



# First Presbyterian

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The Lighted Spire February, 2016

## NEWS & CALENDAR

Boy Scouts of America will celebrate Scout Sunday on February 7. Scout Sunday is the primary date to recognize the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting. There are many youth in our congregation who are either Cub Scouts or Boy Scouts, those who were in Boy Scouts when they were in school, and those who are or were adult participants in the organization. In addition an Order of the Arrow Chapter from the Boy Scouts uses our facility as their meeting place on Thursday evenings and Troop 220 from Waldron uses the church for lock-ins. We encourage all those involved with Boy Scouts, youth and adults, to attend worship that day (in uniform if possible) to be recognized.



**Note:** Girl Scout Sunday will be celebrated on March 6.

### The Choir

at First Presbyterian

The choir shares their music with us each Sunday. If you have a talent or love for music, why not join the choir in giving praise through song!

**Rehearsals - Wednesday evenings, 7:00-8:30pm**  
**Sunday morning warm-up - 9:30am**

Please talk to Cynthia if you have any questions.

### WOMEN OF THE CLOTH (KNITTERS)

#### Fourth Monday of each month

Can you knit or crochet? Looking for a fun time to share your gift? Why don't you give the Women of the Cloth, also known as "The Knitters" a try. They get together on the fourth Monday of each month to talk, laugh and work on prayer shawls to be given to people going through illness or changes in their lives. Their next gathering will be Monday, February 22 at 1:00pm at the home of Betty Alexander, 1507 Counselor Row. If you like to knit or crochet, but can't attend the meetings, we are glad to accept your donations of prayer shawls. Call Betty (317-398-6940) if you have any questions or if you know of someone who needs a prayer shawl.

### CCC 55+

#### Lunch - 4th Tuesday of each month

Mark your calendars for lunch on February 23 as the CCC's meet at the church at 11:30am for a Soup Luncheon. Everything will be Provided - just show up! This fun group is open to anyone who has had at least 55 birthdays and wants to gather for good food and great conversation! Plan to join them for lunch and see what you're missing! Contact Judy Mitchell for more information or a ride - 317-392-3038.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG](http://FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG)

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Cynthia Morningstar, Director of Music

Jane Runshe, Office Administrator

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 B-Bill Restall	2 B-Ann McDaniel 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA 	3 8:00 Statler Group at Cow Palace  Youth Activities  7:00 Choir Practice	4  1:00 Palmer/ Orem Group  7:00 BSA OA	5	6
7  Communion	8 B-Nancy Stamm, B-Joyce Runshe  6:00 Girl Scout Leaders	9 B-Nicky Harris  7:00 BRCC Practice 7:30 Bushfield Orem-parlor 7:00 AA	10 No Statler Group  Youth Activities 7:00 Choir Practice  <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	11 B-Sue Caplinger  1:00 Palmer/ Orem Group	12	13
14  First Sunday in <i>Lent</i>	15  7:00 Session  Office Closed  	16 B-Patty Shuler B-Carolyn Bowers  7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	17 8:00 Statler Group  Youth Activities  7:00 Choir Practice	18  1:00 Palmer/ Orem Group  7:00 BSA OA	19	20
21  Second Sunday in <i>Lent</i>	22 B-Doris Hobbs B-Kathy Wampler B-Cheryl Miller  1:00 Women of the Cloth (Knitters)	23  11:30 CCC (55+)-church  7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	24 8:00 Statler Group  Youth Activities  7:00 Choir Practice	25 B-Steve Leahy  1:00 Palmer/ Orem Group  7:00 BSA OA	26	27 B-Mary Ann Wasson B-Ian McLeod A-Charles & Annette Craft A-Dick & Patty Shuler
28  Third Sunday in <i>Lent</i>	29    LEAP YEAR					
			B-Birthdays A-Anniversaries			

**SUNDAY  
SCHEDULE**

9:30 AM - Choir Warm-Up  
10:00 AM - Worship Service  
& Sunday School  
11:00 AM - Gathering Time

**WEDNESDAY  
YOUTH  
SCHEDULE**

6:00 PM - Friendship Club  
7:00 PM - Dinner  
6:00 PM - Doors Open for Youth  
7:30 PM - Youth Group

## Souper Bowl of Caring



On Sunday, February 7, we will again participate in the nationwide Souper Bowl of Caring. For this you will be able to donate in two ways. The Sunday School classes will collect monetary donations at the doors that morning or you can write a check between now and February 7 to the church with "Souper Bowl" in the memo. We are also collecting extra cans, non-perishable foods, and toiletries. Items for the food pantry can be donated any time during February. Both the money and goods collected will be donated to the local food pantry at Human Services.

If you would like to see how your donations impacted the pantry at Human Services last year, please check out the bulletin board just outside the worship center doors. Our carts are available all year for you to make contributions of canned goods, non-perishable foods and toiletries.

### [This note of thanks from Human Services says it all:](#)

"Thank you so much for your generosity to our food pantry. If it wasn't for donations and partnerships such as this, we would not be able to serve our community at the capacity we have been. Between your food and monetary donations, we were able to serve on average 735 families a month. Once again thank you for helping us feed Shelby County families in times of need."

## **GIVING TREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

If you took a leaf from the giving tree on the bulletin board in the basement, please make your donations by the end of January because the D Deacons will be distributing these to the schools in February.

## About One Great Hour of Sharing

**I was hungry and  
you gave me food.  
Matthew 25:35**



Every year during Lent, our denomination (PCUSA) collects this special offering. What started as an hour-long radio appeal in 1949 has evolved over the years, varying from eight to 29 participating communions, and has grown to be the most participated-in offering in the PC(USA). One Great Hour of Sharing is an ecumenical effort aimed at raising the funds necessary to provide relief for those people who lack access to food, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) serves to help change the lives of people who are in these challenging situations. The offering provides us a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need.

Watch for more details during Lent. Offering envelopes will be available in the worship center. You may also contribute by writing a check payable to our church with "OGHS" in the memo. Donations may be given any time through March 31.

## **SHARE YOUR FLOWERS**

The D deacons provide fresh flowers for worship on Sunday mornings twice each month. The deacons would like to give you the opportunity to share flowers on the other Sundays of each month. The flowers can be from your yard (later in the year) or ones that you purchase and bring to the church. If you would like to share, use the sign-up chart on the bulletin board across from the Noah's Ark Room. Simply pick a Sunday and sign up. If you would like to place the flowers in honor of someone or in memory of someone, please let Jane know by Wednesday of the week you are providing flowers so she can include the information in the bulletin. You are welcome to take the flowers home with you or leave them to be delivered by the deacons.

## SMALL GROUPS

Statler Group-Wednesdays at 8:00am  
Schedule

February 3 - meet for breakfast at  
Cow Palace

February 10 - no meeting

They will revisit "The Life You've Always Wanted," a study they recently finished. Breakfast is served and all are welcome.

The Palmer/Orem Study Group meets on Thursday afternoons at 1:00pm in the church parlor. They have started a new study about prayer by Max Lucado.



**Youth Group**  
grades 6-12 at First Presbyterian

**Friendship Club**  
grades 3-5 at First Presbyterian

**Friendship Club for grades 3-5 - 6:00-7:00**

**Doors open for youth group - 6:00**

**Dinner for all - 7:00-7:30**

**Youth Group for grades 6-12 - 7:30-8:45**

We are still in need of leadership for the Friendship Club. They meet from 6:00-7:00 on Wednesdays and then stay to share dinner with the Youth Group. If you are interested or have questions about this group, please talk to Pastor Mark.

Adult volunteers are always welcome on Wednesday evenings. Even if you are only available to come for part of the evening or you can't come every Wednesday, you will still be a big help. Talk to Cheryl Miller or Sarah Smith if you have questions.

We are also accepting help with the meals on Wednesdays as well. If you would like to provide food or donate money for a part of a meal, that would be great. You don't have to cook the food, just donate it! Talk to Holly Simpson or Tom Miller if you have questions.

## SESSION NOTICE

The Elders are reminded of their regular stated meeting to be held on Monday, February 15, at 7:00pm in the church parlor. Please let Pastor Mark, Sandy Fisher or Jane know if you are unable to attend.

## OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you prefer to use offering envelopes when making donations to the church, they are now available in Jane's office. Please take a box of envelopes and write your name by the corresponding number on the list provided.



**ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
CONGREGATION  
Sunday, February 28**

The 192nd Annual Meeting of the congregation will be held following worship on Sunday, February 28. Please make plans to join us for this meeting as we look back to see what happened in the church last year and as we look forward to the exciting new year of possibilities that lies ahead of us in 2016. Copies of the report will be available to be picked up at worship or from the church office by Sunday, February 14.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL - Sunday morning

Jon Orem and Chris Cox lead classes for children ages 3-10 upstairs following children's moment during worship. All children are welcome to attend Sunday School classes.

Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers.

Middle- and high-school-aged kids are always welcome to remain in worship with adults or, following children's time in worship, 6th - 12th graders are invited to go upstairs to the youth room with either Cheryl Miller or Sarah Smith who lead Bible chats, activities, and prayers. Our mission is to make "Sunday School" fun, yet meaningful for tweens and teens!

## Per Capita

Every year the local church sends in a "per capita" on each of our church members. The amount for this year of \$37.70 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.



## Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander	Ashley Johnson
Bob Ardery	Lois Mitchell
Shelby Bowers	Becky Murnan
Clay Browning	Bill & Shirley Oeffinger
Ann Bruner	Jamie Orem
Vickie Butler	Sharon Orem
Naomi Catt	Tyler Orem
Randi Catt	Marilyn Phares
Shari Clark	Bill Runshe
Charles Craft	Betty Schnaiter
Daniell Cutler	Ron Sethman
Karla Crouch	Patty Shuler
Bill English	Bill & Jonita Smith
John Ervin	Deloris Sorrell
Bonnie Harris	Mary Ann Wasson
Marian Hobbs	Miriam Willey
Phil & Linda Howell	Keith & Vickie Williams

## CHURCH FAMILY & FRIENDS

Vicki Alexander, Anthony Ayers, Peg & Paul Binder, Steven Binder, Elizabeth Bir, Wyatt Cameron, Alva Catt Jr., Amanda Catt, Betty Craft, Joe Craft, Bill Collins, John Davison, Cory, Teri, Amber, Britney & Justin Douglass, Esther Gahimer, Julie Harris, Deloris Hassebroek, Ashley Hedges, David Hunton, Jaxon, Jeremy Klakamp, Margaret Newkirk, Betty Nichols, Brad Nigh, Patricia Overmeyer, Mary Kay Pitts, Janet Roberts, Jon Ross, Natalie Sargent, Nigel Schonfeld, John Scudder, Chera Shaub, Brody Stephens, Peggy Trittipio, Cheryl White, Sally Willis, Susan Woledge

### Those in military service

Blake McIntire	Alex Dillon
Deryk Smith	Brett Walburn



It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Dennis Runshe and Ronnie Kuhn.

Dennis was a long time member of the church, the son of Bill and Joyce, brother of Dan and Darryl, and father to Lee.

Ronnie was also a long time member of the church. He was the husband of Juanita and grandfather to Jake.

Ronnie and Dennis were also cousins. We extend our Christian sympathies to Dennis' and Ronnie's families and friends.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CARING

The family of Dennis Runshe would like to thank the congregation for their prayers and concerns following Dennis' passing. We also thank the D Deacons for the delicious funeral dinner which allowed us time to visit with family and friends. We extend special thanks to Mark for his caring and support for our entire family during our time of grief. It is comforting to know that we belong to such a caring church family.

Thank you all so much,  
Bill and Joyce Runshe  
Dan and Jane Runshe  
Lee Runshe  
Darryl and Trena Runshe



## SHIRTS AVAILABLE

We now have all sizes (youth and adult) of t-shirts with our logo on them. These are available in Jane's office for \$8 each.



## Welcome to the world

We extend our congratulations to Lee and Daniell Cutler on the birth of their son Ryan William. Ryan was born on December 31. We offer our best wishes to the Cutler family as they welcome their new addition.

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## THANKS FOR EVERYTHING

Dear First Presbyterian Church of Shelbyville,

Thanks from us here at Shelbyville Head Start. Through the church and Statler Group's donation of books and time, the program turned in over \$1,900 of InKind. Each classroom must raise \$25,000 of goods, services, and materials each year to remain funded for the following school year. Not only were we able to pass out a portion of the books to the children and their families, but we used the remaining books from the book drive to stock our library at the center. With your help of the book drive, the use of the church for last year's graduation and winter cultural celebration, and individual donations from members of the church we were able to reach our goal as a center for InKind. It was close, and without the church's generosity, I'm confident we would not have achieved it as a center.

Please keep us in mind in the future, as we will you. The children and staff appreciate everything you have done as a church and a congregation and hope to maintain this helpful partnership. Thanks again!

Sincerely, All Staff and Students of Shelbyville Head Start

Note: If you would like to volunteer at Head Start or make a donation, you can contact the Head Start Shelbyville center at 392-1592 or talk to Adrienne (Runshe) Lingerfelt. If you have books you would like to donate to the center, these can be dropped off in the baskets around the church or in the church office.