

Lecture 2. Spiritual Healing in the Early Church to the Present

- ◆ Spiritual healing as a continuing phenomenon.
- ◆ Decline and resurgence of spiritual healing in the Church.
- ◆ Dispensationalism and punishment theology in spiritual healing ministry.

Lecture 3. The Source of Spiritual Healing

- ◆ Spiritual healing as God’s “gift” in 1 Corinthians 12.
- ◆ Specially gifted “spiritual healers” in Christianity.
- ◆ Spiritual healing in the Pentecostal and charismatic movements.

Lecture 4. The Practice of Spiritual Healing In and Beyond the Church

- ◆ Similarities and differences between spiritual healing and energy medicine.
- ◆ Use of Jesus’ way of spiritual healing.

REV. DR. BUSBY received his medical doctorate (MD, *cum laude*) degree and Master of Science (MSc) degree in biophysics from the University of Western Ontario in Canada. His post-graduate studies at The Ohio State University and the Lovelace Foundation led to his being certified as a specialist in Aerospace Medicine. In ministry, he received his Master of Divinity (MDiv) degree from the Chicago Theological Seminary and his Doctor of Ministry (DMin) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degrees from the Graduate Theological Foundation. He has been an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ for 26 years, serving as an instructor at the Chicago Theological Seminary, an interim (transitional) minister, and a pulpit supply minister. He has preached and lectured on spiritual healing in several Protestant denominations and practiced spiritual healing in many churches, hospitals, homes, and other venues. His 67 publications include the first book on clinical problems from hazards of space operations and two books on spiritual healing. He has recently told his life story to date in “My Experiences in Medicine, Theology, and Along the Way,” a book published by Amazon.

PRAYER & PRAISE MINISTRY

If you desire prayer support for yourself or loved ones, you are welcome to contact the Prayer Warriors through the Prayer and Praise Ministry chain: bcgermann@gmail.com or (219) 477-9964.

Ages 4 & 5

SUMMER SCHOOL

MONDAY, JULY 29 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 2
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Address
First Presbyterian Church
3401 N. Valparaiso St
Valparaiso, IN 46383

Registration Link
<https://forms.gle/Ev22SP28U6FYbmj17>
By June 17th, 2024

Contact Us
219-464-4985
pwns@fpcvalpo.org

Activities
Drawing & painting
Outdoor Activities
Kindergarten Readiness

Admission \$100

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL YARD SIGNS HAVE ARRIVED!

If you would like to place a sign in your yard and further help grow our preschool, they are located in The Faith Formation office and there will be a sign out sheet when you receive one.

Thanks so much!



Faith Formation would like to thank you for another fantastic year of learning together. We will be working this summer to bring fresh new lessons to you in the fall!

There will be many opportunities to check out this summer and we encourage you to engage in them.

We will see you back in class on September 8th!
Your Faith Formation Team

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Wide Width Loose Leaf Paper	Hand Sanitizer
Wide Width 1 Subject Notebooks	
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PRAYGROUND COVENANT

(April 10, 2024)

- 1) We use our indoor whisper voices in church.
- 2) We use kind words and have kind hands.
- 3) We have our bottoms in the chairs, no running in worship.
- 4) Practice listening and participating in worship (i.e., when congregation is singing, follow in the hymnal accordingly).
- 5) If you come to the Prayground, we ask that you stay at the Prayground.
- 6) If you need to leave the Prayground, please let Ms. Trish or the adult at the table know; and then find your adult.
- 7) Have fun!



Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a real blessing.
Psalm 127:3

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The Faith Formation Ministry Team is sending out a prayerful plea for Sunday morning Nursery Leadership. We are looking for two volunteers for 10:00 a.m. worship to tend to our youngest disciples each week in the nursery.

There will be a 10-minute grace period for parents to drop their child/children off. If there is no need for the nursery, please join us in the sanctuary.

Interested or questions please contact Trish Lawson

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE

**COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED ON
SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024 AT 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP**

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the above-captioned date/time 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.



SHARING TABLE

If you don't feel the energy around the church now, you will soon. It's gonna get electric at FPCV. The session approved a project to install 190 solar voltaic panels facing south on the flat roof areas. A contract has been signed with Advanced Solar LLC of Warsaw, Indiana to install a 75-kw solar panel system. Total installation is estimated to take 6 to 8 weeks this spring with the system operational as soon as installation is complete and required inspections have been completed by NIPSCO. This summer the panels could be producing electricity for FPCV.

The Building and Grounds team set an objective of reducing our utility costs and becoming more environmentally responsible. This is a good project to keep us moving in that direction. The proposed system uses clean, renewable energy from the sun, helps to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels, insulates FPCV from constantly increasing utility rates and should be maintenance free, Depending on a number of factors such as utility rates and daily electrical consumption patterns, the system should pay for itself within a 7 or 8 year period through savings in our utility bills.

This project falls into the Sharing Table Project of Caring for our Facility in terms of our building, community, and environment. The Federal Rebate of 30%, authorized under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, will be applied for upon completion of the project with those funds returning to STP for other projects. An incentive created to move to renewable energy to the benefit of the environment for all communities. This big step to reduce our carbon footprint is one to be proud of. I will share a couple websites with more information on the benefits of this choice than I could put in this letter: For information on a mission of the PCUSA, google "Earth Care Congregations", Interfaith Power and Light provides ideas for congregations to cut carbon emissions on a website "Cool Congregations". Take a look at some of the activities presented on both sites. If you find yourself motivated to start a small group with other interested members of the church to pursue some more steps for environmental stewardship, talk to me so we can make it happen.

This project also falls into other action categories from the Sharing Table Project. Under New Member Outreach, we want to communicate this story to the community. We could be listed as an Earth Care Congregation or a Cool Congregation with the groups which run the websites listed above which may grow a new Community Partnerships. Utilizing information from these websites or other sources, we may Grow Learning Opportunities in stewardship of the earth. And the future Funding of the Mission Plan will be improved as our utility expenses are decreased. The opportunities to be stewards of the Earth's environment is becoming a topic of discussion for us to Share at the Table. I look forward to being at the table with the Congregation.



CALENDAR

Saturday, June 1, 2024		
Sunday, June 2, 2024		
9:00 AM	Mission Team Presentation: Tom and Dora Becker	Friendship Room
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
11:00 AM	Congregational Life Team	FPC
2:00 PM	Sensible Shoes Book Club	101
Monday, June 3, 2024		
6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
Tuesday, June 4, 2024		
12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
12:00 PM	PCPS Board Meeting	154, 155
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
2:00 PM	Membership Team	154, 155
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM	Planned Giving	101
Wednesday, June 5, 2024		
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	101
11:00 AM	Building and Grounds	154, 155
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
5:30 PM	Faith Formation Team	144, 145
6:30 PM	Worship Team	154, 155
Thursday, June 6, 2024		
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, June 7, 2024		
Saturday, June 8, 2024		
Sunday, June 9, 2024		
9:00 AM	Spiritual Healing	Friendship Room
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed* - Guest Ken Medema	FPC, Online
3:00 PM	Celebration of Community Concert (to benefit Project Neighbors) Ken Medema	Sanctuary
Monday, June 10, 2024		
6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
Tuesday, June 11, 2024		
12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	Caring for the Caregivers Concert: Ken Medema	Sanctuary
Wednesday, June 12, 2024		
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	101
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
5:00 PM	PCRS Picnic	FPC
6:00 PM	iEngage Team Meeting	Online
7:00 PM	Finance Team	154, 155
Thursday, June 13, 2024		
9:00 AM	MT Meeting	Friendship Room
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
7:00 PM	Interlude Retreat on Improvisation: Ken Medema	Sanctuary
Friday, June 14, 2024		
Saturday, June 15, 2024		
10:00 AM	Visitation Fellowship	Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Memorial Service - Walls	Sanctuary
12:00 PM	Memorial Luncheon	Fellowship Hall

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 16, 2024		
9:00 AM	Spiritual Healing	Friendship Room
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
Monday, June 17, 2024		
6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
Tuesday, June 18, 2024		
12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, June 19, 2024		
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	101
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
6:30 PM	Session Meeting	154, 155
Thursday, June 20, 2024		
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, June 21, 2024		
Saturday, June 22, 2024		
Sunday, June 23, 2024		
9:00 AM	Spiritual Healing	Friendship Room
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
5:30 PM	Vacation Bible Camp	FPC
Monday, June 24, 2024		
5:30 PM	Vacation Bible Camp	FPC
6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
Tuesday, June 25, 2024		
12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
5:30 PM	Vacation Bible Camp	FPC
Wednesday, June 26, 2024		
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	101
2:30 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
5:30 PM	Vacation Bible Camp	FPC
Thursday, June 27, 2024		
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, June 28, 2024		
Saturday, June 29, 2024		
Sunday, June 30, 2024		
9:00 AM	Spiritual Healing	Friendship Room
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online

* *on calendar denotes in-person and streamed online: Facebook, [fpcvalpo.org](https://www.fpcvalpo.org), FPC YouTube Channel:*

www.fpcvalpo.org/worship-livestream,

www.youtube.com/channel/UC8Za9RpS1LFHAmVd6XW_pTQ, or

www.facebook.com/1stPresChurchValpo

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

June 1 Debra Daugherty Harry Turner Susan Jones	June 19 Norma MacKenzie
June 2 Dylan Wray	June 20 Beverly Caldwell Pam Skaltsas
June 3 John Bianco	June 26 Tina Kukler
June 6 June Olling	June 27 Fred Grosick
June 11 Samantha Braggs	June 30 Sterling Miller Stuart Robbins Dan Saros
June 12 Benjamin Braggs Hattie Hoham	
June 17 Sally Hawke	

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

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



presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Join us for 10:00 a.m. Worship outside under the pavilion first and third Sundays of the month, weather permitting, and in the sanctuary on the second, fourth and fifth Sundays of the month at 10:00 a.m. through September.

MINISTRY ROSTER

SEXTON

Open:	Doug Hollar
Close:	Jim Hubbard (2) Jerry Kahrs (9, 16, 23, 30)

ELDER ON CALL SCHEDULE

June 2	Rose Ross
June 16	Jeanne Turner

DEACON ON CALL SCHEDULE

June 9	June Olling
June 23	Sharon Harris

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

June 2	Sharon Kinsey
June 9	Ron Scott
June 16	Jeanne Turner
June 23	Sheya Bennett
June 30	Annabelle

USHERS SCHEDULE

June 2	Jim Hubbard Sharon Hubbard Rose Ross
June 9	Cathy Cole Zane Cole Molly
June 16	Jim Gray Ben Keller Madison Keller
June 23	Kathy Joseph Jerry Kahrs Steve Scarborough
June 30	Jason Adams Mary Brown Julie Fletcher-Golding

COMMUNION SERVERS

June 2	Connie Knauff Paul Knauff Leila Buford
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COMMUNION SET UP / CLEAN UP

June 2	Gina Peyton Jim Peyton
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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

Due Date for Bulletin Articles, Screens, 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.

Please email screen announcements to Jeff Whitney at: jwhitney@fpcvalpo.org.

Thank you!

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Applications for scholarships and a service award to be given by First Presbyterian Church are available online at <https://www.fpcvalpo.org/scholarships> or in the church office. Please submit completed forms to the following address by June 9, 2024:

First Presbyterian Church
3401 N. Valparaiso Street
Valparaiso, IN 46383
Attn: Scholarship Committee

The annual Anne Lauterbach Scholarships are available to high school graduates of any age who are pursuing education toward a post-high school degree.

The annual Lillian Wilson Graeber Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school senior who is active in First Presbyterian Church and in the community and who has been accepted by a two or four-year institution of higher learning.

The First Presbyterian Church Service Award will go to a graduating high school senior who is implementing post-secondary education plans.

Anyone with questions may contact committee members:

Jason Gordon (jrgordon@comcast.net);
Connie Knauff (pcknauff@comcast.net);
Doug Hollar (djhollar@comcast.net); or
Cathy Greenawald (cathygreenawald@comcast.net)



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHURCH STAFF

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Dan Higgins, Custodian	
Valarie Smart-Higgins, Custodian	
Judy Hollar, Clerk of Session.....	churchoffice@fpcvalpo.org
Trish Lawson, Director of Faith Formation	tlawson@fpcvalpo.org
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John Stocks, Custodian	
Jeff Whitney, Director of Worship Music & Digital Technology	jwhitney@fpcvalpo.org
Julia Zhao, Associate Pastor in Residence	jzhao@fpcvalpo.org

In case of a pastoral emergency, please contact the church office at 219-464-4985.

Elders of Session

Ministry Team

Matthew Byerly	iEngage* Worship Team*
Sharon Kinsey	Faith Formation Team Adult Faith Formation*
Jerry Kahrs	Finance Building and Grounds*
Harry Karabel.....	iEngage Team Worship Team*
Linda Long	Mission
Elizabeth Monroe	Membership Team Nominating Team Stewardship Team*
Kathryne Penninga	Worship Team Congregational Life* Mission *
Ron Phillips	Adult Faith Formation Team Faith Formation Team*
Rose Ross	Congregational Life
Jeanne Turner	Stewardship Team Membership*
Chip Wilkes.....	Personnel Team* Finance Team*

*denotes Elder Rep.

Building and Grounds Team

Vic Klancer, Moderator

Moderator of Session

Pastor Kim Adams

Membership Clerk

Elizabeth Monroe

Board of Deacons

Beth Germann, Moderator

Personnel Team

Jim Hubbard, Moderator

Clerk of Session Pro Tem

Jim Hubbard

Planned Giving Committee

Kathy Joseph, Moderator

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