

First Presbyterian Church of Valparaiso

3401 North Valparaiso Street
Valparaiso, IN 46383
Phone: (219) 464-4985

Engaged locally and globally for Christ!



SESSION SYNOPSIS OF JANUARY 24, 2024

The first Session Meeting of 2024 was a good one with all Elders ready to support the ministry & mission of the congregation. The meeting started off with the Elders presenting and discussing their individual results from the Myers-Briggs/Jung Typology test, a process that will help the Elders to know each other a little better and aid their ability to work well together.

Notable items and discussions from the first 2024 Meeting were:

In preparation for the **Annual Meeting of the Congregation** Session **approved**:

- 1) **Sunday, February 11th, 2024** immediately following worship, as the meeting date which allows for the required two-week notice to the congregation. [It will be an efficient meeting that will not require a lengthy time commitment from those attending.]
- 2) **2023 Annual Report**, copies to be available, which does a great job of reviewing 2023 and all the meaningful things that this congregation and the ministry teams accomplished.
- 3) **Church's finances** at the end of 2023 for congregation information to be reviewed.
- 4) **2024 Budget**, as adopted by Session, to be presented for congregation information. [The congregation does not vote on the budget.]
- 5) **Congregation Nominating Committee** nominees, those individuals charged with identifying members willing to serve in the key positions of Elder and Deacon, to be elected by the congregation.
- 6) **Bylaws of FPCV**, as approved by Session, will be presented to the congregation for its approval.
- 7) **Terms of Call for Pastor Kim**, as approved by Session, will be submitted for congregation approval.

- **A Financial Audit** was conducted in late 2023 and the Treasurer reported the audit went well with no findings of needed corrections. This was important because 2023 was a year of transition for our financial software systems and many new record keeping procedures. It was noted that the many hours of work by Treasurer Linda Long, with Business Manager Susan Davis, and with the Finance Team made the good audit results possible.
- Welcoming of "Pastor" Julia and praise for her wonderful **Ordination service held January 7, 2024**. It was noted how blessed we are to have Pastor Julia as our Associate Pastor in Residence.
- Recognition of the first application and issuance of **Sharing Table Funds**. **iEngage** applied via the application process for funding some new equipment to improve our streaming capability and quality, our audio quality, and some sanctuary monitors for better image quality.

Among the **Session Approvals** given after appropriate Motions with seconds, were:

- **Moving \$60,000** of the \$76,127 in funds received in 2023 that were in excess of 2023 expenses to an appropriate core account and identified as Operating Reserves.
- Establishing the process for bringing **requests from the ministry teams for Sharing Table Funds** to Session for review. All requests will first go to a Sharing Table team of Chris Hoham & Jim Hubbard to be put into a format with accompanying support documents before being presented for review and consideration by Session. (iEngage had the first request approved by Session for Sharing Table funds.)

continued on next page

SESSION SYNOPSIS OF JANUARY 24, 2024, CONTINUED

- Allowing the **Sweet Adelines**, the choral group that practices in our Fellowship Hall each Tuesday evening, to hold a fundraising concert in Fellowship Hall on Sunday April 21, 2024. This approval was made under the Facility Use Policy in effect when the application was made. [A new, revised Facility Use Policy is currently under development.]
- Holding the traditional **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 from 5PM to 7PM in Fellowship Hall. Funds raised will go to our Environmental Ministry (31290).
- Reinstating the past practice of having Session members hold a **potluck dinner with Confirmands** on the evening they hear the Faith Statements from Confirmands. This will allow for that personal interaction deemed important for supporting our young Confirmands.
- Introducing the congregation, via a letter to members, to a new initiative by iEngage to make First Presbyterian Valparaiso **a more welcoming congregation**. [The Sharing Table model, which began with an all-congregation general meeting, will be followed to clarify where we are and where we want to go in making FPCV a more welcoming building on our Mathew 25 Foundation.]
- Updating of a few of the Policies & Procedures for the **Presbyterian Church Resale Shop**, the ones related to how its leadership team is chosen and vacancies handled.

Reports were received from the following Teams without discussion:

- Personnel
- Buildings & Grounds
- Faith Formation
- Congregational Life
- First Presbyterian Preschool
- Mission Team
- Stewardship Team
- Other reports were received from Pastor Kim, the Treasurer, the Director of Worship Music and Digital Technology, the Director of Faith Formation, the Associate Pastor in Residence and the Clerk Pro Tem of Session.

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 Pro Tem if you have questions or are interested in further details.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Hubbard, Clerk Pro Tem of Session

+ + +

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION FEBRUARY 11, 2024

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held on Sunday, February 11, 2024, following 10:00 a.m. worship for the purpose of receiving the 2023 Annual Report and the 2024 Operating Budget, presenting the names of officers for the Corporation as elected by Session, approving the Terms of Call, and receiving the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee on the Members-at-Large nominations to the 2024 Congregational Nominating Committee.



FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Soup Can Collection is available in the Narthex before & after 10:00 a.m. Worship through Feb. 11.

Whomever you root for in the big game, we're all winners when we support our neighbors!



FPCV SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER

**Tuesday, February 13, 2024
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
\$7/adult \$5/child 10 & under
\$20/family (4+ members)**

In-person Dining & To-go available

Let FPCV youth do all the work while you enjoy a delicious breakfast for dinner!



continued on next page

Wandering Heart

"Tune my heart"



**Join us for Ash Wednesday Family Worship as we Journey to the Cross and learn to walk with Jesus on
Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 5:30 pm
in the FPCV Sanctuary.**

All are welcome!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL

This past month was filled with getting back into routine. We are already gearing up for next school year, as we have published our registration for the 2024-2025 school year. We are excited to announce a new 5-day class to our preschool.

In January, we celebrated our students' achievements with parents during our Parent Teacher Conferences. Our theme for Chapel Chats with Miss Trish was "Jonah and the Whale." The students really enjoyed this story.

We look forward to a fabulous February!

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.

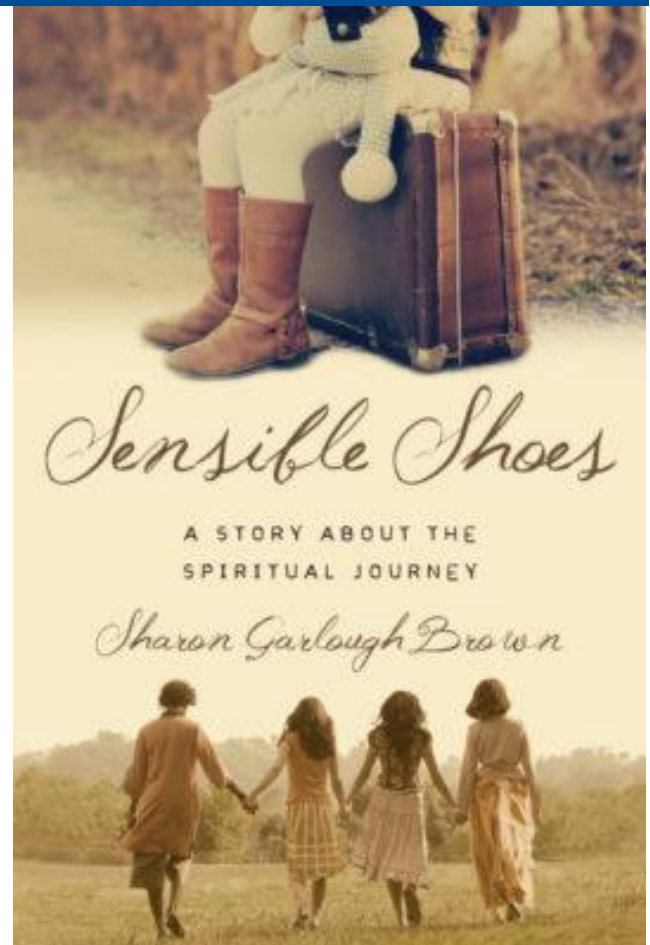
BOOK CLUB OPPORTUNITY

Join Pastor Julia as she guides us through
Sensible Shoes by pastor and spiritual director, Sharon Garlough Brown, and introduces prayer and Scripture reading practices from Christian tradition.

This is an 8-week offering
Sundays April 7th through June 2, 2024
(skipping May 5th) 2pm-4pm
in Room 101.

Books can be purchased at Amazon,
Barnes & Noble and Target
Those interested feel free to email
Pastor Julia at jzhao@fpcvalpo.org

Hope to see you there!



ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE

**COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED DURING WORSHIP on
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024
AT 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP AND
ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024
AT 7:00 P.M. WORSHIP**



We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the above-captioned dates/times 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.

+++

ASHES ON THE GO

**ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024
8:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.
11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**



Life is busy. FPCV gets it! God's grace comes to us in the busyness. FPCV is pleased to offer drive-through Imposition of Ashes and blessing. Simply drive up to the FPCV Main Entrance during the timeframe above and a pastor will greet you at your car.



Mission is the heart of who we are as First Presbyterian Church! One of our brilliant art glass windows says “Go ye...” and we know the rest is “teach all nations...”. Meditate upon the messages of our sanctuary windows sometime in the quiet before worship. Jesus tells us, “Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me... Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.”



One way we live out this message is through Matthew 25: Building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism and eradicating systemic poverty.

Another is that each Sunday at the end of worship, we are sent out to do this work in our daily lives, wherever we may be found. It's the “yes, and”...our response to worship and growing in understanding through God's Word is to put the message of the Gospel into the world. Our actions give witness to our words and our faith in our Triune God. Hands and feet spread the Word.

Together, we do so much as First Pres! Our preschool and resale shop reach out into the community. We invite into our building the PADS program for men without housing, the Great Banquet community that plans retreat weekends and invites seekers to “come to the Banquet,” the Scouts, and other groups whose work is committed to love God and love our neighbor. We send funding where we cannot go, such as the small school in Kenya or major disaster sites.

This year the Mission Team is inviting new voices to join the team and its work of sharing stories of community needs and actions we can take that might begin to address those needs. We meet the second Tuesday each month at 6:30 pm in Room 101, with a Zoom option when unable to attend in person. What is your passion: welcoming immigrants to our community, teaching the children, affordable housing for low-income families, folks hungry toward the end of each month, better care for God's green earth? Consider yourself invited!

Linda Long, Moderator & Kathryne Penninga, Mission Team Elders on Session

+++

PADS MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Volunteers are needed for PADS ministry. Please find the following opportunities:

February 7

7:00 p.m. - Dinner

2 - 6 a.m. Shift

6:00 a.m. Thurs., breakfast

February 21

6-10 p.m. Shift

2 - 6 a.m. Shift

6-7 a.m. Thurs. Breakfast

February 14

6-10 p.m. Shift

2 - 6 a.m. Shift

February 28

2 - 6 a.m. Shift

Laundry pickup Thurs., Feb. 29

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

2023 CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

“I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU FED ME...” MATHEW 25:35

Having begun in 1982 by Charlie and Nan Steeves this was the 41st year of operation for the Christian Food Pantry! The first month 87 families were served. Today, support comes from the seven sponsoring churches and the community. The giving of all kinds from these sources continues to be very generous.

The pantry greatly appreciates the generosity of the First United Methodist Church for providing the space in the Asbury Center for the pantry operations. The space and co-operation shared with The Shop is greatly valued! The two projects work well together.

We are most thankful for the 20+ dedicated volunteers that continue to serve faithfully. VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR GREATEST ASSET! Seven volunteers work every Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or later. MANY extra hours are spent shopping, picking up donations, sorting food, stocking shelves and ‘housekeeping’ as well as compiling reports, keeping records and paying bills. Personal notes are sent to organizations and individuals outside the sponsoring congregations who donate money or food.

During the summer school vacation, two hundred sixty-nine Kids’ Kits containing extra food and treats were given to families with children ages 5 to 16.

The Valparaiso community came through with extra help for holiday giving. Food, health, cleaning items, etc. were collected by various groups and organizations. Holiday dinner menu items were offered: Seventy-one families picked up Easter hams and dinner items. Sixty-nine families received Thanksgiving turkey and foods. Ninety-nine families chose either a ham or a turkey to supplement dinner menu items for Christmas.

Kits for soups, salads, goulash and pies were sometimes offered as extra specials.

PEOPLE/FAMILIES SERVED IN 2023

Families:	2,014	Averaging 168 Per Month
Individuals:	5,178	Averaging 432 Per Month

Co-directors: Nan Steeves, Founder
Sharon Crowder

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

www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/

DEACONS DOINGS

(submitted by Sharon Harris)

The Deacons continue to be active with sending cards each month to our friends who are home bound and to those with special events in their lives.

Home visits along with phone calls are being made to keep up with our friends. If you know of someone who has this need, please let the church office know.

Communion is prepared by the Deacons the first Sunday of the month along with many other times communion is served to our congregation. We are thankful for Sheya Bennett continuing to make our special bread in a gluten free form.

A very special thank you to our congregation for the wonderful support you gave to the Deacons for the Cookie Walk in November and the help with gathering items for the Advent Bags in December. Our Deacons really stayed busy with both of these events.

Visits were made during this time to homes and care facilities in the area. Fellowship and joys were shared as we delivered twenty-four Advent Bags to friends and members of the church.

Dottie Staats and Marilyn Owens have both moved from Valparaiso. Dottie is in the Ft. Wayne area and Marilyn has now moved to Gulf Port, MS. We are happy for them that they are both now living close to their families.

We thank Linda and Bob Marrs, Cathy Greenawald and Cindy Robinson for their faithful years of ministry with our Deacons. They were such faithful leaders in many of the areas of the Deacons' work the last three years.

We are happy to have Beth Germann and Jean Patton join us in the Deacon ministry.

We ask for your prayers as we go into a new year with new challenges in the various areas of ministry.

I Peter 4:10 - "Use whatever gift you have received...as faithful stewards of God's grace."

God of grace help me to share **your** grace in my interactions with others.





OPPORTUNITY



The Presbyterian Church Resale Shop ("PCRS") is proud to support FPC as a Matthew 25 congregation. The mission of the Shop fulfills all three goals of the Matthew 25 challenge.

- ♦ Building Congregational Vitality: We are volunteers who work together to serve our church and our community and build relationships with each other.
- ♦ Dismantling Structural Racism: We welcome all customers and volunteers.
- ♦ Eradicating Systemic Poverty: We provide low-cost merchandise to our customers, and we donate our proceeds to causes that feed the hungry and clothe those in need.

The PCRS needs extra hands to help us prepare for changeover when we transition from winter clothing to spring and summer clothing. Our basement is filled with clothing on hangers that need to be sorted by gender and size.

All members of the FPC congregation are invited to join us on Monday, February 5th and/or Tuesday, February 6, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to help us get organized. Sub sandwiches and beverages will be provided.

PCRS volunteers will be available in the Hospitality Center on January 28th, and February 4, 2024 to answer questions and sign-up helpers. You may also RSVP to Mary Linda Scott at nana6987@hotmail.com or 231-590-5799.

It's a great opportunity to live into our Matthew 25 challenge.

Mary Linda Scott
Co-Moderator

WORSHIP FLOWER OPPORTUNITY

If you would like to donate worship flowers in honor/memory of a loved one or celebration, please fill out the information below and return it to the church office. **If you would like to have the flowers delivered to the church, please do so by noon the Friday prior to the Sunday service.** If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact the church office at 219-464-4985. Thank you.

Feb. 4	Feb. 11	Feb. 18	Feb. 25	Mar. 3
Mar. 10	Mar. 17	Mar. 24		

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

CALENDAR

Thursday, February 1, 2024

10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
5:00 PM	Handbell Choir	Chapel
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, February 2, 2024

Saturday, February 3, 2024

Sunday, February 4, 2024

9:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes	CE Rooms
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
11:00 AM	Congregational Life Team	FPC, Online
6:00 PM	Presbys	Fellowship Hall

Monday, February 5, 2024

6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
---------	-------------------	-----

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
12:00 PM	First Presbyterian Preschool Board Meeting	154, 155
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
2:00 PM	Membership Team (TBC)	154, 155/Zoom
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	101
11:00 AM	Building and Grounds	154, 155
2:00 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
5:30 PM	Faith Formation Team	144, 145
6:30 PM	Worship Team	TBC
7:00 PM	Finance Team (<i>Rescheduled</i>)	154, 155
7:00 PM	PADS	FPC

Thursday, February 8, 2024

9:00 AM	MT Meeting	Friendship Room
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
5:00 PM	Handbell Choir	Chapel
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, February 9, 2024

Saturday, February 10, 2024

continued on next page

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 11, 2024 - Congregational Meeting		
9:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes	CE Rooms
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
6:00 PM	Presbys	Fellowship Hall
Monday, February 12, 2024		
6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
Tuesday, February 13, 2024		
12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Hospitality Center
5:00 PM	Shrove Tues. Pancake Dinner (Until 7:00 p.m)	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	Sweet Adelines	Sanctuary
6:00 PM	iEngage Team (TBC)	Online
6:30 PM	Mission Team	101
Wednesday, February 14, 2024		
8:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Ashes to Go (Drive Up Imposition)	FPC Main Entrance
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	101
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Ashes to Go (Drive Up Imposition)	FPC Main Entrance
2:00 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
5:30 PM	Family Ash Wed. Service	Sanctuary
7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
7:00 PM	PADS	FPC
Thursday, February 15, 2024		
9:00 AM	Agenda Meeting (TBC)	FPC
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
5:00 PM	Handbell Choir	Chapel
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, February 16, 2024		
Saturday, February 17, 2024		
Sunday, February 18, 2024		
9:00 AM	Faith Formation Classes	CE Rooms
10:00 AM	Worship Svc. Live & Streamed*	FPC, Online
6:00 PM	Presbys	Fellowship Hall
Monday, February 19, 2024		
6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
Tuesday, February 20, 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, February 21, 2024		
10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study	101
2:00 PM	Disciples Bible Study	101
6:30 PM	Session Meeting (Rescheduled)	154, 155
7:00 PM	PADS	FPC
Thursday, February 22, 2024		
10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
5:00 PM	Handbell Choir	Chapel
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, February 23, 2024		
Saturday, February 24, 2024		

continued on next page

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 25, 2024

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

Monday, February 26, 2024

6:00 PM	Men's Bible Study	101
---------	-------------------	-----

Tuesday, February 27, 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, February 28, 2024

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

Thursday, February 29, 2024

10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	154, 155
5:00 PM	Handbell Choir	Chapel
6:30 PM	Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary

** 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

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!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

February 1 Ron Scott	February 16 Willa Nuppnau Julie Pollaro Sharon Swihart
February 3 Marci Powell	February 17 Sadie Kinsey Sharon Kinsey
February 4 Kay Exley	February 18 Wendy Banta-Long
February 6 Linda Long	February 23 Jim Boys Carolyn Hughes Valarie Smart-Higgins
February 7 Gabriel Byerly	February 24 Beverlee Frazee
February 8 Jerry Kahrs	February 26 Rose Bianco
February 10 Sandi Roth	February 28 Donna Parker Lisa Vukin
February 11 Isabella Wunderlin Madison Wunderlin	
February 12 Liam Luick Karen Vogelsang	
February 14 Rick Exley	

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

MINISTRY ROSTER

SEXTON

Open:	Vic Klancer
Close:	Jim Hubbard
Ash Wed:	TBD

ELDER ON CALL SCHEDULE

February 4	Sharon Kinsey
February 18	Jerry Kahrs

DEACON ON CALL SCHEDULE

February 11	Joy Dirks
February 25	Emily

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

February 4	Sharon Kinsey
February 11	Emily
February 18	Jerry Kahrs
February 25	Emily

USHERS SCHEDULE

February 4	David Goodwin Jim Hubbard Sharon Hubbard
February 11	Mary Brown Julie Fletcher-Golding Molly
February 18	TBD Steve Scarborough
February 25	Amy Press Ryne Press Ken McAloon

COMMUNION SERVERS

February 4 10:00 a.m.	Jim Hubbard Sharon Kinsey Andrea Phillips
Ash Wednesday February 14 7:00 p.m.	Sheya Bennett Trish Lawson Cindy Robinson

COMMUNION SET UP / CLEAN UP

February 4	Bonnie Swarner
Ash Wednesday February 14	Beth Germann

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHURCH STAFF

E-MAIL ADDRESS

Pastor Kim Adams	kadams@fpcvalpo.org
Pastor Nancy Becker, Parish Associate	churchoffice@fpcvalpo.org
Rhonda Clark, Handbell Choir Director	churchoffice@fpcvalpo.org
Sue Davis, Business Manager.....	sdavis@fpcvalpo.org
Brad Dirks, Organist.....	churchoffice@fpcvalpo.org
Dan Higgins, Custodian	
Valarie Smart-Higgins, Custodian	
Judy Hollar, Clerk of Session	churchoffice@fpcvalpo.org
Trish Lawson, Director of Faith Formation	tlawson@fpcvalpo.org
Dawn Scarborough, Church Administrator.	dscarborough@fpcvalpo.org
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.....	Worship Team iEngage**
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.....	Congregational Life** Mission ** Worship**
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 Co-moderator

** 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

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



First Presbyterian Church Valparaiso (public) and
FPCVALPO (closed)