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The Lighted Spire

November, 2017



During the season leading up to Thanksgiving and Christmas, there will be many opportunities to hear some wonderful music.

On Sunday, November 5, the Choir from Morristown High School will share their music with us during worship. Our choir will join with them for a special performance of *The Battle Hymn of the Republic*. A free will offering will be collected for the choir following the service.

This is the 17th year that Shelby County Church Women United has sponsored a Community Thanksgiving Celebration to feature some of the best Christians musicians in this area to benefit a worthy cause. This year's celebration will be held in our worship center on Sunday, November 12, at 2:00pm. Our choir will be singing along with the Blue River Community Choir. Refreshments will be served after the service and a free will offering will benefit the Salvation Army.

Synergy, the show choir from Shelbyville High School, will share their music with us on Sunday, December 3, during worship. A free will offering will be collected for Synergy on that day.

On Sunday, December 10, during worship the children will present their Christmas Program. This is always a wonderful service when our younger ones tell the story of Christmas from their point of view.

Our choir has begun working on the Christmas cantata, *Go Sing It on the Mountain*, which they will perform during the worship service on Sunday, December 17. Join us to be inspired by hearing the Christmas story through song.

Our hope is to share the joy of these holiday seasons through music in many different forms. Please make plans to join us in these celebrations.

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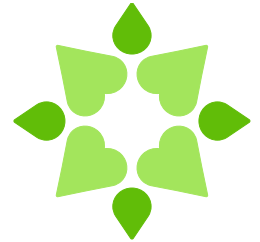
Cynthia Morningstar, Director of Music

Jane Runshe, Office Administrator

LaDonna Hamlin, Director of Christian Education

Sara Marshall, Sunday School Coordinator

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Prayer Requests

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

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 Hassebrook, Vicki Hassebrook, Ashley Hedges, Janna Craft Hedges, Hunter, David Hunton, Jaxon, 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 Trittipio, Alice Wheeler, Cheryl White, Sally Willis, Susan Woolledge

Those in military service

Blake McIntire	Alex Dillon
Deryk Smith	Brett Walburn



Warm Fuzzy Tree

Each year, the D Deacons put up a Christmas tree with ornaments on it listing a child's age, size and an article of clothing or a toy. These ornaments are taken each year so that the gift listed can be purchased and

returned to the church to be distributed in time for Christmas. Here are some dates to mark on your calendars:

November 15 — deadline to turn in names for WFT

November 19 — WFT up with gift tags ready to be picked up

December 17 — deadline for WFT gifts to be returned; will be sorted and bagged for distribution

On Sunday, November 12, during worship, we will have a blessing of the prayer shawls during worship. If you have a prayer shawl that you received, if

you are working on a prayer shawl, if you have a finished prayer shawl, or if you have yarn you intend to make into a prayer shawl, please bring them to worship to be included. This includes any hats, scarves, mittens or blankets you are working on as well. Talk to Betty Alexander if you have questions.



Small Groups

New members always welcome!

Statler Group meets in fellowship hall on Wednesdays at 8:00am. Will not meet on November 1 and will have breakfast at Cow Palace on November 8. Will start a new 4-week Advent study about Joseph on November 15. Contact Carolyn Statler (317-395-4037).

Wednesday Women's Group meets on Wednesdays at 9:30am in the church parlor. They are on break until after the first of the year. Contact Janet Orem (317-398-7984) or Marilyn Bushfield (317-392-3165)

Thursday Group meets on Thursday afternoon at 1:00 in the church parlor. They will finish Moses on November 2 and will work to pick out a new study. Contact Janet Orem (317-398-7984) or Sheila Palmer (317-392-3322).



D Deacons need your help!



Our collection of school supplies for the 2017-2018 school year is still going strong. The collection will continue until the end of January. 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. Please help us to help the teachers and students in our community!

CCC 55+

Fourth Tuesday of each month

This fun group is for all who have had 55 birthdays! This group will not meet in November as they make plans for their Christmas Lunch earlier in December. Contact Judy Mitchell for a ride or for more information - 317-392-3038.

**New order of shirts has arrived-lots of sizes!
\$8 each
Youth & adult sizes!**



Session Notice

The Session will meet on Monday, November 20 at 7:00pm in the church parlor. Please let Pastor Mark, Sandy Fisher, or Jane know if you are unavailable to attend.

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 (new!)

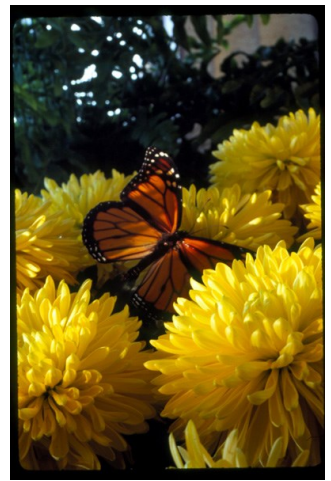
Guests are always welcome to come and join this ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, come and check out this small, fun group. Even if you don't know how to knit or crochet, they will be glad to teach you and get you started.

The next meeting of this group will be on Monday, November 27 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.

Sisters of Strength November 5 at 6:30pm

First Presbyterian's "Sisters of Strength" is offering an opportunity for women to spend time with other women at the church. On November 5, we will have our Fall Fun Night beginning at 6:30pm in fellowship hall. All women are invited and encouraged to bring friends. Our devotional speaker for the evening will be Janet Orem, and Nancy Wittekind will lead us in making a wreath. We provide the supplies you need or you can bring a wreath you already have that you would like to refresh. Refreshments will be served and we will provide child care if you RSVP that there is a need.

Next gathering will be December 3. Watch for details.



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. Work is beginning on their Christmas cantata, "Go Sing It On The Mountain." 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.

Screenings to be offered

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at First Presbyterian Church on 12/9/2017. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or text the word circle to 797979 or visit**

www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle

We still have 2 certificates good for 1 individual screening (worth \$70) or \$55 to apply toward any vascular package valued at \$129 or more. If you are interested, please call Jane.

Contact The Session

Spiritual Growth

Christian Education/Worship

Chris Cox

Sarah Smith

Nurture & Evangelism

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





Thanks for your generosity!

Our “Noisy Offering” on November 15 to raise money to purchase seeds and a container garden through the PCUSA Giving Catalog as donations to the Presbyterian Mission Agency was a great success. We raised \$200.00 and were able to purchase a share in a garden well, a bag of moringa tree seeds, a bag of native seeds and 2 container gardens! Thanks for your generosity.

Also, the bags we decorated during Day of Caring are now at the front of the sanctuary overflowing with items for the food pantry at Human Services. This was done to support World Food Day on October 16. Once these have been delivered, we will give you a final count. As usual, food and items for the pantry can be donated at any time during the year. Again, thanks for your generosity.

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 is doing a unit called “Gardening With God.” We are studying Bible readings about plants and learning some things about plants and their importance. All children from age 3 to grade 5 are welcome to attend Sunday School.

Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers.

**BRING A FRIEND
TO SUNDAY SCHOOL!**



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.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <h1>NOVEMBER</h1>			1 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir	2 1:00 Study Group 7:00 BSA OA	3 B-George Hobbs	4 B-Ann Bruner  Fall Back Set your clocks back!
5 B-Ray Craft Morristown Choir will share their music with us in worship 6:30 SOS	6 B-Todd Plymate B-Melissa McLane	7 B-Jill DeWitt A-Steve & Chris Cox 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	8 B-Deloris Sorrell B-Carolyn Statler 8:00 Statler Group at Cow Palace 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir	9 B-Gordon Hamlin 7:00 BSA OA	10	11 B-Lauren Pearce PEO Breakfast (Emily Campbell)  Veterans Day
12 B-Betty Ardery B-Lisa Robinson Blessing of the Prayer Shawls 2:00 CWU Community Thanksgiving Celebration - here	13	14 B-Charline Brown 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	15 B-Ann Smith B-Brad Muldoon B-Shelle Cline 8:00 Statler Group Names due for Warm Fuzzy Tree 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir	16 7:00 BSA OA	17 B-Niko Miller B-Jim Browning Girl Scouts Cookies & Cocoa after parade	18 10:00-2:00 Craft Demo (Patti Stone)
19 B-Derek Lingerfelt Warm Fuzzy Tree up and ready for you to take ornaments	20 7:00 Session	21 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	22 No Statler Group 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir	23  Happy Thanksgiving!	24 A-Dan & Jane Runshe	25 B-Jim DeWitt A-Bob & Betty Ardery
26 Communion Help D Deacons decorate Worship Center	27 1:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry	28 A-Steve & Cindy Leahy No CCC (55+) 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA Thanksgiving	29 B-Scott McLane 8:00 Statler Group 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir	30 7:00 BSA OA	Deacons Shane Appleton Jim Browning Dave Wheeler Liz Wheeler Nancy Wittekind B-Birthdays A-Anniversaries	

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

WEDNESDAY YOUTH SCHEDULE

Youth Group - grades 6-12
6:00 PM - Doors Open for Youth
7:00 PM - Dinner
7:30 PM - Youth Group
9:00pm - Youth Group ends