

The Lighted Spire

January, 2018
NEWS & CALENDAR

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Prayer Shawl Ministry

Fourth Monday of each month

This small but mighty (and fun) group knits and crochets: Prayer Shawls for those going through transitions Hats, scarves and mittens for Head Start Beanies for premature babies Blankets for cancer patients



Guests are always welcome to come and join this ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, come and check out this small, fun group. Even if you don't know how to knit or crochet, they will be glad to teach you and get you started.

The next meeting of this group will be on Monday, January 22 at 1:00pm at the home of Betty Alexander, 1507 Counselor Row. Call Betty (317-398-6940) if you have any questions, if you would like to donate any of these items, or if you know of someone who needs a prayer shawl.

CCC 55+

Mark your calendars for the **CCC After Christmas Christmas Party** on Tuesday, January 23 at 11:30am in fellowship hall. Since we had to reschedule the date, we are also rescheduling all the fun and activities so come prepared to enjoy a great holiday meal with hilarity to follow. You are welcome to bring something to enhance the meal, but it is not necessary to do so. Everyone who is 55+ is welcome to join the fun! Talk to Judy Mitchell (317-392-3038) if you have questions.

Sisters of Strength

This group meets monthly and offers a chance for women to meet with other women in the church. They will not meet in January, so watch for details for our February gathering.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG

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Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander Lois Mitchell **Bob Ardery** Mark Morningstar **Shelby Bowers** Becky Murnan Ray & Charline Brown Shirley Oeffinger Clay Browning Jamie Orem Ann Bruner Sharon Orem Vickie Butler Tyler & Josh Orem Naomi Catt Marilyn Phares Randi Catt Bill & Joyce Runshe **Charles Craft** Bill & Jonita Smith Bill English Deloris Sorrell Gordon Hamlin Eric Sorrell **Bonnie Harris** Gene & Marilyn VanCleve George & Marian Mary Ann Wasson Hobbs **Bud Wertz** Linda Howell Dawn Whitfield Keith & Vickie Williams Ashley Johnson Debby McLeod

Church family and friends

Vicki Alexander, Paul Binder Sr., Steven Binder, Elizabeth Bir, Mary Brown, Wyatt Cameron, Alva Catt Jr., Amanda Catt, Betty Craft, Michael Craft, Bill Collins, Cory, Dakota, Teri, Amber, Britney & Justin Douglass, Esther Gahimer, Julie Harris, Deloris Hassebroek, Vicki Hassebroek, Ashley Hedges, Janna Craft Hedges, Hunter, David Hunton, Jaxon, Daniell Johnson, Jeremy Klakamp, Tammy, Betty Nichols, Brad Nigh, Chelsea Overhage, Patricia Overmyer, Jim Overmyer, Lyn & Mary Kay Pitts, Marsha Pyle, Janet Roberts, Jon Ross, Natalie Sargent, John Scudder, Chera Shaub, Peggy Trittipo, Alice Wheeler, Cheryl White, Sally Willis, Susan Wooledge

Those in military service

Blake McIntire Alex Dillon Deryk Smith **Brett Walburn**

D Deacons need your help!

There is less than a month left to contribute to our collection of



school supplies for the 2017-2018 school year. Please take strips of paper from pockets on the large "pencil" in the parlor hallway. Return the supply named to either the collection basket beside the "pencil" or to the collection basket in the basement. Supplies will be distributed in February. Please help us to help the teachers and students in our community!



CHOIR PRACTICE

If you have a love for music, we invite you to come join this fun group. Rehearsals are at 7:00pm

on Wednesday evenings in the choir room. On Sunday mornings they gather in the worship center at 9:30am to warm up. If you have questions, ask Cynthia or a member of the choir.

Called meeting of the congregation

The Session has called a special meeting of the congregation for the purpose of receiving the report of the Nominating Committee. The meeting will be held on Sunday, January 14 in the worship center following the worship service.

Small Groups are on Break Right Now

New members always welcome!

Statler Group meets in fellowship hall Wednesdays at 8:00am. Contact Carolyn Statler (317-395-4037).

Wednesday Women's meets at 9:30am on Wednesdays in the church parlor. Contact Janet Orem (317-398-7984) or Marilyn Bushfield (317-392-3165).

Thursday Group meets at 1:00 in the church parlor on Thursdays. Contact Janet Orem (317-398-7984) or Sheila Palmer (317-392-3322).



Session Notice

The Session will meet on Monday, January 15 at 7:00pm in the church parlor. Please let Pastor Mark, Sandy Fisher, or Jane know if you are unavailable to attend.

We had an outstanding Souper Bowl of Caring last year at First Presbyterian Church. I think the A-M team narrowly



Contact The Session

Spiritual Growth
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Fellowship/Congregational Care/Evangelism

Dave Fisher Dawn Whitfield Harold Weaver

Stewardship

Stewardship/Property/Personnel

Jeff Clark Scott Gabbard

Rollin Simpson

Youth Elder Ethan Tillison

Clerk of Session Sandy Fisher

outscored the N-Z team, but the big winner of the game was Human Services. We donated 849 items and over \$400 toward their food pantry. We plan to have a rematch this year.

Human Services has indicated a need for hygiene products, so for every combination of three hygiene products such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, floss, soap, shampoo, wash cloths, etc., your team earns a three-point field goal. For every nonperishable food item your team brings in, five yards are earned (for example, twenty food items would move your team 100 yards for a six-point touchdown). As always, diapers and wipes are a big need.

The Sunday school class set up a football field on a table in Fellowship Hall. There are containers for the items brought in for each team. Place your items in the bins under the table. We will take care of moving the players, the scoring, and transferring the items from the containers to the grocery carts to be taken to Human Services.

The contest will start January 7 and run through February 4, 2018. If you have any questions about this contest feel free to ask me.



Go teams!

Peace, Jon Orem



What's Happening

Age 3-5th grade Watch the bulletin board in the hall at the back of the worship center for news and updates about our studies and our mission projects. Our Sunday School class just finished "Gardening With God" and they are now sponsoring our "Souper Bowl of Caring." All children from age 3 to grade 5 are welcome to attend Sunday School.

Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers.

Four12 - grades 6-12

Sunday mornings 10am to 12 noon
Start in worship, then head upstairs after Children's Moment
Every Sunday youth are welcome to come together to learn more about
God, to worship Him and spend time with other teens. Four12 is our
theme and directs our focus. There will be lots of snacks, so you can
have breakfast on us. Sarah Smith and LaDonna Hamlin will be leading
each Sunday morning.

Wednesday Youth Activities for grades 6-12

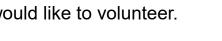
6:00 Doors open for free time.

7:00 Dinner for all

7:30 Separate Christ-centered programs for middle and high school ending at 9pm

As always, adult volunteers are a tremendous reason that our Youth Group is such a success. We're seeking volunteers to help in a variety of ways and for whatever time you have to give on Wednesday evenings.

Please contact Pastor Mark or LaDonna if you would like to volunteer.



Offering envelopes for 2018

Offering envelopes are available. There is a limit of 25 sets, so iyou should get them soon if you plan to use them. If you can't make it to church right now, let Jane know and she will save a set for you. The envelopes are on a table in the hall between the Noah's Ark Room and the choir room.

Per Capita

Every year the local church sends in a "per capita" on each of our church members. The amount for this year of \$39.05 per individual member is set by the Presbyterian Church (USA) and is used by General Assembly, the Synod of Lincoln Trails, and the Presbytery to help cover the costs of running the denomination. Some members in our church elect to pay their own per capita to help offset our church budget. If you would like to do this, please make your check payable to our church and mark "per capita" in the memo section.